

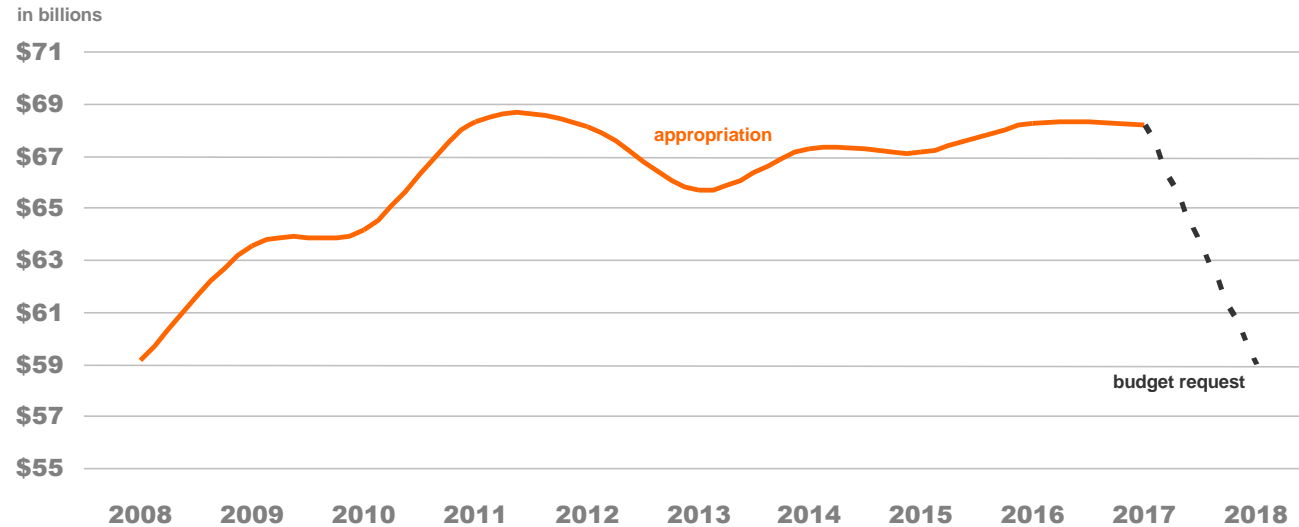
The Trump Rollback

to 2008 funding levels

U.S. Department of Education
Budget Request, FY2018

Education Department Total Discretionary Funding

The Trump Administration's fiscal year 2018 budget request for the Education Department would rollback discretionary funding to 2008 levels in current dollars. Public preK-12 and postsecondary enrollment has increased by more than 3.8 million students since 2008.



What is discretionary funding? Discretionary funding is subject to the annual appropriations process. Congress decides which programs to fund and the amounts.

	FY 2018 Budget Request	vs FY 2017 CR Appropriation*		vs FY 2008 Appropriation		Change in Student Enrollment** Since 2008	
Total Education Department Discretionary Funding	\$59.0 billion	-\$9.2 billion	-13.5 percent	-\$0.2 billion	-0.3 percent	+3.8 million	+5.6 percent

*CR=continuing resolution, or the level of continuing appropriations provided under the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017, that are due to expire on April 28.

**Public preK-12 and postsecondary (public and private).

Sources: budget request from America First: A Budget Blueprint to Make America Great Again, Office of Management and Budget; and appropriations data from the U.S. Department of Education Budget Service. Enrollment data from Projections of Education Statistics to 2024 (September 2016), National Center for Education Statistics. For more information, contact Tom Zembar at 202.822.7109 or TZembar@nea.org. | March 16, 2017

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