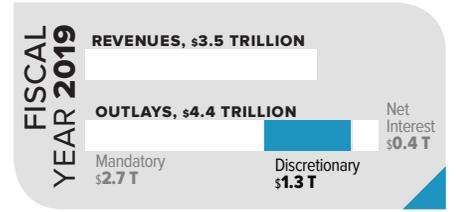


THE FEDERAL BUDGET IN 2019

A CLOSER LOOK AT DISCRETIONARY SPENDING

Spending that lawmakers control through annual appropriation acts



AT A GLANCE

\$1.3
Trillion

Discretionary outlays by the federal government in **2019**

\$0.7
Trillion

Outlays for national defense, which accounted for about half of the discretionary total, in **2019**

7.2%
of GDP

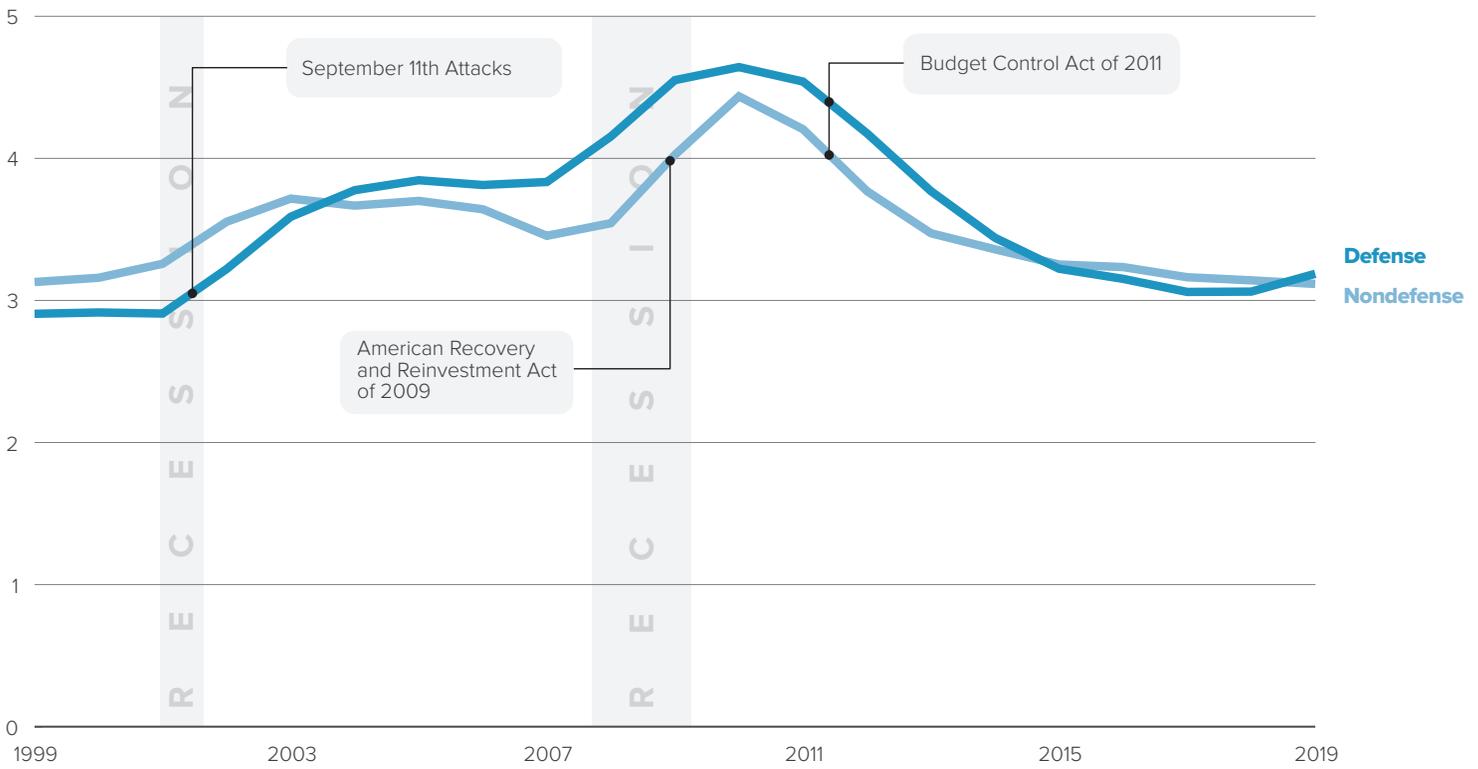
Average discretionary outlays between **1999** and **2018**

6.3%
of GDP

Discretionary outlays in **2019**

TRENDS IN DISCRETIONARY SPENDING

Outlays, as a Percentage of Gross Domestic Product



DISCRETIONARY SPENDING IN 2019

Billions of Dollars

