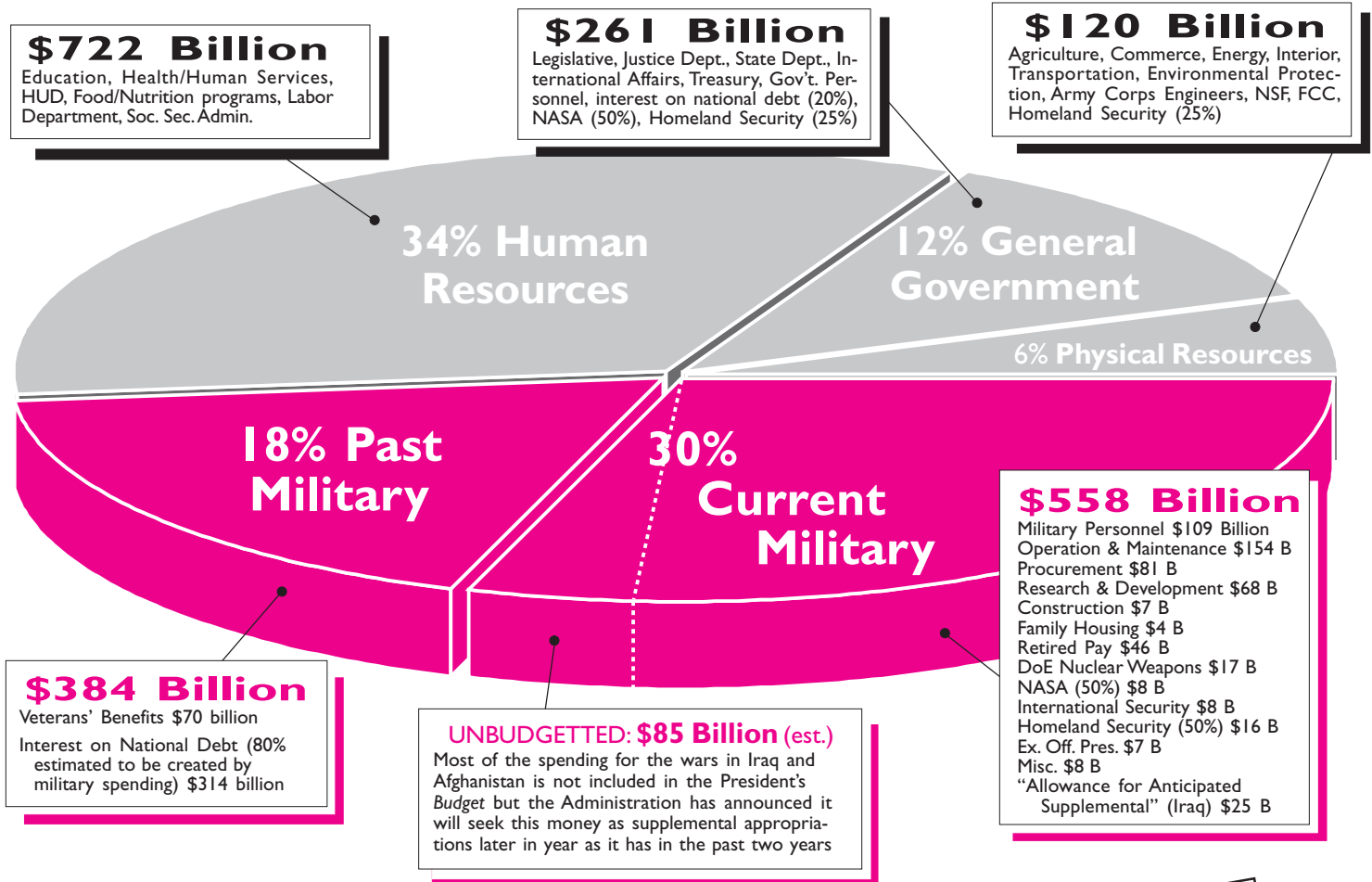


WHERE YOUR INCOME TAX MONEY REALLY GOES

The United States Federal Budget for Fiscal Year 2006

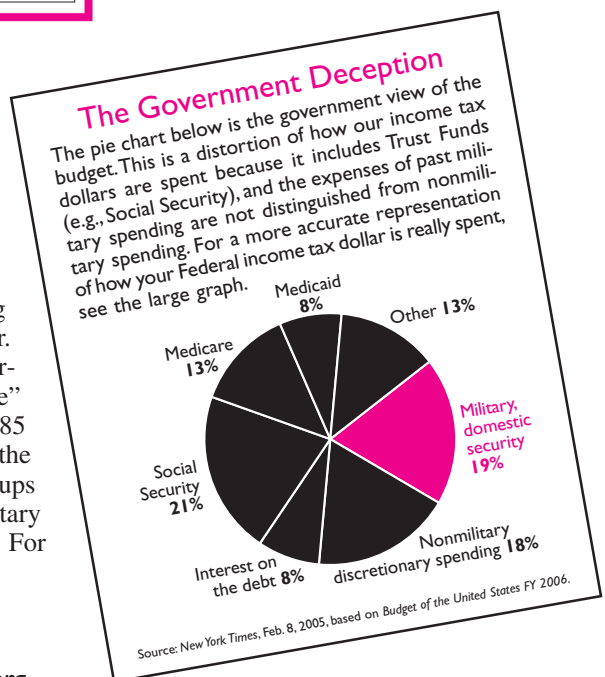
Total Federal Funds Outlays \$2,130 Billion



HOW THESE FIGURES WERE DETERMINED

THESE FIGURES ARE FROM A LINE-BY-LINE ANALYSIS of detailed tables in the "Analytical Perspectives" book of the *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2006*. The percentages are federal funds, which do not include trust funds — such as Social Security — that are raised and spent separately from income taxes. What you pay (or don't pay) by April 15, 2005, goes to the federal funds portion of the budget. The government practice of combining trust and federal funds began in the 1960s during the Vietnam War, thus making the human needs portion of the budget seem larger and the military portion smaller.

"Current military" includes Dept. of Defense (\$427 billion), the military portion from other departments (\$106 billion), anticipated "supplemental allowance" (\$25 billion), and an unbudgetted estimate of supplemental appropriations (\$85 billion). "Past military" represents veterans' benefits plus 80% of the interest on the debt. Analysts differ on how much of the debt stems from the military; other groups estimate 50% to 60%. We use 80% because we believe if there had been no military spending most (if not all) of the national debt would have been eliminated. For further explanation, please go to www.warresisters.org/piechart.htm.



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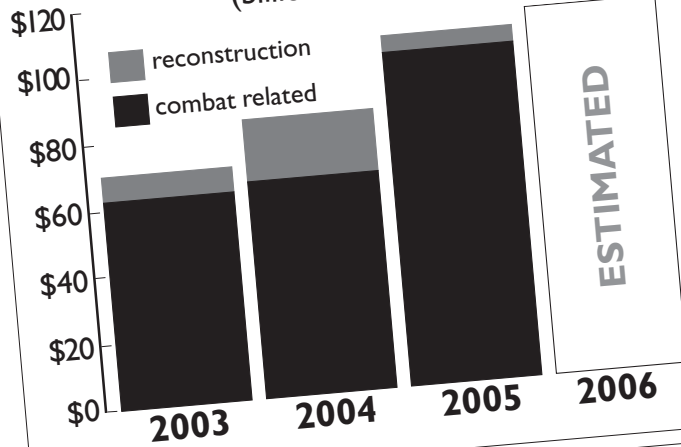
WAR

AND ITS COSTS

FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR, the Bush Administration has continued its deceptive practice of omitting the cost of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan from the *Budget*. This coverup, along with the ban on taking photos of military coffins returning to the U.S. and the refusal to provide the number of civilians killed by U.S., shows that truth is, once again, a casualty of war. While some may claim that the era of "big government" is over, it is clear that many corporations (see below) continue to profit from the volatile mix of big government and war.

OFF-BUDGET FUNDING REQUESTS FOR IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN

(billions of dollars)



LIVES LOST IN AFGHANISTAN & IRAQ

(as of Jan. 31, 2005)

- Over 1,600 U.S.* and 280 "coalition" troops killed
- Over 6,100 U.S. and 840 "coalition" troops injured
- Over 38,500 Iraqi & Afghani troops killed
- Over 19,000 Iraqi & Afghani **civilians** killed**
- Over 34,500 Iraqi & Afghani **civilians** injured
- Over 580 U.S. & "coalition" **civilian** workers killed or injured

*See "memorial wall" project at www.warresisters.org/coffins-Iraq.htm

**A Nov. 2004 Johns Hopkins University study estimates that as many as 100,000 Iraqi civilians have died as a result of the U.S. and "coalition" military actions. (www.thelancet.com/journal/vol364/iss9448/full/lan.364.9448.primary_research.31264.1)

Source: www.unknownnews.org/casualties.html

TOP PENTAGON CONTRACTORS

(billions of dollars)

rank	company	2004 contracts	2001 contracts
1	Lockheed Martin Corporation	20.7	14.7
2	Boeing Company	17.1	13.3
3	Northrop Grumman Corporation	11.9	5.2
4	General Dynamics Corporation	9.6	4.9
5	Raytheon Company	8.5	5.6
6	Halliburton Company	8.0	0.4
7	United Technologies Corporation	5.1	3.8
8	Science Applications Int'l Corp.	2.5	1.7
9	Computer Sciences Corporation	2.4	0.8
10	Humana Inc.	2.4	0.4

Source: World Policy Institute (www.worldpolicy.org) and Directorate for Information Operations and Reports, Dept. of Defense, www.dior.whs.mil/peidhome/procstat/p01/fy2004/top100.htm and FY2001

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Demonstrate and leaflet during tax season and on the last day of filing, Friday, April 15, 2005, at the IRS or a post office.
- Write the President and Congress and demand that war money be used for services instead. Write letters to the editor of your local paper. **Send them all copies of this flyer.**
- Refuse to pay the 3% federal excise tax on your phone bills. This tax has been used symbolically as a war tax since Spanish-American War. Though illegal, nonpayment of the tax is almost risk-free. See www.hanguponwar.org for details.
- Refuse to pay all or part of your income tax. Though illegal, thousands of Americans are openly participating in this form of protest. You can take control of your paycheck and avoid contributing to the military. Contact us for information or referral to a counselor near you.

- Contribute resisted tax money to an organization working to help people or to an alternative fund that pools tax money from resisters and gives grants to human needs and peace groups.
- Bring the **Stop the Merchants of Death** Speakers Tour to your community to learn more about corporations profiting from the war and military occupation, paid for by your tax dollars. See www.warresisters.org or call (212) 228-0450.
- Contact the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee, PO Box 150553, Brooklyn, NY 11215, (800) 269-7464; www.nwtrcc.org. Support the Peace Tax Fund bill to allow 100% of your taxes to fund nonmilitary programs: (888) 732-2382; www.peacetaxfund.org.

RESOURCES

- Additional copies of this leaflet are available for 10¢ each (1-199), 7¢ each (200 - 499), 6¢ each (500+) plus 20% postage or call for exact amount.

- For sample brochures and resources on war tax resistance, send a self-addressed stamped (60¢) envelope to War Resisters League at the New York address below.
- *War Tax Resistance: A Guide to Withholding Your Support from the Military*, 144-page handbook with history, methods and resources. \$15 plus \$2 bookrate or \$4 priority mail.

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