



Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

FY 2018 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	\$2,087.0 million (8,302 positions; 99 attorneys; 4,033 agents)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$56.1 million
Program Changes:	+\$21.0 million
FY 2018 Budget Request:	\$2,164.1 million (6,952 positions; 84 attorneys; 3,494 agents)
Change From FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	+\$77.0 million (+3.7%) (-1,350 positions; -15 attorneys, -539 agents)

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 2018 budget request for DEA totals \$2,164 million, which is a 3.7% increase over the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution.

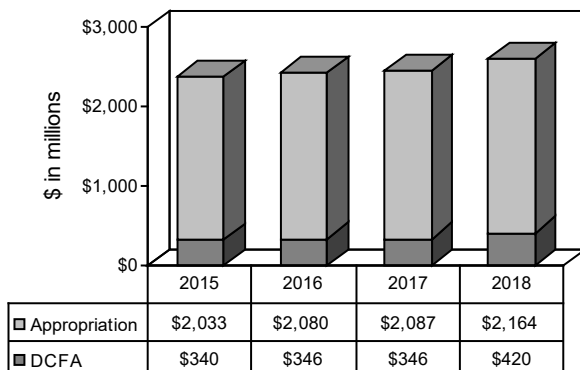
Organization:

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 221 Domestic Offices, organized into 21 Domestic Field Divisions. DEA also operates 90 foreign offices in 69 countries.

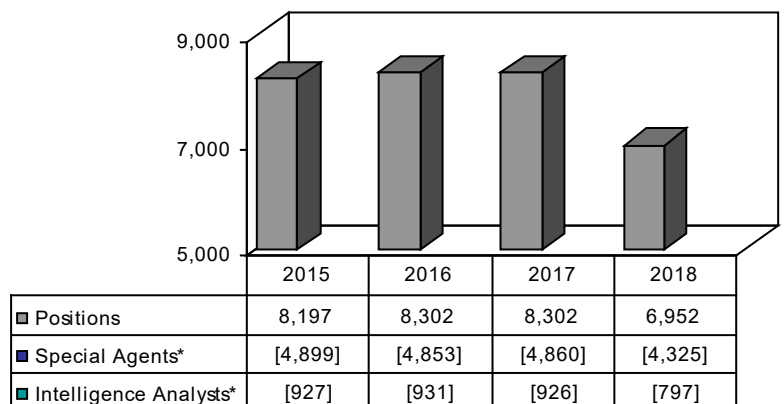
Personnel:

The DEA's direct positions for FY 2018 total 6,952 positions. DEA's FY 2018 request includes a decrease of -1,350 positions from the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution of 8,302 direct positions.

Funding (FY 2015 - 2018)



Personnel (FY 2015 - 2018)



* Includes Direct and Reimbursable SAs and IAs funded from S&E. Previous submissions included DCFA totals as well.

FY 2018 Strategy:

Over the past 10 years, the drug landscape has shifted, with United States now facing an opioid epidemic driven by the non-medical use of controlled prescription drugs, illicit fentanyl, and heroin. Drug overdoses are the leading cause of injury-related death in the United States, eclipsing deaths from motor vehicle crashes or firearms. There were more than 52,000 overdose deaths in CY 2015, approximately 144 per day, more than half of which involved a prescription opioid or heroin.

DEA recognizes law enforcement action alone is not enough and has rolled out its 360 Strategy in response to the crisis. This initiative involves coordinated law enforcement, diversion control, and community outreach efforts to tackle the cycle of violence and addiction generated by the link between drug cartels, violent gangs, and the growing problem of prescription opioid and heroin abuse.

DEA combats the Transnational Criminal Organizations (TCOs) that supply drugs, control distribution networks, launder drug profits, and fuel violent crime inside the United States. This includes the Consolidated Organizational Priority Targets (CPOTs) identified by DOJ, plus other Priority Target Organizations (PTOs) identified by DEA. DEA places special emphasis on Mexican criminal organizations because they control the smuggling of drugs along our Southwest Border. Out of the 37 current CPOTs, 24 are Mexican.

DEA has the largest foreign presence of any US federal law enforcement agency with nearly 800 personnel assigned to 90 offices in 69 countries. Assigned personnel collaborate daily with host nations and federal law enforcement counterparts while conducting investigations, offering training seminars, and sharing valuable intelligence.

Intelligence sharing, de-confliction, and cooperation between federal, state, and local law enforcement and DEA's Special Operations Division (SOD) is the backbone of DEA's coordination efforts, supporting multi-jurisdiction, multi-nation, and multi-agency wire intercept investigations that attack the command-and-control communications of drug trafficking organizations. DEA also works closely with State and local partners in carrying out its mission. Task forces act as an extension of DEA's traditional enforcement groups, targeting high level TCOs and the gangs linked to them who perpetrate violence in our communities. In FY 2016, over 2,500 state and local task force officers (TFOs) participated in 279 DEA-led task forces.

DEA's Diversion Control Division (DC) is tasked with preventing, detecting, and investigating the diversion of controlled substances and listed chemicals. Through the DC, DEA regulates more than 1.6 million registrants who handle, dispense, or prescribe controlled substances or listed chemicals. The number of registrants grows at an average rate of nearly three percent per year. 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 had 77 fully operational TDS groups throughout the US at the end of FY 2016.

FY 2018 Program Changes:

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Heroin Enforcement: \$8.5 million and 0 positions

Resources will be used in support of coordinated Law Enforcement actions that aim to sever the ties between cartels and the violent gangs which supply deadly opioids to our communities. Requested funding would provide support to expand DEA's 360 Strategy and would provide additional operational funding for DEA enforcement groups focused on targeting the heroin epidemic. Between 2010 and 2016, DEA has opened more than 12,900 investigations related to heroin. As a result of these aggressive enforcement efforts, the amount of heroin seized in the United States has increased by more than 100 percent between 2010 and 2016.

Transnational Organized Crime: \$6.5 million and 0 positions

Resources for investigative activities focusing on the TCOs that are responsible for large quantities of drugs such as heroin to arriving in U.S. cities. DEA will enhance Sensitive Investigative Units (SIU) in key overseas locations to target TCOs and would expand the foreign intercept program. FY 2018 current services for the SIU program are \$20.6 million.

Violent and Gun-Related Crime Reduction Task Force: \$6.0 million and 0 positions

DEA requests \$6.0 million to support the President's February 9, 2017 Executive Order "Task Force on Crime Reduction and Public Safety". The Task Force was created by the Attorney General on February 28, 2017. Requested resources will support the implementation of recommendations from the Task Force.

DIVERSION CONTROL FEE ACCOUNT (DCFA)

Diversion Investigators and Tactical Diversion Squads: \$9.4 million and 0 positions

Resources will support the disruption and dismantlement of the individuals and organizations responsible for the illicit manufacture and distribution of pharmaceutical controlled substances in violation of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and would provide support for outreach to the growing registrant population. FY 2018 current services for this program are 1,597 positions and \$388 million.

Opioid Enhancement: Training, Enforcement, and Drug Disposal: \$20.0 million and 0 positions

Resources will be used in support of actions against individuals and organizations operating outside the law. Additionally, long-term education and training engagements with pharmaceutical drug manufacturers, wholesalers, pharmacies, and practitioners will be conducted and additional support for prescription drug take back events would be provided.

SAUSA Pilot Program: \$2.5 million and 0 positions

Funds for this initiative will initiate a pilot program that would hire and pay Special Assistant United States Attorneys (SAUSA) in "hot spots" around the country to provide prosecutorial support to federal criminal and civil diversion investigations. The requested resources would ensure that criminal and related civil cases associated with the Diversion Control Fee Account (DCFA) are prosecuted in a timely manner.

Drug Enforcement Administration

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Drug Enforcement Administration - S&E			DEA-Diversion Control Fee			Total		
	Pos	FTE	Amount	Pos	FTE	Amount	Pos	FTE	Amount
2016 Appropriation	8,302	6,467	2,080,000	[1,497]	1,343	371,514	8,302	7,810	2,451,514
2016 Sequester Cut	0	0	0	0	0	-25,024	0	0	-25,024
2016 Enacted with Rescissions	8,302	6,467	2,080,000	[1,497]	1,343	346,490	8,302	7,810	2,426,490
2017 Continuing Resolution	8,302	6,587	2,091,000	[1,597]	1,456	373,788	8,302	8,043	2,464,788
2017 Rescission - 0.1901%	0	0	-3,975	0	0	0	0	0	-3,975
2017 Sequester Cut	0	0	0	0	0	-27,452	0	0	-27,452
2017 Continuing Resolution with Rescissions	8,302	6,587	2,087,025	[1,597]	1,456	346,336	8,302	8,043	2,433,361
2018 Request	6,952	6,587	2,164,051	[1,652]	1,495	419,574	6,952	8,082	2,583,625
Change 2018 from 2017 Continuing Resolution	-1,350	0	77,026	55	39	73,238	-1,295	39	150,264
Technical Adjustments									
Technical Adjustment - COPS Transfer	0	0	-10,979	0	0	0	0	0	-10,979
Restoration of 2017 Sequester	0	0	0	0	0	27,452	0	0	27,452
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	-10,979	0	0	27,452	0	0	16,473
Base Adjustments									
Pay & Benefits	-1,350	0	27,668	0	0	5,593	-1,350	0	33,261
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	46,537	0	0	8,108	0	0	54,645
Other Adjustments	0	0	2,728	0	0	355	0	0	3,083
Foreign Expenses	0	0	-9,893	0	0	-136	0	0	-10,029
Total Base Adjustments	-1,350	0	67,040	0	0	13,920	-1,350	0	80,960
2018 Current Services	6,952	6,587	2,143,086	[1,597]	1,456	387,708	6,952	8,043	2,530,794
Program Changes									
Increases:									
Heroin Enforcement	0	0	8,500	0	0	0	0	0	8,500
Transnational Organized Crime	0	0	6,500	0	0	0	0	0	6,500
Violent and Gun-Related Crime Reduction Task Force	0	0	5,965	0	0	0	0	0	5,965
Diversion Investigators and Tactical Diversion Squads	0	0	0	[55]	29	9,414	[55]	29	9,414
Opioid Enhancement: Training, Enforcement, and Drug Disposal	0	0	0	0	0	20,000	0	0	20,000
SAUSA Pilot Program	0	0	0	0	10	2,452	0	10	2,452
Subtotal, Program Increases	0	0	20,965	[55]	39	31,866	[55]	39	52,831
Decreases:									
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	0	0	20,965	[55]	39	31,866	[55]	39	52,831
2018 Request	6,952	6,587	2,164,051	[1,652]	1,495	419,574	6,952	8,082	2,583,625

Drug Enforcement Administration - S&E
(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Continuing Resolution			2018 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
International Enforcement	1,074	934	464,066	929	934	531,079
Domestic Enforcement	7,202	5,631	1,608,444	5,997	5,631	1,608,392
State and Local Assistance	26	22	14,515	26	22	3,615
Total	8,302	6,587	2,087,025	6,952	6,587	2,143,086
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,127	0	0	1,127	0
Grand Total	8,302	7,714	2,087,025	6,952	7,714	2,143,086

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Total Program Changes			2018 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
International Enforcement	0	0	6,500	929	934	537,579
Domestic Enforcement	0	0	14,465	5,997	5,631	1,622,857
State and Local Assistance	0	0	0	26	22	3,615
Total	0	0	20,965	6,952	6,587	2,164,051
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,127	0
Grand Total	0	0	20,965	6,952	7,714	2,164,051

DEA-Diversion Control Fee
(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Continuing Resolution			2018 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
DEA - Diversion Control	1,597	1,456	346,336	1,597	1,456	387,708
Total	1,597	1,456	346,336	1,597	1,456	387,708

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Total Program Changes			2018 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
DEA - Diversion Control	55	39	31,866	1,652	1,495	419,574
Total	55	39	31,866	1,652	1,495	419,574