

Trump's speech in numbers

US\$1 trillion in infrastructure spending

Financed through public and private capital

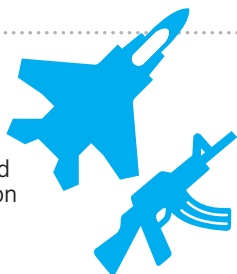
US\$54 billion

or 10 per cent increase in defence spending

- Mr Trump said he would ask for one of the largest increases in national defence spending in American history.
- Officials later said defence spending would increase by US\$54 billion or 10 per cent.

FACT CHECK

The plan will bring the Pentagon's budget to US\$603 billion in total, just 3 per cent more than the \$584 billion the agency spent in 2016.



Over 43 million Americans on food stamps

Over 43 million people living in poverty

FACT CHECK

43.1 million Americans were living below the federal poverty line in 2015. But there were more people living in poverty in 2009 and 2010.

94 million Americans out of the labour force

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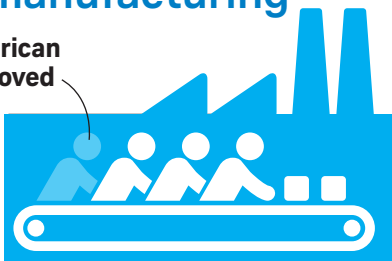
- This is the number of Americans older than 15 who do not have jobs. But it includes students, people with disabilities, stay-at-home parents and retirees.
- The Bureau of Labour Statistics estimates about 7.6 million people were unemployed in January.



One-fourth of US manufacturing jobs lost since North American Free Trade Agreement was approved

FACT CHECK

- US has lost a lot of factory jobs since 2000, but to technological progress, not foreign competition.
- Manufacturing output is at its highest level in history.



60,000 factories lost since China joined the World Trade Organisation in 2001

US\$800 billion trade deficit in goods with the world last year

US\$6 trillion spent in the Middle East, enough to rebuild the US twice, maybe even three times

US\$3 trillion gain in stock market value since Mr Trump's election on Nov 8