

Check Out The Outrageously Big Spending Government Charts

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The federal government is way too big and spending way too much. If you don't believe me, check out Cato Institute's charting tool for the federal budget on this link: Downsizing Government Organization Charts.

It is updated and improved.

The tool allows users to plot real outlays for about 450 different departments, agencies, and programs, 1970-2014.

Click "+" to open a department and then check boxes to plot agencies/programs.

Definitely check the USDA, Department of Food and Nutrition, especially from 2008 – on. That's the department with all the freebies like SNAP, otherwise known as Food Stamps.

The Department of Commerce is out of control as it was in the late 1970's. Check the Department of Economic Development in particular. That's the department that spends your money to "invest" in a foundation for sustainable job growth and the building of durable regional economies throughout the United States." It prepares us for "growth in a world economy". It "plays a critical role in fostering regional economic development efforts in communities across the nation" and all those wonderful "investments" they have been making do "foster job creation and attract private investment." Who would've known from the -2.9% decline in GDP.

Don't miss the Department of Health and Human Services which gave us Obamacare. It has skyrocketed. The Office of Inspector General, the department we need more of is going down. The Administration for Community Living is going up, up and up.

Defense is going down now that Osama bin Laden is dead and Al Qaeda is on the run.

Eric Holder's DOJ is raking in the money. I can't imagine why.

The Hillary-Kerry Department of State is ballooning and not yielding much in the way of results. They spend a lot on "other."

Transportation (DOT) and Veterans Affairs spend an inordinate amount of money. Yet our veterans can wait 7 to 8 years for medical treatment. DOT is busy dealing with global warming these days.

We're saving a lot on NASA. No one is going back into space any time soon. It's just a feel-good agency now anyway.

Whatever you do, don't forget to check out social security and after you look at it, you tell me if there is a snowball's chance in hell that this program will be around when our children need it.