



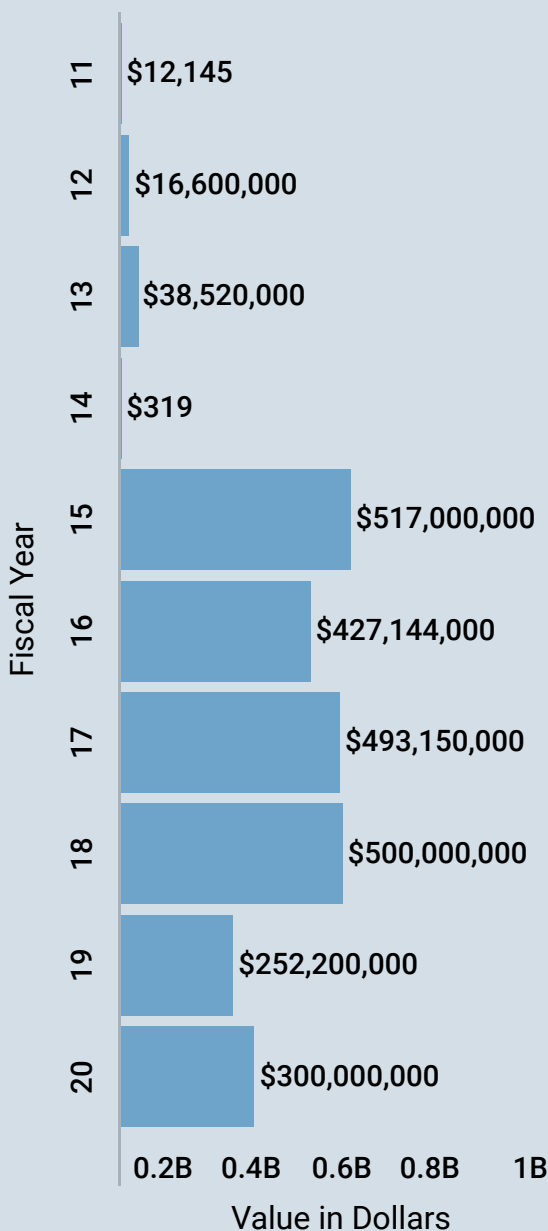
## Country Profile: SYRIA

**PROGRAM:** FY19 DoD Request - Counter ISIS Train and Equip Fund

**UNIT TRAINED & EQUIPPED:** Vetted Syrian Opposition (VSO)

**JUSTIFICATION:** Degrading and Defeating ISIS, securing and hold territory liberated from ISIS, and mitigate the group's resurgence, as well as provide security for the population in their areas of operation.

Train and Equip Funding for Syria Since FY2011



Snapshot of the Defense Equipment Requested for the Vetted Syrian Opposition in FY19

(estimates)



25,000

Ak-47 Rifles



2000

Light & Heavy Machine Guns



20,025,200

Rounds of Ammo, Ordnance, and Projectiles



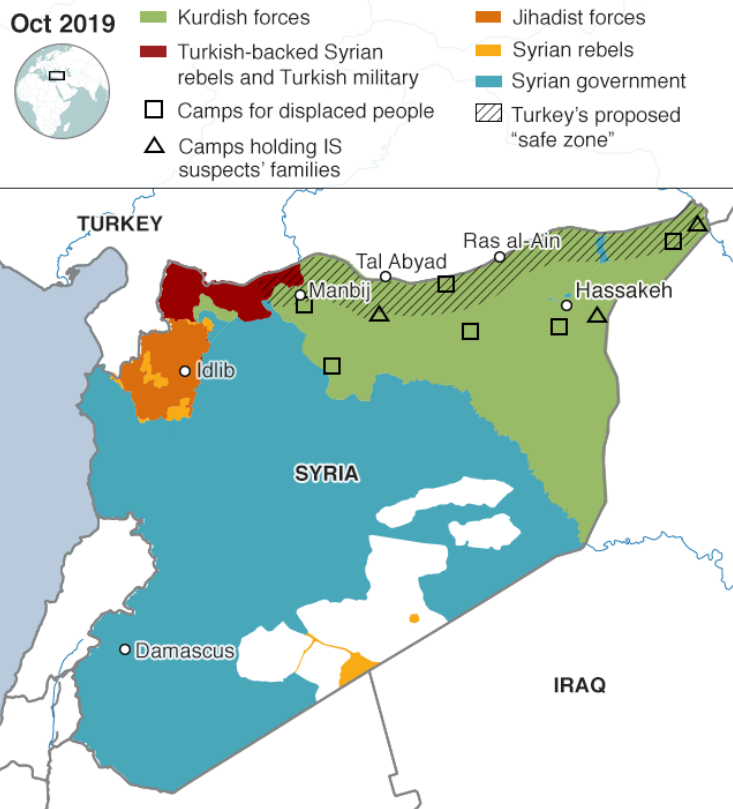
400

RPG-7 Launchers



**\$300,000,000**

Total Value of FY19 Request



### Syria, The Kurds, and Turkey

Turkey's military operation to clear areas of Northeast Syria of Kurdish militias is likely to face stiff and well armed resistance, thanks in large part to U.S. security aid aimed at enabling local groups to "degrade, dismantle and defeat" ISIS. The U.S. has funneled hundreds of millions worth of armaments to the Syrian Democratic Forces, an alliance of troops dominated by Kurdish fighters with links to the Kurdish Separatists in Turkey.

Some of the Arms from DoD's FY19 **\$300,000,000** Request for VSO's (estimates)

**25,000** Ak-47

Rifles



**400**

RPG-7  
Launchers



**95** SDV

Sniper  
Rifles



**15,000,000** 7.62 x

39mm Rounds



**15,000** PKM Machine

Guns



**500** DSkH Heavy Machine Guns



Sources: 1. Request from U.S. Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Justification for FY 2019 Overseas Contingency Operations Counter-Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) Train and Equip Fund (CTEF) (Washington: February 2018). NOTE: Figures are based on FY19 requests, and do not reflect 2019 enacted figures, which totaled \$252M, according to FY2020 DoD requests. 2. Map is from Conflict Monitor by HIS Markit, Reach, 07, October 2019; 3. NOTE: Weapon images are representative of requests armaments. They may not be exactly the weapons transferred.