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# US government shuts down

## Republicans and Democrats have failed to break the Senate deadlock over spending priorities



Democratic lawmakers walk down the steps of the US Capitol on September 30, 2025, in Washington, DC. © Kevin Dietsch / Getty Images

The US federal government has shut down for the first time in almost seven years after Republicans and Democrats failed to agree on a spending bill in the Senate.

The deadline to approve the funds for running the government expired on Wednesday, as both parties rejected each other's spending plans in a back-to-back vote.

The Democrats refused to back the Republican bill while demanding an extension of Affordable Care Act subsidies set to expire at the end of the year, along with the reversal of Medicaid cuts. The GOP framed

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their plan as a “*clean*,” non-partisan solution, but the Democrats argued that it would endanger the healthcare of many Americans.

Both sides blamed each other for the crisis.

Senate Republican leader John Thune said, “*far-left interest groups and far-left Democrat members wanted a showdown with the president.*” Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer accused the Republicans of “*risking America’s healthcare*” and refusing to negotiate in good faith.

The White House pointed the finger at the Democrats, with its website now featuring a clock marking the duration of the crisis and titled ‘Democrats Have Shut Down the Government’.

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The Senate is set to vote on the GOP funding plan on Wednesday morning. The Republicans have vowed to put it up for a vote every day until their colleagues across the aisle yield to pressure.

Federal agencies will partially suspend services and many employees will be furloughed. The last government shutdown began on December 22, 2018 and lasted 35 days.

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**G GeorgeBMac** 10/1/2025 at 6:57 PM 0

The issue is: Trump unilaterally kicked 9 million Americans out of our healthcare system and plans to drastically increase healthcare costs for America's poor — all to pay for his Tax Cuts for Billionaires and his Trillion Dollar Dept of War. THEN he talks about «America First». How about «Americans First»

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**M Michael Hevor** 10/1/2025 at 6:56 PM 0

US been living off the benevolence of other nations (aka treasury bills) for far too long..... now may be the Chicken is coming home to roost.

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**M Mike** 10/1/2025 at 1:19 PM 2

Who needs a stinking Government if you're a sovereign citizen?

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**Mi Samsung** 10/1/2025 at 1:51 PM ↑ -3

They pave the roads, take away your rubbish, teach your kids, make sure goods are safe to wear or eat, plough your roads, maintain your parks, and a myriad of other things. Sov Twits want all the benefits but none of the responsibilities



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STATE GOVTS CAN HANDLE THAT MORON

[Reply](#) **joogabah** 10/1/2025 at 6:44 PM ↕

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There are no sovereign citizens. That is a term that applies to governments that create conditions for the profitability of their respective bourgeoisie.

[Reply](#) **Kaisar Stardio** 10/1/2025 at 5:13 PM

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Somebody gotta find the procedure for their permanent shutdown in order to rid the world off their toxic presence.

[Reply](#)**S** **Shahid Khan** 10/1/2025 at 4:36 PM

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they are broke , so its back to borrowing ? soon, they will not be able to pay the interest on these loans, let alone the capital. trumps tariffs will see less countries lending money to the US.

[Reply](#)**A** **Alex Wolf** 10/1/2025 at 4:35 PM

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Negotiating on the edge of a disaster has become an American custom, in many areas of life and business. It is impossible for people, who practice this, to understand that they are killing trust

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GOOD, they do so much damage when they are working

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 **John Kesich** 10/1/2025 at 3:42 PM 2

Such fair and balanced coverage.  
Far too many in the comments have what a well known t shirt describes as an obvious problem.

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 **Glen** 10/1/2025 at 3:35 PM 1

Good, fire them all and then indict every single politician with corruption and investigate their finances. Full transparency or jail.

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 **D.** 10/1/2025 at 12:57 PM 3

Excellent news!  
Most American people don't need government, excepting the ones who don't work and are supported by welfare.

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 **Jim Davies** 10/1/2025 at 1:07 PM 4

Exactly, And those on "welfare" include some giant corporations.

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 **Mi Samsung** 10/1/2025 at 2:02 PM -2

A federal government plays a crucial role in providing services and infrastructure for the entire country, such as national defense, currency, postal services, criminal law, foreign relations, and help with employment insurance. It also works to maintain economic stability, manage national parks, support Indigenous rights and lands, and offer financial aid programs. Most people don't understand just what the federal government provides. Some programmes provided by individual states are often funded in part by the federal government

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**USMarine FightingForAmerica** 10/1/2025 at 3:25 PM ↑

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The "US Feederal Goov't" is nothing more then a coorrupt criiminal enterprise run from Teel Aviiv.

It is also wholly contrary to the US Coonstiitution which strictly limits the powers of the "Feederal Goov't",... which it exceeds thousands of times per day.

We need this blatant Criiminal Caartel stupid people call the "Goov't" like a hole in the head. – JD

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Thank goodness!,... Now, how do we keep it shut down??!!! – JD

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**Chris Risher** 10/1/2025 at 3:08 PM

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Stop saying the US Federal Government has shut down. You keep getting my hopes up! The US military, prisons, spy agencies and President Trump are all still getting paid, unfortunately.

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**Pathway Finance** 10/1/2025 at 3:01 PM

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