

Western  
Sahara

MAURITANIA

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**Strength of forces:**

**Jihadist:** Current estimates of 5,000-6,000 trained fighters, many of whom have retreated to bases in Adrar des Ifôghas mountains on the border with Algeria, and others to Niger, Chad and beyond

**African:**

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| Mali 12,150      | Senegal 500 |
| Chad 2,000       | Togo 500    |
| Nigeria 900      | Benin 300   |
| Burkina Faso 500 | Guinea 144  |
| Niger 500        | Ghana 120   |

**European:** Over 3,000 French forces, plus up to 400 training personnel from EU countries to retrain Malian army

**FRENCH  
FORCES' BASES**

