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

**Giving by Individuals**

64% $319.04 billion

- Declined by 6.4% over 2021

**Giving by Foundations**

21% $105.21 billion

- Increased 2.5% over 2021

**Giving by Bequest**

9% $45.60 billion

- Increased 2.3% over 2021

**Giving by Corporations**

6% $21.08 billion

- Increased 3.4% over 2021

Where did the charitable dollars go?

**Contributions by destination**

By 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%

*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.