

U.S. Ranks 23rd in World in Quality of Overall Infrastructure

1. Switzerland
2. Hong Kong
3. Singapore
4. France
5. Iceland
6. Austria
7. Sweden
8. Finland
9. Germany
10. Denmark
11. United Arab Emirates
12. Republic of Korea
13. Canada
14. Portugal
15. Japan
16. Luxembourg
17. Netherlands
18. Barbados
19. Taiwan
20. Belgium
21. Oman
22. Spain
- 23. United States**
24. Chile
25. Namibia
26. Bahrain
27. Malaysia
28. Estonia
29. Saudi Arabia
30. Tunisia

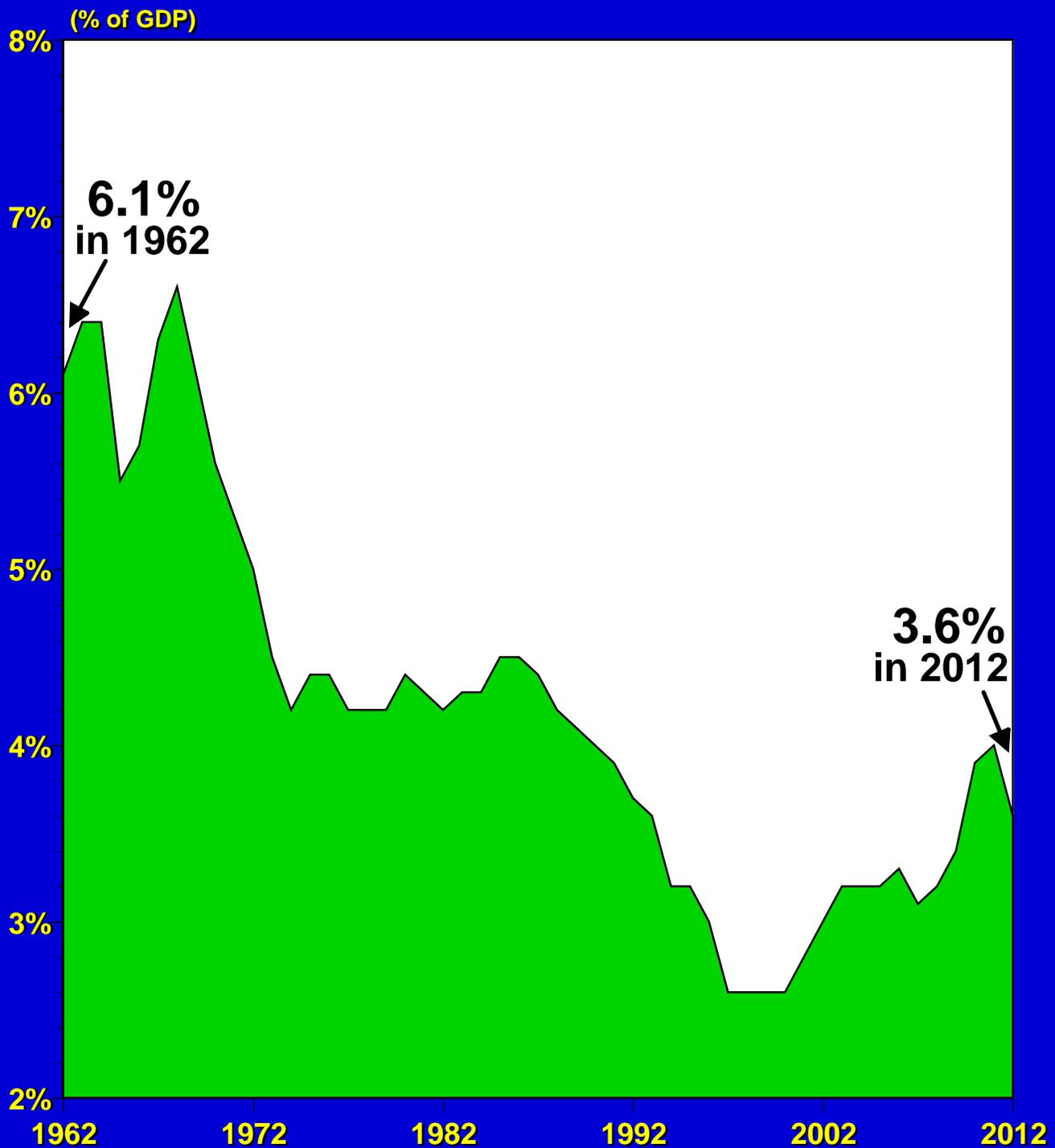
Source: World Economic Forum Global Competitiveness Report, 2010-2011
Note: Overall infrastructure includes transport, telecom, and energy.

Engineers' Report Card on America's Infrastructure

<u>Infrastructure</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Aviation	D
Bridges	C
Rail	C-
Roads	D-
Transit	D
Infrastructure GPA	D

Source: American Society of Civil Engineers, 2009

Investment in Infrastructure, R&D, and Education as % of GDP



Source: OMB

Note: Total investment outlays for major physical capital, research and development, and education and training. 2011 and 2012 estimates under President Obama's FY 2012 Budget.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce on Importance of Infrastructure Funding

“If we don’t change course ... over the next five years, the economy could forego as much as \$336 billion in lost economic growth as transportation networks continue to deteriorate....

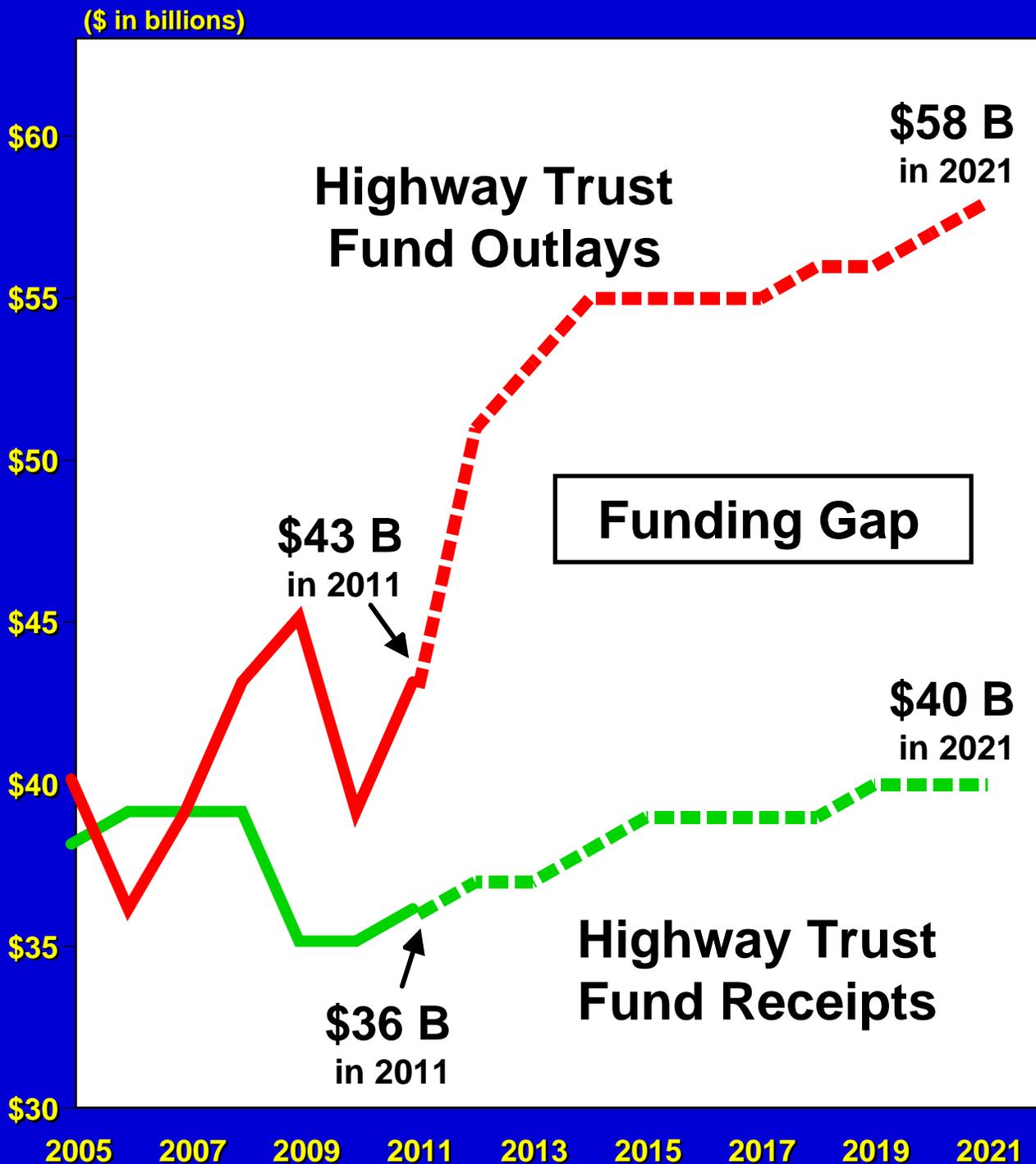
“I am well aware of the fiscal constraints facing this Congress and the nation. But we must avoid cutting off our nose to spite our face. Without proper investment and attention to our infrastructure, the United States’ economic stability, potential for job growth, global competitiveness, and quality of life are all at risk.”

**– Thomas Donohue
President and CEO of U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Testimony before Senate EPW Committee
February 16, 2011**

Obama Budget Transportation Proposal

- **\$556 B six-year surface transportation reauthorization**
 - **\$468 B to rebuild roads, bridges, and transit systems, and improve safety – a 60% increase over previous six-year authorization**
 - **Increase funding for national high-speed rail system**
 - **Create National Infrastructure Bank to leverage federal funds**
- **Front load \$50 B in 2012 to boost economic growth**
- **Reclassify transportation spending as mandatory, subjecting it to PAYGO rules**
- **Placeholder for bipartisan financing solution to be developed between President and Congress**

Funding Gap Growing in Highway Trust Fund



Source: CBO

Note: Highway Trust Fund outlays from Highway and Mass Transit accounts under CBO baseline.