



CBO's Work in Progress as of January 8, 2020

As of January 8, the Congressional Budget Office was working on 184 cost estimates for bills that have been ordered reported by a committee or are the subject of a motion to be placed on the consensus calendar (see Table 1).¹ (In 2019, CBO published 711 cost estimates.)

The agency was also working on 33 analytic reports and working papers it expects to complete in the coming months for which the plan to publish them is public. As usual, CBO will undertake additional reports throughout the year. (In 2019, CBO published 77 analytic reports, working papers, and testimonies.)²

Of those 33, 4 forthcoming reports are statutorily required—the first 3 of which CBO produces annually:

- *Final Sequestration Report for Fiscal Year 2020* (published January 13),
- *The Budget and Economic Outlook: 2020 to 2030* (due to be published on January 28),³
- *Expired and Expiring Authorizations of Appropriations: Fiscal Year 2020* (due to be published in early February), and
- *Costs of Implementing the Recommendations of the 2019 Ballistic Missile Review*.

Four other reports that were under way are editions of reports that CBO produces on a regular basis to provide budgetary or economic information:

- *Monthly Budget Review for January 2020* (due to be published in early February),

¹ Bills that have not been ordered reported by a committee but have accumulated 290 cosponsors may be placed on the consensus calendar for consideration by the House.

² In July 2019, CBO began the practice of reporting on its ongoing work on a quarterly schedule.

³ See Congressional Budget Office, “CBO to Release Budget and Economic Outlook on January 28,” *CBO Blog* (January 15, 2020), www.cbo.gov/publication/56022.

- *Fair-Value Estimates of the Cost of Federal Credit Programs in 2021*;
- *The Distribution of Household Income, 2017*; and
- *The 2020 Long-Term Budget Outlook*.

Others explain or support the analytical methods used for CBO's work or provide background information:

- *A Simplified Model of How Macroeconomic Changes Affect the Federal Budget* (published January 16);
- A nontechnical explanation of how CBO treats uncertainty in cost estimates;
- An explanation of how CBO analyzes uncertainty surrounding baseline projections in the *Long-Term Budget Outlook*;
- A description of methods CBO uses to estimate the cost of certain legislative proposals that require analysts to model the probabilities and costs of a range of potential outcomes;
- A reexamination of CBO's original estimate of the cost of the legislation establishing the Department of Defense Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund;
- An explanation of key scorekeeping rules and how CBO has used them to provide cost estimates for recent legislation;
- Brief explanations of some important concepts related to the Congressional budget process—for example, the difference between rescissions and reappropriations;
- A description of historical trends in borrowing by the federal government and an in-depth look at common measures of debt;
- An investigation of why interest rates have declined across the global economy and in the United States;
- A short explanation of how statutory pay-as-you-go procedures operate;
- An update to a 2018 report illustrating the key features of a cost estimate;
- A description of CBO's method for forecasting oil prices and an assessment of accuracy; and
- An evaluation of how tax changes affect the labor market differently during periods of high and low unemployment.

Twelve requested reports in progress as of January 8 were the following:

- *The Foreign-Born Population and Its Effects on the U.S. Economy and the Federal Budget—An Overview* (published January 9);
- *Approaches to Changing Military Compensation* (published January 14);
- *The Cost of Replacing the Department of Defense's Current Aviation Fleet* (published January 15);
- An assessment of the role that public-private partnerships play in the finance, construction, and maintenance of highway and water utility infrastructure (due to be published later this month);
- An analysis of the tax benefit of having dependents and the distribution of that benefit (due to be published later this month);
- An analysis of income-driven repayment plans for student loans;
- An examination of the effects of federal student loan policies on borrowing, loan repayment, cancellation, discharge, and forgiveness;
- An analysis of the distribution of certain tax expenditures;
- An examination of the Internal Revenue Service's enforcement activities and their relationship to the agency's resources;
- A description of how CBO analyzes the federal budgetary effects of proposals to improve health through preventive medical care;
- A description of the guaranteed home loan program run by the Department of Veterans Affairs, including how it works, how it benefits veterans, and how it affects the federal budget; and
- A summary of estimates for legislation enacted in the first session of the 116th Congress that affect mandatory spending or revenues.

CBO makes known occasions when it is working on requested analytic reports when the requester makes his or her request of CBO public or permits the agency to make the work public, sometimes in order to gain outside feedback most effectively. Other analytic reports requested by lawmakers are in progress, and the plans to publish them are confidential. However, when the release of an analytic report is imminent, CBO announces the upcoming publication, regardless of whether or not the plans were public or confidential up to that point.⁴ Upon completion, all reports are widely available.

⁴ CBO announces forthcoming publications on its website. See Congressional Budget Office, "Upcoming Releases," www.cbo.gov/about/press-center.

Table 1.

Forthcoming Cost Estimates for Bills Ordered Reported by a Committee or the Subject of a Motion to Be Placed on the Consensus Calendar, as of January 8, 2020

Bill Number	Title	Committee
House Bills		
H.R. 4	Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 5	Equality Act	H. Judiciary
H.R. 133	United States–Mexico Economic Partnership Act	S. Foreign Relations
H.R. 370	Pipeline and LNG Facility Cybersecurity Preparedness Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 535	PFAS Action Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 617	Department of Energy Veterans' Health Initiative Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
H.R. 630	Counterterrorism Screening and Assistance Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 886	Veteran Treatment Court Coordination Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 1236	Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 1423	FAIR Act	H. Judiciary
H.R. 1497	Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2019	H. Transportation and Infrastructure
H.R. 1603	Alan Reinstein Ban Asbestos Now Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 1708	Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 1731	Cybersecurity Disclosure Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 2199	Central Coast Heritage Protection Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2215	San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2242	A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include certain services in the definition of critical services, and for other purposes.	H. Transportation and Infrastructure
H.R. 2245	CECIL Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2250	Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Working Forests Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2339	Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce

House Bills (Continued)

H.R. 2343	Peace and Tolerance in Palestinian Education Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 2382	USPS Fairness Act	Consensus calendar
H.R. 2444	Eastern European Security Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 2546	Colorado Wilderness Act of 2019	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2574	Equity and Inclusion Enforcement Act	H. Education and Labor
H.R. 2575	AI in Government Act of 2019	H. Oversight and Reform
H.R. 2579	Hardrock Leasing and Reclamation Act of 2019	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2642	Wild Olympics Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2699	Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 2854	Protect Our Refuges Act of 2019	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 2881-2	Secure 5G and Beyond Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 3239	Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act	H. Judiciary
H.R. 3373	Office of International Disability Rights Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 3375	Stopping Bad Robocalls Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 3432	Safe, Accountable, Fair, and Environmentally Responsible Pipeline (SAFER Pipeline) Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 3490	Small Business Lending Fairness Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 3525	The U.S. Border Patrol Medical Screening Standards Act	H. Homeland Security
H.R. 3571	City and State Diplomacy Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 3641	Stronger Enforcement of Civil Penalties Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 3670	The Short-Term Detention Act	H. Homeland Security
H.R. 3701	Strengthening Fraud Protection Provisions for SEC Enforcement Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 3742	Recovering America's Wildlife Act of 2019	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 3779	Resilience Revolving Loan Fund Act	H. Transportation and Infrastructure

House Bills (Continued)

H.R. 3794	Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2019	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 3830	Taxpayers Right-to-Know Act	H. Oversight and Reform
H.R. 3843	Countering Russian and Other Overseas Kleptocracy Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 3883	Restore the Partnership Act	H. Oversight and Reform
H.R. 3884	Marijuana Opportunity Reinvestment and Expungement Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 3941	Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program Authorization Act	H. Oversight and Reform
H.R. 3942	Preventing Online Sales of E-Cigarettes to Children Act	H. Judiciary
H.R. 3948	Debt Collection Practices Harmonization Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 3977	Justice for Native Survivors of Sexual Violence Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 3991	Affordable Prescriptions for Patients Through Improvements to Patent Litigation Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 4227	Mapping Accuracy Promotes Services (MAPS) Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4229	Broadband DATA Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4328	Protecting Innocent Consumers Affected by a Shutdown Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 4331	Tibetan Policy and Support Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 4403	Stop Debt Collection Abuse Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 4458	Cybersecurity and Financial System Resilience Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 4500	Promoting United States Wireless Leadership Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4508	Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 4545	Private Loan Disability Discharge Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 4713	Department of Homeland Security Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Authorization Act	H. Homeland Security
H.R. 4739	Synthetic Opioid Exposure Prevention and Training Act	H. Homeland Security
H.R. 4753	Drone Origin Security Enhancement Act	H. Homeland Security
H.R. 4761	DHS Opioid Detention Resilience Act of 2019	H. Homeland Security

House Bills (Continued)

H.R. 4779	A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (US SAFEWEB) Act of 2006, and for other purposes.	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4841	Prudential Regulator Oversight Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 4864	Global Child Thrive Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 4957	Native American Child Protection Act	H. Natural Resources
H.R. 4990	Election Technology Research Act	H. Science, Space, and Technology
H.R. 4995	Maternal Health Quality Improvement Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4996	Helping Medicaid Offer Maternity Services (MOMS) Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 4998	Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 5000	SHARE Act	H. Energy and Commerce
H.R. 5001	Non-Judicial Foreclosure Debt Collection Clarification Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5003	Fair Debt Collection Practices for Servicemembers Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5013	Small Business Fair Debt Collection Protection Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5021	Ending Debt Collection Harassment Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5038	Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 5065	Prison to Proprietorship for Formerly Incarcerated Act	H. Small Business
H.R. 5078	Prison to Proprietorship Act	H. Small Business
H.R. 5119	Safe Aircraft Maintenance Standards Act	H. Transportation and Infrastructure
H.R. 5120	SAFER Pipelines Act of 2019	H. Transportation and Infrastructure
H.R. 5130	Capturing All Small Businesses Act of 2019	H. Small Business
H.R. 5133	Affordable Prescriptions for Patients Through Promoting Competition Act of 2019	H. Judiciary
H.R. 5139	Stop Sexual Assault and Harassment in Transportation Act	H. Transportation and Infrastructure

House Bills (Continued)

H.R. 5146	Unlocking Opportunities for Small Businesses Act of 2019	H. Small Business
H.R. 5214	Representative Payee Fraud Prevention Act of 2019	H. Oversight and Reform
H.R. 5287	Fair Student Loan Debt Collection Practices Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5294	Student Borrowers Protections Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5306	Know Your Social Security Act	H. Ways and Means
H.R. 5315	Expanding Opportunities for Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs) Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5322	Ensuring Diversity in Community Banking Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5330	Consumer Protections for Medical Debt Collections Act	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5332	Protecting Your Credit Score Act of 2019	H. Financial Services
H.R. 5338	Global Hope Act	H. Foreign Affairs
H.R. 5430-S	United States–Mexico–Canada Agreement Implementation Act	S. Finance

Senate Bills

S. 10	South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 209-H	PROGRESS for Indian Tribes Act	H. Natural Resources
S. 225	Preserving America's Battlefields Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 258	Ruby Mountains Protection Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 298	Springfield Race Riot National Historic Monument Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 327	Wounded Veterans Recreation Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 375-H	Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019	H. Oversight and Reform
S. 389	FIRST Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 434	Maintenance of Federal Land	S. Energy and Natural Resources

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S. 482	Defending American Security From Kremlin Aggression Act	S. Foreign Relations
S. 490	B-47 Ridge Designation Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 500	Restore Our Parks Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 526	Buffalo Tract Protection Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 641	Yucca House National Monument Boundary Revision Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 774	Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 876	Energy Jobs for Our Heroes Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 903	Nuclear Energy Leadership Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 982	Not Invisible Act of 2019	S. Indian Affairs
S. 1081	Land and Water Conservation Fund Permanent Funding Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1189	Stopping Malign Activities From Russian Terrorism Act	S. Foreign Relations
S. 1245	All-of-the-Above Federal Building Energy Conservation Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1262	Oregon Recreation Enhancement Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1310	Organization of American States Legislative Engagement Act of 2019	S. Foreign Relations
S. 1494	Secure and Protect Act	S. Judiciary
S. 1570	Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1625	United States 5G Leadership Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 1685	Launching Energy Advancement and Development Through Innovations for Natural Gas Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1706	Energy Savings Through Public-Private Partnerships Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources

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S. 1830	Energy Security Cooperation With Allied Partners in Europe Act of 2019	S. Foreign Relations
S. 1853	BADGES for Native Communities Act	S. Indian Affairs
S. 1857	Federal Energy and Water Management Performance Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1882	A bill to make available the continued use of Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program project use power by the Kinsey Irrigation Company and the Sidney Water Users Irrigation District, and for other purposes.	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1890	Renew America's Schools Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 1982	Save Our Seas 2.0	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2044	Water Supply Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Utilization Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2108	Small County PILT Parity Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2137	Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2162	Securing America's Borders Act	S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
S. 2204	Data Analytics Robocall Technology Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2300	CIT Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2330	Empowering Olympic and Amateur Athletes Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2334	21st Century Energy Workforce Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2346	Fishery Failures: Urgently Needed Disaster Declarations Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2353	Protecting Firefighters From Adverse Substances (PFAS) Act	S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
S. 2368	Nuclear Energy Renewal Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources

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S. 2393	Clean Energy Jobs Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2399	A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve State loan eligibility for projects for innovative technologies.	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2418	COASTAL Act	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2425	CHP Support Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2429	Restoring Resilient Reefs Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2453	SAVE Right Whales Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2508	Promoting American Energy Jobs Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2525	Guaranteeing Equipment Safety for Firefighters Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2535	Enhancing Entrepreneurship for the 21st Century Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2543	Prescription Drug Pricing Reduction Act of 2019	S. Finance
S. 2547	Indo-Pacific Cooperation Act of 2019	S. Foreign Relations
S. 2556	Protecting Resources on the Electric Grid With Cybersecurity Technology Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2560	Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act of 2019	S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
S. 2597	LEGEND Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2629	United States Public Health Service Modernization Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 2641	Promoting American National Security and Preventing the Resurgence of ISIS Act of 2019	S. Foreign Relations
S. 2657	Advanced Geothermal Innovation Leadership Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2660	Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources

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S. 2661	National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2683	Child Care Protection Improvement Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 2693	Reliable Emergency Alert Distribution Improvement Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2695	National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility Act of 2019	S. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
S. 2702	Integrated Energy Systems Act of 2019	S. Energy and Natural Resources
S. 2730	Drone Advisory Committee for the 21st Century Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2740	Over-the-Counter Drug Safety, Innovation, and Reform Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 2750	Operation Stonegarden Authorization Act	S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
S. 2775	Harvesting American Cybersecurity Knowledge Through Education Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2786	Arctic Shipping Federal Advisory Committee Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2800	NASA Reauthorization Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2802	Marine Mammal Research and Response Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2881	5G Spectrum Act of 2019	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2898	Continuity for Operators With Necessary Training Required for ATC Contract Towers Act of 2019 (CONTRACT Act)	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2909	NASA Enhanced Use Leasing Extension Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2927	NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 2964	Aviation War Risk Insurance Extension Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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S. 2971	CAPTA Reauthorization Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 2977	Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Extension Act of 2019	S. Foreign Relations
S. 2979	Preventing Opioid and Drug Impairment in Transportation Act	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2981	A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002.	S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation
S. 2997	Title VII Health Care Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2019	S. Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
S. 3051	America's Conservation Enhancement Act	S. Environment and Public Works

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

CBO's designation of "S" at the end of a bill number indicates consideration by a Senate committee; its designation of "H," consideration by a House committee.
