



# TURKMENISTAN



Through its assistance programs, the U.S. government seeks to maintain Turkmenistan’s engagement with the international community and increase its capacity to expand trade (including energy exports); deepen engagement with its neighbors, and increase regional prosperity and stability; improve security sector capacity and governance, including border security; deepen engagement on regional and international commerce and investment; improve the governance capacity of the Government of Turkmenistan and facilitate popular participation and pluralism.

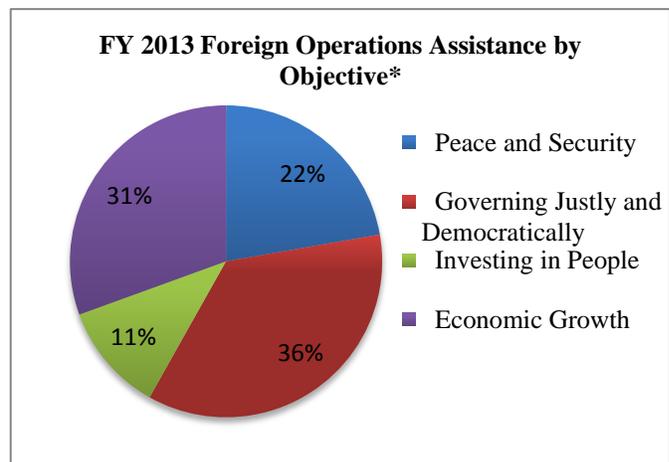
## Assistance Activities by U.S. Goals in Turkmenistan:

### *Engage Citizens in a Greater Role in Civil Society and Governance*

- U.S. assistance enables local civil society organizations (CSOs) to more effectively engage with government institutions and provide services to vulnerable populations. U.S. funded experts also offer consultations and legal information to nascent CSOs on registration and other topics.
- U.S. training and short-term technical assistance to executive- and legislative-branch officials is designed to increase their understanding of the role of democratic governance and transparency in government decision-making processes

### *Increase Access to Quality Education and Health*

- The United States provides intensive college-preparatory classes in essay writing and subjects covered in the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), top-off scholarships to the most competitive students, guidance about financing a U.S. education, and English language training. This assistance helps graduates from Turkmenistan’s secondary-schools compete for admission and scholarships to U.S. universities.
- The United States provides health education on HIV and tuberculosis (TB) prevention to youth using peer-to-peer methods for building community awareness. U.S. assistance also supports several drop-in centers where vulnerable groups, such as injecting drug users and sex workers, can access health information and services.



BY ACCOUNT	FY 2013 ACTUAL	FY 2014 ESTIMATE	FY 2015 REQUEST
<b>TOTAL (in thousand \$)</b>	<b>5,968</b>	<b>5,803</b>	<b>5,100</b>
Economic Support Fund	4,640	3,988	4,100
Foreign Military Financing	0	685	100
International Military Education and Training	278	300	150
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	550	500	500
Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs	500	330	250

- U.S. assistance supports the introduction and scale-up of WHO-recommended guidelines for TB and Multidrug- and Extensively Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis (M/XDR-TB). It supports the Ministry of Health and national programs by improving their capacity to plan, implement, monitor and, evaluate M/XDR-TB action plans.

***Promote Private Sector Development and Regional Economic Integration***

- The United States gives practical technical assistance in formulating, implementing, and monitoring government policy priorities, especially those which serve to facilitate WTO accession. This includes successful implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the development of a strategy to support the competitiveness of the private sector.
- U.S. animal health experts are helping livestock breeders to upgrade genetic material for livestock, and training veterinary experts to use modern feeding programs and disease protection.
- The United States is giving technical assistance to growers, processors, and marketing specialists of high-value horticultural crops to increase the value chains of commodities.

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<b>TOTAL (in thousand \$)</b>	<b>5,968</b>	<b>5,803</b>	<b>5,100</b>
Peace and Security	1,328	1,925	1,110
Governing Justly and Democratically	2,142	1,432	1,490
Investing in People	675	0	563
Economic Growth	1,823	2,446	1,937

***Strengthen Capacity to Manage International Borders and Cooperate on Regional Security Issues***

- The U.S. government provides English language and other training to Turkmen officers to enable them to interact and engage with the United States and other partners.
- U.S. experts provide training, technical assistance, and equipment to improve the basic interdiction and investigation skills of Turkmen counter-narcotics police and build the government’s capacity to combat trafficking in persons. Additionally, the United States partners with the government on comparative means of strengthening strategic trade controls.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

<http://www.state.gov/p/eur/ace/index.htm> [U.S. Embassy Website](#) [www.foreignassistance.gov](http://www.foreignassistance.gov)

\*This fact sheet does not reflect any centrally managed or regional Foreign Operations funding that is not specifically budgeted for Turkmenistan.