



U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement

FACT SHEET

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Fiscal Year 2009

United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), established in 2003, is the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), with a mission to protect America and uphold public safety. We fulfill this mission by identifying criminal activities and eliminating vulnerabilities that pose a threat to our nation's borders, as well as enforcing economic, transportation and infrastructure security.

In FY 2009, ICE is requesting resources of \$5,676,085,000 in seven accounts:

Account	FTE	Requested (\$ in thousands)
Salaries and Expenses	17,395	4,690,905
Federal Protective Service	950	616,000
Automation Modernization	11	57,000
Construction	9	0
Breached Bond Detention Fund	63	75,000
Immigration Inspection User Fees	276	117,600
Student and Exchange Visitor Program	261	119,580

Key Strategic Issues in FY 2009:

ICE will focus on border security and interior enforcement of immigration laws, transforming the way ICE finds and removes criminal aliens, and its other critical law enforcement responsibilities.

- Through the Secure Border Initiative (SBI), ICE will do its part towards gaining full operational control of our borders, in order to prevent illegal immigration and security breaches, and ensure swift removal of criminal aliens.

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- ICE will expand critical enforcement of immigration and customs laws to eliminate vulnerabilities in the legal immigration process and keep dangerous goods from entering the country.
- ICE will build on recent success in management to further improve core mission support functions.

Highlighted focus areas of support in FY 2009 include:

- 1,000 new detention beds, removal costs, and support personnel for Detention and Removal Operations.
- Over 200 Special Agents for Investigations activities.
- Expansion of the 287(g) program.
- Human Resource, Information Technology, and Training Increases and Co-location of ICE employees.

FY 2009 Program Increases:

The following highlight key program increase requests:

- **Additional Bed Space and Removal Costs.....\$46M (74 positions, 39 FTE)**
Funding would enable 1,000 additional beds, staffing, and associated removal costs required to meet current demand and that generated by increased enforcement activities associated with the Secure Border Initiative and special authority granted to state and local enforcement officers under Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.
- **National Security/Critical Infrastructure Investigations ...11.8M (72 positions, 36 FTE)**
To increase national security and critical infrastructure investigations at Ports of Entry and other sensitive facilities that attract terrorists, illegal immigrants and undocumented workers. Supports 12 investigative program areas.
- **Cyber Crime\$5.7M (39 positions, 20 FTE)**
Would increase investigations of cyber-related crimes involving identity and benefit fraud, child exploitation, and money laundering. Supports 11 investigative program areas through the use of digital forensics and electronic monitoring.
- **Commercial Fraud/Intellectual Property Rights.....\$4.6M (28 positions, 14 FTE)**
Would enhance ICE’s ability to identify, target, counter and dismantle methods and vulnerabilities exploited by criminal organizations engaged in highly profitable trade crimes, such as trafficking counterfeit merchandise and pharmaceuticals. Resources would facilitate support to CBP and FDA efforts to target, interdict, and investigate the importation of substandard, tainted and counterfeit products being imported from the People’s Republic of China.

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- **State and Local Law Enforcement Support.....\$12M (14 positions, 7 FTE)**

To fund initial training, annual refresher training and training-related travel for 200 state and local enforcement officers under the 287(g) program, which serves as a force multiplier for ICE immigration enforcement. Also establishes IT connectivity for state and local participants, and funds support positions to perform investigative, legal and acquisitions support functions.
- **Outbound Enforcement.....\$1M (5 positions, 3 FTE)**

Funding would increase investigations that support outbound enforcement activities to prevent arms, strategic technologies and contraband money from leaving the United States. Deployment for outbound enforcement is targeted along the Southwest border, particularly vulnerable Ports of Entry and sensitive facilities.
- **Visa Security Program.....\$3.4M (6 positions, 3 FTE)**

Would deploy six Special Agents to create additional overseas Visa Security Units in high-risk locations such as Istanbul, Turkey and Beirut, Lebanon. The Visa Security program identifies, prioritizes, and interdicts threats to the nation in advance of physical arrival.
- **Workforce Integrity/Security Management Unit (SMU)...\$7.1M (38 positions, 19 FTE)**

Supports the Office of Professional Responsibility's (OPR's) SMU that is responsible for centralization, management and operational oversight of ICE internal security functions and includes costs to procure a commercial off-the-shelf security management database, contract support for minor customization, branding and training. Would relieve the administrative burden on OPR Special Agents and improve investigative technical support in addition to costs for upgrades to digital spectrum vehicle and handheld communication equipment, purchase of specialized technical surveillance equipment, travel for technical support training and the purchase of single use supplies required for evidentiary purposes.
- **Automation Modernization.....\$57M (7 positions, 4 FTE)**

Would help ICE build its information technology infrastructure and specifically fund efforts to modernize the Homeland Security Enforcement Communication System, ICE's portion of the DHS investigative case management system. It would continue critical IT infrastructure and tactical communications investments through the ATLAS program, modernize DRO's IT systems for tracking detainees and begin the ICE transition to a new financial system.
- **Co-Location of ICE Facilities.....\$12.3M (2 positions, 1 FTE)**

Funds a portion of first-phase requirements to consolidate ICE core mission functions in major metropolitan areas where ICE currently occupies multiple buildings. Includes two space management specialists and co-location costs for build-out costs for such items as furniture, secure communications, specialized facilities like armories and holding cells as well as costs associated with design and moving. Makes possible the completion of co-location pilot projects in cities such as San Diego, Tucson, Reno and Jacksonville.

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- **Human Resource Workforce Increases.....\$0.8M (9 positions, 5 FTE)**
Increases staffing to conduct classification, retirement and benefits services and employee and labor relations.
- **Training Consolidation and Integration.....\$1.8M (27 positions, 14 FTE)**
Request facilitates the consolidation of all ICE training coordination and oversight, to include improved training delivery and support at both the ICE Academy and the Leadership Development Center.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.