

Annotated Works Cited

Allan, Tony. *The Causes of World War I*. Heinemann Library, 2003.

Pages 22 and 23 of this book explain Germany's plan to attack France, should war break out between Germany, France and Russia. France and Russia were allies, sworn to defend each other should any country declare war on them. Germany sits between France and Russia and was concerned about defending herself on both the French and Russian borders at the same time. General Alfred von Schlieffen, developed a plan where Germany would attack France very quickly, knock out her defenses so that she could then turn all German military resources on Russia. This plan was developed in 1905, ten years before World War I actually broke out. This plan shows that Germany was preparing for a war, long before World War I.

Chart showing military expenditures in Europe and the United States from 1908 to 1913:

"Militarism as a Cause of World War I." *World War I*, 21 Jan. 2016, alaphahistory.com/worldwar1/militarism/.

This chart from a website shows the military expenditures of Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Italy, United States, and Japan from 1908 to 1913. It is easy to see that all of the countries visibly increased military spending. British expenditures went from \$286.7m to \$374.2m and German expenditures increased from \$286.7m to \$463.6m.

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This article from a website describes the buildup of the British navy in the years before World War I. It shows that Britain curtailed spending on social programs to increase spending on dreadnoughts which were powerful but also very expensive. It also describes Germany's desire to surpass Britain's navy in both the number of ships and the power of the ships and the competition that developed between the two countries.