

Appendix 13A. The volume of transfers of major conventional weapons: by recipients and suppliers, 1998–2002

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Table 13A.1. The recipients of major conventional weapons, 1998–2002

The list includes all countries/non-state actors with imports of major conventional weapons in the period 1998–2002. Ranking is according to the 1998–2002 aggregate imports. Figures are SIPRI trend-indicator values expressed in US \$m. at constant (1990) prices. Figures may not add up because of the conventions of rounding.

Rank order								
1998– 2002	1997– 2001 ^a	Recipient	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998–2002
1	2	China	224	1 495	1 744	3 048	2 307	8 818
2	1	Taiwan	4 011	1 664	525	419	203	6 822
3	5	India	548	1 059	580	969	1668	4 824
4	4	Turkey	1 763	1 184	695	325	721	4 688
5	3	Saudi Arabia	2 507	1 215	69	91	478	4 360
6	6	Greece	1 451	557	686	697	567	3 958
7	7	South Korea	964	1 117	735	400	229	3 445
8	8	Egypt	507	518	812	776	638	3 251
9	11	UK	379	98	847	1 217	575	3 116
10	10	Israel	1 295	1 178	283	51	226	3 033
11	12	Pakistan	590	786	151	187	1 278	2 992
12	9	Japan	1 206	1 036	197	206	154	2 799
13	13	UAE	749	420	277	194	452	2 092
14	18	Australia	99	331	327	673	614	2 044
15	14	Finland	555	796	513	10	24	1 898
16	15	Singapore	673	219	548	167	227	1 834
17	21	Algeria	103	459	239	519	464	1 784
18	20	Iran	287	234	286	335	298	1 440
19	24	Canada	19	47	426	458	359	1 309
20	16	Brazil	196	272	91	543	154	1 256
21	17	Malaysia	41	787	81	17	213	1 139
22	27	Netherlands	259	299	131	142	236	1 067
23	19	Switzerland	448	499	27	44	36	1 054
24	26	Angola	195	379	118	313	5	1 010
25	25	Spain	57	314	264	183	132	950
26	23	Italy	10	8	236	355	308	917
27	29	Norway	181	190	271	148	82	872
28	31	USA	119	103	133	114	346	815
29	36	Argentina	120	199	184	77	210	790
30	34	Jordan	236	70	129	174	149	758
31	58	Yemen	–	54	158	34	496	742
32	37	Myanmar (Burma)	187	118	–	130	208	643

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33	48	Syria	20	20	420	–	162	622
34	39	Bangladesh	–	192	222	176	21	611
35	35	Sweden	233	121	107	88	45	594
36	22	Thailand	61	168	83	115	150	577
37	40	Colombia	100	38	71	222	119	550
38	28	Kuwait	204	110	135	73	27	549
39	42	Indonesia	95	181	164	38	51	529
40	43	Chile	89	179	157	24	56	505
41	41	Denmark	171	137	68	117	7	500
42	45	Sri Lanka	78	44	236	123	9	490
43	47	Germany	122	136	120	75	16	469
44	65	Poland	–	1	136	68	258	463
45	30	Qatar	336	97	8	8	8	457
46	56	Eritrea	180	14	–	60	180	434
47	32	Mexico	95	32	173	114	19	433
48	50	Viet Nam	171	152	8	14	69	414
49	49	Ethiopia	194	75	125	–	20	414
50	33	New Zealand	14	317	–	60	17	408
51	52	Bahrain	8	–	314	32	51	405
52	46	Cyprus	8	242	2	130	–	382
53	44	Austria	205	48	25	15	79	372
54	55	Morocco	–	60	124	–	169	353
55	67	Romania	55	37	15	34	186	327
56	53	Kazakhstan	–	64	147	31	69	311
57	38	Peru	41	99	–	160	4	304
58	51	France	137	94	44	–	22	297
59	57	Venezuela	12	59	90	84	50	295
60	61	Afghanistan/NA ^b	–	2	20	204	–	226
61	62	Macedonia (FYROM)	7	72	11	133	–	223
62	59	Belgium	67	60	30	33	29	219
63	63	Congo (DRC)	–	72	129	–	14	215
64	64	North Korea	3	173	12	22	3	213
65	54	Oman	22	–	109	18	48	197
66	60	Sudan	–	36	–	134	–	170
67	145	Russia	–	–	–	–	170	170
68	85	Portugal	7	2	2	44	103	158
69	68	Libya	–	–	–	145	–	145
70	69	Georgia	18	25	6	80	–	129
71	66	Hungary	31	50	14	14	–	109
72	72	Uganda	62	39	6	–	–	107
73	87	Czech Republic	–	2	18	27	53	100
74	79	Ireland	2	30	–	46	20	98
75	77	Belarus	41	41	–	–	–	82
76	70	Philippines	51	–	–	13	17	81
77	76	Slovenia	4	16	–	54	–	74
78	81	NATO ^c	49	–	–	22	–	71
79	73	Croatia	–	–	–	61	2	63
80	83	United Nations ^c	1	8	51	1	–	61

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1998– 2002	1997– 2001 ^a	Recipient	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998–2002
81	80	Laos	20	–	7	34	–	61
82	86	Bahamas	–	–	54	–	–	54
83	88	Nigeria	–	–	42	6	2	50
84	74	Ecuador	26	19	4	–	1	50
85	92	Lithuania	18	5	4	15	7	49
86	78	Tunisia	19	9	–	11	7	46
87	82	Uruguay	30	9	4	–	2	45
88	90	Rwanda	2	26	14	–	–	42
89	71	Botswana	4	2	24	12	–	42
90	94	Zimbabwe	1	24	4	8	–	37
91	98	Namibia	7	–	–	18	11	36
92	92	South Africa	–	14	–	17	–	31
93	149	Afghanistan	–	–	–	–	31	31
..	..	Unknown ^d	3	5	–	22	–	30
94	127	Slovakia	–	–	3	–	27	30
95	91	Estonia	2	1	26	–	1	30
96	99	Latvia	–	4	7	14	3	28
97	96	Guinea	4	–	19	5	–	28
98	75	Bosnia-Herzegovina	3	25	–	–	–	28
99	97	Zambia	–	–	27	–	–	27
100	101	Chad	7	–	–	15	–	22
101	113	Nepal	–	–	–	10	8	18
102	102	Ghana	–	7	1	9	–	17
103	107	Dominican Republic	–	3	13	–	–	16
104	89	Brunei	7	5	–	3	–	15
105	109	Trinidad and Tobago	2	–	11	1	–	14
106	95	Sierra Leone	–	13	–	–	–	13
107	105	Lebanon	5	4	4	–	–	13
108	104	Mauritania	3	–	9	–	–	12
109	112	Lesotho	5	–	–	6	–	11
110	125	Uzbekistan	–	–	–	5	5	10
111	106	Mali	3	–	7	–	–	10
112	114	Jamaica	5	5	–	–	–	10
113	115	Cape Verde	9	–	1	–	–	10
114	108	Cameroon	9	–	–	1	–	10
115	116	Liberia	–	1	8	–	–	9
116	118	Suriname	–	8	–	–	–	8
117	119	Equatorial Guinea	–	–	–	8	–	8
118	148	Côte d'Ivoire	–	–	–	–	7	7
119	121	Paraguay	–	–	–	6	–	6
120	123	Guyana	–	–	–	6	–	6
212	124	Bulgaria	–	6	–	–	–	6
122	128	El Salvador	3	–	–	–	–	3
123	103	Congo (Rep.)	1	2	–	–	–	3
124	130	Azerbaijan	–	–	3	–	–	3
125	131	Albania	3	–	–	–	–	3
126	132	Swaziland	–	–	1	1	–	2
127	133	Armenia	–	2	–	–	–	2

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128	135	Northern Cyprus	1	–	–	–	–	1
129	137	Luxembourg	–	1	–	–	–	1
130	138	Guatemala	1	–	–	–	–	1
131	139	Djibouti	–	–	–	1	–	1
132	140	Bolivia	–	–	1	–	–	1
133	141	Burundi	–	–	–	1	–	1
134	142	Turkey/PKK ^b	–	–	–	–	–	–
135	143	Sri Lanka/LTTE ^b	–	–	–	–	–	–
136	144	Macedonia/NLA ^b	–	–	–	–	–	–
137	134	Lebanon/Hizbollah ^b	–	–	–	–	–	–
138	117	Yugoslavia (FRY)	–	–	–	–	–	–
139	120	Togo	–	–	–	–	–	–
140	110	Papua New Guinea	–	–	–	–	–	–
141	111	Panama	–	–	–	–	–	–
142	129	Niger	–	–	–	–	–	–
143	122	Malta	–	–	–	–	–	–
144	146	Mozambique	–	–	–	–	–	–
145	147	Maldives	–	–	–	–	–	–
146	126	Micronesia	–	–	–	–	–	–
147	136	Mauritius	–	–	–	–	–	–
148	84	Kenya	–	–	–	–	–	–
149	100	Cambodia	–	–	–	–	–	–
		Total	23 176	21 250	15 463	16 163	16 492	92 544

^a The rank order for recipients in 1997–2001 differs from that published in the *SIPRI Yearbook 2002* (pp. 403–406) because of subsequent revision of figures for these years.

^b Non-state actor/rebel group. NA = Northern Alliance (UFSA, United Islamic Front for the Salvation of Afghanistan); NLA = National Liberation Army; PKK = Kurdish Workers' Party; LTTE = Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

^c Non-state actor/international organization.

^d One or more unknown recipients(s).

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Source: SIPRI arms transfers database.

Table 13A.2. The suppliers of major conventional weapons, 1998–2002

The list includes all countries/non-state actors with exports of major conventional weapons in the period 1998–2002. Ranking is according to the 1998–2002 aggregate exports. Figures are SIPRI trend-indicator values expressed in US \$m. at constant (1990) prices. Figures may not add up because of the conventions of rounding.

Rank order								
1998–	1997–	Supplier	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998–2002
2002	2001 ^a							
1	1	USA	12 795	9 996	6 086	4 905	3 941	37 723
2	2	Russia	1886	3 698	3 798	5 418	5 941	20 741
3	3	France	3319	1 473	783	1 120	1 617	8 312
4	5	Germany (FRG)	1 157	1 287	1 223	542	745	4 954
5	4	UK	1041	970	1 106	975	719	4 811
6	6	Ukraine	765	770	327	541	270	2 673
7	8	Italy	360	426	214	297	490	1 787
8	11	China	286	190	163	104	818	1 561
9	7	Netherlands	537	318	195	210	260	1 520
10	9	Belarus	75	481	253	333	–	1 142
11	10	Sweden	113	150	282	467	120	1 132
12	12	Israel	166	95	273	229	178	941
13	14	Canada	133	130	102	97	318	780
14	16	Slovakia	10	141	83	100	40	374
15	20	Norway	2	6	33	128	203	372
16	17	Czech Republic	23	65	81	95	85	349
17	15	Australia	3	298	–	–	30	331
18	13	Spain	167	29	51	8	65	320
19	18	South Korea	31	–	6	198	22	257
20	21	Poland	1	67	43	93	43	247
21	22	Bulgaria	48	164	4	4	20	240
22	25	Kazakhstan	2	180	16	9	–	207
23	26	Georgia	–	72	108	–	–	180
24	33	Austria	1	2	26	21	124	174
25	61	Uzbekistan	–	–	–	–	170	170
26	23	Switzerland	31	41	44	36	11	163
27	29	Indonesia	–	60	–	20	70	150
28	24	Belgium	23	27	2	72	14	138
29	28	South Africa	28	17	20	22	34	121
30	31	Turkey	3	43	21	2	29	98
..	..	Unknown ^b	1	2	58	6	17	84
31	30	Kuwait	82	–	–	–	–	82
32	37	Finland	8	13	9	6	12	48
33	27	Singapore	42	–	1	–	2	45
34	35	Lebanon	–	–	–	45	–	45
35	42	North Korea	13	–	–	–	32	45
36	36	Brazil	15	–	–	–	18	33
37	43	Denmark	–	–	18	–	9	27
38	39	Egypt	–	–	–	25	–	25
39	38	Romania	2	19	3	–	–	24
40	32	Greece	8	1	–	11	–	20
41	44	India	–	–	16	1	–	17

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42	53	Pakistan	–	–	3	–	8	11	
43	54	Libya	–	–	–	–	11	11	
44	34	Qatar	–	9	–	–	–	9	
45	51	Peru	–	–	–	4	5	9	
46	19	Moldova	–	–	3	5	–	8	
47	48	Malaysia	–	8	–	–	–	8	
48	47	Yugoslavia (FRY)	–	–	–	7	–	7	
49	46	Taiwan	–	–	–	6	–	6	
50	52	Chile	2	1	1	–	1	5	
51	50	Argentina	–	–	2	3	–	5	
52	63	Lithuania	–	–	–	–	3	3	
53	56	Croatia	–	–	2	–	–	2	
54	57	Bahrain	–	–	–	2	–	2	
55	58	Uruguay	–	–	1	–	–	1	
56	59	Malawi	–	–	1	–	–	1	
57	65	Angola	–	–	–	–	1	1	
58	40	UAE	–	–	–	–	–	–	
59	62	Syria	–	–	–	–	–	–	
60	45	New Zealand	–	–	–	–	–	–	
61	49	Jordan	–	–	–	–	–	–	
62	55	Japan	–	–	–	–	–	–	
63	64	Ireland	–	–	–	–	–	–	
64	60	Iran	–	–	–	–	–	–	
65	41	Hungary	–	–	–	–	–	–	
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