

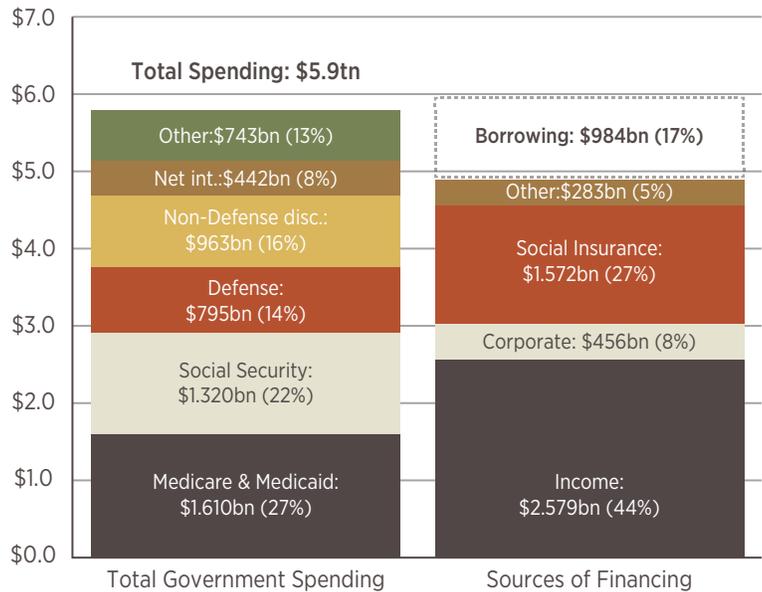
Chart of the Month

The U.S. Government hit the debt ceiling in mid-January, again. Betting odds would say that the debt limit gets increased, like the prior 22 ceiling increases since 1997 (Source: Government Accountability Office), but not without some tug-of-war and public shaming from both sides of the aisle in Washington.

So, why does the US continue to hit the debt ceiling? In short, the Government spends more than it brings in and the gap to cover that excess is filled by borrowing. As the chart shows, the CBO expects a shortfall of \$984bn for Fiscal Year 2023 (Oct. 2022 to Sept. 2023). The majority (70%) of government expenditures are considered mandatory (Social Security, Medicare & Medicaid, interest expense, and other). Discretionary expenditures, a nearly equal split between defense and non-defense, account for the other 30% of the total expenditures of the Government. Despite all the noise, Congress has very little opportunity to cut spending. All things considered, the prospects of an increase to the debt ceiling are strong as it is almost implausible to find a quick solution to a nearly \$1 Trillion problem.

The 2023 Federal Budget

CBO Baseline forecast, USD trillions



Sources: JP Morgan Guide to the Markets; 12/31/2022
Congressional Budget Office (CBO); May 2022 Baseline Projections



2022 Tax Guide & Mailing Schedule

Dates you need to know

By January 31, 2023, Pershing will begin mailing Form 1099 tax statements. When you receive your Form 1099 depends on the holdings in your account.

Phase One: January 31, 2023 **Phase Two:** February 15, 2023 **Phase Three:** February 28, 2023 **Phase Four:** March 15, 2023

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	Source: Bloomberg 2023	January	YTD	2022	Benchmark
<i>Stocks</i>	United States	6.3%	6.3%	-18.1%	S&P 500
	Intl Developed	8.1%	8.1%	-14.5%	MSCI EAFE
	Emerging Markets	7.9%	7.9%	-20.1%	MSCI Emerging Markets
<i>Bonds</i>	US Investment Grade	3.1%	3.1%	-13.0%	Barclays US Aggregate
	US Municipals	3.1%	3.1%	-9.5%	Barclays Municipal Bond 15y
	Intl Investment Grade	3.5%	3.5%	-18.7%	Barclays Global Aggregate xUSD
	Global High Yield	4.2%	4.2%	-12.7%	Barclays Global High Yield
	Emerging Markets \$	3.2%	3.2%	-15.3%	Barclays Emerging Markets USD Aggregate
<i>Other</i>	Commodities	-0.5%	-0.5%	16.1%	Bloomberg Commodity
	Gold	5.7%	5.7%	-0.3%	Gold New York Spot (\$/oz)
	Oil	-1.7%	-1.7%	6.7%	Crude Oil WTI/Global Spot NYMEX

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