

U.S. government shuts down over Obamacare

A partisan deadlock over the Federal budget – which House Republicans had tied to a one-year delay in the President's Affordable Care Act – has left the U.S. government facing its first partial shutdown in 17 years

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AFFECTED

Total: Around 700,000

Department of Defence

400,000

Exemptions: 1.4 million active service personnel will remain on duty, plus civilians involved in national security

Homeland Security **33,600**

Over 85% of staff will remain on duty

Energy **13,000**

Staff involved in nuclear, hydro and grid safety

Transportation **18,500**

Air traffic control

Justice **17,750**

85% exempt

Environment **17,000**

Commerce **30,000**

Labour **13,000**

Other depts.
Around 150,000
including:



National Parks
*Closures include
Statue of Liberty,
Yosemite, Alcatraz*

Source: Wire agencies

Passport offices
*Closed. No
visas issued
abroad*

