

FIGURE 15-1 Defense and Foreign Policy Spending as Percentage of Total Budget Outlays, 1940–2010



Sources: Historical figures from *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2010*, Historical Tables (Washington, DC: Government Printing Office, 2009), table 3-2. Projections for 2010 are from *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2010*, Current Services Budget Authority and Outlays by Function, Category, and Programs (Washington, DC: Government Printing Office, 2009), table 24-14.

Note: Figures are fiscal year outlays, according to current statistical conventions for treating off-budget items. The total budget in billions of dollars was \$9.5 in 1940, \$42.6 in 1950, \$92.2 in 1960, \$195.6 in 1970, \$590.9 in 1980, \$1,253.2 in 1990, \$1,825.0 in 2000, and (projected) \$3,644.4 in 2010.