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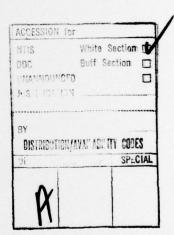
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## **PREFACE**

This report was prepared by the Biodynamic Environment Branch, Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory, under Project/Task 72310418, Measurement of Noise and Vibration Environments of Air Force Operations.

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#### INTRODUCTION

The F-5E is a single-seat light tactical fighter manufactured by the Northrop Corporation. Power is provided by two GE J85-GE-21 turbojet engines each rated at 5000 lb maximum takeoff thrust with afterburner. The engines are manufactured by the General Electric Company, Aircraft Engine Group, Military Engine Division.

This volume provides measured data defining bioacoustic environments produced inside the aircraft. Such data are essential to evaluate ear protection requirements, limiting personnel exposure times, voice communication capabilities, and annoyance problems associated with operations of the F-5E aircraft.

This volume is one of a series published by the Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory (AMRL) under the same report number (AMRL-TR-75-50) as a multi-volume handbook that quantifies the noise environments produced at flight/ground crew locations and in surrounding communities by operations of Air Force aircraft and ground support equipment. The far-field, community-type noise data in the handbook describe the noise produced during ground operations of aircraft, ground support equipment, and other ground-based equipment or facilities.

Volume 1 of this handbook discusses the objectives and design of the handbook, types of data presented, measurement procedures, instrumentation, data processing, definitions of quantities, symbols, equations, applications, limitations, etc. Refer to Volume 1 (reference 1) for such information because it is not repeated in other handbook volumes.

A cumulative index lists those aerospace systems contained in the handbook, and identifies the specific volumes containing each type of environmental noise data available (i.e., inflight/flight crew and passenger noise, near-field/ground crew noise, far-field/community noise). Volume numbers are assigned sequentially as individual volumes are published. This index is periodically updated as individual volumes are published, and are available upon request from AMRL/BBE, Wright-Paterson AFB, OH 45433. Organizations on the distribution list for the handbook will automatically receive a copy of each updated index as it is generated.

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### IN-FLIGHT NOISE

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

All noise measurements were made on-board an F-5E aircraft during typical speed, altitude, and flight maneuver conditions. These levels describe the standard F-5E environments but may not be representative of those levels encountered if the aircraft has been configured differently (e.g., major equipment or structural changes).

Measurements were made inside the cockpit at the pilot's location with MICROPAK, which is a small in-flight recording system worn by the pilot. The miniature electret condenser microphone was attached to the pilot's helmet on a light-weight boom and positioned at ear level 0.1 meter from the helmet's surface with its diaphragm parallel to the surface pointing away from the helmet.

In the analysis, microphone corrections for random incidence were applied to the overall system's response. The recorded samples were analyzed using a 4- or 8-second integration time to obtain power-averaged levels that effectively smooth out short duration fluctuations and best describes the exposure.

Table 1 lists the measurement location and test conditions as numeric/alphabetic designators which are used on the data pages. The designator 1/A means measurement location 1 and test condition A.

#### RESULTS

The measured data presented in Table 2 define the sound pressure levels (SPL) produced inside the F-5E aircraft at the specified location. This table includes the overall, 1/3 octave band, and octave band levels. From these data, C-weighted and A-weighted sound levels, maximum permissible time for one exposure per day (AFR 161-35) with and without standard Air Force ear protectors, preferred speech interference level, and perceived noise level are calculated and presented in Table 3. These measures are widely used to assess the effects of noise on personnel and their performance.

#### TABLE 1

#### MEASUREMENT LOCATION AND TEST CONDITIONS

F-5E, Edwards AFB, 16 April 76

LOCATION	POSITION	HEIGHT ABOVE DECK
1	Cockpit	Seated Head Level
CONDITION	DESC	RIPTION
A	Left Engine St	art — Canopy Open
В	Idle — Both E	ngines — Canopy Closed
C	Ground Runup	- 80% RPM - Canopy Closed
D	Takeoff - Max	k. Power
E	Climb to 5000	MSL — Mil Power
F	Climb to 10,00	0' MSL — Mil Power
G	Climb to 15,00	0' MSL — Mil Power
н	Firing Range S	Sweep — 15,000' MSL
I	Climb to 20,00	0'MSL — Mil Power
J	Cruise 375 KI	AS — 20,000' MSL
к	Cruise — 380	KIAS — 21,100' MSL
L	Descent With	Missile Firing
M	Final Approach	n — Flaps Down
N	Touch Down as	nd Landing Roll
P	Taxi	

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NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT:	( OPERATION	a N O			~ ~				
F-SE AIRCRAFT INFLIGHT NOISE LEVELS									) 13 SEP 76 ) PAGE F1
				CATIO	LOCATION/CONDITION	DITION			
FREQ (HZ)	1/4	1/8	1/0	1/0	1/E	1/5	1/6	# T	
50	93	76	81	98	80	80	9.0	80	
63	06	88	81	89	80	80	80	81	
80	89	98	83	98	83	83	83	94	
100	87	87	95	100	95	96	95	96	
125	82	82	96	101	96	96	86	98	
160	82	78	93	95	95	76	16	46	
200	83	82	93	46	93	76	16	95	
250	82	85	93	46	93	76	93	96	
315	48	85	46	95	93	95	95	16	
007	87	96	93	95	93	93	93	16	
200	82	84	96	98	96	98	46	98	
630	82	78	95	91	91	93	95	93	
800	80	85	100	68	91	95	93	93	
1000	78	9 8	95	68	6 8	90	90	95	
1250	80	85	91	89	8 9	95	91	95	
1600	80	88	89	88	88	91	91	95	
2000	62	87	88	98	88	95	91	95	
2500	62	96	89	88	87	91	91	95	
3150	81	68	89	88	88	91	91	91	
0004	94	95	95	95	91	95	36	93	
2000	82	98	87	98	85	88	88	88	
6300	85	68	89	68	86	88	89	88	
8000	95	98	68	88	98	89	89	89	
10000	26	85	89	87	87	91	95	91	
OVERALL	102	101	107	108	105	106	106	107	

OCTAVE	BAND							) OMEGA 3.2
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT:	( OPERATIONS				~ ^			) RUN 02
F-SE AIRCRAFT								1 13 SEP 76
INFLIGNT NOISE LEVELS								) PAGE F2
			-	OCATIO	LOCATION/CONDITION	NOILI		
FREQ (HZ)	171	1/1	1/K	17	7	1, N	1/P	
50	62	6.2	78	80	62	98	82	
63	80	7.8	80	81	90	9.4	94	
80	82	81	82	83	82	87	06	
100	95	46	76	95	95	95	91	
125	86	96	96	96	97	95	93	
160	* *	2 4	160	76	2 4	0 0	8 3	
250	93	06	95	95	63	92		
315	16	68	95	76	91	95	82	
100	<b>4</b> 6	90	95	95	93	88	96	
500	98	96	26	100	86	98	62	
630	93	35	16	96	93	80	72	
800	93	91	95	96	95	79	1,2	
1000	95	68	95	96	91	11	73	
1250	92	68	91	93	95	92	72	
1600	26	30	35	93	36	92	17	
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8000	06	88	88	88	06	73	7.4	
10000	91	06	06	96	95	0.2	29	
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LEVEL CORRECTED TO REMOVE BACKGROUND/ELECTRONIC NOISE.

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NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT:	( OPERATIONS	. NO			~				) TEST 76-406-001
F-5E AIRCRAFT Inflight noise levels									) 13 SEP 76 ) PAGE J1
				OCATIO	LOCATION/CONDITION	NOILI			
FREQ (HZ)	1/A	1/8	1/6	1,0	1/E	1/F	176	17.H	
63	95	95	86	66	86	98	98	87	
125	91	90	100	104	66	101	100	101	
250	88	06	86	96	96	86	98	100	
200	68	90	100	100	100	100	66	100	
1000	79	90	102	46	95	96	96	26	
2000	48	92	93	95	95	96	96	26	
0004	87	46	95	46	93	95	95	96	
8000	66	95	46	93	91	46	95	46	
OVERALL	102	101	107	108	105	106	105	107	

TABLE: MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (08)  2 OCTAVE BAND	ESSURE LEVEL	(60)						) IDENTIFICATION: ) OMEGA 3.2
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT:	( OPERATIONS	9 N O			^			) TEST 76-406-001
F-5E AIRCRAFT INFLIGHT NOISE LEVELS								) 13 SEP 76 ) PAGE J2
				LOCATI	LOCATION/CONDITION	NOILI		
FREQ (HZ)	1/1	1/1	1/K	17	1/4	1 × ×	1/P	
63	85	48	85	86	85	06	95	
125	101	96	66	66	100	26	95	
250	66	95	26	66	96	96	98	
200	100	98	66	102	100	9.0	87	
1000	16	46	96	66	96	82	7.8	
2000	96	46	96	96	96	80	75	
0000	96	46	46	95	96	62	75	
8000	95	93	93	93	95	7.8	78	
OVERALL	107	104	105	107	106	101	80	

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OASLA	104	102	103	105	104	95	87	
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UASCAT	101	170	163	101	120	240	28	
HGU-2A/P HELMET WITH H-154(A)						:		
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OASLA*	96	95	26	100	16	06	84	
_	45	7.1	20	30	20	176	480	
COMMUNICATION PREFERRED SPEECH INTERF PSIL	INTERFERENCE LEVEL 98	EL (PSIL 90	N1 97	98)	16	4	80	
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OASLA		99 1			101	103	103	104		
-			15	21	25	18	18	15		
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DASLA*	7.8	62	88	88	87	87	87	80		
-					285	285	285	240		
HGU-2A/P HELMET WITH CUSTOM LINER	,				96	07	44	8		
1		202	36	20	09	20	20	45		
COMMUNICATION PREFERRED SPEECH INTERFERENCE LEVEL PSIL 86	CE LEVEL	(PSIL 93	1N DB)	95	96	26	76	86		
ANNOYANCE PERCEIVED NOISE LEVEL, TONE	CORRECTED (PNLT IN PNDB)	CPNL	NI	N08)						
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