

Role and Overview

The Inspector General (IGO) investigates alleged acts of fraud, waste, abuse, and corruption within the executive branch of government.

The Office of the Inspector General was created by an executive order in 1988 and permanently established in 1990. The office operates with a 12-member staff and an annual budget of \$1.7 million. The Inspector General’s jurisdiction includes the Governor and his staff, state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, and state-assisted colleges and universities. The IGO is prohibited from examining, investigating, and making recommendations concerning the legislature, any court, the Secretary of State, the Auditor of State, the Treasurer of State, or the Attorney General.

Additional information regarding the Inspector General is available at <http://watchdog.ohio.gov/>.



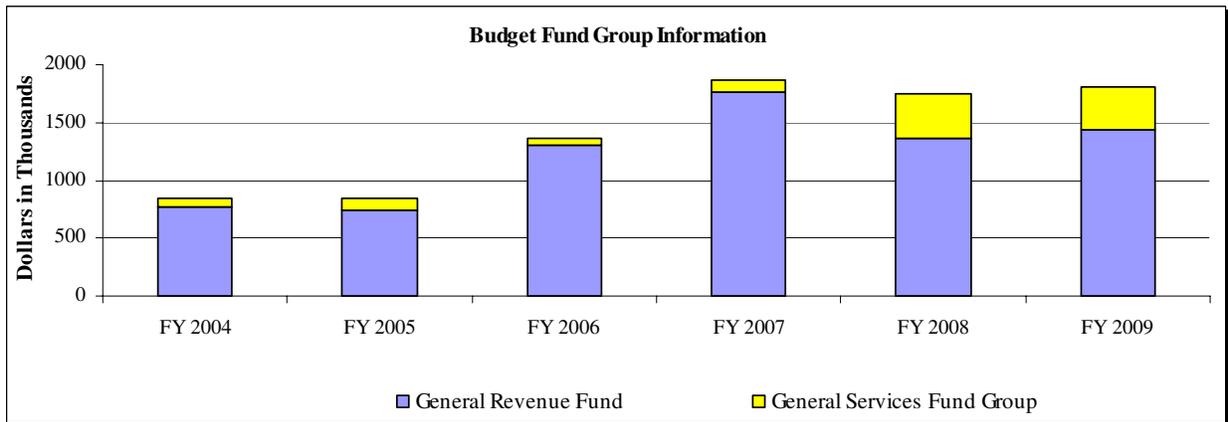
Turnaround Ohio Initiatives

- Continue diligence in investigations of wrongdoing and further demonstrate a zero-tolerance attitude for wrongdoing within state government.

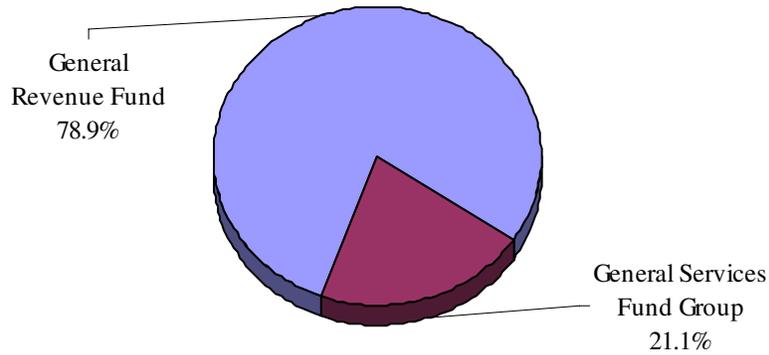
Agency Priorities

- Ensure complaints of wrongdoing are investigated thoroughly in a professional manner.
- Educate state employees and the public to prevent wrongdoing by raising levels of awareness.
- Place state agencies and employees on notice of the high standards to which they must adhere if they choose to serve in state government.

Summary of Budget History and Recommendations

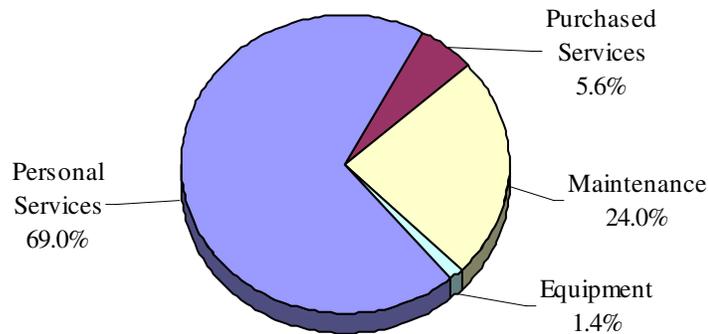


**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation
by Budget Fund Group**



(In thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED				
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 06-07	FY 2008	%	CHANGE	FY 2009	%
General Revenue Fund	769	747	1,299	1,769	36.2	1,367	(22.7)		1,438	5.2
General Services Fund Group	73	100	63	100	58.0	375	275.0		375	.0
TOTAL	842	847	1,362	1,869	37.2	1,742	(6.8)		1,813	4.0

**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation
by Expense Category**



State of Ohio
Office of the Inspector General

(In thousands) OBJECT OF EXPENSE	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 06-07	FY 2008	% CHANGE	FY 2009	% CHANGE
Personal Services	704	670	850	1,116	31.2	1,193	6.9	1,259	5.6
Purchased Services	73	101	406	101	(75.1)	100	(1.2)	100	.0
Maintenance	43	46	88	145	65.9	425	192.5	429	1.0
Equipment	21	31	18	107	484.4	25	(76.6)	25	.0
Subsidy	0	0	0	400	.0	0	(100.0)	0	.0
TOTAL	842	847	1,362	1,869	37.2	1,742	(6.8)	1,813	4.0

PROGRAM SERIES 01: Investigations

This program series investigates complaints of fraud, waste, and abuse in the executive branch of state government.

Program 01.01: Investigations

This program extends to the governor, the governor's cabinet and staff, state agencies, departments, boards and commissions, and state universities and state medical colleges. Outside of the jurisdiction of the office are community colleges, the courts, the legislature, and the offices of the Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General and their staff and employees.

The Executive Recommendation will:

- Continue the current staff level of twelve including a newly created deputy inspector general for the Bureau of Workers' Compensation and the Industrial Commission; and
- Provide operational funding for the office and funding to contract with investigative staff.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GRF	GRF	965-321	Operating Expenses	1,367,372	1,437,901
GSF	4Z3	965-602	Special Investigations	375,000	375,000
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				1,742,372	1,812,901

LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Inspector General

FUND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ACTUAL	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ESTIMATE	FY 2008 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2009 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	965-321	Operating Expenses	768,552	746,717	1,298,810	1,269,085	1,367,372	7.7	1,437,901	5.2
GRF	965-403	BWC Investigation & Prosecution	0	0	0	500,000	0	(100.0)	0	.0
TOTAL General Revenue Fund			768,552	746,717	1,298,810	1,769,085	1,367,372	(22.7)	1,437,901	5.2
4Z3	965-602	Special Investigations	73,119	100,158	63,284	100,000	375,000	275.0	375,000	.0
TOTAL General Services Fund Group			73,119	100,158	63,284	100,000	375,000	275.0	375,000	.0
TOTAL Office of Inspector General			841,671	846,875	1,362,094	1,869,085	1,742,372	(6.8)	1,812,901	4.0