

Global nuclear weapons spending surges

Investment in nuclear weapons has increased by 13% to a record \$91.4 billion during 2023, driven by a sharp rise in U.S. defence budgets amid growing geopolitical tensions

SHARE OF GLOBAL SPENDING, 2023

▲ Percentage change from 2022

China
\$11.9bn
▲ 6.7%

Russia
\$8.3bn
▲ 6.1%

UK
\$8.1bn
▲ 17.1%

France
\$6.1bn
▲ 5.7%

India
\$2.7bn
▲ 2.5%

Israel
\$1.1bn
▲ 2.4%

Pakistan
\$1bn
▲ 12.5%

North Korea
\$0.86bn
▲ 4.7%

U.S.
\$51.5bn
▲ 17.8%

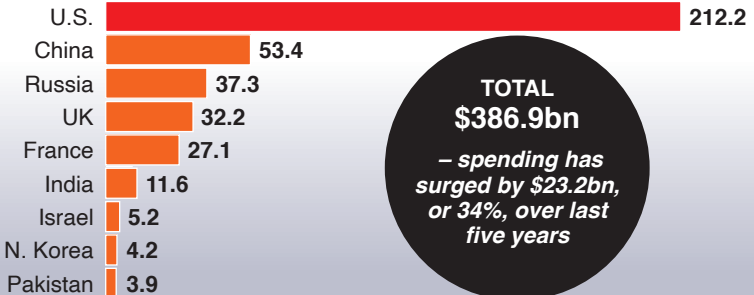
U.S. spent more than all other nuclear-armed countries combined

TOTAL
\$91.4 billion

13.4% ▲

Equivalent to \$2,898 per second

TOTAL SPENT OVER 5 YEARS (2019-23, \$ billions)



**TOTAL
\$386.9bn**
– spending has surged by \$23.2bn, or 34%, over last five years

Picture: U.S. Department of Defense