

Global military spending on the rise

Military spending rose to \$1.73 trillion in 2017, an increase of 1.1 percent on 2016 and the highest level since the Cold War

TOP SPENDERS
(2017, \$bn)
World share (%)

UNITED STATES
\$610 billion
World share: 35%

U.S. spent more than next seven highest spenders combined.
Military budget for 2018 set to increase to \$700bn

China's 13 percent of world share up from 5.8% in 2008

CHINA*
\$228 billion
World share: 13%

SAUDI ARABIA*
69.4
4.0

RUSSIA
66.3
3.8

INDIA
63.9
3.7

FRANCE
57.8
3.3

Saudi Arabia has overtaken Russia, where military spending fell by 20% in 2017, first cut in real terms since 1998

India's defence spending rose by 5.5% in 2017, passing France to join world's top five military spenders

UK
47.2
2.7

JAPAN
45.4
2.6

GERMANY
44.3
2.5

S. KOREA
39.2
2.3

29.3
1.7

BRAZIL

29.2
1.7

ITALY

27.5
1.6

AUSTRALIA

20.6
1.2

CANADA

18.2
1.0

TURKEY

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