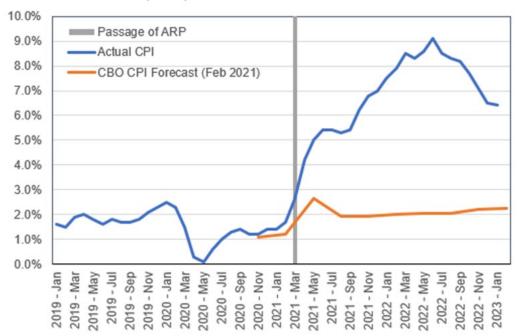
The BASELINE and INTEREST COSTS

The House Budget Committee's <u>FY 2024- FY 2033 "Reverse the Curse" Budget</u> <u>Resolution Blueprint</u>, and economic experts alike, <u>correctly attribute</u> the enactment of the partisan, Democrat-led American Rescue Plan to the corresponding surge of record 40-year high inflation rates and the subsequent federal interest rate hikes.





Since then, interest costs have soared to \$659 billion in fiscal year 2023, according to the Treasury Department—up \$184 billion, or 39% increase—from the previous year.

Projected, Net Interest Costs

The Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) February 2024 baseline projects net interest costs in FY24 to be \$870 billion.

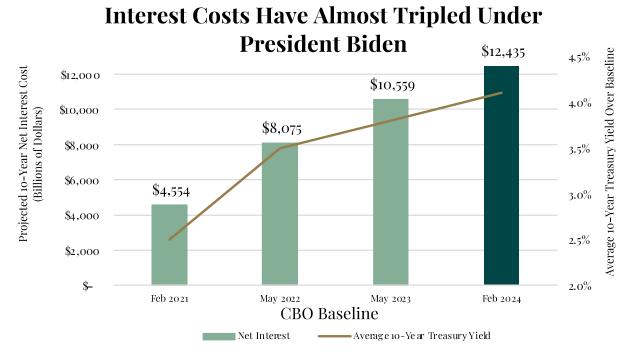
• Net interest costs will subsequently **increase to \$951 billion in FY25** and balloon up to **\$1.6 trillion by FY34**.

Over the 2025–2034 budget window, cumulative interest costs are projected to reach a staggering \$12.4 trillion.



• By comparison, CBO projected 10-year interest costs were \$4.5 trillion when President Biden took office *in January 2021*.

Government Projected To Pay Over \$12 Trillion On Interest



Projected Interest Rates

The 10-year yield on Treasuries is **projected to be 4.6 percent in 2024.**

- Over the next decade, CBO projects the yield on 10-year Treasuries to average 4.1 percent.
- The projected yield on 10-year Treasuries when President Biden took office was merely 1.8 percent in 2024, with an **average of 2.5 percent** over the budgetary window.

The federal funds rate is now projected to average 5.1 percent in 2024.

- Projections for the federal funds rate are estimated to **average 3.1 percent** over the next decade
- When President Biden assumed office, the projected federal funds rate was only o.2 percent in 2024, with an **average of 1.2 percent** projected over CBO's budget window.

