Split between acquisition and O&M costs in a weapon's system life cycle

Acquisition: 28% of total cost
Operation and maintenance: 72% of total cost

NORMAL LIFE CYCLE OF 30 YEARS

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