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| Region | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| World total (including Iraq) | 993 | 1022 | 1044 | 1123 | 1208 | 1389 | 1443 | 1490 | 1549 | 1639 | 1754 |
| World total (excluding Iraq) | | | | | | 1387 | 1440 | 1488 | 1546 | 1635 | 1750 |
| Africa | 20.9 | 18.9 | 19.7 | 23.4 | 21.1 | 23.2 | 23.9 | 24.8 | 26.0 | 30.5 | 32.0 |
| <i>North Africa</i> | 5.4 | 5.4 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 8.9 | 11.0 | 12.5 |
| <i>Sub-Saharan Africa</i> | 15.5 | 13.4 | 13.0 | 16.4 | 13.6 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 16.4 | 17.0 | 19.5 | 19.4 |
| Americas | 506 | 524 | 532 | 590 | 662 | 719 | 752 | 765 | 789 | 846 | 912 |
| <i>Central America & the Caribbean</i> | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 6.3 |
| <i>North America</i> | 471 | 488 | 493 | 552 | 626 | 682 | 713 | 724 | 744 | 798 | 861 |
| <i>South America</i> | 30.7 | 31.0 | 34.2 | 34.2 | 31.2 | 32.6 | 35.0 | 36.7 | 39.1 | 42.3 | 45.2 |
| Asia and Oceania | 190 | 194 | 205 | 214 | 224 | 237 | 249 | 263 | 278 | 295 | 332 |
| <i>Central</i> | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| <i>East Asia</i> | 116 | 119 | 128 | 136 | 141 | 148 | 156 | 167 | 177 | 187 | 212 |
| <i>Oceania</i> | 16.1 | 16.0 | 16.5 | 17.1 | 17.4 | 18.0 | 18.5 | 19.6 | 20.8 | 21.4 | 23.0 |
| <i>South Asia</i> | 36.6 | 38.1 | 39.2 | 39.3 | 40.2 | 45.8 | 48.4 | 49.1 | 50.0 | 55.2 | 63.9 |
| <i>South-East Asia</i> | 20.5 | 20.3 | 20.6 | 21.8 | 24.1 | 24.2 | 24.7 | 25.9 | 29.7 | 30.6 | 32.0 |
| Europe | 276 | 285 | 287 | 295 | 301 | 305 | 303 | 314 | 322 | 331 | 337 |
| <i>Central Europe</i> | 17.6 | 17.7 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 20.2 | 20.6 | 21.8 | 21.0 | 20.2 |
| <i>Eastern Europe</i> | 19.0 | 25.3 | 27.2 | 30.2 | 31.9 | 33.5 | 38.2 | 42.9 | 47.6 | 52.1 | 53.6 |
| <i>Western Europe</i> | 239 | 242 | 242 | 246 | 250 | 252 | 244 | 250 | 253 | 258 | 263 |
| Middle East (excluding Iraq) | 84.6 | 93.4 | 96.5 | 94.2 | 96.4 | 103 | 112 | 122 | 131 | 132 | 137 |
| Middle East (including Iraq) | | | | | | 105 | 115 | 124 | 134 | 136 | 141 |

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| Region | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| World total (including Iraq) | 1790 | 1793 | 1779 | 1748 | 1740 | 1767 | 1774 | 1796 | 1842 | 1909 | 1960 |
| World total (excluding Iraq) | 1785 | 1788 | 1775 | 1740 | 1733 | 1758 | 1768 | 1789 | 1836 | 1902 | 1953 |
| Africa | 34.3 | 38.6 | 39.7 | 44.2 | 45.6 | 44.0 | 42.6 | 41.5 | 40.5 | 40.9 | 43.0 |
| <i>North Africa</i> | 14.0 | 17.4 | 18.9 | 22.2 | 23.0 | 23.3 | 23.2 | 22.6 | 22.1 | 23.1 | 24.6 |
| <i>Sub-Saharan Africa</i> | 20.3 | 21.2 | 20.8 | 21.9 | 22.7 | 20.7 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 18.4 | 17.8 | 18.4 |
| Americas | 937 | 927 | 881 | 820 | 775 | 761 | 757 | 756 | 779 | 817 | 849 |
| <i>Central America & the Caribbean</i> | 6.1 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 9.2 |
| <i>North America</i> | 883 | 873 | 825 | 761 | 716 | 702 | 700 | 697 | 717 | 757 | 789 |
| <i>South America</i> | 48.4 | 47.7 | 49.0 | 50.9 | 51.5 | 50.9 | 48.6 | 51.4 | 52.7 | 51.8 | 50.7 |
| Asia and Oceania | 340 | 352 | 368 | 384 | 404 | 428 | 449 | 470 | 484 | 506 | 519 |
| <i>Central</i> | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 2.0 |
| <i>East Asia</i> | 218 | 229 | 244 | 257 | 272 | 288 | 300 | 313 | 328 | 343 | 351 |
| <i>Oceania</i> | 23.2 | 22.8 | 22.1 | 21.9 | 23.7 | 25.9 | 28.3 | 28.4 | 28.0 | 29.2 | 30.8 |
| <i>South Asia</i> | 64.7 | 65.8 | 65.9 | 65.8 | 69.4 | 70.5 | 76.7 | 82.6 | 85.8 | 88.6 | 89.7 |
| <i>South-East Asia</i> | 32.4 | 33.5 | 34.7 | 38.2 | 37.9 | 41.6 | 42.2 | 43.8 | 40.8 | 43.4 | 45.6 |
| Europe | 330 | 325 | 328 | 323 | 327 | 336 | 348 | 339 | 346 | 363 | 378 |
| <i>Central Europe</i> | 19.5 | 19.0 | 18.7 | 18.5 | 19.7 | 22.3 | 22.6 | 24.4 | 27.5 | 31.1 | 33.0 |
| <i>Eastern Europe</i> | 54.5 | 58.6 | 67 | 71 | 76.2 | 82.4 | 87.0 | 71.9 | 70.5 | 74.3 | 76.8 |
| <i>Western Europe</i> | 256 | 247 | 242 | 234 | 231 | 231 | 239 | 243 | 248 | 258 | 268 |
| Middle East (excluding Iraq) | 143 | 145 | 158 | 168 | 181 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Middle East (including Iraq) | 148 | 150 | 162 | 176 | 188 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

Notes regarding estimates and regional coverage:

- 1) The temporal coverage varies by region, based on data availability. A meaningful world total is not possible before 1988 due to the lack of data for the USSR.
- 2) All world totals and most regional totals include estimates for at least one country.
- 3) The estimates exclude certain countries due either to data being missing for too many years to make meaningful estimates, or to an absence of economic data to enable conversion to constant (2019) US\$. These are shown in the column to the right of the data for each region
- 4) The set of countries excluded from the totals for Africa has changed compared to the previous SIPRI data release in April 2016. Therefore, the estimates for World, Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa have changed.
- 5) Two series of World and Middle East totals are presented. The first, longer series from 1980 (Middle East) or 1988 (World) excludes figures for Iraq, while the second, from 2004-2020, includes figures for Iraq. This is because there is insufficient military spending and/or economic data to make meaningful estimates for Iraq for the whole period 1980-2020. In particular, SIPRI's normal approach to estimating missing data for regional totals would not be viable given the extreme changes in Iraq resulting from the Iran-Iraq war, ending in 1998, the Gulf War in 1990-91, and the sanctions regime in the 1990s. However, from 2004-2020, data for Iraq is available, so the shorter series includes this data.