

Independent Counsel
(Dollars in thousands)

	<u>Perm.</u> <u>Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2000 actuals.....	\$29,480
2001 appropriation.....	9,500
2002 base.....	9,500
Program Changes.....
2002 estimate.....	9,500

<u>Comparison by activity and program</u>	<u>2001 Appropriation</u>			<u>2002 Base</u>			<u>2002 Estimate</u>			<u>Program Changes</u>		
	<u>Perm</u> <u>Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm</u> <u>Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm</u> <u>Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm</u> <u>Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Independent Counsel.....	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500

Program Description

Congress enacted a permanent indefinite appropriation to fund the expenses of Independent Counsel investigations and prosecutions in the 1988 Department of Justice Appropriations Act (P.L. 100-202). Under this appropriation, all necessary costs and expenses incurred in the pursuit of these investigations were funded from amounts available in the Treasury. On June 30, 1999, the Reauthorization Act of 1994 expired. To date there has been no reauthorization, however several investigations are ongoing. This account also pays for appointed Special Counsel.

Currently, expenses are being incurred for the following offices: Independent Counsels Ray, Smaltz, Barrett, Bruce, Lancaster, Thompson, and Pearson. Costs that are being incurred for the last two offices (Thompson and Pearson) are related to close-out activities. The Department is also using this appropriation as the source of funding for the Office of Special Counsel Danforth (Waco Investigation). For FY 2002, costs of ongoing Independent Counsel investigations will vary depending upon the nature and duration of the investigations.