

2 Pounder Anti-Aircraft Gun (Pom Pom)

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The 2 Pounder Anti-Aircraft Gun



In 1937 it was decided to adopt the Naval 2 Pounder Anti-Aircraft gun for land use, this was at the same time as when the Bofors was also adapted. It soon became clear that the Bofors was a far more effective weapon and so only very few were used, these were used positioned near ports and naval installations. When production of Bofors reached sufficient numbers these guns were replaced and sent to the navy for ship use.

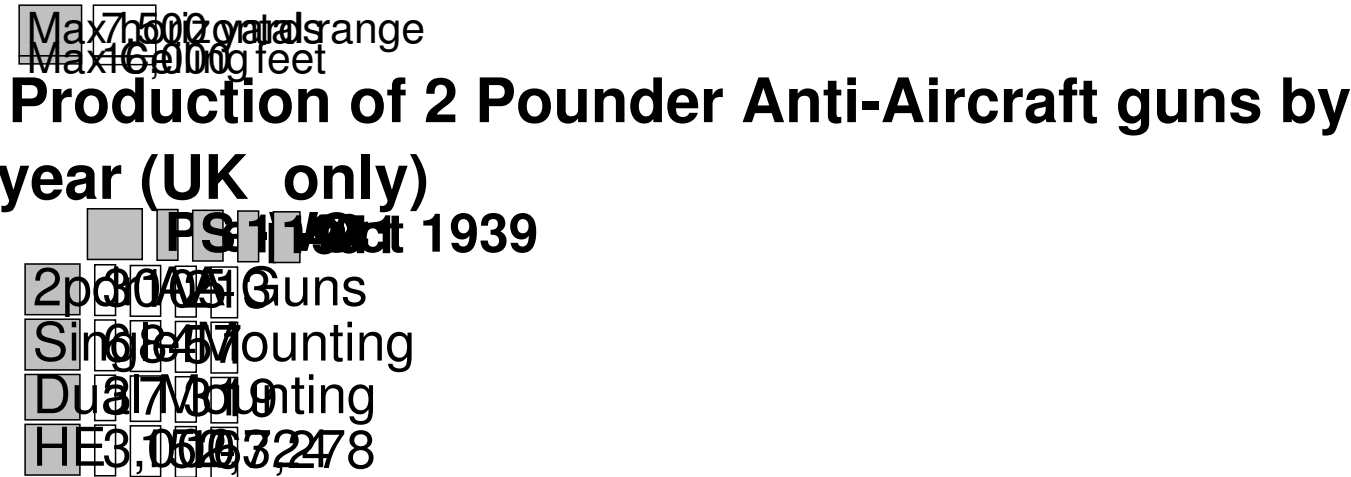
Ground weapons came in both single and dual mountings, naval versions also had quad and eight gun mounting.

2 Pounder Anti-Aircraft Gun Data

We 125lb of gun and breech	
Total length	96ft
Length of bore	62ft
Rifling	12 grooves, 1/30
Elevation	0-80 degrees
Traverse	0-90 degrees
Weight	15,680lb
Rate of fire	60
Projectile weight	25lb
Muzzle velocity	2,275fps

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