



Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

FY 2019 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2018 Continuing Resolution (S&E/HIDTA):	\$2,086.6 million (7,005 positions; 84 attorneys; 3,529 agents)
FY 2018 Continuing Resolution (DCFA):	\$392.1 million (1,652 positions; 31 attorneys; 352 agents)
Current Services Adjustments (S&E/HIDTA):	+\$313.9 million
Current Services Adjustments (DCFA):	+\$28.7 million
Program Changes (S&E/HIDTA):	+\$40.9 million
FY 2019 Budget Request (S&E/HIDTA):	\$2,441.5 million (7,063 positions; 84 attorneys; 3,600 agents)
FY 2019 Budget Request (DCFA):	\$420.7 million (1,652 positions; 31 attorneys; 352 agents)
Change From FY 2018 Continuing Resolution (S&E/HIDTA):	+\$354.8 million (+17.0%) (+58 positions; +71 agents)
Change from FY 2018 Continuing Resolution (DCFA):	+\$28.7 million (+7.3%)
Total DEA FY 2019 Budget Resources:	\$2,862.2 million (+15.5%)

Mission:

DEA's mission is to enforce the controlled substances laws and regulations of the United States and bring to the criminal and civil justice system of the United States, or any other competent jurisdiction, those organizations and principal members of organizations involved in the growing, manufacture, or distribution of controlled substances appearing in or destined for illicit traffic in the United States; and to recommend and support non-enforcement programs aimed at reducing the availability of illicit controlled substances on the domestic and international markets.

Resources:

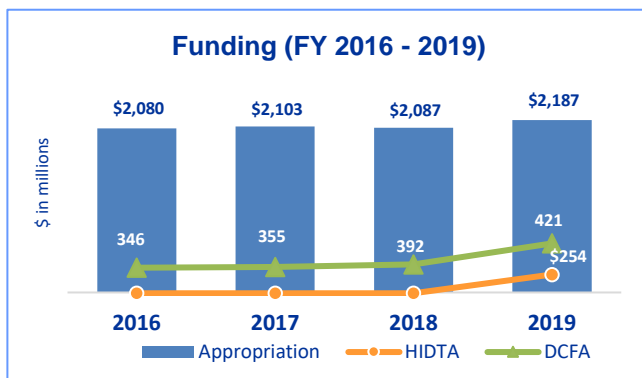
The FY 2019 budget request for DEA S&E and HIDTA totals \$2,441 million, which is a 17.0% increase over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution. The FY 2019 budget request for DCFA totals \$421 million, which is a 7.3% increase over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution. The FY 2019 budget request for all DEA resources totals \$2,862 million, which is a 15.5% increase over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution.

Organization:

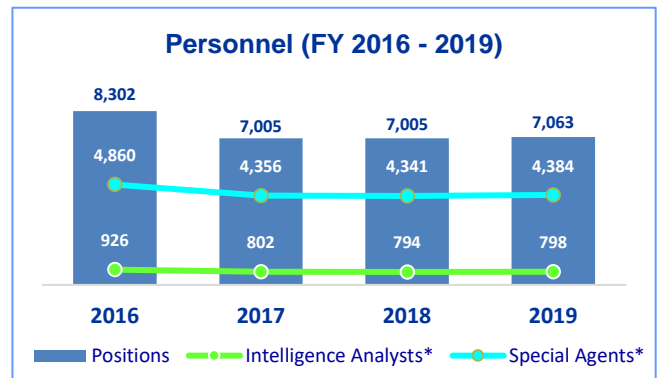
DEA is headed by an Administrator and Deputy Administrator who are both appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. DEA operates 222 Domestic Offices, organized into 22 Domestic Field Divisions. DEA also operates 91 foreign offices in 70 countries.

Personnel:

DEA's direct S&E positions for FY 2019 total 7,063 positions. DEA's FY 2019 S&E request includes an increase of 58 positions over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution of 7,005 direct positions. DEA's Diversion Control positions for FY 2019 total 1,652 positions.



* FY 2018 annualized CR. DEA to receive HIDTA funds in FY19. FY17 and FY18 HIDTA funds were in ONDCP's budget.



* Includes Direct and Reimbursable SAs and IAs funded from S&E. DCFA totals are excluded.

FY 2019 Strategy:

DEA continues to prioritize its resources to disrupt and dismantle the “most wanted” drug trafficking and money laundering organizations believed to be primarily responsible for the nation’s illicit drug supply. This includes the Consolidated Priority Organization Targets (CPOTs) identified by DOJ, plus other Priority Target Organizations (PTOs) identified by DEA. DEA’s enforcement strategy targets the most significant drug trafficking organizations operating in the United States, which today are Mexican transnational criminal organizations (TCOs). DEA also places a high priority on its efforts to prevent drug proceeds from ending up in the hands of terrorist organizations.

DEA’s Threat Enforcement Planning Process (TEPP) utilizes data analysis to maximize the allocation of resources and personnel against DEA-wide National Level Threats. A result of DEA’s investment in data analytic decision making resulted in the creation of the Louisville Field Division to focus more resources in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Tennessee to combat the opioid epidemic.

Information sharing will continue to play an important role in DEA’s enforcement efforts in FY 2019, as will large-scale, multi-agency enforcement operations. The Special Operations Division (SOD) is the backbone of DEA’s investigative coordination efforts through its support of multi-jurisdiction, multi-nation, and multi-agency wire intercept investigations.

Internationally, DEA’s global footprint includes 91 offices in 70 countries. Under the guidance of the Secretary of State and US Ambassadors, DEA is the US government’s single point of contact for coordinating international drug and chemical investigations. DEA conducts bilateral counter-drug investigations, gathers and analyzes intelligence, and trains host nation law enforcement counterparts.

DEA’s Diversion Control Program (DCP) is tasked with preventing, detecting, and investigating the diversion of controlled substances and listed chemicals. Through the DCP, DEA regulates more than 1.73 million registrants who handle, dispense, or prescribe controlled substances or listed chemicals (e.g., manufacturers, distributors, practitioners, researchers, importers, and exporters). DEA’s Tactical Diversion Squads (TDS) are dedicated to investigating, disrupting, and dismantling individuals and organizations involved in drug diversion schemes. They combine the expertise of diversion investigators, special agents, and task force officers from various state and local law enforcement and regulatory agencies.

DEA’s 360 Strategy responds to the heroin and prescription opioid pill crisis through a three-pronged approach: 1) coordinated law enforcement actions against cartels and heroin traffickers; 2) diversion control enforcement actions against DEA registrants operating outside the law; and, 3) community outreach through local partnerships to empower communities to take back affected neighborhoods. The goal of the 360 Strategy is to break the cycle of violence and addiction generated by the link between drug cartels, violent gangs, and the growing opioid epidemic. Initially deployed to 4 cities in FY 2016, DEA has expanded the program to include a total of 8 pilot cities as of the end of FY 2017.

FY 2019 Program Changes:

Salaries and Expenses

DEA’s FY 2019 budget proposal provides for current services, which includes the FY 2018 President’s Budget request of \$30.0 million to support DEA’s heroin enforcement efforts (\$8.5 million), to fund programs directed at Transnational Organized Crime (\$6.5 million), and to support DEA’s involvement in the Attorney General’s Violent and Gun-Related Crime Reduction Task Force (\$6.0 million). These increases will allow DEA to continue its efforts against the most significant drug traffickers and the associated violence threatening American communities.

Combating the Opioid Crisis: \$40.5 million and 145 positions (106 agents)

This enhancement supports 145 positions (106 agents): 90 positions (56 Agents) to create eight new heroin enforcement groups dedicated to counteracting the growing opioid epidemic, and 50 positions (50 agents) to target the Transnational Criminal Organizations that are responsible for the drug supply in the United States. Funding is also included for the Fentanyl Signature Profiling Program (5 positions), and health and safety equipment for DEA Agents.

Combating TCOs: \$400,000 and 0 positions

This enhancement supports DEA’s flagship Sensitive Investigative Unit (SIU) Program to combat highly sophisticated TCOs known for supplying illicit substances to distributors and users in the U.S. The requested resources will expand the program in El Salvador.

FY 2019 Restructuring Initiatives:

Administrative Savings/HQ: -\$5.8 million and -34 positions
The Department of Justice proposes to reduce its headquarters positions for the Drug Enforcement Administration to refocus positions toward field operations.

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs

The FY 2019 President’s Budget transfers the HIDTA Program from the Office of National Drug Control Policy to DEA for the purpose of facilitating coordination of the Program with other drug enforcement assets. The FY 2019 request includes \$254 million for the Program. DEA currently participates in and coordinates with the various HIDTAs. Transferring the administration of the program will allow HIDTA resources to be focused on combating drug trafficking in areas where the threat is the greatest and where there is a coordinated law enforcement presence. There are currently 28 HIDTAs located in 49 states, as well as in Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia.

DIVERSION CONTROL FEE ACCOUNT (DCFA)

DEA’s FY 2019 budget proposal for the Diversion Control Program (DCP) includes the FY 2018 President’s Budget request of \$31.9 million and 55 additional positions (10 Agents) to support DEA’s Tactical Diversion Squads and Diversion Groups (55 positions, 10 Agents), and opioid enforcement efforts including DEA’s 360 Strategy.

No program changes are requested for FY 2019.

Drug Enforcement Administration

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Drug Enforcement Administration - S&E			High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs			DEA-Diversion Control Fee			Total		
	Pos	FTE	Amount	Pos	FTE	Amount	Pos	FTE	Amount	Pos	FTE	Amount
2017 Appropriation	7,005	6,339	2,102,976	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,472	354,964	7,005	7,811	2,457,940
2017 Balance Rescission	0	0	-12,092	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-12,092
2017 Enacted with Rescissions	7,005	6,339	2,090,884	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,472	354,964	7,005	7,811	2,445,848
2018 Continuing Resolution	7,005	6,339	2,086,617	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,511	419,574	7,005	7,850	2,506,191
2018 Sequester Cut	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-27,523	0	0	-27,523
2018 Continuing Resolution with Rescissions	7,005	6,339	2,086,617	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,511	392,051	7,005	7,850	2,478,668
2019 Request	7,063	6,404	2,187,459	0	0	254,000	[1,652]	1,537	420,703	7,063	7,941	2,862,162
Change 2019 from 2018 Continuing Resolution	58	65	100,842	0	0	254,000	0	26	28,652	58	91	383,494
Technical Adjustments												
CR Base Adjustment	-53	0	77,434	0	0	0	0	0	0	-53	0	77,434
Restoration of 2018 Sequester - DCFA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27,523	0	0	27,523
Total Technical Adjustments	-53	0	77,434	0	0	0	0	0	27,523	-53	0	104,957
Base Adjustments												
Pay & Benefits	0	26	12,319	0	0	0	0	26	7,121	0	52	19,440
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	-28,100	0	0	0	0	0	-5,911	0	0	-34,011
Other Adjustments, including Administrative/HQ Savings	-34	-34	7,164	0	0	0	0	0	8	-34	-34	7,172
Foreign Expenses	0	0	-7,655	0	0	0	0	0	-89	0	0	-7,744
Non-Personnel Related Annualizations	0	0	-1,234	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1,234
ATB Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	254,000	0	0	0	0	0	254,000
Total Base Adjustments	-34	-8	-17,506	0	0	254,000	0	26	1,129	-34	18	237,623
2019 Current Services	6,918	6,331	2,146,545	0	0	254,000	[1,652]	1,537	420,703	6,918	7,868	2,821,248
Program Changes												
Increases:												
Combating the Opioid Crisis	145	73	40,514	0	0	0	0	0	0	145	73	40,514
Combating TCOs	0	0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Subtotal, Program Increases	145	73	40,914	0	0	0	0	0	0	145	73	40,914
Decreases:												
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	145	73	40,914	0	0	0	0	0	0	145	73	40,914
2019 Request	7,063	6,404	2,187,459	0	0	254,000	[1,652]	1,537	420,703	7,063	7,941	2,862,162

Drug Enforcement Administration - S&E

(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Continuing Resolution			2019 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
International Enforcement	929	862	445,151	925	858	452,427
Domestic Enforcement	6,050	5,452	1,627,776	5,967	5,448	1,679,070
State and Local Assistance	26	25	13,690	26	25	14,948
Total	7,005	6,339	2,086,617	6,918	6,331	2,146,445
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,046	0	0	1,024	0
Grand Total	7,005	7,385	2,086,617	6,918	7,355	2,146,445

Comparison by activity and program	2019 Total Program Changes			2019 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
International Enforcement	0	0	400	925	858	453,927
Domestic Enforcement	145	73	40,514	6,112	5,521	1,719,584
State and Local Assistance	0	0	0	26	25	13,948
Total	145	73	40,914	7,063	6,404	2,187,459
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,024	0
Grand Total	145	73	40,914	7,063	7,428	2,187,459

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs*

(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Continuing Resolution			2019 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs	0	0	0	0	0	254,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	254,000
Grand Total	0	0	0	0	0	254,000

Comparison by activity and program	2019 Total Program Changes			2019 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs	0	0	0	0	0	254,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	254,000
Grand Total	0	0	0	0	0	254,000

*Funds for High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Programs were requested in the Office of National Drug Control Policy in FY 2018.

DEA-Diversion Control Fee
(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Continuing Resolution			2019 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
DEA - Diversion Control	[1,652]	1,511	392,051	[1,652]	1,537	420,703
Total	[1,652]	1,511	392,051	[1,652]	1,537	420,703
Grand Total	[1,652]	1,511	392,051	[1,652]	1,537	420,703

Comparison by activity and program	2019 Total Program Changes			2019 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
DEA - Diversion Control	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,537	420,703
Total	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,537	420,703
Grand Total	0	0	0	[1,652]	1,537	420,703