



U.S. Attorneys (USA)

FY 2013 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2012 Enacted:	\$1,960 million (10,629 positions; 5,451 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$27.8 million
Program Changes:	-\$13.5 million
FY 2013 Budget Request:	\$1,974 million (10,814 positions; 5,566 attorneys)
Change From FY 2012 Enacted:	+\$14.4 million (+0.7%) (+185 positions; +115 attorneys)

Mission:

The United States Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators under the direction of the Attorney General. 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 (AGAC) and its various subcommittees. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys provides the USAs 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 2013 budget request for USA totals \$1,974 million, which is a 0.7% increase over the FY 2012 Enacted.

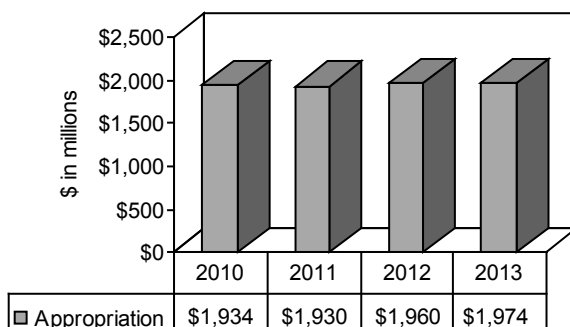
Organization:

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 Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys 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.

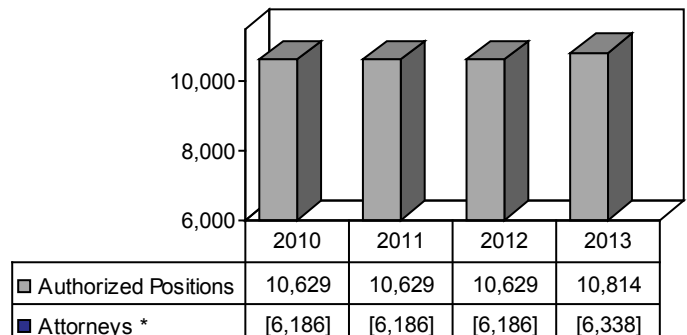
Personnel:

The USA's direct authorized positions for FY 2013 total 10,814 positions. USA's FY 2013 request includes an increase of 185 positions over the FY 2012 Enacted of 10,629 direct authorized positions.

Funding (FY 2010 - 2013)



Personnel (FY 2010 - 2013)



* Includes reimbursable attorneys

FY 2013 Strategy:

In FY 2013, the United States Attorneys will continue to investigate and prosecute the diverse workload of criminal cases brought by the Federal Government and will continue to initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States.

The diverse criminal and civil workload includes cases in international and domestic terrorism; 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, including oil spill related frauds; drug enforcement; and human trafficking. Additionally in FY 2013, the United States Attorneys will continue to focus criminal prosecutorial resources on financial crimes, including mortgage and corporate fraud, southwest border enforcement, and Indian Country prosecution efforts. Further, the United States Attorneys will continue collection efforts of both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2010, as a result of these debt collection efforts, the United States Attorneys collected a total of \$6.68 billion.

Caseload for financial fraud is expected to continue to increase in FY 2013 due to the troubled mortgage industry, investment schemes uncovered by a declining market, and the potential misuse of funds disbursed under the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) and the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA). The vigorous prosecution of serious financial fraud will provide deterrence to additional criminal activity and thereby assist the financial recovery program. Increased southwest border enforcement initiatives will require continued efforts of United States Attorneys' Offices throughout the country to enforce immigration laws and combat and deter southwest border related crime. This is especially important with regard to investigations of cross border drug trafficking and gun violence. Indian Country prosecution efforts will continue to focus on curbing the rate of violent crime, and combating illegal drug distribution and manufacturing in Indian Country.

The Administration and the Department of Justice remain committed to investigating and prosecuting financial fraud that harms the American people and the financial markets. In order to strengthen our efforts at combating this fraud, we propose a new financial and mortgage fraud enforcement initiative, which is intended to compliment ongoing efforts to root out various forms of fraud, including Healthcare Fraud, that are supported by existing direct resources and reimbursable funding.

The additional resources will also build upon the successes of the Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force that, since its inception in FY 2010, has facilitated increased investigations and prosecutions of financial fraud relating to the financial crisis and economic recovery efforts; enhanced coordination and cooperation among federal, state and local authorities responsible for investigating and prosecuting financial fraud; conducted outreach to the public, victims, financial institutions, nonprofit organizations, state and local governments and agencies, and other interested partners to enhance detection and prevention of financial fraud schemes.

FY 2013 Program Changes:

Financial and Mortgage Fraud: \$26.5 million and 190 positions (120 attorneys)

The U.S. Attorneys will expand criminal investigations and prosecutions of mortgage fraud, predatory lending, financial fraud, and market manipulation matters. These prosecutorial resources will enable the U.S. Attorney community to quickly address the increasing number of mortgage and financial fraud cases referred by the FBI for prosecution. The U.S. Attorneys will also expand civil enforcement efforts to continue to obtain recoveries from individuals and companies that have defrauded the government by violating the terms of Federal contracts, grants, loans, and subsidies. The FY 2013 current services for this initiative are 2,262 positions (1,544 attorneys) and \$274.3 million.

Program Offset - IT Savings: -\$3.3 million and 0 positions

This offset represents savings that will be generated through greater inter-component collaboration in IT contracting. Funds will be redirected to support the Department's Cyber-security and IT transformation efforts as well as other high priority requests.

Program Offset - Operational Efficiencies: -\$19.2 million and 0 positions

The United States Attorney community is continually evaluating its programs and operations with the goal of achieving across-the-board economies of scale that result in increased efficiencies and cost savings. In FY 2013, the community is focusing on areas in which savings can be achieved, which include, but are not limited to: IT services, contractual services, printing and reproduction, publications, travel, conferences, supplies, and general equipment. These unspecified operational reductions will result in an offset of \$19.2 million.

Program Offset - Overhead Reductions: -\$17.5 million and 0 positions

The United States Attorney community is continually evaluating its programs and operations with the goal of achieving efficiencies and reducing overall costs. In FY 2013, the United States Attorneys will focus on reducing overhead costs in areas which include, but are not limited to: space, telecommunications and information technology (IT) infrastructure, guard services and security investigations. These overhead reductions will result in an offset of \$17.5 million.

U.S. Attorneys
(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S. Attorneys		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
2011 Enacted	10,629	10,740	1,930,135
2012 Enacted	10,629	10,740	1,960,000
2013 Request	10,814	10,830	1,974,378
Change 2013 from 2012 Enacted	185	90	14,378
Technical Adjustments	0	0	0
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0
Adjustments to Base			
Increases:			
ATB Transfers	-5	-5	2,108
Pay & Benefits	0	0	23,611
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	2,115
Subtotal Increases:	-5	-5	27,834
Decreases:	0	0	0
Total Adjustments to Base	-5	-5	27,834
Total Adjustments to Base and Technical Adjustments	-5	-5	27,834
2013 Current Services	10,624	10,735	1,987,834
Program Changes			
Increases:			
Financial and Mortgage Fraud	190	95	26,500
Subtotal, Program Increase	190	95	26,500
Decreases:			
Program Offset - IT Savings	0	0	-3,301
Program Offset - Operational Efficiencies	0	0	-19,155
Program Offset - Overhead Reductions	0	0	-17,500
Subtotal, Program Decrease	0	0	-39,956
Total Program Changes	190	95	-13,456
2013 Request	10,814	10,830	1,974,378
Change 2013 from 2012 Enacted	185	90	14,378

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Comparison by activity and program	2012 Enacted			2013 Current Services		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,422	8,452	1,527,000	8,417	8,447	1,546,874
Civil Litigation	2,154	2,235	402,059	2,154	2,235	407,438
Legal Education	53	53	30,941	53	53	33,522
Total	10,629	10,740	1,960,000	10,624	10,735	1,987,834
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,639	0	0	1,676	0
Grand Total	10,629	12,379	1,960,000	10,624	12,411	1,987,834

Comparison by activity and program	2013 Total Program Changes			2013 Request		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	114	57	-15,960	8,531	8,504	1,530,914
Civil Litigation	76	38	2,504	2,230	2,273	409,942
Legal Education	0	0	0	53	53	33,522
Total	190	95	-13,456	10,814	10,830	1,974,378
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,676	0
Grand Total	190	95	-13,456	10,814	12,506	1,974,378