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**Summary:** In CBO's projections, the federal budget deficit grows from \$1.6 trillion in fiscal year 2024 to \$2.6 trillion in 2034. Deficits also expand in relation to the size of the economy, from 5.6% of gross domestic product (GDP) in 2024, when the collection of certain postponed tax payments temporarily boosts revenues, to 6.1% of GDP in 2025. In 2026 and 2027, revenues increase faster than outlays, causing the deficit to shrink to 5.2% of GDP by 2027. Thereafter, outlays rise faster than revenues. By 2034, the deficit returns to 6.1% of GDP—significantly larger than the 3.7% that deficits have averaged over the past 50 years.

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