

Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
National defense	52,550	53,718	55,038	51,023	58,998	71,990	82,152	82,715
International affairs	5,507	5,246	4,603	4,705	5,063	5,348	4,871	4,081
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	497	534	766	789	858	897	930	938
Space and other technology	1,226	2,516	4,131	5,035	5,858	5,337	4,596	4,083
Total General science, space and technology	1,723	3,051	4,897	5,824	6,716	6,234	5,525	5,021
Energy	654	643	686	830	744	835	1,040	1,019
Natural resources and environment	2,286	2,522	2,643	2,825	3,105	3,251	3,361	3,376
Agriculture	369	454	492	521	596	663	761	764
Commerce and housing credit	1,342	1,364	1,177	1,634	1,850	2,243	2,103	1,038
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	70	65	64	67	86	121	154	287
Air transportation	737	772	801	864	890	983	1,033	1,176
Water and other transportation	617	633	620	698	671	743	826	847
Total Transportation	1,425	1,469	1,485	1,628	1,647	1,847	2,013	2,310
Community and regional development	432	527	894	1,045	1,009	1,001	1,280	1,476
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	640	749	803	1,002	2,143	3,253	3,778	3,654
Training, employment and social services	291	327	418	781	1,716	2,318	2,840	2,951
Total Education, training, employment and social services	931	1,075	1,221	1,784	3,858	5,571	6,618	6,605
Health	1,087	1,283	1,563	1,495	1,735	2,152	2,560	2,843
Medicare					64	223	221	299
Income security:								
Housing assistance	167	182	193	219	239	257	299	362
Other	336	295	335	307	327	365	383	427
Total Income security	503	476	528	526	566	623	682	789
Social security	318	332	373	382	437	433	561	599
Veterans benefits and services	1,256	1,316	1,404	1,445	1,493	1,584	1,677	1,790
Administration of justice	426	461	486	532	560	614	654	653
General government	1,266	1,356	1,647	1,596	1,702	1,863	1,898	1,940
Total outlays for discretionary programs	72,075	75,294	79,136	77,793	90,143	106,473	117,978	117,318

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Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	TQ
National defense	81,912	79,009	79,338	77,095	80,720	87,615	89,876	22,312
International affairs	3,964	3,770	4,581	4,830	6,197	8,155	7,459	3,315
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	947	1,009	979	961	1,017	1,036	1,032	291
Space and other technology	3,565	3,172	3,196	3,074	2,964	2,951	3,336	869
Total General science, space and technology	4,512	4,182	4,175	4,034	3,982	3,987	4,368	1,160
Energy	985	887	1,092	1,075	689	1,738	2,589	725
Natural resources and environment	3,488	4,248	4,758	5,463	6,494	8,112	8,931	2,859
Agriculture	827	884	912	936	945	1,047	1,059	271
Commerce and housing credit	2,100	2,687	1,907	1,969	2,417	2,851	2,764	1,153
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	288	495	615	836	948	2,128	9,106	2,202
Air transportation	1,386	2,390	2,764	2,179	2,162	2,345	2,485	569
Water and other transportation	887	1,033	1,086	1,220	1,339	1,443	1,523	417
Total Transportation	2,561	3,918	4,465	4,235	4,450	5,916	13,114	3,189
Community and regional development	2,291	2,651	3,047	3,565	3,458	3,678	4,649	1,342
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	4,317	4,877	5,357	5,470	5,469	7,098	7,554	1,878
Training, employment and social services	3,037	3,552	4,636	5,079	4,748	5,969	8,196	2,456
Total Education, training, employment and social services	7,354	8,429	9,993	10,549	10,217	13,067	15,751	4,334
Health	3,143	3,417	3,997	4,567	4,749	5,821	6,715	1,581
Medicare	366	397	455	439	667	661	836	220
Income security:								
Housing assistance	504	766	1,156	1,651	1,824	2,127	2,504	656
Other	455	627	672	762	1,022	1,368	2,270	474
Total Income security	959	1,393	1,829	2,413	2,845	3,496	4,774	1,130
Social security	623	742	794	914	878	1,101	1,200	304
Veterans benefits and services	2,057	2,314	2,734	3,050	3,358	4,121	4,535	1,157
Administration of justice	823	1,156	1,507	1,978	2,371	2,877	3,413	913
General government	2,292	2,447	2,961	3,284	3,773	3,720	3,545	2,090
Total outlays for discretionary programs	120,254	122,531	128,544	130,395	138,210	157,962	175,579	48,056

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Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
National defense	97,517	104,649	116,777	134,629	157,964	185,933	209,882	228,045
International affairs	8,013	8,542	9,143	12,775	13,648	12,881	13,603	16,267
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	1,072	1,154	1,295	1,380	1,469	1,591	1,638	1,839
Space and other technology	3,658	3,766	3,937	4,450	4,992	5,593	6,290	6,469
Total General science, space and technology	4,730	4,919	5,232	5,829	6,461	7,184	7,928	8,308
Energy	3,786	5,295	6,110	6,148	10,335	8,612	6,483	7,015
Natural resources and environment	11,279	12,026	13,666	15,484	15,358	14,837	14,168	14,367
Agriculture	1,193	1,304	1,519	1,533	1,682	1,693	1,625	1,873
Commerce and housing credit	3,455	3,369	3,801	5,080	4,272	3,582	3,512	3,675
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	9,467	9,943	11,650	14,761	14,765	13,163	13,883	14,603
Air transportation	2,736	3,200	3,320	3,673	3,731	3,480	3,911	4,436
Water and other transportation	1,716	1,692	1,923	2,281	2,334	2,592	2,754	2,792
Total Transportation	13,919	14,835	16,894	20,715	20,831	19,235	20,548	21,830
Community and regional development	6,058	10,845	9,247	9,437	9,058	6,677	6,087	6,316
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	8,549	9,170	10,876	12,366	12,784	11,257	12,062	12,147
Training, employment and social services	9,112	13,242	14,073	13,429	12,548	8,289	8,268	7,729
Total Education, training, employment and social services	17,661	22,412	24,948	25,795	25,332	19,545	20,330	19,876
Health	6,935	7,294	7,513	8,471	9,102	8,983	8,537	8,930
Medicare	770	936	988	1,080	1,222	1,256	1,342	1,531
Income security:								
Housing assistance	3,007	3,679	4,304	5,480	6,861	8,064	9,449	10,048
Other	2,529	2,808	3,159	5,325	6,328	6,786	7,507	7,389
Total Income security	5,535	6,487	7,462	10,805	13,190	14,849	16,956	17,437
Social security	1,370	1,413	1,479	1,494	1,703	2,048	2,211	2,171
Veterans benefits and services	5,243	5,857	6,234	7,165	7,605	8,179	8,957	9,594
Administration of justice	3,711	3,901	4,258	4,668	4,864	4,804	5,196	5,768
General government	5,896	4,638	4,724	5,213	5,286	5,659	5,951	6,437
Total outlays for discretionary programs	197,072	218,722	239,993	276,321	307,913	325,958	353,316	379,440

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Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
National defense	253,109	273,832	282,517	290,918	304,034	300,141	319,704	302,602
International affairs	17,390	17,708	15,224	15,743	16,596	19,056	19,698	19,160
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	2,022	2,212	2,243	2,408	2,628	2,815	3,134	3,545
Space and other technology	6,607	6,756	6,957	8,413	10,196	11,609	12,957	12,838
Total General science, space and technology	8,629	8,968	9,200	10,821	12,824	14,423	16,091	16,383
Energy	6,502	5,021	5,021	4,968	4,881	4,761	4,409	5,396
Natural resources and environment	15,071	15,444	15,253	16,011	17,074	17,790	18,593	20,027
Agriculture	2,031	1,954	2,020	2,084	2,284	2,516	2,682	4,057
Commerce and housing credit	3,682	2,872	2,409	2,368	3,334	3,834	3,350	2,622
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	17,076	17,899	16,199	17,391	16,950	17,611	18,028	18,869
Air transportation	4,934	5,341	5,556	5,888	6,621	7,233	8,187	9,316
Water and other transportation	2,829	2,609	2,747	2,801	2,806	3,011	3,045	3,281
Total Transportation	24,839	25,849	24,502	26,079	26,377	27,855	29,260	31,465
Community and regional development	6,668	6,132	5,509	5,282	5,190	7,333	6,161	6,403
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	13,651	14,262	14,811	15,657	17,446	18,352	20,364	22,528
Training, employment and social services	8,156	8,533	8,433	8,933	9,670	9,522	10,237	11,501
Total Education, training, employment and social services	21,807	22,795	23,244	24,590	27,116	27,874	30,601	34,028
Health	9,602	10,231	10,653	12,151	13,055	14,863	16,164	17,966
Medicare	1,735	1,718	1,727	1,972	2,254	2,299	2,444	2,846
Income security:								
Housing assistance	11,402	11,441	11,278	12,727	13,979	15,481	16,958	18,776
Other	7,753	7,844	7,589	7,467	7,681	8,036	8,797	9,451
Total Income security	19,156	19,285	18,867	20,194	21,660	23,517	25,756	28,227
Social security	2,191	2,209	2,280	2,533	2,147	2,127	2,250	2,417
Veterans benefits and services	10,352	10,653	11,037	11,677	12,145	12,996	13,759	15,112
Administration of justice	6,387	6,677	7,475	9,055	9,641	10,280	12,146	14,213
General government	6,643	7,178	7,262	7,990	8,218	8,906	10,261	10,906
Total outlays for discretionary programs	415,793	438,526	444,201	464,438	488,832	500,572	533,328	533,829

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Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
National defense	292,430	282,266	273,562	265,961	271,674	270,250	275,463	294,965
International affairs	21,570	20,806	20,116	18,336	18,982	18,101	19,519	21,289
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	3,927	3,820	4,108	3,987	4,092	5,307	5,633	6,170
Space and other technology	13,092	12,363	12,593	12,693	13,056	12,866	12,446	12,427
Total General science, space and technology	17,019	16,183	16,701	16,680	17,148	18,173	18,079	18,597
Energy	5,560	6,402	6,765	5,961	4,906	3,710	3,128	2,958
Natural resources and environment	20,062	20,804	21,933	20,923	21,286	21,918	23,643	24,981
Agriculture	4,136	4,266	3,889	4,009	3,943	4,197	4,431	4,515
Commerce and housing credit	2,099	853	2,850	1,674	1,608	490	447	4,470
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	19,862	22,283	23,451	23,591	24,955	24,525	26,626	30,602
Air transportation	10,049	10,146	10,020	10,135	10,138	10,594	10,720	10,571
Water and other transportation	3,332	3,563	3,566	3,307	3,302	3,132	3,211	3,573
Total Transportation	33,244	35,992	37,037	37,033	38,395	38,251	40,557	44,746
Community and regional development	8,446	10,877	10,202	10,431	10,772	10,207	11,971	11,419
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	24,722	24,642	25,164	25,162	25,708	27,977	30,306	33,663
Training, employment and social services	11,755	12,941	13,782	13,319	13,967	14,592	14,857	15,313
Total Education, training, employment and social services	36,477	37,583	38,946	38,481	39,675	42,569	45,163	48,976
Health	19,640	20,540	22,016	22,575	22,964	24,853	26,945	30,012
Medicare	2,650	2,914	2,971	2,953	2,575	2,589	2,753	2,998
Income security:								
Housing assistance	21,397	23,804	27,438	26,660	27,693	28,686	27,645	28,788
Other	9,960	11,941	11,772	11,340	11,754	12,223	12,313	12,639
Total Income security	31,357	35,745	39,210	38,000	39,447	40,909	39,958	41,427
Social security	2,600	2,651	2,573	2,620	2,955	3,096	3,046	3,375
Veterans benefits and services	15,823	16,720	17,432	17,607	18,608	18,501	19,374	20,753
Administration of justice	14,891	15,288	16,443	17,932	20,534	22,663	25,578	27,463
General government	11,410	11,520	12,216	11,531	11,761	11,627	11,933	11,891
Total outlays for discretionary programs	539,412	541,410	544,862	532,707	547,233	552,104	571,988	614,835

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Table 8.7—OUTLAYS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1962–2008—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

Category and Program	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007 estimate	2008 estimate
National defense	306,075	348,952	404,953	454,077	493,617	519,974	568,836	602,922
International affairs	22,496	26,181	27,915	33,755	39,020	36,071	38,683	38,214
General science, space and technology:								
General science and basic research	6,509	7,237	7,935	8,326	8,787	9,006	9,307	9,914
Space and other technology	13,236	13,473	12,880	14,637	14,778	14,491	15,420	16,595
Total General science, space and technology	19,745	20,710	20,815	22,963	23,565	23,497	24,727	26,509
Energy	2,897	2,975	3,061	3,386	3,795	3,261	3,782	3,991
Natural resources and environment	25,960	28,639	30,287	30,598	30,313	33,986	33,454	31,727
Agriculture	4,958	5,165	5,642	5,754	5,974	5,958	5,758	6,089
Commerce and housing credit	1,460	976	-572	117	2,143	1,847	2,686	2,943
Transportation:								
Ground transportation	34,595	39,031	35,813	39,930	41,583	44,212	47,296	49,839
Air transportation	11,617	14,147	23,086	17,123	18,937	18,803	18,399	19,481
Water and other transportation	3,901	4,101	5,283	5,735	5,556	5,850	6,784	7,467
Total Transportation	50,113	57,279	64,182	62,788	66,076	68,865	72,479	76,787
Community and regional development	12,417	14,143	19,498	15,664	24,919	38,328	29,654	24,618
Education, training, employment and social services:								
Education	37,689	43,333	50,920	54,822	59,410	60,655	61,117	57,496
Training, employment and social services	16,607	19,445	20,340	20,394	19,715	20,051	20,596	18,901
Total Education, training, employment and social services	54,296	62,778	71,260	75,216	79,125	80,706	81,713	76,397
Health	33,158	39,402	44,233	47,732	50,522	51,398	53,642	53,869
Medicare	3,323	3,156	3,724	4,470	4,304	4,989	4,778	5,153
Income security:								
Housing assistance	30,067	33,046	35,306	36,574	37,710	38,002	38,627	39,662
Other	13,905	14,954	15,687	15,704	16,540	16,371	16,754	16,351
Total Income security	43,972	48,000	50,993	52,278	54,250	54,373	55,381	56,013
Social security	3,590	3,907	4,227	4,011	4,593	4,638	4,639	4,814
Veterans benefits and services	22,399	24,106	25,743	28,594	30,497	32,441	33,478	38,592
Administration of justice	29,853	33,807	34,194	37,984	39,279	40,310	42,470	44,956
General government	12,614	14,143	15,257	16,074	16,459	16,046	16,264	17,811
Allowances							7,428	2,345
Total outlays for discretionary programs	649,326	734,319	825,412	895,461	968,451	1,016,688	1,079,852	1,113,750

Note: Due to the effects of the Credit Reform Act of 1990 on the measurement and classification of Federal credit activities, the discretionary outlays for years prior to 1992 are not strictly comparable to those for 1992 and beyond. However, the discretionary outlays shown for 1992 are no more than \$1 billion higher than they would have been if measured on the same (pre-credit reform) basis as the 1991 outlays.