

The logo features the United States Navy seal on the left, which includes an eagle with wings spread, holding an anchor, surrounded by the words "DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY" and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". To the right of the seal, the words "United States Navy" are written in a blue serif font, and "Biography" is written in a larger, bold blue serif font. A blue horizontal line with an arrowhead pointing to the right is positioned below the word "Biography".

United States Navy Biography

Vice Admiral David C. Johnson
Principal Military Deputy
Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition

Vice Adm. David Johnson, the son of a Navy captain and a Pensacola, Florida, native, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering.

Upon commissioning, Johnson reported to Trident Refit Facility in Bangor, Washington, where he served as docking officer, qualified as ship superintendent at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and earned his engineering duty dolphins. Johnson graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1989 with a naval engineer degree and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering. Subsequently, Johnson held submarine acquisition and repair positions at the Supervisor of Shipbuilding in Groton, Connecticut, as a waterfront coordinator delivering Ohio class submarines and later as the program manager's representative for the Virginia-class submarine; at Trident Refit Facility Bangor as the planning officer; and at program executive officer (PEO) Submarines as the assistant program manager for USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23).



Johnson became major program manager Virginia Program Office (PMS 450) in 2005. Under his guidance, the Virginia program reduced overall cost by \$4 billion and delivered four submarines to the fleet. The program was awarded the 2007 DoD Value Engineering Award and the 2008 David A. Packard Award for Acquisition Excellence. Johnson also established and served as the first Undersea Enterprise chief technology officer.

Johnson's flag tours include PEO Submarines, deputy commander for Undersea Technology (SEA 073), deputy PEO Submarines for the Ohio SSBN Replacement Program and commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center. In October 2015, he assumed responsibilities as principal military deputy for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy Research, Development & Acquisition.

Johnson has received various personal and campaign awards, including the Defense Service Medal, Legion of Merit and the Meritorious Service Medal with three gold stars.

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