



The British Navy

The growth of the Naval expenditure of all the great powers is a constant subject of anxiety and debate. The battleships above represent the ships estimated for in the Navy Estimates of Great Britain for 1911-12, and for which a sum of £44,392,500 is asked, an increase of £3,788,800 over the net estimates for last year. An idea of the size can be gained when it is stated that the vessels asked for this year will be equal to the whole of the Brazilian Navy, and more than equal to any of the existing navies of the following countries:—Spain, Portugal, Holland, Austria, Denmark, Chili, Mexico, Peru, China, Greece, Norway, or Sweden. There can be seen in the picture five 'Dreadnoughts,' three protected cruisers, one unprotected cruiser, twenty destroyers, six submarines, two river gunboats, a depot ship for destroyers, a hospital ship, a floating dock, and several smaller craft.

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