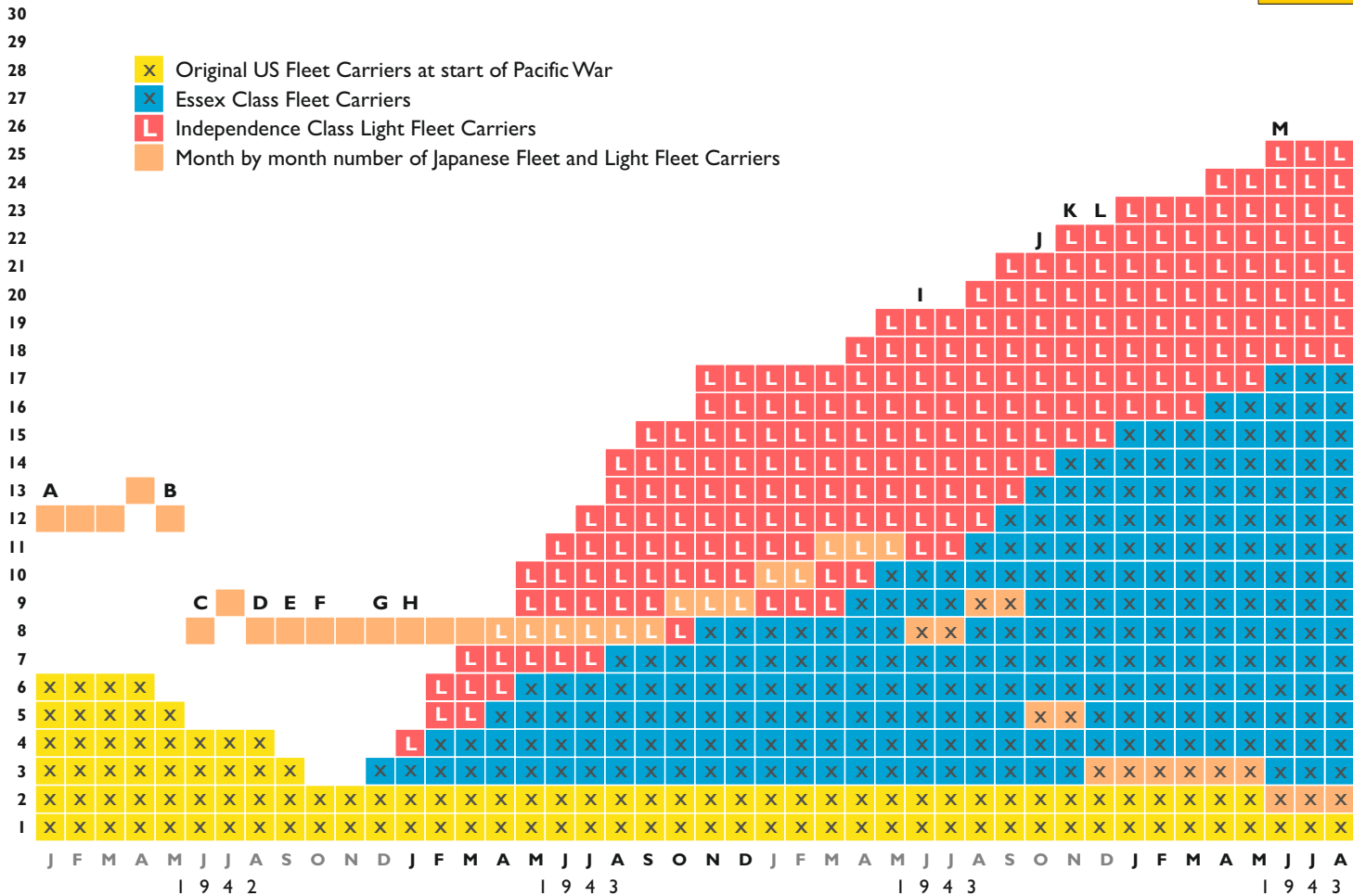


Availability of US and Japanese Fleet Carriers Month by Month in the Pacific War: 1942-1945

Chart: 31.3



- A** US fleet carriers, USS Enterprise, USS Yorktown, USS Hornet, USS Wasp, USS Saratoga, USS Lexington V 12 Japanese fleet and light fleet carriers
- B** Battle of the Coral Sea 4.5.1942 USS Lexington sunk Light carrier Shoho sunk
- C** Battle of Midway 7.6.1942 USS Yorktown sunk Japanese fleet carriers Kaga, Akagi, Soryu and Hiryu sunk
- D** Battle of the East Solomons 24.8.1942 Light carrier Ryujo sunk
- E** USS Wasp sunk by torpedoes from I-19: 15.9.1942
- F** USS Hornet sunk at the Battle of Santa Cruz Islands: 27.10.1942
- G** USS Essex launched - the first of 19 on order. Could carry 100 planes and had three elevators
- H** USS Independence launched - first light carrier based on cruiser hulls which had been built at Roosevelt's command
- I** Battle of the Philippine Sea (the Great Marianas Turkey Shoot): Carriers Taiho, Shokaku and Hiyo sunk 19.6.1944
- J** Battle of Leyte Gulf: Light carrier USS Princeton sunk: fleet carrier Zuikaku and light carriers Chiyoda, Zulho and Chitose sunk 25.10.1944
- K** World's largest carrier, Shinano, sunk in the Inland Sea
- L** Junyo damaged beyond repair by USS Sea Devil, USS Plaice and USS Redfish 9.12.1944 Unryu sunk by USS Redfish 19.12.1944
- M** Amagi sunk at anchor at Kure 28.6.1995