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This spreadsheet accumulates the annual change in Government Medical Spending to an index value that is set at 1.00 in the first year of the analysis period. The index is then multiplied each year by (1 ± the annual change). The compound, or average, rate of return is then calculated during each presidential term by the formula: ((Ending index value / Beginning index value) ^ (1 / # years in analysis period) - 1). When multiple presidential terms are analyzed, the index value at the end of the last presidential term for that party carries forward and becomes the beginning index value for the next presidential term of that party. To adjust for inflation, each year's percentage change is divided by the fraction (annual % change) / (1 + inflation rate).

- Interest Rates
Money Supply
Federal Debt
Federal Tax Receipts
Federal Spending
Defense Spending
Social Spending
Social Spending Less Medical Spending
Government Medical Spending
Federal Discretionary Spending
Federal Debt to GDP Ratio
Mean to Median Income Premium
Inflation adjust: Yes

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When the President was a Democrat

When the President was a Republican

Table with columns: Year, Medicare and Medicaid spending (billions), Annual growth in Medicare and Medicaid spending, Inflation, Index value (reflects inflation if inflation-adjust box is checked), Annual growth in Medicare and Medicaid spending, inflation adjusted, Index value (reflects inflation if inflation-adjust box is checked), Compound return during administration, Annual growth in Medicare and Medicaid spending, inflation adjusted, Index value (reflects inflation if inflation-adjust box is checked), Compound return during administration.

Annual change in Government Medical Spending

1969 2012 6.44%

Total number of years held Presidency

16

28

Compound rate of growth

3.91%

7.90%