



U.S. Attorneys (USA)

FY 2021 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2020 Enacted:	\$2,254.5 million (11,219 positions; 5,853 attorneys; 36 agents)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$82.6 million
Program Changes:	+\$41.2 million
FY 2021 Budget Request:	\$2,378.4 million (11,344 positions; 5,928 attorneys; 36 agents)
Change From FY 2020 Enacted:	+\$123.9 million (+5.5%) (+125 positions; +75 attorneys)

Mission:

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the U.S. Attorneys (USAs) 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 United States Attorneys' offices (USAOs) 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:

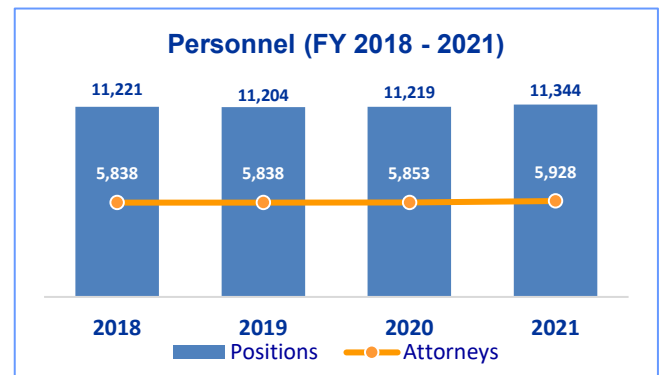
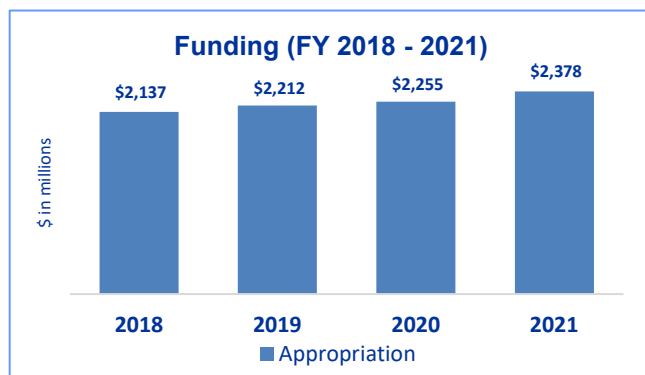
The FY 2021 budget request for USA totals \$2,378 million, which is a 5.5 percent increase over the FY 2020 Enacted.

Organization:

There are 93 USAs 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 USA is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, where a single USA serves both districts. Each USA is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. 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 USAs.

Personnel:

The USA's direct authorized positions for FY 2021 total 11,344 positions, including an increase of 125 positions over the FY 2020 Enacted of 11,219 direct authorized positions.



FY 2021 Strategy:

In FY 2021, the USAs will promote the safety of the American people by prosecuting a diverse workload of federal criminal cases and will initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States. The expansive workload includes cases involving international and domestic terrorism; targeted violence; illegal immigration; southwest border enforcement; violent crime; drug enforcement; opioid enforcement; firearms; gang prosecutions; transnational organized crime; Indian Country prosecutions; cybercrime prosecutions; human trafficking; and complex and multi-jurisdictional white collar crimes, including health care fraud, identity theft, public corruption, corporate fraud, and investment fraud. The USAs will also continue to collect both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2019 collections totaled \$9.4 billion.

Federal prosecution of crimes committed on our Nation's northern and southwestern borders is a critical part of our national security. Border-related cases span a wide range of priorities, including felony and misdemeanor immigration cases, human trafficking, alien smuggling, firearms and ammunition trafficking, document fraud, drug offenses, and significant threats from designated criminal and terrorist organizations. In combating these challenges, USAs' efforts will focus aggressively on illegal immigration and violent crime. The USAs will continue to prioritize criminal immigration prosecutions in FY 2021. Simultaneously, the USAs are defending an increasing number of civil actions brought in federal district court by immigration detainees who either are in deportation proceedings or subject to final orders of deportation.

Violent crime will remain a high priority for the U.S. Attorneys. USAs continue to address the illegal use of firearms and other acts of violence in our communities through efforts that include a multi-agency focus on reducing violent and gun-related crime in particularly hard-hit urban areas by locating individuals, organizations and gangs within specific high crime jurisdictions. USAOs, in coordination with local law enforcement, community organizations, and mental health professionals, will use information from tip lines to detect and disrupt threats that law enforcement believe may be inclined toward targeted violence. These partnerships will also create individualized threat mitigation plans to de-escalate high-risk situations. USAs will further use partnerships and available tools and resources to develop and implement strategies for eradicating violent crime.

USAs will continue to support Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) by taking a comprehensive, strategic approach to public safety to deter and punish gun and gang-related crime, thereby reducing violent crime in America. USAs will sustain vital partnerships with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecutors, and work jointly to identify and develop a coordinated plan of attack facing each district. USAs will also continue to dedicate a PSN coordinator in each district.

USAs remain committed to efforts to protect the American people from the impact of drugs and drug-related crime nationwide. Drug prosecutions will continue to be a priority, with a particular emphasis on the operations of large drug organizations. USAs will continue to conduct criminal and civil prosecutions resulting from the illegal prescription and dispensing of opioids, and to resolve complex cases involving Medicare and Medicaid fraud.

FY 2021 Program Changes:

Combatting Targeted Violence: \$22.0 million and 75 positions (50 attorneys)

Funding will be used to combat targeted violence, including supporting the Attorney General's recently announced Disruption and Early Engagement Program (DEEP), which encourages a multi-disciplinary approach to address concerning behavior and potential acts of violence. Funding will provide the USAOs with experts in threat assessment and management, including mitigation, as well as attorneys to manage the prosecution, litigation, and/or other court proceedings arising from cases associated with mass shootings, terrorism, threats, and related or potential violence. This is a new initiative

Transnational Crime Prosecutions: \$3.6 million and 15 positions (15 attorneys)

Funding will be used to hire 15 attorneys to be allocated to the USAOs to prosecute cases targeting the highest priority transnational criminal organizations impacting U.S. public safety and national security interests, specifically MS-13 and organized crime gang prosecutions. The USAOs are committed to vigorous enforcement efforts against violent transnational criminal organizations and gangs, such as MS-13, and drug trafficking organizations using all available tools, including complex and international investigations, wire and electronic interceptions, impactful prosecutions, and extraditions. FY 2021 Current Services for this initiative is \$17.4 million and 88 positions (60 attorneys).

Opioid, Drug Trafficking and Criminal Case Analytics: \$5.7 million and 25 positions (10 attorneys)

Funding will be allocated to the USAOs to combat drug addiction and reduce drug trafficking and associated violence. The request provides needed funds for litigation case analytics capabilities, translation services to enhance investigation, discovery, case development, and trial preparation for opioid and drug trafficking, and violent crime cases. This enhancement also seeks non-personnel funding for law enforcement coordination and community outreach. FY 2021 Current Services for this initiative is \$89.2 million and 510 positions (354 attorneys)

Human Trafficking: \$4.2 million and 0 positions

Funding is requested to combat human trafficking. The request will support case analytics capabilities to enhance investigation, discovery, case development, and trial preparation for the prosecution of these vile trafficking cases. The USAO's innovative efforts to identify and prosecute trafficking crimes and to serve and protect some of the nations' most vulnerable persons are key components to fight human trafficking, and working with our federal, state, local, and tribal partners in task forces enhances the efficacy and reach of the USAOs. FY 2021 Current Services for this initiative is \$10.1 million and 46 positions (39 attorneys).

Elder Justice: \$5.8 million and 10 positions

Funding will be used to promote elder justice and end dangerous practices that harm one of America's most vulnerable and growing populations. The request will support essential case analytics capabilities, enhance investigation, discovery, case development, and trial preparation for the prosecution of frauds upon elder victims. The USAOs innovative efforts to identify and prosecute crimes against the elderly and to serve and protect our elder population are key components of the Department's strategy to combat elder abuse and financial exploitation, encourage reporting abuse, and educate the public to make America safer for all. There are no current services.

U.S. Attorneys
(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S. Attorneys		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
2019 Appropriation	11,204	10,011	2,212,000
2020 Enacted	11,219	10,222	2,254,541
2021 Request	11,344	10,330	2,378,418
Change 2021 from 2020 Enacted	125	108	123,877
Technical Adjustments			
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0
Base Adjustments			
Pay & Benefits	0	0	60,521
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	22,115
Total Base Adjustments	0	0	82,636
2021 Current Services	11,219	10,222	2,337,177
Program Changes			
Increases:			
Combatting Targeted Violence	75	75	22,000
Transnational Crime Prosecutions	15	15	3,550
Opioid, Drug Trafficking and Criminal Case Analytics	25	13	5,690
Human Trafficking	0	0	4,223
Elder Justice	10	5	5,778
Subtotal, Program Increases	125	108	41,241
Decreases:			
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	125	108	41,241
2021 Request	11,344	10,330	2,378,418

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Comparison by activity and program	2020 Enacted			2021 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,619	7,700	1,691,772	8,619	7,700	1,754,478
Civil Litigation	2,547	2,469	535,769	2,547	2,469	555,094
Legal Education	53	53	27,000	53	53	27,605
Total	11,219	10,222	2,254,541	11,219	10,222	2,337,177
Reimbursable FTE		207			207	
Total Direct and Reimbursable	11,219	10,429	2,254,541	11,219	10,429	2,337,177
<i>Sub-Allotments and Direct Collections (FYI)</i>		1,668			1,673	
FTE Grand Total		12,097			12,102	

Comparison by activity and program	2021 Total Program Changes			2021 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	125	108	41,241	8,744	7,808	1,795,719
Civil Litigation	0	0	0	2,547	2,469	555,094
Legal Education	0	0	0	53	53	27,605
Total	125	108	41,241	11,344	10,330	2,378,418
Reimbursable FTE					207	
Total Direct and Reimbursable	125	108	41,241	11,344	10,537	2,378,418
<i>Sub-Allotments and Direct Collections (FYI)</i>					1,673	
FTE Grand Total		108			12,210	