



Key XYZ → External Government Relationships

XYZ → Intra-Government Relationships

XYZ → Independent Federal Agencies (Limited Executive Control, Governed by a Board)

SB → Cabinet Department Budget (2019)

XYZ → Congressionally-Chartered Corporation (Substantially Independent)

Outside Relationships

Government	Capital	Suppliers	People
Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)			
Federal Election Commission (FEC)			
General Accountability Office (GAO)			
U.S. Postal Service (USPS)			
Congressional Budget Office (CBO)			

United States of America

Debt

TREASURY: DEFICIT
The government projects a \$1.1 trillion increase to the deficit for FY2020 (\$5.85 trillion in spending and \$3.64 trillion in taxes).

TREASURY: TOTAL NATIONAL DEBT
To fund the \$1.1 trillion deficit, the U.S. Treasury must issue Treasury securities in that amount, adding to the \$24.95 trillion national debt.

Revenue

TREASURY: IRS
IRS expects to collect \$3.64T in FY2020.

TREASURY: SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUNDS
Social Security Trust Funds are projected to be depleted by 2034.

Employees

TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES: 4.32 MILLION

- Civil Service Employees (Executive): 2.22M
- Civil Service Employees (Legislative): 0.04M
- Civil Service Employees (Judiciary): 0.03M
- U.S. Postal Service: 0.60M
- Military Employees: 1.43M

Governance

LEGISLATIVE
U.S. Senate | U.S. House of Representatives

EXECUTIVE
President of the United States | Vice President of the United States | Cabinet

JUDICIAL
U.S. Supreme Court | U.S. Appellate Courts | U.S. District Courts

Outside Relationships

People	Suppliers	Capital	Government
SMITHSONIAN: 19 MUSEUMS AND ZOO			Smithsonian Institution
			U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (USCCR)
			Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS)
			National Mediation Board (NMB)
			U.S. Sentencing Commission (USSC)

LEGISLATURE

USPS: SELF-FUNDED
Funded by the sale of postage, not taxes; deficit of \$78 billion since 2007

USPS: HOW MANY PIECES
143 billion pieces of mail delivered annually to 160 million addresses

USPS: WORKERS
Employs over 600,000 workers

SSA: TWO TRUST FUNDS
There are two Social Security trust funds - Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund - which purchase government securities. The interest income of these investments is used to fund monthly allocations to qualifying citizens.

Executive Operations

Department of Veterans Affairs (383,000 Employees): Secretary Wilkie

VETERANS AFFAIRS
1.255 healthcare facilities serve nine million veterans

VETERANS AFFAIRS
18.2 million veterans in the U.S.

Department of Commerce (47,000 Employees): Secretary Ross

COMMERCE: DATA
The Bureau of Economic Analysis tracks current GDP statistics, retail sales, international trade, foreign direct investment in the U.S., and consumer spending.

COMMERCE: CENSUS
The Census Bureau counts the U.S. population every 10 years. It also tracks income per capita, average net worth, average household and family income, the federal poverty threshold, and middle-class income.

INSPECTORS GENERAL: EVERYWHERE
All key government agencies have an Inspector General; there are 74 Offices of the Inspector General in total.

GSA: SOURCING
Although GSA purchasing officers are encouraged to buy supplies from small businesses, they are permitted to buy products and services through Amazon Business.

OPM: HACKED
In 2015, China hacked OPM and gained access to the background security files for nearly 22 million current or former U.S. government employees and their family members.

USDA: MEAT INSPECTION
Upton Sinclair's 1904 novel *The Jungle* highlighted working conditions in meatpacking houses and worker exploitation. The novel galvanized support for the Meat Inspection Act, which was adopted in 1906.

USDA: BLUEBERRIES
USDA: "There's a good chance the blueberries you eat can be traced back to varieties developed by USDA scientists, who started a breeding program on wild blueberry plants in the early 1900s."

Department of Justice (113,000 Employees): Attorney General Barr

DOJ: INDEPENDENT COUNSEL
The Attorney General (or, in the case of recusal, acting Attorney General) has the power to appoint and set the jurisdiction of an independent counsel tasked with investigating accusations of wrongdoing by high-level federal officials, including the President (e.g., President Nixon in "Watergate" and President Trump in the Russia/Ukraine investigation).

DOJ: LAW ENFORCEMENT
Among the departments within the DOJ, (a) the FBI investigates more than 200 categories of violations of federal law, (b) the DEA has offices in 66 countries, and (c) the ATF, which used to be part of the Treasury Dept., conducted 13,079 compliance inspections in 2019.

DOJ: WORLD'S LARGEST LAW FIRM
With more than 10,000 lawyers and over 100,000 staff, the DOJ is considered the "largest law firm in the world."

Department of Agriculture (84,300 Employees): Secretary Perdue

USDA: FARM SUBSIDIES
In 2019, farm subsidies jumped to the highest level in 14 years. Farmers received over \$14 billion to compensate for the retaliatory tariffs imposed by China on U.S. agricultural products.

Department of Health and Human Services (84,500 Employees): Secretary Azar

HHS: MEDICARE
The Medicare program is the nation's largest health insurer, handling more than one billion claims per year. Medicare and Medicaid together provide health care insurance for 25% of Americans.

HHS: LARGEST BUDGET
HHS has the largest budget of all the executive departments at \$1.2 trillion. More than 90% of its budget comprises mandatory (i.e., non-discretionary) funding for Medicare and Medicaid obligations.

HHS: CARES ACT
HHS distributed \$175 billion to hospitals and healthcare providers on the frontlines of the COVID-19 response under its allocation under the CARES Act.

Department of Transportation (54,600 Employees): Secretary Chao

TRANSPORTATION: MILES OF ROADS
There are 4 million miles of roads in the US. The federal government is responsible for 3.4% of these roads. Of these roads, 47,432 miles (1.2%) consist of interstate highways and 88,000 miles (2.2%) consist of roads for national parks, Native American reservations, and military bases. Despite the small percentage of federal government roads, its interstate account for over 25% of all vehicle traffic.

TRANSPORTATION: BIGGEST SPENDERS
The biggest spenders within DOT are the Federal Highway Administration (\$4.2B), Maritime Administration (\$3.06B), and the Federal Aviation Administration (\$2.9B).

Department of Interior (62,000 Employees): Secretary Bernhardt

INTERIOR: ENERGY
Federal lands and waters supply 30% of the nation's energy production. The U.S. Outer Continental Shelf, managed by Interior's Ocean Energy Management Bureau, accounts for 18% of domestic crude oil and 4% of domestic natural gas supplies.

INTERIOR: LAND
The Bureau of Land Management has oversight responsibility for 12.5% of the country's land mass.

Department of Homeland Security (202,400 Employees): Secretary Wolf

DHS: COAST GUARD
The Coast Guard is the largest agency within DHS, with a total workforce of 87,000, including 41,000 active duty members and 7,000 reservists.

DHS: CYBER
In 2018, Congress created a new Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) within DHS to address cybersecurity threats from foreign governments, terrorists, and individuals targeting the US government.

Department of Defense (2.87 Million Employees): Secretary Esper

DoD: NATION'S #1 EMPLOYER
The Department of Defense (DoD) is the largest organization in the U.S. government, and the largest employer in the country. It employs 2.87 million civilians, active duty military members, and reservists. That is more than the amount of employees at Walmart (2.1M), ExxonMobil (71,000), Ford (175,000), General Electric (205,000), and General Motors (165,000) combined.

DoD: \$680 BILLION BUDGET
The yearly budget for the Department of Defense is over \$686 billion. Throughout the year, the Department spends a majority of that money on private defense contractors, who provide everything from uniforms, blankets, and food, to state-of-the-art weapons, planes, and military vehicles.

DoD: HEADQUARTERS
As the Department of Defense's headquarters, the Pentagon is a lot bigger than it looks. With about 26,000 employees and 17.5 miles of hallways, the five-sided building is called the world's largest office building. Every year, more than 100,000 visitors check out the nation's busiest government building.

Department of State (69,000 Employees): Secretary Pompeo

DOS: FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS
Since 1946, State has award scholarships to over 250,000 students who seek to study, teach or conduct research abroad and to foreign scholars who want to do the same in the U.S.

DOS: PASSPORTS
In 2019, there were 146,775,089 valid passports in circulation. Anti-forgery security features on the passports are secret, but include holograms, tiny text, unique fonts, specialized inks, UV-reactivity, imperfections, and an electronic chip.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (7,800 Employees): Secretary Carson

HUD: NO DIRECT BUILDING SINCE THE 70s
HUD hasn't built any public housing since the 1970s. Instead, it provides funds to state and local governments and agencies (e.g., the New York City Housing Authority) for building construction and maintenance projects.

HUD: BENEFICIARIES
HUD benefits not only inner cities but also over 400 consortiums of small counties that have banded together to reach the 200,000-person threshold for HUD funding.

Department of Education (4,000 Employees): Secretary DeVos

DoED: THE SMALLEST DEPARTMENT
Smallest federal department with less than 5,000 staff.

DoED: NO DIRECT CONTROL OVER SCHOOLS
School governance is left to the state and individual school districts. Thus, DoED is merely a facilitator, ensuring federal funds are distributed as intended, collecting data on schools and disseminating research, and prohibiting discrimination and ensuring equal access to education (e.g., "No Child Left Behind").

Department of Energy (14,700 Employees): Secretary Brouillette

DOE: SEPARATION OF POWER
The secrecy around the atom bomb program created distrust of the DOE by local communities, scientific groups, and Congress. As a result, many of its nuclear regulatory functions have been placed under independent control of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Department of Labor (14,800 Employees): Secretary Scalia

DOL: FIRST FEMALES
The DOL holds the record for most women in the Cabinet, with seven secretaries, including the first: Frances Perkins.

DOL: IMPACT
The labor laws and regulations enforced by the DOL cover workplace activities for about 10 million employers and 144 million workers.

Department of the Treasury (87,000 Employees): Secretary Mnuchin

TREASURY: PAPER CURRENCY
Paper currency was not introduced into the US financial system until 1862. It was issued because of a shortage of coins, which were made of gold and silver back then. People tended to hoard coins as a savings mechanism.

TREASURY: US MINT PRINTS STAMPS
The US Mint is responsible for printing postage stamps, not just coins.

TREASURY: TREASURY YIELD
The Treasury yield reflects the demand for government debt. The greater the demand, the lower the yield, which in turn lowers interest rates on fixed interest home mortgage loans (15- or 30-year).

JUDICIARY

JUDICIARY: LIFETIME TENURE
There are approximately 870 federal court judges. Each judge is appointed for life and may only be removed for cause.

JUDICIARY: NINE JUSTICES
The number of Supreme Court justices (currently nine) is not set in stone. Instead, Congress has the power to expand or shrink the number of Justices sitting on the court.

JUSTICE

CFIUS: NATIONAL SECURITY REVIEW
CFIUS (a federal interagency committee chaired by the Treasurer and including the heads of various cabinet departments) reviews and clears not only foreign acquisitions of U.S. businesses that pose a threat to national security, but also foreign investments in U.S. businesses handling critical technologies, personal data, and infrastructure (e.g., airports, maritime ports, and real estate near military installations).

VETERANS AFFAIRS

EPA: CATALYTIC CONVERTERS
EPA's agreement with auto manufacturers to install catalytic converters in cars reduced emissions of unburned hydrocarbons by 85%.

FCC: FAIRNESS DOCTRINE
FCC's fairness doctrine requires licensed radio and TV broadcasters to present "fair and balanced coverage" of controversial issues of interest to their communities, including devoting equal airtime to opposing points of view.

CIA: HW BUSH
President George H.W. Bush served as CIA Director from 1976 to 1977.

CIA: ORIGINS
The forerunner of the CIA was the Office of Strategic Services, formed to better protect the military against surprise attacks like the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.

CIA: AIR AMERICA
The CIA operated a passenger airline serving the Asia region from the 1950s to 1970s. Air America suspended operations after it emerged that they were drug trafficking in Asian opium and heroin.

CIA: WORKERS CLASSIFIED
The number of people who work for the CIA is classified information.

DEFENSE

PEACE CORPS: RECALL
In 2018, there were more than 7,300 volunteers in 61 countries, all of whom have been recalled due to COVID-19.

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)

USAID: LARGEST FOREIGN AID
One of the largest aid agencies in the world, USAID accounts for a large percentage of U.S. foreign assistance with a budget of \$16.8 billion.

NRC: SHIPMENTS
Three million packages of radioactive materials are shipped annually in the US by road, rail, air, or water.

NEA: DISTRIBUTIONS
NEA has a \$150 million budget. Nearly 40% of NEA's funds are distributed through state arts agencies. NEA and state arts agency grants reached all 435 Congressional districts.

EEOC: CASE LOAD
Between 2010 and 2018, employment discrimination charges processed annually by the EEOC ranged from 75,000 to 100,000.

NLRB: APPLICATION OF LAW
The National Labor Relations Act doesn't apply to governments, interstate railroads, airlines, or employers of agricultural workers.

FEDIC: SOLID TRACK RECORD
No depositor has ever lost a penny of insured deposits since the FDIC was created in 1933.

THE FED: CENTRAL BANK
As the US central bank, the Fed maintains the U.S. Treasury's checking account and processes its payments, such as social security. The New York Reserve Bank holds 6,200 tons of gold in its vault.

SEC: ORIGINS
In the wake of the stock market crash in 1929 that ushered in the Great Depression, the SEC was formed in 1933 to require companies that sold stocks and bonds to provide full and accurate information to investors.

SBA: VARIETY OF LOANS
The SBA has a variety of loan programs from \$500 microloans, to low-interest disaster relief loans, to \$5.5 million loans for startup costs, real estate, equipment, lines of credit, and refinancing.

THE FED: INFLUENCES MONEY SUPPLY
The Fed doesn't create money. The Treasury Department prints money. However, the Fed influences the movement of money by adjusting interest rates, setting reserve requirements of the cash banks must hold at the Fed, and buying and selling Treasury securities.

AGRI-CULTURE

Farm Credit Administration (FCA)

Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)

HEALTH

National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)

National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB)

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

Small Business Administration (SBA)

Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)

COMMERCE

U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC)

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

STATE

Peace Corps

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)

Fannie Mae

Freddie Mac

Ginnie Mae

National Endowments for Humanities (NEH) and Arts (NEA)

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

National Labor Relations Board (NLRB)

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. (PBGC)

Federal Reserve System (Fed)

Fed (As National Bank Regulator)

Fed (As Central Bank for the U.S. Treasury and Financial Services Provider)

Fed (As Monetary Policymaker via its Federal Open Market Committee)

TRANSPORTATION

National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)

National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB)