"US Debt Crisis and The Economy"

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Issues

- Debt ceiling deadline: Catastrophe?
- Or just disruptive?
- Debt ceiling debate raises default worries
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10 Things You Need To Know About The Debt Ceiling

- •What is the federal debt?
- •What is the debt limit?
- •Have we reached the debt limit?
- •What is a default?
- •What happens if the government can meet some, but not all of its payments?
- ·Has the government ever defaulted on its debt?
- •Has the government ever been this close to a default?
- •What would be the impact of a default?
- •How does the government increase the debt limit?
- What have been the riders on previous legislation to raise the debt limit?

Debt ceiling debate raises default worries

- The markets could lose confidence
- Interest rates on U.S. Treasury securities would soar
- Uncharted financial territory with a default.
- Unthinkable?



US Debt Clock





\$ 14,482,839,625,908





Discussion

- ⇒Future -
- Possible
- Probable
- Preferred



What's Next

⇒Liz Ann Sonders – Schwab Outlook

