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## What is this cliff we're heading for?



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### Talking points

1. Politicians and newspapers have warned for months about a 'fiscal cliff.' What is the fiscal cliff? What could happen if we go over the cliff?
2. What political decisions created this end-of-year crisis?
3. What issues are separating Democrats and Republicans on dealing with the problem?
4. Why is it so difficult for the parties to compromise?

### Between the lines

"I'm not wedded to every detail of my plan. I'm open to compromise," President Barack Obama.

"I don't want to box myself in. I don't want to box anybody else in," House Speaker John Boehner.

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