











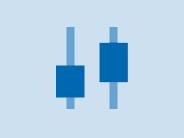


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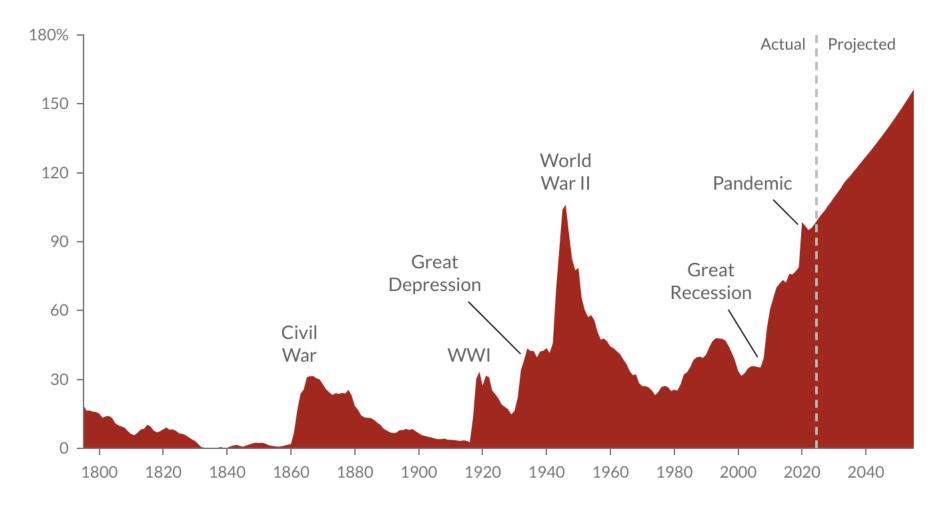






### Federal debt is on an unsustainable path

Debt Held by the Public (% of GDP)



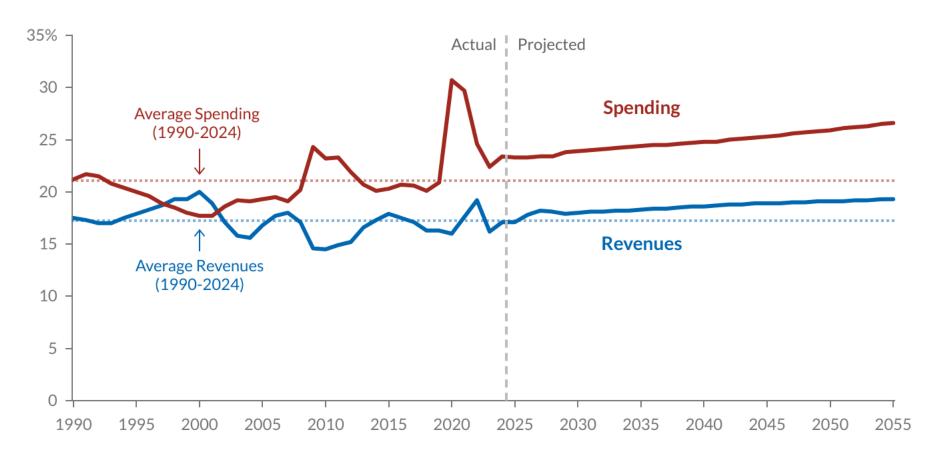
Source: Congressional Budget Office

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# The growing debt is caused by a structural mismatch between spending and revenues

Federal Spending and Revenues (% of GDP)



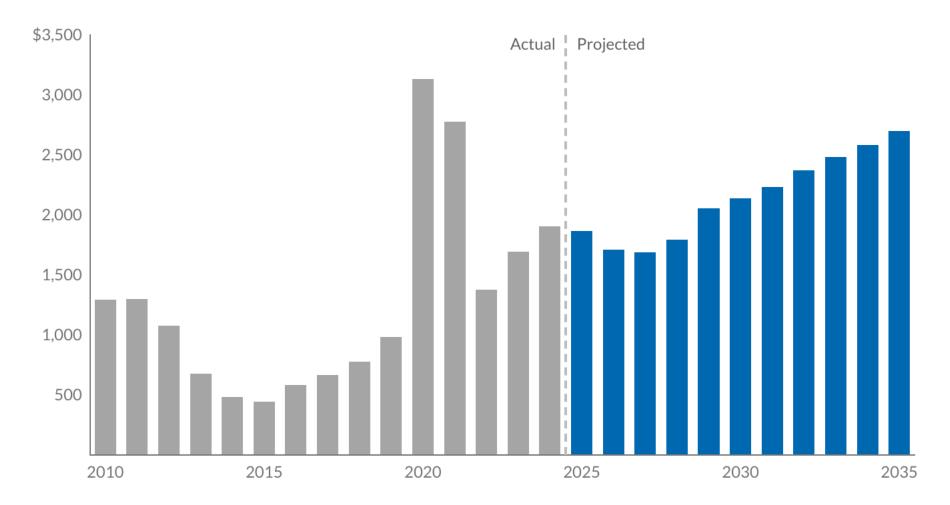
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Note: Projected data have been adjusted to remove the effects of timing shifts. Data includes the long-term and tenyear projections.



### **Deficits will soon exceed \$2 trillion**

#### Annual Deficits (Billions of \$)

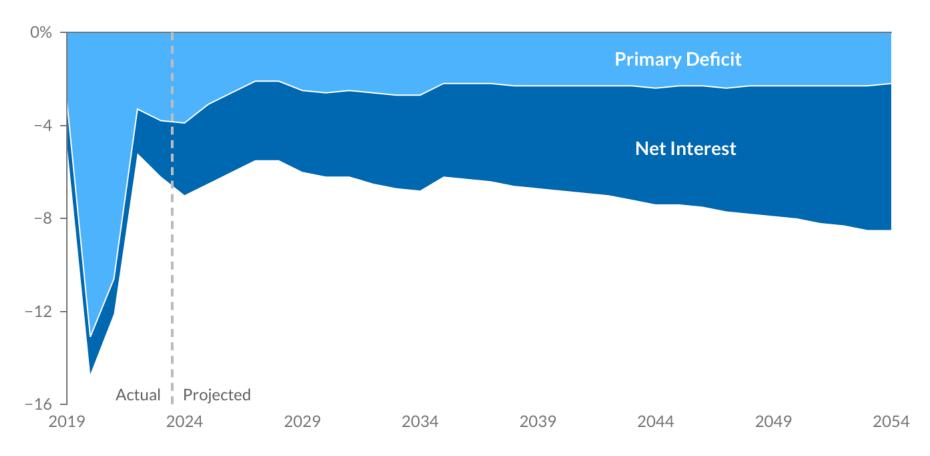


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## Rising interest costs are the driving factor in projected growth in annual deficits

Primary Deficits and Net Interest Outlays (% of GDP)



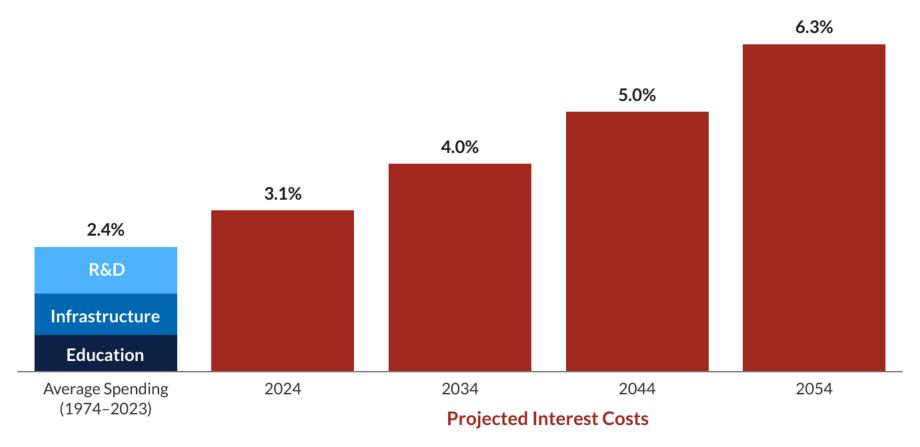
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# By 2054, interest costs will nearly triple the government's historical spending on R&D, infrastructure, and education

Federal Spending (% of GDP)



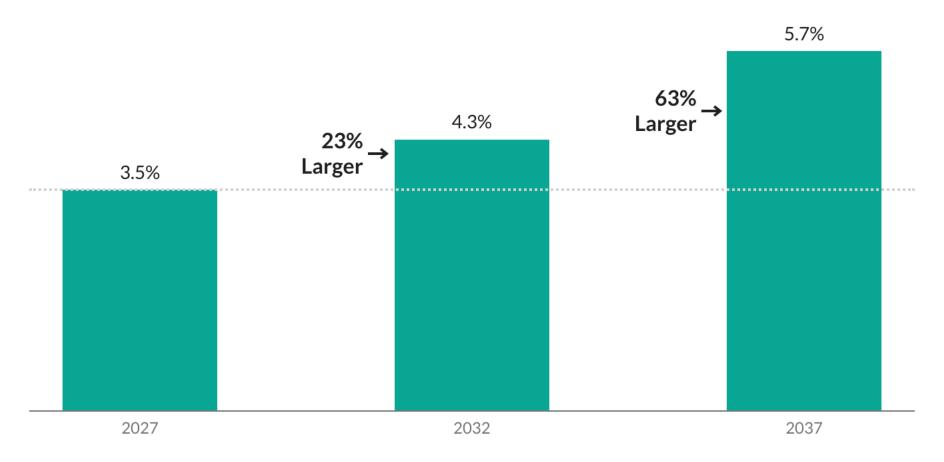
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Note: Infrastructure excludes defense. Congressional Budget Office data is from the most recent 10-year and long-term budget outlooks.



## Waiting to enact fiscal reform raises the cost of stabilizing the debt

Size of Reform Needed in First Year of Enactment (% of GDP)



Source: Congressional Budget Office

Note: Data reflects changes needed to stabilize the debt at 80 percent of GDP by 2052.

