

# Risky business

The Government Accountability Office looked at agency high-risk projects on the Office of Management and Budget's Management Watch List as of March 2006. There were 226 projects accounting for about \$6.4 billion. Just because a project is considered high risk does not mean it is likely to fail. It could mean it is essential to the agency's business mission, and its failure would significantly impact the agency.

AGENCY	PROJECTS	DOLLARS AT RISK (IN MILLIONS)
Agriculture	12	\$133.5
AID	1	\$11.4
Commerce	4	\$183.0
Defense	6	\$782.2
DHS	17	\$910.7
Education	12	\$157.1
Energy	5	\$82.2
EPA	6	\$46.6
GSA	9	\$97.4
HHS	9	\$458.0
HUD	3	\$18.0
Interior	3	\$67.4
Justice	9	\$503.3
Labor	8	\$62.3
NASA	16	\$55.1
NSF	1	\$2.5
NRC	4	\$1.7
OPM	15	\$116.7
SBA	21	\$15.2
SSA	6	\$106.8
State	5	\$43.8
Transportation	13	\$1,385.6
Treasury	8	\$266.9
VA	33	\$871.7
<b>Totals</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>\$6,379.1</b>