

**Lesson on Our National Debt  
Note to Teachers**

**Grade Level - 8th Grade**

**Approximate time - 40 minutes, including time spent discussing results and answers.**

**Skills practiced - reading for information and meaning, reading graphs, rounding, scientific notation (optional), writing.**

**NYS Standards covered - Number and Numeration, Operations, and Modeling and Multiple Representation**

**Note: This lesson is a good lesson to do during a scientific notation unit.**