

A NEW ERA OF RESPONSIBILITY: RENEWING AMERICA'S PROMISE

The U.S. Department of Justice 2010 Budget

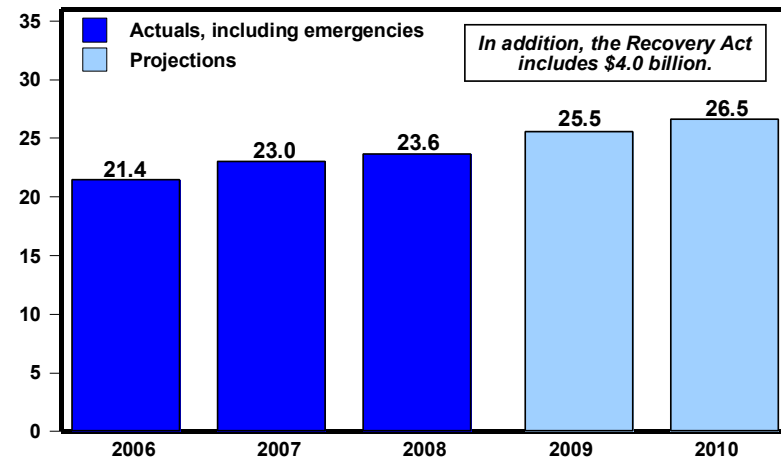
“The teenagers and college students who left their homes to march in the streets of Birmingham and Montgomery; the mothers who walked instead of taking the bus after a long day of doing somebody else’s laundry and cleaning somebody else’s kitchen -- they didn’t brave fire hoses and Billy clubs so that their grandchildren and their great-grandchildren would still wonder at the beginning of the 21st century whether their vote would be counted; whether their civil rights would be protected by their government; whether justice would be equal and opportunity would be theirs...We have more work to do.”

-- *President Barack Obama*

The President’s Fiscal Year 2010 Budget includes \$26.5 billion for the Department of Justice. The budget addresses the President’s and the Attorney General’s key priorities, including those for National Security and crime-fighting programs in the FBI and other Justice Department components. In light of the financial crisis, this funding provides resources for additional FBI agents to investigate mortgage fraud and white collar crime, and for added federal prosecutors, civil litigators, and bankruptcy attorneys. The budget funds the COPS hiring program to begin hiring 50,000 more police, ensures that prison and detention programs are adequately funded to include prisoner re-entry programs, reinvigorates federal civil rights enforcement, and increases border security.

Department of Justice

Discretionary budget authority in billions of dollars



Note: Agency totals do not include enacted or proposed rescissions from the Asset Forfeiture or Crime Victims Funds.

The U.S. Department of Justice Budget Highlights

NATIONAL SECURITY

Counters the threat of Terrorism and strengthens National Security. The Budget provides \$8 billion for the FBI, including \$425 million in enhancements and \$88 million for the National Security Division, to address the President's highest priority to ensure the American people are protected from terrorist acts. Funding supports the detection and disruption of terrorist, counterintelligence, cyber, and all other threats against our National Security.

LAW AND CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT

Provides funding for 50,000 more cops on the beat. The Budget includes funding to begin hiring 50,000 additional police officers. Supporting the hiring of police nationwide will help states and communities prevent the growth of crime during the economic downturn.

Supports Federal detention and incarceration programs. The Budget provides \$6 billion for the Bureau of Prisons and \$1.4 billion for the Office of the Detention Trustee to ensure that sentenced criminals and detainees are housed in facilities that are safe, humane, cost-efficient, and appropriately secure.

Expands prisoner reentry programs: The Budget includes \$109 million for prisoner reentry programs, including an additional \$75 million to expand programs authorized by the Second Chance Act which provide counseling, job training, drug treatment, and other transitional assistance to former prisoners.

Reinvigorates federal civil rights enforcement. The Budget includes \$145 million, for the Civil Rights Division to strengthen civil rights enforcement against racial, ethnic, sexual orientation, religious, and gender discrimination.

FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT

Combats financial fraud. The Budget provides resources for additional FBI agents to investigate mortgage fraud and white-collar crime and for additional federal prosecutors, civil litigators and bankruptcy attorneys to protect investors, the market, the federal government's investment of resources in the financial crisis, and the American public.

SECURE BORDERS

Strengthens immigration enforcement and border security. The Budget includes additional funds for a comprehensive approach to enforcement along our borders that combines law enforcement and prosecutorial component efforts to investigate arrest, detain, and prosecute illegal immigrants and other criminals. The initiative also enhances the Department's ability to track fugitives from justice and combat gunrunners and illegal drug traffickers.