The United States has historically devoted a larger share of its economy to defense than other members of the G7.

NOTES: Data for the United States are for the fiscal year that ended on September 30 of the stated year. Data for all other countries are based on calendar years. The G7, or Group of Seven, is a forum for the countries that have the world’s largest advanced economies. The source for this chart uses a definition of defense spending that is more broad than budget function 050 and defense discretionary spending.