

# WHERE YOUR INCOME TAX MONEY REALLY GOES

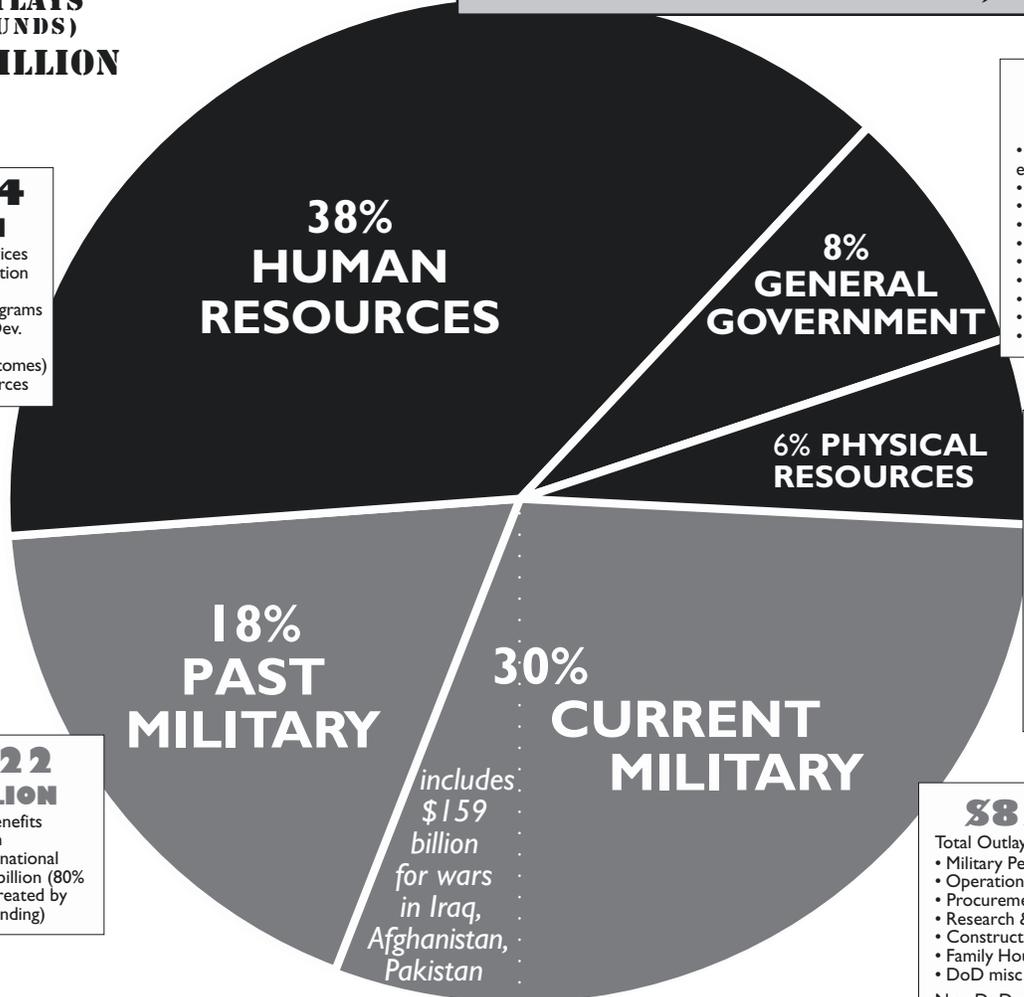
U.S. FEDERAL BUDGET 2011 FISCAL YEAR

**TOTAL OUTLAYS (FEDERAL FUNDS)**  
**\$2,945 BILLION**

**Non-MILITARY: 52% AND \$1,547 BILLION**

**\$1,134 BILLION**

- Health/Human Services
- Soc. Sec. Administration
- Education Dept.
- Food/Nutrition programs
- Housing & Urban Dev.
- Labor Dept.
- Tax Credits (lower incomes)
- other human resources



**\$241 BILLION**

- Treasury, incl. 20% Interest on debt (\$100B)
- Government personnel
- Justice Dept.
- State Dept. (partial)
- International Affairs
- NASA (50%)
- Judicial
- Legislative
- Allowances (proposals)
- other general govt.

**\$171 BILLION**

- Agriculture
- Interior
- Transportation
- Homeland Security (42%)
- HUD
- Commerce
- Energy (non-military)
- Environmental Protection
- Nat. Science Fdn.
- Army Corps Engineers
- Fed. Comm. Commission
- other physical resources

**\$522 BILLION**

- Veterans' Benefits \$123 billion
- Interest on national debt \$399 billion (80% est. to be created by military spending)

**\$876 BILLION**

Total Outlays DoD \$721 billion:

- Military Personnel \$159 billion
- Operation & Maint. \$319 billion
- Procurement \$141 billion
- Research & Dev. \$78 billion
- Construction \$19 billion
- Family Housing \$3 billion
- DoD misc. \$2 billion

Non-DoD military spending includes\*:

- Retiree Pay/Healthcare \$65 billion
- DoE nuke weapons/clean up \$20 billion
- NASA (50%) \$9 billion
- International Security \$15 billion
- Homeland Secur. (defense) \$40 billion
- State Dept. (partial) \$7 billion
- FBI military \$4 billion
- Intrafund transfers -\$5 billion

\*analysis includes non-DoD activity based on coding and on the military nature of the activity, such as armed agents on flights, border control, DoD space flights, etc.

**MILITARY: 48% AND \$1,398 BILLION**

## HOW THESE FIGURES WERE DETERMINED

“Current military” includes Dept. of Defense (\$721 billion) and the military portion from other departments as noted in current military box above (\$155 billion). “Past military” represents veterans’ benefits plus 80% of the interest on the debt.\* For further explanation, please go to [www.warresisters.org](http://www.warresisters.org).

These figures are from an analysis of detailed tables in the *Analytical Perspectives* book of the *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2011*. The figures 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, 2010, goes to the federal funds portion of the budget. The government practice of combining Trust and Federal funds began during the Vietnam War, thus making the

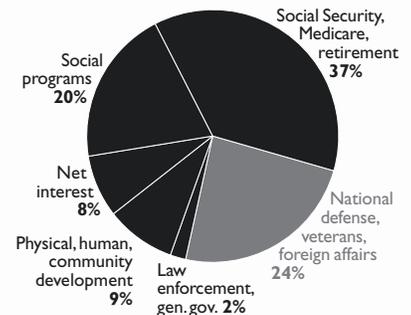
human needs portion of the budget seem larger and the military portion smaller.

\*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.

## The Government’s Deception

The pie chart (right) is the government view of the budget. This is a distortion of how our income tax dollars are spent because it includes Trust Funds (e.g., Social Security), and the expenses of past military spending are not distinguished from nonmilitary spending. For a more accurate representation of how your Federal income tax dollar is really spent, see the large graph.

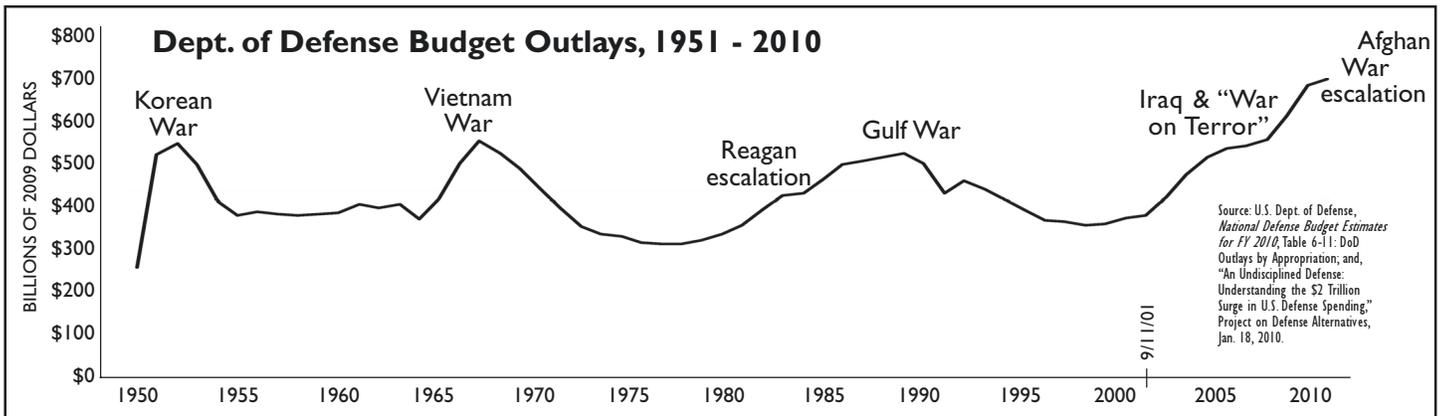
Source: 1040 Forms and Instructions 2009, Federal Outlays for FY 2008



# MILITARY SPENDING SURGE

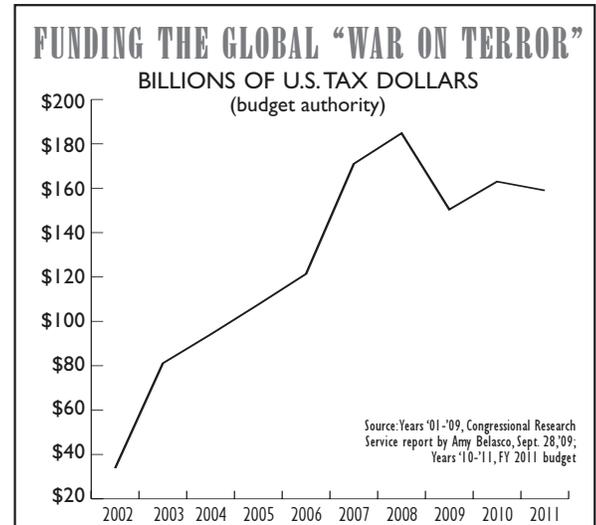
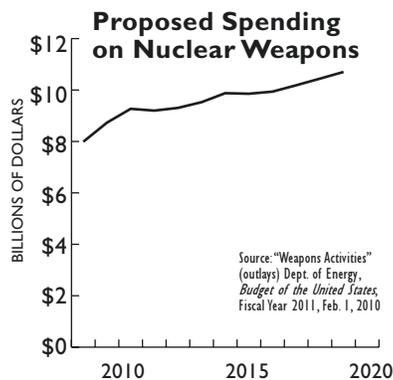
A \$2 trillion boost for base Pentagon spending since 1998. **Plus**, \$1 trillion for endless wars. **Plus**, thousands killed in wars, millions in need of food and shelter, the U.S. economy in tatters. How much longer will taxpayers continue funding the military-industrial complex at the expense of true security? Worried about jobs? The increase in military spending since 2000 could cost the economy close to 2 million jobs in the long run.\*

\*"Massive Defense Spending Leads to Job Loss," Dean Baker, Center for Economic and Policy Research, Nov. 2009, [truthout.org/1109097](http://truthout.org/1109097)



## U.S. Nuclear Weapons: "WAR IS PEACE"

George Orwell's *1984* has arrived. President Obama was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009 while waging two wars. The Nobel Committee cited Obama's commitment to work for a world without nuclear weapons. Obama's 2011 budget turns "peace" on its head: steady increases in nuclear weapons spending over the next 10 years, including a new plutonium facility for the Los Alamos National Laboratory (NM) and a uranium manufacturing plant at Oak Ridge (TN).



## WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Leaflet with this flyer now, on Tax Day (April 15), and in the months before a new budget is passed in October.
- Write elected officials and local newspapers. **Send them copies of this flyer.** Demand that the Pentagon budget be slashed.
- Protest with your money! Sign up at [wartaxboycott.org](http://wartaxboycott.org). Refuse to pay all or part of your federal income tax. Whatever you choose to refuse—\$1, \$10, or a percentage—send a letter to elected officials and tell them why. Though illegal, thousands of people openly participate in this form of protest. Contact us for information or referral to a counselor near you. Contribute resisted tax money to organizations that support the common good.
- Get *Death & Taxes*, the new 30-min. DVD featuring war tax resisters from across the country, available at [nwtccc.org/deathandtaxes.htm](http://nwtccc.org/deathandtaxes.htm).

- For more about refusing to pay for war, contact the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee, PO Box 150553, Brooklyn, NY 11215, (800) 269-7464, [nwtccc.org](http://nwtccc.org). Support the Peace Tax Fund bill: [peacetaxfund.org](http://peacetaxfund.org).
- Support military personnel who refuse to fight in Iraq and Afghanistan. For more information see [ivaw.org](http://ivaw.org) or [gირightshotline.org](http://gირightshotline.org). Call the GI Rights Hotline if you are in the military and need help: (877) 447-4487.

### 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 (61¢) 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 \$4.95 priority mail; \$3 media mail.

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