US National Security Spending, 2013-2014

(All figures are $billions; Then-Year$)

(Note the “Comments” column; many figures involving sequestration are either uncertain or unknown.)

(Available sources are noted in text.)

| Defense Related Program | 2013 with Sequester(Current Law) | [2013 as Displayed by OMB](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | [2014 as requested](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | 2014 with Sequester | Comments |
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| DOD Base Budget (Discretionary) | [493](http://comptroller.defense.gov/defbudget/fy2014/FY2014_Budget_Request.pdf) | [525](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | [527](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | [475](http://www.cbo.gov/sites/default/files/cbofiles/attachments/43997_Defense_Budget.pdf) | For 2013, DOD says the DOD base budget is 493; [CBO](http://www.cbo.gov/sites/default/files/cbofiles/attachments/43997_Defense_Budget.pdf) says 478. DOD’s reduction of OCO from 88 to 81 and other revisions appear to explain most of the difference. DOD’s number is used here. |
| DOD Base Budget (Mandatory) | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | DOD did not report this DOD mandatory spending as part of its budget; OMB counts it as part of both DOD and 050. As mandatory spending, it is not affected by sequester. |
| DOD Base Budget (Total) | 499 | 531 | 533 | 481 | “Total” spending is discretionary and mandatory combined. |
| Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) | [81](http://comptroller.defense.gov/defbudget/fy2014/FY2014_Budget_Request.pdf) | [88](http://comptroller.defense.gov/defbudget/fy2014/FY2014_Budget_Request.pdf) | [88](http://comptroller.defense.gov/defbudget/fy2014/FY2014_Budget_Request.pdf) | Unknown | The 88 in 2014 is a “placeholder” only, not an actual budget request for OCO. DOD says the actual request will be reported in a matter of weeks.  |
| DOD Subtotal (Total) | 580 | 620 | 621 | Unknown | The 2014 amount with sequester is unknowable: OCO and its sequester amount are unknown. |
| DOE/Nuclear (Total) | 17 | 19 | 19 | 17 | The 2013 and 2014 amounts with sequester are approximations. |
| “Defense-related activities” (Total) | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | The 2013 and 2014 amounts with sequester are approximations. |
| National Defense (Total) | 604 | 647 | 649 | 505 plus an unknown amount for OCO | The 2013 and 2014 amounts with sequester are approximations. |
| Military Retirement Costs Not Scored to DOD | 21 | [21](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | [22](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) | 22 | This row shows funds paid by the Treasury for military retirement, minus interest and contributions from the DOD military personnel budget. The basis for the amounts shown here is in [functions 600 and 950](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf). These amounts are exempt from sequester. As DOD-unique spending they should be displayed as part of the DOD budget, but they are not by either DOD or OMB. |
| DOD Retiree Health Care Fund Costs | -4 | -4 | -2 | -2 | Shown are nets costs to the Treasury for this DOD health care program. See [functions 550 and 950](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf). As mandatory spending, these should not be affected by sequester. As DOD-unique spending, they should be displayed as part of the DOD budget, but they are not by either DOD or OMB. |
| International Affairs (Total) | Less than 59 | 59 | 46 | Less than 46 | [OMB’s budget function table has not reported](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) the amounts for 2013 or 2014 with sequestration. |
| Veterans Affairs (Total) | About 136 | 136 | 149 | About 149 | The 2013 and 2014 columns with sequestration are approximations. Most if not all of function 700 is exempt from sequestration. |
| Homeland Security (Total) | Less than 47 | [47](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/homeland_supp.pdf) | [50](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/homeland_supp.pdf) | Less than 50 | Includes HS spending in DHS for federal agencies not shown on this table. Again, the 2013 and 2014 columns with sequestration are approximations. |
| Subtotal of the Above | Reliable and accurate calculation is not possible | 906 | 914 | Unknown |  |
| 24% of Net Interest on the Debt |  | 54 | 54 |  | Total Federal Spending is [shown by OMB](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) as $3.7 trillion in 2013 and $3.8 trillion in 2014. The calculable defense related spending is 24% of each. [OMB shows](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/budget/fy2014/assets/31_1.pdf) net interest on the debt to be 223 in both 2013 and 2014. The calculations of this defense-related cost are shown only for where they can be performed. |
| Grand Total |  | 960 | 968 |  |  |