

## The Story of (Government) Spending

No matter who is in power, the government's debt gets bigger and bigger. This video from [Bankrupting PA](#) shows the evolution of government debt from Franklin Roosevelt to Barrack Obama. The video is highly polished and should make an impact on anyone who watches it.

It also is a good example of the shifting political sentiment in the United States. Bankrupting PA is a project of the [Commonwealth Foundation](#). The Mission and Values of the Commonwealth Foundation are as follows:

### Mission

The Commonwealth Foundation is an independent, non-profit research and educational institute that develops and advances public policies based on the nation's founding principles of limited constitutional government, economic freedom, and personal responsibility for one's actions.

### Values

The Commonwealth Foundation's research and educational efforts are firmly established on several core values that form the basis of a civil society. The activities of the Foundation are therefore committed to:

- Respecting and protecting the lives and property of others.
- Recognizing the inseparability of personal and economic freedom.
- Upholding personal responsibility and accountability for one's actions.
- Challenging the general perception that government intervention is the most appropriate and most efficient means of solving societal problems.
- Demonstrating the power of private institutions—both for-profit and non-profit—to create a good and civil society.
- Promoting the use of economic reasoning to understand a world of scarcity, trade-offs, and the unseen consequences of governmental solutions to societal problems.

So often today, when I bring up an issue in opposition to the current President or Congress, I hear an attack against the opposition political party or former president. I am a defender of neither. What is at issue is liberty,

freedom, constitutional government, and the future of our country. Our massive government debt is one small piece of the puzzle. This video demonstrates, in a memorable way, how our deficit has grown. It interestingly, and accurately, lumps President Bush and Obama together as the biggest offenders in growing the national debt.

It isn't about Republican versus Democrat anymore. It is the people versus their Big, Oppressive Government (BOG). The government must be reduced severely in size if the people hope to retain their freedom and liberty.

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