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FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC DATA  
RELATING TO NATO DEFENCE



DEFENCE EXPENDITURES OF NATO COUNTRIES

1949 - 1985

The figures given in Table I represent payments actually made or to be made during the course of the calendar year. They are based on the NATO definition of defence expenditures. In view of the differences between this and national definitions, the figures shown may diverge considerably from those which are quoted by national authorities or given in national budgets. The figures relating to the United States and Canada include expenditures for military aid programmes. The figures shown for European NATO countries do not include the value of end-items received under military aid programmes from the United States and Canada.

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The corresponding statistical data for Spain are not yet available.

TABLE I  
TOTAL DEFENCE EXPENDITURES OF NATO COUNTRIES  
(Current prices)

Country	Currency Unit (Million)	Actual												Forecast
		1949	1954	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
Belgium	Belgian Francs	8273	20707	70899	81444	89480	99726	106472	115754	125689	132127	136853	141676	155668
Canada	Canadian \$	372	1771	3127	3589	4124	4662	4825	5499	6289	7655	8086	9320	10263
Denmark	Danish Kroner	360	885	5310	5714	6382	7294e	8045	9117	10301	11669	12574	13045	13750
France (a)	Francs	4787	11710	55872	63899	73779	85175	96439	111672	129708	148021	165029	176638	186242
Germany (b)	DM	..	6287	37589	38922	40184	43019	45415	48518	52193	54234	56496	57274	59737
Greece	Drachmae	1630	3428	45936	56963	67738	77861	89791	96975	142865	176270	193340	271922	321722
Italy	Lira(*)	301	543	3104	3608	4533	5301	6468	8203	9868	12294	14400	16433	18059
Luxembourg	Lux. Francs	112	565	836	983	1029	1154	1242	1534	1715	1893	2104	2234	2317
Netherlands	Guilders	680	1583	7119	7662	9092	9146	10106	10476	11296	11921	12149	12765	12885
Norway	Norw. Kroner	370	1141	4771	5333	5934	6854	7362	8242	9468	10956	12395	12688	15431
Portugal	Escudos	1419	2100	19898	18845	22082	27354	34343	43440	51917	63817	76765	92009	111522
Turkey	Liras	556	934	30200	40691	49790	66239	93268	185656	313067	447790	556738	803044	1198125
United Kingdom	£ Sterling	779	1569	5165	6132	6810	7616	9029	11510	12144	13849	15952	16923	18572
United States	US \$	13503	42786	90948	91013	100925	109247	122279	143981	169888	196390	217198	237052	266642
<b>Area (Total)</b>														
NATO Europe (c)	US \$	4838	11756	55439	55911	62933	76685	92207	107625	97561	94896	92866	86818	83559
North America	US \$	13875	44607	94023	94653	104802	113334	126398	148684	175133	202595	223759	244248	274181
NATO Total (c)	US \$	18713	56363	149462	150564	167735	190019	218605	256309	272694	297491	316625	331066	357740

(\*) The figures for Italy are expressed in milliards.

Notes:

- (a) France is a member of the Alliance without belonging to the integrated military structure; the relevant figures are indicative only.
- (b) Before it acceded to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (May 1955), Germany contributed to the defence budgets of certain NATO countries by the payment of occupation costs; moreover, it bore certain other costs which also fall within the NATO definition of defence expenditures. In addition to defence expenditures (NATO definition), the German Authorities are obliged to incur large annual expenditures for Berlin owing to the exceptional situation of this city and the need, in the interests of the defence of the Free World, to ensure its viability. These expenditures, which are not included in the figures given above since they do not come within the NATO definition, are forecast to be 15116 million DM in 1985.
- (c) These totals are based on the currency exchange rates in force during the years concerned. This means that the trends shown are affected, to varying degrees, by the changes which have taken place in national exchange rates against the US dollar. Direct comparisons between figures for different years must therefore be made with caution, the more so because, due to the impact of price and salary increases, the figures on this table give only an imperfect view of the real trend in the defence effort of countries. It should be noted that for 1949, the total figures do not take into account the German expenditures.
- (e) Estimate.

.. Information not available.

**TABLE II. DEFENCE EXPENDITURES**  
**AS PERCENTAGE OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT IN PURCHASER'S VALUES**

Country	Average 1975-1984	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985e
(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Belgium	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.3
Denmark	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3
France (a)	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.1
Germany (b)	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3
Greece	6.6	5.7	7.0	6.9	6.3	7.2	7.1
Italy	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7
Luxembourg	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Netherlands	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1
Norway	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.8	3.2
Portugal	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2
Turkey	5.0	4.3	4.9	5.2	4.8	4.4	4.4
United Kingdom	4.9	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.3	5.3	5.4
NATO Europe	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Canada	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.2
United States	5.9	5.5	5.8	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.9
NATO Total	4.7	4.4	4.7	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.6

**Notes:**

(a) France is a member of the Alliance without belonging to the integrated military structure; the relevant figures are indicative only.

(b) These percentages have been calculated without taking into account the expenditures on Berlin (see Note b., Table I); if these expenditures were included, the percentages would be as follows:

1980 :	4.1	1982 :	4.3	1984 :	4.1
1981 :	4.3	1983 :	4.2	1985 :	4.1

(e) Estimate.

.. Information not available.

TABLE III. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT IN PURCHASER'S VALUE AND DEFENCE EXPENDITURES PER CAPITA, IN US \$ (a)

Country	Gross Domestic Product per Head						Defence		
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985e	1980	1981	1982
(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Belgium	8112	8005	8093	8126	8300	8441	270	273	
Denmark	10559	10471	10776	11013	11445	11813	265	267	
France	9302	9293	9409	9434	9522	9568	375	388	
Germany	10606	10589	10503	10646	10963	11262	358	369	
Greece	3617	3572	3544	3535	3604	3640	205	249	
Iceland	11386	11526	11344	10642	10839	10786	-	-	
Italy	6339	6340	6292	6245	6387	6528	160	159	
Luxembourg	9060	8990	9037	9219	9422	9585	100	105	
Netherlands	9483	9352	9180	9232	9352	9492	281	291	
Norway	12813	12884	12953	13333	13870	14072	374	383	
Portugal	2008	2011	2063	2047	1998	2018	71	71	
Turkey	1007	1027	1055	1070	1111	1130	54	54	
United Kingdom	7773	7676	7825	8079	8203	8482	396	402	
NATO Europe	7279	7232	7239	7296	7426	7561	270	276	
Canada	13163	13522	12781	13010	13488	13775	235	240	
United States	13927	14257	13696	13967	14832	15081	786	820	
NATO Total	10144	10271	10030	10187	10633	10829	473	491	

Notes:

(a) All figures are expressed in 1983 prices; the national currencies have been converted into average exchange rates for 1983: since then, further changes in exchange rates have occurred; caution should be exercised in making comparisons.

(b) France is a member of the Alliance without belonging to the integrated military structure; indicative only.

(c) These figures have been calculated without taking into account the expenditures on Berlin (if these expenses were included, the figures would be as follows in US \$:

1980 :	437	1982 :	447	1984 :	453
1981 :	450	1983 :	451	1985 :	461

(e) Estimate.

- Zero or less than half of last digit shown.

TABLE IV. EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURES  
AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DEFENCE EXPENDITURES  
(Fiscal Years) (a)

Country	Average 1975-1984	1980 or 1980/81	1981 or 1981/82	1982 or 1982/83	1983 or 1983/84	1984 or 1984/85	1985 or 1985/86 <sup>e</sup>
(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Belgium	13.4	14.4	14.0	13.6	14.9	14.4	16.9
Canada	15.3	15.4	15.9	17.4	20.4	20.8	21.2
Denmark	17.4	18.1	17.5	16.8	16.5	15.7	14.7
Germany	15.0	14.8	17.3	17.4	17.3	16.5	15.9
Greece	17.6	18.8	20.5	17.0	15.9	15.3	16.2
Italy	16.8	17.5	17.3	16.6	18.5	17.3	17.5
Luxembourg	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.3	1.7	1.6	3.3
Netherlands	19.8	18.0	18.8	20.4	22.9	23.1	22.2
Norway	18.4	19.3	19.0	19.6	21.1	18.1	23.2
Portugal	4.6	6.1	6.5	5.2	4.9	4.8	3.7
Turkey	11.5	4.7	9.4	10.8	10.1	13.1	14.0
United Kingdom	24.8	25.2	26.5	25.6	26.7	27.2	28.0
		1979/80	1980/81	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
United States	21.7	19.5	20.3	21.3	23.5	25.2	25.6

Notes:

(a) Calendar year for all countries except for Canada and the United Kingdom (Fiscal Year: April-March); Turkey (Fiscal Years 1980/81 and 1981/82: March-February; Fiscal Year 1982: March-December; Fiscal Year 1983 onwards: January-December) and the United States (Fiscal Year: October-September).

(e) Estimate.

TABLE V. ARMED FORCES

Country (0)	Military only (thousands)						Total armed forces (b) as % of total labour force					
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985e	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985e
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
Belgium	108	109	110	109	107	108	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7
Denmark	33	33	30	30	31	29	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4
France (a)	575	575	578	578	571	563	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.9
Germany	490	493	491	496	487	495	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
Greece	186	188	188	177	197	206	6.1	5.8	5.8	5.3	6.1	6.2
Italy	500	505	517	498	508	531	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5
Luxembourg	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Netherlands	107	108	106	104	103	103	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1
Norway	40	39	41	41	39	41	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5
Portugal	88	88	89	93	100	101	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.6
Turkey	717	741	769	824	815	825	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.6
United Kingdom	330	341	334	333	336	335	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0
NATO Europe	3175	3221	3252	3285	3296	3338	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Canada	82	81	82	81	82	83	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
United States	2101	2168	2201	2222	2244	2289	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
NATO Total	5358	5469	5535	5588	5622	5709	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8

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(b) Military and civilian personnel.

(e) Estimate.