

Growth in the Federal Debt, 1976-2009

| | | Federal Debt | Change in the debt | % change | | | |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| GW Bush's last year | 1/20/2009 | 10,626,877,048,913.00 | 1,619,223,676,650.52 | 17.98% | 44.01% over 4 years | | 85.53% over 8 years |
| | | | | | | \$3,247,824,352,582.68 | \$4,899,100,310,608.36 |
| | 9/28/2007 | 9,007,653,372,262.48 | 500,679,473,047.25 | 5.89% | | | |
| | 9/29/2006 | 8,506,973,899,215.23 | 574,264,237,491.73 | 7.24% | | | |
| | 9/30/2005 | 7,932,709,661,723.50 | 553,656,965,393.18 | 7.50% | | | |
| GW Bush's 4th year | 9/30/2004 | 7,379,052,696,330.32 | 595,821,633,586.70 | 9.57% | 28.83% over 4 years | | |
| | | | | | | \$1,651,275,958,025.68 | |
| | 9/30/2003 | 6,783,231,062,743.62 | 554,995,097,146.46 | 8.91% | | | |
| | 9/30/2002 | 6,228,235,965,597.16 | 420,772,553,397.10 | 7.25% | | | |
| GW Bush's 1st year | 9/28/2001 | 5,807,463,412,200.06 | 79,686,673,895.42 | 1.39% | | | |
| Bill Clinton's last year | 1/19/2001 | 5,727,776,738,304.64 | 71,505,836,689.21 | 1.26% | 9.63% over 4 years | | 36.76% over 8 years |
| | | | | | | \$502,965,799,168.91 | \$1,539,684,631,121.04 |
| | 9/30/1999 | 5,656,270,901,615.43 | 130,077,892,717.81 | 2.35% | | | |
| | 9/30/1998 | 5,526,193,008,897.62 | 113,046,997,500.28 | 2.09% | | | |
| | 9/30/1997 | 5,413,146,011,397.34 | 188,335,072,261.61 | 3.60% | | | |
| Bill Clinton's 4th year | 9/30/1996 | 5,224,810,939,135.73 | 250,828,038,426.34 | 5.04% | 24.75% over 4 years | | |
| | | | | | | \$1,036,718,831,952.13 | |
| | 9/29/1995 | 4,973,982,900,709.39 | 281,232,990,696.07 | 5.99% | | | |
| | 9/30/1994 | 4,692,749,910,013.32 | 281,261,026,873.94 | 6.38% | | | |
| Bill Clinton's 1st year | 9/30/1993 | 4,411,488,883,139.38 | 223,396,775,955.78 | 5.33% | | | |
| GHW Bush's last year | 1/20/1993 | 4,188,092,107,183.60 | 522,788,755,486.57 | 14.26% | 60.94% over 4 years | | |
| | | | | | | \$1,585,754,395,142.44 | |
| | 9/30/1991 | 3,665,303,351,697.03 | 431,989,899,919.78 | 13.36% | | | |
| | 9/28/1990 | 3,233,313,451,777.25 | 375,882,491,589.93 | 13.15% | | | |
| GHW Bush's first year | 9/29/1989 | 2,857,430,960,187.32 | 255,093,248,146.16 | 9.80% | | | |
| Ronald Reagan's last year | 9/30/1988 | 2,602,337,712,041.16 | | | 56.49% over 4 years | | 179.76% over 8 years |
| | | | | | | \$939,371,712,041.16 | \$1,672,127,712,041.16 |
| Ronald Reagan's 4th year | 12/31/1984 | 1,662,966,000,000.00 | | | 78.77% over 4 years | | |
| | | | | | | \$732,756,000,000.00 | |
| Ronald Reagan's first year | 12/31/1981 | 1,028,729,000,000.00 | 98,519,000,000.00 | 10.59% | | | |
| Jimmy Carter's last year | 12/31/1980 | 930,210,000,000.00 | | | 42.33% over 4 years | | |
| | | | | | | \$276,666,000,000.00 | |
| Jimmy Carter's first year | 12/31/1977 | 718,943,000,000.00 | 65,399,000,000.00 | 10.01% | | | |
| Gerald Ford's last year | 12/31/1976 | 653,544,000,000.00 | | | | | |

Federal Debt source: US Treasury, Office of the Public Debt - <http://www.treasurydirect.gov/NP/BPDLogin?application=mp>