



**U.S. Chemical Safety and
Hazard Investigation Board**

BUDGET REQUEST

FY 2026

Budget Request Summary

The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB), as authorized by the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, became operational in 1998. It promotes chemical safety and accident prevention through investigating chemical accidents; making recommendations for accident prevention; conducting special studies; broadly disseminating its findings to industry and labor organizations; and informing stakeholder discussions on chemical safety and on actions taken by the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Labor, and other entities to implement Board recommendations.

The President's Budget proposes to eliminate funding for several agencies, including the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, as part of the Administration's plans to move the Nation towards fiscal responsibility and to redefine the proper role of the Federal Government. The President's Budget proposes \$0 for CSB's FY 2026 budget with the expectation that CSB begins closing down during FY 2025. CSB's emergency fund of \$844,145 will be appropriated to cover costs associated with closing down the agency. Exact closing costs will be determined upon consultation with OMB and Congress.

CSB duplicates substantial capabilities in the Environmental Protection Agency and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to investigate chemical-related mishaps. CSB generates unprompted studies of the chemical industry and recommends policies that they have no authority to create or enforce. This function should reside within agencies that have authorities to issue regulations in accordance with applicable legal standards.