Executive Summary

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There are at least \$278.6 billion in outstanding nuclear weapons contracts, some of which don't expire for decades. In 2022, at least \$15.9 billion in new nuclear weapon contracts were awarded. The companies that received them turned around and invested in lobbying governments, spending \$113 million on those efforts in the US and France. Together, nuclear weapon producing companies, nuclear-armed governments and those in nuclear alliances spent \$21-36 million funding the ten of the most prominent think tanks researching and writing about nuclear weapons in nuclear-armed states.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine and overt threats to use nuclear weapons have induced fear across the planet, but have also spurred a resilience and re-thinking of outdated concepts like nuclear deterrence. Those whose incomes depend on the existence of nuclear weapons fiercely defended the right of nine countries to indiscriminately murder civilians with weapons of mass destruction, but a majority are going in another direction.

In June 2022, more than sixty states parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons gathered in Vienna. In an incredibly inclusive meeting, they engaged with those impacted by decades of nuclear weapons production and development, youth destined to inherit the last generation's contaminating nuclear legacy, and financiers who know there is power and profit to be found by avoiding the nuclear industry. This meeting adopted the most comprehensive and coordinated action plan on nuclear disarmament in the past decade, and they are well on their way to implementing its agreements.

The nine nuclear-armed states may have wasted \$157,644 a minute on nuclear weapons in 2022, but no matter how much they spend, their nuclear weapons remain tools of terror and intimidation propped up by a mythical tale of deterrence that is rapidly unravelling.

KEY FIGURES

Country Spending

	The United States	\$43.7 billion (*) \$83,143 / minute
*)	China	\$11.7 billion (5) \$22,219 / minute
	Russia	\$9.6 billion (5) \$18,228 / minute
	The United Kingdom	\$6.8 billion (*) \$12,975 / minute
	France	\$5.6 billion (5) \$10,603 / minute
<u> </u>	India	\$2.7 billion
*	Israel	\$1.2 billion (5) \$2,226 / minute
C	Pakistan	\$1 billion (*) \$1,967 / minute
•	North Korea	\$589 million (5) \$1,221/minute
~	2022 Total	\$82.9 billion (5) \$157,664 per minute

Company	Spent lobbying in 2022	2022 nuclear weapons related income (USD)
Aerojet Rocketdyne	\$2,337,301	\$4,000,000
Airbus	\$5,291,433	(total figure unknown)
BAE Systems	\$4,609,153	\$844,056,621
Bechtel	\$1,304,995	\$1,658,614,787
Boeing	\$16,674,506	\$892,967,757
Draper	\$0	\$30,682,607
General Dynamics	\$13,800,000	\$2,760,745,351
Honeywell International	\$8,431,869	\$6,530,439,364
Huntington Ingalls Industries	\$1,643,996	\$847,534,629
Jacobs Engineering	\$1,084,991	\$318,030,655
L3 Harris Technologies	\$3,929,996	\$30,553,462
Leidos	\$3,869,996	\$3,318,494,697
Leonardo	\$1,209,994	(total figure unknown)
Lockheed Martin	\$15,817,464	\$2,001,230,808
Northrop Grumman	\$11,730,000	\$9,603,304,188
Peraton	\$870,000	\$26,882,091
Raytheon Technologies	\$13,389,996	\$542,363,667

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Total funding from companies, governments, and

alliances that produce and support nuclear weapons

Company	Spent lobbying in 2022	2022 nuclear weapons related income (USD)
Rolls Royce	\$120,000	(total figure unknown)
Safran	\$881,326	(total figure unknown)
Textron	\$4,631,774	\$8,944,444
Thales	\$1,709,319	(total figure unknown)

Total new nuclear weapon related contracts awarded in 2022, at least \$15.9 billion.

Think tank funding from companies, governments, and alliances that produce and support nuclear weapons

Total government funding	\$ 16 - 27 million
Total company funding	\$ 5 - 9 million
Stimson Center	\$3,296,369
Royal United Services Institute	\$2,488,409 - \$5,431,512
Observer Research Foundation	\$888,106
Hudson Institute	\$375,000 - \$469,999
Center for Strategic and International Studies	\$2,590,000 - \$3,829,987
Center for New American Security	\$2,710,001 - \$4,729,975
Chatham House	no amount publicly available
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace	\$2,020,000 - \$4,499,986
Brookings Institution	\$2,460,000 - \$4,974,984
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Think tanks do not all report exact contributions per donor, the range presented reflects the information published by these institutions.

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