

**Table 2-5** Number of Programs with “Too Little” Government Spending (tabular)

Number of programs	Frequency	Percentage	Cumulative percentage
0	14	2.0	2.0
1	11	1.7	3.7
2	17	2.5	6.2
3	23	3.5	9.7
4	31	4.6	14.4
5	57	8.6	22.9
6	72	10.7	33.6
7	88	13.2	46.8
8	93	13.9	60.7
9	70	10.4	71.1
10	72	10.7	81.8
11	53	7.9	89.6
12	23	3.4	93.0
13	25	3.7	96.7
14	15	2.2	98.9
15	6	.9	99.8
16	1	.1	99.9
17	1	.1	100.0
Total	672	100.0	

*Source:* 2008 General Social Survey.

*Note:* Question: “We are faced with many problems in this country, none of which can be solved easily or inexpensively. I’m going to name some of these problems, and for each one I’d like you to tell me whether you think we’re spending too much money on it, too little money, or about the right amount.” Displayed data record the number of “too little” responses to: “Improving and protecting the environment,” “Improving and protecting the nation’s health,” “Solving the problems of the big cities,” “Halting the rising crime rate,” “Dealing with drug addiction,” “Improving the nation’s education system,” “Improving the conditions of Blacks,” “Welfare,” “Social Security,” “Assistance for childcare,” “Foreign aid,” “Highways and bridges,” “Mass transportation,” “Parks and recreation,” “The military, armaments, and defense,” “Space exploration,” and “Supporting scientific research.”