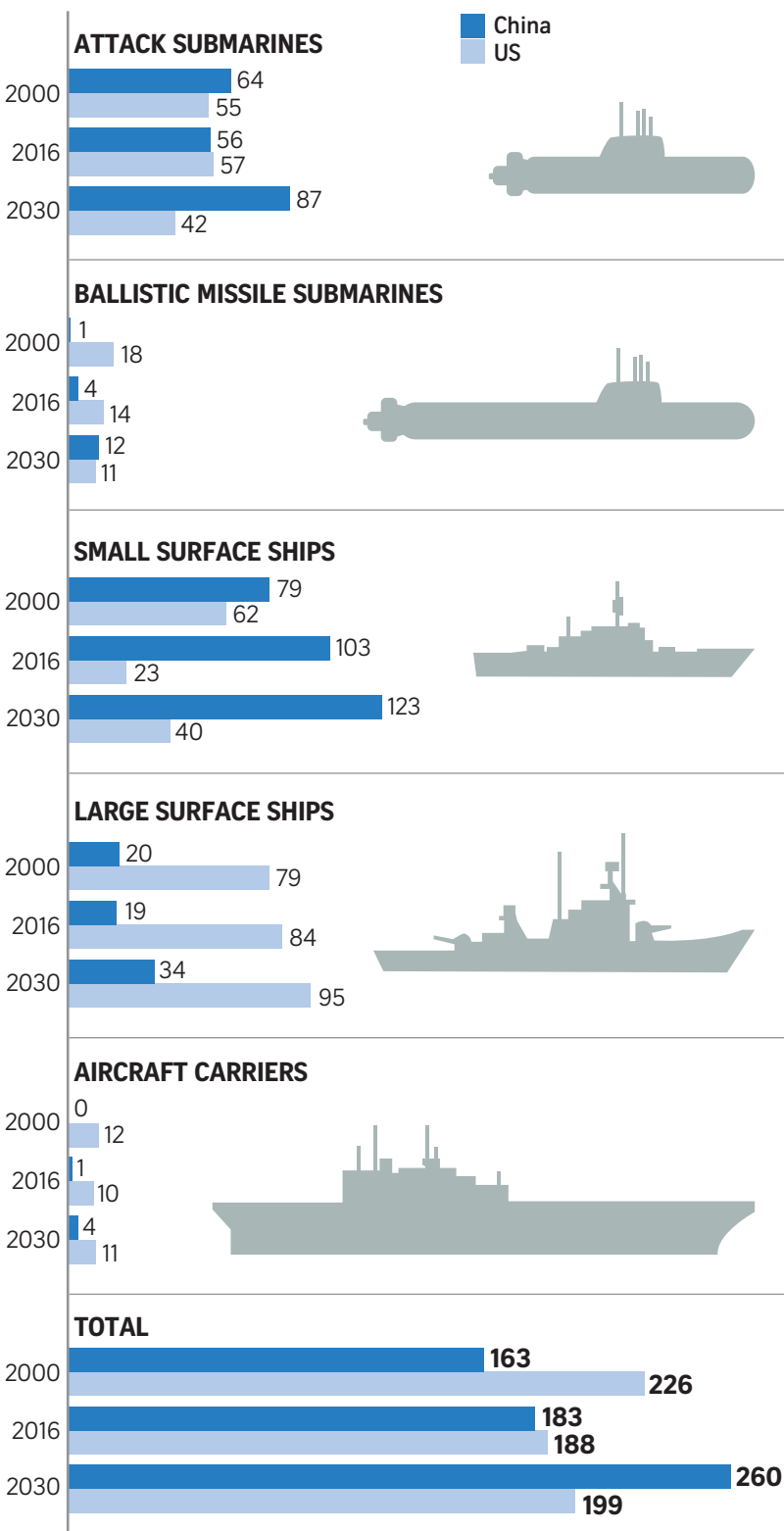


# Growing fleet

China's navy is catching up with the US in five classes of warships.



NOTE: Attack submarines include nuclear-and-diesel-powered vessels; small surface ships include frigates, Littoral Combat Ships and mine ships; large surface ships include cruisers and destroyers.