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## THE ARMY BUDGET - FISCAL YEARS (FY) 2008 AND 2009

Today, the Army announced the details of its budget for FY08/09, which covers the period from October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2009. The FY08 budget request is \$130.0 billion. The FY09 budget request is \$140.7 billion.

The FY08/09 budget is structured, first and foremost, to provide trained and equipped forces to the combatant commanders, balancing immediate warfighting needs with the development of future enhancements. The Army will continue to focus on winning the Global War on Terrorism, accelerating transformation to a modular structure and sustaining the all-volunteer force.

The following table shows the Army's FY08/09 budget request compared to the FY06 and FY07 budget requests.

### Army President's Budget Requests by Appropriation Category (\$B)

	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09
Military Personnel	41.4	42.6	46.2	51.3
Operation and Maintenance	32.4	32.0	37.7	40.4
Procurement	11.8	16.8	23.8	26.2
Research, Development, Test, Evaluation	9.7	10.9	10.6	9.8
Military Construction	1.9	2.7	4.6	5.7
Army Family Housing	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.5
Base Realignment and Closure		3.6	4.1	3.8
Chemical Demilitarization	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4
Other		0.5	0.5	0.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>111.8</b>	<b>130.0</b>	<b>140.7</b>

Totals may not add due to rounding

The Army's FY08/09 budget addresses these key themes:

### **Win the Long War**

- ❖ Build readiness: Align the Army's structure with the National Military Strategy and grow capabilities over time (Modular Force, Special Operations Forces, Civil Affairs).
- ❖ Grow and rebalance the Army: Increase active-component end strength to 532,400, National Guard end strength to 352,600 and U.S. Army Reserve end strength to 205,000 by FY09.

### **Sustain the All-Volunteer Force**

- ❖ Provide Support
  - For Soldiers and families: Quality of Life and Quality of Service
    - Stabilized combat/mission rotations
    - Training
    - Appropriate pay raises and benefit levels
    - Base support services
  - For the Force:
    - Recruiting and retention
    - Tough, realistic training
    - Global support for logistic operations, transportation and communications
    - Maintenance of weapons systems
    - Civilian support at required levels

### **Build Readiness**

- ❖ Transform Guard and Reserve units to be interchangeable with regular Army units, ensuring that they are trained and equipped for use in joint expeditionary operations and in support of civil authorities.
- ❖ Fully fund a modernization and recapitalization program to ensure full-spectrum ground combat capabilities.
- ❖ Apply lessons learned in Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) to Army equipment purchases.
- ❖ Continue development of Future Combat Systems (FCS).