

## Where Does the Federal Government Spend The Money?

	Where DO YOU THINK the money goes?	Where SHOULD the the Money Go?	Where DOES the Money Go?
Education	_____%	_____%	_____%
Health and Medicare	_____%	_____%	_____%
Income Security	_____%	_____%	_____%
International Affairs (includes foreign aid)	_____%	_____%	_____%
National Defense	_____%	_____%	_____%
Net Interest (mainly interest paid on national debt)	_____%	_____%	_____%
Environment (including energy and natural resources)	_____%	_____%	_____%
Social Security	_____%	_____%	_____%
Commerce	_____%	_____%	_____%
*Other	_____%	_____%	_____%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**EDUCATION:** includes funding for the Department of Education, social services programs within the Department of Health and Human Services, and employment and training programs within the Department of Labor. It also contains funding for the Library of Congress and independent research and art agencies such as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Smithsonian Institution, the National Gallery of Art, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**HEALTH:** Four health insurance programs — Medicare, Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and Affordable Care Act (ACA) marketplace subsidies make up a large part of this budget. Others in this section include the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Health Resources and Services Administration, and the Food and Drug Administration, federal worker and retirees' health benefits, and health care for Medicare-eligible military retirees.

**INCOME SECURITY:** Major federal entitlement programs in this function include unemployment insurance, trade adjustment assistance income support, food stamps, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, foster care, and Supplemental Security Income. These programs provide cash or near-cash assistance (e.g., housing, nutrition, and energy assistance) to low-income persons, and benefits to certain retirees, persons with disabilities, and the unemployed. Housing assistance programs account for the largest share of discretionary funding.

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS:** This category includes a number of assistance programs administered by the State Department, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of Agriculture, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and other independent agencies. These programs include the Global Health Program, Migration and Refugee Assistance, Food for Peace Grants, International Disaster Assistance, Development Assistance, and Multilateral Assistance.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Energy, natural resources, EPA, and the environment

**OTHER:** Includes agriculture, administration of justice (courts), science, space and technology, transportation, the administrative costs of running the federal govt. This section includes the activities of the White House and the Executive Office of the President, the legislative branch, and programs designed to carry out the legislative and administrative responsibilities of the federal government, including personnel management, fiscal operations, and property control.

