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Where Is the Fat in the Federal Budget? [Veronique de Rugy]

Check out Cato Institute's new website called [Downsizing the Federal Government](#). There, Chris Edwards (the director of fiscal studies) and Tad DeHaven (a budget analyst and data wiz at Cato), show you where the money is, where to cut, and what the arguments are for cutting the fat.

Edwards is great at coming up with great charts that give you ammunition to talk to both the spending lovers in Washington and your neighbors. That being said, I find that his charts always make me want to scream and abolish every single department in the budget. Basically, you will enjoy this website in a painful kind of way.

From the look of it, the site is based on Edwards's [book](#). My favorite chapter in the book is the one on fiscal federalism, or its disappearance.

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