



# Department of Law

## Department Overview

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# MISSION

**The Alaska Department of Law prosecutes crime and provides legal services to state government for the protection and benefit of Alaska's citizens.**

Sources:

Department of Law's website – [www.law.alaska.gov](http://www.law.alaska.gov)

Statutory Authority – AS 44.23.020

# Civil Division

## Core Services by Component

- Protecting Alaskans' safety and financial well-being

- Child Protection
- Human Services
- Environmental
- Labor and State Affairs
- Commercial and Fair Business
- Regulatory Affairs and Public Advocacy



- Promoting good governance

- Opinions, Appeals and Ethics
- Special Litigation
- Labor and State Affairs
- Legislation and Regulations
- Information and Project Support



- Fostering conditions for responsible development of our natural resources

- Transportation
- Environmental
- Natural Resources



- Protecting the fiscal integrity of the State

- Natural Resources
- Labor and State Affairs
- Regulatory Affairs and Public Advocacy
- Torts and Worker's Compensation



# Criminal Division



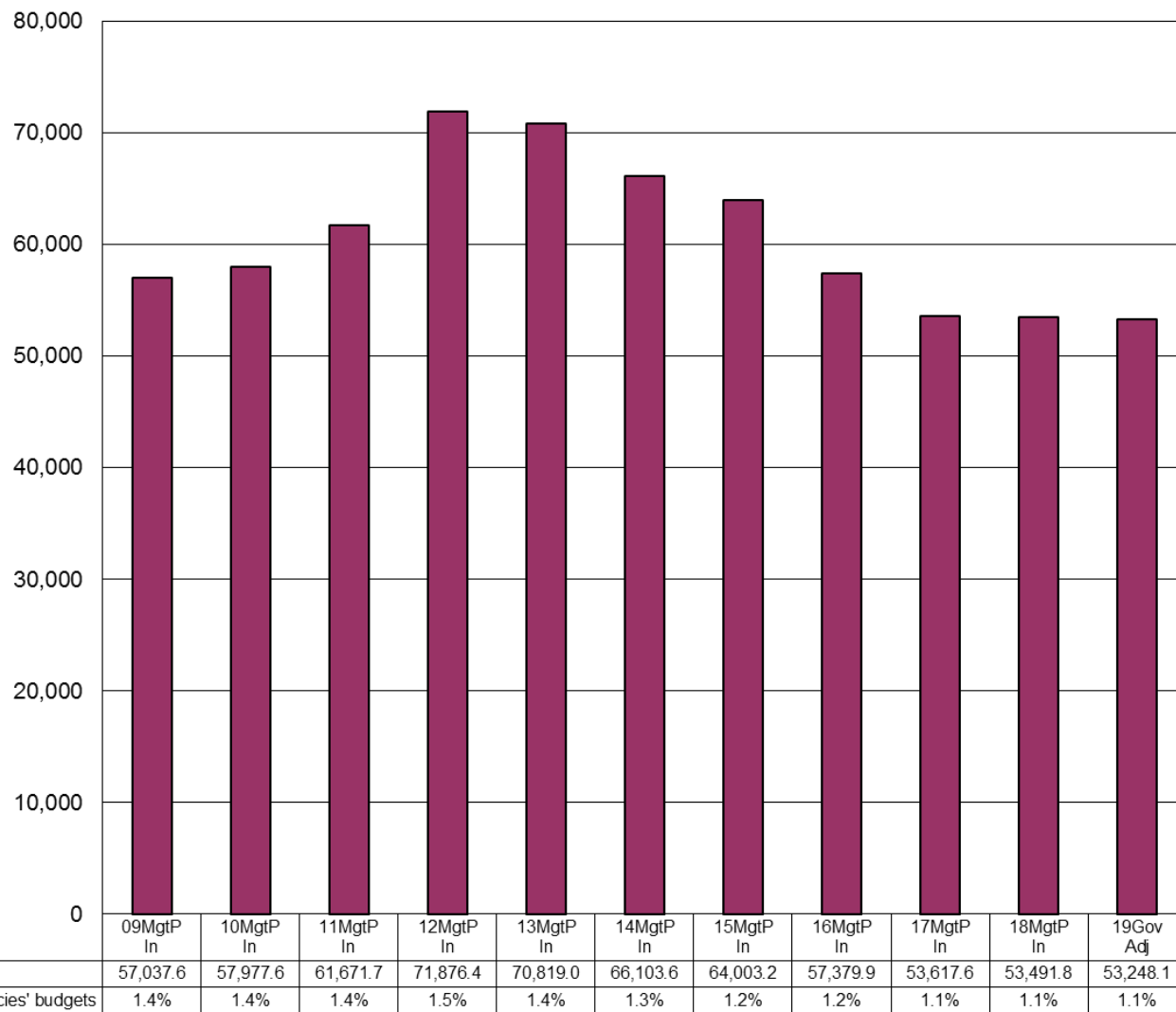
“Prosecute all cases involving violation of state law...”

*See AS 44.23.020(4)(b)*

### Department of Law's Share of Total Agency Operations (GF Only) (\$ Thousands)

The Department's GF budget decreased by \$3.8 million between FY09 and the FY19 Governor's Request -- an average annual growth rate of -0.7%.

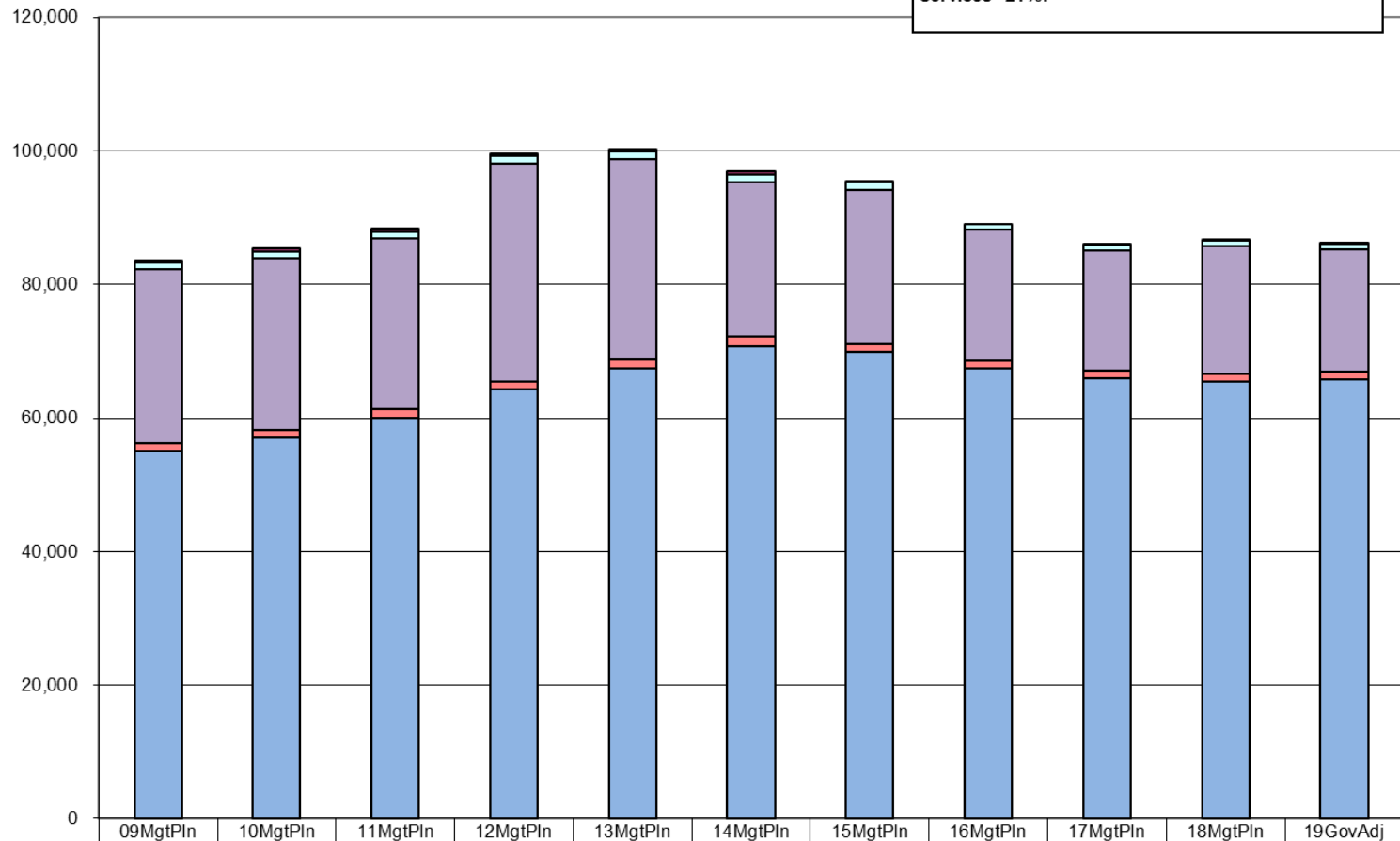
The Department's total FY19 Governor's GF budget equals \$160 per resident worker.\*



\* According to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, there were 332,583 resident workers in Alaska in 2015.

### Department of Law Line Items (All Funds) (\$ Thousands)

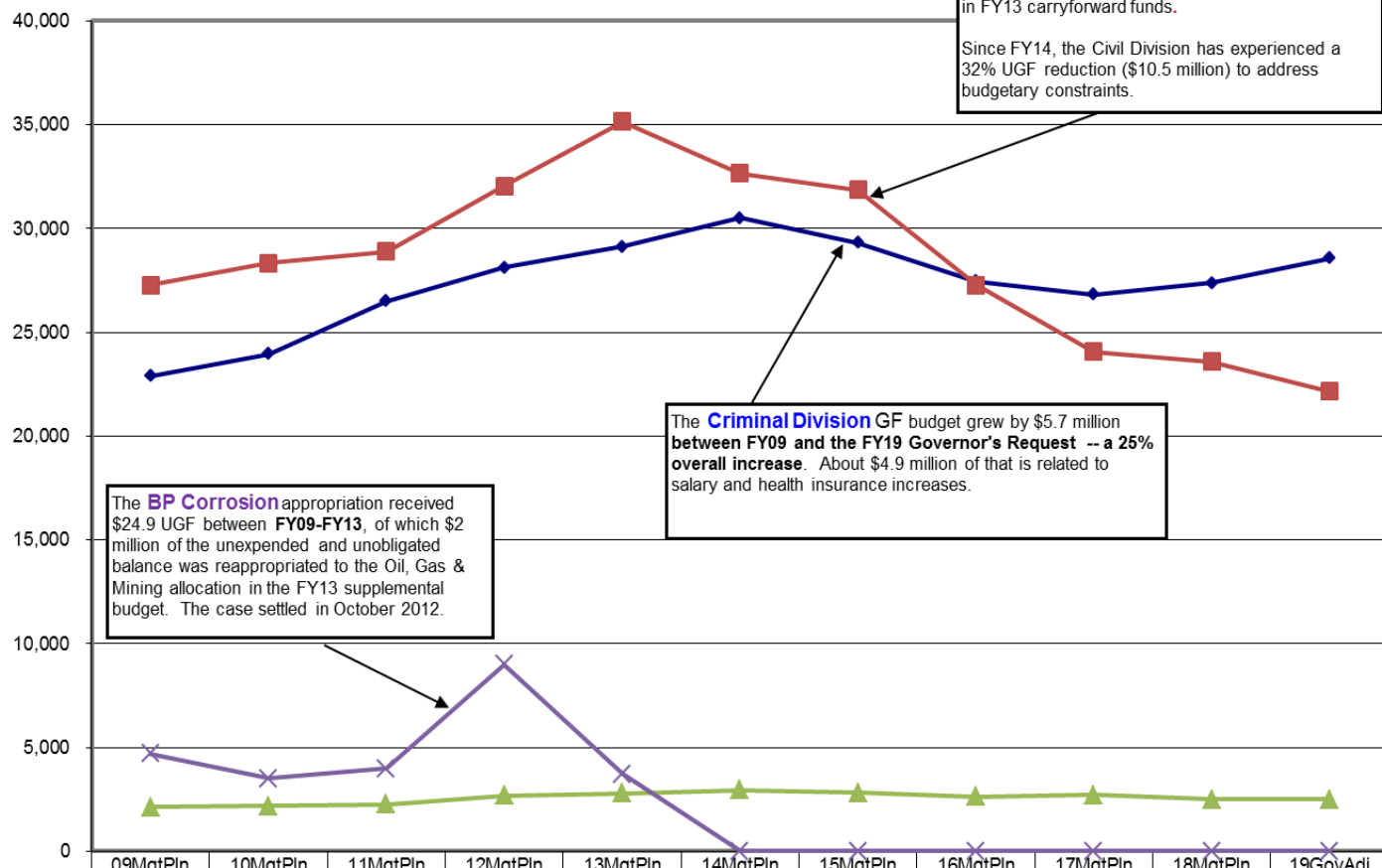
The majority of FY19 funding in the Department of Law's budget is comprised of the following two line items:  
**Personal Services--76%**  
**Services--21%.**



8 Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7 Grants, Benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Capital Outlay	395.20	373.00	397.00	420.00	421.00	419.40	177.80	-	1.00	1.00	1.00
4 Commodities	1,042.60	1,029.10	1,043.10	1,129.30	1,133.30	1,239.50	1,041.60	818.40	828.40	834.30	842.50
3 Services	25,940.10	25,687.40	25,632.90	32,574.30	30,062.40	23,104.50	23,116.70	19,589.40	18,050.00	19,072.10	18,305.70
2 Travel	1,255.20	1,231.40	1,227.20	1,297.10	1,304.10	1,488.60	1,178.00	1,168.50	1,167.30	1,177.30	1,179.30
1 Personal Services	55,019.10	57,036.70	60,025.30	64,231.50	67,363.90	70,670.60	69,887.30	67,439.30	65,877.00	65,503.50	65,721.20

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### Appropriations within the Department of Law (GF Only) (\$ Thousands)

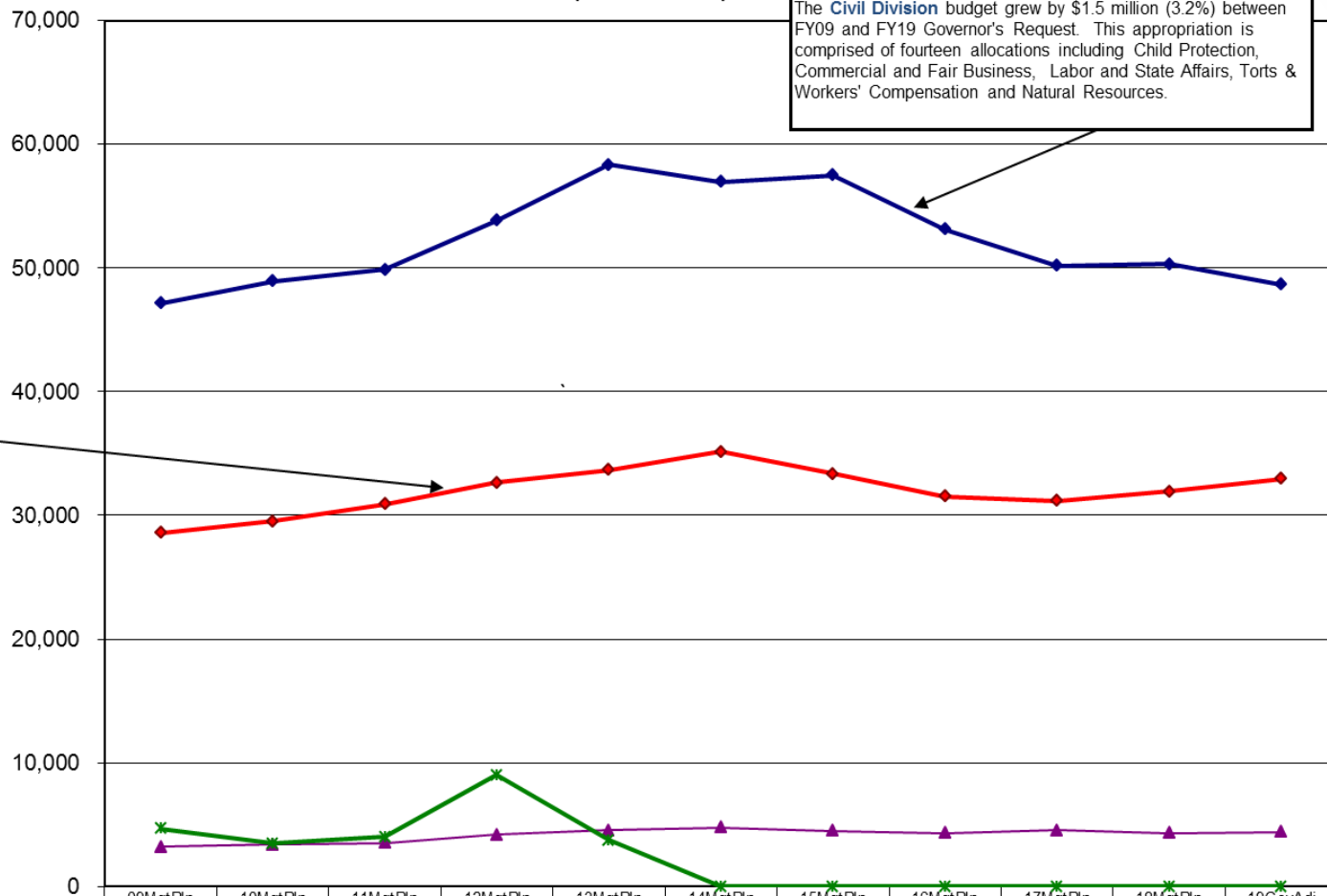


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Criminal Division	22,911.6	23,969.9	26,514.5	28,121.1	29,128.5	30,501.4	29,312.6	27,474.6	26,822.8	27,383.8	28,583.1
Civil Division	27,282.3	28,329.7	28,897.5	32,059.3	35,150.2	32,658.7	31,865.0	27,277.1	24,074.8	23,594.1	22,149.1
Administration and Support	2,143.7	2,178.0	2,259.7	2,696.0	2,810.0	2,943.5	2,825.6	2,628.2	2,720.0	2,513.9	2,515.9
BP Corrosion	4,700.0	3,500.0	4,000.0	9,000.0	3,730.3	-	-	-	-	-	-

# Appropriations within the Department of Law (All Funds) (\$ Thousands)

The **Criminal Division** budget grew by \$4.4 million (15%) between FY09 and FY19 Governor's Request. The majority of these increases are related to contractual salary adjustments as well as new attorneys and support staff added to keep up with rising caseloads.

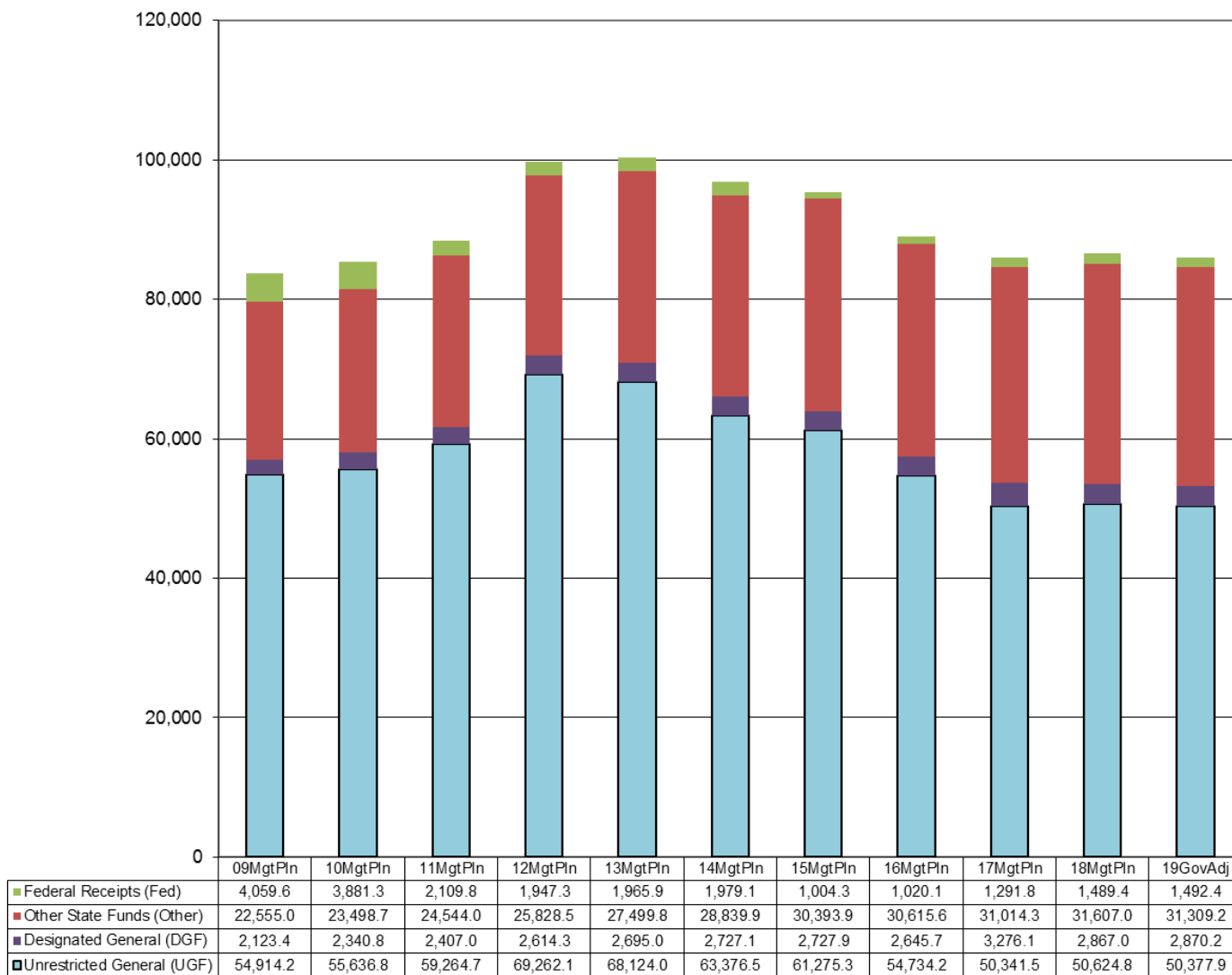
The **Civil Division** budget grew by \$1.5 million (3.2%) between FY09 and FY19 Governor's Request. This appropriation is comprised of fourteen allocations including Child Protection, Commercial and Fair Business, Labor and State Affairs, Torts & Workers' Compensation and Natural Resources.



	09MgtPln	10MgtPln	11MgtPln	12MgtPln	13MgtPln	14MgtPln	15MgtPln	16MgtPln	17MgtPln	18MgtPln	19GovAdj
Civil Division	47,132.0	48,937.7	49,877.9	53,832.1	58,327.5	56,982.3	57,493.9	53,112.2	50,195.8	50,293.0	48,648.6
Criminal Division	28,595.5	29,528.1	30,909.0	32,631.5	33,684.7	35,170.2	33,387.0	31,554.6	31,186.7	31,958.2	32,977.8
Administration and Support	3,224.7	3,391.8	3,538.6	4,188.6	4,542.2	4,770.1	4,520.5	4,348.8	4,541.2	4,337.0	4,423.3
BP Corrosion	4,700.0	3,500.0	4,000.0	9,000.0	3,730.3	-	-	-	-	-	-



**Department of Law**  
**Total Funding Comparison by Fund Group**  
 (All Funds)  
 (\$ Thousands)



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# Department of Law

## 5 Year Health Care Trends

			FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Law	Employer Health Contribution	UGF	6,117.7	5,958.6	5,521.9	4,814.7	5,331.0	5,439.5
		All Other Funds	3,105.1	3,014.5	2,889.3	3,201.2	3,353.2	3,200.7
	Workers' Comp		347.3	318.7	263.3	331.2	278.5	269.1
	Budgeted Health Care Total Costs			9,570.2	9,291.7	8,674.5	8,347.1	8,962.7
Budget								
	UGF	63,376.5	61,275.3	54,734.2	50,577.1	50,624.8	50,377.9	
	All Other Funds	33,546.1	34,126.1	34,281.4	40,859.9	35,963.4	35,671.8	
Law Total			96,922.6	95,401.4	89,015.6	91,437.0	86,588.2	86,049.7
Percent Health Care			9.9%	9.7%	9.7%	9.1%	10.4%	10.4%

# Civil Division Matrix, Pt. 1

Allocation	FY19 Funding (in thousands)	# of Employees	# of Alaskans Served	% Cost Recovered Through Fees	Rating of Importance to Mission	Rating of Effectiveness	Constitutional Requirement	Federal Requirement *	Required by Statute
Entire Civil Division	\$48,648.6 \$19,308.9 UGF, \$2,840.2 DGF, \$26,499.5 other, \$0 Fed	261 PFT/238 PFT	See Components						
Deputy AG's Office	\$288.7: \$268.7 UGF, \$10 DGF, \$10.0 other	1 PFT/1 PFT	All	3.46% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Important	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Child Protection	\$7,494.4: \$5,206.4 UGF, \$2,288 other	56 PFT/53 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Commercial and Fair Business	\$5,947.7: \$627.9 UGF, \$256.6 DGF, \$5,063.2 other	31 PFT/25 PFT	All	2.58% (GF/PR for fees collected from registration of charitable organizations, paid solicitors, etc.)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020 AS 45.50.471 - .561
Environmental Law	\$1,689.2: \$529 UGF, \$1,160.2 other	10 PFT/10 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Human Services	\$3,047.5: \$1,470.6 UGF, \$1,576.9 other	19 PFT/19 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Labor and State Affairs	\$5,247.6: \$2,183.4 UGF, \$3,064.2 other	22 PFT/21 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020

\* = The Department of Law advises and litigates on behalf of agencies regarding a variety of issues and programs that have federal requirements.

# Civil Division Matrix, Pt. 2

Allocation	FY19 Funding (in thousands)	# of Employees	# of Alaskans Served	% Cost Recovered Through Fees	Rating of Importance to Mission	Rating of Effectiveness	Constitutional Requirement	Federal Requirement *	Required by Statute
Legislation/Regulations	\$1,154.6: \$819.5 UGF, \$335.1 other	6 PFT/6 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020 AS 44.62.060; AS 44.62.125
Natural Resources	\$8,737.2: \$5,069.7 UGF, \$225 DGF, \$3,442.5 other	28 PFT/23 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Opinions, Appeals and Ethics	\$2,708.5: \$1,510.2UGF, \$1,198.3 other	16 PFT/13 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020 AS 39.52
Regulatory Affairs and Public Advocacy	\$2,806.5 \$457.9 UGF, \$2,348.6 DGF	10 PFT/10 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Special Litigation	\$1,189.5: \$953.1 UGF, \$236.4 other	6 PFT/6 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Information and Project Support	\$1,745.4: \$212.5 UGF, \$1,532.9 other	14 PFT/12 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Torts and Workers' Compensation	\$4,199.2: \$4,199.2 other	30 PFT/30 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Transportation	\$2,392.6: \$2,392.6 other	12 PFT/9 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020

# Criminal Division Matrix

Allocation	FY19 Funding (in thousands)	# of Employees	# of Alaskans Served	% Cost Recovered Through Fees	Rating of Importance to Mission	Rating of Effectiveness	Constitutional Requirement	Federal Requirement *	Required by Statute
Entire Criminal Division	<u>\$32,977.8</u> \$28,553.1 UGF; \$30.0 DGF; \$2,902.3 other; \$1,492.4 Fed	220 PFT/ 196 PFT	See Components						
First Judicial District	\$2,091.7: \$2,031.2 UGF; \$1.0 DGF; \$59.5 other	15	All	0.05% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Second Judicial District	\$1,417.1: \$1,416.1 UGF; \$1.0 DGF	7 PFT/5 PFT	All	0.07% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Third Judicial District Anchorage	\$7,919.4: \$7,638.1 UGF; \$11.0 DGF; \$270.3 other	59 PFT/51 PFT	All	0.14% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Third Judicial District Outside Anchorage	\$5,173.9: \$5,173.9 UGF; \$6.0 DGF; \$84.9 other	40 PFT/40 PFT	All	0.11% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Fourth Judicial District	\$6,361.5: \$5,930.8 UGF; \$7.0 DGF; \$423.7 other	43 PFT/37 PFT	All	0.11% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Criminal Justice Litigation	\$2,925.8: \$2,025.9 UGF; \$1.0 DGF; \$898.9 other	12 PFT/7 PFT	All	0.03% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Criminal Appeals/Special Litigation	\$6,997.5: \$4,337.1 UGF; \$3.0 DGF; \$1,165.0 other; \$1,492.4 Fed	44 PFT/42 PFT	All	0.04% (GF/PR for discovery receipts from private attorneys)	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020

# Administrative Services Matrix

Allocation	FY19 Funding (in thousands)	# of Employees	# of Alaskans Served	% Cost Recovered Through Fees	Rating of Importance to Mission	Rating of Effectiveness	Constitutional Requirement	Federal Requirement *	Required by Statute
Entire Administration and Support Division	\$4,423.3: \$2,515.9 UGF; \$1,907.4 other	19 PFT/17 PFT	See Components						
Office of the Attorney General	\$620.8: \$620.8 UGF	3 PFT/3 PFT	All	0%	Critical	Highly Effective	Yes	*	AS 44.23.020
Administrative Services	\$2,956.2: \$1,048.8 UGF, \$1,907.4 other	16 PFT/14 PFT	All	0%	Important	Highly Effective	No	No	AS 23.40; 37.05; 37.07; 37.10; 36.30; 39.25;

## Thank You

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