

A Closer Look at Mandatory Spending

Primarily benefit programs for which laws set eligibility rules and benefit formulas

Mandatory Spending at a Glance

\$2.0 Trillion

Mandatory spending by the federal government in 2013

\$861 Billion

Spending in 2013 on major health care programs (without subtracting offsetting receipts), the largest component of mandatory spending

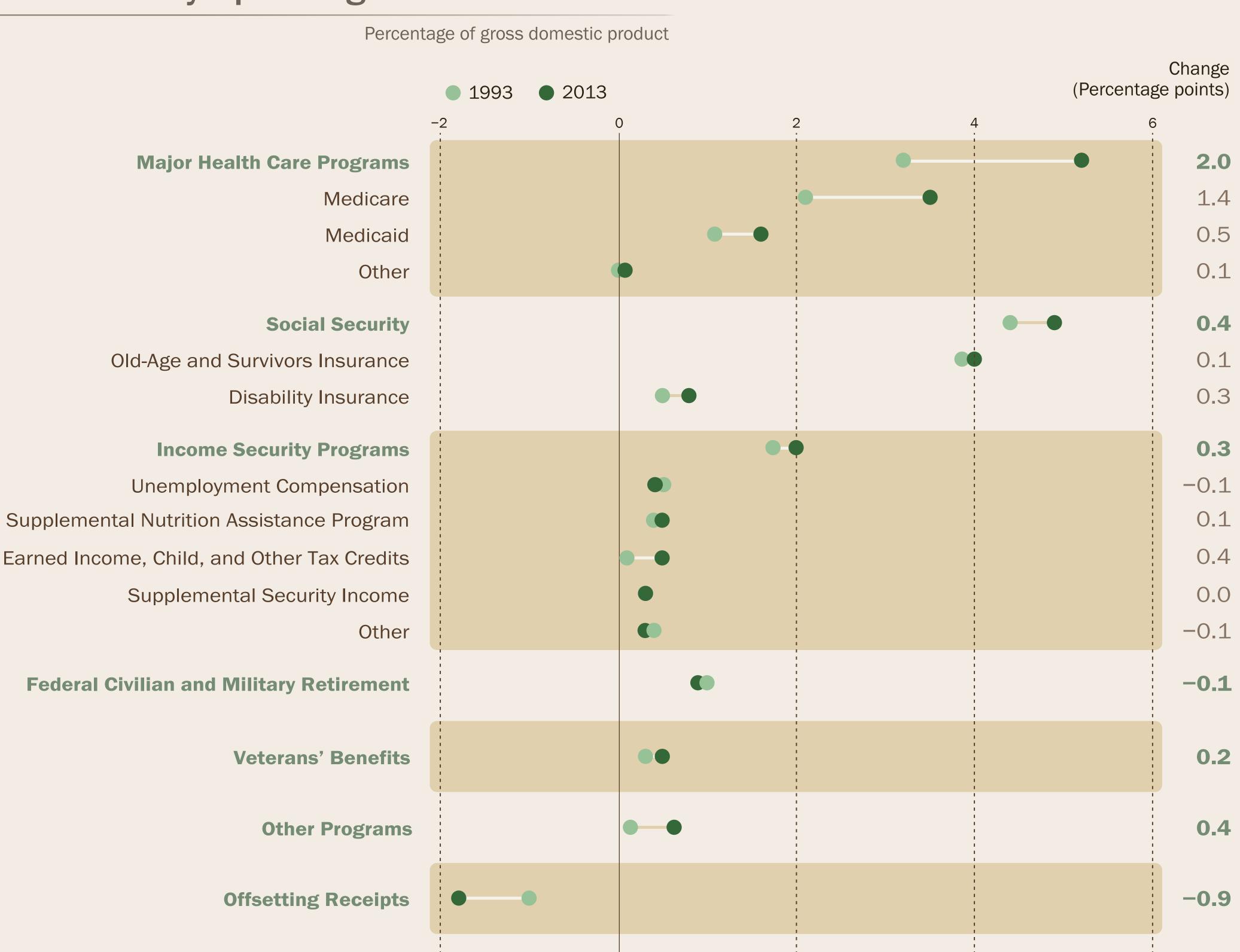
12.2%

Mandatory spending as a percentage of gross domestic product in 2013

10.6%

Average mandatory spending as a percentage of gross domestic product between 1993 and 2012

Mandatory Spending in 1993 and 2013



Mandatory Spending in 2013

Billions of dollars

