



Defense Services



Sectoral Snapshot

Report: Defense Services in USA, CHINA, and INDIA

USA, CHINA, INDIA

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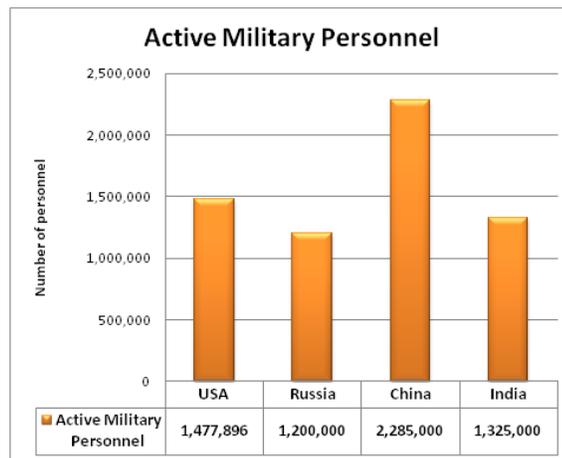
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A comparative study of the defense statistics among United States, China, and India shows that China ranks first in the active military personnel being 2,285,000 as compared to that of the USA being 1,477,896 which ranks second, and India being 1,325,000 that possesses the third rank.

fig 1.1



Source: *markbatra.com*: Active Military Personnel

These countries also differ in their defense treaties and collaborations with different countries across the global, that help them in their preparedness against the changing global environment with respect to the national security in those nations.

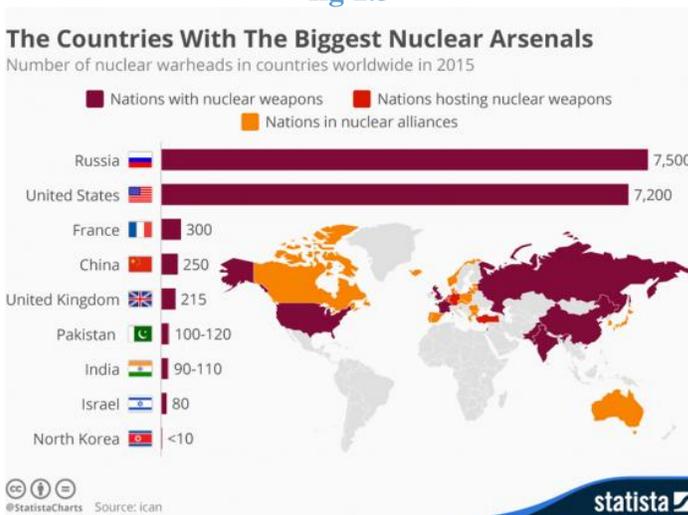


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Source: *economist.com*: Defense budgets as percentage of GDP

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Source: *independent.co.uk*: Countries with the biggest nuclear arsenals

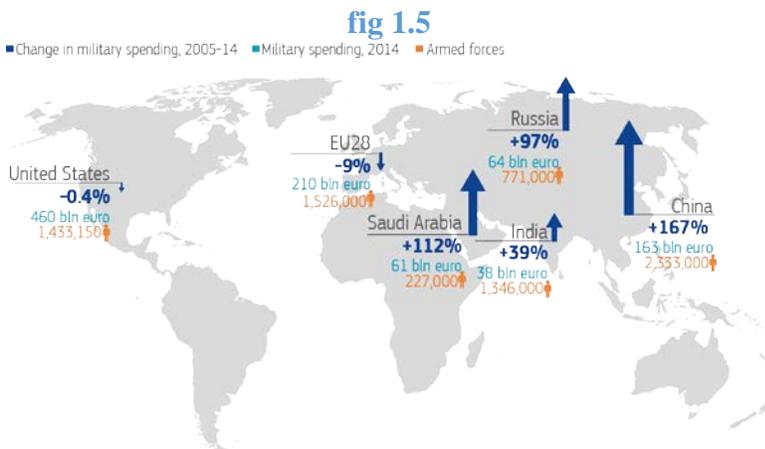
- The comparison of defense budgets as percentage of overall GDP for three countries places the USA on the top, followed by India, and then China.
- Although the defense budget of the US decreased in 2015 yet the spending was some \$100 billion more than its inflation-adjusted cold war average. China’s 2015 budget was approximately same as that of 2014, whereas India slightly decreased its budget in 2015 as compared to 2014.
- In terms of nuclear arsenals, the United States is above China with number of nuclear warheads as 250, as compared to the US with 7,200 and India with approximately 110.



fig 1.4



Source: *milforum.net*: The 35 Most Powerful Militaries In The World



Source: *washingtonpost.com*: Changes in military spending

- The United States is ranked first for having the most powerful military in the world. China has the rank 3rd and India is ranked 4th in this context.
- A comparison of the change in military spending and armed forces across different countries shows an increase in China by 167%, a decrease in United States by 0.4%, and an increase in India by 39%.
- These countries have signed up collaborations with different nations in order to strengthen their defense positions and prepare themselves against the challenging national security issues.
- India has defense collaborations with Russia and the USA. Bilateral partnership between the US & India has strengthened over the last decade, especially after signing the New Framework for Defense Cooperation in 2005.

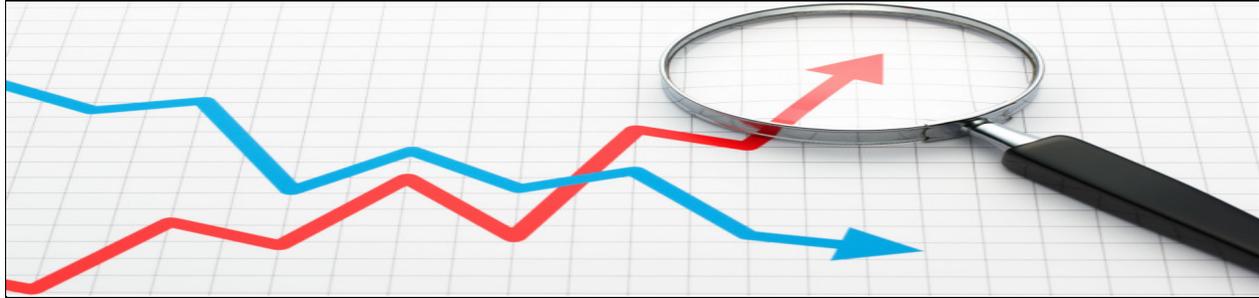
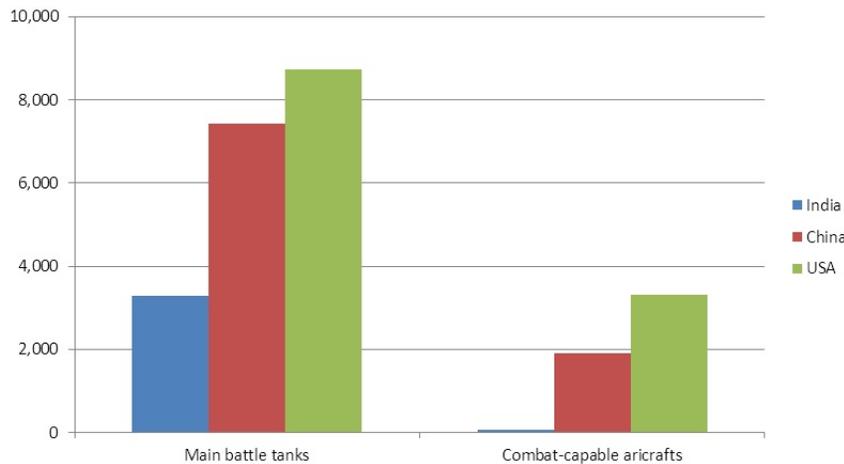


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Source: *theindiaexpert.com*: Comparing India – China – USA Military

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- China has defense treaties Pakistan, Iran, Russia, with future plans to collaborate with Malaysia.
- U.S. has defense collaborations with Sweden, Finland, Philippines, and India.
- Around 69 countries have some form of defense pact with the US, which is indeed a very large portion of the world that the United States is obligated to protect.