

# About USAspending.gov

USAspending.gov is the official open data source for financial data for the U.S. Government

#### Mission:

To show the American public what the federal government spends every year and how it spends the money

### **Legislation background:**

- The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA)
- Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA Act)

#### **Data Sources:**

Data is uploaded directly from more than a hundred federal agencies' financial systems and other government systems

#### Public Law 113–101 113th Congress

#### An Act

May 9, 2014 [S. 994] To expand the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes.

Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014. 31 USC 6101 note. 31 USC 6101

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014" or the "DATA Act".

#### SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this Act are to-

(1) expand the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) by disclosing direct Federal agency expenditures and linking Federal contract, loan, and grant spending information to programs of Federal agencies to enable taxpayers and policy makers to track Federal spending more effectively;

(2) establish Government-wide data standards for financial data and provide consistent, reliable, and searchable Government-wide spending data that is displayed accurately for taxpayers and policy makers on USASpending.gov (or a successor system that displays the data):

(3) simplify reporting for entities receiving Federal funds by streamlining reporting requirements and reducing compliance costs while improving transparency;

(4) improve the quality of data submitted to USASpending.gov by holding Federal agencies accountable for the completeness and accuracy of the data submitted; and

(5) apply approaches developed by the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board to spending across the Federal Government.

#### SEC. 3. AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2006.

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—
(1) in section 2—

31 USC 6101 note. Definitions.

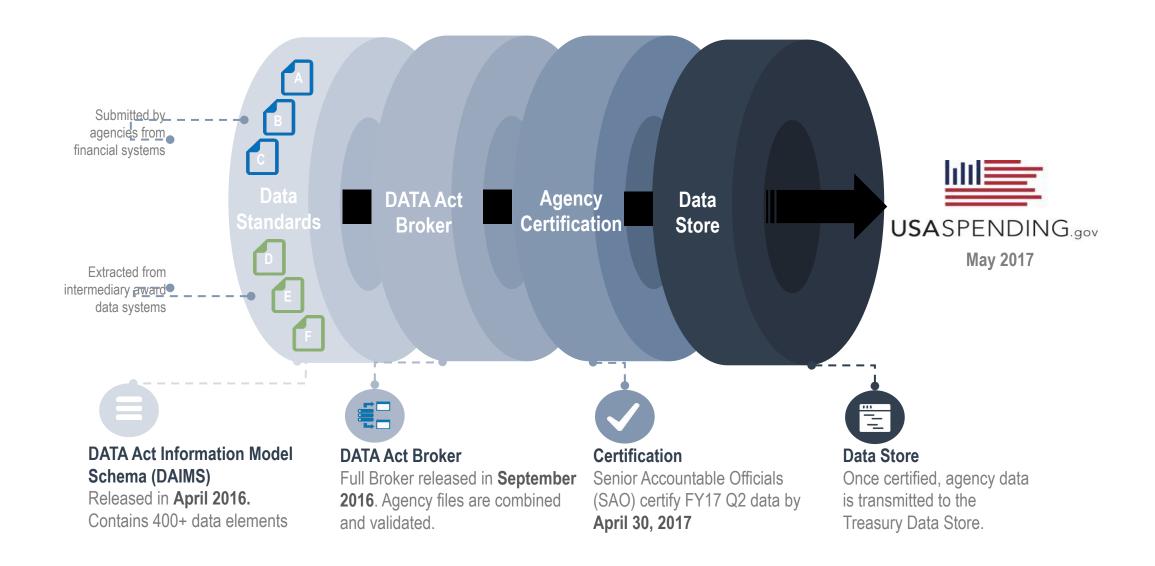
(A) in subsection (a)—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking "this section" and inserting "this Act";

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as paragraphs (2), (4), and (7), respectively;

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### USAspenidng.gov Reporting Process Flow



# Focus on data users and customers

**USAspending** 

**Personas** 

### **Human-Centered Design**



Research - Ideate - Prototype Test - Mockup - Release





**Citizen**: Interested taxpayer who wants to see how federal dollars are spent



Journalist/Watchdog: Skilled user acting in the public interest to identify potential waste, fraud, or abuse



Agency Developer: The agency person or contractor with technical expertise to get the data into the USA Spending data store



**Data Owner:** The agency person responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the data



Recipient: State/local government, nonprofit, or private company that has received or want to pursue a contract or grant



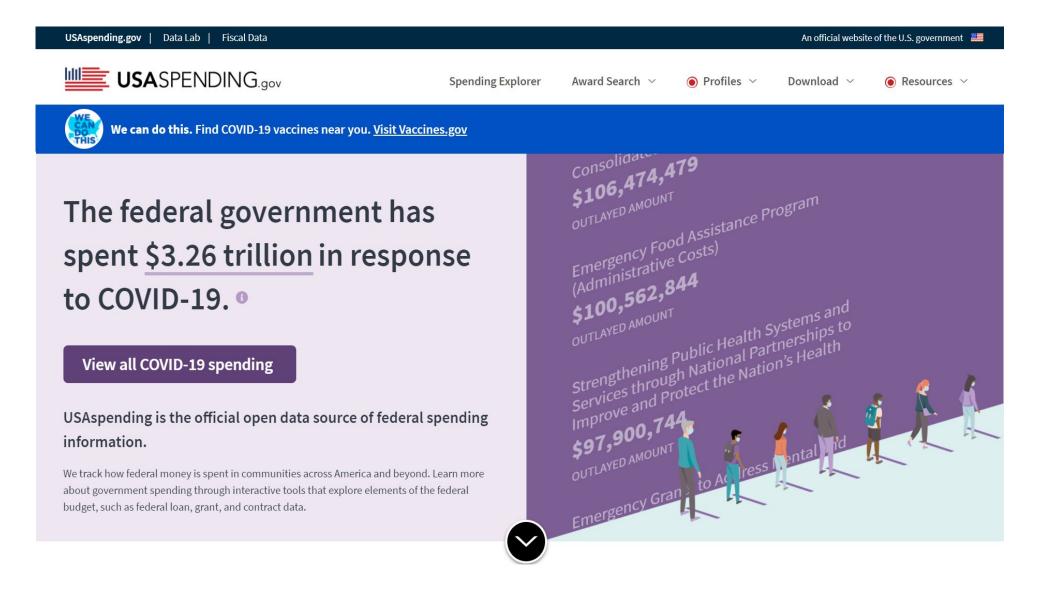
CFO: The CFO of an agency (or his/her staff), who is accountable for the agency's overall performance, and who also may use USA Spending as a management tool



**Budget Analyst:** Data reviewers with oversight across the government



Repurposer: Technically savvy user who aggregates, translates, and/or resells data for their own purposes



Total Spending
by Budget Category



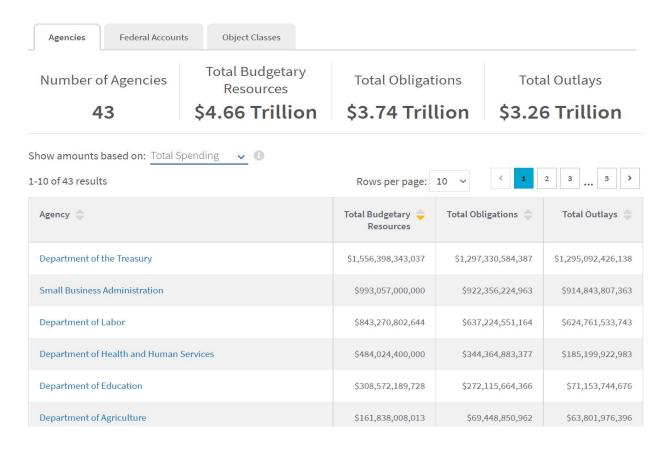
This section covers Total Spending



Data through July 31, 2021

#### How is total COVID-19 spending categorized?

In this section, we present the total amount of COVID-19 funding broken down by three categories: the **Agencies** who are authorizing the funds to be spent; the **Federal Accounts** from which agencies authorize spending; and the **Object Classes** of the goods and services purchased with this funding.



### **Overview**

### The Federal Response to COVID-19

In early 2020, the U.S. Congress appropriated funds in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds were made possible through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and other supplemental legislation. In March of 2021, additional funds were appropriated through the American Rescue Plan Act.

Visit our Data Sources & Methodology section to learn more about the underlying data and find resources about COVID-19 from other agencies.



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Data through July 31, 2021

This is how much was spent so far in response to COVID-19

\$4.7 Trillion Total Budgetary Resources

\$3.3 Trillion Total Outlays

\$3.7 Trillion

**Total Obligations** 

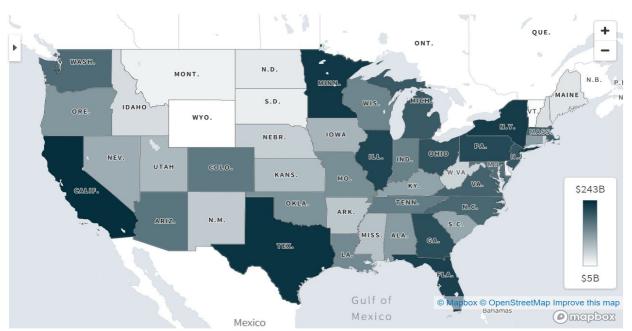
Award Spending by Recipient

## **Who** received funding through COVID-19 awards?

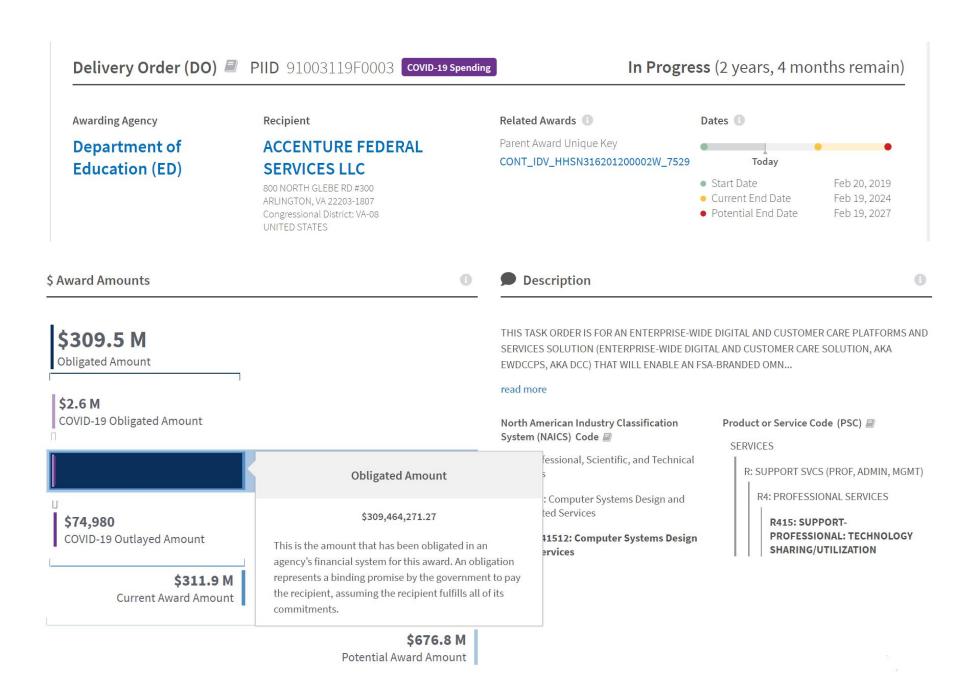
Once the federal government has determined that an individual, organization, business, or state, local, or tribal government will receive an award, the money is obligated (promised) and then outlayed (paid) according to the terms of the contract or financial assistance.<sup>3</sup>

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Featuring COVID-19
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About Us

- Expand the use of data
- Provide more fiscal datasets to the public
- Leverage lessons-learned from USAspending in the development of FiscalData.gov, the one-stop shop for federal financial data which adheres to the modern data practices

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the fiscal operations of the U.S. government

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