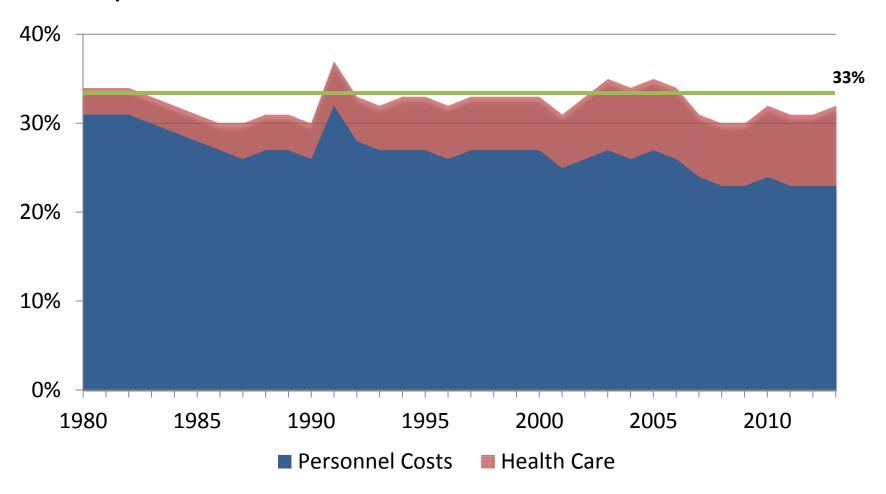
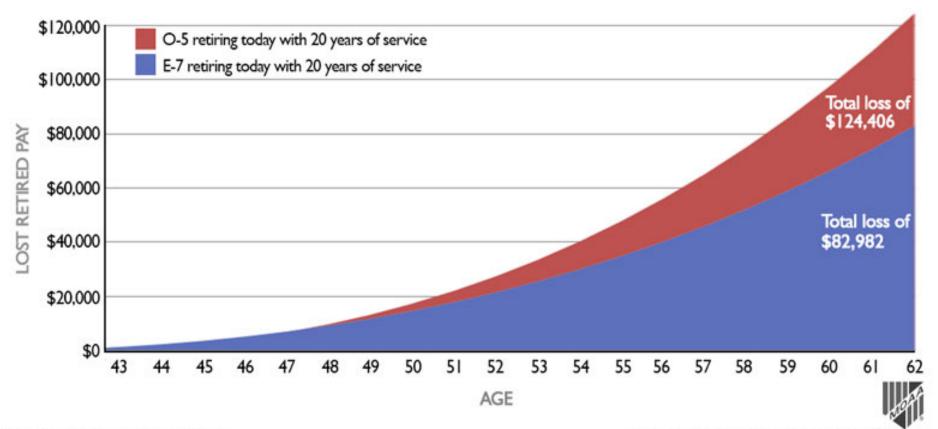
Military Personnel Costs Aren't Exploding

About one-third of the defense budget goes to military personnel and health care costs – the same share it has been for more than 30 years. That's no more unaffordable now than in the past.



Retirement Pay Lost Under the Bipartisan Budget Act*



*Assumes 3% annual rate of inflation

Source: Military Officers Association of America