

U.S. Attorneys (USA)

FY 2017 Budget Request At A Glance			
FY 2016 Enacted:	\$2,000.0 million (10,731 positions; 5,518 attorneys)		
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$47.3 million		
Program Changes:	+\$27.1 million		
FY 2017 Budget Request:	\$2,074.4 million (10,932 positions; 5,542 attorneys)		
Change From FY 2016 Enacted:	+\$74.4 million (+3.7%) (+201 positions; +24 attorneys)		

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Mission:

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the U.S. Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators. Their offices bring criminal prosecutions, pursue civil penalties, defend federal programs and guard the financial interests of the United States in court. They also provide advice and counsel to the Attorney General and senior policy leadership through the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and its various subcommittees. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys (EOUSA) provides the USA with general executive assistance and direction, policy development, administrative management direction and oversight, operational support, training and coordination with other components of the Department and other federal agencies.

Resources:

The FY 2017 budget request for USA totals \$2,074 million, which is a 3.7% increase over the FY 2016 Enacted.

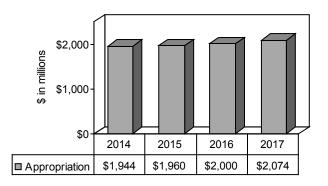
Organization:

There are 93 U.S. Attorneys located throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. U.S. Attorneys are appointed by, and serve at the discretion of, the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. One U.S. Attorney is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands where a single U.S. Attorney serves both districts. Each U.S. Attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. The EOUSA was created on April 6, 1953, by Attorney General Order 8-53, to provide for close liaison between the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, and the 93 U.S. Attorneys.

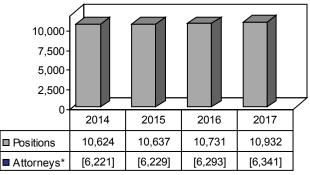
Personnel:

USA's direct positions for FY 2017 total 10,932 positions. USA's FY 2017 request includes an increase of 201 positions over the FY 2016 Enacted of 10,731 direct positions.

Funding (FY 2014 - 2017)



Personnel (FY 2014 - 2017)



* Includes reimbursable attorneys.

FY 2017 Strategy:

In FY 2017, the U.S. Attorneys (USA) will investigate and prosecute the diverse workload of criminal cases brought by the Federal Government and will initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States while being Smart on Crime in order to ensure a more equitable and fair justice system.

The diverse criminal and civil workload includes cases in international and domestic terrorism; Southwest Border enforcement; Indian Country prosecution; child exploitation and obscenity; firearms and violent crime; gangs and organized crime; complex and multi-jurisdictional fraud – including health care, identity theft, public corruption, bank and investment frauds; environmental crimes; drug enforcement; and human trafficking. Additionally in FY 2017, the USA will focus criminal prosecutorial resources on financial crimes, including corporate and investment fraud, countering violent extremism; and cybercrime prosecutions. The USA will also collect both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2015, USA collected \$21.1 billion in both criminal and civil debt.

The U.S. Attorney Offices will continue their efforts to implement the first prong of the President's *Strategic Implementation Plan for Empowering Local Partners to Prevent Violent Extremism in the United States* to enhance federal engagement with and support to local communities that may be targeted by violent extremists. Also known as Countering Violent Extremism (CVE), this effort will focus on using prevention and intervention approaches as a way to minimize the risk of individuals being inspired by violent extremist ideologies, or recruited by violent extremist groups. The USAOs will partner with and assist communities in working together to build resilience and a capacity to prevent individuals, especially young people, from being inspired, recruited, and then radicalized to violence.

Financial fraud will remain a priority for the Department in FY 2017, with an increased focus on corporate fraud and holding accountable the individuals who are responsible for corporate wrongs. Ensuring there are personal consequences for individual misconduct not only promotes transparency, but also has a strong deterrent effect.

USAs manage significant amounts of information, including physical evidence, business records, interviews, expert reports, depositions, and witness information. Much of this information is now stored electronically, requiring the USA offices to substantially change their information management systems and the way they collect, process, and produce eDiscovery in their cases. The Department will continue to focus on developing and implementing protocols for handling electronically stored information and to provide specialized training on eDiscovery issues for all attorneys and support staff so they can effectively and efficiently address eDiscovery legal issues and processes.

Cybercrime is one of the greatest threats facing our country and has enormous implications for our national security, economic prosperity, and public safety. Given the growing number, scope and complexity of the cybercrime cases being presented for prosecution, the USA's cybercrime caseload is expected to continue to increase as the Department vigorously pursues those who commit offenses ranging from computer crimes, such as hacking and intrusions, to trade secret theft, identity theft and other schemes that utilize the internet and other technologies to victimize their targets.

Additionally, protection of vulnerable populations and the enforcement of civil rights remains a top priority.

FY 2017 Program Changes:

Prevention and Reentry Coordinators (Smart on Crime): \$5.0 million and 53 positions

Funding will provide 53 Prevention and Reentry Coordinators for 53 Districts. These coordinators will be fully dedicated to ensuring that each district's specific needs and challenges are being addressed so that law enforcement, the courts, and prosecutors are working hand in hand for the most equitable justice system available. Current services for this initiative are 114 positions and \$22 million.

Countering Violent Extremism: \$2.4 million and 10 positions The U.S. Attorneys play a critical role in enhancing federal engagement with and support to local communities that may be targeted by violent extremists. These resources will further develop and implement the Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) initiative by supporting the placement of Community Resilience Coordinators (CRCs) within ten United States Attorneys' offices (USAOs) that currently are participating, or will participate, in the CVE initiative. There are no current services for this program.

eDiscovery: \$19.6 million and 138 positions (24 attorneys)

The U.S. Attorneys' offices have an immediate need for resources to address the paradigm shift from paper discovery to electronic discovery in a comprehensive manner. As technology has evolved, so has the amount of electronic information that comprises the evidence in our investigations and cases. To keep pace with this change and to ensure that our federal criminal and civil cases are adequately supported, the U.S. Attorneys community must devote more personnel to collect, process, review, and produce electronic discovery (eDiscovery). This request seeks to address this core need for the U.S. Attorneys community, so that no U.S. Attorney will ever compromise a case, or decline to prosecute or bring a case, because of an inability to process, analyze, or utilize electronic information. There are no current services for this program.

U.S. Attorneys (Dollars in Thousands)

		U.S. Attorneys			
	Pos.	FTE	Amount		
2015 Appropriation	10,637	9,532	1,960,000		
2015 Balance Rescission	0	0	-9,000		
2015 Enacted with Rescissions	10,637	9,532	1,951,000		
2016 Enacted	10,731	10,016	2,000,000		
2017 Request	10,932	10,147	2,074,402		
Change 2017 from 2016 Enacted	201	131	74,402		
Technical Adjustments					
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0		
Base Adjustments					
Pay & Benefits	0	30	28,211		
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	19,131		
Total Base Adjustments	0	30	47,342		
2017 Current Services	10,731	10,046	2,047,342		
Program Changes					
Increases:					
Prevention and Reentry Coordinators (Smart on Crime)	53	27	5,000		
Countering Violent Extremism	10	5	2,426		
eDiscovery	138	69	19,634		
Subtotal, Program Increases	201	101	27,060		
Decreases:					
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0		
Total Program Changes	201	101	27,060		
2017 Request	10,932	10,147	2,074,402		

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Comparison by activity and program	20	2016 Enacted			2017 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount	
Criminal Litigation	8,176	7,623	1,485,996	8,176	7,650	1,521,947	
Civil Litigation	2,502	2,340	489,477	2,502	2,343	500,478	
Legal Education	53	53	24,527	53	53	24,917	
Total	10,731	10,016	2,000,000	10,731	10,046	2,047,342	
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,695	0	0	1,695	C	
Grand Total	10,731	11,711	2,000,000	10,731	11,741	2,047,342	

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Tota	2017 Total Program Changes			2017 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount	
Criminal Litigation	145	73	19,122	8,321	7,723	1,541,069	
Civil Litigation	56	28	7,938	2,558	2,371	508,416	
Legal Education	0	0	0	53	53	24,917	
Total	201	101	27,060	10,932	10,147	2,074,402	
Reimbursable FTE	0	18	0	0	1,713	0	
Grand Total	201	119	27,060	10,932	11,860	2,074,402	