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Region	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
World total (excluding Iraq)	1424	1404	1355		1140	1097	1063	1016	994	1005
World total (including Iraq)										
Africa	15.1	15.3	15.3	13.4	12.5	15.0	14.0	12.5	11.9	12.9
North Africa	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.2	4.5	4.9
Sub-Saharan Africa	11.8	11.9	11.9	9.9	8.6	10.9	9.6	8.3	7.4	8.0
Americas	648	640	609	536	562	538	513	487	463	458
Central America & the Caribbean	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.1
North America	611	605	579	509	537	509	481	453	428	425
South America	32.9	31.4	26.0	22.8	20.8	24.8	27.4	30.4	30.5	28.6
Asia and Oceania	132	138	145	148	155	158	159	164	168	174
Central & South Asia	23.7	24.7	24.8	24.1	26.8	26.8	28.1	28.4	30.2	31.2
East Asia	80.0	84.6	89.4	92.5	99	99	98	101	104	107
South-East Asia	13.7	14.8	16.3	16.6	17.0	17.3	18.7	20.2	21.1	22.3
Oceania	14.2	14.2	14.4	14.4	14.7	15.1	15.3	14.9	14.8	15.0
Europe	554	539	490		324	302	297	276	275	276
Central Europe	38.1	40.3	23.5	16.9	21.0	16.1	16.7	17.2	16.9	17.5
Eastern Europe	243	225	191		42.2	37.1	36.0	24.2	22.9	25.2
Western Europe	273	274	276	271	261	249	244	234	235	234
Middle East (excluding Iraq) Middle East (including Iraq)	75.2	70.0	95.3	105	86.0	82.8	80.0	76.2	77.2	84.7

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Region	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
World total (excluding Iraq)	996	1019	1055	1078	1148	1227	1303	1359	1402	1457	1539
World total (including Iraq)							1306	1362	1404	1460	1543
Africa	13.4	20.4	17.9	17.7	19.8	18.8	21.9	22.5	24.3	26.0	30.4
North Africa	5.1	4.7	4.7	5.9	6.1	6.4	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.7	9.3
Sub-Saharan Africa	8.3	15.7	13.2	11.8	13.7	12.4	14.9	15.2	17.1	18.2	21.1
Americas	451	453	470	477	528	591	642	673	686	707	759
Central America & the Caribbean	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.7	5.2	5.3
North America	416	418	433	437	489	555	604	633	643	661	710
South America	30.5	30.9	32.1	35.3	35.1	32.0	33.6	36.3	38.2	40.7	43.9
Asia and Oceania	175	184	189	201	211	220	233	246	261	278	295
Central & South Asia	34.9	36.2	37.4	37.6	38.6	43.8	46.3	47.0	48.2	52.8	60.6
East Asia	108	114	117	127	135	141	148	157	169	181	192
South-East Asia	19.9	19.5	19.3	19.6	20.8	23.1	23.2	23.7	24.8	28.3	29.1
Oceania	15.6	16.2	16.2	16.7	17.3	17.6	18.2	18.8	19.9	21.0	21.6
Europe	267	273	281	283	290	296	300	303	307	315	323
Central Europe	16.7	16.2	16.2	16.8	17.4	17.7	17.7	18.6	19.0	20.1	19.2
Eastern Europe	15.5	17.0	22.6	24.1	26.6	28.1	29.6	34.0	38.2	42.3	46.2
Western Europe	235	240	242	242	246	250	252	250	250	252	257
Middle East (excluding Iraq)	90.1	88.6	97.2	100	99	101	107	114	124	131	131
Middle East (including Iraq)							109	117	126	134	135

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Region	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2017 (current prices)
World total (excluding Iraq)	1648	1679	1685	1673	1644	1642	1666	1668	1686	1731
World total (including Iraq)	1652	1684	1689	1677	1652	1649	1676	1674	1693	1739
Africa	31.6	33.2	36.0	36.8	40.3	41.5	39.3	38.9	38.7	42.6
North Africa	10.4	11.4	14.3	15.4	17.7	18.7	19.1	19.5	19.1	21.1
Sub-Saharan Africa	21.2	21.8	21.7	21.4	22.6	22.8	20.2	19.4	19.6	21.6
Americas	818	841	832	789	734	694	682	675	676	695
Central America & the Caribbean	5.8	6.3	6.5	7.1	7.5	8.2	8.5	7.9	7.3	7.6
North America	766	785	776	732	674	634	621	618	617	630
South America	46.3	49.5	48.9	50.2	52.3	52.6	51.8	49.4	51.5	57
Asia and Oceania	332	340	354	368	387	409	431	452	469	477
Central & South Asia	61.5	62.7	63.1	63.2	66.6	68.3	73.7	77.5	77.8	82.7
East Asia	218	224	236	250	265	282	297	309	322	323
South-East Asia	30.5	30.9	31.9	33.1	36.5	36.2	39.8	40.5	40.5	41.1
Oceania	23.2	23.5	23.1	22.3	22.1	23.9	26.2	28.6	28.4	29.9
Europe	329	322	316	318	312	314	324	335	327	342
Central Europe	18.6	17.9	17.5	17.2	17.0	18.0	20.4	20.7	23.1	24.1
Eastern Europe	47.5	48.2	51.8	60	62	67.1	72.3	75.5	61.5	72.9
Western Europe	263	256	247	241	232	229	231	239	243	245
Middle East (excluding Iraq)	137	143	147	161	172	184				
Middle East (including Iraq)	141	148	152	165	180	191				

Notes regarding estimates and regional coverage

- 1) The temporal coverage varies by region, based on data availability. A meaningful world total is not possible before 1988 due to the lack of data for the USSR.
- 2) All world totals and most regional totals include estimates for at least one country.
- 3) The estimates exclude certain countries due either to data being missing for too many years to make meaningful estimates, or to an absence of economic data to enable conversion to constant (2016) US\$. These are shown in the column to the right of the data for each region
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Therefore, the estimates for World, Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa have changed.

5) Two series of World and Middle East totals are presented. The first, longer series from 1980 (Middle East) or 1988 (World) excludes figures for Iraq, while the second, from 2004-2017, includes figures for Iraq. This is because there is insufficient military spending and/or economic data to make meaningful estimates for Iraq for the whole period 1980-2017. In particular, SIPRI's normal approach to estimating missing data for regional totals would not be viable given the extreme changes in Iraq resulting from the Iran-Iraq war, ending in 1998, the Gulf War in 1990-91, and the sanctions regime in the 1990s. However, from 2004-2017, data for Iraq is available, so the shorter series includes this data.

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