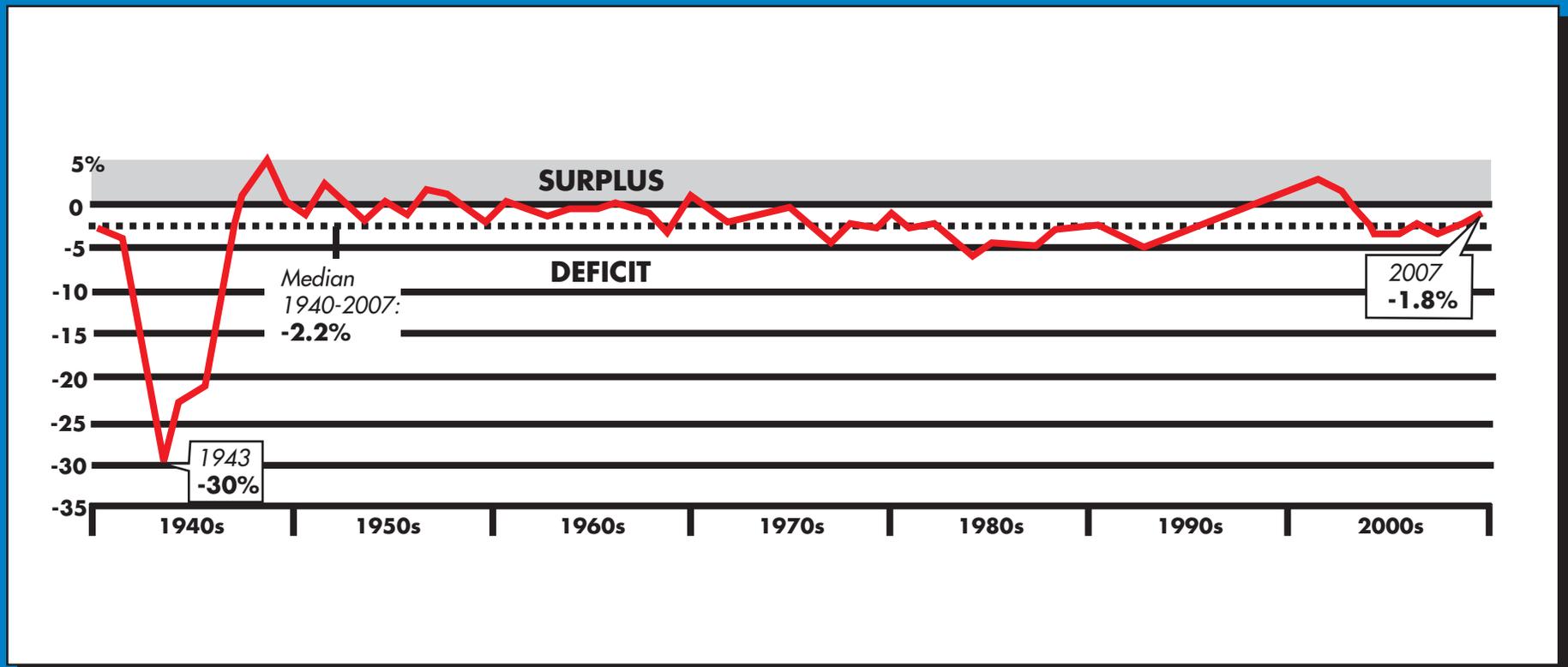


Putting it in Context

By Historical standards, the U.S. Budget deficit is not particularly large, compared with the overall economy.

Budget surplus or deficit as a percentage of gross domestic product



Source: White House Office of Management and Budget.