Projected Costs of U.S. Nuclear Forces, 2015 to 2024

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Costs of nuclear forces represent roughly 5 percent to 6 percent of the total projected costs of the Administration’s plans for national defense for the next 10 years.

* CBO’s estimate includes 25 percent of costs for B-52 and LRS-B; dashed line shows the total if all bomber costs are included.

DoD = Department of Defense; DOE = Department of Energy; LRS-B = Long-Range Strike Bomber; SSBN = Ballistic Missile Submarine; ICBM = Intercontinental Ballistic Missile; C3 = Command, Control, and Communications.