

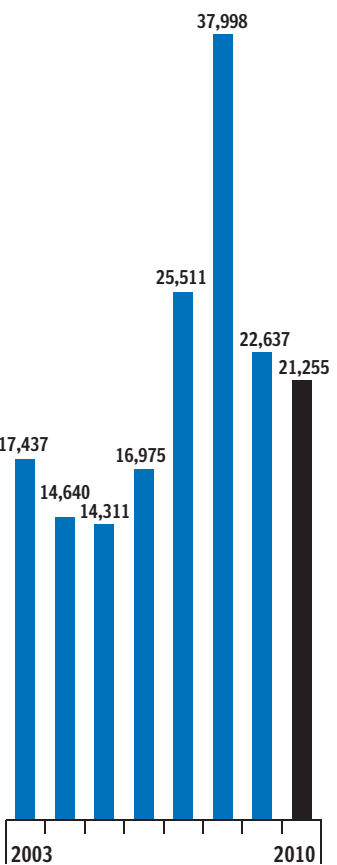
# ARMS SALES PLUMMET

The global recession is hitting the arms trade. In a report to the U.S. Congress, Richard Grimmett, a specialist in international security, said, "Worldwide weapons sales declined generally in 2010 in response to the constraints created by the tenuous state of the global economy. In view of budget difficulties faced by many purchasing nations, they chose to defer or limit the purchase of new major weapons systems."

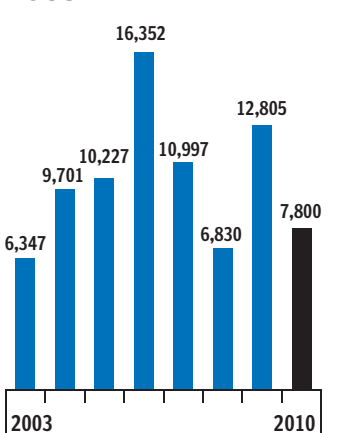
## TOP ARMAMENT SELLING COUNTRIES IN 2010 (SALES 2003-2010)

IN MILLIONS OF CONSTANT 2010 U.S. DOLLARS

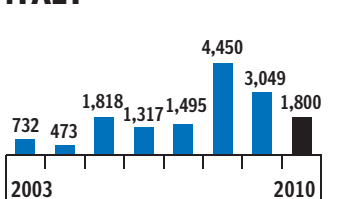
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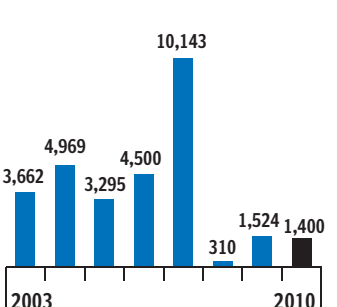
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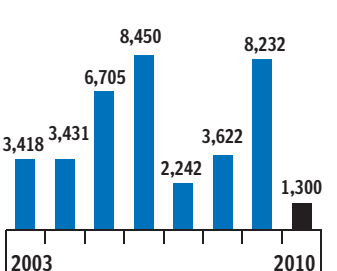
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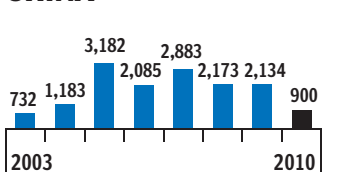
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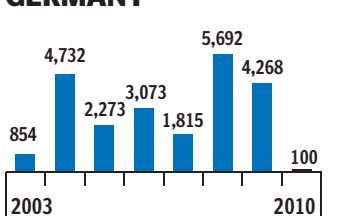
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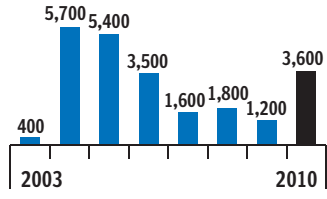
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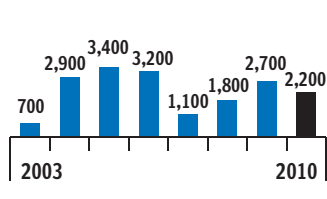
## MAJOR ARMAMENT IMPORTING COUNTRIES IN 2010 (PURCHASE 2003-2010)

IN MILLIONS OF CURRENT U.S. DOLLARS

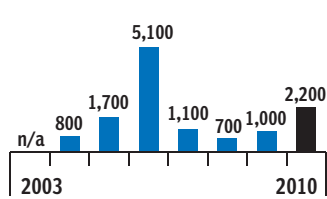
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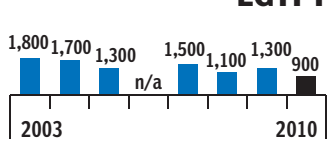
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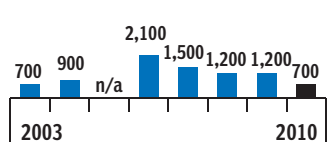
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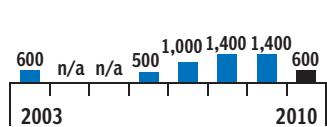
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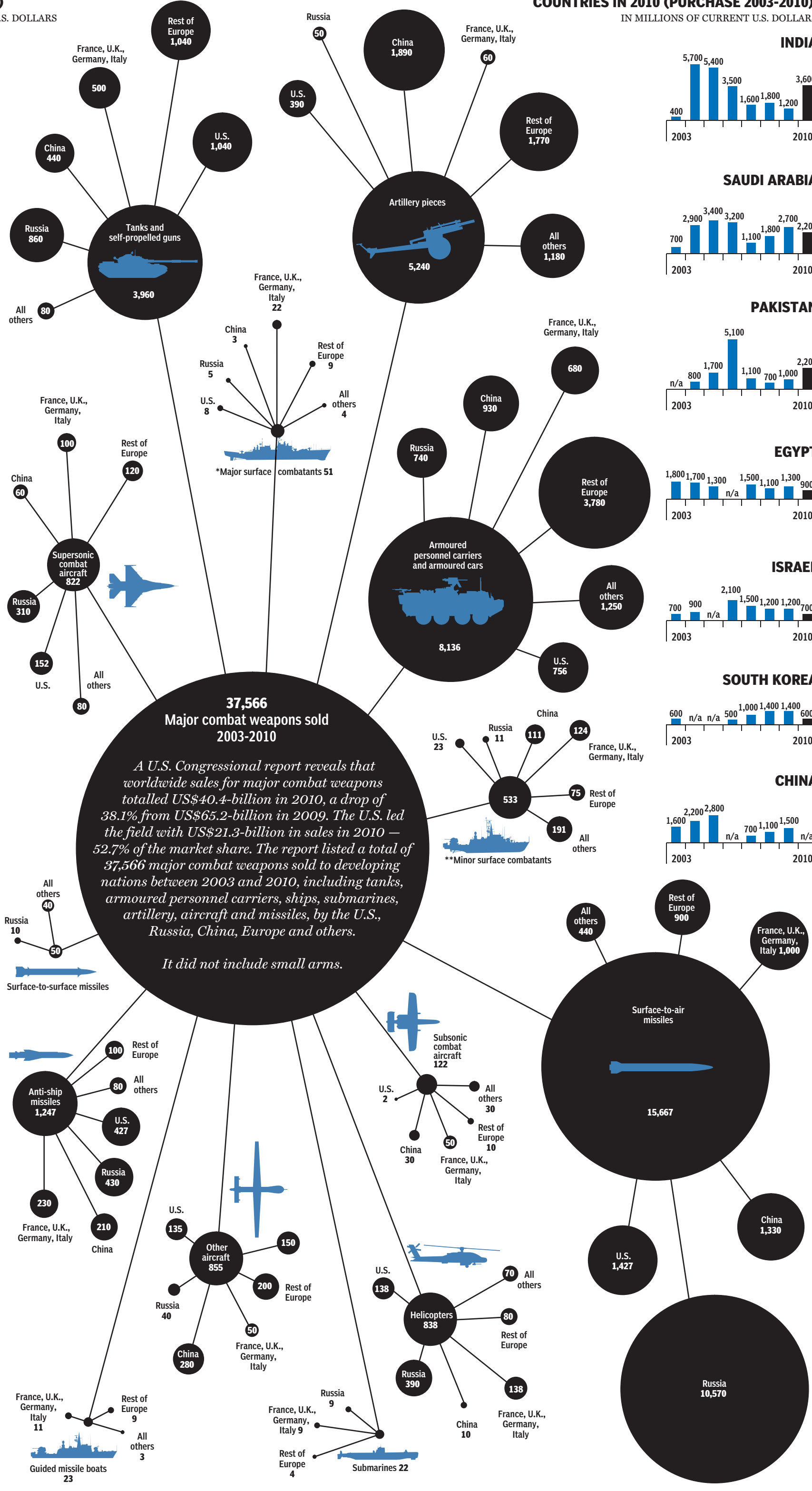
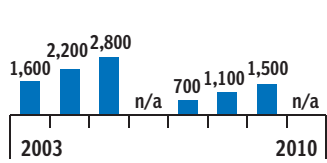
### ISRAEL



### SOUTH KOREA



### CHINA



\*Major surface combatants: This category includes aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, frigates. \*\*Minor surface combatants: This category includes minesweepers, subchasers, motor torpedo boats, patrol craft, motor gunboats.