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## Summary

This is a select chronology of, and a finding guide for information on, congressional and presidential actions and documents related to major budget events in calendar year 2000, covering the FY2001 budget (October 1, 2000—September 30, 2001). Brief information is provided which identifies the President's budget actions, congressional budget resolutions, appropriations measures (regular, continuing, supplementals, and rescissions), budget reconciliation, House and Senate votes, publications, testimony, charts, and tables.

Congressional users of the Internet version, accessible via the CRS appropriations page at: [<http://www.loc.gov/crs/products/apppage.html>], can click on the highlighted (underlined) section and be connected to the full-text CRS products, documents, publications, testimony, and data tables cited. Internet addresses are provided in the printed copy of this report, so that the reader can consult cited information.

Examples of Internet connections to full-text material found in this report include CRS products, when they become available, on the budget process, reconciliation, and each of the 13 appropriation bills, pie charts such as "The Federal Dollar—Where the Money Comes From and Where it Goes," Congressional Budget Office (CBO) publications including the *Economic and Budget Outlook: Fiscal Years 2001-2010*, and General Accounting Office (GAO) reports such as *Federal Debt: Answers to Frequently Asked Questions*.

Other Internet links provide data tables and charts on the budget and debt, selected congressional testimony, and bills, reports, and public laws for FY1997-FY2001 appropriations legislation.

If Internet access is not available, addresses and phone numbers are listed for congressional committees and executive branch agencies mentioned in this report, and the sources of other publications are given. This chronology will be updated as needed.

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## Status

**Congressional Offices: Use the Legislative Information Service (LIS) for access to legislation and CRS analysis.** [http://www.congress.gov/]

**Appropriations Status:** An overview and summary of the status of all appropriations bills, providing bill and public law numbers, dates of passage, votes, and hypertext links to full texts of the bills, public laws, and related reports.  
[http://www.loc.gov/crs/products/appover.html]

**CRS Appropriations/Budget Products:** There is a CRS report on each of the 13 appropriations bills for FY2001.  
[http://www.loc.gov/crs/products/apppage.html]

The federal budget cycle for fiscal year 2001 began in July 1999 when the Office of Management and Budget issued Circular No. A11 to the heads of all executive departments and establishments, giving instructions on preparing FY2001 budget requests. After review, analysis, and negotiation of these budget requests, the President's budget is prepared and submitted to Congress. (See CRS Report 98-721, *Introduction to the Federal Budget Process*, for information on the congressional budget process timetable). Federal agency Internet sites are provided on p. 11 of this report.

FY2001 Budget Resolutions and Votes		Conference Report H.Rept. 106-577	
House	Senate	House Vote	Senate Vote
H.Con.Res. 290; passed by a vote of 211-207, H. Vote 75, CR, 3/23/00, p.1402.	S.Con.Res. 101, incorporated in H.Con.Res. 290 as an amendment; passed by a vote of 51-45, S. Vote 79, CR, 4/7/00, p.2429.	Passed 220-208, H. Vote 125, CR, 4/13/00, p. H2258	Passed 50-48, S. Vote 85, CR, 4/13/00, p. S2696

**Note:** The President does not sign congressional budget resolutions.

**01/25-26/00, 02/1-4, 8-11/00 — Senate Budget Committee** series of hearings surrounding the fiscal year 2001 budget.

**01/26/00 — CBO testimony** presented to the Senate Budget Committee on the budget and economic outlook for fiscal years 2001-2010 based on the newly released report, *The Budget and Economic Outlook: Fiscal Years 2001-2010*. Statement of Dan L. Crippen, Director. [<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=1822&type=1>]

**01/26/00 — CBO releases *The Budget and Economic Outlook: Fiscal Years 2001-2010*.** Total federal revenues exceeded spending by \$124 billion in fiscal year 1999, producing a surplus in the total budget for the second consecutive year. CBO estimates that without legislative changes, that surplus will rise to \$176 billion in 2000. If current policies remain in place, the surplus will continue to increase after 2000; however, the size of that increase depends on the amount of discretionary spending assumed. [<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=1820&type=1>]

**02/3/00 — OMB issues a letter to the chairmen and ranking members of both House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and on the Budget, as well as the Director of the CBO and the Comptroller General of the United States,** on the significant presentation and technical changes in the FY2001 Budget. Included in the FY2001 Budget is a *Report on the Government-wide Rescissions in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, P.L. 106-113*. This report is published as chapter 21 of the *Analytical Perspectives* volume.

**02/4/00 — CBO releases corrected tables 1-6 of *The Budget and Economic Outlook: Fiscal Year 2001-2010*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1820&sequence=0&from=1>]

**02/4/00 — CBO releases *The Standardized Budget: Details of the Projections*,** supplement to *The Budget and Economic Outlook: Fiscal Years 2001-2010*.

[<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=1826&type=1>]

**02/4/00 — CBO releases *Sequestration Preview Report for FY2001*.** This is the first of three sequestration reports that are mandated by law.

[<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=1827&type=1>]

**02/7/00 — President's FY2001 Budget released.** For a description of and access to the budget documents, supporting documents, and spreadsheet files, go to: [<http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/fy2001/maindown.html>]; to search across budget documents: [[http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/fy2001/fy2001\\_srch.html](http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/fy2001/fy2001_srch.html)]

Printed copies of budget documents are sold by the U.S. Government Printing Office. Prepaid orders are accepted by phone (202-512-1800) or fax (202-512-2250) with the following credit cards: Discover/NOVUS, MasterCard, or VISA. Prepaid written orders are also accepted at: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. These are the 2001 documents:

<i>Analytical Perspectives, FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00535-8, \$54
<i>Budget of the U.S. Government—Appendix FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00534-0, \$72
<i>Budget of the U.S. Government, FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00533-1, \$38
<i>Budget System and Concepts, FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00538-2, \$3.25
<i>Budget on CD-ROM, Fiscal Year 2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00539-1, \$17
<i>Citizen's Guide to the Federal Budget, FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00537-4, \$3.75

<i>Historical Tables, FY2001</i>	S/N 041-001-00536-6, \$28
<i>Budget Information for States, FY2001</i>	available in May 2000
<i>Economic Report of the President, 2000</i>	S/N 040-000-00728-8, \$25

**02/7/00 — Senate Budget Committee Analysis of President Clinton’s FY2001 Budget.**

[<http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/analysis/2000/FY2001IA.htm>]

**02/8/00 — Senate Finance Committee** hearings on President Clinton’s fiscal year 2001 budget and tax proposals.

**02/8/00 — House Budget Committee** hearings on fiscal year 2001 budget review.

**02/9/00 — House Ways and Means Committee** hearings on tax and budget proposals.

**02/10/00 — *The Economic Report of the President, 2000* released.** This report “traces the dramatic changes that have occurred in the U.S. economy over the last century with discussions of macroeconomics.” [<http://w3.access.gpo.gov/eop/>]

**02/11/00 — CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, February 2000*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1836&sequence=0&from=7>]

**02/16-17/00 — House Budget Committee** hearings on the President’s fiscal year 2001 Budget.

**03/3/00 — Senate Finance Committee releases letter to the chairman of the Senate Budget Committee on the Finance Committee’s fiscal year 2001 views and estimates.** Submission of this document is pursuant to Section 310(d) of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974*. [<http://www.senate.gov/~finance/106-328.htm>]

**03/9/00 — CBO releases *An Analysis of the President’s Budgetary Proposals for Fiscal Year 2001: A Preliminary Report*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/byclasscat.cfm?class=0&cat=1>]

**03/10/00 — CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, March 2000*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1882&sequence=0&from=7>]

**03/10 /00 — CBO releases *Budget Options, March 2000*,** intended to help inform policymakers about options for the federal budget. The report has two main components. First, it discusses major proposals to increase spending and/or cut taxes that have been prompted by the emergence of large budget surpluses. Second, it presents some 250 specific policy options which could be used to offset the cost of new initiatives, maintain budgetary discipline, reorder priorities, or accomplish other goals. [<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1845&sequence=0&from=7>]

**03/13/00 — House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, releases *Preliminary Analysis of the GOP Budget Agreement, Briefing Paper*.**

[[http://www.house.gov/budget\\_democrats/papers.htm](http://www.house.gov/budget_democrats/papers.htm)]

**03/20/00 — House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, releases *A Summary and Analysis of the House Republican Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2001, Briefing Paper*.** [[http://www.house.gov/budget\\_democrats/papers.htm](http://www.house.gov/budget_democrats/papers.htm)]

**03/23/00 — House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, releases *Highlights of the Democratic Alternative Budget, Briefing Paper*.** [[http://www.house.gov/budget\\_democrats/papers.htm](http://www.house.gov/budget_democrats/papers.htm)]

**03/24/00 — CBO letter to Honorable John R. Kasich, House Budget Committee Chairman, regarding CBO's analysis of the President's budget for FY2001.** [<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1923&sequence=0&from=7>]

**03/28/00 — Senate Budget Committee releases the *Chairman's Mark*.** The Chairman's Mark for the FY2001 Concurrent Budget Resolution represents a fiscal blueprint for the next 5 years. [<http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/analysis/2000/mark/markcontents.htm>]

**03/30/00 — CBO releases *An Analysis of the President's Budgetary Proposals for Fiscal Year 2001*.** [<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=1908&type=1>]

**04/01/00 — GAO releases *Compendium of Budget Accounts, Fiscal Year 2001*.** [<http://www.gao.gov/>]

**04/10/00 — CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, April 2000*.** [<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1931&sequence=0&from=7>]

**04/13/00 — House passes the conference report, H. Rpt. 106-577, on the FY2001 Budget Resolution, H. Con. Res. 290, by a vote of 220-208. CR, p. H2258.**

**04/13/00 — Senate passes the conference report, H. Rpt. 106-577, on the FY2001 Budget Resolution, by a vote of 50-48. CR, p. S2696.**

**05/01/00 — House Budget Committee releases *Compilation of Laws and Rules Relating to the Congressional Budget Process as Amended Through March 23, 2000*.** [<http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/house/house04cp106.html>]

**05/04/00 — House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, releases *The Republican Budget Resolution: Conference Agreement, Detailed Summary, Briefing Paper*.** [[http://www.house.gov/budget\\_democrats/papers.htm](http://www.house.gov/budget_democrats/papers.htm)]

**05/12/00 — CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, May 2000*.** [<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2024&sequence=0&from=7>]

**05/31/00 — GAO releases *Budget Issues: Budget Enforcement Compliance Report*.** [<http://www.gao.gov/>]

**06/13/00 — CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, June 2000*.** [<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2094&sequence=0&from=7>]

**06/25/00 — CBO releases *The Standardized Budget: Revised Historical Estimates*.**

This report “presents revised historical estimates of CBO’s measures of fiscal policy—the standardized budget.” Revisions are based on adjustments for special factors that were not addressed in previously published calculations.

[<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=2124&type=1>]

**06/26/00 — OMB releases *Mid-Session Review*.** This update of the President’s FY2001 Budget contains revised estimates of the budget surplus, receipts, outlays, budget authority for fiscal years 2000 through 2010, and other summary information required by statute.

[<http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/>]

**06/28/00 — House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, releases *President Clinton’s Revised Budget for Fiscal Year 2001, Briefing Paper*.**

[[http://www.house.gov/budget\\_democrats/papers.htm](http://www.house.gov/budget_democrats/papers.htm)]

**07/11/00 – CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, July 2000*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2220&sequence=0&from=1>]

**07/13/00 – President signs the *Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-246*.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**07/18/00 – CBO releases *The Budget and Economic Outlook: An Update, July 2000*.** As a result of the continuous growth of the U.S. economy, the Congressional Budget Office projects that the total budget surplus in fiscal year 2000 will reach \$232 billion in the absence of legislation that would affect spending or tax receipts this year.

[<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=2241&type=1>]

**07/26/00 – GAO releases *July 2000 Update of Long-Term Fiscal Simulations*.** Since 1992, GAO has provided the Congress with a long-term perspective on alternative fiscal policy paths. This perspective provides a framework for broad fiscal policy as well as for budget decisions on individual programs.

[<http://www.gao.gov/>]

**07/28/00 – CBO releases *An Analysis of the President’s Mid-Session Review of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2001*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdoc.cfm?index=2301&type=1>]

**08/09/00 – President signs the *Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-259*.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**08/10/00 – CBO releases the *Monthly Budget Review, August 2000*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2327&sequence=0&from=1>]

**08/15/00 – CBO releases *Sequestration Update Report for Fiscal Year 2001*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2334&sequence=0&from=1>]

**08/15/00 – CBO releases *Standardized Budget: Details of the Projections, August 2000*.**

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2350&from=4&sequence=0>]



**09/06/00 – CBO releases *An Analysis of the President's Mid-Session Review of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2001, Corrected September 6, 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2301&from=4&sequence=0>]

**09/13/00 – CBO releases *Monthly Budget Review, September 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2400&sequence=0&from=1>]

**09/27/00 – Remarks by the President on New Budget Surplus and Debt Estimates.**

[<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/9/27/6.text.1>]

**09/27/00 – White House Fact Sheet on the Largest Surplus in History.**

[<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/9/27/5.text.1>]

**09/29/00 – President signs 1<sup>st</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-275.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/01/00 – CBO releases *Long-Term Budget Outlook, October 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2517&sequence=0&from=1>]

**10/06/00 – President signs 2<sup>nd</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-282.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/07/00 – President vetoes Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2001, H.R. 4733.**

[<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/10/11/15.text.1>]

**10/11/00 – House votes to override the President's veto of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2001.**

[<http://143.231.123.93/cgi-bin/vote.exe?year=2000&rollnumber=523>]

**10/11/00 – CBO releases *Monthly Budget Review, October 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2552&sequence=0&from=7>]

**10/11/00 – President signs the Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-291.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/13/00 – President signs 3<sup>rd</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-306.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/20/00 – President signs 4<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-344.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/23/00 – President signs the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-346.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/25/00 – President signs 5<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-358.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/26/00 – President signs 6<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106- 359.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/27/00 – President signs the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, which contain the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-377.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/27/00 – President signs 7<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106- 381.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/28/00 – President signs the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-387.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/28/00 – President signs 8<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-388.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/29/00 – President signs 9<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-389.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/30/00 – President signs 10<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-401.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**10/30/00 – President vetoes the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001, H.R. 4516.** [<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/10/31/5.text.1>]

**10/30/00 – President vetoes the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 2001, H.R. 4871.** [<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/10/31/5.text.1>]

**10/31/00 – President signs 11<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-403.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/01/00 – President signs 12<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-416.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/02/00 – President signs 13<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-426.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/04/00 – President signs 14<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-427.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/04/00 – President signs 15<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-428.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/06/00 – President signs Foreign Operations FY2001, Appropriations Act, P.L. 106-429.** [<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/13/00 – CBO releases *Monthly Budget Review, November 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2685&sequence=0&from=7>]

**11/15/00 – President signs 16<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-520**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**11/22/00 – President signs District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-522.**

[<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/11/22/4.text.1>]

**12/05/00 – President signs 17<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-537.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**12/07/00 – President signs 18<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-539.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**12/08/00 – CBO releases *Monthly Budget Review, December 2000.***

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=2697&sequence=0&from=7>]

**12/08/00 – President signs 19<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-540.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**12/11/00 – President signs 20<sup>th</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-542.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**12/15/00 – President signs 21<sup>st</sup> Continuing Appropriations for FY2001 Act, P.L. 106-543.**

[<http://www.congress.gov/billsumm/106browse.html>]

**12/21/00 – President signs Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-553.**

[[http://www.whitehouse.gov/library/hot\\_releases/December\\_21\\_2000\\_17.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/library/hot_releases/December_21_2000_17.html)]

**12/21/00 – President signs Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001, P.L. 106-554. Provides for FY2001 appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. Legislative Branch and Treasury-Postal Service appropriations were included in this Act during conference.**

[<http://www.pub.whitehouse.gov/uri-res/I2R?urn:pdi://oma.eop.gov.us/2000/12/22/2.text.1>]

## **Where Can I Find ... on the Internet?**

Links to other useful sources on the Internet not previously cited in this report.

### **Appropriations**

**Full-text FY2001, FY2000, FY1999, and FY1998 Appropriation Bills, Reports, Laws:**

[<http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/legislation/appro01.html>]

[<http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/legislation/appro00.html>]  
[<http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/legislation/99appro.html>]  
[<http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/legislation/98appro.html>]  
[<http://www.house.gov/appropriations/97bills.htm>]

### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees Home Pages**

[<http://www.house.gov/appropriations/>] and [<http://www.senate.gov/~appropriations/>]

**Appropriations 7-Day-After Reports** on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment. [<http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/legislative/7day/index.html>]

***Discretionary Appropriations (CBO).*** Estimates of discretionary appropriations budget authority and outlays. (Located at the bottom of the CBO Home Page under “Data Highlights.”) [<http://www.cbo.gov/>]

***Unauthorized Appropriations and Expiring Authorizations (CBO).*** “The purpose of the report is to help the Congress adopt authorizing legislation that should be in place before it considers the 13 regular appropriation bills for fiscal year 2001, which begins October 1, 2000.”

[<http://www.cbo.gov/showdoc.cfm?index=1812&sequence=0&from=1>]

**Congressional Offices: Use Legislative Information Service (LIS) for access to legislation and CRS analysis.** [<http://www.congress.gov/>]

**Public: Use THOMAS.** [<http://thomas.loc.gov/>]

**Library of Congress (LOC) Home Page** [<http://www.loc.gov/>]

## **Budget, Financial Statements, and Debt**

### **Budget**

#### **Budget and Supporting Documents**

[<http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/fy2001/buddocs.html#support>]

#### **Budget Time Line**

[[http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/reference/cliff\\_notes/cliffape.htm](http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/reference/cliff_notes/cliffape.htm)]

**Congressional Budget Office (CBO)** [<http://www.cbo.gov/>]

### **Congressional Committees**

#### **House and Senate Budget Committees Home Pages**

[<http://www.house.gov/budget/>] and [<http://www.senate.gov/~budget/>]

#### **Senate Budget Committee Majority Home Page, Budget Bulletins**

[<http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/index.html>]

#### **House Ways and Means Committee Home Page**

[[http://www.house.gov/ways\\_means/](http://www.house.gov/ways_means/)]

**Senate Finance Committee Home Page** [<http://www.senate.gov/~finance/>]

**Monthly Budget Review**

Access to the *Monthly Budget Review* (CBO). Go to the end of the CBO Home Page to "Data Highlights." [<http://www.cbo.gov/>]

**Financial Statements**

**Financial Management Service (U.S. Treasury)**

Access to the *Monthly Treasury Statement*, *Treasury Bulletin*, *Financial Report of the United States Government*, and *Annual Report of the U.S. Government*.  
[<http://www.fms.treas.gov/fmsnews.html>]

**Financial Statements of the U.S. Government**

Access to federal financial statements:  
[<http://www.financenet.gov/docsstmt/>] and [<http://fms.treas.gov/cfs/>]

**General Accounting Office (GAO)** [<http://www.gao.gov/>]

**Office of Management and Budget (OMB)** [<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/>]

**Debt**

**"Debt to the Penny."** The Bureau of the Debt provides daily and historical data:  
[<http://www.publicdebt.treas.gov/opd/opdpenny.htm>]

The gross federal debt as of 12/26/2000 was \$5,661,579,846,114.32.  
The debt as of 9/30/00, the end of FY2000, was \$5,674,178,209,886.86.  
The debt as of 9/30/99, the end of FY1999, was \$5,656,270,901,615.43.

**Debt Per Capita**

To find the debt per capita, divide the debt by the population, using these two sites:  
[<http://www.publicdebt.treas.gov/opd/opdpenny.htm>]  
[<http://www.census.gov/cgi-bin/popclock>]

***The National Debt: Who Bears Its Burden?*** **CRS Report RS30520** includes a statistical overview for 1980-2004 showing federal outlays and receipts, deficits or surpluses, and the debt and interest on the debt in billions of dollars and as a percent of GDP.

***Changes in Federal Debt, 1996-1999***, **CRS Report RS20645**, provides statistics on both components (debt held by the public and debt held by government accounts) of total federal debt from fiscal years 1996 through 1999.

***Federal Debt: Answers to Frequently Asked Questions—An Update*** (GAO) is an "... attempt to provide the information in a clear, concise and easily understandable manner for a nontechnical audience." GAO/OCG-99-27, 5/28/99.

[[http://www.access.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/aces/aces160.shtml](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces160.shtml)]  
(Type "OCG-99-27" in Report Number Box.)

***What If the National Debt Were Eliminated? Some Economic Consequences*, CRS Report RL30614.**

**Cost Estimates of Legislation (CBO)**

“CBO prepares cost estimates and mandates statements for all bills ordered reported by a full committee of the Congress ... Unless listed separately, intergovernmental and private-sector mandates statements for each bill are included in the cost estimate.” Search by bill number, word or phrase, committee, [http://www.cbo.gov/cost.shtml]

**Glossaries of Appropriations and Budget Terms**

[http://www.senate.gov/~budget/republican/reference/cliff\_notes/cliffapi.htm]

**Pie Charts, Graphs, and Tables**

**The Federal Dollar—Where It Comes From and Where It Goes**

Includes charts and tables covering budget, deficit, debt, and economic data

[http://w3.access.gpo.gov/usbudget/fy2001/guide02.html]

***Financial Report to the Citizens.*** Released by the Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, 4/3/00. Includes an “easy-to-understand report on Federal finances ...” Contains charts and graphs presenting budgetary and economic data. [http://www.fms.treas.gov/citizensreport/index.html]

**Statements of Administration Policy (SAPs)**

Statements and veto indicators on appropriations and non-appropriations legislation scheduled for House or Senate floor action. Covers the 105<sup>th</sup> and 106<sup>th</sup> Congresses and can be searched by bill number, by appropriations legislation, or by Appropriation subcommittees. [http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/legislative/sap/index.html]

**White House**

White House Virtual Library [http://www.whitehouse.gov/library/index.html]

**Executive Agency Budget Sites**

Budgets of the cabinet departments and agencies can be found at the sites listed below. Agency performance plans required by the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (P.L. 103-62), if not included at these sites, may be found at: [http://www.govexec.com/reinvent/results/plans.htm].

**Agriculture** [http://www.usda.gov/agency/obpa/Budget-Summary/2001/text.htm]

**Commerce** [http://www.doc.gov/bmi/budget/bgtindex.htm]

**Defense** [http://www.dtic.mil/comptroller/fy2001budget/]

<b>Education</b>	[ <a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OUS/Budget01/">http://www.ed.gov/offices/OUS/Budget01/</a> ]
<b>Energy</b>	[ <a href="http://www.cfo.doe.gov/budget/01budget/index.htm">http://www.cfo.doe.gov/budget/01budget/index.htm</a> ]
<b>Health and Human Services</b>	[ <a href="http://www.hhs.gov/progorg/asmb/budget/fy2001.html">http://www.hhs.gov/progorg/asmb/budget/fy2001.html</a> ]
<b>Housing and Urban Development</b>	[ <a href="http://www.hud.gov/budget.html">http://www.hud.gov/budget.html</a> ]
<b>Interior</b>	[ <a href="http://www.doi.gov/budget/2001/index_for_2001.html">http://www.doi.gov/budget/2001/index_for_2001.html</a> ]
<b>Justice</b>	[ <a href="http://www.usdoj.gov/02organizations/02_3txt.html">http://www.usdoj.gov/02organizations/02_3txt.html</a> ]
<b>Labor</b>	[ <a href="http://www.dol.gov/dol/_sec/public/budget/main.htm">http://www.dol.gov/dol/_sec/public/budget/main.htm</a> ]
<b>State</b>	[ <a href="http://www.state.gov/www/budget/fy2001/bib/index.html">http://www.state.gov/www/budget/fy2001/bib/index.html</a> ]
<b>Transportation</b>	[ <a href="http://ostpxweb.dot.gov/budget/4budget.htm">http://ostpxweb.dot.gov/budget/4budget.htm</a> ]
<b>Treasury</b>	[ <a href="http://www.ustreas.gov/budget/whatnew.htm">http://www.ustreas.gov/budget/whatnew.htm</a> ]
<b>Veterans Affairs</b>	[ <a href="http://www.va.gov/budget/summary/">http://www.va.gov/budget/summary/</a> ]

#### **Locating Agencies, Departments, and Programs in Appropriation Bills**

“I’m looking for a particular program, but I don’t know which appropriation bill it’s in.” Indexes for finding specific entities in the 13 appropriation bills can be consulted at:

[<http://www.loc.gov/crs/products/appprogs.html>]

### **Addresses and Phone Numbers**

**Appropriations Committee, House**, (202) 225-2771, H-218 The Capitol, Washington, D.C. 20515-6015

**Appropriations Committee, Senate**, (202) 224-3471, S-128 The Capitol, Washington, D.C. 20510-6025

**Budget Committee, House**, (202) 226-7270, 309 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-6065

**Budget Committee, Senate**, (202) 224-0642, 621 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-6100

**Bureau of the Census**, Publications: (301) 457-4100, Federal Center, Suitland, MD 20233

**Bureau of the Public Debt**, (202) 695-3502, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20239-0001

**Congressional Budget Office (CBO)**, Publications: (202) 226-2809, 410 Ford House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515

**Federal Reserve**, Publications: (202) 452-3245, 20<sup>th</sup> and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551

**General Accounting Office (GAO)**, Publications: Congressional offices: (202) 512-4400  
Public: (202) 512-6000, P.O. Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20884-6015

**Government Printing Office (GPO)**, Publications: Congressional offices: (202) 512-1808  
Public: (202) 512-1800, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954

**Joint Committee on Taxation**, (202) 225-3621, 1015 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-6453

**Office of Management and Budget (OMB)**, (202) 395-3000, Old Executive Office Building, 17<sup>th</sup> Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503

**Treasury Department**, Publications: (202) 622-2970, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20220

**White House**, Publications: (202) 395-7332, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20505

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CRS IP532B, *Budget for Fiscal Year 2000*

CRS IP012B, *Budget Process*



CRS IP540F, *Federal Debt: What It Is, Repayment Methods, Debt Limit, and Surplus Effects*

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CRS Issue Brief IB10017, *The Budget for Fiscal Year 2000*, by Philip D. Winters.

CRS Issue Brief IB93054, *The Debt Limit*, by Philip D. Winters.

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CRS Report RS20467, *Budget Surplus Projections: FY2000-FY2010*, by Mary Frances Bley.

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