

Federal Spending Under Trump

Increase in Federal Deficit

During his presidency, Donald Trump significantly increased the federal deficit. The following table summarizes the changes in federal deficit under recent presidents:

President	Increase in Federal Deficit
Ronald Reagan	94%
George H.W. Bush	67%
George W. Bush	1,204%
Donald Trump	317%

Final Budget Deficit

Trump's final budget, which ended on September 30, 2021, recorded a deficit of **\$2.77 trillion**. This marked a substantial increase compared to the deficits recorded by his predecessors.

Comparison with Democratic Presidents

In contrast, both Democratic presidents since 1981, Bill Clinton and Barack Obama, decreased the federal deficit during their terms. Clinton achieved a **150% decrease**, while Obama saw a **53% decrease**.

Summary

Overall, Trump's presidency was characterized by a significant rise in the federal deficit, reflecting a trend of increased spending compared to previous administrations.