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I. Basic Information Regarding Report

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II. Making a FOIA Request

1. FOIA requests may be made by using one of the written forms of submission listed on the Department's FOIA website, <https://www.doi.gov/foia>, or by utilizing the physical or facsimile addresses of an appropriate FOIA contact, located at <https://www.doi.gov/foia/contacts>. A list of DOI's bureaus/offices is located in the Acronyms, Definitions, and Exemptions section below.
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III. Acronyms, Definitions, and Exemptions

1. Definitions of terms used in this Report:
 - a. **Administrative Appeal** - a request to a federal agency asking that it review at a higher administrative level a FOIA determination made by the agency at the initial request level.
 - b. **Average Number** - the number obtained by dividing the sum of a group of numbers by the quantity of numbers in the group. For example, of 3, 7, and 14, the average number is 8.
 - c. **Backlog** - the number of requests or administrative appeals that are pending at an agency at the end of the fiscal year that are beyond the statutory time period for a response.
 - d. **Component** - for agencies that process requests on a decentralized basis, a "component" is an entity, also sometimes referred to as an Office, Division, Bureau, Center, or Directorate, within the agency that processes FOIA requests. The FOIA now requires that agencies include in their Annual FOIA Report data for both the agency overall and for each principal component of the agency.
 - e. **Consultation** - the procedure whereby the agency responding to a FOIA request first forwards a record to another agency or component within the same agency for its review because that other agency has an interest in the document. Once the agency in receipt of the consultation finishes its review of the record, it responds back to the agency or component within the same agency that forwarded it. That agency, in turn, will then respond to the FOIA requester.
 - f. **Exemption 3 Statute** - a federal statute that exempts information from disclosure and which the agency relies on to withhold information under subsection (b)(3) of the FOIA.
 - g. **FOIA Request** - a FOIA request is generally a request to a federal agency for access to records concerning another person (i.e., a "third-party" request), or concerning an organization, or a particular topic of interest. FOIA requests also include requests made by requesters seeking records concerning themselves (i.e., "first-party" requests) when those requesters are not subject to the Privacy Act, such as non-U.S. citizens. Moreover, because all first-party requesters should be afforded the benefit of both the access provisions of the FOIA as well as those of the Privacy Act, FOIA requests also include any first-party requests where an agency determines that it must search beyond its Privacy Act "systems of records" or where a Privacy Act exemption applies, and the agency looks to FOIA to afford the greatest possible access. All requests which require the agency to utilize the FOIA in responding to the requester are included in this Report.

Additionally, a FOIA request includes records referred to the agency for processing and direct response to the requester. It does not, however, include records for which the agency has received a consultation from another agency.

(Consultations are reported separately in Section XII of this Report.)

- h. **Full Grant** - an agency decision to disclose all records in full in response to a FOIA request.
- i. **Full Denial** - an agency decision not to release any records in response to a FOIA request because the records are exempt in their entirety under one or more of the FOIA exemptions, or because of a procedural reason, such as when no records could be located.
- j. **Median Number** - the middle, not average, number. For example, of 3, 7, and 14, the median number is 7.
- k. **Multi-Track Processing** - a system in which simple requests requiring relatively minimal review are placed in one processing track and more voluminous and complex requests are placed in one or more other tracks. Requests granted expedited processing are placed in yet another track. Requests in each track are processed on a first in/first out basis.
 - i. **Expedited Processing** - an agency will process a FOIA request on an expedited basis when a requester satisfies the requirements for expedited processing as set forth in the statute and in agency regulations.
 - ii. **Simple Request** - a FOIA request that an agency using multi-track processing places in its fastest (non-expedited) track based on the low volume and/or simplicity of the records requested.
 - iii. **Complex Request** - a FOIA request that an agency using multi-track processing places in a slower track based on the high volume and/or complexity of the records requested.
- l. **Partial Grant/Partial Denial** - in response to a FOIA request, an agency decision to disclose portions of the records and to withhold other portions that are exempt under the FOIA, or to otherwise deny a portion of the request for a procedural reason.
- m. **Pending Request or Pending Administrative Appeal** - a request or administrative appeal for which an agency has not taken final action in all respects.
- n. **Perfect Request** - a request for records which reasonably describes such records and is made in accordance with published rules stating the time, place, fees (if any) and procedures to be followed.

- o. **Processed Request or Processed Administrative Appeal** - a request or administrative appeal for which an agency has taken final action in all respects.
 - p. **Range in Number of Days** - the lowest and highest number of days to process requests or administrative appeals.
 - q. **Time Limits** - the time period in the statute for an agency to respond to a FOIA request (ordinarily twenty working days from receipt of a perfected FOIA request).
2. Descriptions of the nine FOIA exemptions:
- a. **Exemption 1:** classified national defense and foreign relations information
 - b. **Exemption 2:** information that is related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
 - c. **Exemption 3:** information that is prohibited from disclosure by another federal law
 - d. **Exemption 4:** trade secrets and other confidential business information
 - e. **Exemption 5:** inter-agency or intra-agency communications that are protected by legal privileges
 - f. **Exemption 6:** information involving matters of personal privacy
 - g. **Exemption 7:** records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, to the extent that the production of those records (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual
 - h. **Exemption 8:** information relating to the supervision of financial institutions
 - i. **Exemption 9:** geological information on wells

3. Agency Component Abbreviations

Component Abbreviation	Component Name
AS-IA	Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BIE	Bureau of Indian Education
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
BOR	Bureau of Reclamation
BSEE	Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement
DFO	Departmental FOIA Office
FPAO	FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Office
FWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
NPS	National Park Service
OIG	Office of Inspector General
OS	Office of the Secretary
OSMRE	Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
SOL	Office of the Solicitor
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey

IV. Exemption 3 Statutes

Statute	Type of Information Withheld	Case Citation	Agency / Component	Number of Times Relied upon by Agency / Component	Total Number of Times Relied upon by Agency Overall
10 U.S.C. § 3309 (formerly at 2305(g))	Certain contractor proposals	Roman v. NSA, Nos. 09-2947, 09-4281, 09-3344, 09-2504, 095633, 2012 WL 569747, at *7 (E.D.N.Y. Feb. 22, 2012); Margolin v. NASA, No. 09- 00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011).	BLM	1	5
			FWS	1	
			NPS	2	
			OS	1	
16 U.S.C. § 470aaa-8	Information concerning the nature and specific location of a paleontological resource	N/A	BLM	5	8
			NPS	3	
16 U.S.C. § 470hh	Information pertaining to the nature and location of certain archaeological resources	Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 2930 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 035257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004); Starkey v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 238 F. Supp. 2d 1188, 1192-94 (S.D. Cal. 2002).	ASIA	1	38
			BIA	1	
			BLM	30	
			FWS	1	
			NPS	5	
16 U.S.C. § 4304	"Information concerning the specific location of any significant cave . . . [that] create[s] a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction of such cave"	Black Hills Clean Water All. v. USFS, No. 20-5034, 2022 WL 2340440, at *9 (D.S.D. June 29, 2022).	BLM	1	3
			NPS	2	
18 U.S.C. §	Providing that "a copy of any	Seife v. NIH, 874 F. Supp. 2d 248, 256	BIE	1	3

208(d)(1)	determination granting an exemption under subsection (b)(1) or (b)(3) [from application of penalties for acts affecting personal financial interests determined to constitute bribery, graft, or conflicts of interest] shall be made available to the public," but exempting from this disclosure requirement "any information contained in the determination that would be exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5"	(S.D.N.Y. 2012).	BLM	2	
25 U.S.C. § 2103(c)	Information related to decisions to grant/disapprove minerals agreements for Indian tribes	N/A	BIE	3	3
26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105	Certain tax return information, to include Taxpayer Identification Numbers of third parties, and certain tax convention information	Nosal v. IRS, 523 F. Supp. 3d 72, 79 (D.D.C. 2021); Church of Scientology v. IRS, 484 U.S. 9, 15 (1987) (26 U.S.C. § 6103); Elec. Priv. Info. Ctr. v. IRS, 910 F.3d 1232, 1237 (D.C. Cir. 2018); Leonard v. U.S. Dep'of Treasury, 590 F. App'x. 141, 143-44 (3d Cir. 2014) (per curiam); Pac. Fisheries, Inc. v. IRS, 395 F. App'x. 438, 440 (9th Cir. 2010) (unpublished disposition) (26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105).	BLM	1	2
			OS	1	
41 U.S.C. § 2102 (amending 41 U.S.C. § 423(a)(1))	Contractor bid or proposal information; source selection information	Legal & Safety Emp. Rsch., Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of the Army, No. Civ. S001748, 2001 WL 34098652, at *3-4 (E.D. Cal. May 4, 2001) (dictum).	BLM	1	9
			FWS	2	
			NPS	5	
			OS	1	
41 U.S.C. § 4702 (formerly at 41 U.S.C. §	Contractor proposals that are in the possession or control of an executive agency and that have not been set forth or	Sinkfield v. HUD, No. 10-885, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35233, at *13-15 (S.D. Ohio Mar. 15, 2012); Margolin v. NASA, No.	BIE	3	29
			FWS	1	

253b(m)(1))	incorporated by reference into contracts	09- 00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011); Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 035257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).	OS	5	
			USGS	2	
			NPS	18	
54 U.S.C. § 100707 (formerly at 16 U.S.C. § 5937)	Information pertaining to: "endangered, threatened, rare, or commercially valuable" National Park System resources; "mineral or paleontological objects within units of the National Park System"; or "objects of cultural patrimony within units of the National Park System"	Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004); Sw. Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. USDA, 314 F.3d 1060, 1062 (9th Cir. 2002); Pease v. U.S. Dep't of Interior, No. 99-113, slip op. at 2, 4 (D. Vt. Sept. 17, 1999).	NPS	16	17
			FWS	1	
54 U.S.C. § 307103 (formerly at 16 U.S.C. § 470w-3)	Information about the location, character, or ownership of a historic property.	N/A	ASIA	2	8
			BLM	4	
			NPS	2	
Fed. R. Crim. P. 6(e), enacted by Act of July 30, 1977, Pub. L. No. 95-78, §2, 91 Stat. 319	Certain records that would reveal some secret aspect pertaining to grand jury proceedings	Sussman v. USMS, 494 F.3d 1106, 1113 (D.C. Cir. 2007); Fund for Constitutional Gov't v. Nat'l Archives & Records Serv., 656 F.2d 856, 867-68 (D.C. Cir. 1981); Durham v. U.S. Atty. Gen., No. 06-843, 2008 WL 620744, at *2 (E.D. Tex. Mar. 3, 2008); Cozen O'Connor v. U.S. Dep't of Treasury, 570 F. Supp. 2d 749, 776 (E.D. Pa. 2008).	OIG	1	2
			BIA	1	

V.A. FOIA REQUESTS -- RECEIVED, PROCESSED AND PENDING FOIA REQUESTS

Agency / Component	Number of Requests Pending as of Start of Fiscal Year	Number of Requests Received in Fiscal Year	Number of Requests Processed in Fiscal Year	Number of Requests Pending as of End of Fiscal Year
AS-IA	51	268	252	67
BIA	347	1290	1024	613
BIE	39	64	75	28
BLM	1403	1039	819	1623
BOEM	5	128	112	21
BOR	28	237	206	59
BSEE	67	107	101	73
FWS	405	884	886	403
NPS	1544	2004	2623	925
OIG	17	240	215	42
OS	1156	429	656	929
OSMRE	24	83	83	24
SOL	140	145	182	103
USGS	35	167	154	48
AGENCY OVERALL	5261	7085	7388	4958

** After reviewing its database, DOI adjusted the number of requests pending at the start of the fiscal year for ASIA, BIA, BLM, BOR, FWS, NPS, OIG, OS, and SOL.*

V.B.(1). DISPOSITION OF FOIA REQUESTS -- ALL PROCESSED REQUESTS

Agency / Component	Number of Full Grants	Number of Partial Grants / Partial Denials	Number of Full Denials Based on Exemptions	Number of Full Denials Based on Reasons Other than Exemptions									TOTAL
				No Records	All Records Referred to Another Component or Agency	Request Withdrawn	Fee-Related Reason	Records not Reasonably Described	Improper FOIA Request for Other Reason	Not Agency Record	Duplicate Request	Other *Explain in Chart Below	
AS-IA	39	42	2	70	1	7	27	3	10	1	18	32	252
BIA	192	270	53	227	2	48	17	29	78	4	52	52	1024
BIE	13	25	5	21	0	0	1	6	0	1	1	2	75
BLM	264	276	8	138	0	38	8	16	4	1	22	44	819
BOEM	40	42	3	15	0	3	1	2	0	3	0	3	112
BOR	88	25	1	33	2	17	8	9	7	8	2	6	206
BSEE	42	12	2	23	0	9	0	1	0	1	4	7	101
FWS	268	277	25	107	2	79	10	19	13	4	23	59	886
NPS	491	471	50	170	220	206	30	52	504	21	134	274	2623
OIG	4	47	10	57	49	4	0	7	3	30	0	4	215
OS	105	138	2	58	5	205	4	11	6	9	11	102	656
OSMRE	29	14	0	18	0	17	0	2	0	0	0	3	83
SOL	54	46	0	42	1	13	1	3	0	2	15	5	182
USGS	37	51	0	34	2	6	1	8	1	0	1	13	154
AGENCY OVERALL	1666	1736	161	1013	284	652	108	168	626	85	283	606	7388

V.B.(2). DISPOSITION OF FOIA REQUESTS -- "OTHER" REASONS FOR "FULL DENIALS BASED ON REASONS OTHER THAN EXEMPTIONS"

Agency / Component	Description of "Other" Reasons for Denials from Chart B(1)	Number of Times "Other" Reason Was Relied Upon	TOTAL
AS-IA	Aggregate Cases	7	32
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	23	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	
BIA	Aggregate Cases	41	52
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	7	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	3	
BIE	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	2	2
BLM	Aggregate Cases	13	44
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	19	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	12	
BOEM	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	2	3
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
BOR	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	4	6
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	1	
BSEE	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	4	7
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	1	
FWS	Aggregate Cases	33	59
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	5	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	20	
NPS	Aggregate Cases	75	274
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	45	

	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	6	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	148	
OIG	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	1	4
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	3	
OS	Aggregate Cases	25	102
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	26	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	12	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	39	
OSMRE	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	2	3
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	1	
SOL	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	2	5
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	2	
USGS	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	8	13
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	4	
AGENCY OVERALL			606

V.B.(3). DISPOSITION OF FOIA REQUESTS -- NUMBER OF TIMES EXEMPTIONS APPLIED

Agency / Component	Ex. 1	Ex. 2	Ex. 3	Ex. 4	Ex. 5	Ex. 6	Ex. 7(A)	Ex. 7(B)	Ex. 7(C)	Ex. 7(D)	Ex. 7(E)	Ex. 7(F)	Ex. 8	Ex. 9
AS-IA	0	0	2	5	27	31	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
BIA	0	0	2	16	59	206	32	0	106	1	26	4	0	0
BIE	0	1	7	5	7	30	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
BLM	0	2	39	41	100	175	12	0	37	1	7	4	0	1
BOEM	0	0	0	5	24	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOR	0	2	0	3	16	17	1	0	5	0	0	1	0	0
BSEE	0	0	0	2	4	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
FWS	0	0	6	27	109	224	21	0	84	13	7	13	0	0
NPS	0	11	44	34	101	428	76	0	301	5	64	40	0	0
OIG	0	0	1	1	7	3	0	0	46	9	1	0	0	0
OS	0	2	6	13	73	104	0	0	11	1	6	2	0	3
OSMRE	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOL	0	0	0	0	33	38	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
USGS	1	0	2	3	13	32	0	0	4	3	2	2	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	1	18	109	156	574	1330	143	0	600	33	114	66	0	5

VI.A. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS OF INITIAL DETERMINATIONS OF FOIA REQUESTS -- RECEIVED, PROCESSED, AND PENDING ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

Agency / Component	Number of Appeals Pending as of Start of Fiscal Year	Number of Appeals Received in Fiscal Year	Number of Appeals Processed in Fiscal Year	Number of Appeals Pending as of End of Fiscal Year
FPAO	320	198	292	226
OIG	0	7	7	0
AGENCY OVERALL	320	205	299	226

VI.B. DISPOSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS -- ALL PROCESSED APPEALS

Agency / Component	Number Affirmed on Appeal	Number Partially Affirmed & Partially Reversed/Remanded on Appeal	Number Completely Reversed/Remanded on Appeal	Number of Appeals Closed for Other Reasons	TOTAL
FPAO	34	3	55	200	292
OIG	0	4	0	3	7
AGENCY OVERALL	34	7	55	203	299

VI.C.(1). REASONS FOR DENIAL ON APPEAL -- NUMBER OF TIMES EXEMPTIONS APPLIED

Agency / Component	Ex. 1	Ex. 2	Ex. 3	Ex. 4	Ex. 5	Ex. 6	Ex. 7(A)	Ex. 7(B)	Ex. 7(C)	Ex. 7(D)	Ex. 7(E)	Ex. 7(F)	Ex. 8	Ex. 9
FPAO	0	0	2	5	24	13	4	0	7	0	0	1	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	0	2	5	28	13	4	0	10	0	0	1	0	0

VI.C.(2). REASONS FOR DENIAL ON APPEAL -- REASONS OTHER THAN EXEMPTIONS

Agency / Component	No Records	Records Referred at Initial Request Level	Request Withdrawn	Fee-Related Reason	Records not Reasonably Described	Improper Request for Other Reasons	Not Agency Record	Duplicate Request or Appeal	Request in Litigation	Appeal Based Solely on Denial of Request for Expedited Processing	Other *Explain in chart below
FPAO	17	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	6	4	217
OIG	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	17	3	4	1	1	0	0	0	6	4	217

VI.C.(3). REASONS FOR DENIAL ON APPEAL -- "OTHER" REASONS

Agency / Component	Description of "Other" Reasons for Denial on Appeal from Chart C(2)	Number of Times "Other" Reason Was Relied Upon	TOTAL
FPAO	Agency performed adequate search	12	217
	Appeal withdrawn	6	
	Improper appeal	111	
	Moot	50	
	No component response to adjudicate	37	
	Untimely	1	
OIG		0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			217

VI.C.(4). RESPONSE TIME FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

Agency / Component	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days
FPAO	162	481	<1	1636
OIG	13	10	1	18
AGENCY OVERALL	87.5	245.5	<1	1636

VI.C.(5). TEN OLDEST PENDING ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Appeal	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Appeal
FPAO	Date of Appeal	2018-03-26	2018-03-26	2018-03-23	2018-03-07	2018-02-16	2018-02-12	2018-02-09	2018-01-29	2017-10-24	2017-10-16
	Number of Days Pending	1380	1380	1381	1393	1405	1409	1410	1419	1483	1489
OIG	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Appeal	2018-03-26	2018-03-26	2018-03-23	2018-03-07	2018-02-16	2018-02-12	2018-02-09	2018-01-29	2017-10-24	2017-10-16
	Number of Days Pending	1380	1380	1381	1393	1405	1409	1410	1419	1483	1489

VII.A. FOIA REQUESTS -- RESPONSE TIME FOR ALL PROCESSED PERFECTED REQUESTS

Agency / Component	SIMPLE				COMPLEX				EXPEDITED PROCESSING			
	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days
AS-IA	2	18.4	<1	679	30	122	<1	1070	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BIA	18	65.5	<1	1170	57	134	<1	1571	61	84.3	<1	311
BIE	54	134.2	<1	843	129	196	1	588	48	48	9	87
BLM	22	73.8	<1	1549	67	189	<1	1915	36.5	247	1	1889
BOEM	8	11.1	<1	75	30	48.7	6	198	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BOR	8	15	<1	211	34	62.7	<1	406	15	15	<1	30
BSEE	7	9.1	<1	37	57	163.5	<1	1406	50	142.7	4	374
FWS	28	62	<1	1789	118	227.1	<1	1576	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NPS	31	147.6	<1	1679	255	423	<1	1812	8	131.4	2	1019
OIG	<1	<1	<1	<1	8	17.7	<1	142	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OS	370	463	<1	1477	1134	1003	<1	1670	1200	1200	1200	1200
OSMRE	11.5	14.7	2	47	35	443	1	1572	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SOL	26.5	279	<1	1630	723	616.4	42	1509	1405	1405	1405	1405
USGS	11.5	17.7	<1	94	38	147	<1	866	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	27	148	<1	1789	82	312	<1	1915	37	221	<1	1889

VII.B. PROCESSED REQUESTS -- RESPONSE TIME FOR PERFECTED REQUESTS IN WHICH INFORMATION WAS GRANTED

Agency / Component	SIMPLE				COMPLEX				EXPEDITED PROCESSING			
	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Lowest Number of Days	Highest Number of Days
AS-IA	10	17.4	<1	103	69	191	5	1070	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BIA	17	82	<1	1039	66	121.7	<1	588	89	97	<1	311
BIE	104	185.4	1	843	166	215.3	26	588	48	48	9	87
BLM	24	64	<1	1056	69	187.9	2	1915	34.5	252.4	1	1889
BOEM	8.5	12.3	<1	75	32	51.1	7	198	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BOR	13	20.3	<1	211	38.5	70.2	2	405	15	15	<1	30
BSEE	7	9.8	<1	37	76.00	209	4	1406	50	50	50	50
FWS	33	67	<1	1789	118	206	1	1576	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NPS	25	101.5	<1	1679	135	338.7	7	1812	19	203.3	2	1019
OIG	<1	<1	<1	<1	28	42.1	<1	142	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OS	284	395	<1	1326	830.5	805.1	22	1670	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OSMRE	16	19.7	7	47	20.5	124.6	1	1267	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SOL	41	373.3	<1	1630	669.5	609.5	60	1509	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
USGS	14	20.8	1	94	146	227.1	8	866	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	24	110.5	<1	1789	86	240	<1	1915	36.5	187.5	<1	1889

VII.C. PROCESSED SIMPLE REQUESTS -- RESPONSE TIME IN DAY INCREMENTS

Agency / Component	<1-20 Days	21-40 Days	41-60 Days	61-80 Days	81-100 Days	101-120 Days	121-140 Days	141-160 Days	161-180 Days	181-200 Days	201-300 Days	301-400 Days	401+ Days	TOTAL
AS-IA	82	13	2	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	105
BIA	384	99	57	31	25	11	31	12	12	2	18	25	17	724
BIE	10	1	5	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	5	3	1	29
BLM	234	102	53	21	11	10	6	6	6	3	22	6	21	501
BOEM	59	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
BOR	113	18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	136
BSEE	41	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
FWS	198	88	52	39	17	20	14	11	6	5	17	5	5	477
NPS	692	270	118	55	49	29	22	17	18	16	187	41	201	1715
OIG	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	9
OS	86	24	13	14	5	11	3	4	4	3	15	20	189	391
OSMRE	19	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
SOL	72	21	7	3	3	1	3	0	0	2	2	1	35	150
USGS	71	17	7	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
AGENCY OVERALL	2066	668	317	173	114	84	80	50	47	33	269	101	470	4472

VII.C. PROCESSED COMPLEX REQUESTS -- RESPONSE TIME IN DAY INCREMENTS

Agency / Component	<1-20 Days	21-40 Days	41-60 Days	61-80 Days	81-100 Days	101-120 Days	121-140 Days	141-160 Days	161-180 Days	181-200 Days	201-300 Days	301-400 Days	401+ Days	TOTAL
AS-IA	43	31	7	9	4	2	4	5	0	0	9	2	12	128
BIA	41	25	25	15	8	8	5	3	3	6	15	7	13	174
BIE	4	6	2	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	7	3	6	37
BLM	55	35	30	28	17	13	10	4	6	6	19	4	39	266
BOEM	12	14	6	0	3	2	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	41
BOR	19	11	4	7	0	1	3	1	2	0	1	0	2	51
BSEE	12	8	7	3	2	1	4	1	2	3	1	3	7	54
FWS	51	44	30	21	18	24	14	19	17	11	28	22	71	370
NPS	41	43	26	11	5	4	4	3	1	4	14	12	130	298
OIG	150	16	8	5	4	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	191
OS	10	4	1	0	3	2	3	1	0	0	9	2	197	232
OSMRE	23	8	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	17	56
SOL	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	2	1	0	1	0	17	27
USGS	13	9	3	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	3	2	6	42
AGENCY OVERALL	474	254	155	104	69	65	51	42	35	33	108	58	519	1967

VII.C. PROCESSED REQUESTS GRANTED EXPEDITED PROCESSING -- RESPONSE TIME IN DAY INCREMENTS

Agency / Component	<1-20 Days	21-40 Days	41-60 Days	61-80 Days	81-100 Days	101-120 Days	121-140 Days	141-160 Days	161-180 Days	181-200 Days	201-300 Days	301-400 Days	401+ Days	TOTAL
AS-IA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIA	4	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	14
BIE	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
BLM	11	5	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	28
BOEM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOR	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
BSEE	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
FWS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NPS	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	11
OIG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
OSMRE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
USGS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	26	9	6	0	5	1	1	1	0	1	4	2	6	62

VII.D. PENDING REQUESTS -- ALL PENDING PERFECTED REQUESTS

Agency / Component	SIMPLE			COMPLEX			EXPEDITED PROCESSING		
	Number Pending	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Number Pending	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days	Number Pending	Median Number of Days	Average Number of Days
AS-IA	21	13	29.6	37	101	191.9	0	N/A	N/A
BIA	440	99	145	129	159	249.9	8	68	83
BIE	16	10	16.6	7	236	258.6	0	N/A	N/A
BLM	985	325	412	578	923	813	22	755	755
BOEM	4	6.5	6	17	10	59.7	0	N/A	N/A
BOR	14	14.5	21.21	25	82	197.8	0	N/A	N/A
BSEE	7	6	14	64	320	403.1	1	835	835
FWS	175	76	151.	202	142	248	0	N/A	N/A
NPS	635	172	245	228	312	378	6	54.5	198.7
OIG	1	257	257	37	16	84.3	0	N/A	N/A
OS	482	461	573	396	1153	949	10	1459.5	1369.4
OSMRE	8	9.5	7.9	16	27	163	0	N/A	N/A
SOL	54	303	415	47	475	522.6	0	N/A	N/A
USGS	15	10	26	28	273	356	1	746	746
AGENCY OVERALL	2857	217	332.6	1811	477	621	48	750	703

VII.E. PENDING REQUESTS -- TEN OLDEST PENDING PERFECTED REQUESTS

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Request	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Request
AS-IA	Date of Receipt	2022-08-17	2022-07-07	2022-03-25	2022-03-25	2022-03-09	2021-12-03	2021-10-18	2021-09-02	2021-08-25	2019-07-02
	Number of Days Pending	281	310	381	381	393	457	489	519	525	1061
BIA	Date of Receipt	2020-11-04	2020-10-19	2020-09-14	2020-06-16	2020-04-20	2019-10-18	2019-07-15	2017-12-21	2017-04-25	2016-10-18
	Number of Days Pending	724	736	760	822	862	986	1053	1443	1609	1737
BIE	Date of Receipt	2023-09-05	2023-08-24	2023-08-08	2023-07-11	2023-06-30	2022-11-29	2022-10-20	2022-09-29	2022-02-28	2021-01-25
	Number of Days Pending	19	26	38	58	64	211	237	251	400	673
BLM	Date of Receipt	2017-04-13	2017-04-13	2017-04-12	2017-04-12	2017-04-11	2017-03-23	2017-03-22	2017-03-14	2017-01-25	2016-10-13
	Number of Days Pending	1617	1617	1618	1618	1619	1632	1633	1639	1672	1740
BOEM	Date of Receipt	2023-09-15	2023-09-15	2023-09-11	2023-08-30	2023-08-30	2023-08-25	2023-03-22	2022-11-02	2022-10-04	2022-08-08
	Number of Days Pending	11	11	15	22	22	25	134	228	248	288
BOR	Date of Receipt	2023-03-29	2023-03-10	2023-01-31	2023-01-26	2022-11-28	2022-07-15	2022-05-17	2021-12-15	2019-12-18	2018-09-13
	Number of Days Pending	129	142	169	172	212	304	344	449	945	1260

BSEE	Date of Receipt	2020-06-24	2020-06-24	2020-06-17	2020-06-02	2020-05-22	2020-05-14	2020-05-06	2020-04-17	2020-02-13	2019-11-12
	Number of Days Pending	816	816	821	832	838	844	850	863	908	970
FWS	Date of Receipt	2019-10-30	2019-08-30	2019-07-20	2019-05-31	2019-05-20	2019-02-14	2019-01-28	2018-09-28	2018-09-11	2017-05-25
	Number of Days Pending	978	1019	1049	1083	1091	1157	1170	1249	1262	1587
NPS	Date of Receipt	2019-06-10	2019-04-09	2019-03-08	2019-02-19	2019-01-28	2019-01-28	2018-12-13	2018-10-11	2018-08-06	2017-08-25
	Number of Days Pending	1077	1120	1142	1155	1170	1170	1198	1241	1287	1523
OIG	Date of Receipt	2023-05-19	2023-05-10	2023-03-16	2023-02-09	2023-01-18	2022-12-12	2022-09-20	2022-05-19	2022-04-12	2019-10-10
	Number of Days Pending	92	99	138	162	178	202	258	342	369	991
OS	Date of Receipt	2017-05-04	2017-05-02	2017-04-25	2017-04-21	2017-04-20	2017-04-17	2017-04-07	2017-04-04	2017-03-13	2017-03-03
	Number of Days Pending	1602	1604	1609	1611	1612	1615	1621	1624	1640	1646
OSMRE	Date of Receipt	2023-09-11	2023-08-31	2023-08-11	2023-06-12	2023-06-05	2023-05-15	2023-02-02	2022-09-29	2022-09-28	2017-06-23
	Number of Days Pending	15	21	35	77	82	96	167	251	252	1567
SOL	Date of Receipt	2018-10-18	2018-09-17	2018-07-24	2018-04-23	2018-02-16	2018-01-19	2018-01-17	2018-01-05	2017-09-22	2017-05-10
	Number of Days Pending	1236	1258	1296	1360	1405	1425	1427	1434	1504	1598

USGS	Date of Receipt	2021-09-24	2021-07-27	2021-04-29	2021-02-01	2020-10-19	2020-10-15	2020-10-07	2020-10-05	2020-05-26	2020-02-20
	Number of Days Pending	504	546	606	668	736	738	743	745	837	904
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Receipt	2017-04-07	2017-04-04	2017-03-23	2017-03-22	2017-03-14	2017-03-13	2017-03-03	2017-01-25	2016-10-18	2016-10-13
	Number of Days Pending	1621	1624	1632	1633	1639	1640	1646	1672	1737	1740

VIII.A. REQUESTS FOR EXPEDITED PROCESSING

Agency / Component	Number Granted	Number Denied	Median Number of Days to Adjudicate	Average Number of Days to Adjudicate	Number Adjudicated Within Ten Calendar Days
AS-IA	0	9	18	47.7	4
BIA	12	127	14	80.8	30
BIE	1	8	1	1.4	9
BLM	38	26	18.5	227.6	25
BOEM	0	8	5.5	6.5	6
BOR	2	11	10	7.6	10
BSEE	2	2	11.5	23.3	2
FWS	0	88	8.5	19.8	47
NPS	13	234	5	9	194
OIG	0	19	1	0.1	19
OS	0	41	2	5.1	37
OSMRE	0	5	10	8.6	4
SOL	0	3	10	9.7	2
USGS	0	9	6	7	7
AGENCY OVERALL	68	590	7	47	396

VIII.B. Requests for Fee Waiver

Agency / Component	Number Granted	Number Denied	Median Number of Days to Adjudicate	Average Number of Days to Adjudicate
AS-IA	15	6	2	8.71
BIA	30	90	9	37
BIE	15	1	2.5	3.5
BLM	245	20	7	90.2
BOEM	32	4	1.5	3.14
BOR	9	14	3	8.17
BSEE	2	0	15	15
FWS	233	16	8	16.8
NPS	177	72	2	6
OIG	22	6	1	0.18
OS	2	2	3	3.25
OSMRE	5	1	2.5	3.83
SOL	11	10	9	14.62
USGS	31	2	3	5.3
AGENCY OVERALL	829	244	5	32.75

IX. FOIA Personnel and Costs

Agency / Component	PERSONNEL			COSTS		
	Number of "Full-Time FOIA Employees"	Number of "Equivalent Full-Time FOIA Employees"	Total Number of "Full-Time FOIA Staff"	Processing Costs	Litigation-Related Costs	Total Costs
AS-IA	5	0.00	5.00	556868.30	0.00	556868.30
BIA	1	12.02	13.02	1109022.36	0.00	1109022.36
BIE	3	0.00	3.00	351600.00	0.00	351600.00
BLM	20	3.00	23.00	2532055.00	74827.58	2606882.58
BOEM	3	1.08	4.08	754446.66	0.00	754446.66
BOR	3	5.55	8.55	661793.00	0.00	661793.00
BSEE	4	1.40	5.40	752829.00	0.00	752829.00
FPAO	1	0.00	1.00	533000.00	22500.00	555500.00
FWS	14	4.50	18.50	1698962.11	117013.90	1815976.01
NPS	8	15.00	23.00	1550787.00	0.00	1550787.00
OIG	5	0.00	5.00	629924.00	3837.00	633761.00
OS	8	0.00	8.00	1285592.00	74927.00	1360519.00
OSMRE	1	1.50	2.50	267258.00	0.00	267258.00
SOL	4	0.00	4.00	4059128.00	492932.80	4552060.80
USGS	4	0.50	4.50	611112.59	8201.53	619314.12
AGENCY OVERALL	84	44.55	128.55	17354378.02	794239.81	18148617.83

X. Fees Collected for Processing Requests

Agency / Component	Total Amount of Fees Collected	Percentage of Total Costs
AS-IA	0.00	0.0000
BIA	0.00	0.0000
BIE	0.00	0.0000
BLM	1838.25	0.0700
BOEM	0.00	0.0000
BOR	384.00	0.0600
BSEE	0.00	0.0000
FWS	0.00	0.0000
NPS	0.00	0.0000
OIG	0.00	0.0000
OS	0.00	0.0000
OSMRE	0.00	0.0000
SOL	0.00	0.0000
USGS	0.00	0.0000
AGENCY OVERALL	2222.25	0.0100

XI.A. Number of Times Subsection (C) Used

Agency / Component	Number of Times Subsection Used
AS-IA	0
BIA	0
BIE	0
BLM	0
BOEM	0
BOR	0
BSEE	0
FWS	0
NPS	0
OIG	0
OS	0
OSMRE	0
SOL	0
USGS	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0

XI.B. Number of Subsection (A)(2) Postings

Agency / Component	Number of Records Posted by the FOIA Office	Number of Records Posted by Program Offices
AS-IA	0	0
BIA	0	0
BIE	0	0
BLM	0	0
BOEM	1	2548
BOR	12	0
BSEE	392	0
FWS	22605	3
NPS	9	1041
OIG	0	0
OS	41	33
OSMRE	0	0
SOL	0	0
USGS	0	50
AGENCY OVERALL	23060	3675

XII.A. Backlogs of FOIA Requests and Administrative Appeals

Agency / Component	Number of Backlogged Requests as of End of Fiscal Year	Number of Backlogged Appeals as of End of Fiscal Year
AS-IA	40	N/A
BIA	489	N/A
BIE	9	N/A
BLM	1519	N/A
BOEM	4	N/A
BOR	26	N/A
BSEE	62	N/A
FPAO	0	217
FWS	331	N/A
NPS	807	N/A
OIG	19	0
OS	888	N/A
OSMRE	5	N/A
SOL	87	N/A
USGS	34	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	4320	217

XII.B. CONSULTATIONS ON FOIA REQUESTS -- RECEIVED, PROCESSED, AND PENDING CONSULTATIONS

Agency / Component	Number of Consultations Received from Other Agencies that were <u>Pending</u> at the Agency as of <u>Start</u> of the Fiscal Year	Number of Consultations <u>Received</u> from Other Agencies During the Fiscal Year	Number of Consultations Received from Other Agencies that were <u>Processed</u> by the Agency During the Fiscal Year	Number of Consultations Received from Other Agencies that were <u>Pending</u> at the Agency as of <u>End</u> of the Fiscal Year
AS-IA	0	1	1	0
BIA	0	1	1	0
BIE	0	0	0	0
BLM	0	3	2	1
BOEM	0	0	0	0
BOR	0	0	0	0
BSEE	0	0	0	0
FWS	3	35	38	0
NPS	0	7	6	1
OIG	0	0	0	0
OS	9	33	19	23
OSMRE	0	0	0	0
SOL	0	3	3	0
USGS	0	7	7	0
AGENCY OVERALL	12	90	77	25

After reviewing its database, DOI adjusted the number of consults pending as of the start of the Fiscal Year for the following components: BLM and OS.

XII.C. CONSULTATIONS ON FOIA REQUESTS -- TEN OLDEST CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED FROM OTHER AGENCIES AND PENDING AT THE AGENCY

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Consultation	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Consultation
AS-IA	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIA	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIE	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLM	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2023-09-14
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
BOEM	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOR	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BSEE	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

FWS	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NPS	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2023-08-01
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
OIG	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OS	Date	2022-11-21	2022-11-17	2022-11-02	2022-10-24	2022-08-08	2022-06-09	2022-05-10	2022-04-26	2022-03-29	2021-12-08
	Number of Days	216	218	228	235	288	328	349	359	379	454
OSMRE	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOL	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USGS	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	Date	2022-11-21	2022-11-17	2022-11-02	2022-10-24	2022-08-08	2022-06-09	2022-05-10	2022-04-26	2022-03-29	2021-12-08
	Number of Days	216	218	228	235	288	328	349	359	379	454

**XII.D.(1). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF REQUESTS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT
-- REQUESTS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED**

Agency / Component	NUMBER OF REQUESTS <u>RECEIVED</u>		NUMBER OF REQUESTS <u>PROCESSED</u>	
	Number Received During Fiscal Year from Last Year's Annual Report	Number Received During Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report	Number Processed During Fiscal Year from Last Year's Annual Report	Number Processed During Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report
AS-IA	232	268	236	252
BIA	997	1290	873	1024
BIE	69	64	67	75
BLM	1071	1039	954	819
BOEM	105	128	119	112
BOR	200	237	206	206
BSEE	122	107	105	101
FWS	739	884	773	886
NPS	1914	2004	1598	2623
OIG	236	240	237	215
OS	415	429	599	656
OSMRE	69	83	75	83
SOL	123	145	194	182
USGS	113	167	131	154
AGENCY OVERALL	6405	7085	6167	7388

**XII.D.(2). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF REQUESTS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT
-- BACKLOGGED REQUESTS**

Agency / Component	Number of Backlogged Requests as of End of the Fiscal Year from Previous Annual Report	Number of Backlogged Requests as of End of the Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report
AS-IA	45	40
BIA	250	489
BIE	35	9
BLM	1276	1519
BOEM	1	4
BOR	16	26
BSEE	55	62
FWS	350	331
NPS	1426	807
OIG	8	19
OS	1157	888
OSMRE	22	5
SOL	135	87
USGS	32	34
AGENCY OVERALL	4808	4320

XII.E.(1). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT -- APPEALS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED

Agency / Component	NUMBER OF APPEALS <u>RECEIVED</u>		NUMBER OF APPEALS <u>PROCESSED</u>	
	Number Received During Fiscal Year from Last Year's Annual Report	Number Received During Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report	Number Processed During Fiscal Year from Last Year's Annual Report	Number Processed During Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report
FPAO	223	198	267	292
OIG	6	7	6	7
AGENCY OVERALL	229	205	273	299

XII.E.(2). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT -- BACKLOGGED APPEALS

Agency / Component	Number of Backlogged Appeals as of End of the Fiscal Year from Previous Annual Report	Number of Backlogged Appeals as of End of the Fiscal Year from Current Annual Report
FPAO	314	217
OIG	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	314	217