

# WHERE YOUR **INCOME TAX** MONEY REALLY GOES

U.S. FEDERAL BUDGET **2013** FISCAL YEAR

**TOTAL OUTLAYS  
(FEDERAL FUNDS)**

**\$2,893 BILLION**

**Non-MILITARY: 53% AND \$1,537 BILLION**

**\$1,144  
BILLION**

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

**39%  
HUMAN  
RESOURCES**

**8%  
GENERAL  
GOVERNMENT**

**\$226  
BILLION**

- Treasury, incl. 20% interest on debt (\$94 B)
- Government personnel
- Justice Dept.
- State Dept. (partial)
- Int. Sec. Assist. (partial)
- NASA (50%)
- Judicial
- Legislative
- Allowances (proposals)
- other general govt.

**6%  
PHYSICAL  
RESOURCES**

**\$167  
BILLION**

- Agriculture
- Interior
- Transportation
- Homeland Sec. (\$17B, partial)
- HUD
- Commerce
- Energy (non-military)
- Environmental Protection
- Nat. Science Fdn.
- Army Corps Engineers
- Fed. Comm. Commission
- other physical resources

**18%  
PAST  
MILITARY**

**\$516  
BILLION**

- Veterans' Benefits \$139 billion
- Interest on national debt \$377 billion (80% est. to be created by military spending)

**29%  
CURRENT  
MILITARY**

*\$89 billion for wars in Iraq, Pakistan, Afghanistan*

**\$839 BILLION**

Total Outlays DoD \$673 billion:

- Military Personnel \$156 billion
- Operation & Maint. \$294 billion
- Procurement \$125 billion
- Research & Dev. \$72 billion
- Construction \$19 billion
- Family Housing \$2 billion
- DoD misc. \$5 billion

Non-DoD military spending includes:\*

- Retiree Pay/Healthcare \$70 billion
- DoE nuke weapons/clean-up \$19 billion
- NASA (50%) \$9 billion
- Internl. Security Asst. \$14 billion
- Homeland Secur. (military) \$40 billion
- State Dept. (partial) \$7 billion
- FBI military \$5 billion
- other \$2 billion

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

War on terror appears in the budget as "overseas contingency operations"

**MILITARY: 47% AND \$1,355 BILLION**

## HOW THESE FIGURES WERE DETERMINED

“Current military” includes Dept. of Defense (\$673 billion) and the military portion from other departments as noted in current military box above (\$166 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 2013*. 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 17, 2012, 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

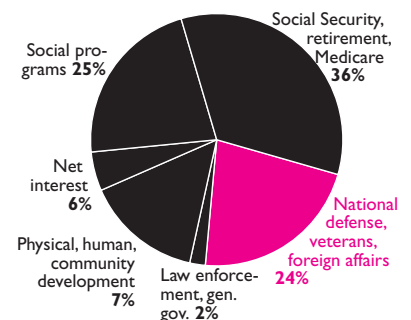
budget seem larger and the military portion smaller.

\*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 most of the past military spending is not distinguished from non-military 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 2011, Federal Outlays for FY 2010



# WALL STREET = WAR STREET

Once again “mission accomplished” was announced, and the Iraq War was declared over in 2011. U.S. troops are scheduled to leave Afghanistan in 2013, yet Pentagon spending continues virtually unabated. More than 200,000 private contractors, hired by corporations with Pentagon money, carry on what is now called “overseas contingency operations.” The system is rife with abuse and fraud—including contract payments diverted to fighters of all persuasions. It’s not about “national security.” It’s enormously profitable to thousands of corporations.

“War! What is it good for? It’s good for business.”

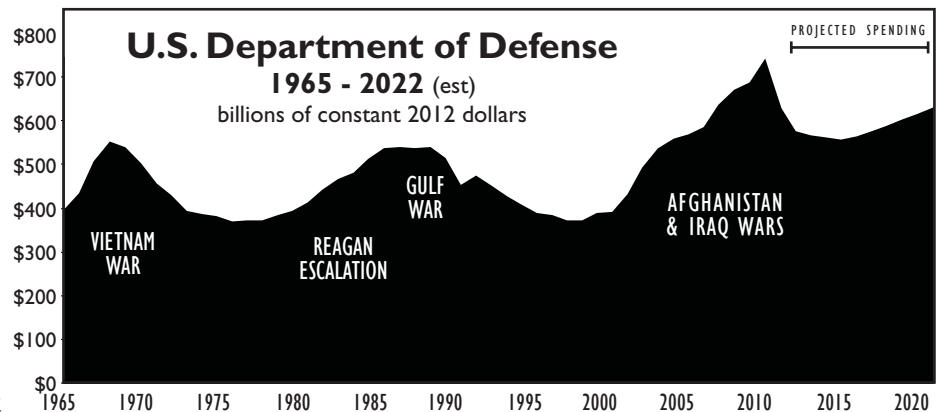
Billy Bragg, “North Sea Bubble”

## TOP “WAR SUPPORT” CONTRACTORS IN IRAQ & AFGHANISTAN 2002 - 2011

| VENDOR  | CONTRACT                      |
|---|-------------------------------|
| KBR (spun off Halliburton in 2007)<br>“misc. foreign contractors” | \$41 billion<br>\$39 billion* |
| Agility   | \$9 billion                   |
| DynCorp   | \$7 billion                   |
| Kuwait Petroleum Corp.  | \$5 billion                   |
| Fluor Intercontinental  | \$5 billion                   |

Workers hired for driving, construction, food, etc.; 80% are not from U.S.; few worker-safety rules apply  
SOURCE: Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, August 2011, [wartimecontracting.gov](http://wartimecontracting.gov)

\*billions of dollars with no accounting detail uncovered in the study



SOURCE: U.S. Dept. of Defense, National Defense Budget Estimates for FY 2012, Table 6-11 – DoD Outlays by Title.; Budget of the United States for FY 2013: Analytical Perspectives, Table 33-1 – Federal Programs by Agency and Account

“At least \$31 billion, and possibly as much as \$60 billion, has been lost to contract waste and fraud in America’s contingency operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.”

Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, August 2011, [wartimecontracting.gov](http://wartimecontracting.gov)

“Pentagon contracts awarded without competition topped \$140 billion in 2010, up from \$50 billion in 2001.”

Center for Public Integrity, [iWatchNews.org](http://iWatchNews.org)

## TOP MILITARY CONTRACTORS FY 2010

- 1 Lockheed Martin \$11 billion
- 2 Northrop Grumman \$8 billion
- 3 Boeing Company \$5 billion

Combined lobbying expenditures 2010: \$44 million  
SOURCE: [washingtontechnology.com](http://washingtontechnology.com); [opensecrets.org](http://opensecrets.org)

## GETTING IN ON THE PENTAGON MONEY STREAM (A SAMPLING)

| COMPANY | 2001 CONTRACT | 2010 CONTRACT   |
|---------|---------------|-----------------|
| BP      | \$360 million | \$1,000 million |
| FedEx   | \$210 million | \$1,400 million |
| Dell    | \$65 million  | \$4,300 million |
| Kraft   | \$150 million | \$370 million   |
| Pepsi   | \$60 million  | \$220 million   |

Combined lobbying expenditures 2010: \$45 million  
SOURCE: Nick Turse, “Fedex and Pepsi Are Top Defense Contractors,” [alternet.org](http://alternet.org); lobbying: [opensecrets.org](http://opensecrets.org)

## WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Leaflet with this flyer now, on Tax Day (April 17, 2012), and in the months before a new budget is passed in October.
- Teach with the curriculum **Bombs and Budgets: Tools for Reclaiming Communities from Militarism**. Produced by War Resisters League and the South Asia Solidarity Initiative. Download for free from [warresisters.org/resources](http://warresisters.org/resources).
- 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.
- Watch **Death & Taxes**, a 30-min. film featuring war tax resisters from across the country. Online

at [nwtrcc.org/deathandtaxes.php](http://nwtrcc.org/deathandtaxes.php).

- 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, [nwtrcc.org](http://nwtrcc.org). Support the Peace Tax Fund bill: [peacetaxfund.org](http://peacetaxfund.org).
- Support military personnel who refuse to fight in wars for profit. For more information see [ivaw.org](http://ivaw.org) or [gირights hotline.org](http://gირights hotline.org). Call the GI Rights Hotline if you are in the military and need help: (877) 447-4487.
- Follow the good information at [warcosts.com](http://warcosts.com) and watch the videos at [rethinkafghanistan.com](http://rethinkafghanistan.com).
- Join the New Priorities Network, [newprioritiesnetwork.org](http://newprioritiesnetwork.org). Participate in the Global Day of Action on Military Spending, [demilitarize.org](http://demilitarize.org), which falls on tax day, April 17, 2012.

## 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 (65¢) 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 \$5.15 priority mail; \$3 media mail.

## LOCAL CONTACT:

If no group is listed, check for a WRL chapter on the website below, or start your own. Contact WRL for more information.

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