

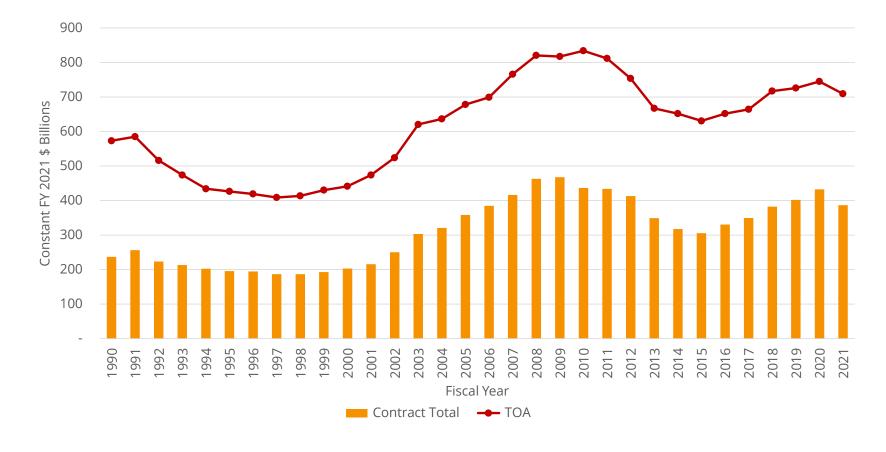
## **Defense Acquisition Trends 2022**

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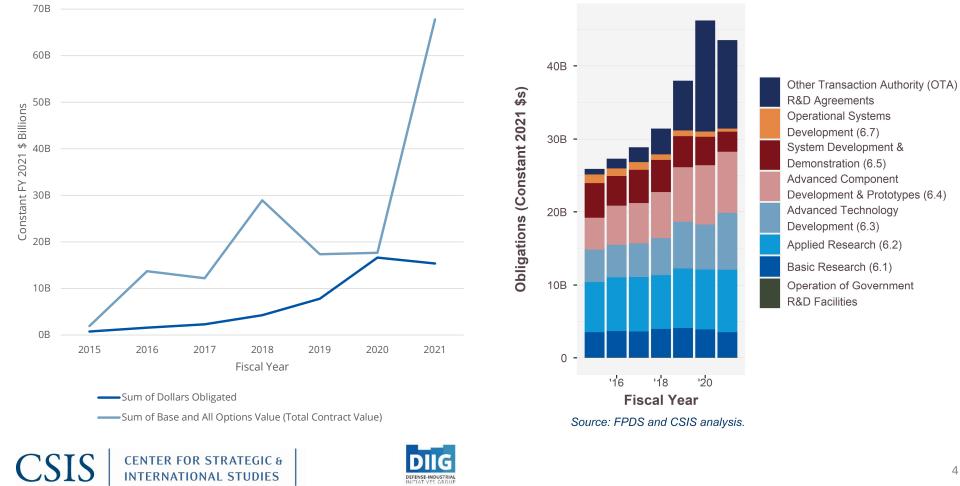
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# **Research Questions**

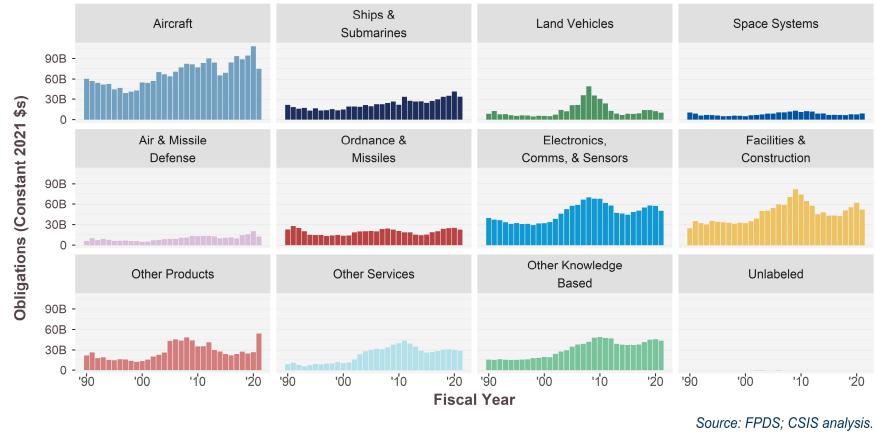
- How have purchasing priorities shifted?
- How has the approach to the industrial base shifted?



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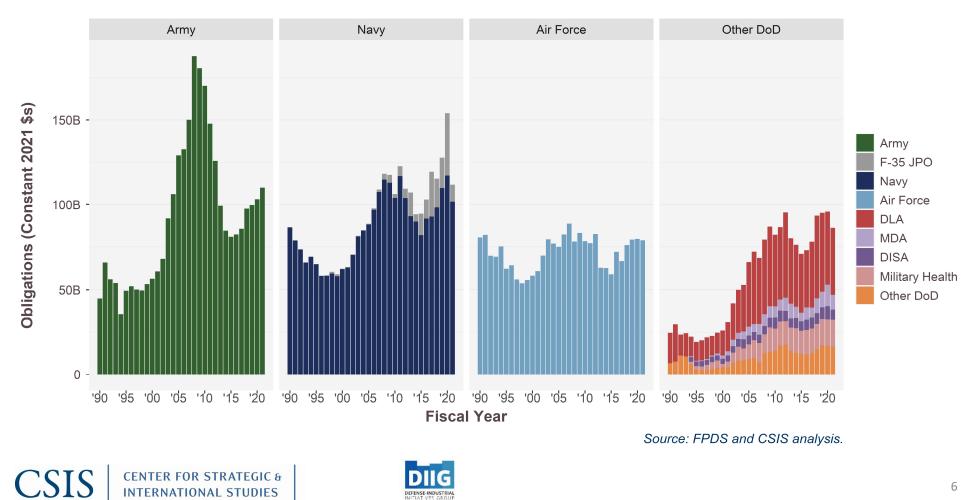
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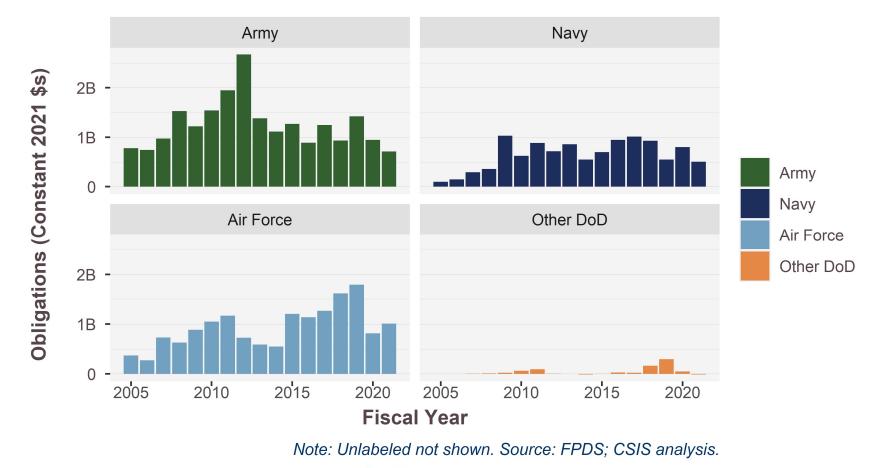




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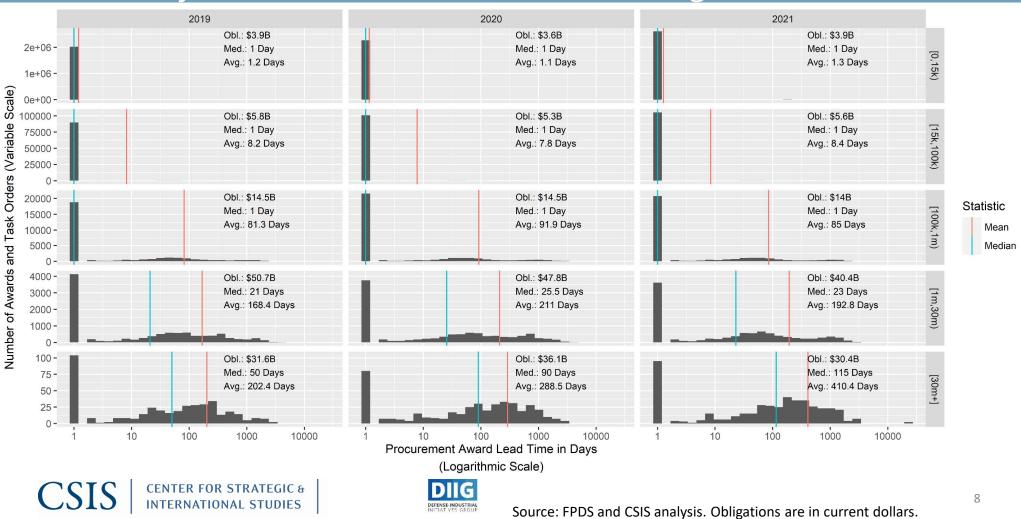
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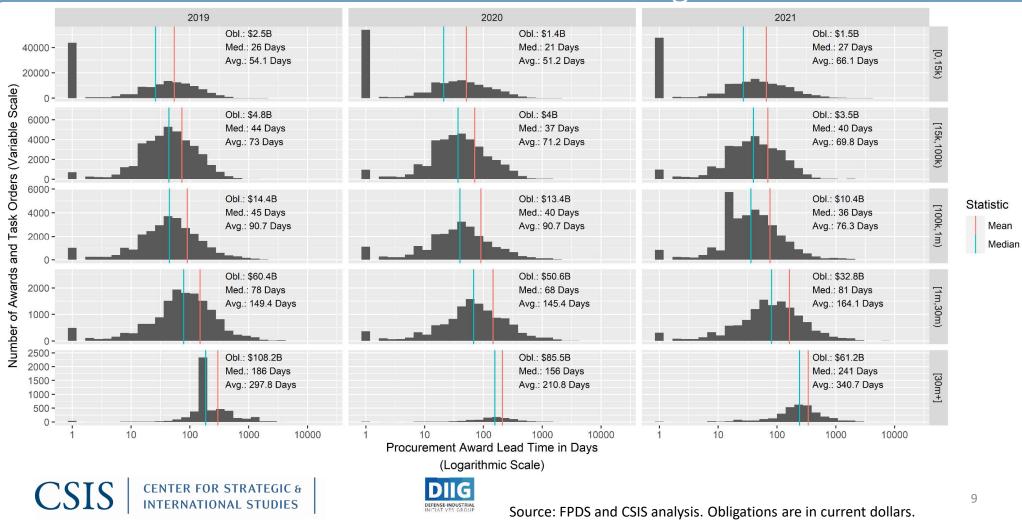




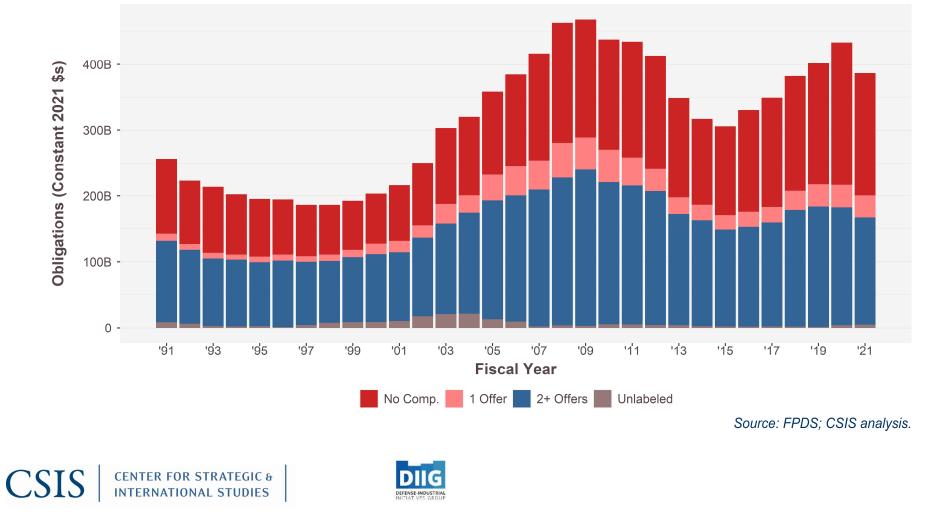
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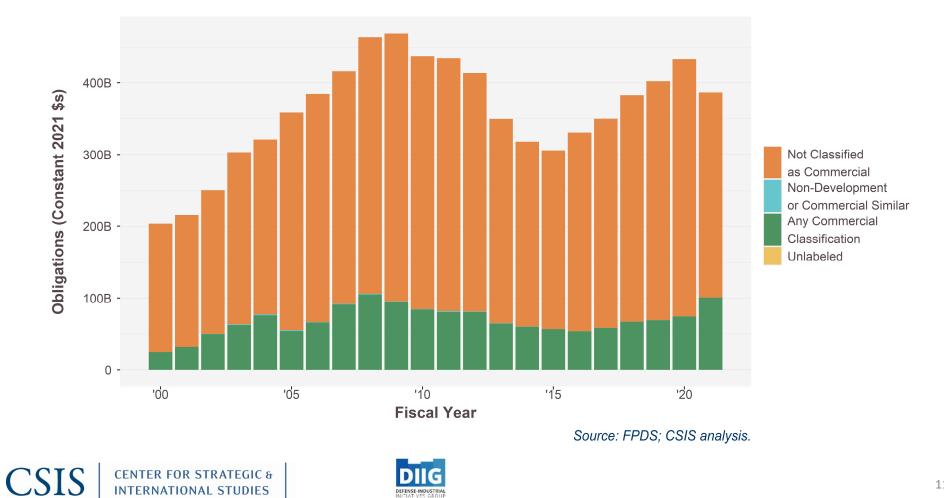
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# Conclusions

- The bounce back after the drawdown and budget caps has reached its end
- R&D and space systems stood out as protected priorities even as overall obligations declined
- Acquisition agility, as measured by PALT, is not improving for large contracts
- Responses to Covid-19 shaped spending priorities using tools aimed at commercial technology

