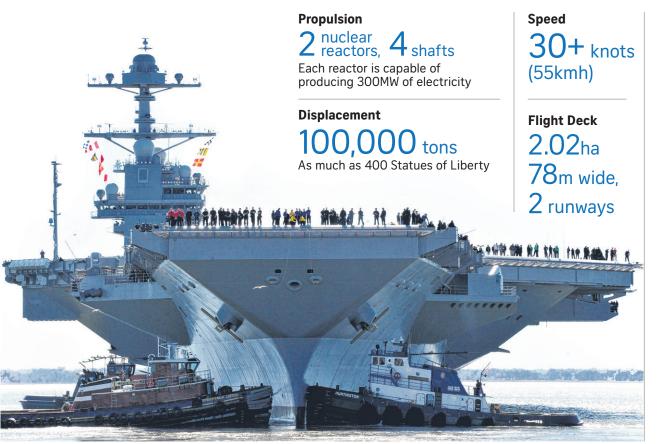
USS Gerald R. Ford in facts and figures



Cost of USS Gerald R. Ford and two more Ford class carriers to be built

US\$43b (S\$60.44b)

Number of shipbuilders involved in construction

5,000

Personnel on board Approximately

5,000

Aircraft capacity

75+

Capable of 220 air strikes a day – one almost every six minutes – because the deck uses electromagnetic force instead of steam power to propel the jets forward. The method is similar to that used on roller coasters.

How it compares

CARRYING MAXIMUM Length in metres **CARRIER NAME** 300 **CAPACITY** DISPLACEMENT 100 200 **USS Gerald R. Ford** 75+ aircraft 100,000 tons US Liaoning 50 aircraft 65,000 tons China **INS Vikramaditya** 30 aircraft 45.000 tons India JS Kaga 28 aircraft 27,000 tons Japan

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