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# Accounting's Responsibility to Serve Society

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## **Prosperous Society**



Good Decisions

Accounting: Language of Business

Financial Markets

**Economic Activity** 

### **ACCOUNTING FOR THE NUMBERS**



U.S. Corporate

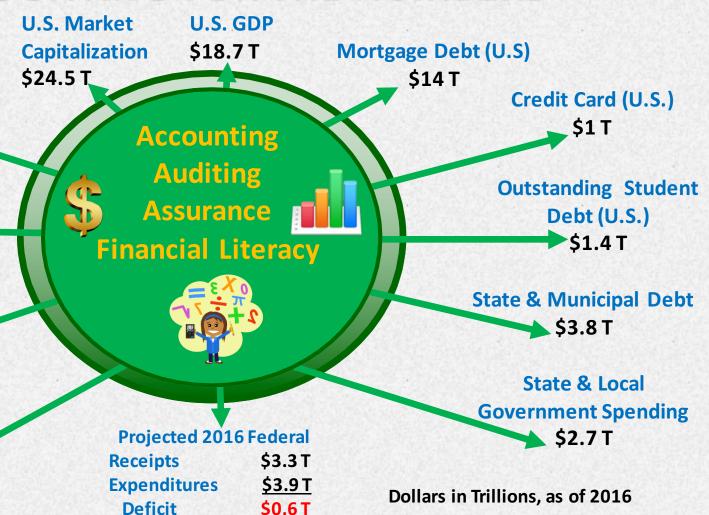
Debt Securities
\$8.4 T

U.S. Treasury
Public Debt
\$14.4 T

Projected U.S. Treasury

Debt in 10 Years

\$23.1 T

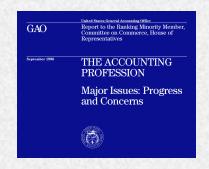


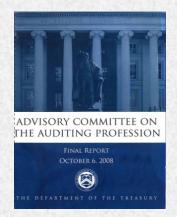
## **Accounting Profession Duty to Serve the Public Interest**

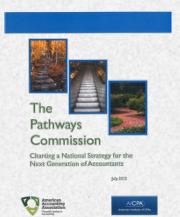




**U.S. Supreme Court** 

































SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS













**United Nations** 







## Strong Profession

**Education** 

**Training** 

Life-Long Learning

Certification



**Public Interest** Orientation

**Diverse & Inclusive** 

#### Quality

**Continuous Improvement** 

Tone

**ETHICS & INTEGRITY** 

**Incentives** 

**Professional Standards** 

Laws & Regulations

Mentoring/Experience





**Attributes** 

**Professional** Skepticism

**Actions** 



**Economic Prosperity** 

#### **Appendix - Economic Data Sources**

Subject	Date of Data	Source
U.S. Market Capitalization (Cash Equity)	April 1, 2016	Standard & Poors
Global Market Capitalization(Cash Equity)	June 30, 2016	World Federation of Exchanges, 7/25/2016 Update
U.S. Corporate Debt Outstanding	Q2 2016	SIFMA, <u>11/03/2016 Update</u>
U.S. Treasury Debt Held by the Public	November 10, 2016	Treasury Direct.gov
U.S. Treasury Debt Held by the Public Projection (2026)	August 23, 2016	CBO, August 2016 <u>Update to the Budget</u> and Economic Outlook 2016-2026
Federal Revenues (2016 projected)	August 23, 2016	CBO, August 2016 Update to the Budget and Economic Outlook 2016-2026
Federal Expenditures (2016 projected)	August 23, 2016	CBO, August 2016 <u>Update to the Budget</u> and Economic Outlook 2016-2026
Federal Budget Deficit (2016 projected)	August 23, 2016	CBO, August 2016 <u>Update to the Budget</u> and Economic Outlook 2016-2026
State & Local Debt Outstanding	Q2 2016	SIFMA, <u>11/03/2016 Update</u>
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Q3 2016	Bureau of Economic Analysis, Q3 2016 Advance Estimate
State & Local Expenditures	October 28, 2016	Bureau of Economic Analysis, National <u>Income and Product Accounts</u> , <u>Table 3.3</u>
Total Outstanding U.S. Student Debt	November 7, 2016	Federal Reserve, Statistical Release, September 2016, Consumer Credit G.19
Total Mortgage Debt, U.S. Individuals	September 16, 2016	Federal Reserve, Data Release, Q2 2016, Mortgage Debt Outstanding
Total Consumer Revolving Debt, U.S. Individuals	November 7, 2016	Federal Reserve, Statistical Release, September 2016, Consumer Credit G.19