

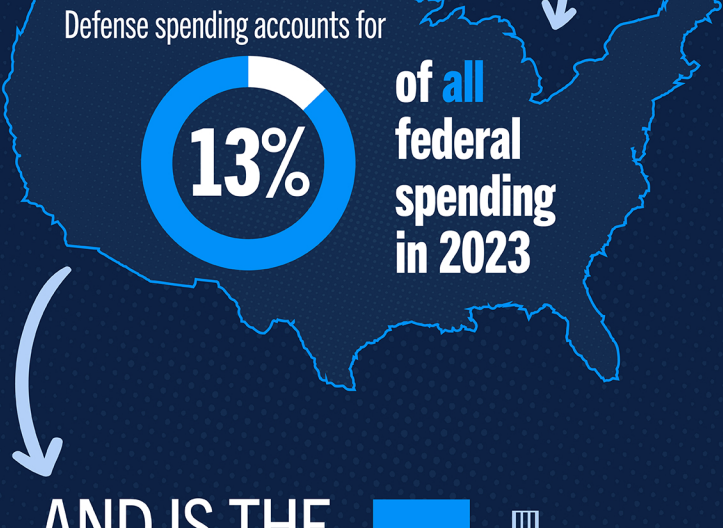


THE FACTS ABOUT



DEFENSE SPENDING

National defense is a vital priority and a fundamental responsibility of the federal government. It is also a significant part of the federal budget.

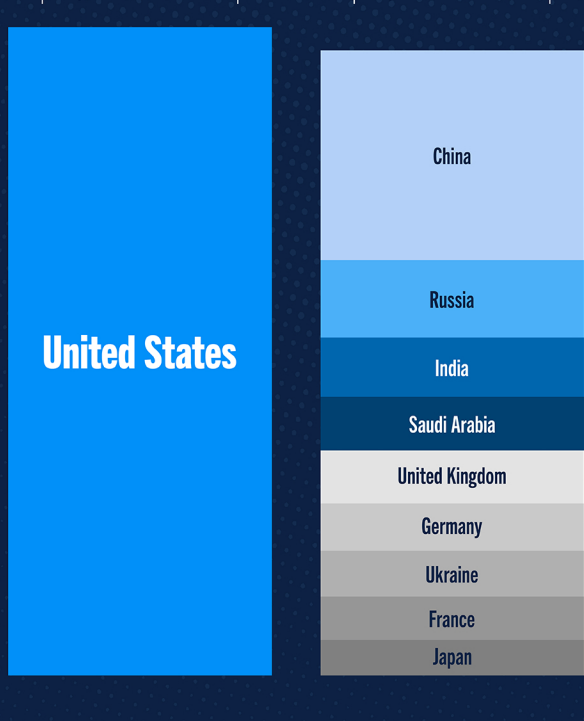


AND IS THE SINGLE LARGEST CATEGORY OF DISCRETIONARY SPENDING



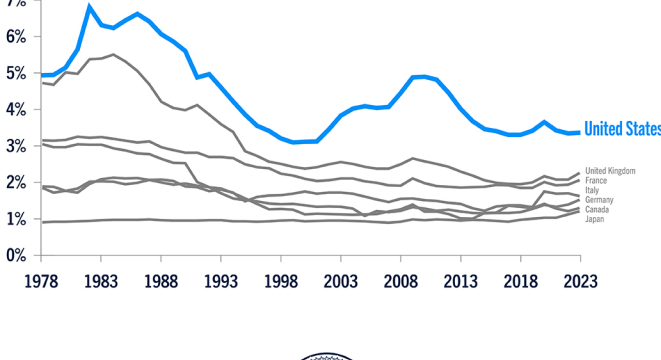
THE U.S. SPENDS MORE ON DEFENSE THAN THE NEXT 9 COUNTRIES COMBINED

2023 DEFENSE SPENDING (BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)



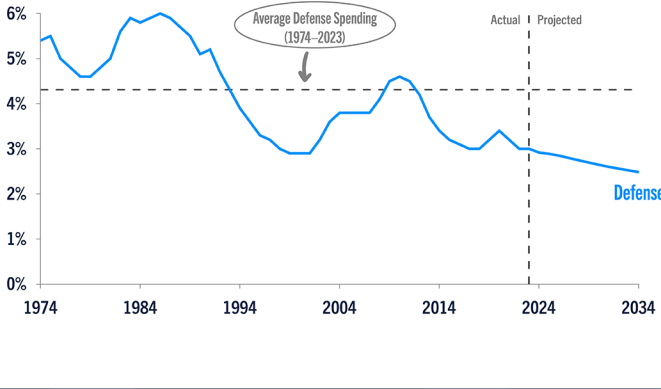
The U.S. has historically devoted a larger share of its economy to defense than many of its key allies.

Defense Spending (% of GDP)



Nonetheless, total defense spending is currently below its historical average as a share of GDP and is projected to decline further.

Defense Discretionary Spending (% of GDP)



“ Putting our debt on a sustainable course over the long term will lead to higher levels of economic growth, continued availability of resources to invest in our future, and a sustained leadership role for the United States in the world. ”

– The Coalition for Fiscal and National Security Chairman, Admiral Mike Mullen

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