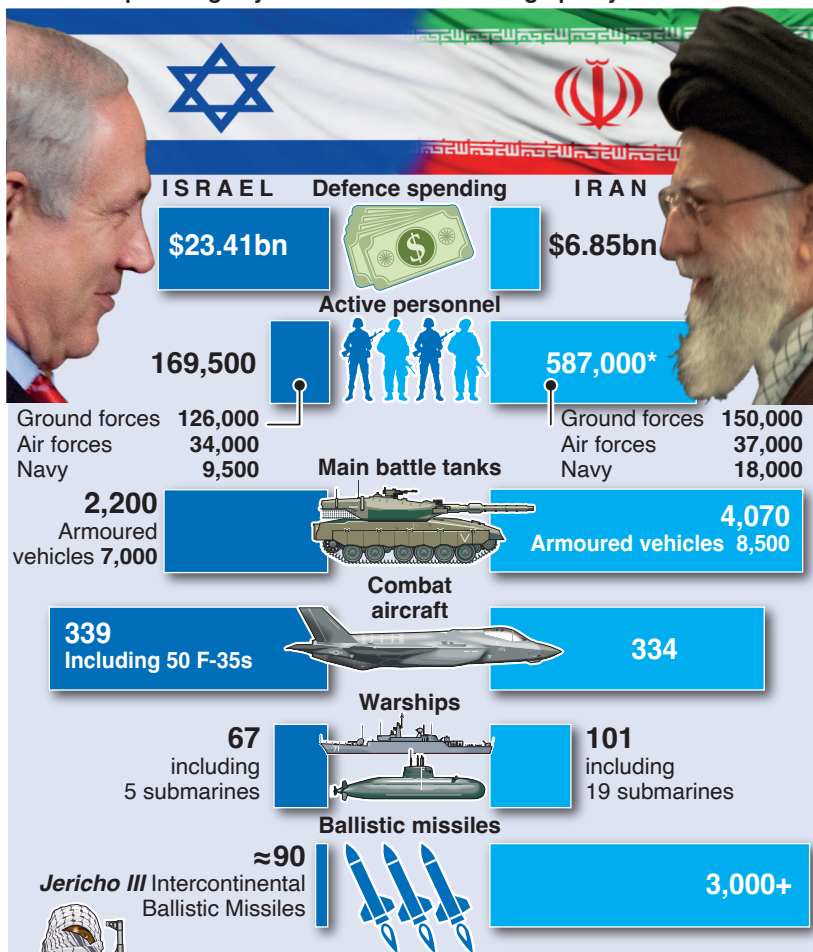


# Israel-Iran military strength

Shadow warfare between Israel and Iran increasingly threatens to spill over into open conflict. Iran avoids state-on-state hostility, instead pursuing asymmetrical warfare through proxy armies



\*Includes Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps: Upward of 190,000 troops plus Basij paramilitaries. Proxy armies include Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad in Gaza, Hezbollah in Lebanon and Shia militias in Iraq amounting to estimated 200,000 fighters