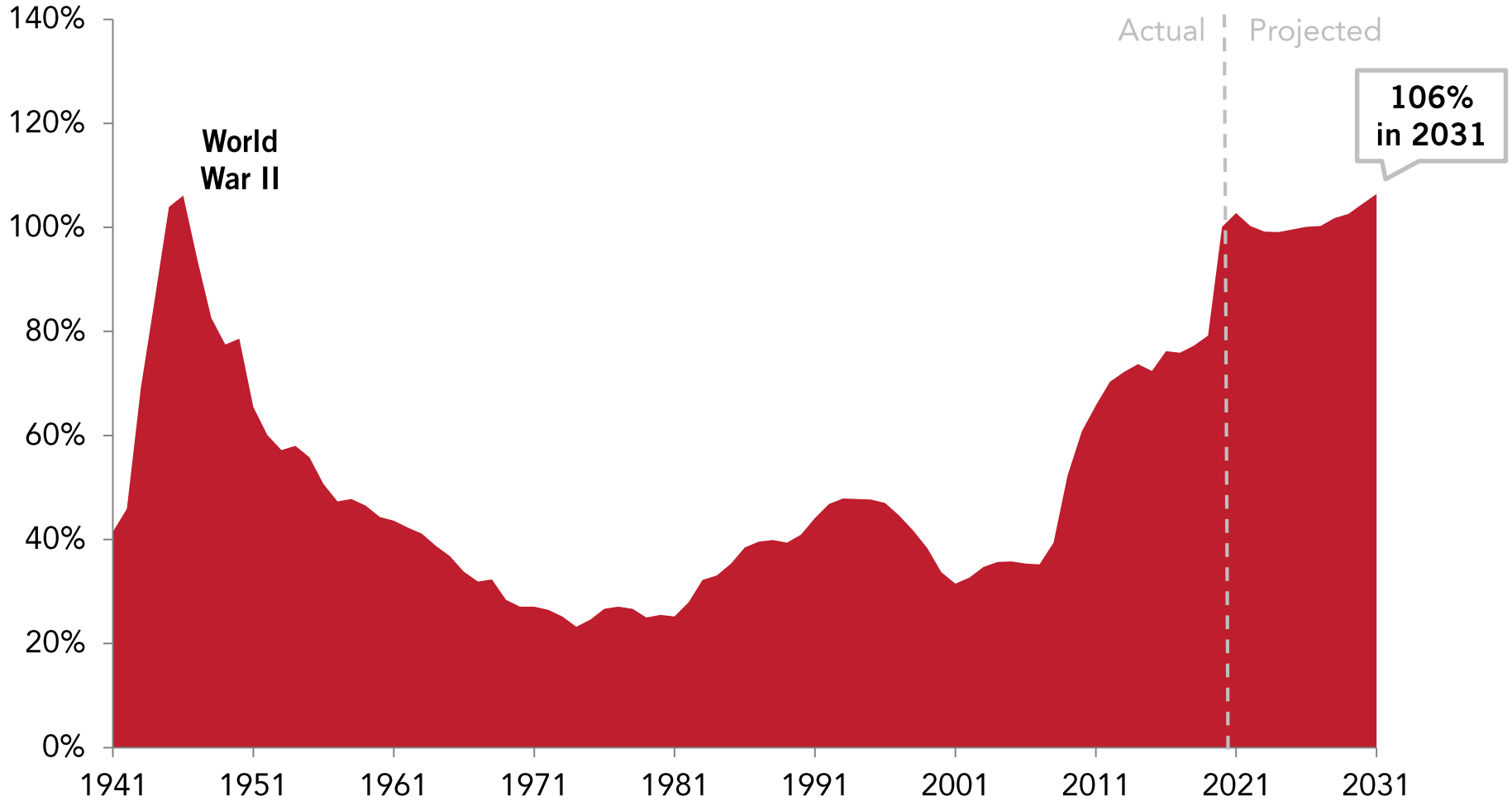


The national debt has risen drastically over the past year

DEBT HELD BY THE PUBLIC (% OF GDP)



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