Who Really Profits from Global Conflict?

Analysis of the Arms Industry (2019–2023)

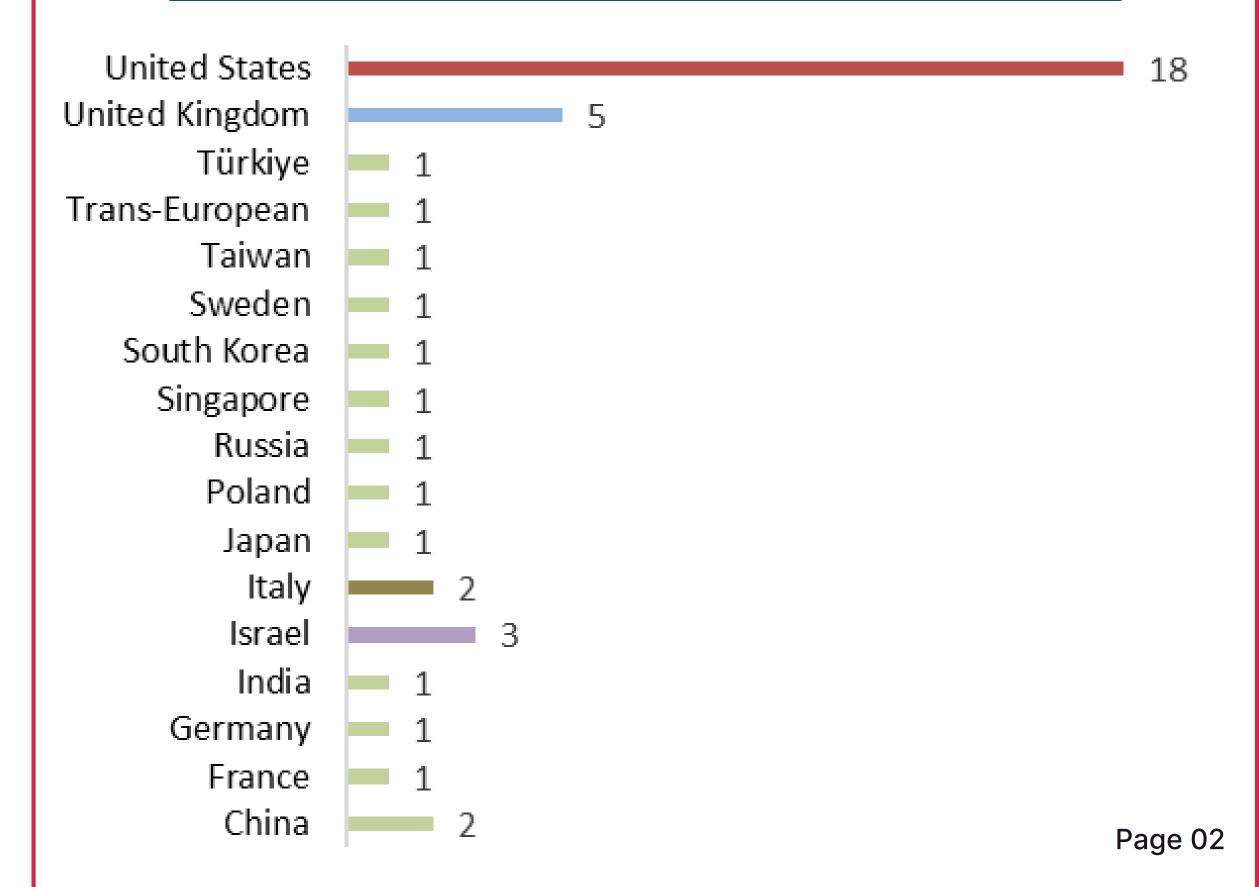


Data source: https://www.sipri.org/databases/armsindustry

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The U.S. leads by a wide margin: not only in revenue but also in the number of arms-producing companies. From 2019 to 2023, 18 U.S. companies topped global arms production

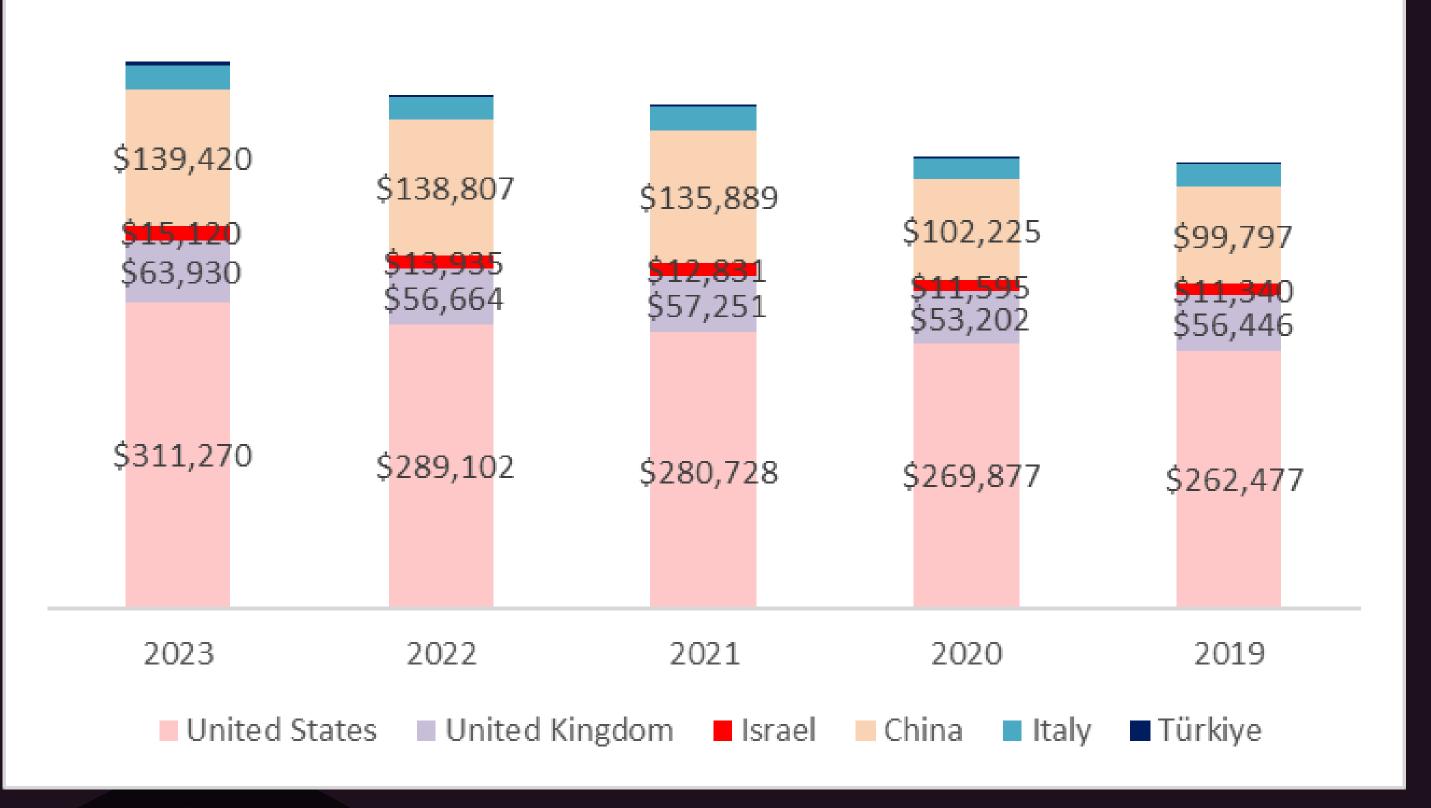
Number of Arm producing Companies (2019-2023)





Top 5 Arm Production Countries

(Revenue figures are in millions of US\$ and are rounded to the nearest \$10 million)





The U.S. has consistently earned the highest revenue from arms sales.

Total Revenue (Revenue figures are in millions of US\$ and are rounded to the nearest \$10 million.)											
Country	Company		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019
United States	Lockheed Martin Corp.	\$	67,570	\$	65,984	\$	67,044	\$	65,398	\$	59,812
United States	Northrop Grumman Corp.	\$	39,290	\$	36,602	\$	3 ^{5,667}	\$	36,799	\$	33,841
United States	General Dynamics Corp.	\$	42,270	\$	39,407	\$	38,469	\$	37,925	\$	39,350
United States	L3Harris Technologies	\$	19,420	\$	17,062	\$	17,814	\$	18,194	\$	18,074
United States	Leidos	\$	15,440	\$	14,396	\$	13,737	\$	12,297	\$	11,094
United States	Booz Allen Hamilton	\$	10,660	\$	9,259	\$	8,364	\$	7,859	\$	7,464
United States	CACI International	\$	7,660	\$	6,703	\$	6,203	\$	6,044	\$	5,720
United States	KBR	\$	6,960	\$	6,564	\$	7,339	\$	5,767	\$	5,639
United States	Sandia National Laboratories	\$	4,780	\$	4,409	\$	4,460	\$	3,919	\$	3,811
United States	Science Applications International Corp.	\$	7,440	\$	7,704	\$	7,394	\$	7,056	\$	6,379
United States	Bechtel Corp.	\$	20,600	\$	16,800	\$	17,500	\$	17,600	\$	21,800
United States	Parker-Hannifin Corp.	\$	19,930	\$	19,065	\$	15,862	\$	14,348	\$	13,696
United States	TransDigm Group	\$	6,590	\$	5,429	\$	4,798	\$	5,103	\$	5,223
United States	Jacobs Engineering Group	\$	16,350	\$	14,923	\$	14,093	\$	13,567	\$	12,738
United States	Parsons Corp.	\$	5,440	\$	4,195	\$	3,661	\$	3,919	\$	3,955
United States	Curtiss-Wright Corp.	\$	2,850	\$	2,557	\$	2,506	\$	2,391	\$	2,488
United States	Amphenol Corp.	\$	12,560	\$	12,623	\$	10,876	\$	8,559	\$	8,225
United States	Keysight Technologies	\$	5,460	\$	5,420	\$	4,941	\$	3,132	\$	3,168

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Coming in next: The United Kingdom

- UK having 5 major arms companies
- Billions earned through defense exports, especially to the Middle East and conflict-prone regions.

Total Revenue (Revenue figures are in millions of US\$ and are rounded to the nearest \$10 million.)											
Country	Company		2023	2022	2021		2020		2019		
United Kingdom	BAE Systems	\$	30,350	\$27,712	\$	28,321	\$	25,864	\$	24,469	
United Kingdom	Rolls-Royce	\$	19,120	\$15,647	\$	15,058	\$	15,159	\$	19,732	
United Kingdom	Babcock International Group	\$	5,450	\$ 5,473	\$	5,642	\$	5,092	\$	6,222	
United Kingdom	Serco Group	\$	6,640	\$ 5,883	\$	6,414	\$	5,449	\$	4,653	
United Kingdom	QinetiQ	\$	2,370	\$ 1,949	\$	1,816	\$	1,638	\$	1,370	



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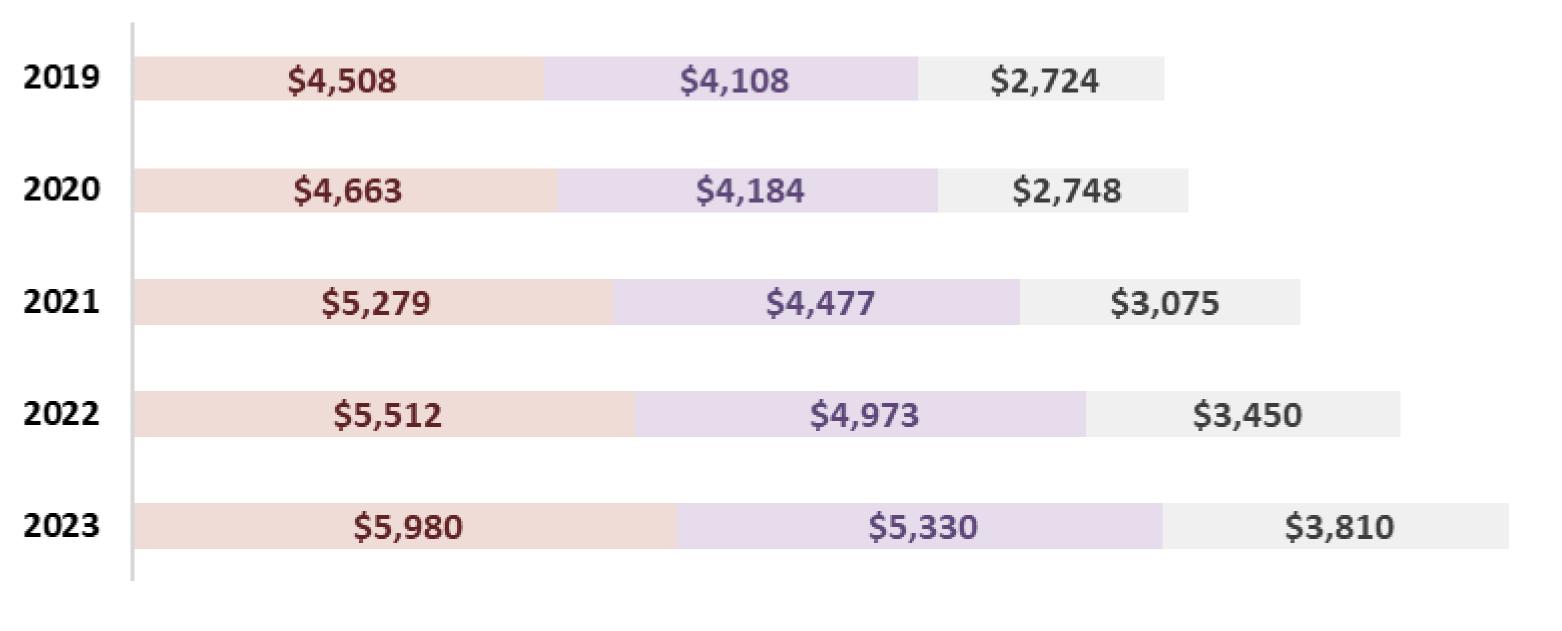
Then there's Israel, with 3 top companies in the arms business. Israel leverages its advanced defense tech, exporting to countries around the world, often marketing its weapons as "battletested."





Israel Arm Production Revenue

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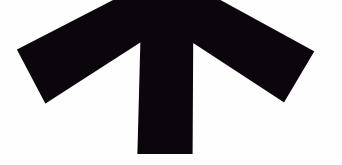


Israel Aerospace Industries

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Elbit Systems





These countries profit from war indirectly or directly. The demand for weapons spikes during conflict, and these companies respond with supply often supported or subsidized by their governments.

This isn't just business.

It's a cycle:

War → Arms Sales → Profits → More R&D → More Arms Conflict becomes a market opportunity and global stability takes a back seat. So when you hear about ongoing wars and tensions, ask yourself:
Who's benefiting behind the scenes?
Often, it's not just about politics or ideology; it's big money.

Thank You for your attention!