

Posters for Floor Debate on the FY 2012 Budget

Quotes on Budget Approach



Criticism of the Republican Budget



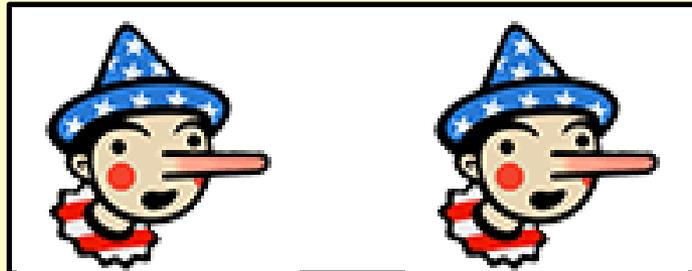
Washington Post: Fact-checking the Republican budget plan

The Pinocchio Test

“...the Ryan budget plan relies on dubious assertions, questionable assumptions and fishy figures...the budget presentation falls short of his claim that he is getting rid of budget gimmicks.”

Washington Post, p A8, 4/10/2011

Two Pinocchios



No Shared Sacrifice

“Two-Thirds of Proposed Cuts in Ryan Plan Come from Low-Income Programs”, CBPP, 4/5/2011

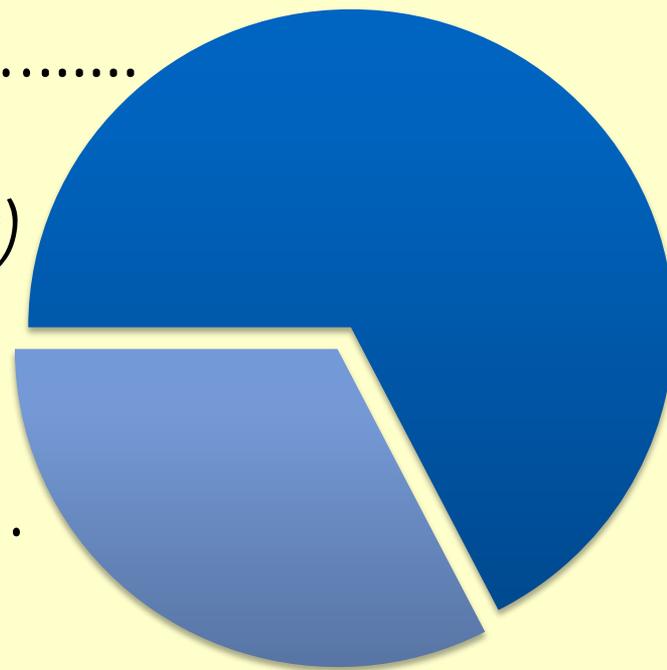
Low-income program cuts.....

(e.g. Medicaid, Pell Grants, food stamps, low-income housing)

\$2.9 trillion

Other program cuts.....

\$1.4 trillion



Source: “The Path to Prosperity” FY 2012 Budget Resolution

Note: Manager’s amendment would add \$0.2 trillion in other cuts



Conservative Economists Criticize ‘Off the Deep End’ Republican Budget

“It doesn’t address in any serious or courageous way the issue of the near and medium-term deficit. I think the biggest problem is revenues. It is simply unrealistic to say that raising revenue isn’t part of the solution. It’s a measure of how far off the deep end Republicans have gone with this religious catechism about taxes.”

- David Stockman, former head of OMB under Ronald Reagan

On unemployment, Ryan plan is “implausibly optimistic.”

- Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former head of CBO and economic advisor to John McCain and George W. Bush

...the plan doesn’t do anything to control health care costs, and cutting Medicaid is neither good policy, nor urgent...he notes “Medicaid should be one of the last parts of the health care budget to cut.”

- Tyler Cowen, General Director of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University

“It’s just not going to work.”

- Senator Saxby Chambliss

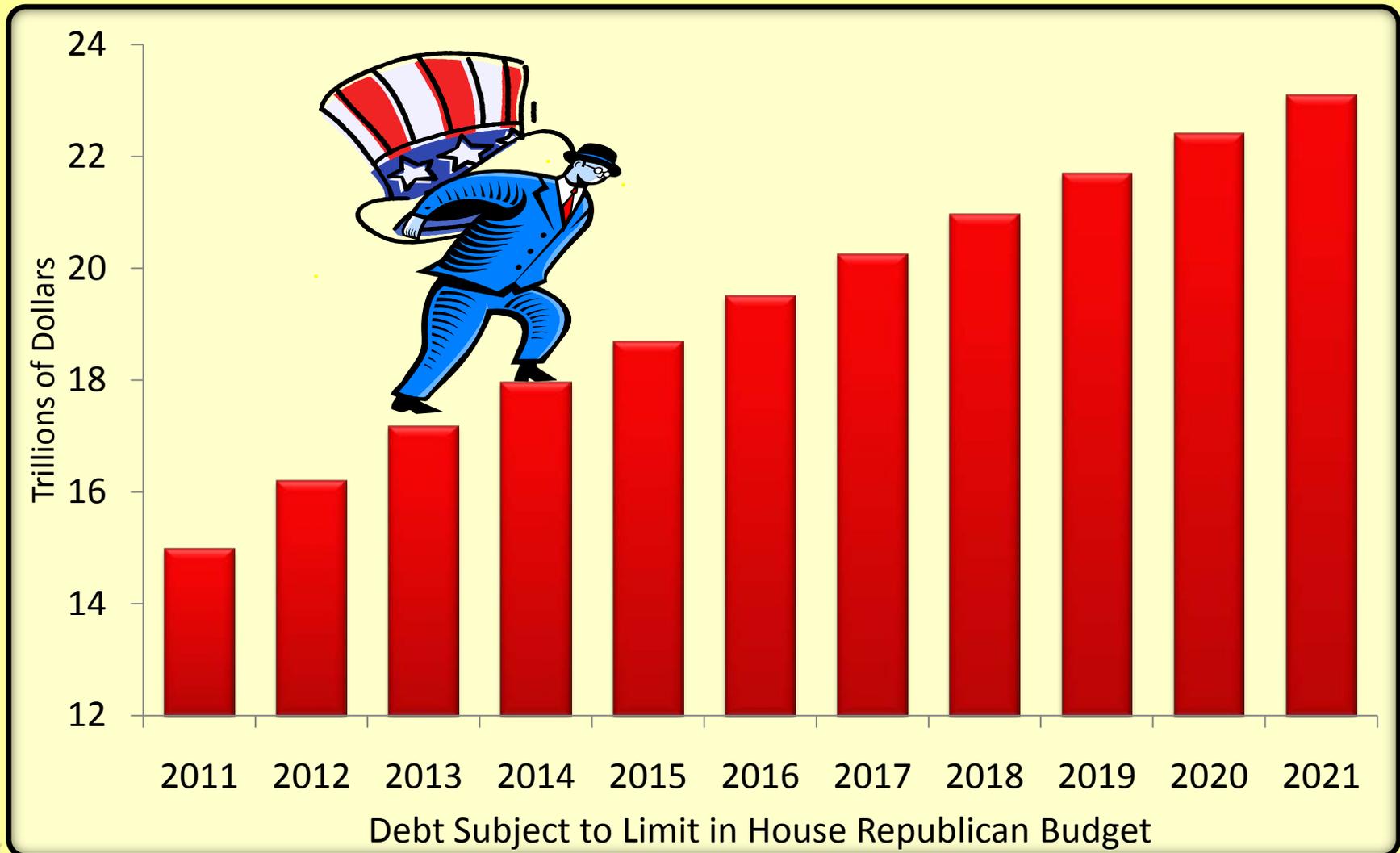
Source: www.talkingpointsmemo.com, 4/11/2011

<http://www.bloomberg.com>, 4/11/2011

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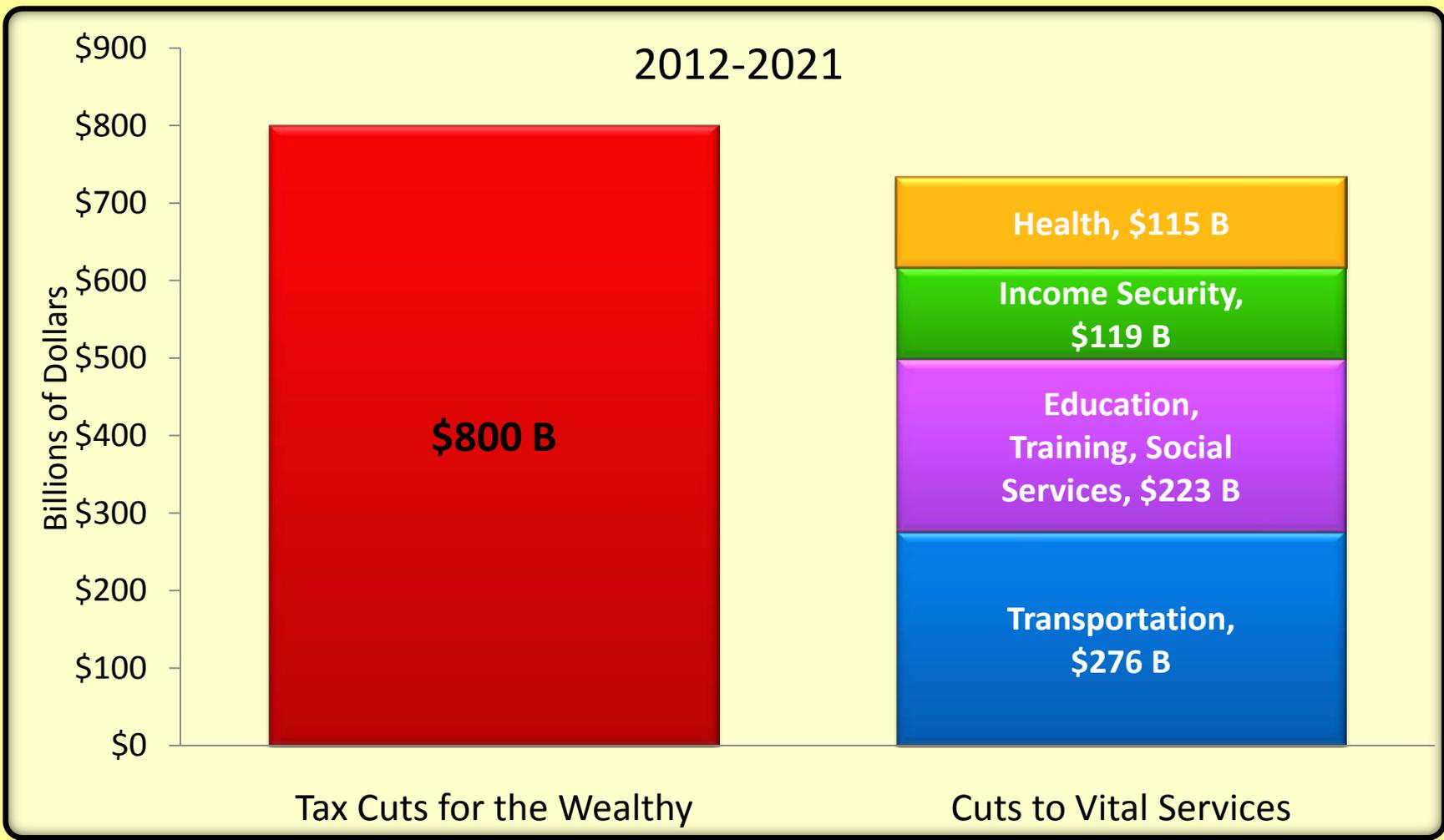
Debt Subject to Limit Continues to Grow In Republican Budget



Debt Subject to Limit in House Republican Budget



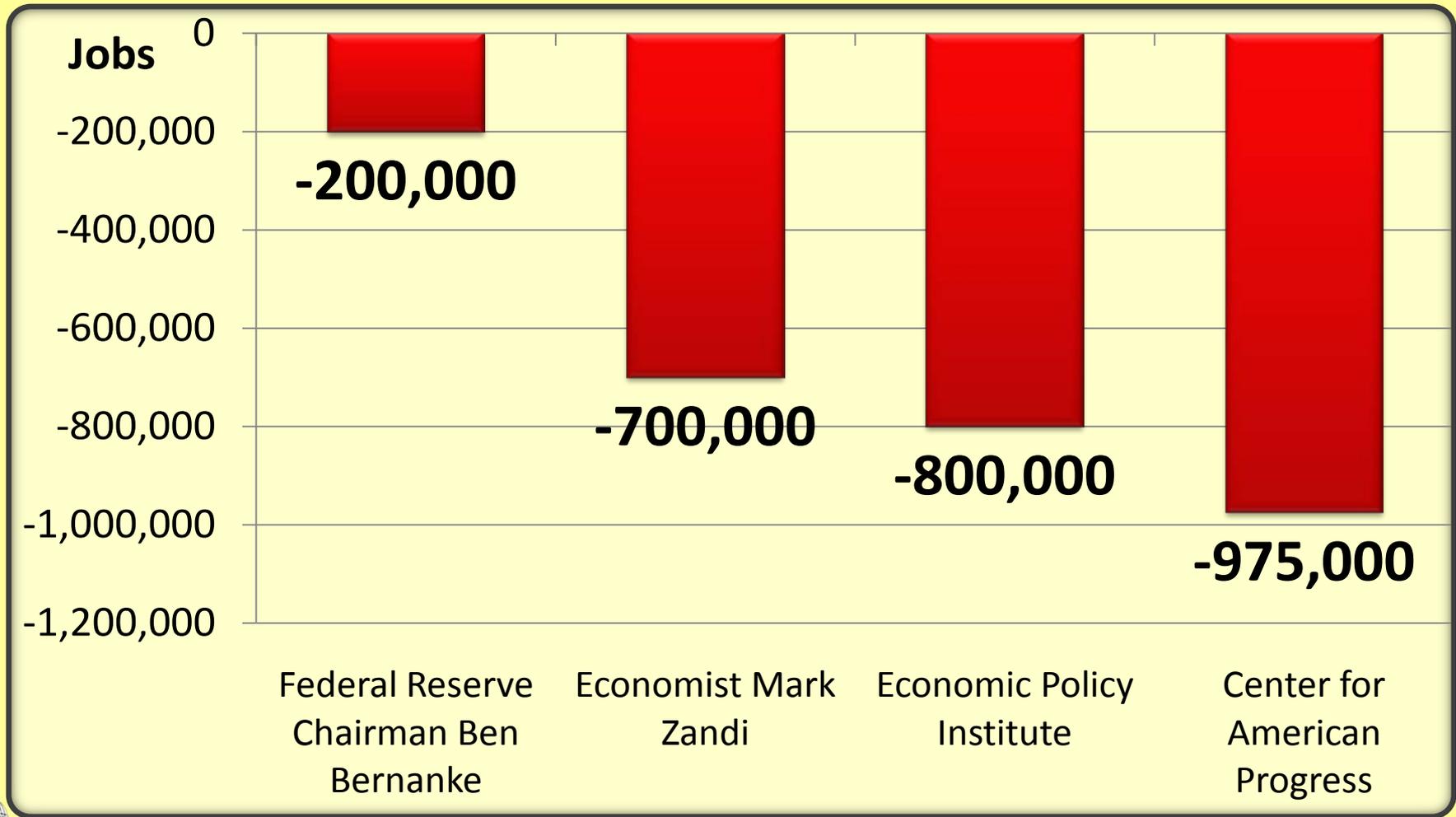
Republican Budget Pays for Tax Cuts for Millionaires by Cutting Vital Services



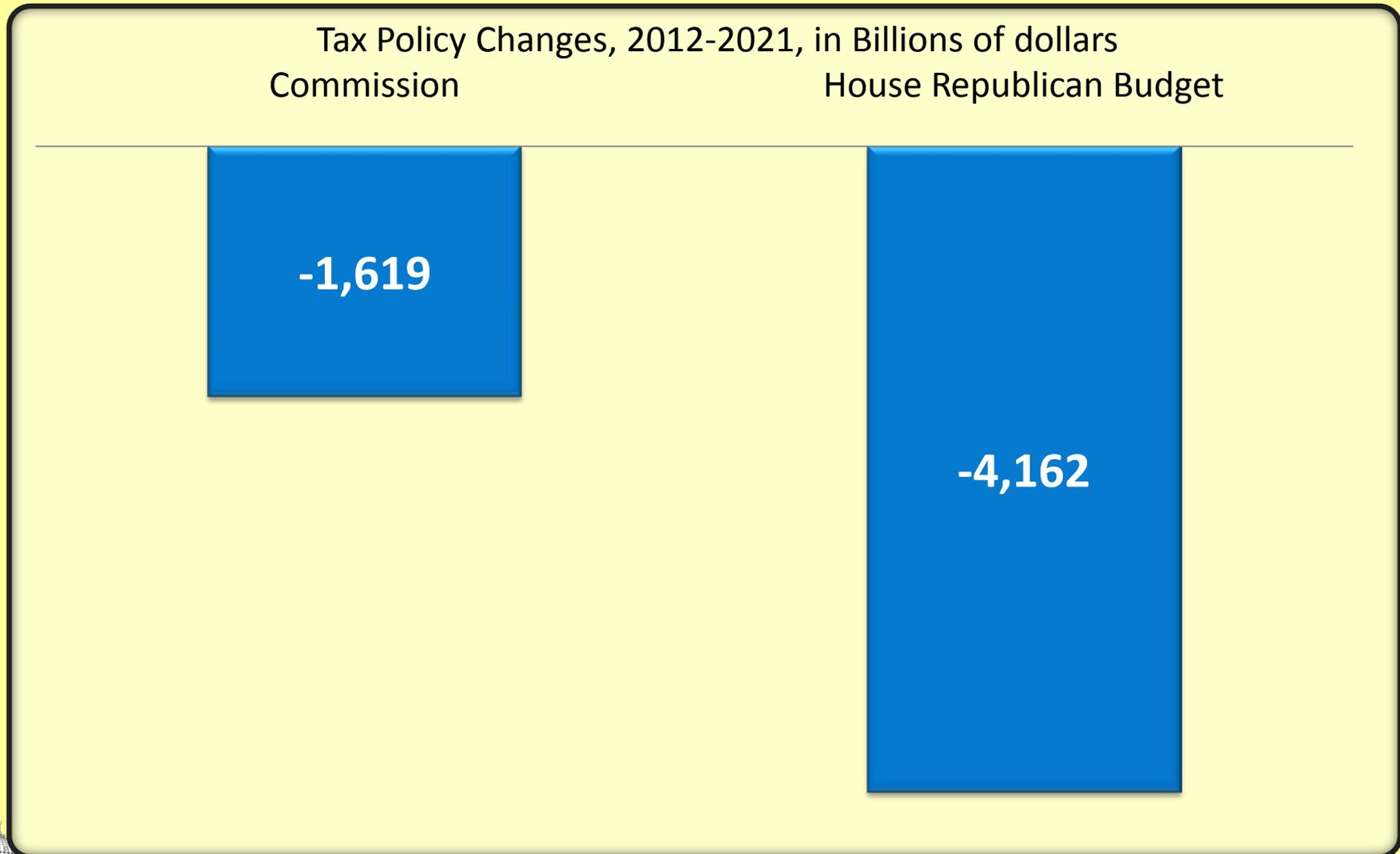
Discretionary Budget Authority

“SLASH-ONOMICS”

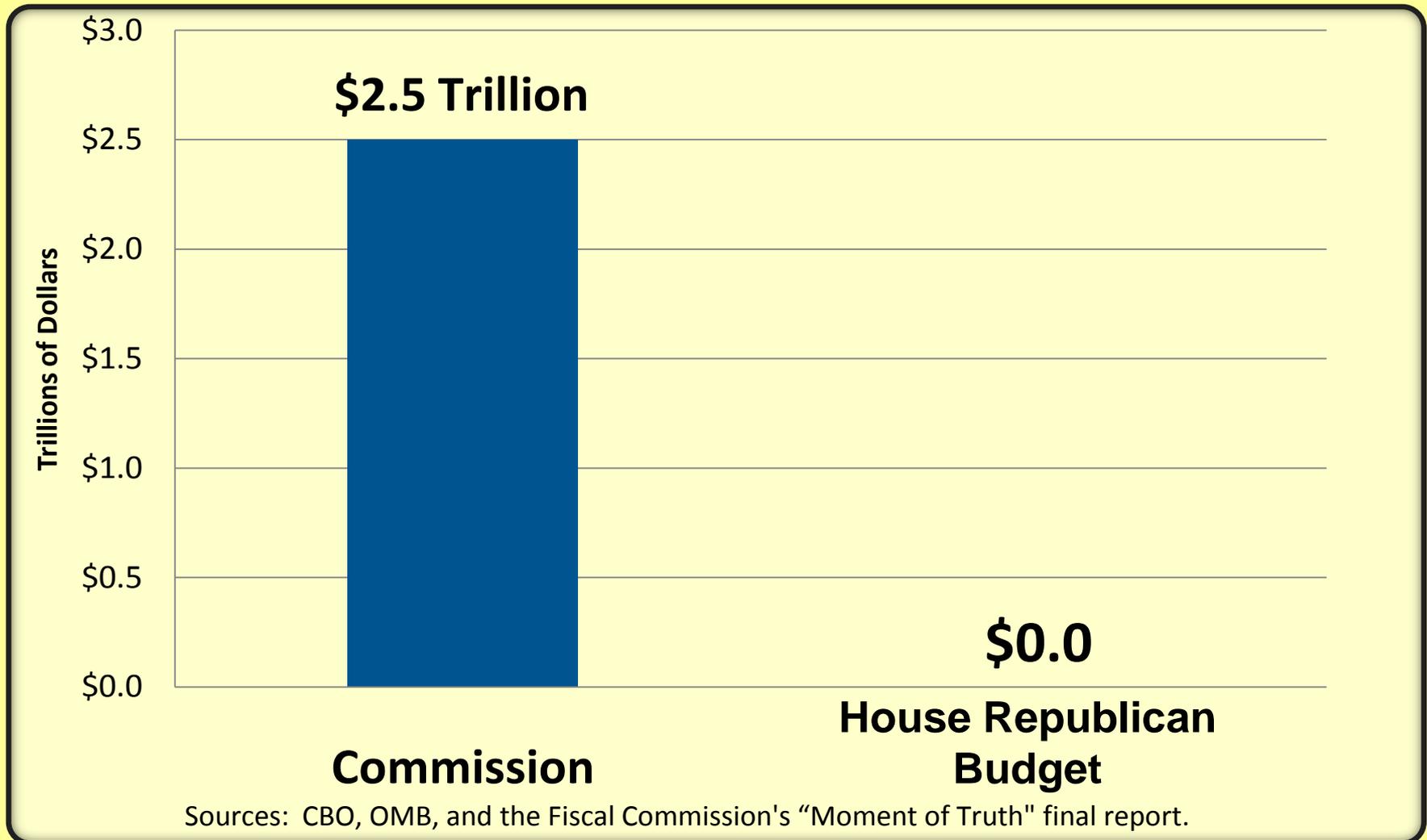
By Anyone’s Estimate, Republicans’ spending Cuts in H.R. 1 Would Lose Jobs, Not Create Them



Republican Budget Cuts Taxes \$2.5 Trillion MORE than the Fiscal Commission



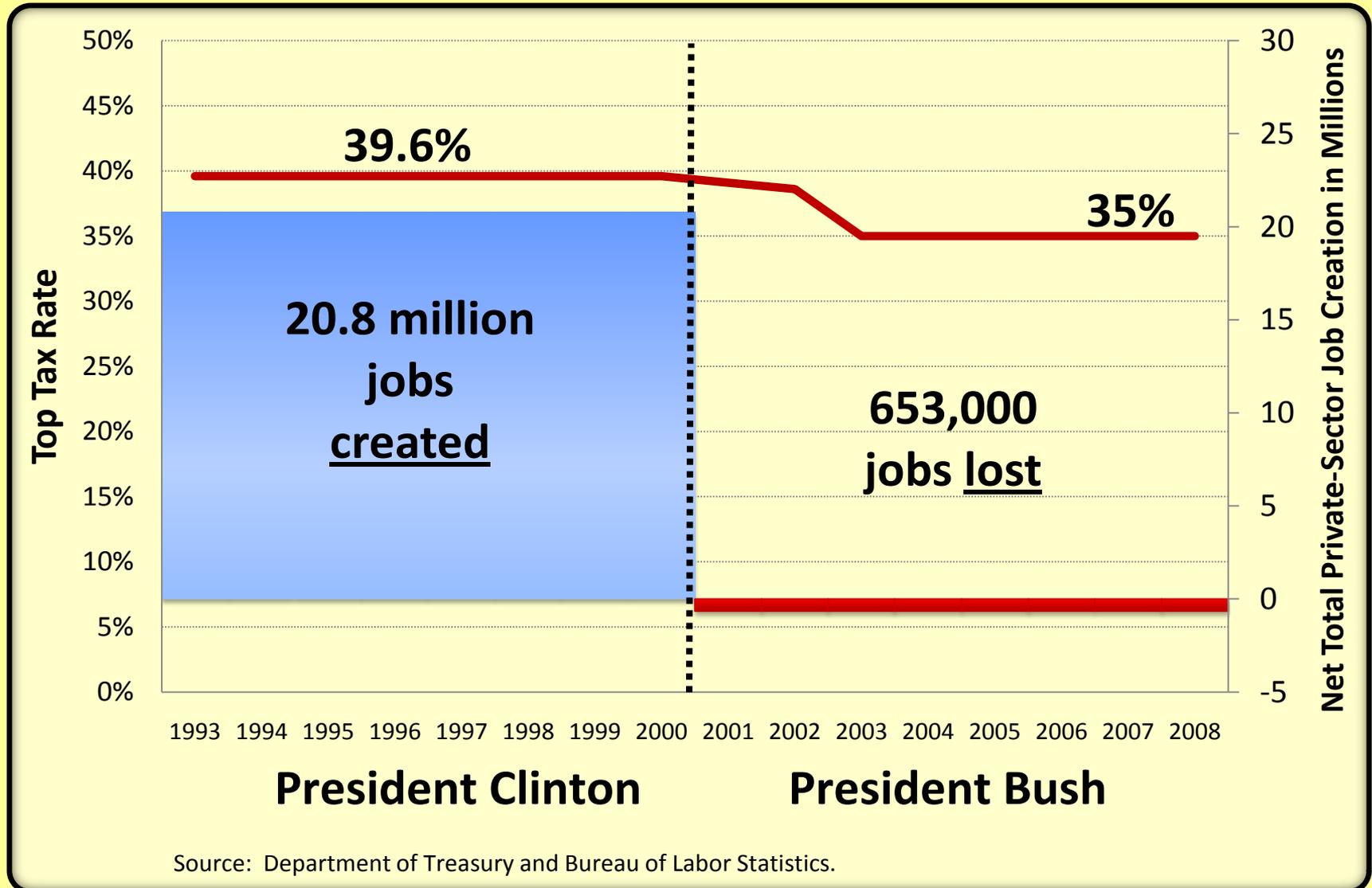
Fiscal Commission Raised \$2.5 Trillion More in Revenue Than the Republican Budget



Historical Comparison Tables



Top Tax Rate and Total Net Job Creation



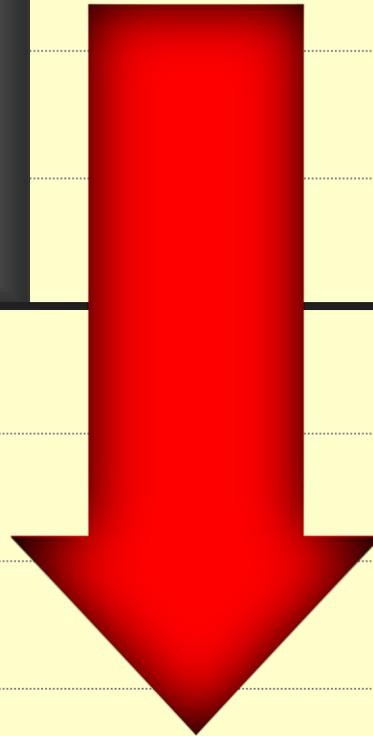
Bush and Republicans Leave Obama an \$8 Trillion Fiscal Mess to Clean Up

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\$5.6 Trillion 10-Year **Surplus**

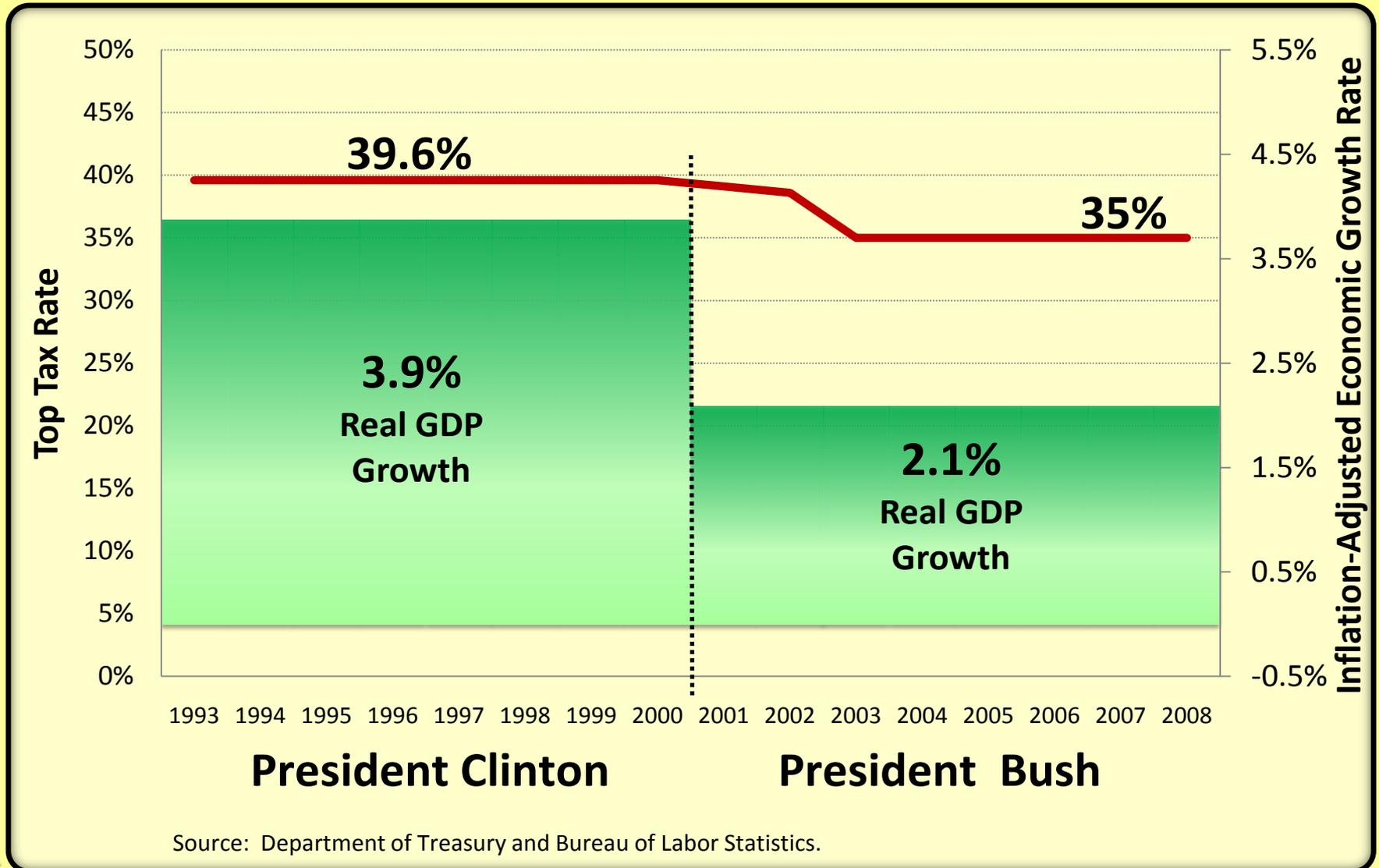
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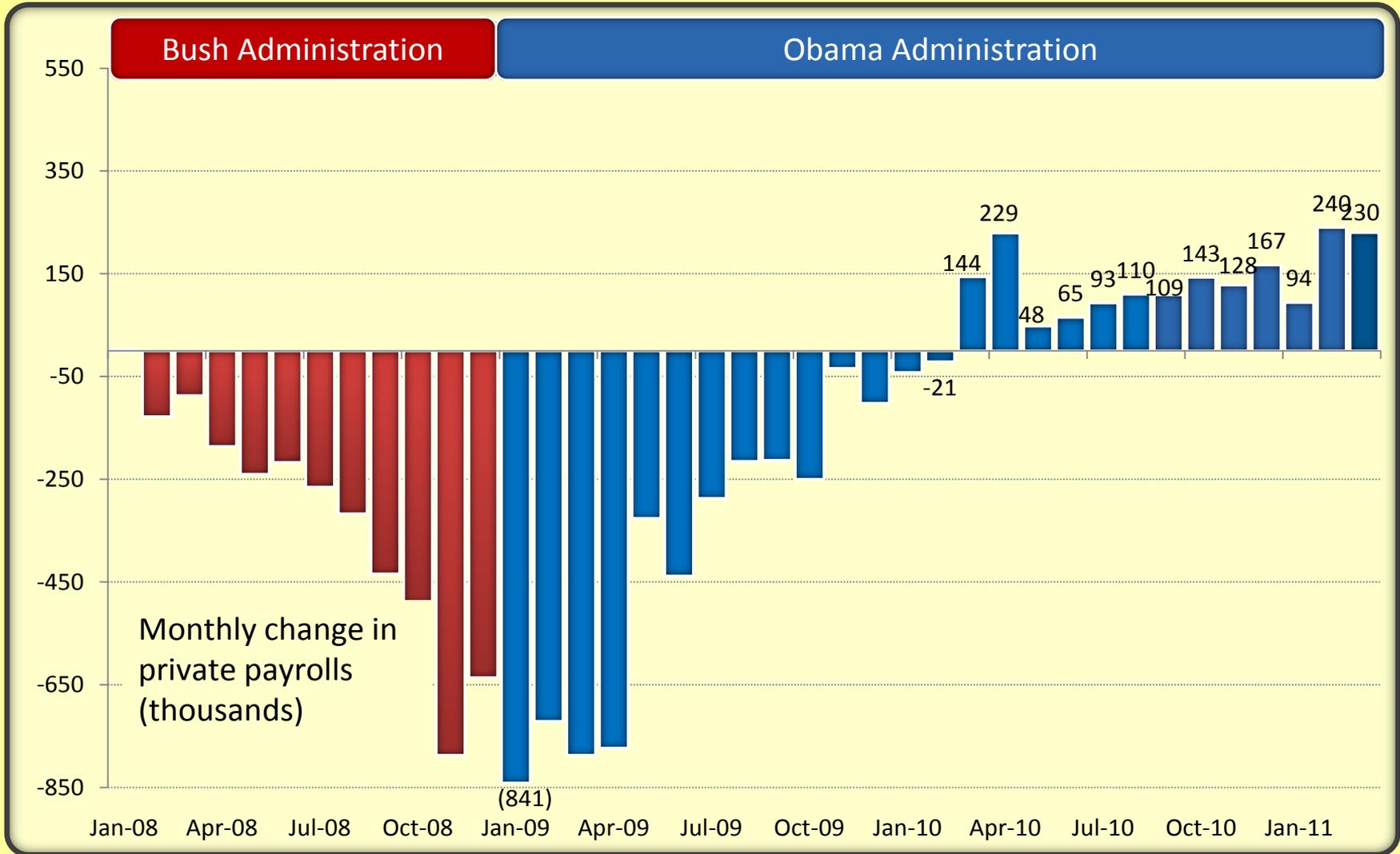
Top Tax Rate and Average Annual Growth



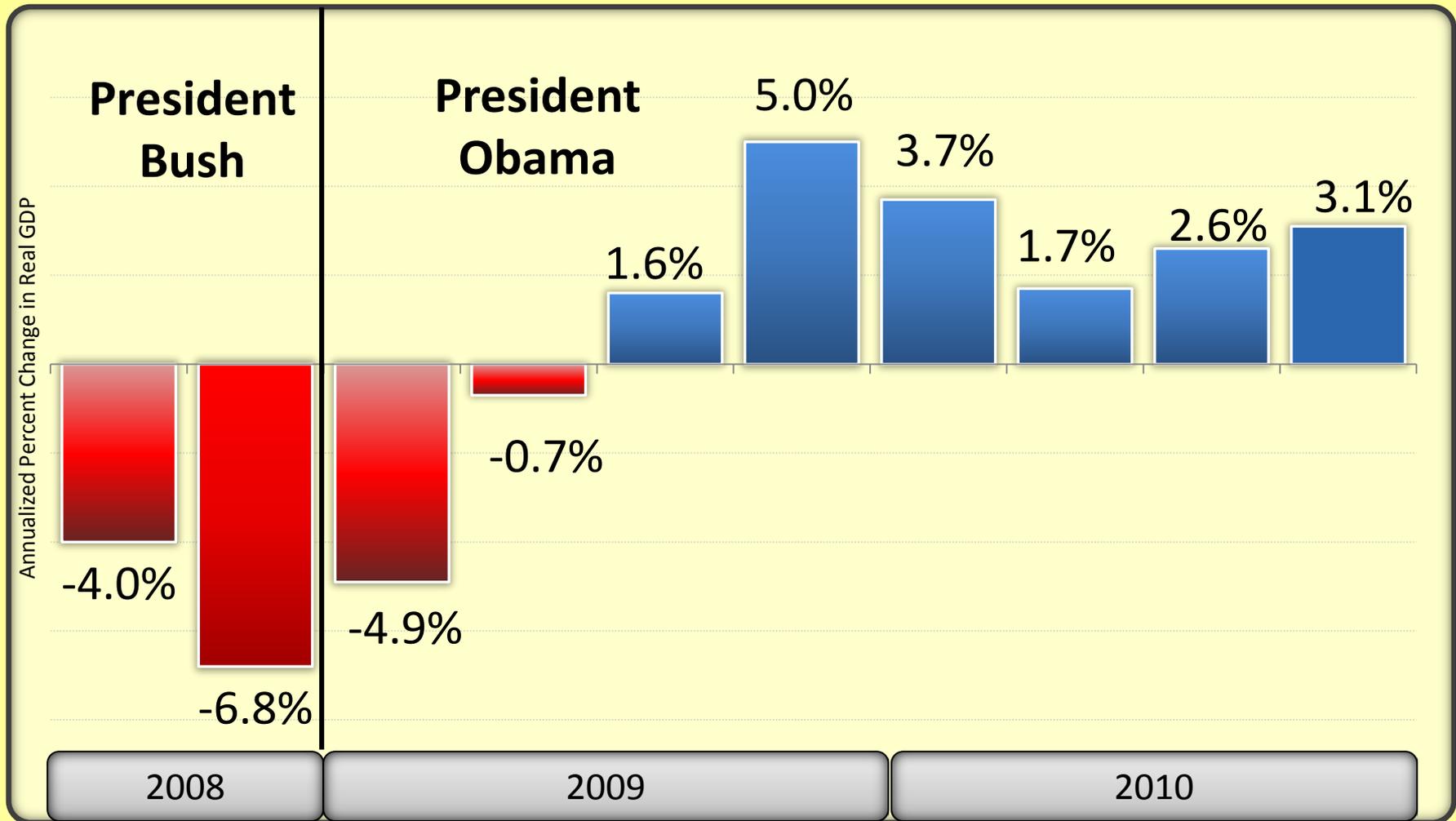
Source: Department of Treasury and Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Economy Has Added 1.7 Million Private-Sector Jobs Since Start of 2010



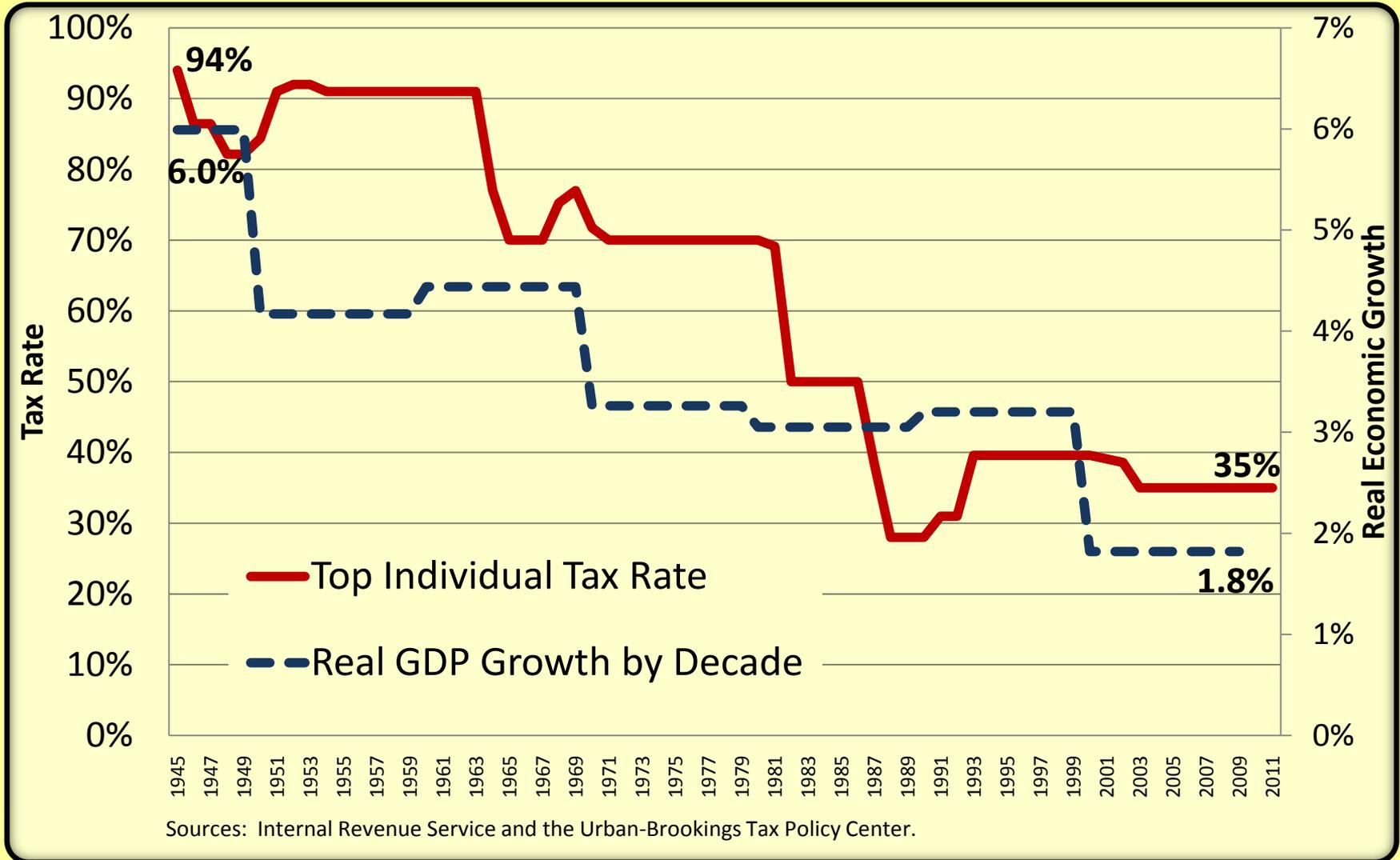
Recovery Takes Hold as Economy Grows For a Sixth Straight Quarter



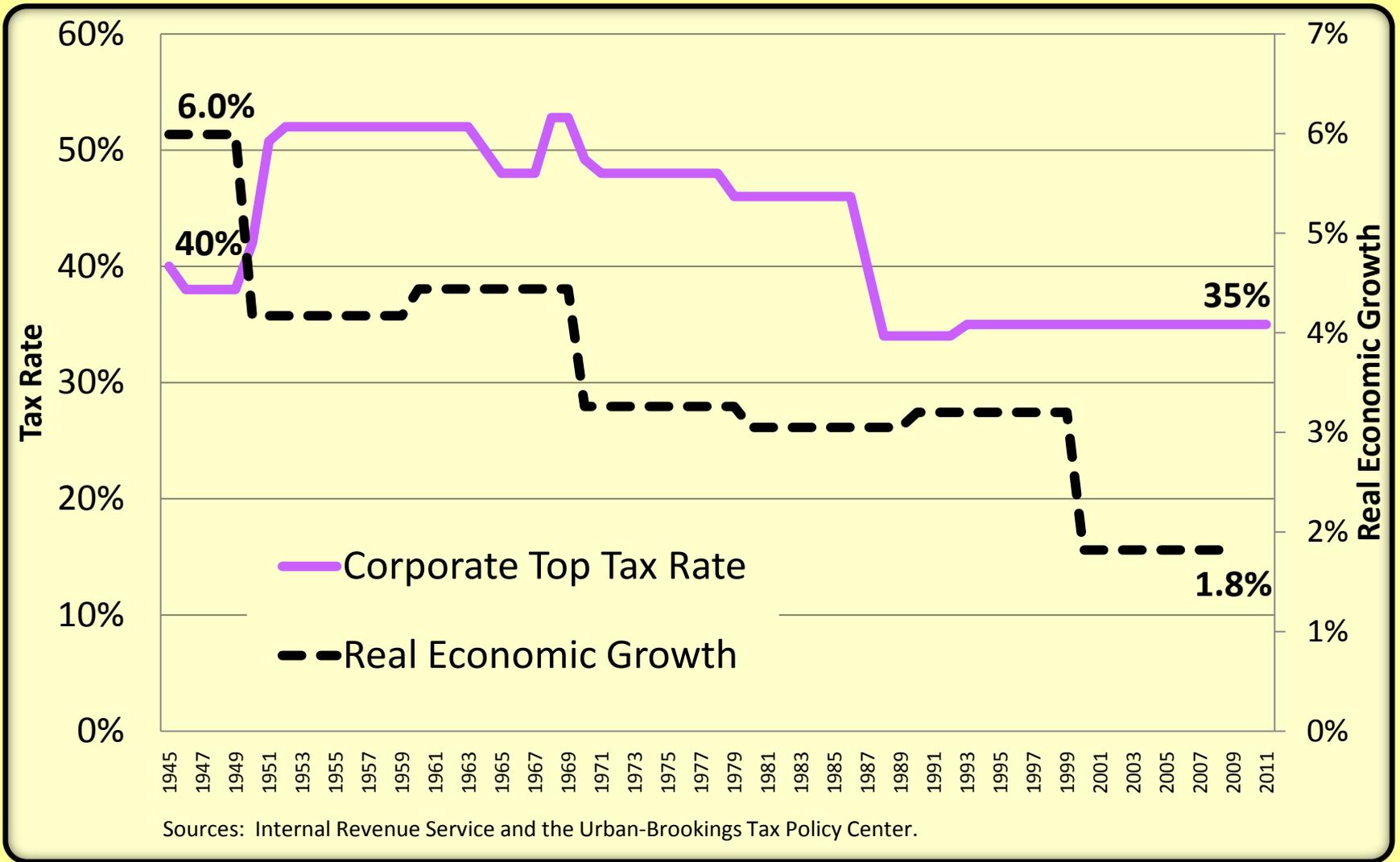
Tax Issue Slides



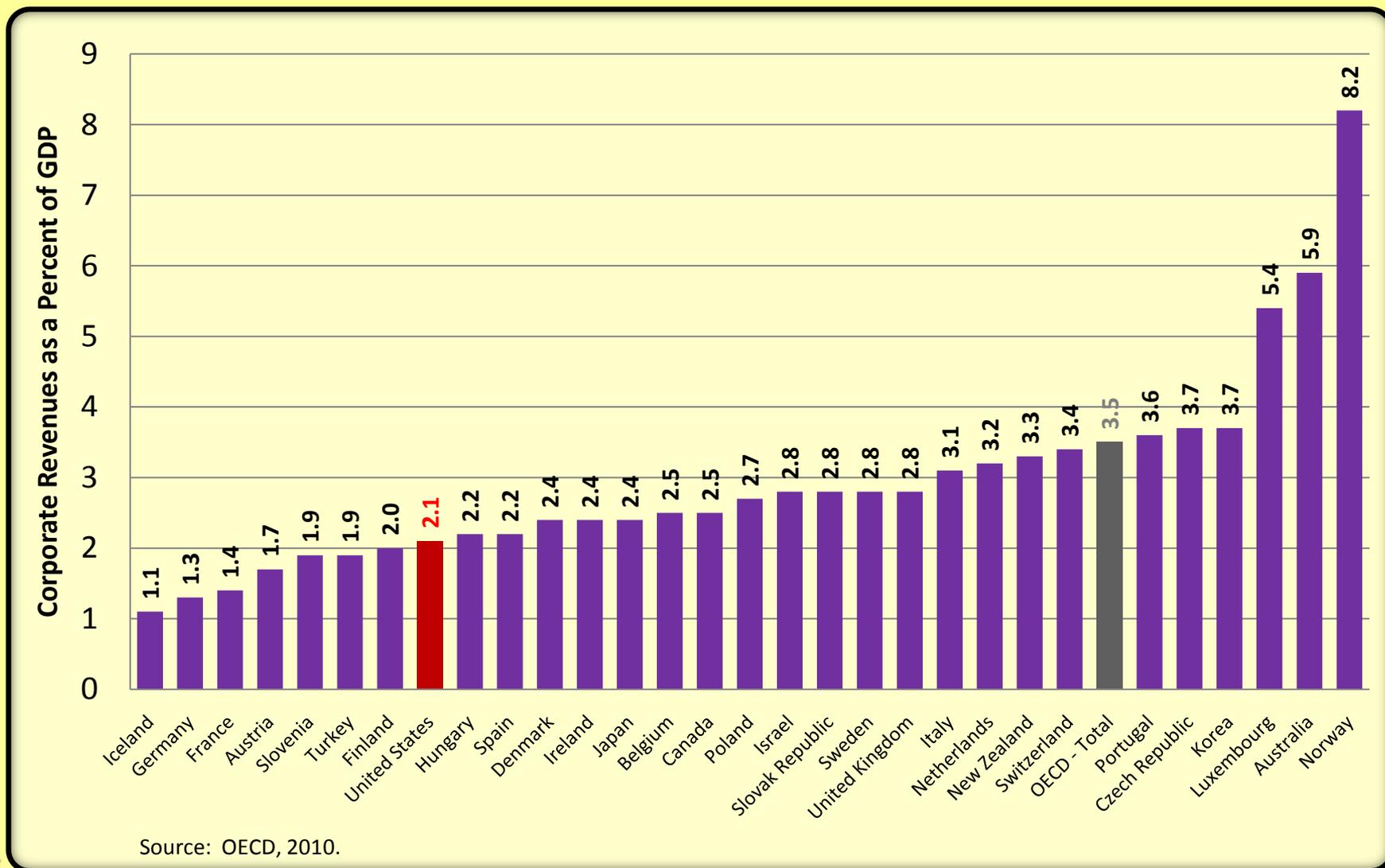
Top Individual Tax Rates Have Fallen In the Post War Era, 1945-2011



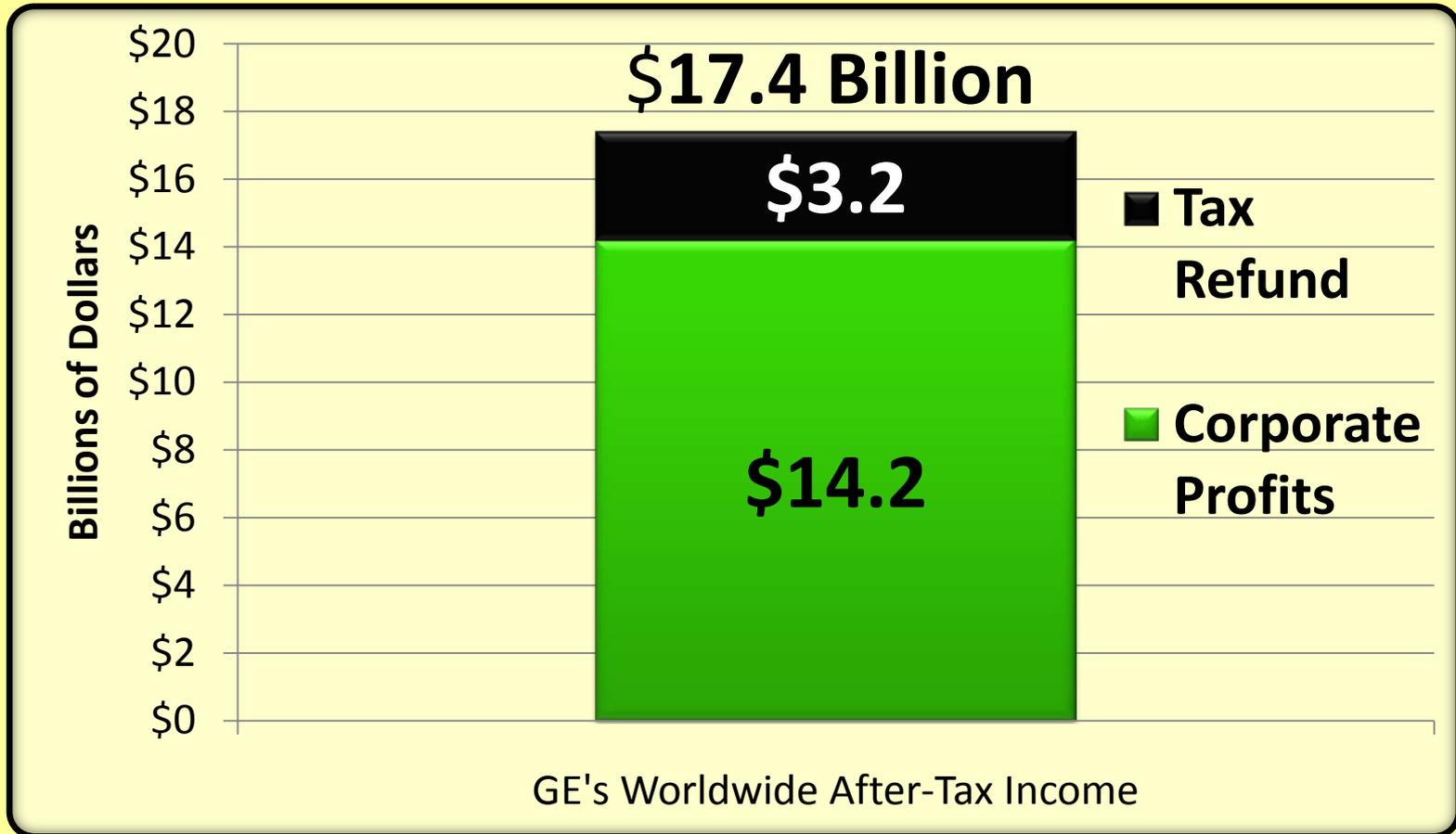
Top Corporate Tax Rates Have Fallen In the Post War Era, 1945-2011



U.S. Corporate Tax Revenues as a Share of GDP are Low by OECD Standards



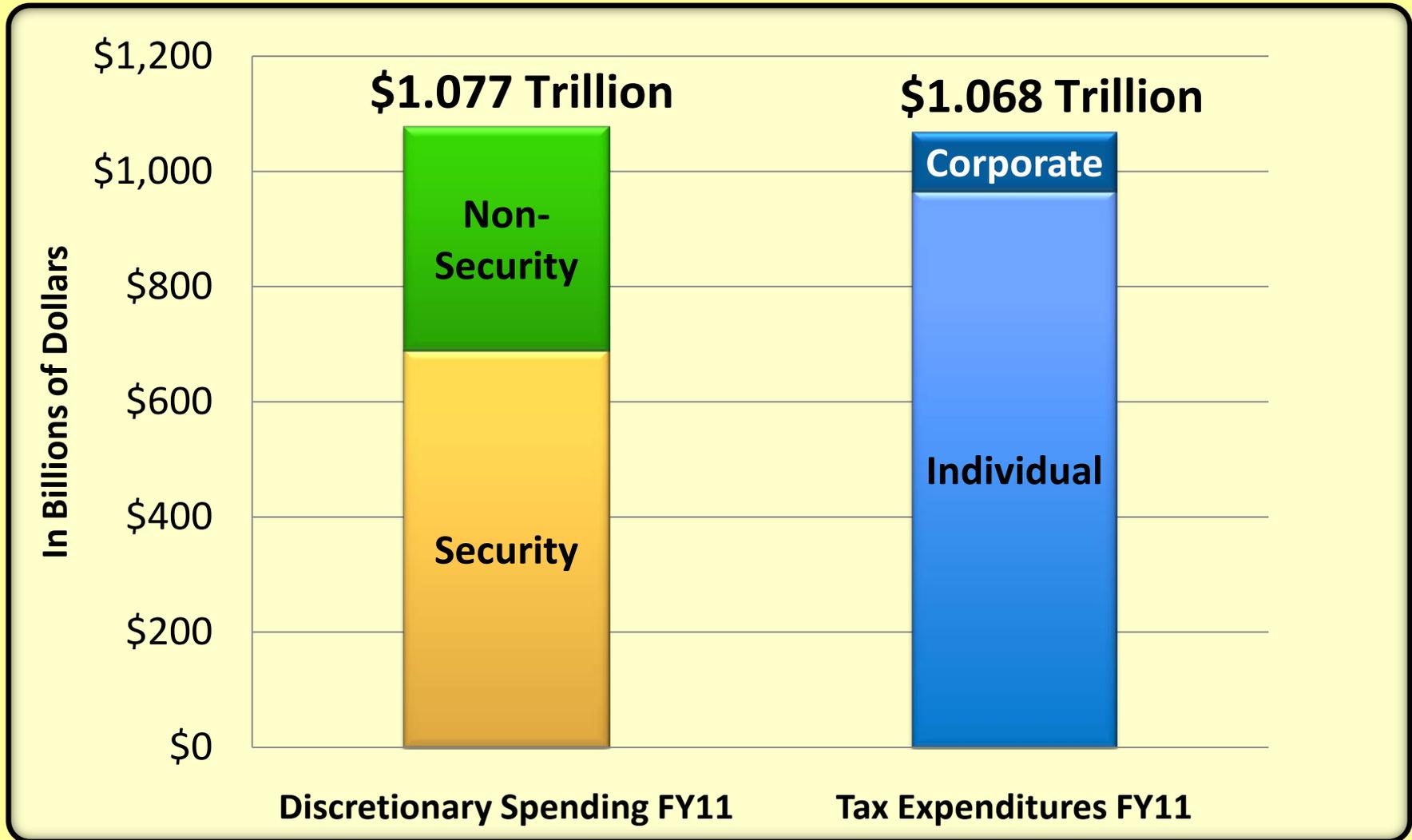
GENERAL ELECTRIC Reported \$14.2 Billion in Profits... and Received a \$3.2 Billion Tax Refund



Source: *New York Times*, March 24, 2011, "G.E.'s Strategies Let It Avoid Taxes Altogether" by David Kocieniewski



Tax Expenditures Equal Entire Discretionary Budget



Sources: Office of Management and Budget, Congressional Budget Office

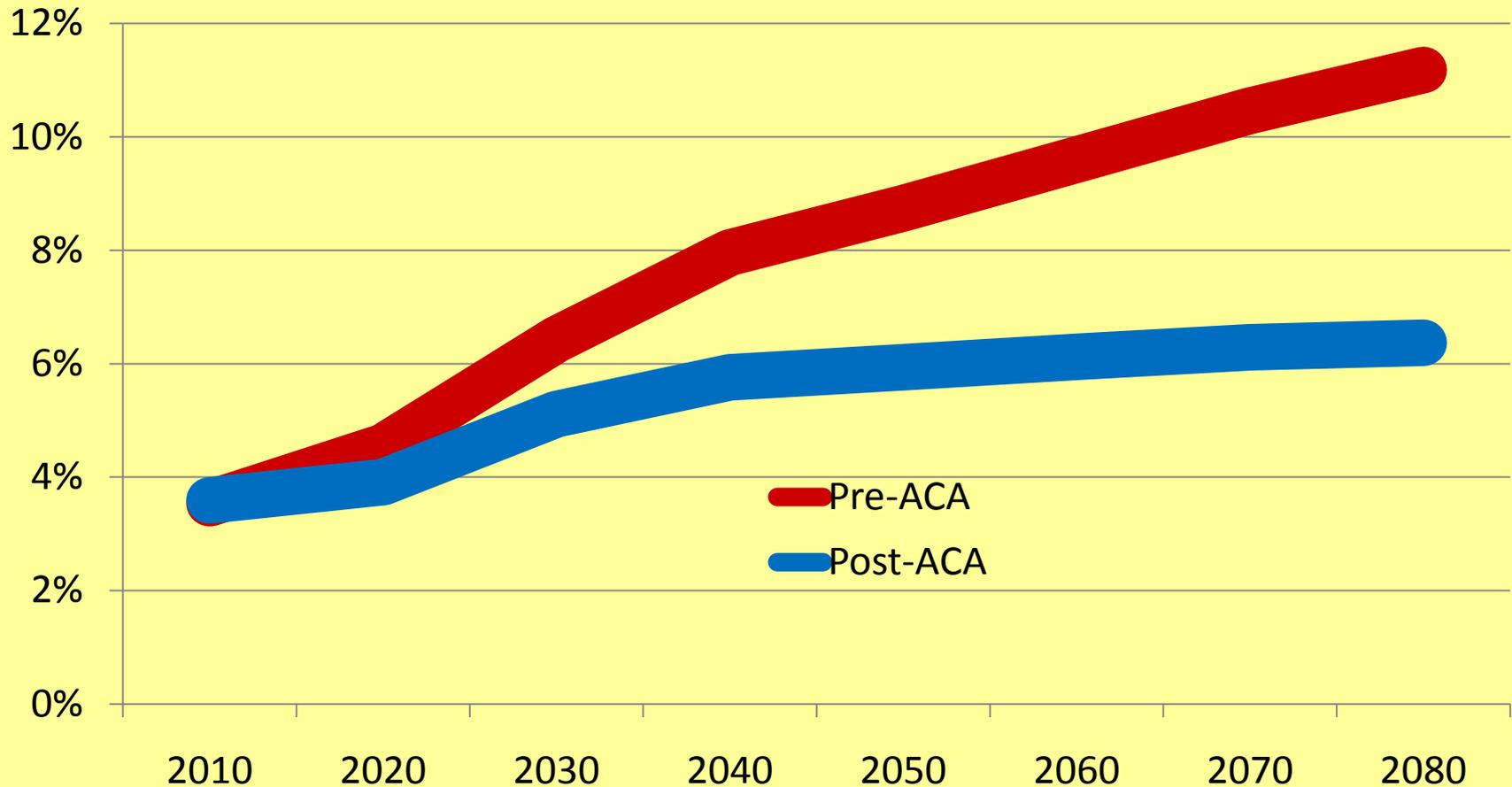


Health Care Slides and Quotes



Affordable Care Act Is Entitlement Reform; Bends Medicare Cost Curve

Total Medicare Spending as a Percent of GDP



Source: 2009 and 2010 Medicare Trustees Reports



ACA is Entitlement Reform

“Repealing the Affordable Care Act would cause needless economic harm and would set back efforts to create a more disciplined and more effective health care system...”

Letter Signed by Alice Rivlin and
other economists to the HBC
January 6, 2011

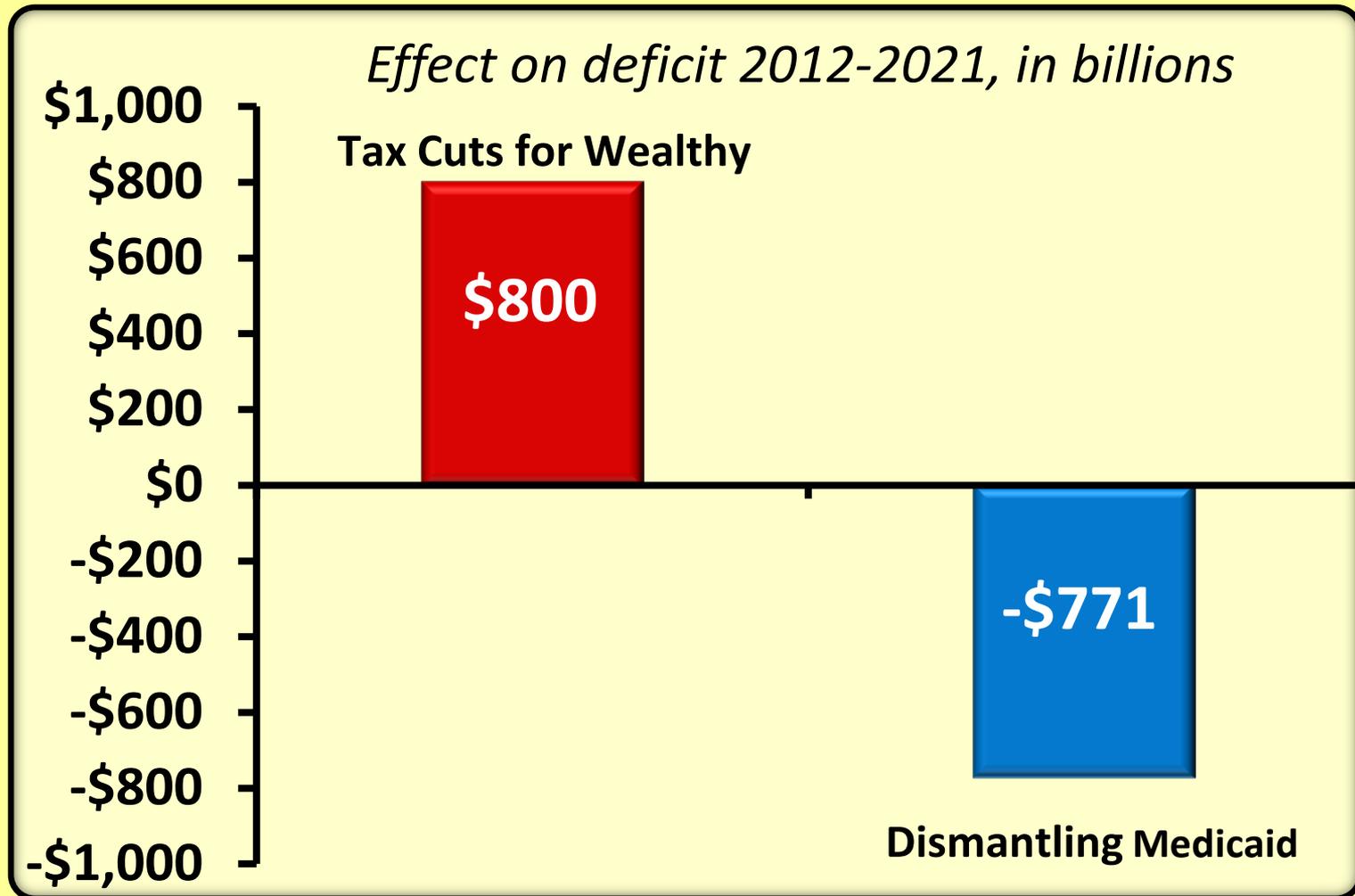
“I do believe that almost every idea about improving quality and reducing cost was incorporated in some way, usually as a pilot program, into the Affordable Care Act, and we need to fund it ...”

“I strongly believe that the Affordable Care Act has the potential to bend the cost curve.”

Alice Rivlin, March 17, 2011



Republican Budget Cuts Taxes for Wealthy, Dismantles Medicaid



Republican Medicare and Medicaid Cuts Unrealistic and Inhumane

“A major feature of the Ryan plan is a drastic reform of Medicare and Medicaid - but reform with deep cuts and deeper than, I think, many of us would feel were realistic or humane.”

-Alice Rivlin, April 5, 2011



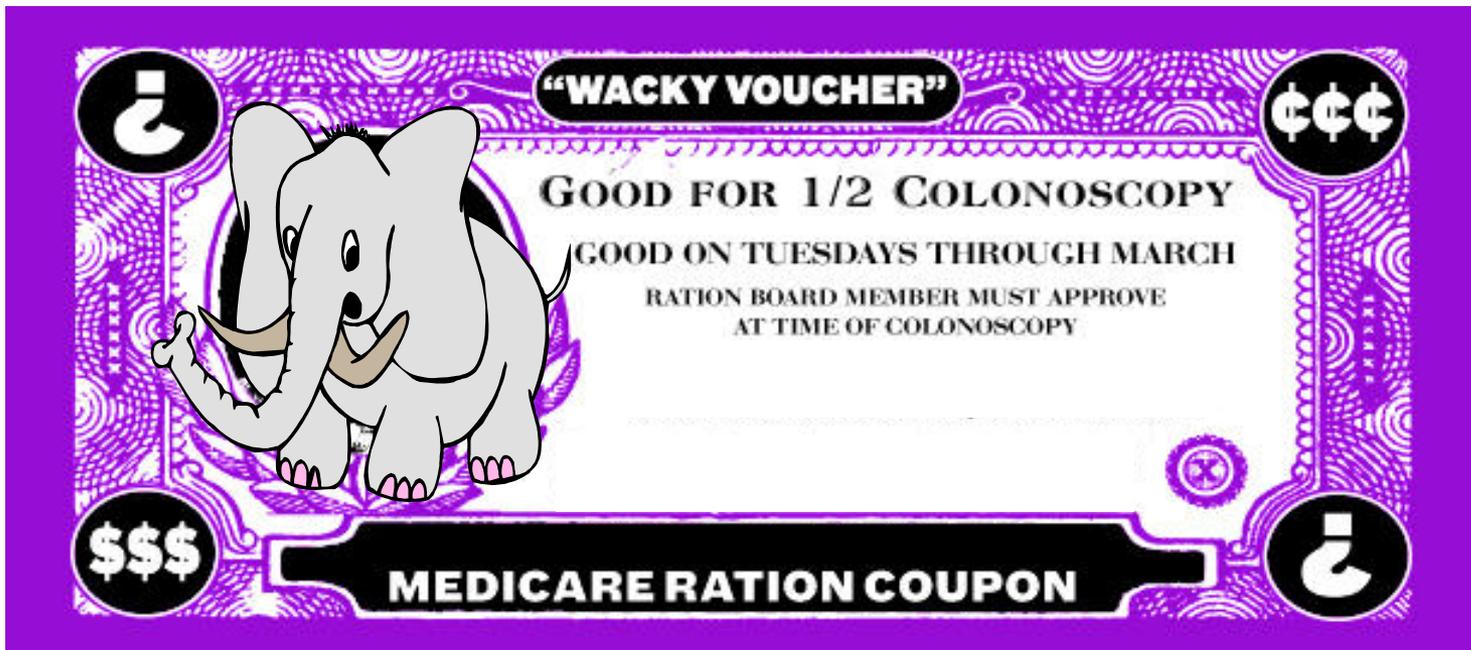
Rivlin Opposes Republican Health Proposal

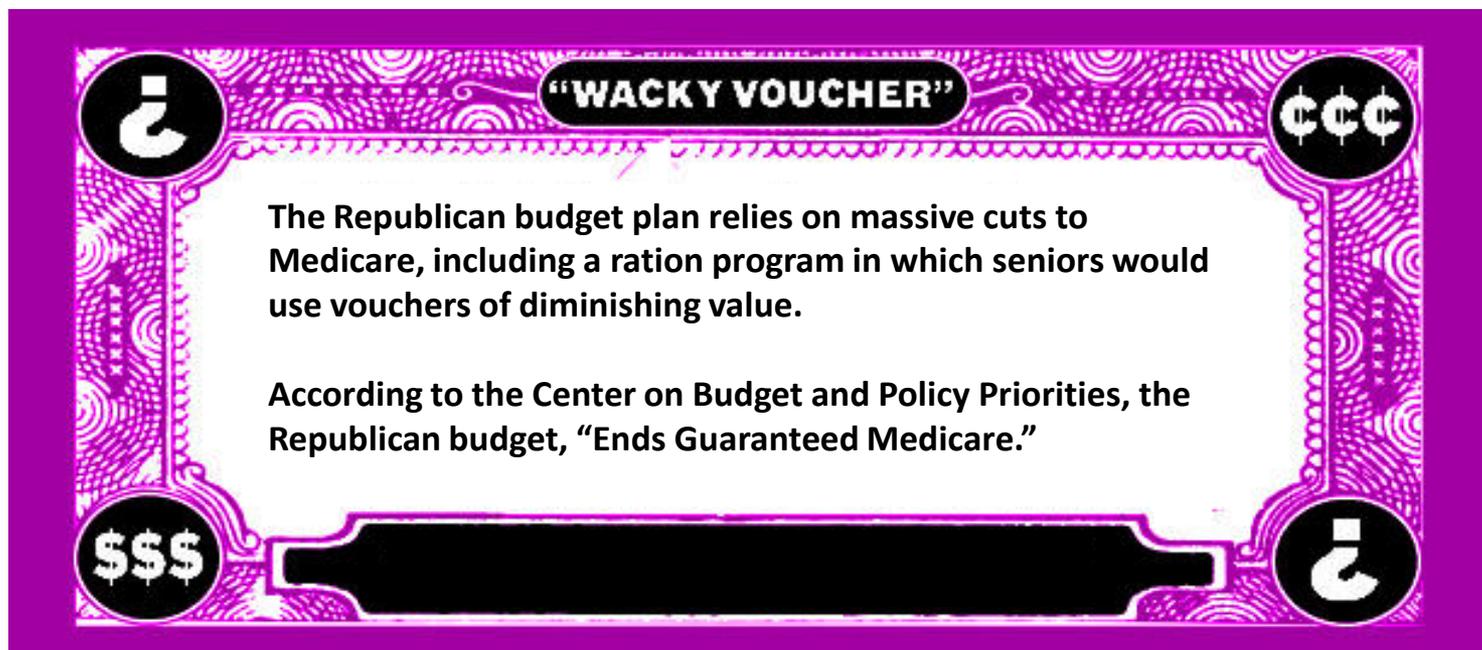
“We talked fairly recently and...I said I don’t actually support the form in which he put it in the budget.”

“We had worked together but the version that’s in the budget resolution is not one that I would subscribe to.”

- Alice Rivlin, Politico, April, 5 2011





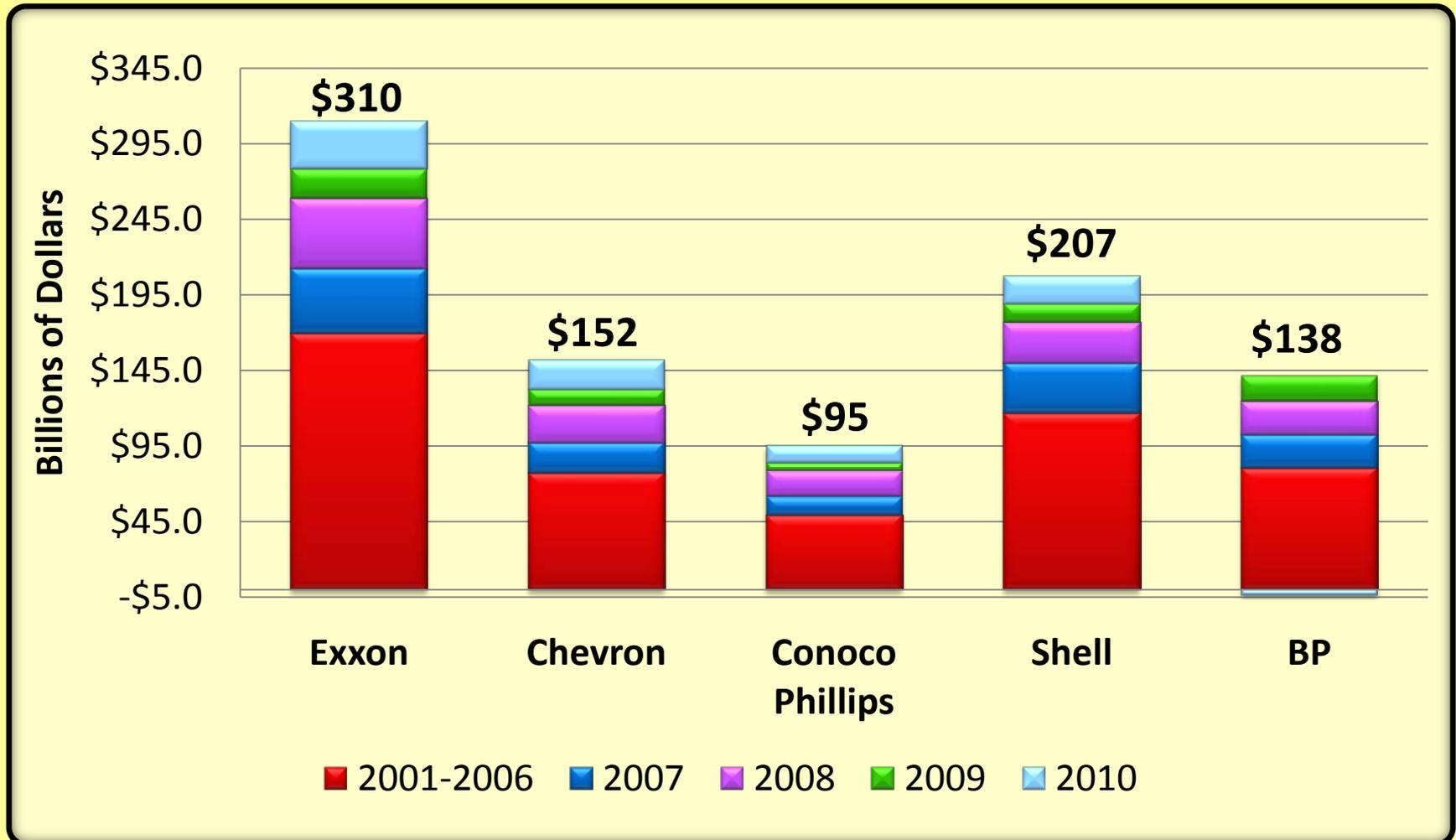


Issue Specific Slides

Big oil, green jobs, education, etc.



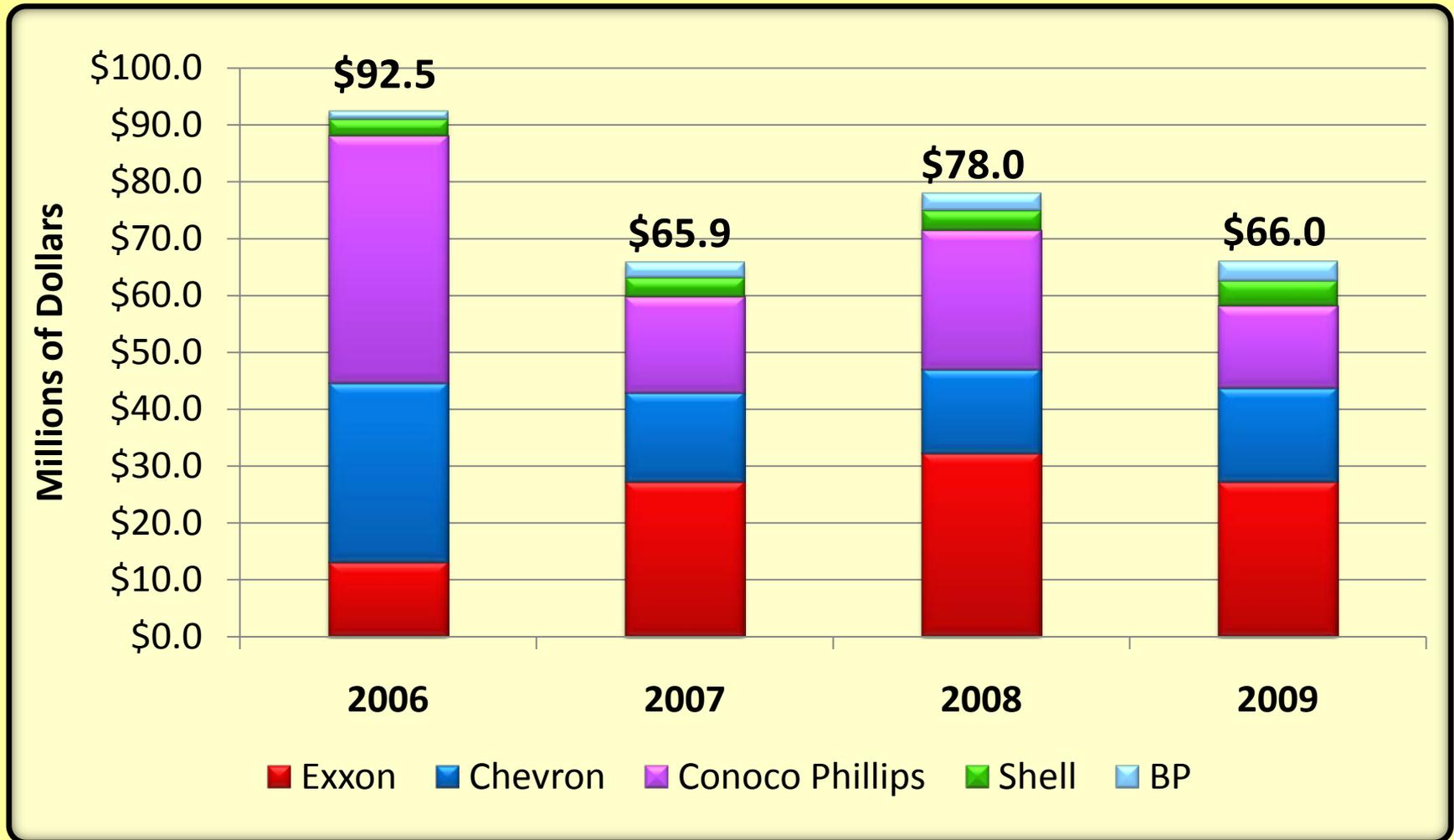
“Big 5” Oil Company Profits 2001-2010



Source: http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2011/01/oil_just.html



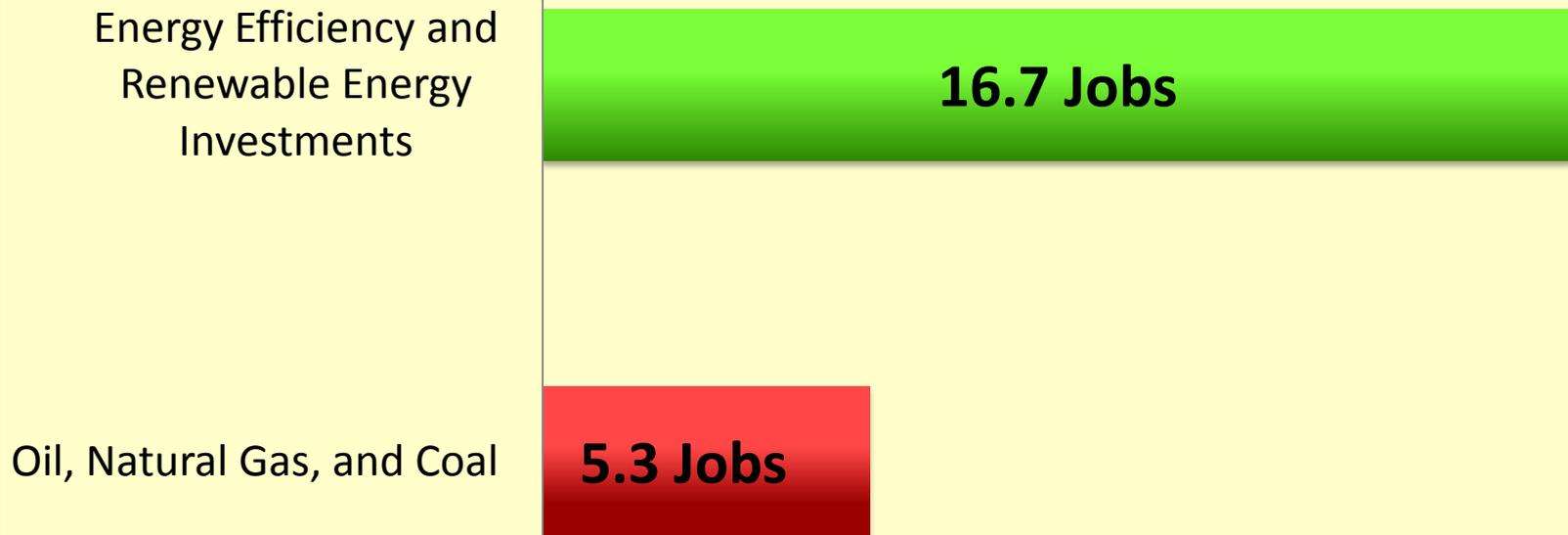
“Big 5” Oil Company CEO Salaries



Source: www.morningstar.com

Green Energy Generates 3.2 Times More U.S. Jobs than Fossil Fuels

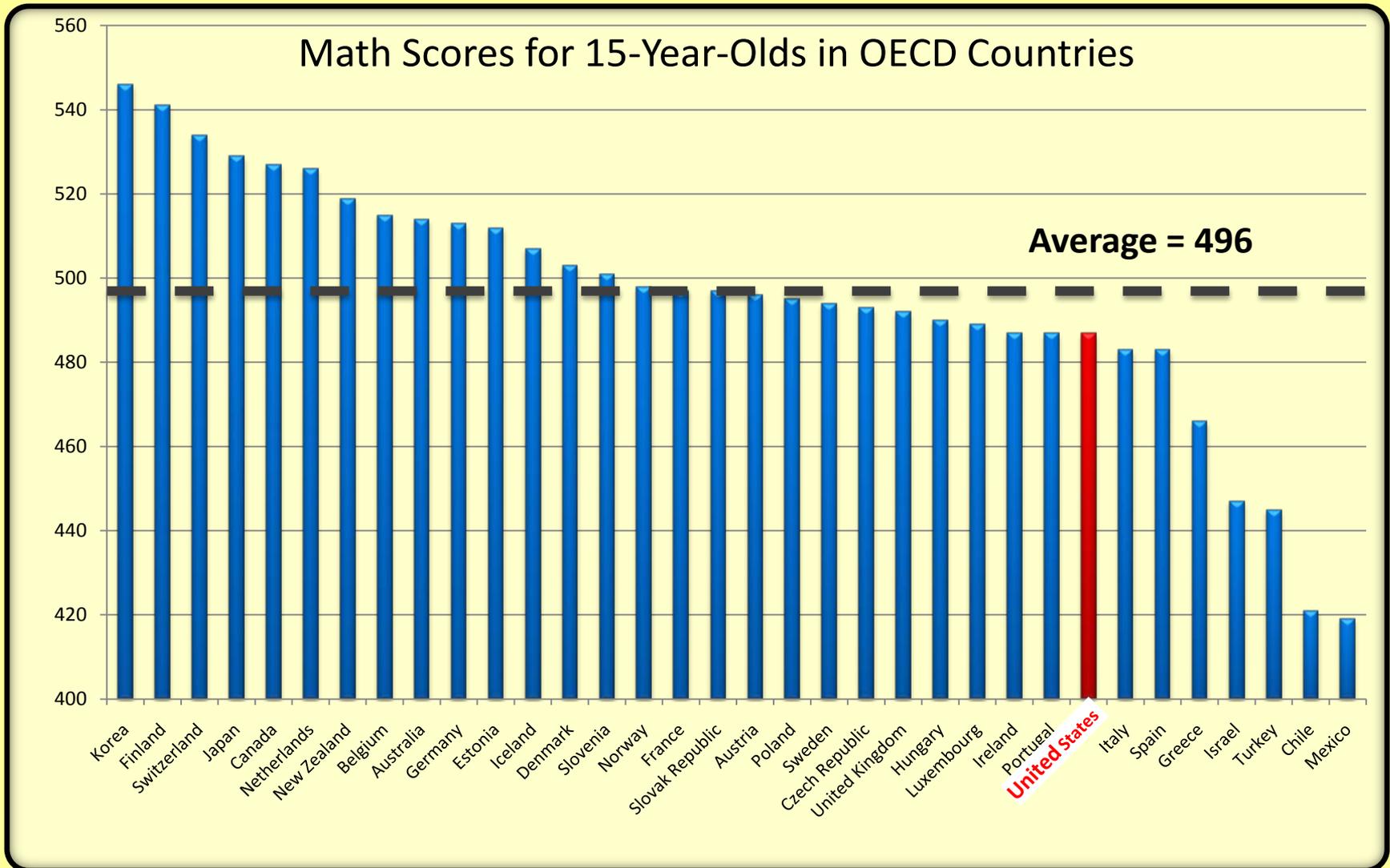
Job Creation from \$1 million in Spending



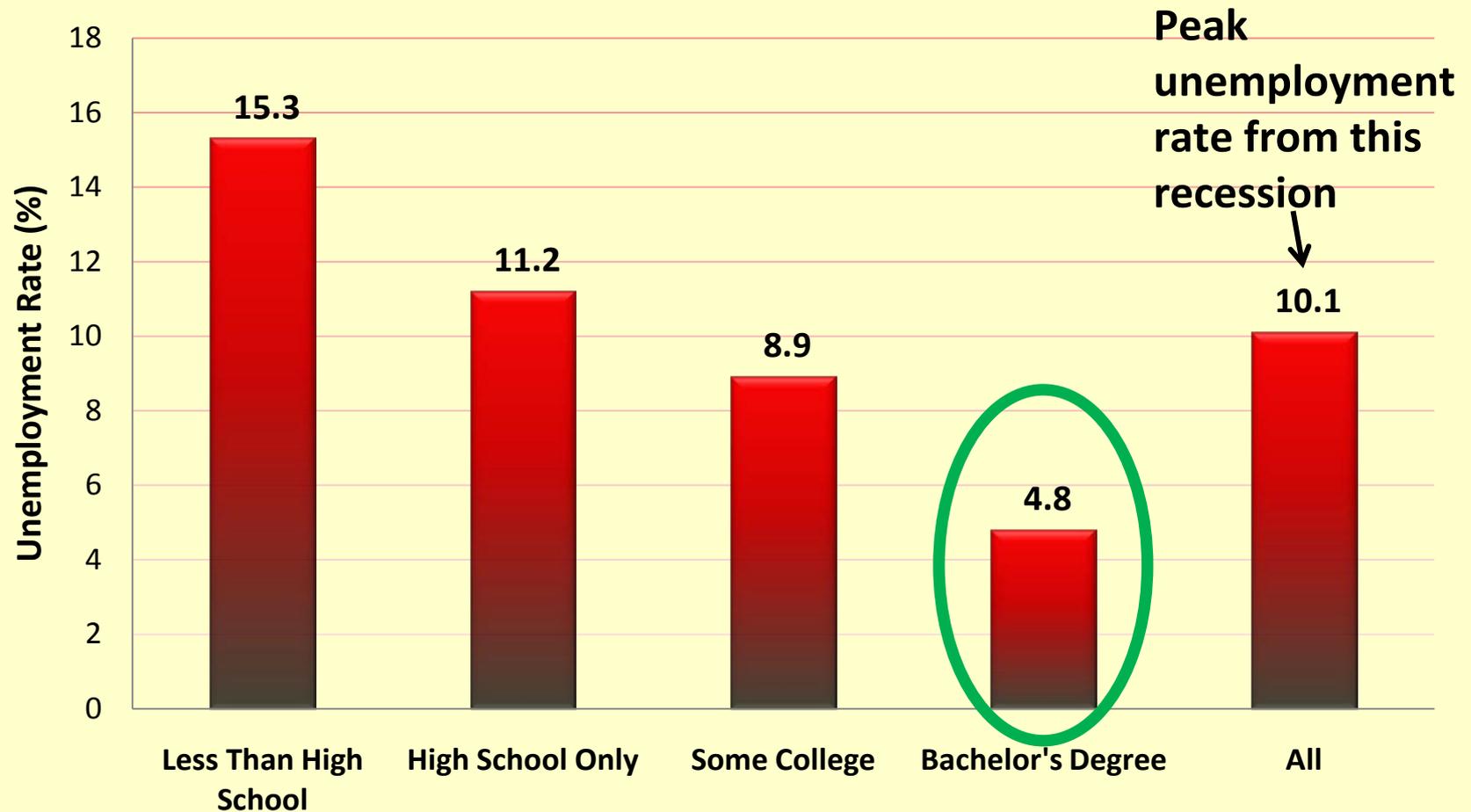
Source: Input-Output tables of the U.S. Commerce Department, as compiled by Center for American Progress



U.S. Students Are Not Globally Competitive



When Education Matters Most



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

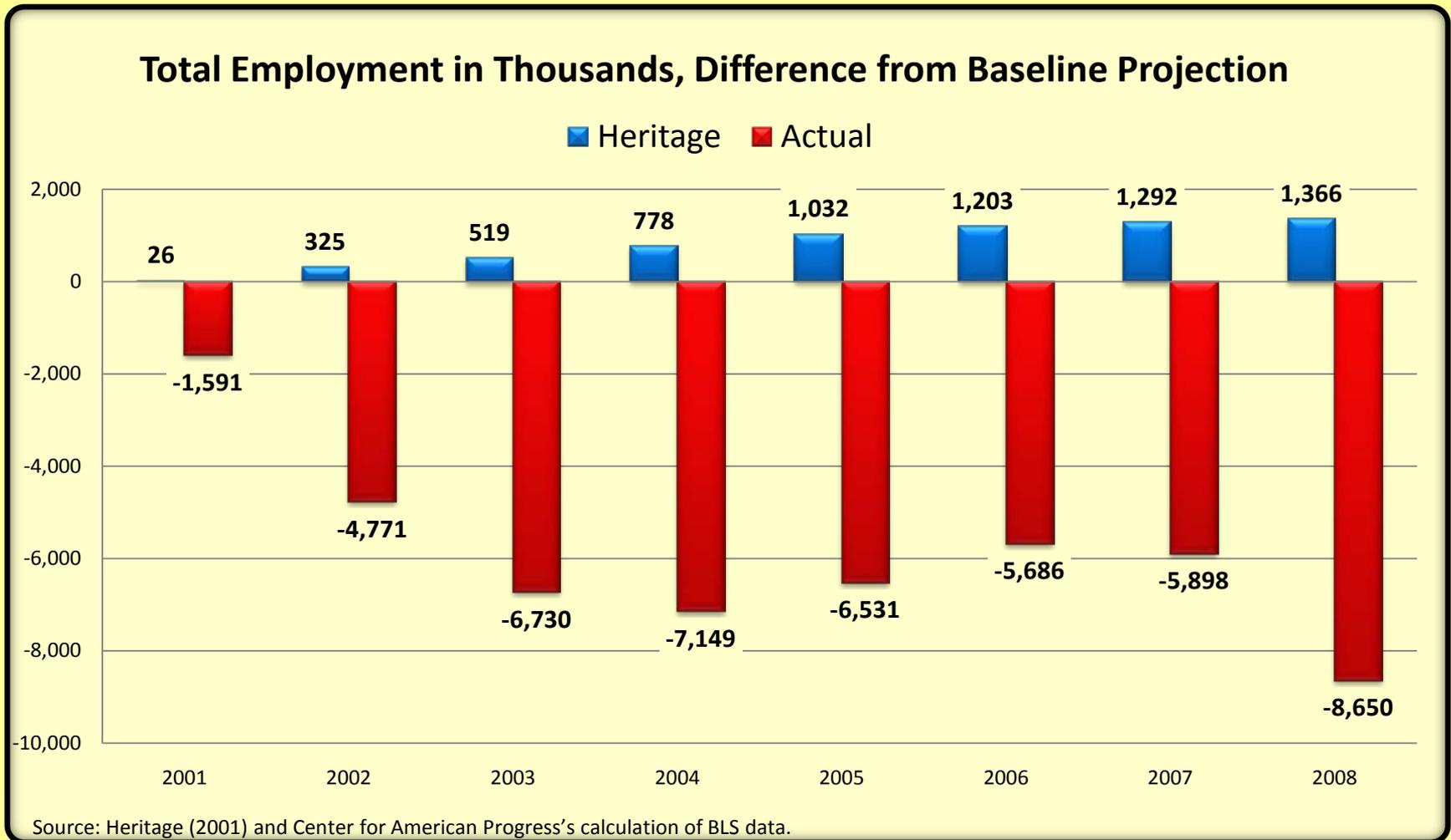


Additional Charts

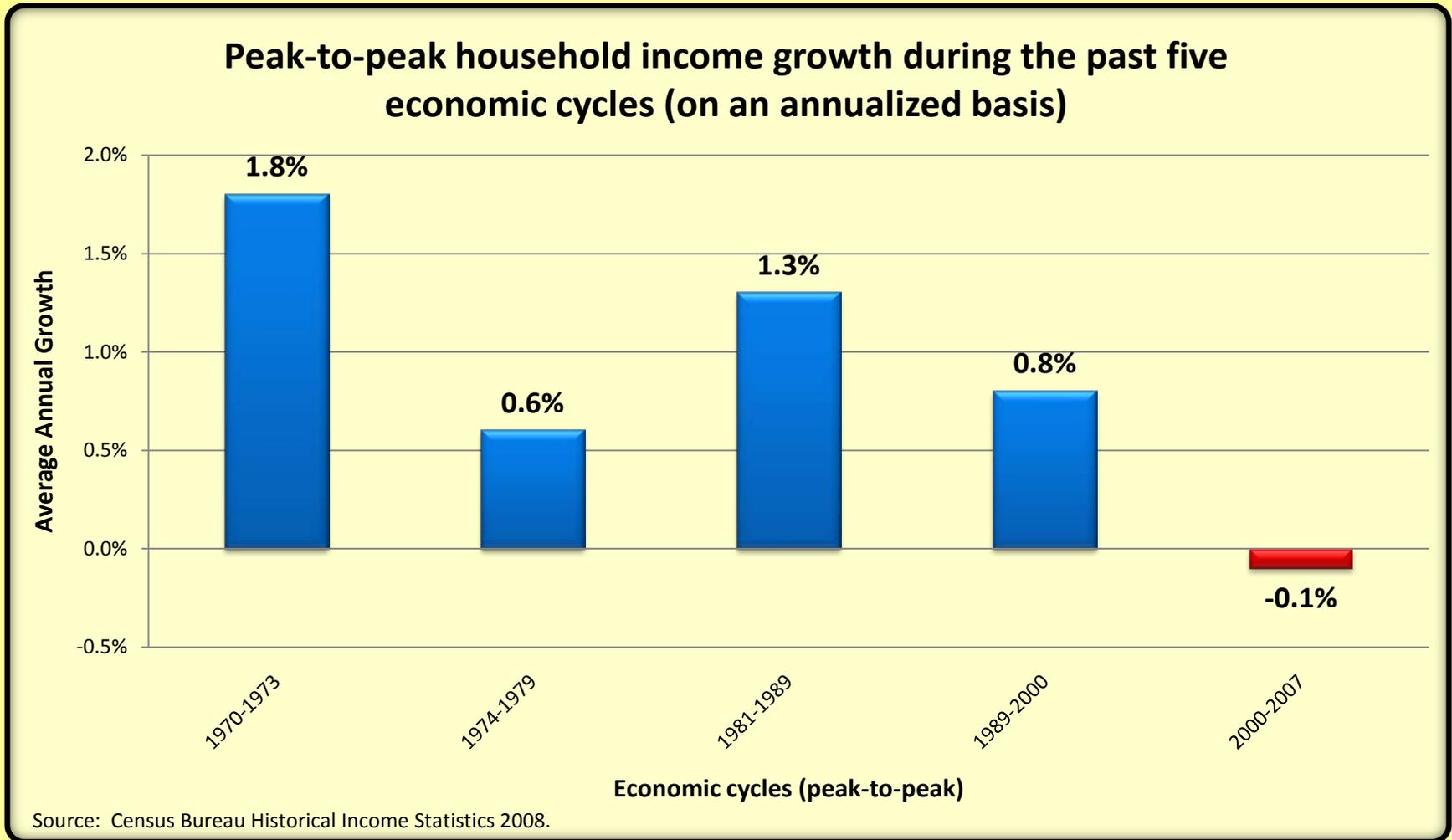


Fantasy: Heritage Foundation Predicts Bush 2001 Tax Cuts Will Create 1.4 Million Jobs by 2008

Reality: Payrolls Shrunk by 8.7 Million by 2008



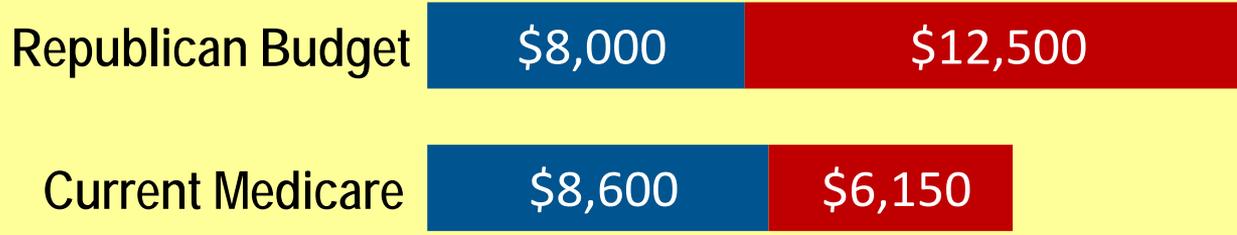
Household Incomes fall for the First Time During Bush Years



Senior Citizens' Health Costs Skyrocket Under Republican Budget

■ Government's Share ■ Beneficiary's Share

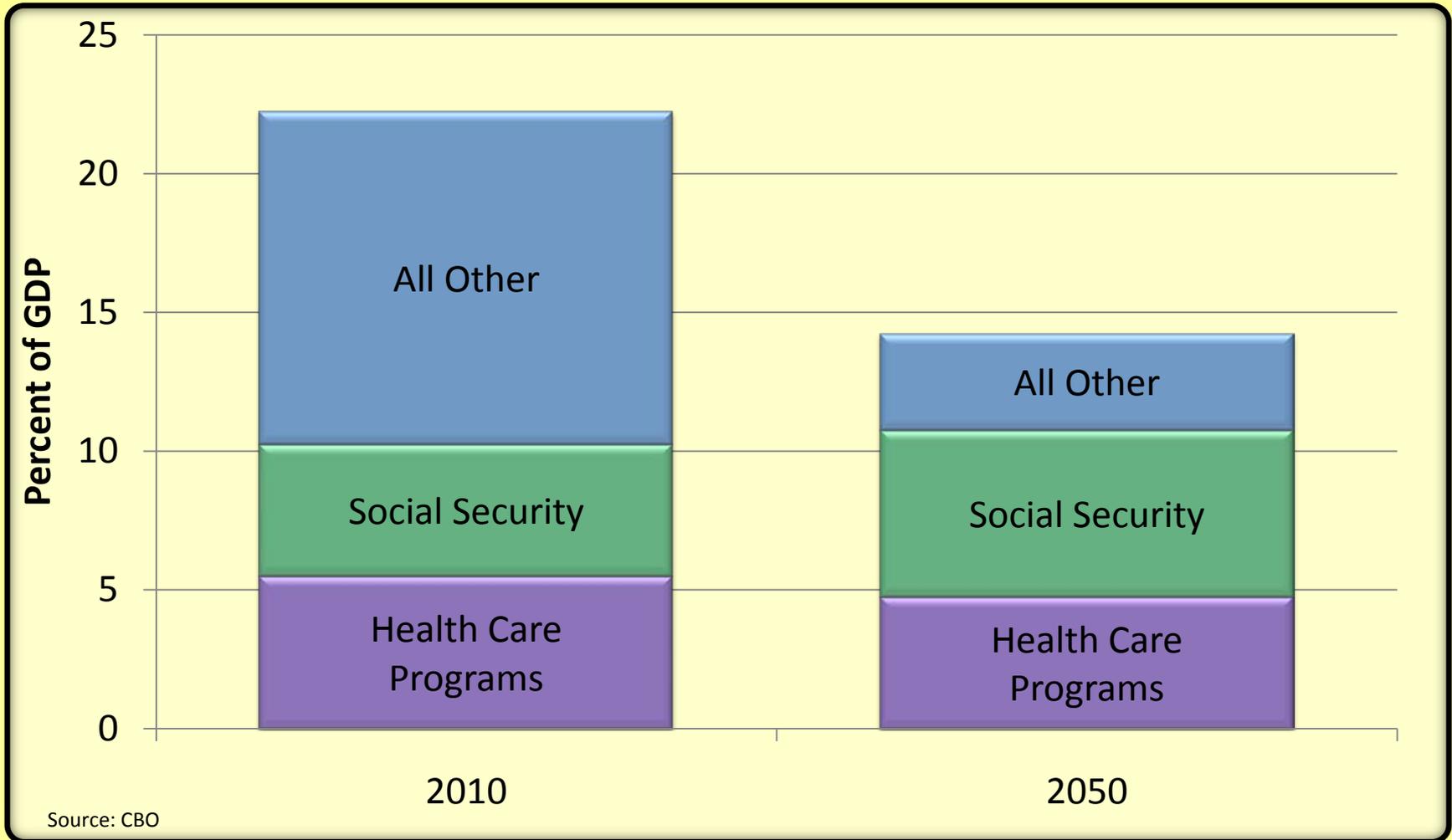
Health care spending for a typical 65-year-old in 2022, in dollars



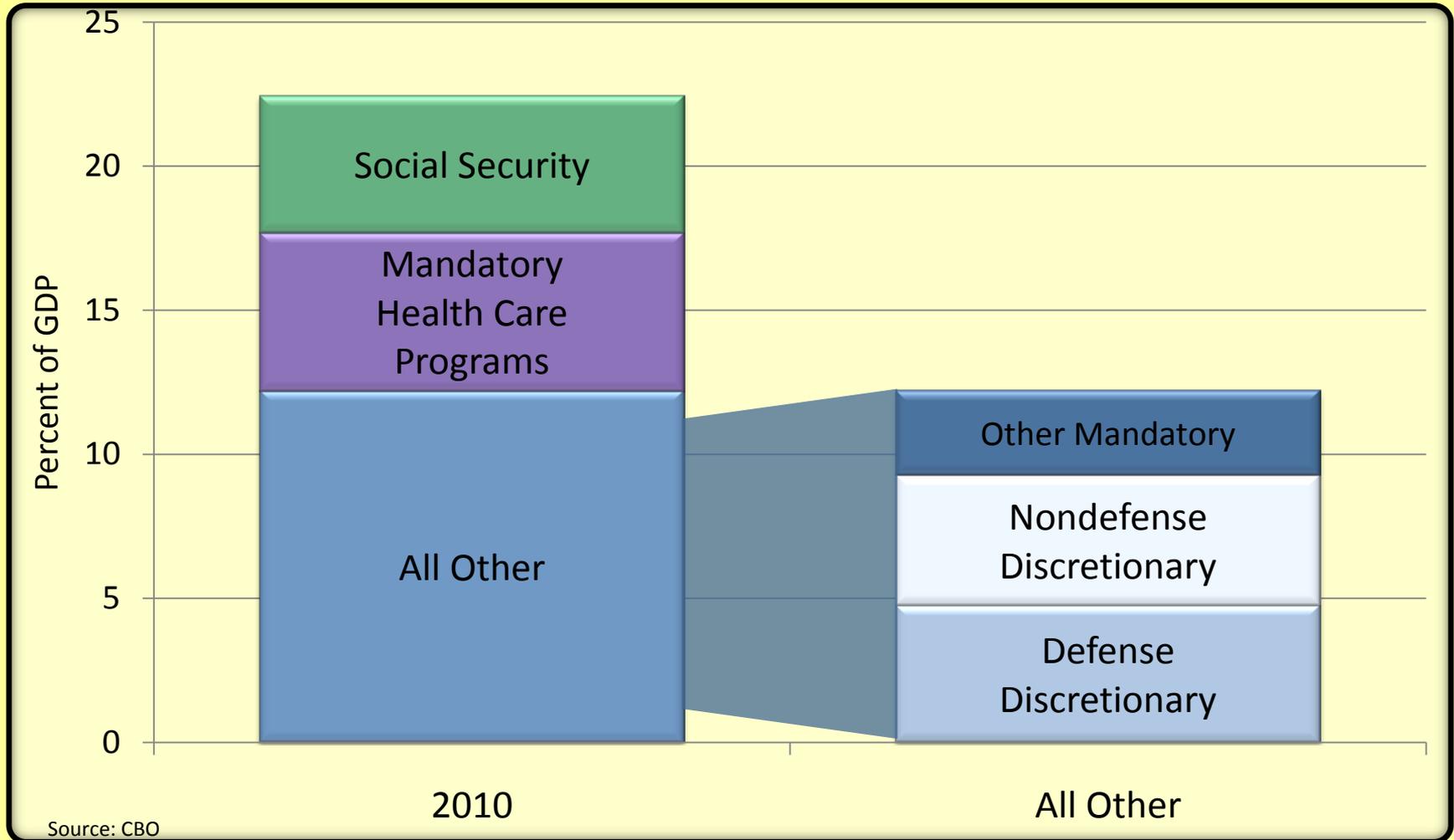
Health care spending for a typical 65-year-old in 2030, in dollars



Mandatory Spending in the Republican Budget

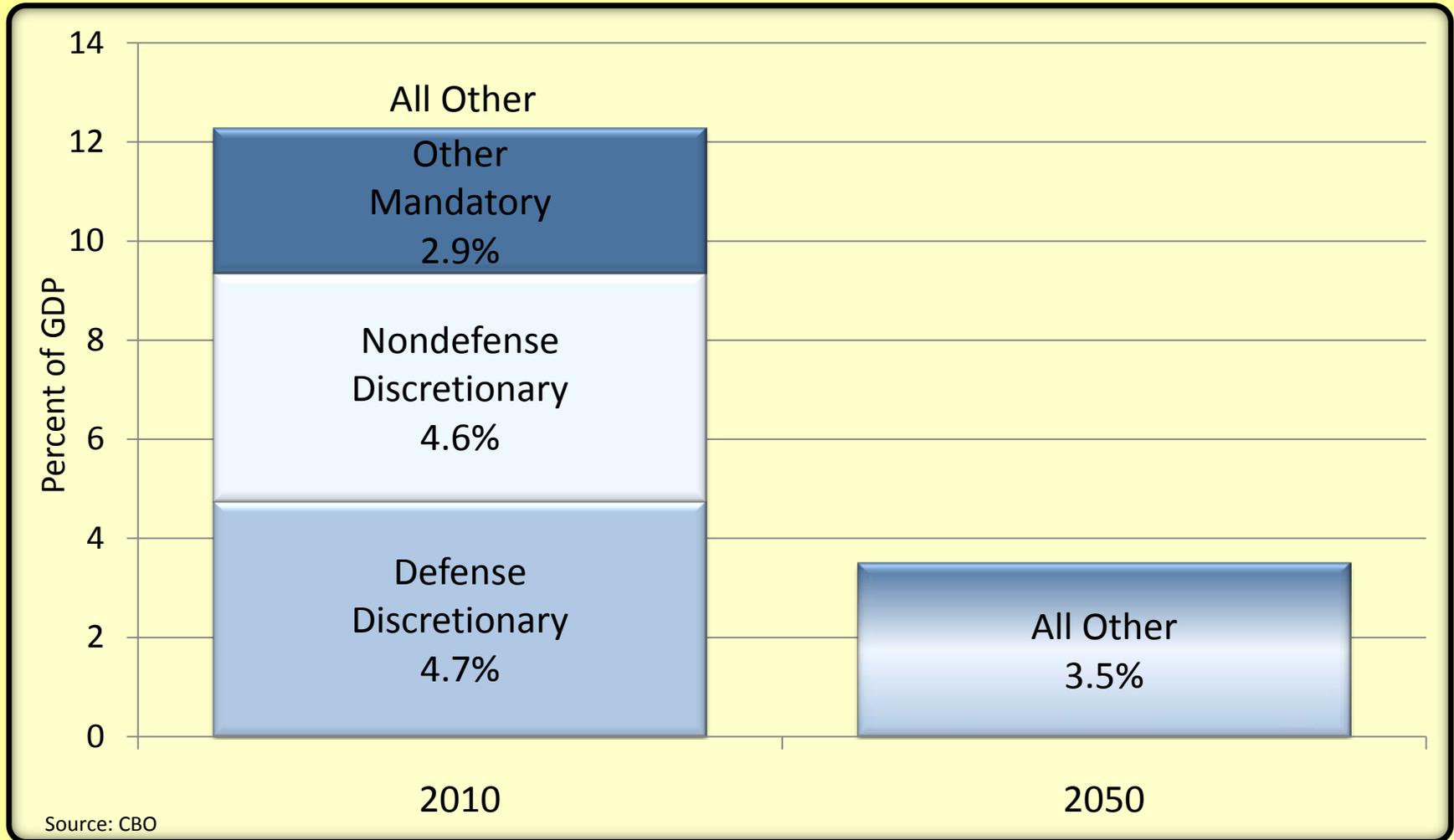


2010 Spending Detail



Republican Long-Term Spending Plan Not Credible

By 2050, “All Other” Category Smaller Than Current Defense Levels

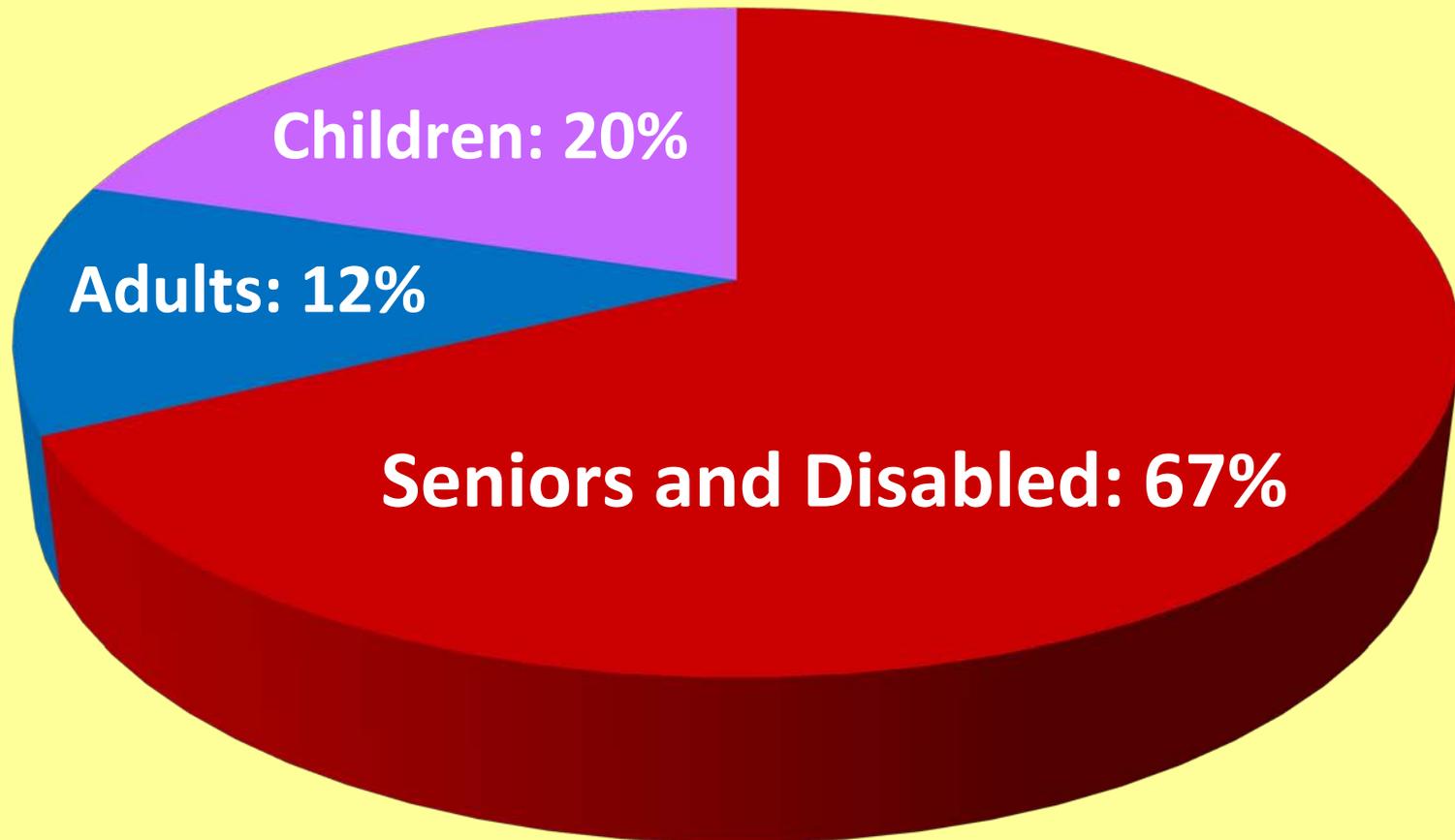


Source: CBO



Seniors and Disabled Individuals Represent Two-Thirds of Medicaid Spending

Medicaid Expenditures by Enrollment Group, 2007



Affordable Care Act Helps Seniors In Doughnut Hole Save Thousands of Dollars

Average Part D Out-of-Pocket Savings for Medicare Beneficiaries With High Prescription Drug Costs



Our National Security Requires That We Address Our Debt

“The most significant threat to our
national security is our debt.”

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
Admiral Mullen



Republicans Want More Tax Cuts for These “Small Businesses” ...

- Wall Street Investment House KKR
- Big 4 Accounting Firm PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Fortune 100 Pipeline Co. Enterprise GP Holdings

... And They Want the Middle Class to Pick up the Tab



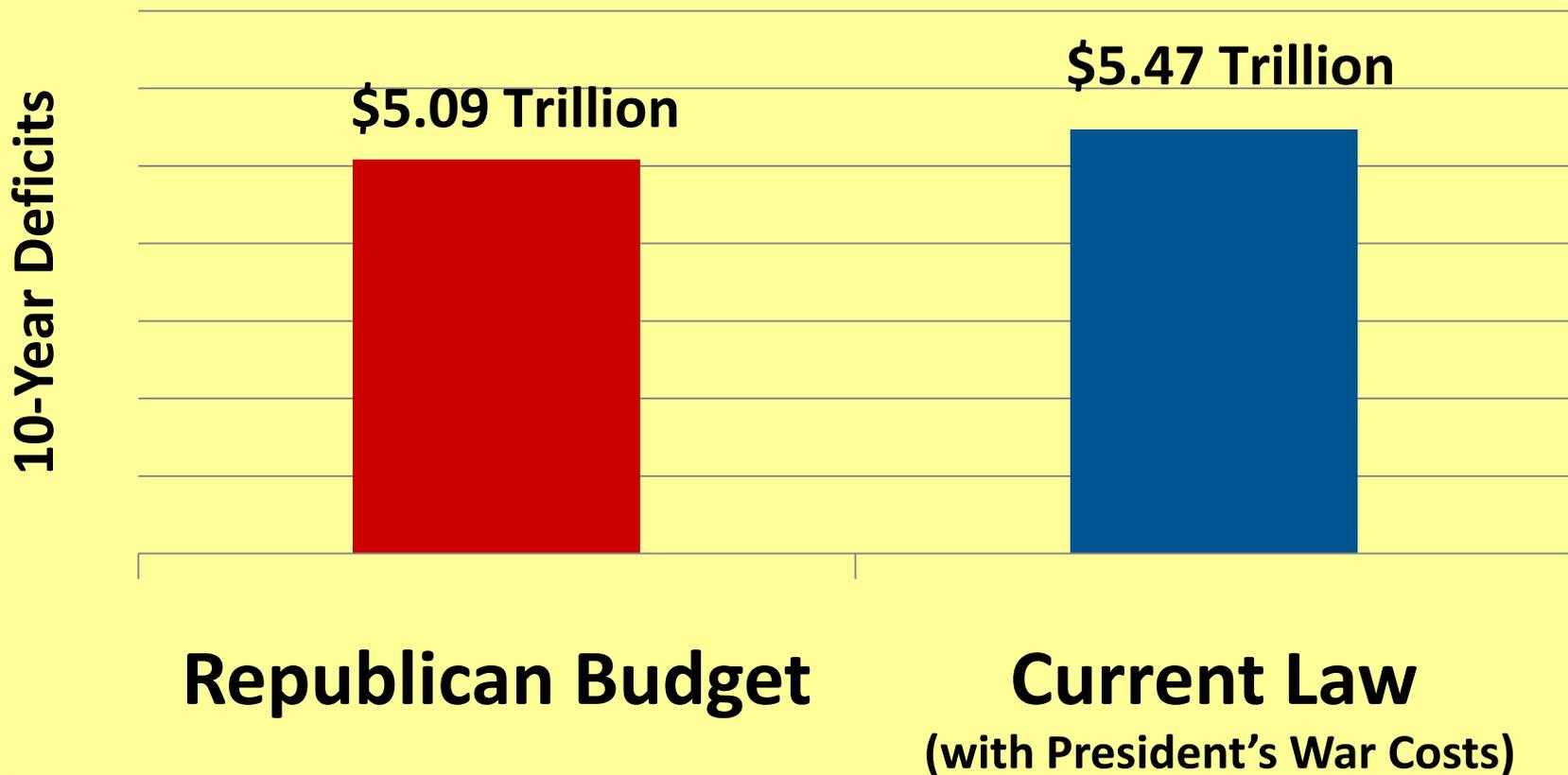
Republicans Don't Want to Tell You Who They Count as "Small Businesses"

- Just under 3% of taxpayers (750,000) with net positive business income fall in the top two tax brackets.
- Many such businesses are hardly "small": In 2005, ***12,862 S Corps and 6,658 partnerships grossed more than \$50 million.***

Joint Committee on Taxation, July 14, 2010



Republicans End Medicare and Gut Services... To Get to the Same Place as Returning to Clinton-Era Tax Rates



Republican Budget is not a Balanced Approach to Deficit Reduction

“...We are concerned that it falls short of the balanced, comprehensive approach needed to achieve the broad bipartisan agreement necessary to enact a responsible plan.”

“Bowles, Simpson react to Republican budget proposal”, March 30, 2011 Press Release



Defense Spending Must be On the Table

“Anybody who says you can't save money at the Pentagon has never been to the Pentagon. We can save money on defense and if we Republicans don't propose saving money on defense, we'll have no credibility on anything else.”

Gov. Haley Barbour, Politico, March 15, 2011



Fiscal Circumstances Require Us to Restrain Defense Spending

“During the course of our Task Force’s work, we confronted the question of whether the military must sacrifice also. We understand that making cuts in this area is hard, but our fiscal circumstances require us to restrain defense spending growth and demand more efficiency from our military.”

- Former Sen. Pete Domenici, 2/24/2011



President Reagan's Budget Director says, "Millionaire Tax Cuts Unconscionable"

"I find it unconscionable that the Republican leadership, faced with a \$1.5 trillion deficit, could possibly believe that good public policy is to maintain tax cuts for the top 2 percent..."

-David Stockman
August 7, 2010

