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Total United States government spending / GDP

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Federal Debt Held by the Public Projected in CBO’s Baseline and Under an Alternative Fiscal Scenario

(Percentage of gross domestic product)

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

Note: The alternative fiscal scenario incorporates the assumptions that all expiring tax provisions (other than the payroll tax reduction), including those that expired at the end of December 2011, are instead extended; that the alternative minimum tax is indexed for inflation after 2011 (starting at the 2011 exemption amount); that Medicare’s payment rates for physicians’ services are held constant at their current level; and that the automatic enforcement procedures specified by the Budget Control Act of 2011 do not take effect. The budgetary effects under the alternative fiscal scenario also include the incremental interest costs associated with projected additional borrowing.
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U.S. Federal Spending – Fiscal Year 2015 ($ Billions)

Total
$3.7 Trillion

- Healthcare: 937 (25%)
- Social Security: 882 (24%)
- Non-Defense Discretionary: 585 (16%)
- Defense Department: 583 (16%)
- Other Mandatory (net): 479 (13%)
- Net Interest: 223 (6%)

Source Data: CBO Historical Tables, March 2016
U.S. Federal Tax Revenues – Fiscal Year 2015 ($ Billions)

- Individual Income: 1,541 (47%)
- Payroll: 1,065 (33%)
- Corporate Income: 344 (11%)
- Other: 300 (9%)
- Total: $3.25 Trillion

Source Data: CBO Historical Tables, March 2016
“Big deal, an A in math. That would be a D in any other country.”

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