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Between midnight on 6 June (D-Day) and 30 June 1944 an Allied invasion force of over 850,000 troops landed on France's Normandy beaches, together with nearly 150,000 vehicles and 570,000 tons of supplies. 'Operation Overlord', as the almost three month campaign was known, was supported by a massive airborne assault and the deployment of 7,000 vessels, known as 'Operation Neptune'. D-Day was the start of the long campaign to liberate occupied north-west Europe, leading to the eventual Allied defeat of [Read more](#)