



2010 Survey of EPA Criminal Investigation Division Agents

This survey consists of questions developed by special agents within the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to allow them to express their views concerning the direction and management of the nation's principal program for criminal enforcement of our environmental laws.

Percentages consist of responses from the 48 agents who returned the survey (30% rate of return).

RESOURCES

1. In my opinion, EPA's criminal enforcement program has adequate resources to perform its mission.
4.17% strongly agree 14.58% agree 2.08% no opinion 37.50% disagree 41.67% strongly disagree

2. There has been a decrease in the resources available to investigate environmental crime during the past two years.
18.75% strongly agree 37.50% agree 10.42% no opinion 20.83% disagree 12.50% strongly disagree

3. I have all of the tools at my disposal that I need to effectively conduct investigations.
*8.33% strongly agree 14.58% agree 6.25% no opinion 33.33% disagree 35.42% strongly disagree
2.08% no response*

LEADERSHIP

4. I have confidence in the professionalism of senior management in the EPA criminal program.
6.25% strongly agree 16.67% agree 8.33% no opinion 20.83% disagree 47.92% strongly disagree

5. CID Headquarters management is generally experienced in field investigations of environmental crimes.
4.17% strongly agree 16.67% agree 43.75% no opinion 33.33% disagree 31.25% strongly disagree

6. Hiring and promotion decisions in the EPA criminal program are made based upon merit rather than personal relationships with the senior managers.
10.42% strongly agree 12.50% agree 8.33% no opinion 25.00% disagree 43.75% strongly disagree

7. CID management annual evaluations correctly measure the critical components of my job and my true performance as an environmental crimes investigator.
8.33% strongly agree 22.92% agree 8.33% no opinion 25.00% disagree 35.42% strongly disagree

EFFECTIVENESS

8. EPA's criminal enforcement program is well managed
2.08% strongly agree 14.58% agree 6.25% no opinion 41.67% disagree 35.42% strongly disagree

9. In my opinion, CID Headquarters management decisions are motivated primarily by a desire to improve environmental enforcement.
6.25% strongly agree 18.75% agree 10.42% no opinion 37.50% disagree 27.08% strongly disagree

10. The EPA criminal program is stronger today than it was during the Bush administration
4.17% strongly agree 8.33% agree 29.17% no opinion 31.25% disagree 27.08% strongly disagree

PRIORITIES

11. CID management is excessively focused on Internal Affairs investigations to the detriment of criminal case work.
*29.17% strongly agree 22.92% agree 14.58% no opinion 12.50% disagree 12.50% strongly disagree
8.33% no response*

