

NSF Budget Update

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FY 2017 NSF Funding Comparisons

FY 2016 Enacted: \$7.5 Billion

FY 2017 Enacted: \$7.5 Billion



NSF FY 2018 Budget Request

National Science Foundation
FY 2018 Budget Request to Congress
(Dollars in Millions)

NSF by Account	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	FY 2018 Request change over FY 2017 Enacted	
			Amt	Pct
Research & Related Activities	\$6,033.65	\$5,361.65	-\$671.99	-11.1%
Education & Human Resources	\$880.00	\$760.55	-\$119.45	-13.6%
Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction	\$209.00	\$182.80	-\$26.20	-12.5%
Agency Operations and Award Management	\$330.00	\$328.51	-\$1.49	-0.5%
National Science Board	\$4.37	\$4.37	-	-
Office of Inspector General	\$15.20	\$15.01	-\$0.19	-1.3%
Total, NSF	\$7,472.22	\$6,652.89	-\$819.33	-11.0%

Totals may not add due to rounding.

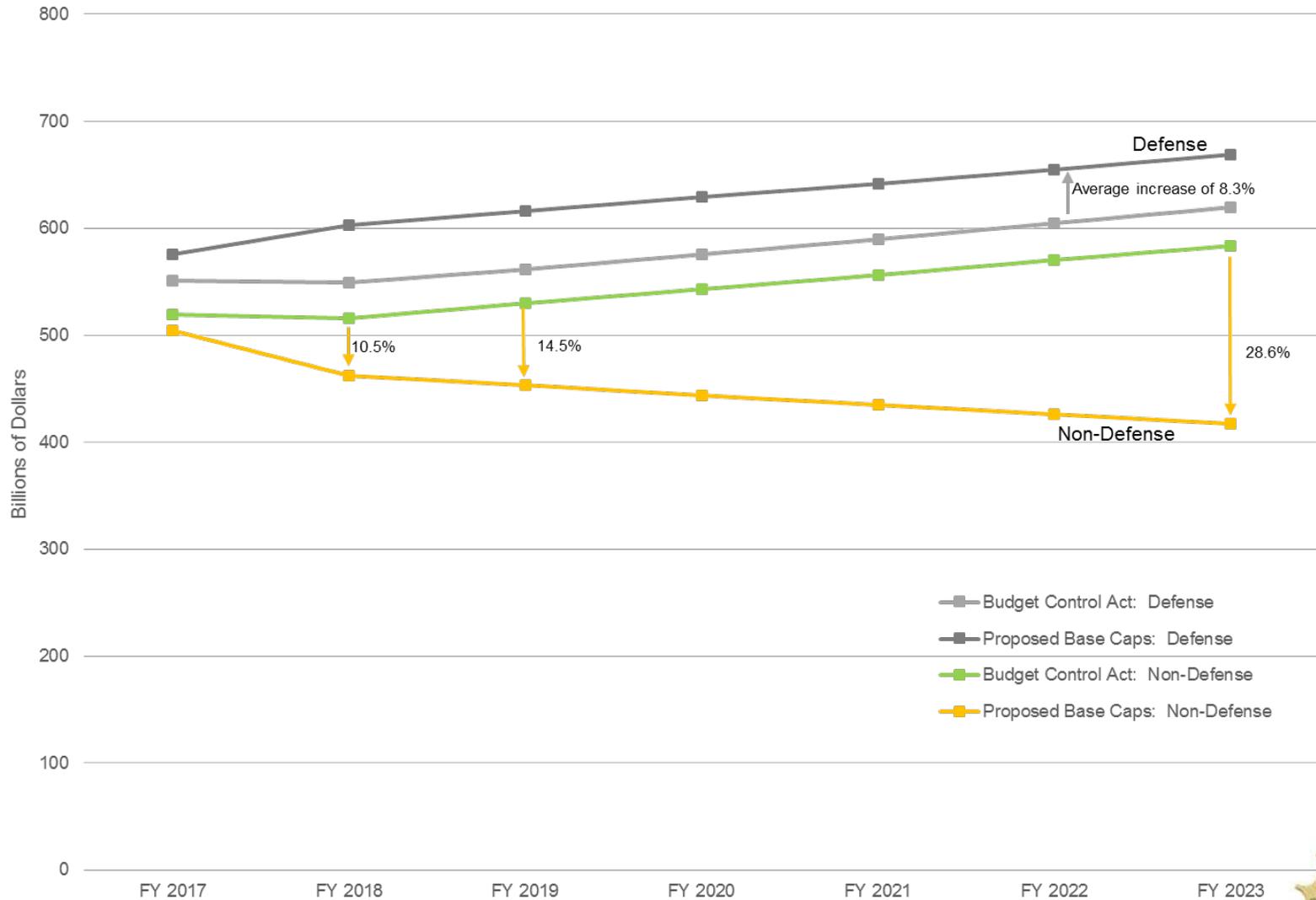


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NSF Research Grant Awards and Funding Rate		
	FY 2016	FY 2018
Research Grant Awards	8,800	8,000
Funding Rate	21%	19%



Discretionary Budget Caps



FY 2018 – What's to come?

- Lawmakers have effectively decided to **pretend they have a budget in place** so they can begin writing overdue spending bills for the upcoming fiscal year.
- That strategy was made explicit Tuesday by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who told reporters that **spending bills in the Senate would be written using fiscal 2017 funding levels as a guidepost**. Those levels would then get adjusted "once we reach a bipartisan agreement on how much we're going to spend," he said.
- The backwards approach -- **spend first, budget later** -- underscored a bipartisan frustration with a long-delayed appropriations process that now stands little chance of unfolding as designed.
- Lawmakers of both parties have **predicted the need for another stopgap measure to extend current funding levels when fiscal 2018 begins on Oct. 1**. Congress would be lucky, they say, just to complete a mammoth, catchall funding package known as an omnibus that wraps up all money needed to fund the government by Christmas.



APPROPRIATIONS DRIFT

NSF Appropriations Dates versus Start of Federal Fiscal Year Oct. 1

