

The 15 major spender countries in 2006

The 15 countries with the highest military expenditure in 2006 in market exchange rate terms and purchasing power parity terms

Spending figures are in US\$, at constant (2005) prices and exchange rates.

Military expenditure in MER dollar terms						Military expenditure in PPP dollar terms ^a		
Rank	Country	Spending (\$ b.)	Spending per capita (\$)	World share (%)		Rank	Country	Spending (\$ b.)
				Spending	Popul.			
1	USA	528.7	1 756	46	5	1	USA	528.7
2	UK	59.2	990	5	1	2	China	[188.2]
3	France	53.1	875	5	1	3	India	114.3
4	China	[49.5]	[37]	[4]	20	4	Russia	[82.8]
5	Japan	43.7	341	4	2	5	UK	51.4
Sub-total top 5		734.2		63	29	Sub-total top 5		965.5
6	Germany	37.0	447	3	1	6	France	46.6
7	Russia	[34.7]	[244]	[3]	2	7	Saudi Arabia ^{b, c}	36.4
8	Italy	29.9	514	3	1	8	Japan	35.2
9	Saudi Arabia ^{b, c}	29.0	1 152	3	–	9	Brazil	32.0
10	India	23.9	21	2	17	10	Germany	31.2
Sub-total top 10		888.7		77	50	Sub-total top 10		1 147.0
11	Korea, South	21.9	455	2	1	11	South Korea	30.1
12	Australia ^c	13.8	676	1	–	12	Iran ^b	28.6
13	Canada ^c	13.5	414	1	–	13	Italy	28.6
14	Brazil	13.4	71	1	3	14	Turkey	20.2
15	Spain	12.3	284	1	1	15	Pakistan	15.6
Sub-total top 15		963.7		83	56	Sub-total top 15		1 270.2
World		1 158	177	100	100	World		..

MER = market exchange rate; PPP = purchasing power parity; [] = estimated figure.

^a The figures in PPP dollar terms are converted at PPP rates (for 2005), calculated by the World Bank, based on comparisons of gross national product.

^b Data for Iran and Saudi Arabia include expenditure for public order and safety and might be slight overestimates.

^c The populations of Australia, Canada and Saudi Arabia each constitute less than 0.5% of the total world population.

Sources: **Military expenditure:** Appendix 8A; **PPP rates:** World Bank, *World Development Report 2006: Equity and Development* (World Bank: Washington, DC, 2005), URL <<http://econ.worldbank.org/wdr/>>, table 1, pp. 292–93, and table 5, p. 300; **2006 population:** United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), *State of the World Population 2006* (UNFPA: New York, N.Y., 2006), URL <<http://unfpa.org/swp/>>.