



helicopter combat support squadron four



Observation, reconnaissance, and transportation of personnel and cargo make the helicopter a necessity to the Icebreaker. A detachment of 4 pilots, eleven crewmen, and 2 helicopters from the naval air station in Lakehurst, New Jersey fulfill this need. With a range of 350-400 miles, a cruising speed of 100 knots, and the capability to carry up to 4,000 pounds of cargo, these "Birds" add two extra-long arms to the ship.