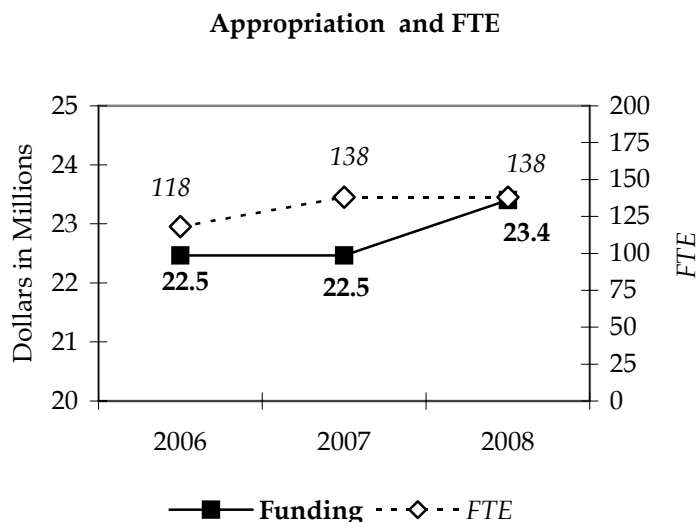


Office of the Inspector General

Public officials and others entrusted with public resources are responsible for applying those resources economically, efficiently, and effectively to achieve established goals. The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) ensures government employees and others managing Federal resources comply with applicable laws and regulations, and actively work to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse in program operations. Through audits, inspections, evaluations, and investigations, OIG monitors and tracks the use of taxpayer dollars in Federally funded programs. OIG's purpose is to keep the heads of the various Department of Commerce (DOC) units, the Office of the Secretary, and Congress fully and currently informed about issues, problems, and deficiencies relating to the administration of programs and operations and the need for corrective action.



The audit function involves performance and financial audits and attestation engagements. Performance audits address the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of the Department's programs, activities, and information technology systems. Financial audits focus on compliance with generally accepted accounting principles, internal controls set forth by OMB, and financial laws and regulations. Attestation engagements utilize agreed-upon procedures to examine and report results on a particular subject matter. Inspections are designed to give agency managers timely and useful information about operations, including current and foreseeable problems. Program evaluations are in-depth reviews of specific management issues, policies, or programs, while systems evaluations focus on system development, acquisitions, operations, and policy of computer systems and other technologies. The investigative function focuses on alleged or suspected improper and illegal activities involving employees, contractors, recipients of financial assistance, and others responsible for handling Federal resources. OIG concentrates on programs and operations that have the greatest potential for identifying fraud, recovering funds, precluding unnecessary outlays, and improving management.

Summary of Appropriations

Funding Levels

	2006 <u>Actual</u>	2007 <u>Estimate</u>	2008 <u>Estimate</u>	Increase (Decrease)
Appropriation				
Inspector General	\$22,467	\$22,467	\$23,426	\$959
FTE				
Inspector General	118	138	138	0

Highlights of Budget Changes

Appropriation: Office of the Inspector General

Summary of Requirements

	<u>Detailed</u>		<u>Summary</u>	
	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2007 Continuing Resolution			138	\$22,467
Adjustment to support level in 2007 President's Budget				64
Adjustments to Base				
<u>Other Changes</u>				
2007 Pay raise		\$95		
2008 Pay raise		361		
Payment to the Working Capital Fund		12		
Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS)		(69)		
Federal Employees' Retirement System (FERS)		95		
Thrift Savings Plan		20		
Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) - OASDI		48		
Health insurance		59		
Change in Compensable Days		125		
Employees' Compensation Fund		(7)		
Travel:				
Per Diem		9		
Mileage		4		
Postage		1		
Printing and reproduction		1		
Rent payments to GSA		32		
Other services:				
Working Capital Fund		68		
GPO Printing		1		
Communications, utilities, and miscellaneous charges		2		
Other services		36		
Supplies and materials		1		
Equipment		1		
Subtotal, other cost changes		895	0	895
TOTAL, ADJUSTMENTS TO BASE			0	895
2008 Base			138	23,426
Program Changes			0	0
2008 APPROPRIATION			138	23,426

Comparison by Activity

	2007 Currently Avail.		2008 Base		2008 Estimate		Increase / Decrease	
	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DIRECT OBLIGATIONS								
Inspector General	138	\$22,467	138	\$23,426	138	\$23,426	0	\$0
TOTAL DIRECT OBLIGATIONS	138	22,467	138	23,426	138	23,426	0	0
REIMBURSABLE OBLIGATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL BUDGET AUTHORITY/ APPROPRIATION	138	22,467	138	23,426	138	23,426	0	0

OIG Performance Measures

OIG performance measures and targets support the Department's strategic goal to achieve organizational and management excellence. As the Department works to accomplish its mission, OIG provides a unique, independent voice to the Secretary and other senior DOC managers, as well as to Congress, in keeping with its mandate to promote integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness, and to prevent and detect waste, fraud, and abuse in Department programs and operations. This work is primarily accomplished through audits, inspections, evaluations, and investigations and a variety of activities geared toward averting problems. Moreover, in FY 2008, OIG will continue to move its efforts forward to help achieve organization and management excellence by continuing to:

- Perform high quality and timely work;
- Concentrate its efforts on the Department's most critical programs, operations, challenges, and vulnerabilities; and
- Achieve results that allow government funds to be put to better use, and address criminal, civil, and other wrongdoing.

The following table shows the measures that OIG uses to gauge its performance. A more detailed description of these goals and measures is in the OIG section of the Department of Commerce budget.

Performance Goal and Measures

(Dollars reflect obligations in Millions)

	2006 Actual	2007 Estimate / Target	2008 Estimate / Target
Goal: Promote improvements to Commerce programs and operations by identifying and completing work that (1) promotes integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness and (2) prevents and detects fraud, waste and abuse	\$22.5	\$22.5	\$23.4
% of OIG recommendations accepted by departmental and bureau management	96%	95%	95%
Dollar value of financial benefit identified by OIG	\$24.9	\$29.6	\$29.6
% of criminal and civil matters that are accepted for prosecution	91%	63%	63%

Note: Total obligations may differ from the reports in the other tables in this section and Congressional Justification exhibits due to the inclusion of prior year funds in the amounts cited above.