



# National Security Division (NSD)

FY 2024 Budget Request At A Glance	
FY 2023 Enacted:	\$133.5 million (434 positions; 292 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$2.5 million
Program Changes:	+\$8.8 million
FY 2024 Budget Request:	\$144.8 million (456 positions; 308 attorneys)
Change From FY 2023 Enacted:	+\$11.3 million (+8.4%) (+22 positions; +16 attorneys)

### Mission:

The National Security Division (NSD) works to enhance national security and counter the threat of terrorism and directly supports one of the Department of Justice’s (DOJ) top strategic priorities, Keeping our Country Safe. The NSD consolidates within a single Division, the Department’s primary national security elements outside of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This organizational structure strengthens the effectiveness of the Department’s national security efforts by ensuring greater coordination and unity of purpose between prosecutors, law enforcement agencies, intelligence attorneys, and the Intelligence Community (IC).

### Organization:

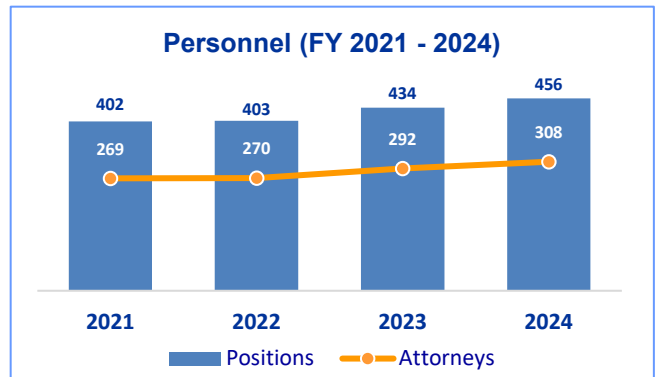
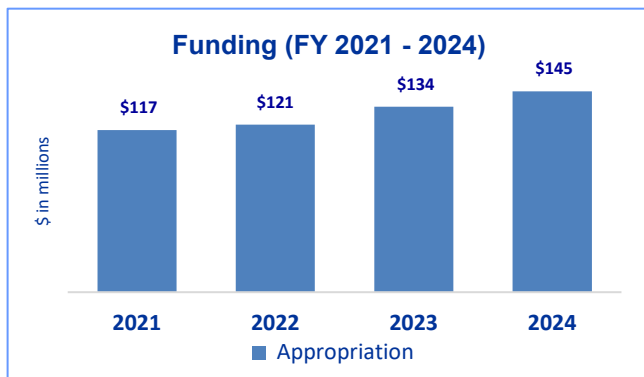
The NSD is headed by an Assistant Attorney General (AAG), who is appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The AAG oversees a Division that is organized into the Office of Intelligence (Operations, Oversight and Litigation Sections), Counterterrorism Section, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, Law and Policy Office, Foreign Investment Review Section, Office of Justice for Victims of Overseas Terrorism, and an Executive Office.

### Resources:

The FY 2024 budget request for the NSD totals \$144.8 million, which is an 8.4 percent increase over the FY 2023 Enacted.

### Personnel:

The NSD’s direct authorized positions for FY 2024 total 456 positions, including an increase of 22 positions over the FY 2023 Enacted of 434 direct authorized positions.



## FY 2024 Strategy:

In FY 2024, the NSD will continue to fulfill its responsibilities in the areas of Intelligence Operations, Oversight, and Litigation, Counterterrorism, Counterintelligence and Export Control, Cybersecurity, Foreign Investment Review, Law and Policy Advice, and Victims of Terrorism Outreach.

The NSD has outlined six areas of focus that will guide its operations in the coming years. The NSD will:

- Prevent, disrupt, and defeat terrorist operations before they occur by integrating intelligence and law enforcement efforts to achieve a coordinated all tools response to terrorist threats;
- Prosecute those involved in terrorist acts, adapting investigations to address changing terrorism threats, including domestic terrorism cyber-enabled terrorism;
- Protect national assets from nation-state and terrorist threats, including through investigating, prosecuting, and disrupting espionage activity, proliferation, and foreign investment threat, and strengthening partnerships with potential targets of intelligence intrusions;
- Combat national security cyber-based threats and attacks using all available tools, strong public-private partnerships, and by investigating and prosecuting cyber threat actors;
- Investigate and prosecute the unauthorized disclosure and improper handling of classified information; and
- Ensure that IC agencies have the legal tools necessary to conduct intelligence operations while safeguarding privacy and civil liberties.

The NSD's FY 2024 budget request maps to these goals and priorities and will ensure that the NSD remains best positioned to fulfill a top priority mission of the Department in the face of increasing challenges and a growing and evolving threat.

## FY 2024 Program Changes:

**Foreign Investment Review:** \$3.4 million and 17 positions (12 attorneys)

This request will support the NSD's work related to reviewing foreign investments in U.S. industry that may impact the national security and hardening corporate cyber defenses and security policies through mitigation agreements and ongoing efforts to monitor those agreements for compliance. This includes the NSD's review of filings before the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) and its review of foreign entities' licenses and applications for provision of communications services before the Federal Communications Commission (through the Team Telecom working group), which has significantly increased in volume and complexity for case-specific national security reviews. Current services for this program are \$11.8 million and 35 positions (26 attorneys).

**Counterintelligence and Export Control, including Countering Cyber Threats:** \$1.0 million and 5 positions (4 attorneys)

This request will support the NSD's counterintelligence and export control work, including national security cyber investigations and prosecutions and enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA). Among the most significant challenges this nation continues to face is the rapid expansion, evolution, and sophistication of cyber threats to the national security. Highly technical cyber threats require time-intensive and complex investigative and prosecutorial work. These additional resources will help the NSD meet this growing threat head on and address the significant increase in workload related to cyber investigations, prosecutions, and disruption operations expected in FY 2024. In addition to these increasing litigation demands, the FARA Unit continues to see year to year increases in new registrants. The additional requested resources will allow the NSD to address increased workload demands related to FARA. Current services for this program are \$17.1 million and 55 positions (42 attorneys).

**Crisis Management System:** \$3.6 million and 0 positions

This request will support the implementation of the Crisis Management System (CMS) secure telecommunications system, including the applicable hardware and will allow the NSD to conduct secure telecommunications with the White House and IC entities. The NSD currently uses a CMS overseen by the White House Communications Agency, which has had a substantial increase in the annual operation and maintenance costs compared to prior years. Failure to implement new hardware will result in an unacceptable gap in secure telecommunications for the Division and will severely impact NSD's ability to connect efficiently and effectively with the White House and Intelligence Community. There are no current services for this initiative.

**National Security Memo-8 Security Enhancements:** \$761,000 and 0 positions

This request will support the implementation of hardware and software required by National Security Memorandum-8 (NSM-8) on Improving the Cybersecurity of National Security, Department of Defense, and IC Systems (January 19, 2022), in support of the President's Executive Order 14028, *Improving the Nation's Cybersecurity* (May 12, 2021). This will enhance the security of NSD classified enclaves, allowing for additional security layers and protection within those enclaves. There are no current services for this initiative.

**National Security Division**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	National Security Division		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
<b>2022 Appropriation</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>120,681</b>
Supplemental - Ukraine Response - FY 2022	0	0	1,100
<b>2022 Enacted with Supplemental</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>121,781</b>
<b>2023 Enacted</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>133,512</b>
<b>2024 Request</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>144,788</b>
<b>Change 2024 from 2023 Enacted</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11,276</b>
<b>Technical Adjustments</b>			
<b>Total Technical Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>			
Pay & Benefits	0	10	5,292
Non-Personnel Related Annualizations	0	0	-2,820
<b>Total Base Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,472</b>
<b>2024 Current Services</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>135,984</b>
<b>Program Changes</b>			
<b>Increases:</b>			
Foreign Investment Review	17	8	3,444
Counterintelligence and Export Control, including Countering Cyber Threats	5	3	1,002
Crisis Management System	0	0	3,597
National Security Memo-8 Security Enhancements	0	0	761
<b>Subtotal, Program Increases</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8,804</b>
<b>Decreases:</b>			
<b>Subtotal, Program Decreases</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Program Changes</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8,804</b>
<b>2024 Request</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>144,788</b>

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Comparison by activity and program	2023 Enacted			2024 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
National Security	434	354	133,512	434	364	135,984
<b>Total</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>133,512</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>135,984</b>

Comparison by activity and program	2024 Total Program Changes			2024 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
National Security	22	11	8,804	456	375	144,788
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8,804</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>144,788</b>