

# International Arms Trade



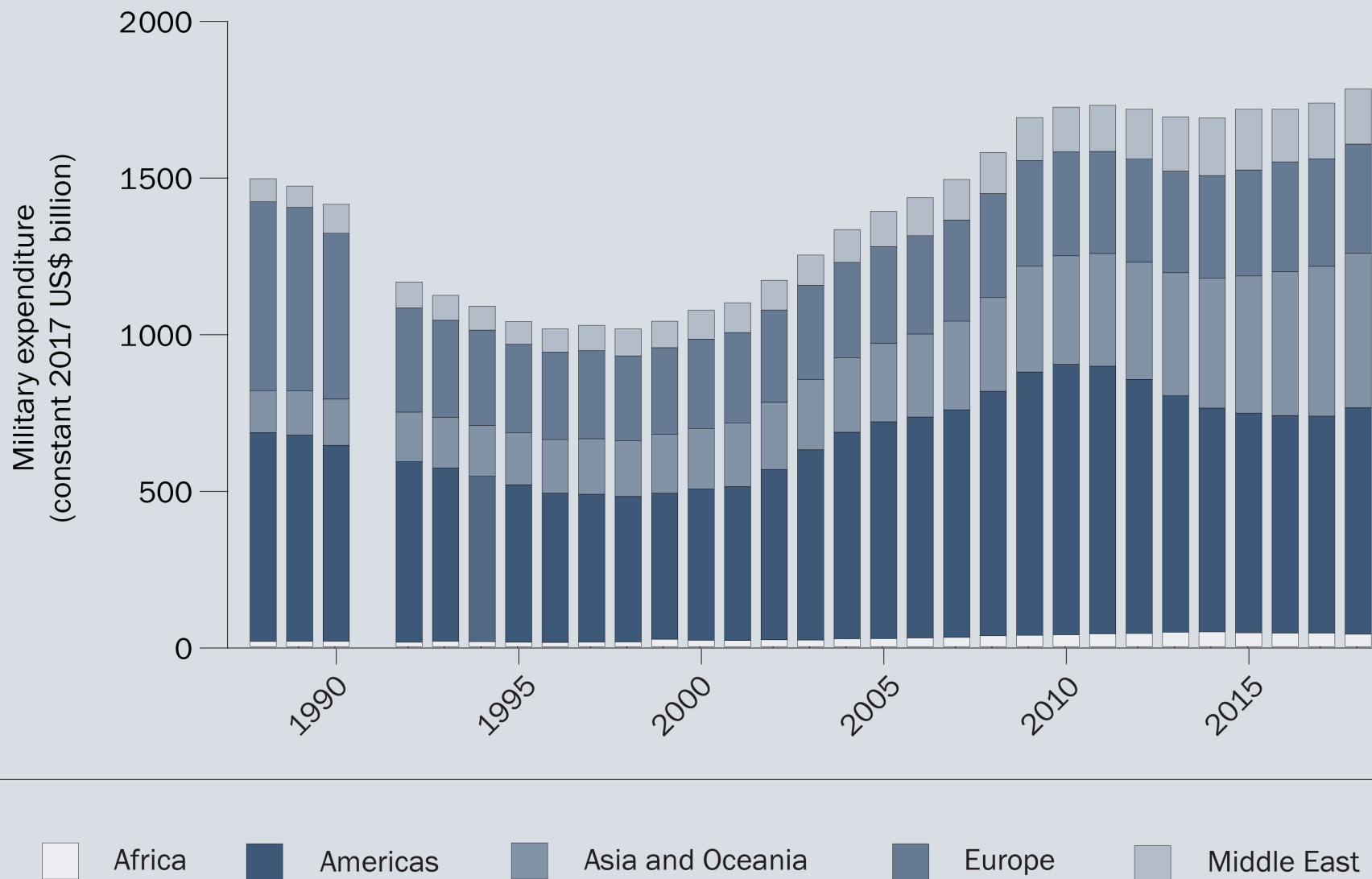
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# World military expenditure, by region, 1988–2018\*



\*No total can be calculated for 1991 as no data for the Soviet Union is available for that year  
 Source: SIPRI Military Expenditure Database (29 Apr. 2019)

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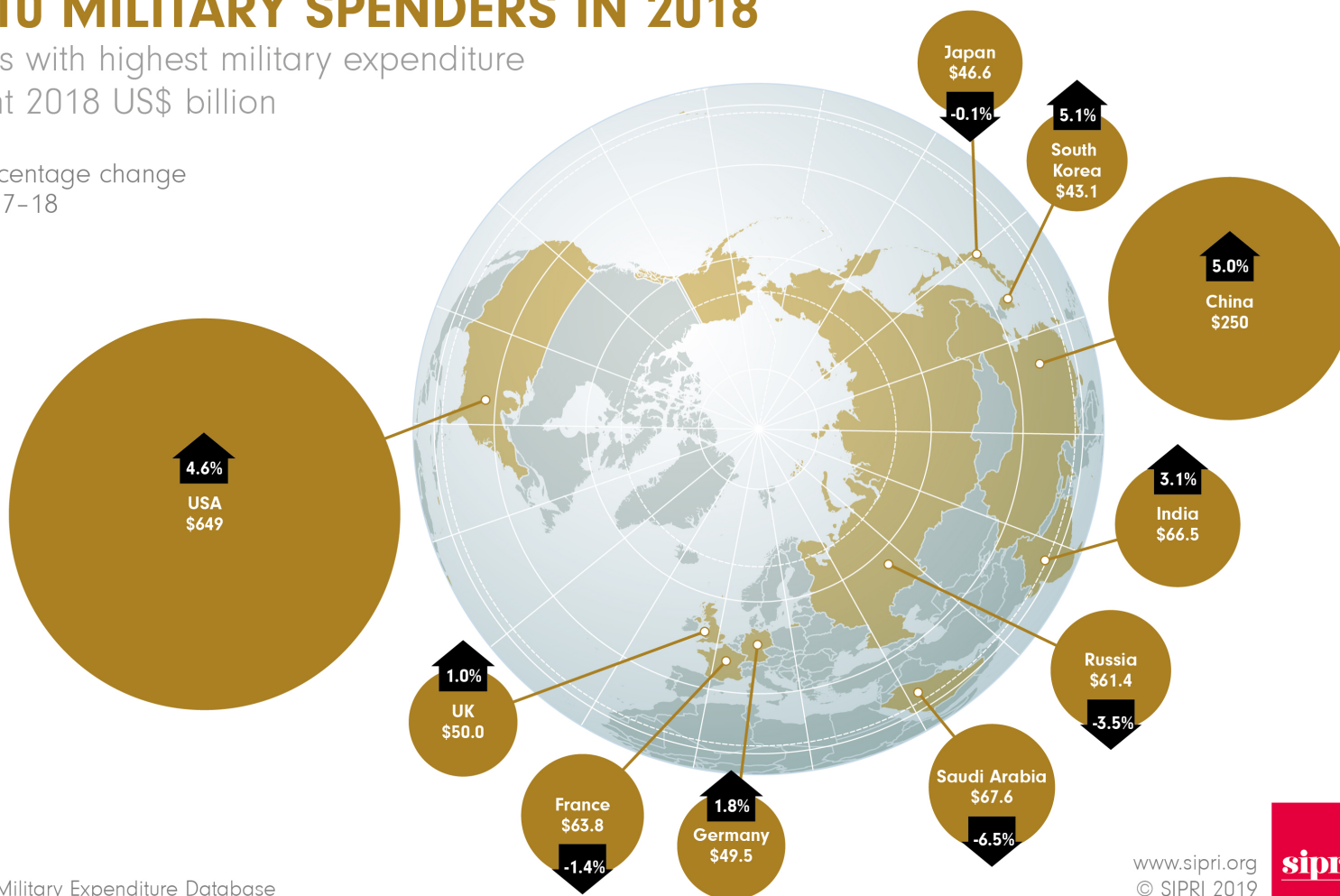


# TOP 10 MILITARY SPENDERS IN 2018

Countries with highest military expenditure  
In current 2018 US\$ billion



Percentage change  
2017-18



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## Concerns about arms trade: Arms Trade Treaty an EU rules

- States must **assess** the potential that arms exported:
  - Contribute to or undermine peace and security; provoke, prolong or aggravate armed conflict or tensions; facilitate international aggression
  - Could be used in or facilitate serious violations of international humanitarian or human rights law, repression, terrorism, organized crime
  - EU: Compatibility of the military technology with the technical/economic capacity of the recipient country



# Deciding about arms exports

- Risk/benefit assessments and decisions made by individual states (except UN arms embargoes)
- Great diversity in outcomes
- Building political relations
- Strengthening allies and improving interoperability
- Deterring or defeating aggressive governments/terrorists
- Sustaining 'strategic' national arms industry
- Export revenues and jobs



# Is the arms trade big business?

**Table 1.** The top 15 manufacturing companies in the Fortune Global 500 compared with the top 15 arms-producing and military services companies in the SIPRI Top 100, 2018

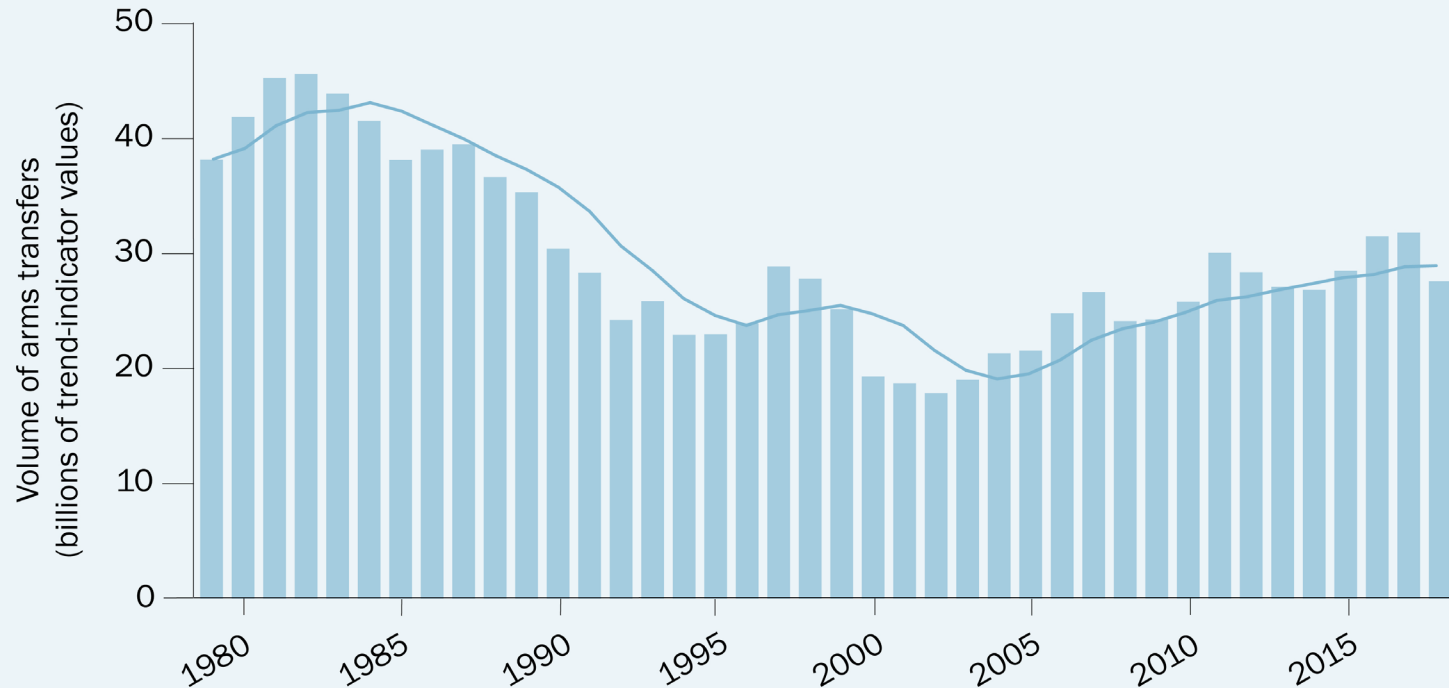
Figures for arms sales and total sales are in billions of US dollars.

Rank <sup>a</sup>	Top 15 manufacturing companies	Total sales (US\$ b.)	Rank <sup>b</sup>	Top 15 arms producers	Arms sales (US\$ b.)	Total sales (US\$ b.) <sup>c</sup>
1	Toyota	265.2	1	Lockheed Martin Corp.	47.3	53.8
2	VW	260.0	2	Boeing	29.2	101.1
3	Apple	229.2	3	Northrop Grumman Corp.	26.2	30.1
4	Samsung	211.9	4	Raytheon	23.4	27.1
5	Daimler	185.2	5	General Dynamics Corp.	22.0	36.2
6	General Motors	157.3	6	BAE Systems	21.2	22.4
7	Ford Motors	156.8	7	Airbus Group	11.7	75.2
8	Hon Hai Precision Industry	154.7	8	Leonardo	9.8	14.4
9	Honda Motors	138.6	9	Almaz-Antey	9.6	9.9
10	Fiat Chrysler Group <sup>d</sup>	130.3	10	Thales	9.5	18.8
11	SAIC Motors	128.8	11	United Technologies Corp.	9.3	66.5
12	General Electric	122.3	12	L3 Technologies	8.3	10.2
13	BMW Group	111.2	13	Huntington Ingalls Industries	7.2	8.2
14	Nissan Group	107.9	14	Honeywell International	5.4	41.8
15	Boeing	93.4	15	United Aircraft Corp.	5.4	6.6
Total top 15 sales		2 453			245	522

<sup>a</sup> Corp. = Corporation

- Estimated financial value of international arms trade in 2017 was **at least USD 95 billion**

## The trend in international transfers of major weapons, 1979–2018\*



\*The bar graph shows annual totals and the line graph shows the 5-year moving average.  
Source: SIPRI Arms Transfers Database (11 Mar. 2019).

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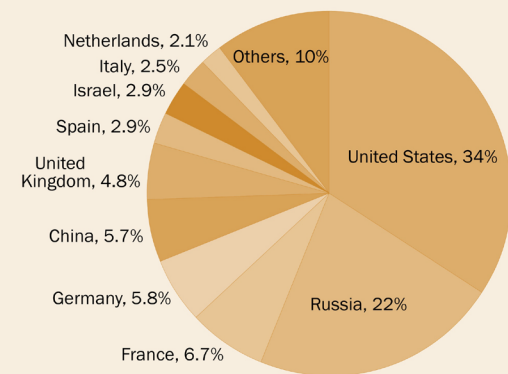


# OP-10 EXPORTERS OF MAJOR WEAPONS

2014–18

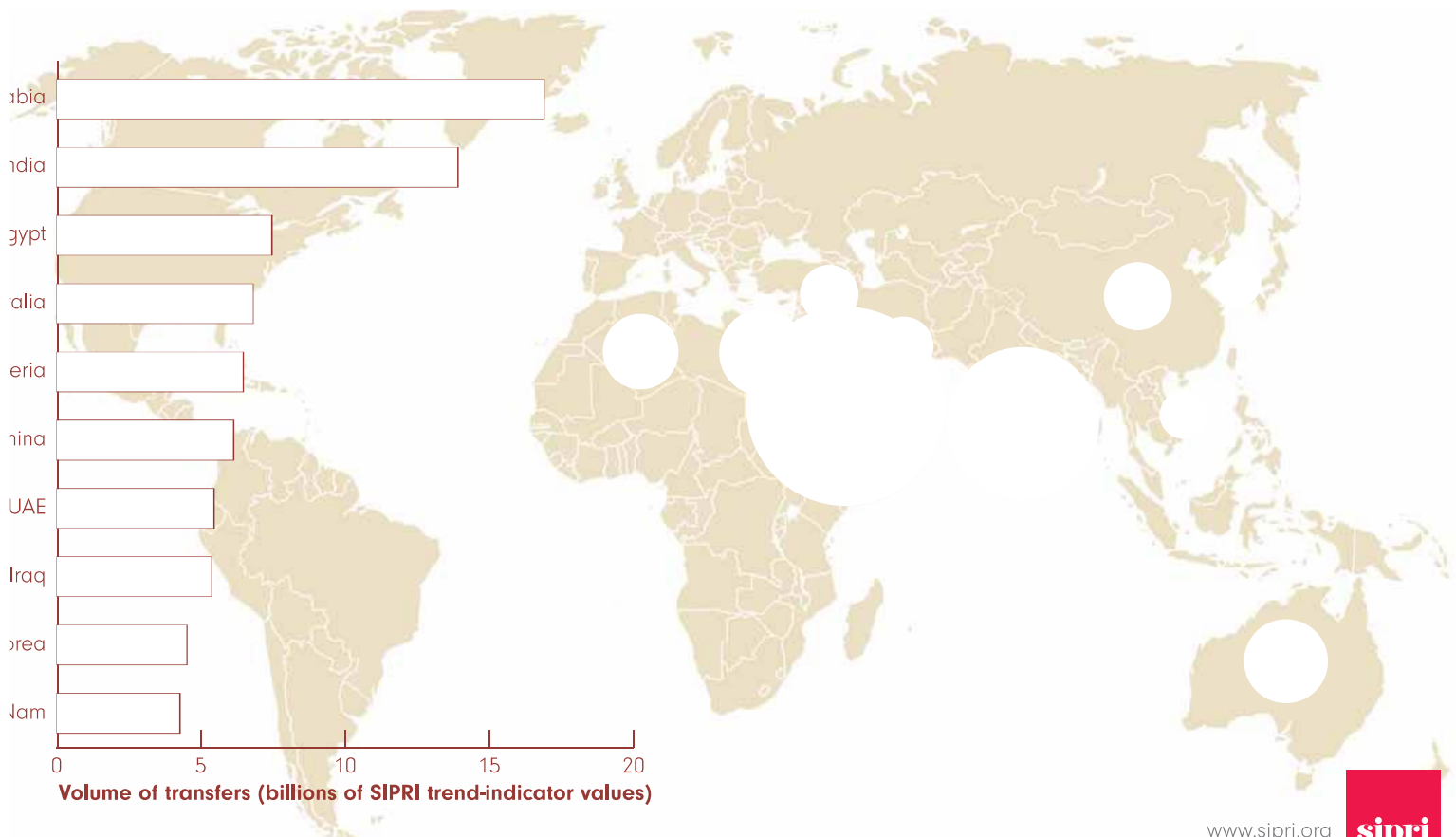


Global share of major arms exports by the 10 largest exporters, 2013–17



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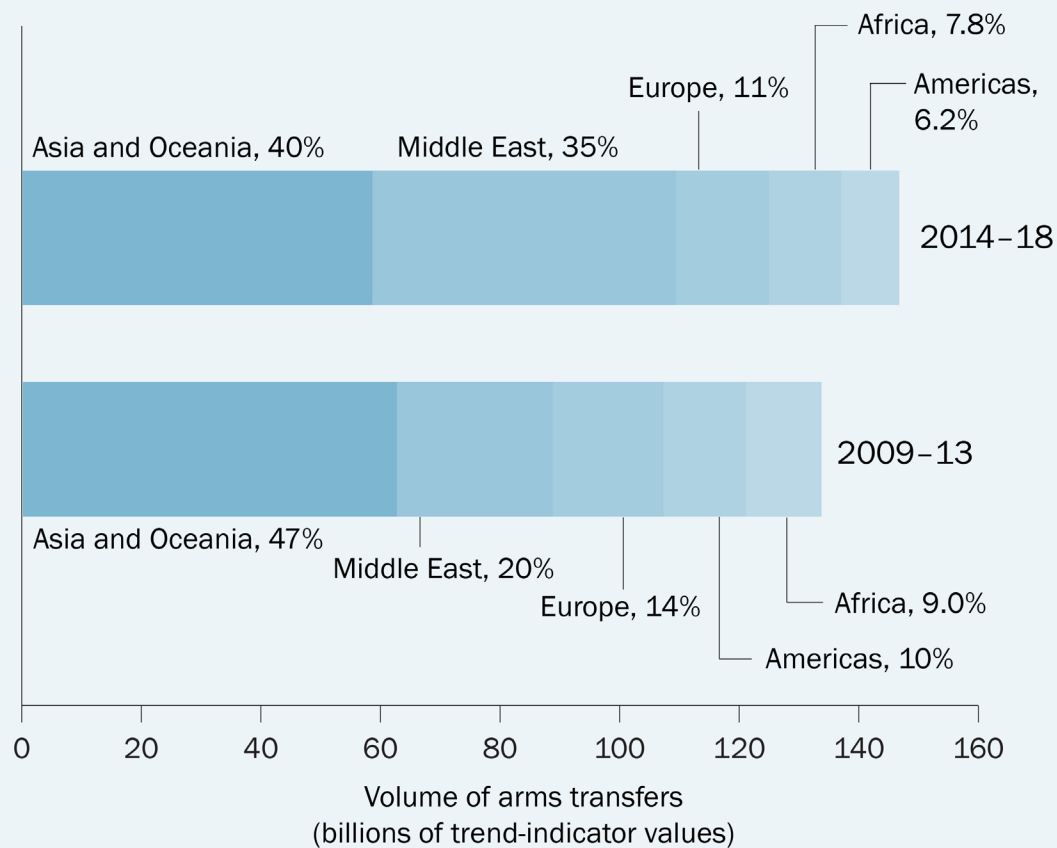


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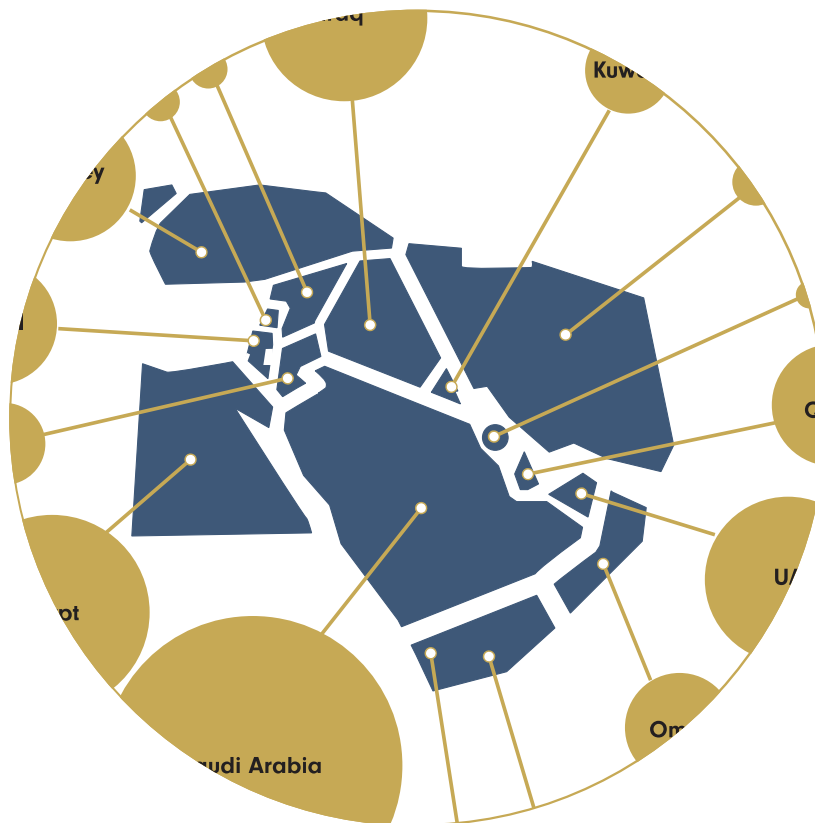
## The importers of major arms, by region, 2014–18 and 2009–13, per cent of global share



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# Damage to Oil/Gas Infrastructure at Abqaiq - Overview

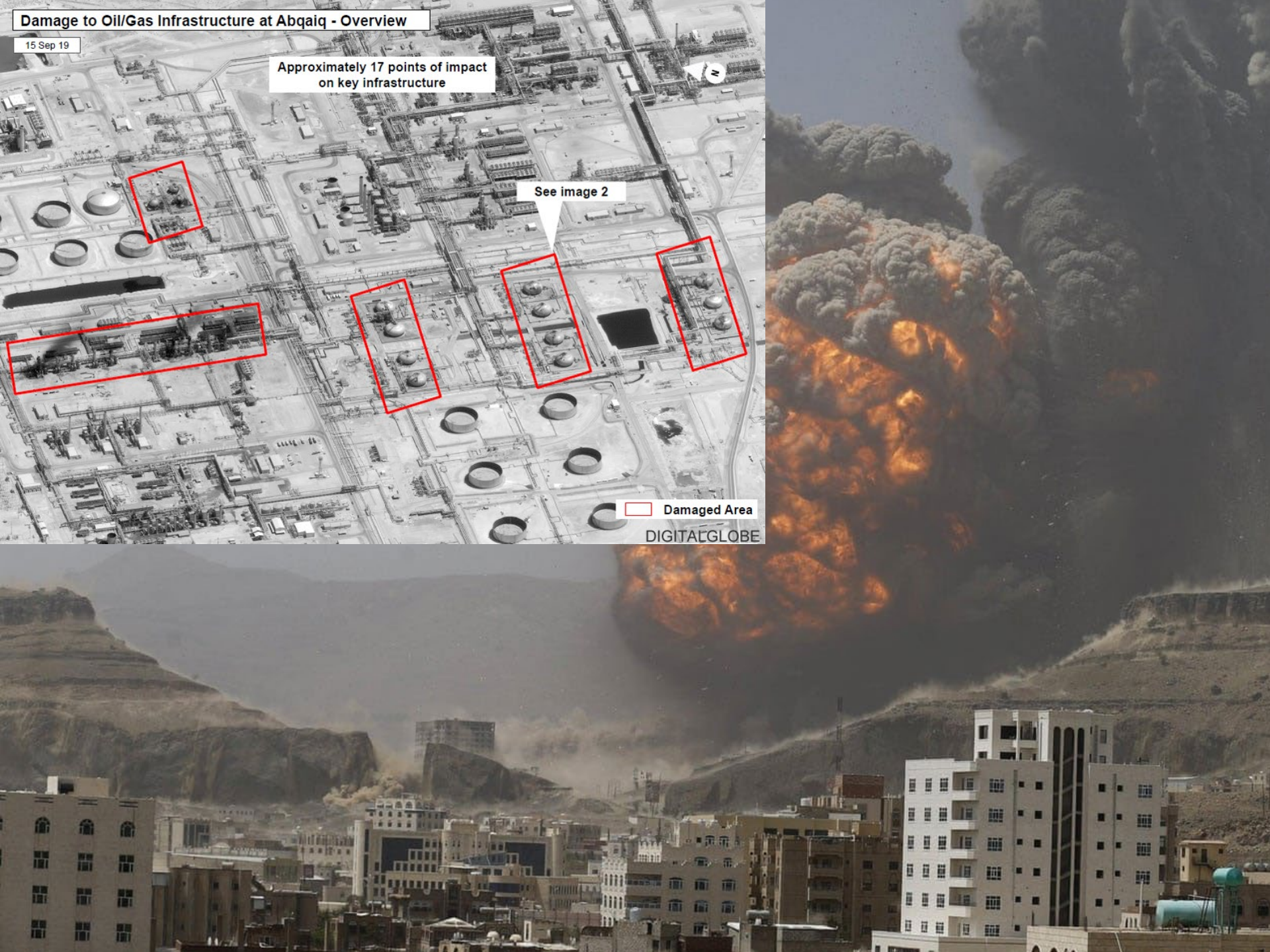
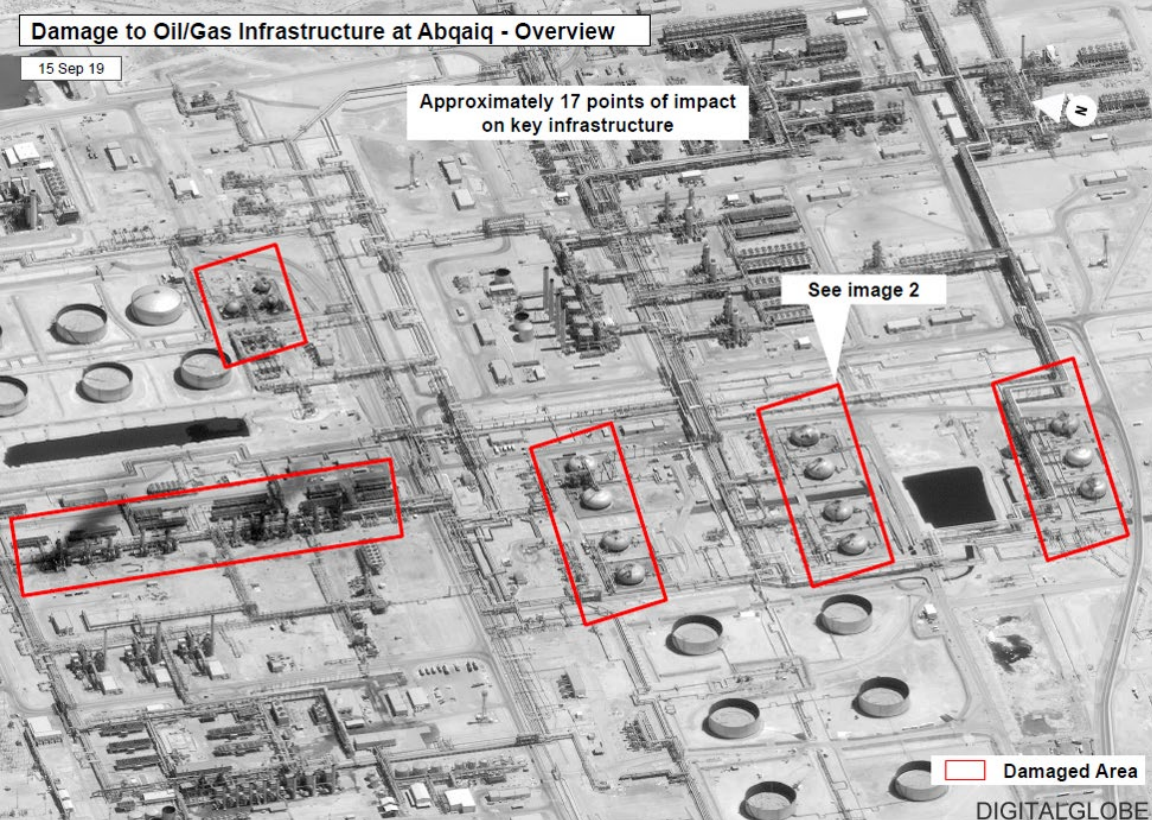
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Approximately 17 points of impact  
on key infrastructure

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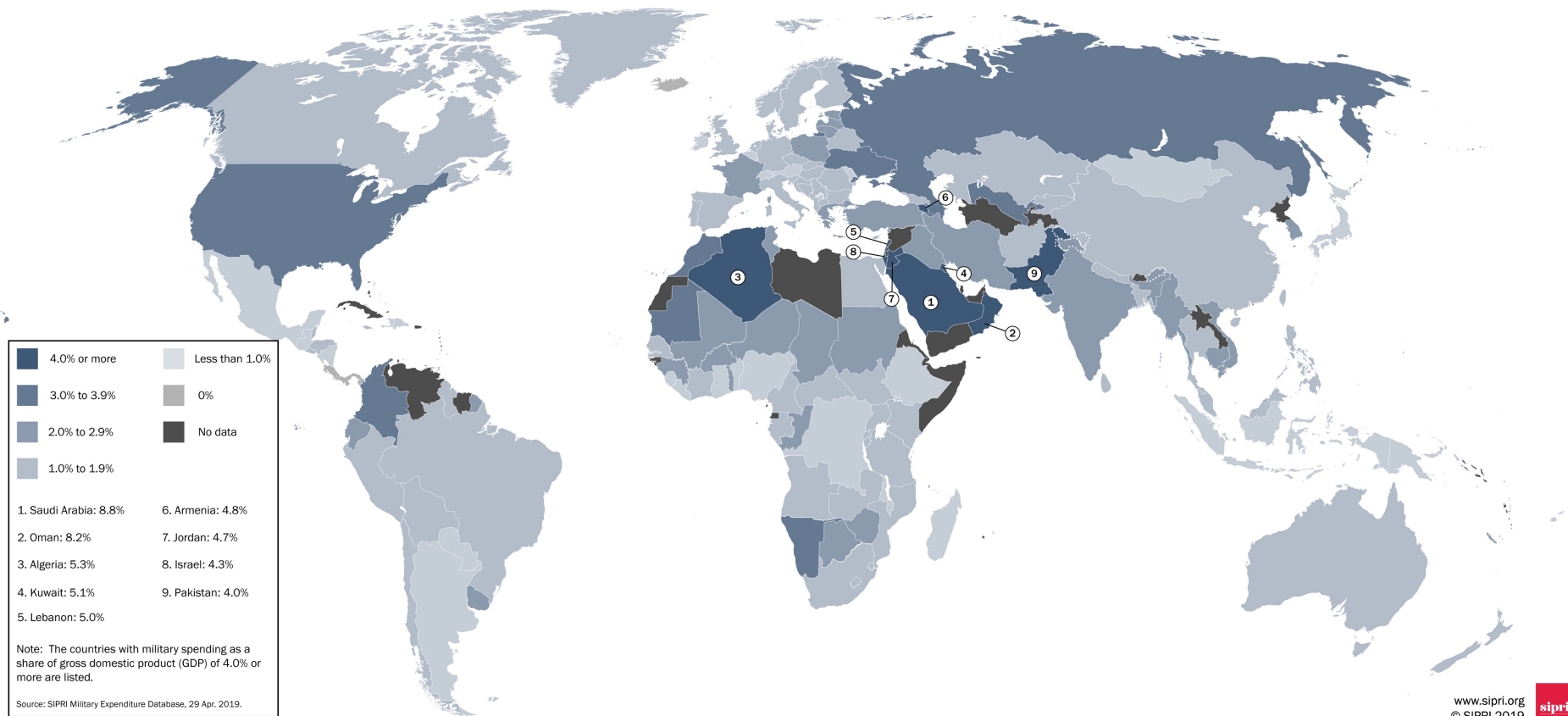
Damaged Area

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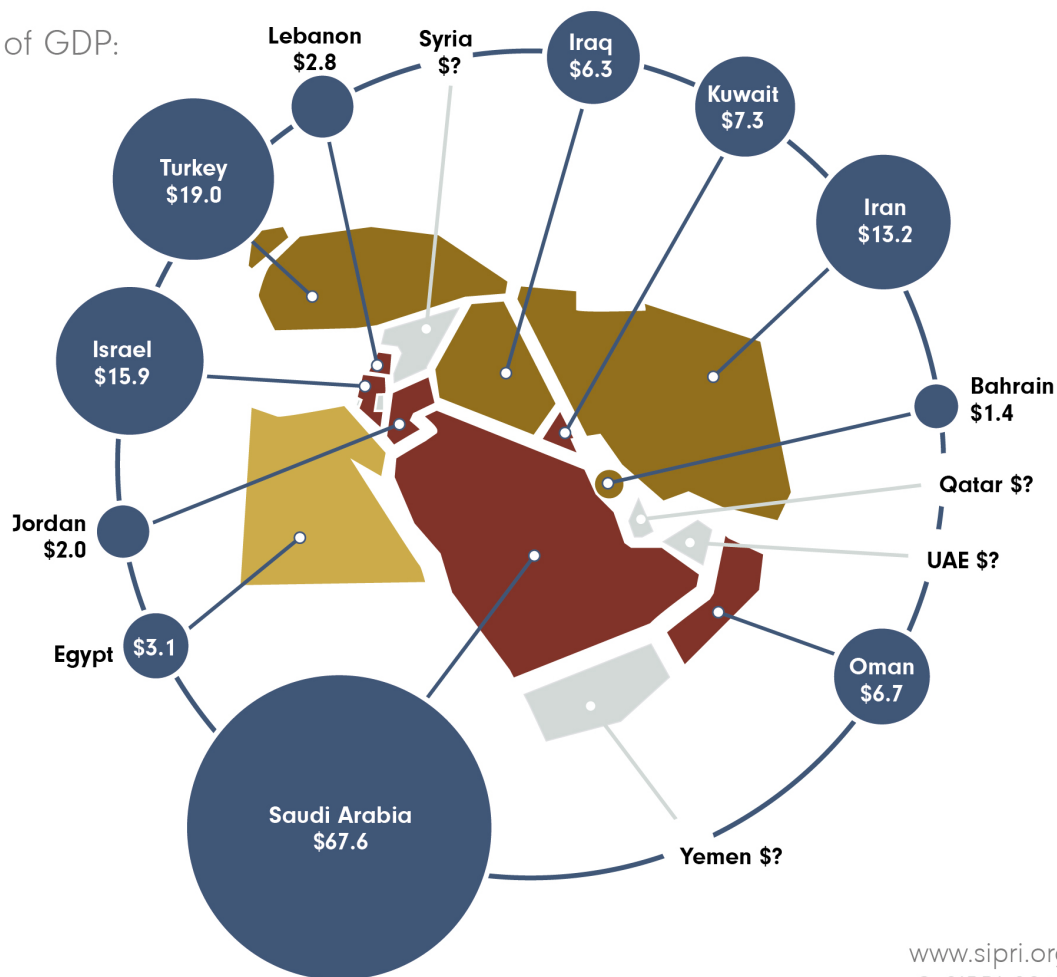
## MILITARY SPENDING AS A SHARE OF GDP, BY COUNTRY, 2018



# MILITARY EXPENDITURE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IN 2018

● Size of military expenditure  
in current 2018 US\$ billion

Military expenditure as percentage of GDP:

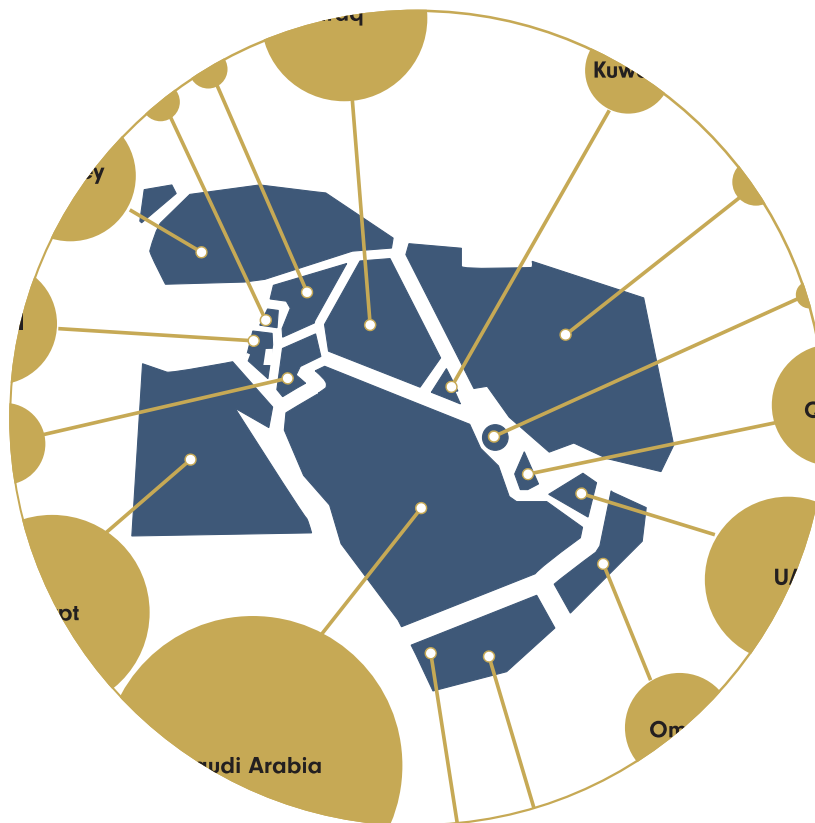


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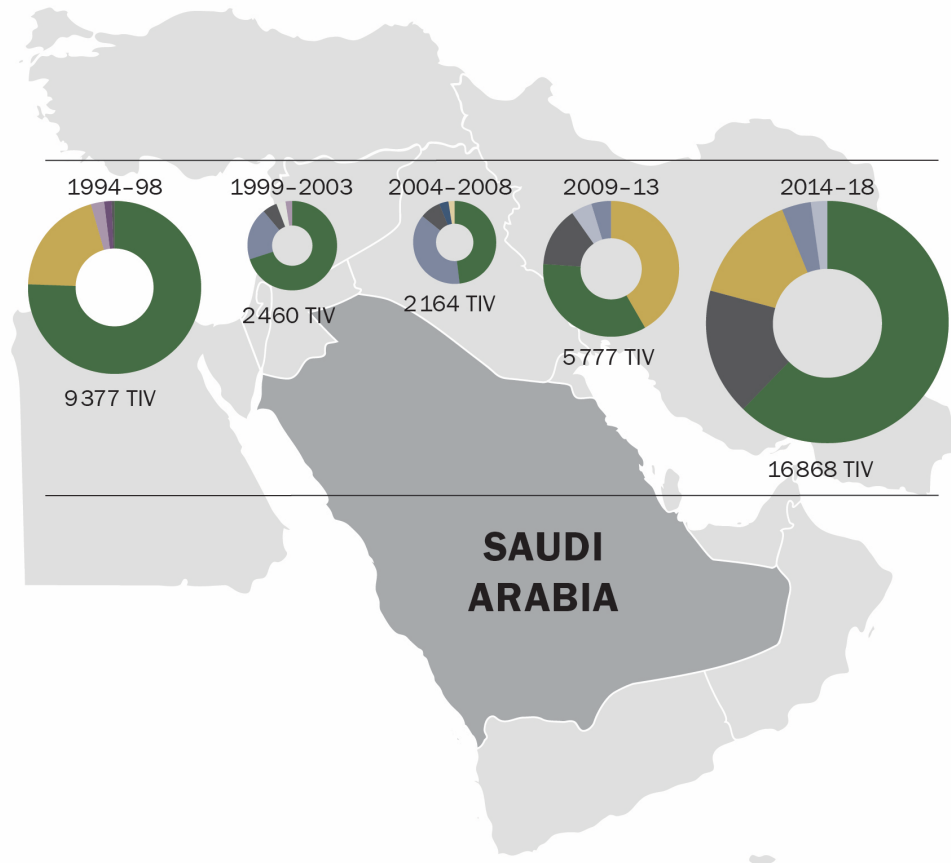


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# Imports of major arms by Saudi Arabia, 1994–2018



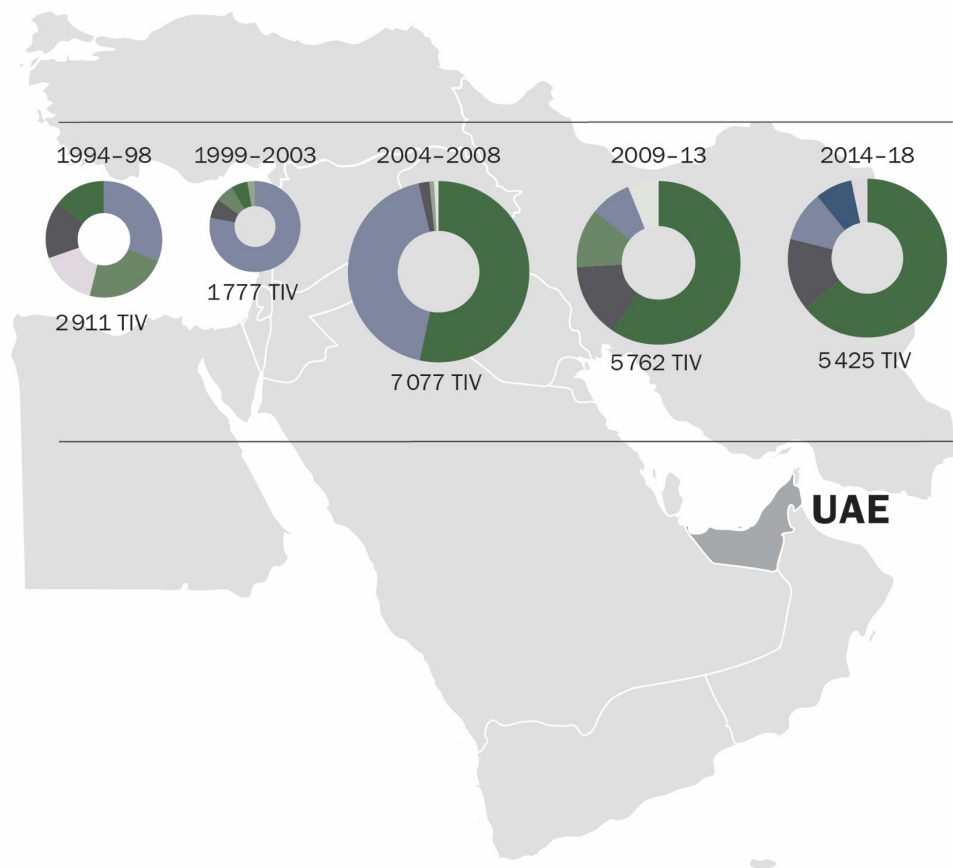
## Arms suppliers



Notes: TIV = millions of SIPRI trend-indicator values.  
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## Imports of major arms by the UAE, 1994–2018



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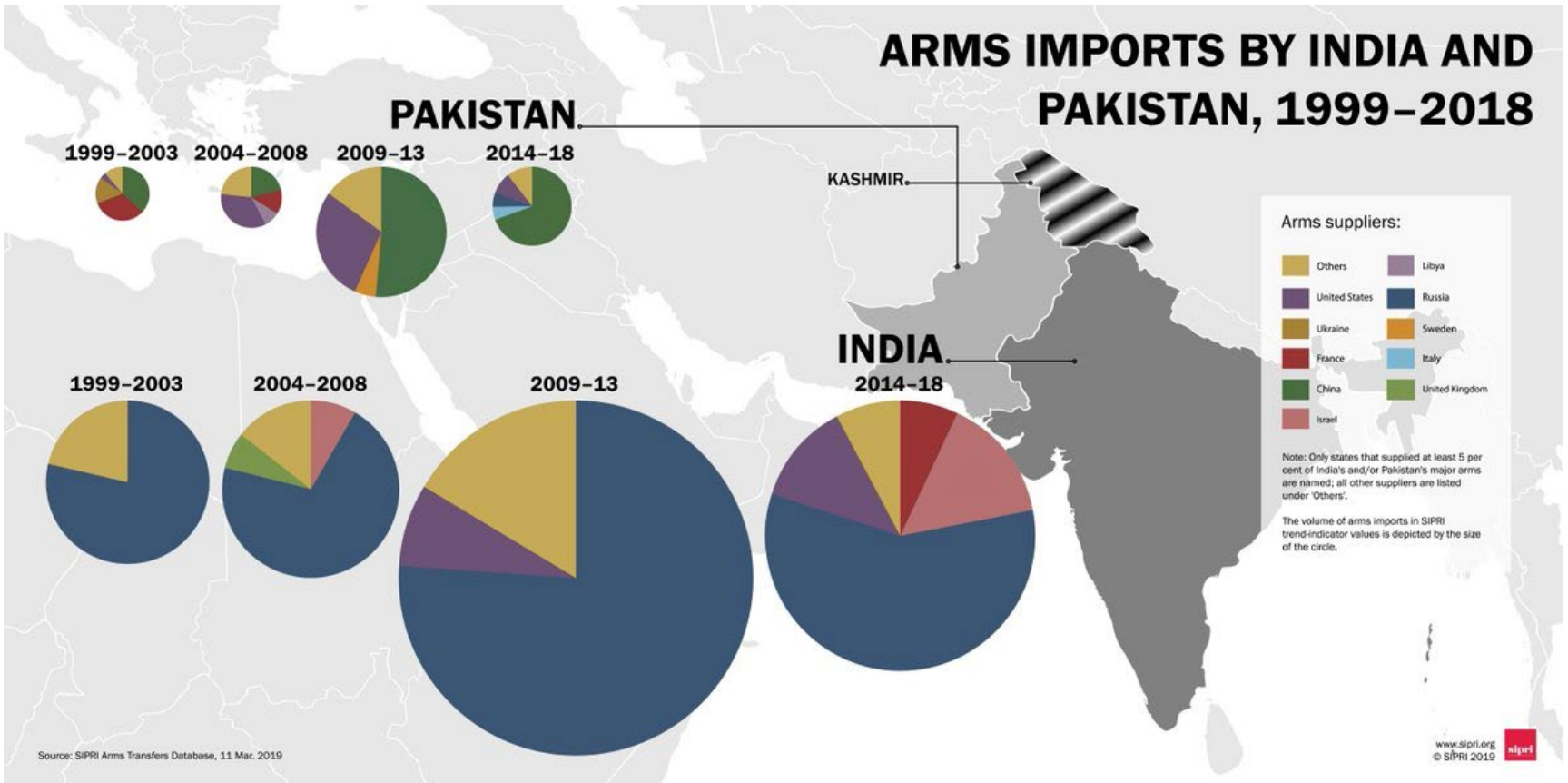
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# ARMS IMPORTS BY INDIA AND PAKISTAN, 1999–2018



# SIPRI arms transfers TIV



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# Statistics



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2000



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Trend indicator value (TIV)