U.S. Attorneys (USA)



FY 2023	Budget Request At A Glance
FY 2022 President's Budget:	\$2,539.2 million (11,534 positions; 6,013 attorneys; 36 agents)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$74.6 million
Program Changes:	+\$158.5 million
FY 2023 Budget Request:	\$2,772.4 million (12,397 positions; 6,610 attorneys; 36 agents)
Change From FY 2022 President's Budget:	+\$233.1 million (+9.2%) (+863 positions; +597 attorneys)

Mission:

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the U.S. Attorneys (USAs) serve as the Nation's principal law enforcement 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:

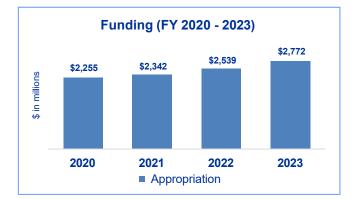
The FY 2023 budget request for USA totals \$2,772 million, which is a 9.2 percent increase over the FY 2022 President's Budget and a 14.6 percent increase over the FY 2022 Enacted.

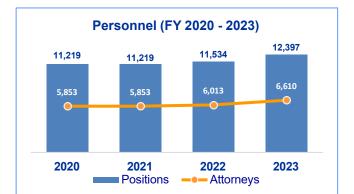
Organization:

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, except for Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, where a single USA serves both districts. Each USA is the chief Federal law enforcement officer within their 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 USAs.

Personnel:

The USA's requested direct authorized positions for FY 2023 total 12,712 positions, including an increase of 1,178 positions over the FY 2022 President's Budget of 11,534 direct authorized positions.





FY 2023 Strategy:

In FY 2023, 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 violent crime, international and domestic terrorism; civil rights enforcement; cybercrime prosecutions and cybersecurity; Indian Country prosecutions; complex and multi-jurisdictional white collar- crimes, including health care fraud, identity theft, public corruption, corporate fraud, and investment fraud; illegal immigration; southwest border enforcement; drua enforcement; opioid enforcement; firearms; gang prosecutions; transnational organized crime; and human trafficking. The USAs will also continue to collect both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2021, collections totaled \$6.96 billion.

For many years, the USAs have made violent crime prosecutions the largest category of criminal cases handled in their offices, and they will expand those efforts. Domestic Terrorism poses one of the most significant threats to our Nation. The USAOs, and numerous components across the Department, play a critical role in identifying, disrupting, and holding accountable domestic extremists who engage in criminal conduct. Furthermore, the USAOs will enhance efforts to support and address violent crime across Indian Country.

The USA's will continue to combat the growing threat posed by cybercrime and secure critical information assets. The USAOs continue to prosecute the growing number of cybercrime cases; monitor software vulnerabilities; strengthen cybersecurity tools and techniques; and expand the reach of the Department's cybercrime efforts through training and outreach; and to safeguard the data, systems, and networks essential for the United States Attorneys to meet their mission.

The USAs will continue to make civil and criminal civil rights enforcement a priority and ensure that our most vulnerable populations are protected by enforcing a broad range of civil rights enforcement issues including, but not limited to, hate crimes; human trafficking; disability rights, veterans' rights employment discrimination; civil rights of institutionalized persons; and voting rights and election cases.

The USAOs' efforts continue to achieve tremendous results in combating white-collar fraud and protecting public rights and interests. The USAs expect the workload to rise dramatically in the coming years because of fraud associated with the COVID- 19 pandemic and the unprecedented government spending for pandemic relief.

The USAs remain committed to efforts to protect the American people from the impact of drugs and drug-related crime, including opioids, nationwide. Drug prosecutions will continue to be a priority, with a particular emphasis on the operations of large drug organizations.

Federal prosecution of all types of crimes committed on our Nation's northern and southwestern borders is a critical part of our national security, and the USAs will continue to prioritize casework in this area. Border-related cases span a wide range of priorities, including felony and misdemeanor immigration cases, human trafficking, alien smuggling, illegal firearms trafficking, document fraud, drug offenses, and significant threats from designated criminal and terrorist organizations.

FY 2023 Program Changes:

Violent Crime Prosecutions: \$31.7 million and 244 positions (157 attorneys)

Funding will be used to address violent crime and illegally trafficked firearms prosecutions in high-crime-area USAOs, and to target the worst criminal organizations and drug traffickers. The USAOs need the requested resources to target the sources of increased crime and to build upon cooperative efforts with law enforcement agencies and regional partners in combatting violent crime and implementing the Department's violent crime reduction strategy. Current services for this initiative are \$130.3 million and 738 positions (446 attorneys).

Capitol Prosecutions: \$34.1 million and 130 positions (80 attorneys)

Funding will be used to address caseloads resulting from the January 6, 2021, insurrection that disrupted a Joint Session of the U.S. Congress. The prosecution efforts, which are being led by the USAO for the District of Columbia (DC), remain ongoing. In response to that attack, the USAO-DC has undertaken an extraordinary effort to hold accountable those who engaged in criminal acts that day and is committed to using every appropriate tool to punish those criminal acts. The funding and positions will non-recur in the future. The U.S. Attorneys estimates temporary spending for this initiative is \$15.0 million and 68 positions (38 attorneys).

Indian Country and *MvO* **Prosecutions:** \$40.4 million and 312 positions (199 attorneys)

Permanent resources will be used to address key prosecutorial needs throughout Indian Country. Several tribal areas are experiencing increased hardships such as in Oklahoma following the Supreme Court's decision on *McGirt v*. *Oklahoma (MvO)*, which has led to an unprecedented surge in caseloads. These resources will provide support to focus on the surge in cases resulting from the *MvO* decision as well as to combat violent crime and other criminal acts outside of Oklahoma across Indian Country lands. There are no current services for this initiative. FY 2022 funding was one-time funding that is non-recurred.

Cyber Initiative: \$15.3 million and 50 positions (50 attorneys) Funding will be used to counter the growing threat posed by cybercrime.The increased positions will support pursuit of actors behind rising malicious activities such as illegal interception of data, compromises of network integrity, and infringement on intellectual property.

The request will also provide essential training on cybercrime and digital evidence for all criminal prosecutors. In addition, this request seeks cybersecurity resources that will support information technology infrastructure, applications, and the defense of data necessary to ensure that the USAO community can achieve its litigation mission. Current services are approximately \$64.2 million and 242 positions (193 attorneys).

eLitigation Modernization: \$26.8 million and 52 positions (51 attorneys)

Funding will be used to enhance the USAs' eLitigation practice through an integrated approach for the 21st Century, focused on three key areas: people, processes, and technology. This stride forward for the USAO community encompasses reinforcing employee skills, training, and associated best practices, as well as the technology-based tools necessary to handle the identification, collection, processing, review, analysis, and presentation of evidence. Current services are \$66.7 million and 275 positions (6 attorneys). **Civil Rights Initiative:** \$8.2 million and 60 positions (60 attorneys)

Funding will be used to provide dedicated civil rights positions in select USAOs. This will enable the USAOs to focus their efforts on civil and criminal enforcement of hate crimes, and undertaking more complicated trafficking cases, as prosecutors will not be required to split their time with other criminal dockets. Funds will also support outreach with Federal, State, and local partners on these matters. Current services are approximately \$34.3 million and 142 positions (118 attorneys).

White Collar Crime Investigations: \$2.0 million and 15 positions

Funding will be used to investigate all forms of criminal whitecollar crimes by ensuring that the USAOs are equipped with positions to adequately examine and analyze the varying forms of white-collar crimes. These crimes are characterized by deceit, concealment, or violation of trust and are not dependent on the application or threat of physical force or violence. Current services for fraud related activities are approximately \$248.3 million and 1,328 positions (903 attorneys).

U.S. Attorneys

(Dollars	in	Thousands)
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	U.S. Attorneys				
	Pos	FTE	Amount		
2021 Appropriation	11,219	10,222	2,342,177		
2022 Continuing Resolution	11,219	10,222	2,342,177		
Expected Change from FY 2022 CR	315	159	197,071		
2022 President's Budget	11,534	10,381	2,539,248		
2023 Request	12,397	11,034	2,772,350		
Change 2023 from 2022 President's Budget	863	653	233,102		
Technical Adjustments					
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0		
Base Adjustments					
Pay & Benefits	0	156	76,972		
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	4,807		
Other Adjustments	0	0	622		
Non-Personnel Related Annualizations	0	0	-7,772		
Total Base Adjustments	0	156	74,629		
2023 Current Services	11,534	10,537	2,613,877		
Program Changes					
Increases:					
Violent Crime Prosecutions	244	122	31,700		
Capitol Prosecutions	130	130	34,144		
Indian Country and MvO Prosecutions	312	156	40,400		
Cyber Initiative	50	25	15,267		
eLitigation Modernization	52	26	26,795		
Civil Rights Initiative	60	30	8,167		
White Collar Crime Investigations	15	8	2,000		
Subtotal, Program Increases	863	497	158,473		
Decreases:					
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	C		
Total Program Changes	863	497	158,473		
2023 Request	12,397	11,034	2,772,350		

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Comparison by activity and program	2022 President's Budget			2023 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,848	7,827	1,915,292	8,848	7,929	1,959,452
Civil Litigation	2,633	2,501	594,639	2,633	2,555	622,968
Legal Education	53	53	29,317	53	53	31,457
Total	11,534	10,381	2,539,248	11,534	10,537	2,613,87
Reimbursable FTE		216			216	
Total Direct and Reimbursable	11,534	10,597	2,539,248	11,534	10,753	2,613,877
Sub-Allotments and Direct Collections (FYI)		1,593			1,593	
FTE Grand Total		12,190			12,346	

	2023 Total Program Changes			2023 Request		
Comparison by activity and program	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	798	465	140,472	9,646	8,394	2,099,924
Civil Litigation	65	32	16,154	2,698	2,587	639,122
Legal Education	0	0	1,847	53	53	33,304
Total	863	497	158,473	12,397	11,034	2,772,350
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	216	(
Total Direct and Reimbursable	863	497	158,473	12,397	11,250	2,772,350
Sub-Allotments and Direct Collections (FYI)		-78			1,515	
FTE Grand Total		419			12,765	