



National Taxpayers Union Foundation's Cost Analysis of the President's 2005 State of the Union Address

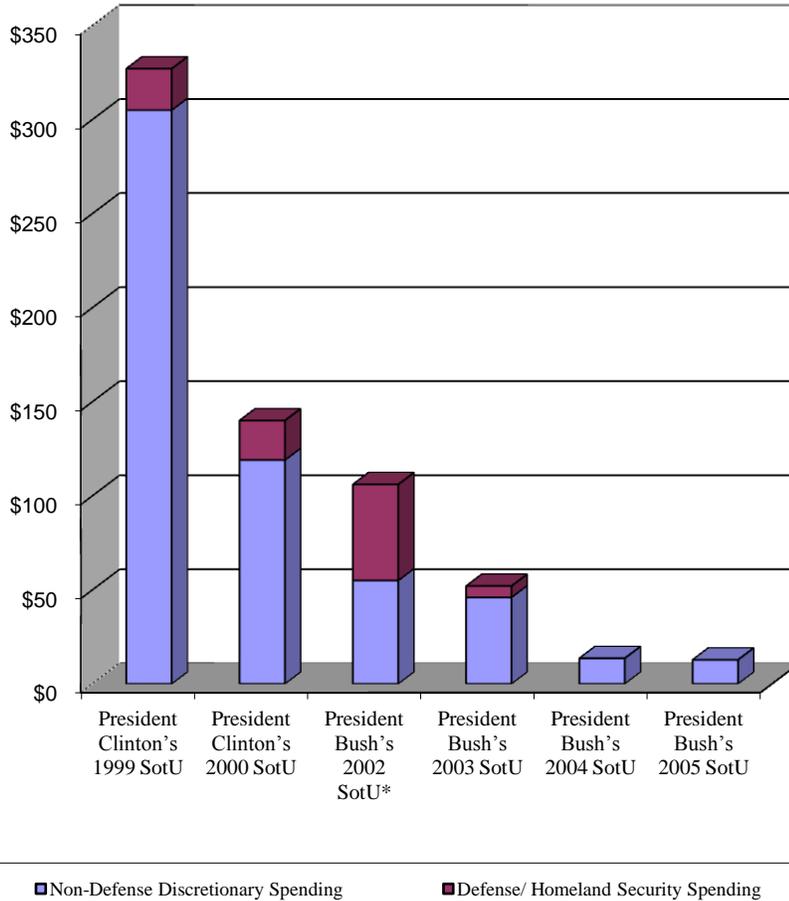
Speech Item	Issue (quoted from text)	Annual Spending Increase/Decrease (in millions)
1	"My budget substantially reduces or eliminates more than 150 government programs that are not getting results, or duplicate current efforts, or do not fulfill essential priorities."	Unknown
2	"Now we must demand better results from our high schools, so every high school diploma is a ticket to success."	\$1,500
3	"We will help an additional 200,000 workers to get training for a better career, by reforming our job training system and strengthening America's community colleges."	\$250
4	"...[W]e will make it easier for Americans to afford a college education, by increasing the size of Pell Grants."	\$2,676
5	"...[T]ax credits to help low-income workers buy insurance..."	\$4,100
6	"...[A] community health center in every poor county..."	\$218
7	"...improved information technology to prevent medical errors and needless costs..."	\$50
8	"...[A]ssociation health plans for small businesses and their employees..."	\$5
9	"...[M]edical liability reform that will reduce health care costs..."	(\$890)
10	"Nearly four years ago, I submitted a comprehensive energy strategy that encourages conservation, alternative sources, a modernized electricity grid, and more production here at home, including safe, clean nuclear energy...I urge Congress to pass legislation that makes America more secure and less dependent on foreign energy..."	\$4,387
11	"And my budget provides strong funding for leading-edge technology — from hydrogen-fueled cars, to clean coal, to renewable sources such as ethanol."	\$69
12	"Tonight I propose a three-year initiative to help organizations keep young people out of gangs..."	\$50
13	"...[W]e are dramatically expanding the use of DNA evidence to prevent wrongful conviction. Soon I will send to Congress a proposal to fund special training for defense counsel in capital cases..."	\$236
14	"I will ask Congress for 350 million dollars to support Palestinian political, economic, and security reforms."	\$150
	Total	\$12,801

Sources: National Taxpayers Union Foundation's BillTally, the White House, and various news reports.

Notes: Previous funding for Item 14 was approximately \$200 million annually.



Comparing State of the Union (SotU) Speeches 1999-2005 (in billions)



	Non-Defense Discretionary Spending (in billions)	Defense/Homeland Security Spending (in billions)
President Clinton's 1999 SotU	\$305	\$22
President Clinton's 2000 SotU	\$119	\$21
President Bush's 2002 SotU*	\$55	\$51
President Bush's 2003 SotU	\$46	\$6
President Bush's 2004 SotU	\$13.6	
President Bush's 2005 SotU	\$12.8	

*Historically Presidents do not give State of the Union addresses their first year in office.