

\$499.33 billion

In 2022, Americans gave \$499.33 billion to charity, a 3.4% decline compared to 2021. Adjusted for inflation, total giving declined 10.5%.

Where did the generosity come from?

Contributions by source

By percentage of the total

64%

\$319.04 billion

Giving by Individuals

↓ declined by 6.4% over 2021

21%

\$105.21 billion

Giving by Foundations

↑ increased 2.5% over 2021

9%

\$45.60 billion

Giving by Bequest

↑ increased 2.3% over 2021

6%

\$21.08 billion

Giving by Corporations

↑ increased 3.4% over 2021



*All figures on this infographic are reported in current dollars unless otherwise noted. Inflation was especially high in 2022, at 8.0%, and results may differ when adjusted for inflation. Learn more in the chapters.

Where did the charitable dollars go?

Contributions by destination

percentage of the total contributions*

↑ 5.2%		\$143.57 billion to Religion	27%
↓ 0.6%		\$71.98 billion to Human Services	14%
↓ 3.6%		\$70.07 billion to Education	13%
↑ 10.1%		\$56.84 billion to Foundations	11%
↑ 5.1%		\$51.08 billion to Health	10%
↓ 8.4%		\$46.86 billion to Public-Society Benefit	9%
↑ 10.9%		\$33.71 billion to International Affairs	6%
↑ 2.9%		\$24.67 billion to Arts, Culture, and Humanities	5%
↓ 1.6%		\$16.10 billion to Environment/Animals	3%
↑ 0.6%		\$12.98 billion to Individuals	2%

— change in comparison to total raised in 2021

*Percentages for recipient categories do not include unallocated giving, which totaled -\$28.54 billion in 2022.

Donor-advised funds are among the fastest growing forms of giving. Learn more about where grants from DAFs go in the chapter on donor-advised funds.

Giving to international affairs organizations grew by 10.9% in 2022, in part due to donors responding to world events. Despite uneven results in 2022, six of nine subsectors continue to exceed pre-pandemic levels, even when adjusted for inflation.

