What Is the Fiscal Cliff?

Unless the law is changed, or Congress and the president find ano
way to trim the deficit, on Jan. 1 the following spending cuts and t
changes will automatically kick in:

Fiscal 2013 impact, annualized dollars; percent of GDP

Spending cuts: **$136 billion,** 0.8% of GDP

$87 billion; 0.5% of GDP	Across-the-board cuts in domestic and defense, discretionary spending
$35 billion; 0.2%	Expiration of extended unemployment benefits
$15 billion; 0.1%	Reduce Medicare doctor r

Tax increases: **$532 billion,**

$24 billion; 0.1%	New taxes from Obama health-care law
Tax cuts that expire:	
$87 billion; 0.5%	Other tax provisions
$127 billion; 0.7%	Payroll tax holiday ends
$295 billion;	Income tax rates to rise t

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