THE COST OF WAR & INCOME INEQUALITY

Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed…. The cost of one modern heavy bomber is this: a modern brick school in more than 30 cities…. It is two fine, fully equipped hospitals…. We pay for a single fighter plane with a half million bushels of wheat…. We pay for a single destroyer with new homes that could have housed more than 8,000 people. President Dwight D. Eisenhower, April 16, 1953

Early this February, the Republican-controlled Congress passed and President Donald Trump signed new federal budget legislation that increased U.S. military spending by $165 billion over the next two years. Remarkably, though, a Gallup public opinion poll, conducted only days before, found only 33 percent of Americans in favor of increasing U.S. military spending, while 65 percent opposed it. Lawrence Wittner

The United States spends more on defense than the next eight countries combined

Every hour, taxpayers in the United States are paying $8.36 million for Total Cost of Wars Since 2001.

Every hour, taxpayers in the United States are paying $2.19 million for nuclear weapons.