Open Recommendation Panel

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**Compendium of Open Office of Inspector General Recommendations to the Department of Defense**

The 2019 Compendium lists the number, type, age, and status of 1,581 open recommendations, as of March 31, 2019. In this Compendium, we highlight the 30 high priority open recommendations made in DoD OIG reports issued between August 2014 and March 2019 that we believe, if implemented, have the potential to result in significant improvements to DoD operations.

Aug. 1, 2018

**Compendium of Open Office of Inspector General Recommendations to the Department of Defense**

The 2018 Compendium lists the number, type, age, and status of 1,558 open recommendations, as of March 31, 2018. In this Compendium, we highlight the 25 high-priority open recommendations that we believe, if implemented, have the potential to result in significant improvements to DoD operations.

Aug. 31, 2017

**Compendium of Open Office of Inspector General Recommendations to the Department of Defense**

This Compendium summarizes all recommendations we previously issued to DoD Components that remained open as of March 31, 2017.
Recommendations Database

GAO's recommendations database contains report recommendations that still need to be addressed. GAO's priority recommendations are those that we believe warrant priority attention. We sent letters to the heads of key departments and agencies, urging them to continue focusing on these issues. Below you can search only priority recommendations, or search all recommendations.

Our recommendations help congressional and agency leaders prepare for appropriations and oversight activities, as well as help improve government operations. Moreover, when implemented, some of our priority recommendations can save large amounts of money, help Congress make decisions on major issues, and substantially improve or transform major government programs or agencies, among other benefits.

As of August 20, 2019, there are 4954 open recommendations, of which 473 are priority recommendations. Recommendations remain open until they are designated as Closed-implemented or Closed-not implemented.

Browse or Search Open Recommendations

- Priority recommendations only
- All recommendations
Recommendation Dashboard

OIG makes recommendations in our reports to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency programs and help agencies identify questioned costs and funds that could be put to better use. The aim is to spur our audited agencies to take corrective actions, which allow us to close the recommendations.

This dashboard identifies current open recommendations along with the associated questioned costs. Open recommendations may be resolved or unresolved:

- A recommendation is resolved when OIG agrees with the agency’s plan of action.
- A recommendation is unresolved when the agency has yet to share a plan of action or OIG disagrees with the plan.

Audit Reports Issued Prior to October 1, 2018, With Open and Unimplemented Recommendations and Potential Cost Savings (USAID, MCC, USAID, IAF, OPIC) as of March 31, 2019

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<th>OPEN RECOMMENDATIONS (AS OF 03/31/19)</th>
<th>QUESTIONED COSTS (AS OF 03/31/19)</th>
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<td>$124,644,311</td>
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Please see an updated list of recommendations with their corresponding report below.
RECOMMENDATION DASHBOARD

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) makes recommendations to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) to promote effectiveness, efficiency, economy, and integrity of all DOL programs and operations, including those performed by its contractors and grantees. Recommendations are considered resolved when agency management and the OIG agree on the required corrective actions. After the agreed-upon corrective actions have been completed, the recommendations are considered closed. This Recommendation Dashboard provides the status of OIG recommendations going back to FY 2010.

Keys for Recommendations
- Open - Closed

Updated as of August 20, 2019

Open Recommendations by Agency

Number of Recommendations
230

Monetary Value of Recommendations
$177,678,389

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Report Recommendations

The OIG makes recommendations to the United States Postal Service to correct deficiencies and encourage improvements in the safety, economy, efficiency, and management of the Department's programs and operation.

Our report findings and conclusions explain the basis for the specific corrective actions we recommend. This Recommendation Dashboard provides more information than ever before about the current status of OIG recommendations, which we plan to update on a weekly basis.

TOTAL OPEN RECOMMENDATIONS
161

OPEN RECOMMENDATIONS
FINANCIAL VALUE
$4,224,785,413
Recommendation Dashboard

OIG’s Office of Auditing and Evaluation makes recommendations to the Department of Transportation and a few independent transportation entities to correct deficiencies and encourage improvements in the safety, economy, efficiency, and management of their programs and operations. Our audit report findings and conclusions explain the basis for the specific corrective actions we recommend. This Recommendation Dashboard provides more information than ever before about the current status of OIG recommendations, which we plan to update on a weekly basis. For more information, see answers to frequently asked questions.

Open Recommendations by Agency

As of: 08/28/2019

Search Recommendations

Audit Report: SA2019060 issued on 07.31.2019

Report on a Single Audit of the State of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, LA

○ No. 1 to NHTSA

Ensures that the State complies with the allowable costs/cost principles requirements.

○ No. 2 to NHTSA

Recovers $155,937 from the State, if applicable.
### Reports and Recommendations Published Within the Last 12 Months

- **131** Reports
- **828** Recommendations
- **$3.6B** Monetary Impact

The numbers totaled above are for published reports and recommendations only; the investigations and procurement-sensitive contract review totals can be found in the [Semiannual Reports to Congress](#).

### Status of Reports and Recommendations Published Since October 2012

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<td>Open: 139</td>
<td>Open: 634</td>
<td>Potential: $4,106,420,631</td>
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<td>Open &gt; 1 Year: 46</td>
<td>Open &gt; 1 Year: 115</td>
<td>Open &gt; 1 Year: $587,472,914</td>
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<td>Closed: 1,558</td>
<td>Closed: 8,263</td>
<td>Realized: $11,717,329,838</td>
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#### Explanation of Metrics

- **Open**: Reports or recommendations that have not been resolved.
- **Closed**: Reports or recommendations that have been resolved.
- **Potential**: The potential monetary impact.
- **Realized**: The realized monetary impact.

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Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG

This page contains information about recommendations from the OIG's audits, evaluations, and reviews that the OIG had not closed as of the specified date because it had not determined that the Department of Justice had fully implemented them. The information omits recommendations that the Department of Justice determined to be classified or sensitive, and therefore unsuitable for public release.

The status of each recommendation was accurate as of the specified date and is subject to change. Specifically, a recommendation identified as not closed as of the specified date may subsequently have been closed.

May 30, 2019
Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG as of March 31, 2019

November 30, 2018
Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG as of September 30, 2018

May 30, 2018
Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG as of March 31, 2018

November 31, 2017
Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG as of September 30, 2017

May 3, 2017
Recommendations Not Closed by the OIG as of March 31, 2017