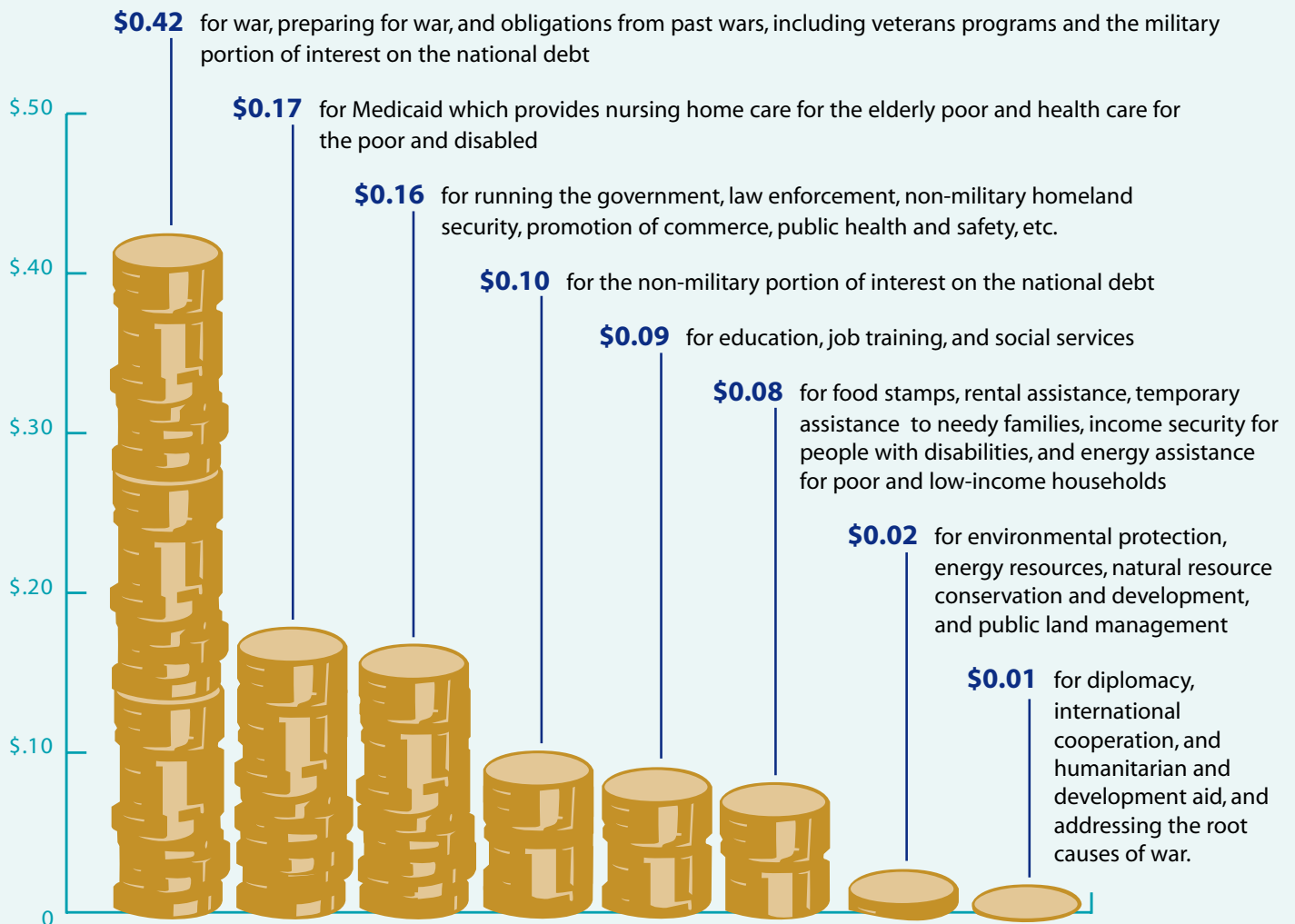


# Where Do Our Income Tax Dollars Go?

**For each dollar of federal income tax we paid in 2004, the government spent about:**



Note: This analysis is for Fiscal Year 2004 (FY04) which ended September 30, 2004. This is the year for which we file tax returns in 2005. The pennies add up to \$1.05 because of "undistributed offsetting receipts" which caused this deviation. The analysis is based on actual Federal Funds outlays in FY04, which totaled more than \$1.7 trillion. Source: Budget of the U.S. Government Fiscal Year 2006.

**The federal budget is a reflection of our country's moral values. Does this budget reflect your values?**

If this budget is out of balance with your values, please tell your representative and senators.

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# Unmet Human Needs At Home and Abroad

- § Nearly 36 million people in the U.S. live in poverty, with 15.3 million living in deep poverty (living on cash incomes of less than half the poverty level). Nearly one in five children in the U.S. (17.6%) live in poverty, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.
- § Over 44 million people in the U.S. did not have health insurance in 2003, according to the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured.
- § The U.S. Conference of Mayors reports that hunger and homelessness continued to increase in cities in 2004 despite improving economic trends. Many requests for food and shelter could not be met for lack of resources.
- § More than 39 million people, including 20 million children, live in working poor families where wage-earners are unable to earn enough to rise above poverty. Twenty percent of the jobs in the U.S. pay less than poverty-level wages for a family of four (less than \$9 an hour), according to the Working Poor Families Project.
- § The cost of rental housing is beyond the reach of many low-income households, according to the National Low Income Housing Coalition. A worker must earn on average \$15.37 per hour (almost three times the minimum wage) in order to afford rent and utilities for a two-bedroom apartment (if they are to spend no more on housing than the federal standard of 30 percent of wages). The median hourly wage is less than that (\$14) and 25 percent of the population earns less than \$10 an hour.
- § One billion children around the world lack basic shelter, water, sanitation, schooling, health care, and food, according to UNICEF. In sub-Saharan Africa, the HIV/AIDS pandemic has already left 12 million orphans, and continuing high death rates among young adults are expected to cause the labor forces in the worst affected countries to contract 30%–40% by 2015. Each month, 150,000 African children die from preventable and treatable malaria.
- § The U.S. ranks last among 22 developed countries in the amount of overseas development assistance it provides as a percentage of GDP (0.07%).

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