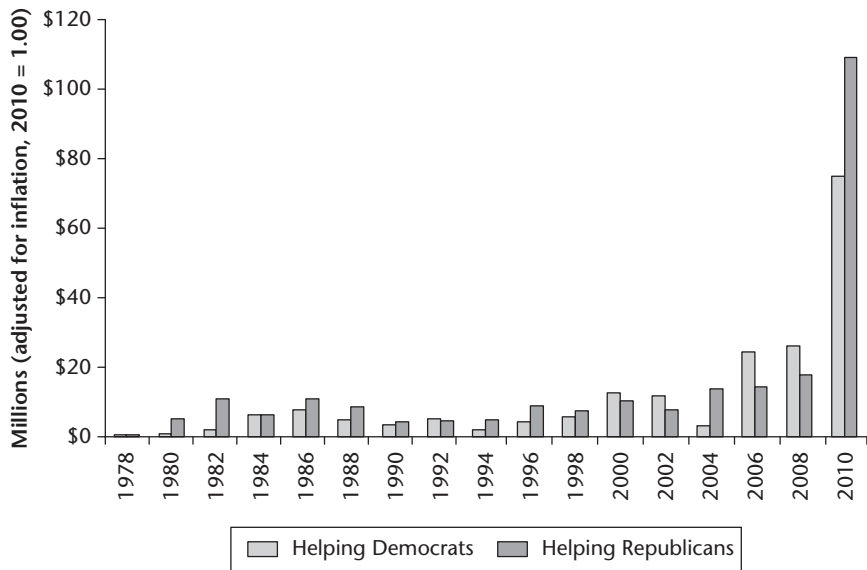


**Figure 5-14** Independent Spending in House and Senate Races, 1978–2010



Sources: 1978–2008: Campaign Finance Institute, "Nonparty Independent Expenditures in House and Senate Elections, 1978–2008," at [http://www.cfinst.org/pdf/vital/VitalStats\\_t14.pdf](http://www.cfinst.org/pdf/vital/VitalStats_t14.pdf) (accessed November 3, 2011); 2010: OpenSecrets.org, "2010 Outside Spending, by Races," at <http://www.opensecrets.org/outsidespending/summ.php?cycle=2010&disp=R&pty=N&type=G> (accessed November 3, 2011).