

The Federal budget is a reflection of our national priorities.

Politicians of all political affiliations claim to put kids first. Yet this year, the federal government will spend less than 10% of its budget on programs addressing the needs of American young people.

ARE WE SHORTCHANGING OUR CHILDREN?

ABOUT CHILDRENSBUDGET.ORG


ChildrensBudget.org is the first dynamic, interactive website to give you the tools to fully explore how the federal government invests taxpayer resources in our children. The user-friendly, searchable database provides customizable information on the over 180 children's programs funded by the federal government, from child health and education to child welfare and juvenile justice. Advocates, policymakers, and program administrators alike will find ChildrensBudget.org an invaluable resource in their efforts to improve the lives of America's young people.


CHILDRENSBUDGET.ORG ALLOWS YOU TO:


- Search for data on one or more of the 180 federally supported programs that aim to help our nation's children.
- Discover annual funding information, program overviews, and dynamic graphs that visually display how funding has changed over time.
- Limit your search by funding type, policy area, or federal department administering each program.
- View funding data in the aggregate. Programs are associated with one of eight broad categories, or you may create your own category by grouping individual programs of interest.
- Compare one category of funding to another, or to the entire federal budget, the federal budget without the defense programs, or the total of all programs that benefit children.


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FACTS ABOUT CHILDREN IN THE BUDGET

 For the past five years, only one penny of every new, real non-defense dollar spent by the federal government has gone to children and children's programs.

 Children's spending makes up only ten percent of the entire non-defense budget.

 The overall share of federal, non-defense spending going to children's programs has dropped by ten percent over the past five years.

 Real discretionary spending on children has declined by more than six percent since 2004, while at the same time all other non-defense discretionary spending has increased by more than 8 percent.



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MAKING CHILDREN & FAMILIES THE PRIORITY