

Table 8.9—BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1976–2009

(in millions of dollars)

| Category and Program                                            | 1976           | TQ            | 1977           | 1978           | 1979           | 1980           | 1981           | 1982           | 1983           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| National defense .....                                          | 97,567         | 23,455        | 110,362        | 117,349        | 126,880        | 144,502        | 180,443        | 217,179        | 244,972        |
| International affairs .....                                     | 8,410          | 1,557         | 9,514          | 11,033         | 13,303         | 12,874         | 17,555         | 14,222         | 16,017         |
| General science, space and technology:                          |                |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| General science and basic research .....                        | 1,037          | 244           | 1,129          | 1,270          | 1,344          | 1,456          | 1,526          | 1,524          | 1,627          |
| Space and other technology .....                                | 3,227          | 850           | 3,498          | 3,807          | 4,223          | 4,790          | 5,108          | 5,683          | 6,517          |
| Total General science, space and technology .....               | 4,264          | 1,094         | 4,627          | 5,076          | 5,567          | 6,246          | 6,634          | 7,208          | 8,145          |
| Energy .....                                                    | 3,597          | 943           | 5,586          | 9,015          | 8,446          | 17,445         | 8,970          | 8,280          | 6,928          |
| Natural resources and environment .....                         | 6,856          | 2,081         | 10,620         | 14,650         | 14,662         | 14,613         | 12,857         | 13,121         | 14,585         |
| Agriculture .....                                               | 1,131          | 296           | 1,197          | 1,401          | 1,574          | 1,535          | 1,737          | 1,684          | 1,957          |
| Commerce and housing credit .....                               | 3,581          | 1,109         | 4,543          | 4,178          | 4,325          | 6,162          | 4,324          | 3,259          | 3,556          |
| Transportation:                                                 |                |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Ground transportation .....                                     | 2,970          | 1,277         | 2,110          | 2,886          | 5,164          | 6,250          | 8,716          | 8,450          | 5,466          |
| Air transportation .....                                        | 2,270          | 524           | 2,454          | 2,692          | 3,048          | 3,181          | 3,397          | 3,223          | 3,939          |
| Water and other transportation .....                            | 1,304          | 301           | 1,306          | 1,564          | 1,689          | 1,766          | 2,099          | 2,432          | 2,380          |
| Total Transportation .....                                      | 6,545          | 2,102         | 5,869          | 7,141          | 9,900          | 11,197         | 14,212         | 14,105         | 11,785         |
| Community and regional development .....                        | 4,166          | 460           | 12,245         | 9,838          | 8,967          | 9,804          | 7,715          | 6,267          | 7,602          |
| Education, training, employment and social services:            |                |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Education .....                                                 | 8,835          | 3,317         | 10,508         | 11,030         | 12,607         | 12,660         | 12,421         | 11,698         | 12,338         |
| Training, employment and social services .....                  | 9,260          | 1,339         | 16,331         | 7,433          | 15,048         | 12,641         | 12,162         | 7,308          | 8,584          |
| Total Education, training, employment and social services ..... | 18,096         | 4,656         | 26,839         | 18,463         | 27,655         | 25,301         | 24,583         | 19,006         | 20,922         |
| Health .....                                                    | 6,220          | 1,230         | 6,856          | 7,703          | 8,317          | 8,812          | 8,729          | 8,205          | 8,795          |
| Medicare .....                                                  | 775            | 222           | 836            | 914            | 985            | 1,078          | 1,207          | 1,221          | 1,369          |
| Income security:                                                |                |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Housing assistance .....                                        | 18,621         | 111           | 28,629         | 32,300         | 24,780         | 27,654         | 26,071         | 13,876         | 10,025         |
| Other .....                                                     | 2,169          | 529           | 2,518          | 2,755          | 3,363          | 5,680          | 6,537          | 6,822          | 7,865          |
| Total Income security .....                                     | 20,790         | 641           | 31,147         | 35,055         | 28,143         | 33,335         | 32,608         | 20,698         | 17,889         |
| Social security .....                                           | 1,086          | 279           | 1,181          | 1,292          | 1,365          | 1,451          | 1,635          | 1,905          | 2,120          |
| Veterans benefits and services .....                            | 4,931          | 1,216         | 5,612          | 6,249          | 6,756          | 7,043          | 7,583          | 8,479          | 9,526          |
| Administration of justice .....                                 | 3,389          | 879           | 3,712          | 3,971          | 4,337          | 4,493          | 4,518          | 4,844          | 5,468          |
| General government .....                                        | 6,363          | 2,363         | 6,071          | 6,614          | 4,834          | 5,347          | 5,648          | 5,884          | 6,644          |
| <b>Total discretionary budget authority .....</b>               | <b>197,766</b> | <b>44,583</b> | <b>246,817</b> | <b>259,940</b> | <b>276,016</b> | <b>311,237</b> | <b>340,959</b> | <b>355,567</b> | <b>388,278</b> |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8.9—BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1976–2009—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

| Category and Program                                            | 1984           | 1985           | 1986           | 1987           | 1988           | 1989           | 1990           | 1991           | 1992           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| National defense .....                                          | 265,584        | 294,853        | 289,625        | 287,960        | 292,497        | 300,067        | 303,946        | 332,228        | 299,115        |
| International affairs .....                                     | 25,170         | 24,057         | 20,279         | 18,800         | 18,079         | 18,537         | 20,027         | 21,321         | 20,927         |
| General science, space and technology:                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| General science and basic research .....                        | 1,957          | 2,223          | 2,107          | 2,324          | 2,521          | 2,835          | 3,167          | 3,454          | 4,105          |
| Space and other technology .....                                | 6,858          | 6,925          | 7,165          | 10,198         | 8,322          | 10,001         | 11,359         | 13,046         | 13,199         |
| Total General science, space and technology .....               | 8,815          | 9,148          | 9,272          | 12,522         | 10,843         | 12,836         | 14,526         | 16,500         | 17,304         |
| Energy .....                                                    | 6,029          | 6,527          | 4,299          | 3,211          | 4,726          | 4,726          | 5,585          | 5,436          | 5,833          |
| Natural resources and environment .....                         | 13,967         | 15,082         | 13,355         | 16,185         | 16,238         | 17,284         | 18,593         | 19,615         | 21,288         |
| Agriculture .....                                               | 2,053          | 2,123          | 1,998          | 2,166          | 2,218          | 2,253          | 2,612          | 2,979          | 4,408          |
| Commerce and housing credit .....                               | 3,775          | 4,023          | 2,937          | 2,937          | 2,912          | 3,125          | 3,914          | 2,825          | 3,429          |
| Transportation:                                                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Ground transportation .....                                     | 4,267          | 4,056          | 3,385          | 3,417          | 3,020          | 3,001          | 4,051          | 3,443          | 3,703          |
| Air transportation .....                                        | 4,316          | 5,063          | 4,565          | 4,685          | 5,209          | 5,792          | 6,609          | 7,332          | 8,104          |
| Water and other transportation .....                            | 2,679          | 2,471          | 2,165          | 2,432          | 2,362          | 2,769          | 2,874          | 2,890          | 3,154          |
| Total Transportation .....                                      | 11,262         | 11,591         | 10,115         | 10,534         | 10,590         | 11,563         | 13,533         | 13,665         | 14,962         |
| Community and regional development .....                        | 6,611          | 6,232          | 5,766          | 5,657          | 5,451          | 6,063          | 7,311          | 5,892          | 11,384         |
| Education, training, employment and social services:            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Education .....                                                 | 13,092         | 15,167         | 14,438         | 16,717         | 17,397         | 18,355         | 19,939         | 22,861         | 24,446         |
| Training, employment and social services .....                  | 11,867         | 8,808          | 8,151          | 8,827          | 9,324          | 9,508          | 10,091         | 10,953         | 11,912         |
| Total Education, training, employment and social services ..... | 24,960         | 23,975         | 22,589         | 25,543         | 26,721         | 27,864         | 30,031         | 33,814         | 36,358         |
| Health .....                                                    | 9,343          | 10,310         | 10,344         | 12,141         | 12,958         | 14,262         | 16,078         | 18,169         | 19,560         |
| Medicare .....                                                  | 1,553          | 1,656          | 1,719          | 1,724          | 2,206          | 2,276          | 2,361          | 2,566          | 2,860          |
| Income security:                                                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Housing assistance .....                                        | 11,398         | 12,613         | 10,748         | 8,564          | 8,648          | 9,009          | 10,785         | 19,596         | 19,696         |
| Other .....                                                     | 8,033          | 7,655          | 7,790          | 7,722          | 7,629          | 7,652          | 8,158          | 9,985          | 10,735         |
| Total Income security .....                                     | 19,431         | 20,268         | 18,538         | 16,286         | 16,276         | 16,662         | 18,943         | 29,581         | 30,432         |
| Social security .....                                           | 2,080          | 2,110          | 2,193          | 2,147          | 2,257          | 2,121          | 2,223          | 2,399          | 2,540          |
| Veterans benefits and services .....                            | 9,946          | 10,783         | 10,742         | 11,313         | 11,631         | 12,363         | 13,037         | 14,124         | 15,298         |
| Administration of justice .....                                 | 6,152          | 6,781          | 6,828          | 8,657          | 9,180          | 10,055         | 12,555         | 12,906         | 14,499         |
| General government .....                                        | 6,915          | 7,072          | 7,305          | 7,981          | 8,468          | 9,024          | 11,430         | 12,078         | 11,196         |
| <b>Total discretionary budget authority .....</b>               | <b>423,645</b> | <b>456,592</b> | <b>437,903</b> | <b>445,764</b> | <b>453,251</b> | <b>471,081</b> | <b>496,704</b> | <b>546,099</b> | <b>531,392</b> |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8.9—BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1976–2009—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

| Category and Program                                            | 1993           | 1994           | 1995           | 1996           | 1997           | 1998           | 1999           | 2000           | 2001           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| National defense .....                                          | 276,109        | 262,246        | 262,937        | 265,186        | 266,248        | 272,416        | 288,310        | 300,767        | 331,720        |
| International affairs .....                                     | 33,257         | 20,854         | 20,166         | 18,122         | 18,150         | 18,991         | 41,509         | 23,459         | 24,179         |
| General science, space and technology:                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| General science and basic research .....                        | 4,149          | 4,558          | 4,132          | 4,121          | 4,184          | 5,627          | 6,329          | 6,658          | 7,574          |
| Space and other technology .....                                | 13,063         | 13,022         | 12,543         | 12,570         | 12,456         | 12,321         | 12,460         | 12,541         | 13,327         |
| Total General science, space and technology .....               | 17,212         | 17,580         | 16,675         | 16,691         | 16,640         | 17,948         | 18,789         | 19,199         | 20,901         |
| Energy .....                                                    | 5,832          | 6,381          | 6,230          | 4,893          | 4,212          | 3,077          | 2,861          | 2,705          | 3,183          |
| Natural resources and environment .....                         | 21,395         | 22,430         | 20,421         | 20,639         | 22,379         | 23,405         | 23,800         | 24,633         | 29,054         |
| Agriculture .....                                               | 4,178          | 4,303          | 3,844          | 4,075          | 4,092          | 4,214          | 4,368          | 4,587          | 5,014          |
| Commerce and housing credit .....                               | 2,482          | 1,442          | 3,061          | 2,248          | 1,395          | 446            | 774            | 5,112          | 1,413          |
| Transportation:                                                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Ground transportation .....                                     | 2,575          | 3,883          | 3,067          | 2,453          | 2,899          | 2,051          | 2,340          | 2,011          | 4,928          |
| Air transportation .....                                        | 8,307          | 8,430          | 5,985          | 7,987          | 8,328          | 8,687          | 9,046          | 9,207          | 10,922         |
| Water and other transportation .....                            | 3,077          | 3,384          | 3,433          | 3,157          | 3,276          | 3,238          | 3,760          | 3,953          | 3,813          |
| Total Transportation .....                                      | 13,959         | 15,697         | 12,485         | 13,597         | 14,503         | 13,976         | 15,146         | 15,171         | 19,663         |
| Community and regional development .....                        | 9,655          | 15,394         | 12,090         | 11,707         | 13,114         | 10,366         | 11,122         | 12,202         | 14,342         |
| Education, training, employment and social services:            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Education .....                                                 | 25,485         | 26,355         | 26,413         | 23,234         | 28,193         | 31,350         | 30,511         | 31,104         | 42,168         |
| Training, employment and social services .....                  | 12,658         | 14,266         | 13,477         | 13,284         | 14,660         | 15,382         | 16,172         | 13,307         | 19,169         |
| Total Education, training, employment and social services ..... | 38,143         | 40,620         | 39,890         | 36,518         | 42,853         | 46,732         | 46,683         | 44,411         | 61,337         |
| Health .....                                                    | 20,697         | 22,193         | 22,814         | 23,303         | 25,086         | 26,386         | 30,209         | 33,823         | 38,891         |
| Medicare .....                                                  | 2,829          | 2,962          | 3,028          | 2,939          | 2,623          | 2,723          | 2,803          | 2,998          | 3,323          |
| Income security:                                                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Housing assistance .....                                        | 21,117         | 21,088         | 15,302         | 16,410         | 11,661         | 17,449         | 20,377         | 18,077         | 25,100         |
| Other .....                                                     | 10,871         | 11,978         | 12,200         | 11,347         | 11,032         | 12,309         | 12,376         | 13,491         | 14,638         |
| Total Income security .....                                     | 31,988         | 33,066         | 27,502         | 27,757         | 22,693         | 29,758         | 32,753         | 31,568         | 39,738         |
| Social security .....                                           | 2,640          | 2,828          | 2,325          | 3,135          | 3,451          | 3,195          | 3,144          | 3,195          | 3,430          |
| Veterans benefits and services .....                            | 16,235         | 17,193         | 17,618         | 17,801         | 18,908         | 18,943         | 19,261         | 20,904         | 22,459         |
| Administration of justice .....                                 | 14,852         | 15,454         | 18,650         | 21,056         | 23,395         | 25,385         | 27,137         | 27,710         | 31,078         |
| General government .....                                        | 11,507         | 11,946         | 11,684         | 11,291         | 11,473         | 11,672         | 13,171         | 11,906         | 14,107         |
| <b>Total discretionary budget authority .....</b>               | <b>522,970</b> | <b>512,589</b> | <b>501,420</b> | <b>500,958</b> | <b>511,215</b> | <b>529,633</b> | <b>581,840</b> | <b>584,350</b> | <b>663,832</b> |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8.9—BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS: 1976–2009—Continued

(in millions of dollars)

| Category and Program                                            | 2002           | 2003           | 2004           | 2005           | 2006           | 2007             | 2008<br>estimate | 2009<br>estimate |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| National defense .....                                          | 360,823        | 455,008        | 485,677        | 499,848        | 556,505        | 622,366          | 689,767          | 606,796          |
| International affairs .....                                     | 25,167         | 33,483         | 49,333         | 34,727         | 35,882         | 39,108           | 41,832           | 39,514           |
| General science, space and technology:                          |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                  |                  |
| General science and basic research .....                        | 8,016          | 8,561          | 9,045          | 9,002          | 9,156          | 10,545           | 10,768           | 12,378           |
| Space and other technology .....                                | 13,901         | 14,386         | 14,321         | 15,243         | 15,765         | 15,580           | 16,514           | 17,052           |
| Total General science, space and technology .....               | 21,917         | 22,947         | 23,366         | 24,245         | 24,921         | 26,125           | 27,282           | 29,430           |
| Energy .....                                                    | 3,247          | 3,217          | 3,564          | 3,806          | 3,780          | 4,127            | 4,946            | 4,492            |
| Natural resources and environment .....                         | 29,614         | 30,139         | 31,134         | 31,897         | 38,046         | 32,867           | 31,737           | 34,647           |
| Agriculture .....                                               | 5,634          | 6,180          | 5,838          | 5,916          | 6,147          | 8,715            | 6,477            | 5,714            |
| Commerce and housing credit .....                               | 603            | -299           | -13            | 2,620          | 1,863          | 1,832            | 3,047            | 3,974            |
| Transportation:                                                 |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                  |                  |
| Ground transportation .....                                     | 4,810          | 2,958          | 2,894          | 4,450          | 6,673          | 4,188            | 3,739            | -864             |
| Air transportation .....                                        | 14,106         | 17,790         | 14,890         | 15,194         | 15,645         | 15,833           | 16,094           | 16,263           |
| Water and other transportation .....                            | 4,483          | 5,836          | 5,771          | 5,824          | 6,487          | 7,329            | 7,458            | 7,998            |
| Total Transportation .....                                      | 23,399         | 26,584         | 23,555         | 25,468         | 28,805         | 27,350           | 27,291           | 23,397           |
| Community and regional development .....                        | 22,721         | 16,402         | 17,435         | 82,402         | 14,048         | 17,866           | 20,310           | 11,462           |
| Education, training, employment and social services:            |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                  |                  |
| Education .....                                                 | 51,550         | 55,309         | 57,965         | 59,594         | 60,898         | 60,253           | 59,813           | 61,853           |
| Training, employment and social services .....                  | 19,761         | 19,806         | 20,211         | 20,619         | 20,054         | 20,218           | 19,958           | 17,692           |
| Total Education, training, employment and social services ..... | 71,311         | 75,115         | 78,176         | 80,213         | 80,952         | 80,471           | 79,771           | 79,545           |
| Health .....                                                    | 45,787         | 49,395         | 50,828         | 52,008         | 56,489         | 52,434           | 53,359           | 52,679           |
| Medicare .....                                                  | 3,805          | 3,795          | 5,350          | 4,000          | 4,912          | 4,869            | 4,915            | 5,425            |
| Income security:                                                |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                  |                  |
| Housing assistance .....                                        | 26,945         | 28,771         | 29,576         | 29,108         | 31,170         | 34,329           | 34,429           | 36,764           |
| Other .....                                                     | 15,760         | 15,496         | 15,652         | 16,679         | 16,538         | 16,561           | 17,888           | 17,294           |
| Total Income security .....                                     | 42,705         | 44,267         | 45,228         | 45,787         | 47,708         | 50,890           | 52,317           | 54,058           |
| Social security .....                                           | 3,504          | 3,797          | 4,133          | 4,436          | 4,633          | 4,683            | 4,979            | 5,233            |
| Veterans benefits and services .....                            | 24,043         | 26,614         | 29,231         | 32,298         | 34,205         | 38,270           | 43,268           | 44,917           |
| Administration of justice .....                                 | 35,434         | 35,741         | 37,884         | 39,417         | 41,118         | 43,698           | 45,401           | 44,140           |
| General government .....                                        | 15,075         | 17,071         | 16,867         | 15,908         | 16,710         | 16,629           | 17,099           | 18,390           |
| Allowances .....                                                |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                  | -475             |
| <b>Total discretionary budget authority .....</b>               | <b>734,789</b> | <b>849,456</b> | <b>907,586</b> | <b>984,996</b> | <b>996,724</b> | <b>1,072,300</b> | <b>1,153,798</b> | <b>1,063,338</b> |

Note: Due to the effects of the Credit Reform Act of 1990 on the measurement and classification of Federal credit activities, the discretionary budget authority for these programs for years prior to 1992 is not strictly comparable to that for 1992 and beyond. Due to the effects of the Budget Enforcement Act of 1990 and subsequent comparable redefinitions on the measurement and classification as budget authority of the obligation limitations of certain special and trust funds, the discretionary budget authority for these programs for years prior to 1990 is not strictly comparable to that for 1990 and beyond.