Figure 1: Growth of Various Economic Indices 1951-1997

Value in Dollars

Small Stock Index $590.19
S&P 500 $231.85
S.S. Payroll Tax Base $25.67
Intermediate-term Gov. Bonds $17.84
GDP Deflator $5.70

Figure 2: Projected Trust Fund Balance

Dollars in billions

Current law: all assets invested in U.S. Treasury securities with 2.7% real return.
Annual cash surplus and interest invested in stocks with 7% real return