Military Spending 2002

Mapped here is state military spending. This covers the costs of military personnel, including recruitment and training, supplies, weapons and equipment, and construction. Also included is spending on military assistance to other territories. In 2002 state military spending was estimated at US$789 billion worldwide.

In 2002 the United States was the largest military spender, spending almost 9 times more than the second biggest spender, Japan. In that year the United States spent US$353 billion; 45% of all state military spending worldwide.

Territory size shows the proportion of state military spending worldwide that was spent by that territory in 2002.

“Many of them, so as to curry favour with tyrants, for a fistful of coins, or through bribery or corruption, are shedding the blood of their brothers.”

Emiliano Zapata, 1911