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## Investment in Missile Defense

In the period 1985–99, the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization and its successor, the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, spent some \$61 billion on development of technologies and systems for all types of ballistic missile defense. The funds were allocated to these categories: National Missile Defense, \$22 billion; Theater Missile Defense, \$17 billion; support technology, \$22 billion. (All figures in constant Fiscal 2001 dollars.)

The table shows that in the early years, investment focused on National Missile Defense and support technology, which together accounted for virtually all of the nearly \$5 billion budgets of the late 1980s. In the 1990s, with the Clinton Administration de-emphasizing the ballistic missile threat, funding shifted hard to Theater Missile Defense—that is, combating the threat to US deployed forces.

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