

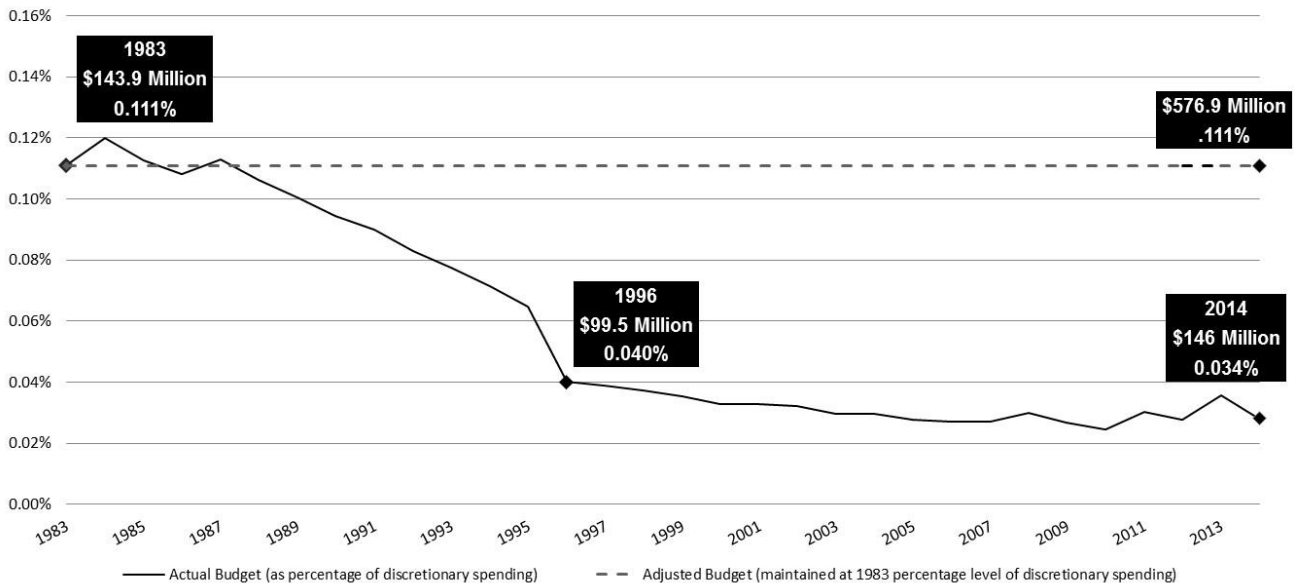


Arts Facts . . . NEA Funding Fails to Keep Pace

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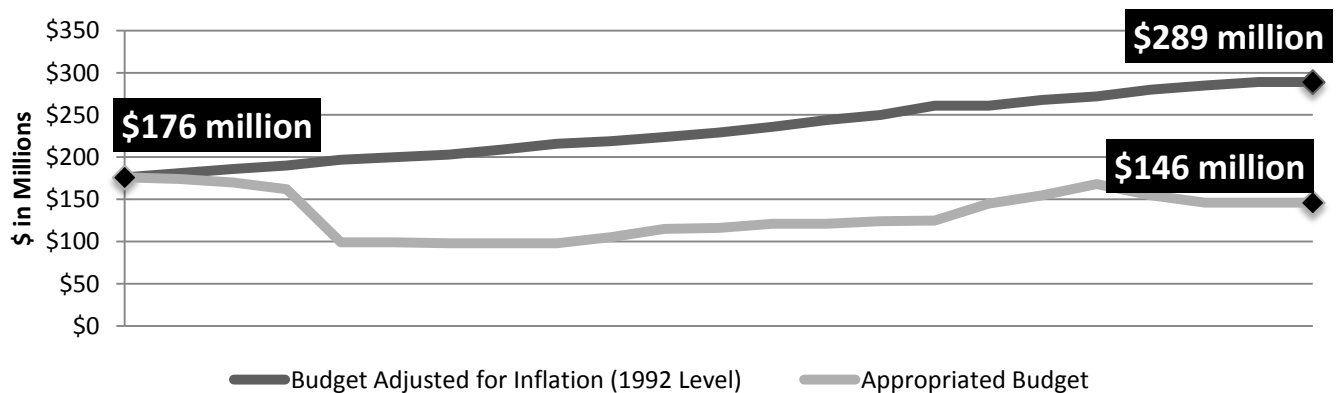
If the NEA had simply maintained its 1983 percentage of discretionary funding (0.111 percent, or 11 cents per \$100 of spending), its 2014 budget would be \$576.9 million.

NEA Budget Loses Share of (Non-Defense) Discretionary Federal Spending



If the NEA's 1992 budget remained constant and was only adjusted for inflation, it would be \$289 million in 2013, instead of \$146 million. Raising the NEA budget to \$200 million would bring it to 70 percent of its 1992 inflation-adjusted level.

**NEA Funding Fails to Keep Pace with Inflation:
1992-2014**



Source: NEA Office of Management & Budget; US Bureau of Labor Statistics. Analysis by Americans for the Arts, 2014.