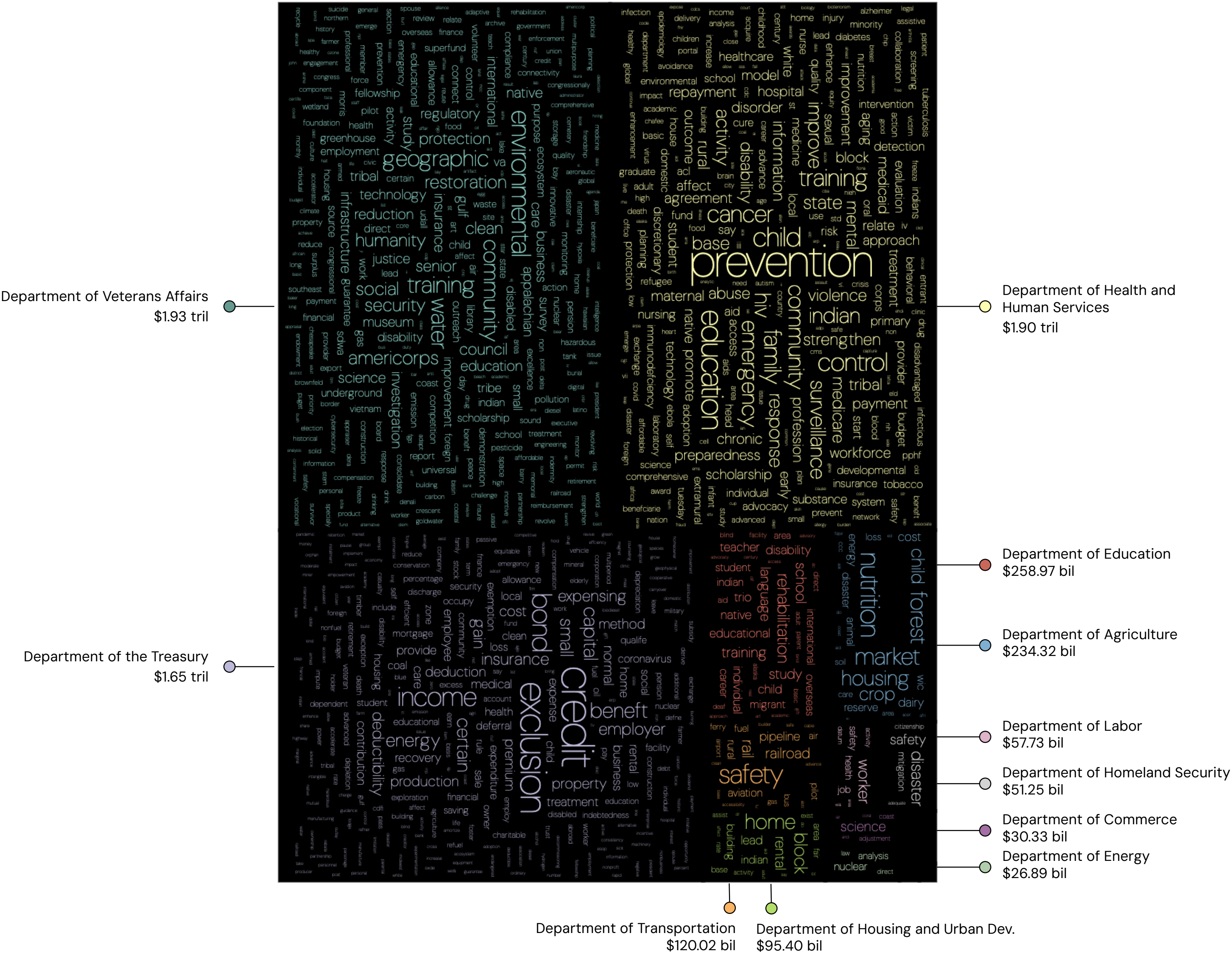


# US Federal Funding Freeze

On January 27, 2025, the US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a memorandum directing federal agencies to temporarily pause activities related to the obligation or disbursement of federal financial assistance in targeted areas such as foreign aid, diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives, and environmental projects.

The OMB identified approximately 2,600 federal programs for review under this directive. While the freeze affects a significant number of programs, it does not encompass all federal programs, but approximately 20–30% of them. The total freeze is estimated at over \$6.375 trillion .

This visualization shifts the focus from individual programs to thematic funding distribution within each department, highlighting key themes/topics (words) that receive funding across multiple programs.



\* Out of scale but also affected by freezes: Department of Defense (\$9.94 bil), Department of Justice (\$3.71 bil), Department of State (\$2.96 bil), Department of the Interior (\$10.89 bil).  
Source: The New York Times – Office of Management and Budget Spreadsheet of 2,600 Federal Programs Under Review.