

Define 'Mission'

According to an B17 airman's (463rd BG) memoire: "Every time we took off on a flight it was "one mission" (unless it was an aborted mission/early return). Each *takeoff* was called a sortie whether it counted as a single or a double mission. When we bombed a heavily defended target, we received credit for two missions (a double). We flew 50 *missions*, and that was 35 *sorties*." Provided by R. N. Benedett.