

National Savings Rate

This rate measures the health of a nation. If the rate is high or is going up, individuals, families, and organizations are saving more of their money, money for investment to create new goods, services, and jobs. This rate also implies that people are optimistic about the future and that they are willing to delay gratifications for themselves and their families. Why is it then that the federal government deficit spends, a practice which creates negative pressures on the savings rate? *Could it be that politicians are self-serving and only want to feel good about themselves?*