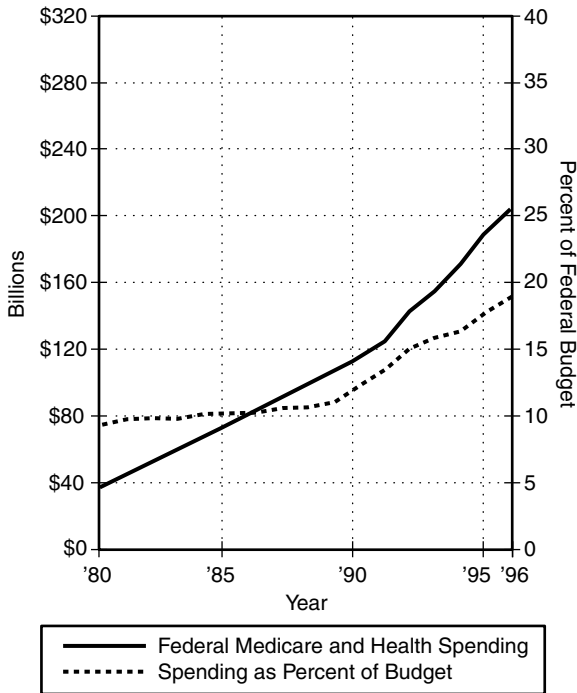


17. Federal Medicare and Health Spending, 1980–96

(in billions of dollars)



Source: *Statistical Abstract of the United States, 1999*