# **DOC FOIA Annual Report**

FOR 10/01/2023 THROUGH 09/30/2024

The following Annual Freedom of Information Act report covers Fiscal Year 2024, as required by 5 U.S.C. § 552

#### I: BASIC INFORMATION REGARDING REPORT

1. The following individual may be contacted with questions about this report:

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2. This report may be found on the agency website at the following electronic link:

https://www.commerce.gov/opog/foia/foia-reports/annual-reports

3. A copy of the report in paper form may be requested by contacting the Office of Privacy and Open Government at the above address.

#### **II: MAKING A FOIA REQUEST**

1. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all individual agency components that receive FOIA requests may be found on the agency website at the following electronic link:

https://www.commerce.gov/opog/foia/doc-foia-bureau-operating-unit-contact-information

2. The following serves as a brief description of why some requests are not granted and an overview of certain general categories of the agency's record to which the FOIA exemptions apply:

There is a broad category of records contained at the agency in which exemptions apply. A request for records may be denied if the requested record contains information which falls into one or more of the nine FOIA exemptions listed in Section V.B.(3) of this report. If the requested record contains both exempt and nonexempt information, the nonexempt portions which may reasonably be segregated from the exempt portions will be released to the requester.

3. Provide a functional electronic link to agency FOIA regulations, including the agency's fee schedule

DOC FOIA regulations: <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-15/subtitle-A/part-4/subpart-A">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-15/subtitle-A/part-4/subpart-A</a>

DOC FOIA fee schedule: <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-15/subtitle-A/part-4#4.11">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-15/subtitle-A/part-4#4.11</a>

USPTO FOIA regulations: <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-37/chapter-l/subchapter-B/part-102">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-37/chapter-l/subchapter-B/part-102</a>
<a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-37/chapter-l/subchapter-B/part-102">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-37/chapter-l/subchapter-B/part-102</a>

102/subpart-A/section-102.11

#### **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, Department of Justice Annual FOIA Report Handbook 22 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 entireties 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.
  - 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.
- I. 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. **Perfected 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. 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
BEA	Bureau of Economic Analysis
CEN	Census Bureau
EDA	Economic Development Administration
BIS	Bureau of Industry and Security
ITA	International Trade Administration
MBDA	Minority Business Development Agency
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NTIS	National Technical Information Service
NTIA	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
PTO	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
OIG	Office of Inspector General
IOS	Immediate Office of the Secretary
OS	Office of the Secretary
InfoLaw	Information Law Division

#### **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
5 U.S.C. § 13109(a)(2) (formerly at 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 107(a)(2))	Confidential financial disclosure report pertaining to certain government employees	Meyerhoff v. EPA, 958 F.2d 1498, 1500-02 (9th Cir. 1992); Boyd v. Exec. Off. for U.S. Att'ys, 161 F. Supp. 3d 1, 7 (D.D.C. 2015); Seife v. NIH, 874 F. Supp. 2d 248, 254 (S.D.N.Y. 2012).	IOS	8	8
7 U.S.C. § 12 (a)(1)	"[D]ata and information that would separately disclose the business transactions or market positions of any person and trade secrets or names of customers," as well as certain other information concerning, or obtained in, the course of the Commission's investigation under the Commodity Exchange Act"	Hunt v. Commodity Futures Trading Comm'n, 484 F. Supp. 47, 49 (D.D.C. 1979).	NOAA	2	2
10 U.S.C. § 130b	Personally identifiable information pertaining to "any members of the armed forces assigned to an overseas unit, a sensitive unit, or a routinely deployable unit" and "any employee of the Department of Defense or of the Coast Guard whose duty station is with any such unit"	Freedom Watch, Inc. v. NSA, 197 F. Supp. 3d 165, 174 (D.D.C. 2016); Hiken v. DOD, 521 F. Supp. 2d 1047, 1062 (N.D. Cal. 2007); O'Keefe v. DOD, 463 F. Supp. 2d 317, 325 (E.D.N.Y. 2006); Windel v. United States, No. A02-306, 2005 WL 846206, at *2 (D. Alaska Apr. 11, 2005).	CEN	1	1
10 U.S.C. § 3309(b) (formerly at 10	Certain contractor proposals	Roman v. NSA, Nos. 09-2947, 09-4281, 09-334, 09- 2504, 09-5633, 2012 WL 569747, at *7 (E.D.N.Y. Feb.	CEN	1	
U.S.C. § 2305(g))		22, 2012); Margolin v. NASA, No. 09-00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011).	NIST	1	2
13 U.S.C. §§ 8(b), 9(a)	Certain census data	Baldrige v. Shapiro, 455 U.S. 345, 354-55 (1982).	CEN	52	52
15 U.S.C. § 278k(j)(1)	Protection of confidential information of Center clients	N/A	NIST	1	1
15 U.S.C. § 3710a(c)	"[T]rade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, under the meaning of section 552(b)(4) of Title 5, which is obtained in the conduct of research or as a result of activities under this chapter," which pertains to cooperative research and development agreements for the purpose of technological and industrial innovation	Pub. Citizen Health Rsch. Grp. v. NIH, 209 F. Supp. 2d 37, 43, 51 (D.D.C. 2002); DeLorme Pub. Co., Inc. v. NOAA, 917 F. Supp. 867, 871-72 (D. Me. 1996), appeal dismissed per stipulation, No. 96-1601 (1st Cir. July 8, 1996).	NIST	2	2
15 U.S.C. § 4652(a)(6)(G)	Information provided by covered entities for the fabrication, assembly, testing, advanced packaging, production, or research and development of semiconductors, materials	N/A	NIST	11	11

	used to manufacture semiconductors, or semiconductor manufacturing equipment				
15 U.S.C. § 6801	Nonpublic personal information of customers of financial institutions	Hodes v. HUD, 532 F. Supp. 2d 108, 117 (D.D.C. 2008).	CEN	1	1
15 U.S.C. § 7306(d)	"[A]ny informationreceive[d] in the course of an investigation under this chapter if the Director finds that the disclosure of that information might jeopardize public safety"	Quick v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 775 F. Supp. 2d 174, 180-81 (D.D.C. 2011).	NIST	1	1
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).	CEN	1	1
28 U.S.C. § 652(d)	"[C]onfidential dispute resolution communications"	Yelder v. DOD, 577 F. Supp. 2d 342, 346-47 (D.D.C. 2008).	NOAA	1	1
35 U.S.C. § 122	Applications for patents; certain information pertaining to applications for patents	Irons & Sears v. Dann, 606 F.2d 1215, 1219-21 (D.C. Cir. 1979).	PTO	13	13
41 U.S.C. § 4702 (formerly at 41	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	NOAA	27	
U.S.C. § 253b(m)(1))	incorporated by reference into contracts	v. NASA, No. 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. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).	PTO	1	28
50 U.S.C. § 4555(d) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. §2155(d))	Information obtained under the Defense Production Act of 1950 that the President deems confidential or the person furnishing such information requests confidential treatment of the information	N/A	BIS	1	1
50 U.S.C. § 4820(h)(1) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 4614(c)(1))	Information pertaining to license applications under the Export Administration Act	Wis. Project on Nuclear Arms Control v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 317 F.3d 275, 284 (D.C. Cir. 2003); Times Publ'g Co. v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 236 F.3d 1286, 1289-90 (11th Cir. 2001); Lessner v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 827 F.2d 1333, 1336-37 (9th Cir. 1987).	BIS	18	18
Fed. R. Crim. P. 6(e), enacted by Act of July 30, 1977, Pub. L. No. 95-78, 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); Sorin v. DOJ, No. 18-99, 2018 WL 6431027 (2d Cir. Dec. 6, 2018) (per curium); Widi v. McNeil, No. 12-00188, 2016 WL 4394724, at *23 (D. Me. Aug 16, 2016); Durham v. U.S. Att'y 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	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
BEA	0	109	109	0
BIS	25	266	208	83
CEN	100	289	357	32
EDA	17	160	93	84
IOS	396	588	427	557
ITA	78	397	315	160
MBDA	14	89	47	56
NIST	113	310	201	222
NOAA	168	815	757	226
NTIA	58	243	167	134
NTIS	6	48	47	7
OIG	2	114	114	2
OS	222	271	230	263
PTO	48	349	338	59
AGENCY OVERALL	1247	4048	3410	1885

After reviewing its database, DOC updated the number of requests pending at the start of the Fiscal Year for the following components: CEN, EDA, IOS, ITA, MBDA, NIST, NOAA, NTIA, OS.

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

		Number			Nu	ımber of Full D	enials Base	ed on Reasons	Other than E	xemption	S		
Agency / Component	Number of Full Grants	of Partial Grants / Partial Denials	Number of Full Denials Based on Exemptions	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	TOTAL
BEA	5	1	0	22	1	0	0	2	13	2	23	40	109
BIS	10	7	16	31	3	6	0	3	1	7	7	117	208
CEN	27	49	55	43	17	42	14	9	12	4	6	79	357
EDA	56	11	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	23	93
IOS	3	4	9	28	2	26	0	14	0	1	4	336	427
ITA	3	17	36	21	0	8	0	0	8	0	7	215	315
MBDA	4	2	2	6	4	0	0	3	0	0	3	23	47
NIST	25	15	17	56	0	5	19	13	1	9	4	37	201
NOAA	142	122	12	96	2	35	40	14	4	0	50	240	757
NTIA	0	4	0	6	0	1	0	16	3	0	1	136	167
NTIS	18	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	24	47
OIG	2	32	7	32	1	5	2	5	3	4	1	20	114
OS	11	5	4	78	3	30	0	21	17	1	14	46	230
PTO	84	70	21	52	0	14	8	16	58	11	4	0	338
AGENCY OVERALL	390	339	180	471	34	174	83	116	120	39	128	1336	3410

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

		Number of	
Agency /	Description of "Other" Reasons for Denials from Chart B(1)	Times "Other"	TOTAL
Component		Reason Was Relied Upon	
BEA	Aggregate Cases	35	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	3	40
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	
BIS	Aggregate Cases	112	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	3	117
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	
CEN	Aggregate Cases	54	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	24	79
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
EDA	Aggregate Cases	20	23
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	3	23
IOS	Aggregate Cases	334	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	336
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	1	
ITA	Aggregate Cases	193	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	5	215
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	17	
MBDA	Aggregate Cases	23	23
NIST	Aggregate Cases	33	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	1	37
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	3	
NOAA	Aggregate Cases	71	240
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	75	240

	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	92	
NTIA	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	1	136
	Aggregate Cases	135	130
NTIS	Aggregate Cases	22	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	1	24
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	1	
OIG	Aggregate Cases	18	20
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	2	20
OS	Aggregate Cases	36	
	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	6	46
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	3	40
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	1	
PTO	N/A	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			1336

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

Agency /	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.	Ex.						
Component	1	2	3	4	5	6	7(A)	7(B)	7(C)	7(D)	7(E)	7(F)	8	9
BEA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIS	3	0	19	3	4	11	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
CEN	0	10	54	23	7	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EDA	0	0	0	3	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOS	0	0	8	0	4	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
ITA	1	1	0	40	45	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MBDA	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
NIST	0	1	16	8	6	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
NOAA	0	2	30	43	58	101	5	0	9	0	4	2	0	0
NTIA	0	0	0	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NTIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	1	1	6	36	5	0	32	0	1	0	0	0
OS	1	1	0	1	6	5	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
PTO	0	1	14	11	30	70	3	0	15	0	7	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	5	16	142	137	177	311	14	0	58	0	19	2	0	0

#### 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
InfoLaw	240	38	21	257
OIG	0	4	4	0
PTO	2	15	16	1
AGENCY OVERALL	242	57	41	258

After reviewing its database, DOC adjusted the number of appeals pending at the start of the Fiscal Year for InfoLaw and PTO.

#### 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
InfoLaw	12	1	0	8	21
OIG	2	1	1	0	4
PTO	12	3	1	0	16
AGENCY OVERALL	26	5	2	8	41

### 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
InfoLaw	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
PTO	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	0	2	1	5	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	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
InfoLaw	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	3
OIG	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PTO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	3

# 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
InfoLaw	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	3	3
OIG	N/A	0	0
PTO	N/A	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			3

# 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
InfoLaw	388	432	<1	1982
OIG	16.5	18.8	12	30
PTO	18.5	16.7	5	28
AGENCY OVERALL	28	229.6	<1	1982

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

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Appeal	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Appeal
	Date of Appeal	2016- 11-21	2016- 11-17	2016- 10-17	2015- 10-15	2015- 02-24	2014- 08-15	2014- 02-11	2013- 04-26	2013- 01-28	2012- 11-02
InfoLaw	Number of Days Pending	1970	1972	1994	2246	2409	2538	2668	2866	2929	2985
	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024- 09-17
РТО	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
AGENCY	Date of Appeal	2016- 11-17	2016- 11-02	2016- 10-17	2015- 10-15	2015- 02-24	2014- 08-15	2014- 02-11	2013- 04-26	2013- 01-28	2012- 11-02
OVERALL	Number of Days Pending	1722	1732	1744	1996	2159	2288	2418	2616	2679	2735

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

		SIM	IPLE			COM	PLEX		E	XPEDITED I	PROCESSING	G
Agency / Component	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
BEA	3	6.1	<1	77	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BIS	5	7.5	<1	27	55	70.8	9	256	3	3	3	3
CEN	14	55.8	<1	968	297	262.6	<1	759	288.5	341	92	982
EDA	26	40.2	<1	477	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
IOS	5	18.8	<1	1034	804	699.7	17	1787	1746	1167	4	1751
ITA	2	18	<1	588	52	257	<1	1526	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MBDA	3	23.5	<1	319	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NIST	16.5	40	<1	522	38	164.4	23	678	136	136	109	163
NOAA	16	48.5	<1	1024	65	134.7	<1	996	21.5	61.7	6	267
NTIA	10	21.8	<1	419	107	107	107	107	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NTIS	44	88.2	<1	375	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	4	6.2	<1	20	20	21.6	12	30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OS	2.5	44.2	<1	781	305.5	383.4	1	1458	812	812	704	970
PTO	19	25.6	<1	498	48	77.6	2	645	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	7	33.7	<1	1034	68	229.4	<1	1787	158.5	386.3	3	1751

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

_		SIM	IPLE			COM	PLEX		Е	XPEDITED I	PROCESSING	Ĵ
Agency / Component	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
BEA	12	32.7	8	77	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BIS	12	12.6	7	20	104	111.1	39	256	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CEN	37	121.4	2	538	286	307.4	15	613	140.5	154	92	243
EDA	26	44.1	<1	477	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
IOS	362	371.4	316	432	901	901	778	1024	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
ITA	260.5	216.3	46	298	322.5	580.8	<1	1526	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MBDA	84	135.8	7	319	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NIST	63.5	87.6	3	369	273.5	301	23	678	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NOAA	36	77.9	1	941	67	118.4	<1	996	21.5	24.3	12	42
NTIA	126	177.8	40	419	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NTIS	78.5	132.8	14	375	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	13	12.6	1	20	20	21.6	12	30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OS	393	278.3	19	423	251	377.3	33	981	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PTO	24	32.4	<1	498	48	79.2	6	645	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	30	73.9	<1	941	82	205.3	<1	1526	67	89.1	12	243

### 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
BEA	92	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94
BIS	125	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137
CEN	186	39	10	9	3	3	1	1	2	1	12	12	6	285
EDA	40	24	15	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	93
IOS	349	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	5	5	367
ITA	194	20	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	2	227
MBDA	36	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	44
NIST	90	21	15	10	5	3	2	0	1	0	3	3	1	154
NOAA	381	92	48	26	32	23	6	15	4	6	14	4	11	662
NTIA	113	28	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	147
NTIS	19	4	3	3	6	1	0	0	2	2	2	5	0	47
OIG	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99
OS	124	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	8	138
PTO	102	60	18	7	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	191
AGENCY OVERALL	1950	310	115	63	57	32	12	18	9	11	40	32	36	2685

### 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
BEA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIS	9	18	9	7	4	8	3	2	5	0	1	0	0	66
CEN	10	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	6	43
EDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOS	1	4	2	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	27	43
ITA	13	2	32	2	3	1	1	1	0	0	5	4	16	80
MBDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NIST	0	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	2	4	31
NOAA	12	12	10	9	6	0	2	0	5	0	7	3	5	71
NTIA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
NTIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
OS	4	3	5	2	1	0	2	3	0	3	3	3	23	52
PTO	14	18	15	8	4	2	2	1	1	1	4	1	2	73
AGENCY OVERALL	67	77	75	32	20	14	10	7	12	4	37	29	83	467

### 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
BEA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CEN	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	2	8
EDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
ITA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MBDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NIST	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
NOAA	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6
NTIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NTIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	2	2
PTO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	4	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	6	22

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

,		SIMPLE			COMPLEX		EXPED	ITED PROCE	SSING
Agency / Component	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
BEA	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
BIS	26	18.5	19.5	57	138	186.5	0	N/A	N/A
CEN	24	19.5	94.6	4	798.5	736.5	3	958	949
EDA	82	34	45.9	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
IOS	165	228	377	344	850	814.5	44	844	786.4
ITA	130	40	170.3	28	226.5	328.3	1	575	575
MBDA	51	40	98.8	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
NIST	133	100	142.1	63	621	629.5	5	812	744.6
NOAA	154	29	83	32	107	292.4	1	982	982
NTIA	32	294.5	239.5	92	73	181.5	9	51	252.2
NTIS	7	3	17.3	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
OIG	1	8	8	1	13	13	0	N/A	N/A
OS	50	417.5	485.5	204	402	479.6	5	672	890.6
PTO	30	5.5	23.9	25	76	139.9	0	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	885	57	181.1	850	336	553	68	787.5	727.2

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

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Request	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Request
	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BEA	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date of Receipt	2023- 03-31	2023- 03-31	2023- 03-09	2023- 03-09	2023- 03-09	2023- 01-19	2022- 08-08	2022- 08-08	2022- 05-25	2021- 09-09
BIS	Number of Days Pending	313	376	392	392	392	426	537	537	587	765
	Date of Receipt	2023- 10-25	2023- 07-19	2023- 01-24	2021- 08-26	2021- 08-20	2021- 06-23	2021- 01-21	2020- 12-03	2020- 04-20	2019- 06-27
CEN	Number of Days Pending	233	301	423	774	778	819	926	958	1115	1291
	Date of Receipt	2024- 06-13	2024- 06-13	2024- 06-06	2024- 05-22	2024- 05-13	2024- 04-04	2024- 03-22	2023- 07-23	2023- 06-30	2023- 06-27
EDA	Number of Days Pending	74	74	79	89	96	123	132	298	312	316
	Date of Receipt	2017- 10-04	2017- 09-27	2017- 09-22	2017- 09-15	2017- 08-28	2017- 08-21	2017- 08-18	2017- 07-11	2017- 07-06	2017- 04-27
IOS	Number of Days Pending	1751	1756	1759	1764	1777	1782	1783	1811	1814	1862
	Date of Receipt	2021- 09-30	2021- 08-05	2021- 07-07	2021- 05-18	2021- 04-07	2021- 02-16	2021- 01-06	2021- 01-01	2020- 06-30	2019- 09-09
ITA	Number of Days Pending	750	789	810	844	873	909	936	938	1065	1268
MBDA	Date of Receipt	2023- 12-18	2023- 11-10	2023- 07-23	2023- 07-19	2023- 06-21	2023- 06-16	2023- 04-24	2023- 01-23	2023- 01-17	2022- 09-22

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	Number of Days Pending	197	221	298	301	320	322	360	424	428	505
	Date of Receipt	2020- 05-28	2020- 01-15	2020- 01-09	2019- 11-26	2019- 04-05	2019- 02-19	2019- 01-31	2019- 01-24	2015- 02-10	2012- 08-22
NIST	Number of Days Pending	1088	1181	1185	1211	1376	1409	1421	1426	2418	3035
	Date of Receipt	2022- 03-24	2022- 02-02	2021- 07-19	2021- 01-21	2021- 01-21	2020- 10-28	2020- 09-22	2019- 03-14	2018- 12-18	2017- 08-21
NOAA	Number of Days Pending	631	632	802	926	926	982	1007	1391	1450	1782
	Date of Receipt	2022- 10-13	2022- 10-11	2022- 09-02	2022- 08-17	2022- 03-28	2022- 03-23	2022- 03-09	2022- 01-31	2021- 09-01	2021- 03-31
NTIA	Number of Days Pending	491	493	501	530	600	632	641	656	760	878
	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024- 09-30	2024- 09-27	2024- 09-27	2024- 09-25	2024- 09-24	2024- 09-16	2024- 05-03
NTIS	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	4	10	102
	Date of Receipt	N/A	2024- 08-23	2024- 09-04							
OIG	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	13
	Date of Receipt	2018- 10-17	2018- 10-17	2018- 08-21	2018- 06-26	2018- 06-13	2018- 06-05	2018- 04-24	2018- 02-08	2018- 01-19	2017- 12-19
OS	Number of Days Pending	1492	1492	1531	1567	1579	1585	1614	1666	1678	1700
	Date of Receipt	2024- 04-10	2024- 04-05	2024- 03-01	2024- 02-22	2023- 11-02	2023- 10-31	2023- 09-28	2023- 01-27	2022- 10-07	2021- 09-22
РТО	Number of Days Pending	119	122	147	152	226	229	251	420	478	756
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Receipt	2017- 09-15	2017- 08-28	2017- 08-21	2017- 08-21	2017- 08-18	2017- 07-11	2017- 07-06	2017- 04-27	2015- 02-10	2012- 08-22

Number of Days Pending	1764	1777	1782	1782	1783	1811	1814	1862	2418	3035
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# 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
BEA	0	1	9	9	1
BIS	1	20	1	4.8	17
CEN	3	12	13	20.3	4
EDA	0	0	N/A	N/A	0
IOS	4	13	5	5.1	17
ITA	0	4	1	1	4
MBDA	0	1	175	175	0
NIST	1	8	8	8.2	8
NOAA	7	52	1	9.3	56
NTIA	6	2	13	12	2
NTIS	0	0	N/A	N/A	0
OIG	0	1	1	1	1
OS	0	11	2	3.5	10
PTO	0	3	9	10.3	2
AGENCY OVERALL	22	128	1	9.8	122

#### **VIII.B. REQUESTS FOR FEE WAIVER**

Agency / Component	Number Granted	Number Denied	Median Number of Days to Adjudicate	Average Number of Days to Adjudicate
BEA	16	0	5	7
BIS	57	9	1	3.3
CEN	9	28	11	51.8
EDA	7	0	20	24.9
IOS	155	7	11	12.2
ITA	6	11	1	3.4
MBDA	0	0	N/A	N/A
NIST	6	50	7	8.4
NOAA	158	96	1	5
NTIA	6	0	9	22.7
NTIS	12	0	49.5	64.8
OIG	0	4	1	1.5
OS	8	0	1	1.4
PTO	4	2	12.5	12.3
AGENCY OVERALL	444	207	3	11

#### IX. FOIA PERSONNEL AND COSTS

		PERSONNEL		COSTS			
Agency / Component	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	
BEA	1	0.05	1.05	148605.74	0.00	148605.74	
BIS	1	0.50	1.50	233056.84	0.00	233056.84	
CEN	4	1.35	5.35	822442.57	0.00	822442.57	
EDA	0	0.30	0.30	60436.00	0.00	60436.00	
InfoLaw	0	5.51	5.51	479843.85	230381.06	710224.91	
IOS	3	0.00	3.00	1013395.90	0.00	1013395.90	
ITA	3	2.00	5.00	1016245.68	2000.00	1018245.68	
MBDA	1	0.20	1.20	198951.37	0.00	198951.37	
NIST	0	3.25	3.25	471234.34	0.00	471234.34	
NOAA	21	29.63	50.63	4847432.55	73000.00	4920432.55	
NTIA	0	1.15	1.15	122915.00	0.00	122915.00	
NTIS	0	0.45	0.45	78267.29	0.00	78267.29	
OIG	0	1.10	1.10	144463.46	0.00	144463.46	
OS	3	0.66	3.66	485548.34	4000.00	489548.34	
PTO	6	0.00	6.00	1109820.72	0.00	1109820.72	
AGENCY OVERALL	43	46.15	89.15	11232659.65	309381.06	11542040.71	

### X. FEES COLLECTED FOR PROCESSING REQUESTS

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Agency /	Total Amount of	Percentage of Total
Component	Fees Collected	Costs
BEA	0.00	0.0000
BIS	25054.00	10.7500
BIS	25054.00	10.7500
CEN	1796.00	0.2200
EDA	0.00	0.0000
IOS	0.00	0.0000
ITA	0.00	0.0000
MBDA	0.00	0.0000
NIST	812.00	0.1700
NOAA	34445.60	0.7100
NTIA	0.00	0.0000
NTIS	0.00	0.0000
OIG	0.00	0.0000
OS	0.00	0.0000
PTO	6457.37	0.5800
AGENCY OVERALL	68564.97	0.6100

# XI.A. NUMBER OF TIMES SUBSECTION (C) USED

Agency / Component	Number of Times Subsection Used	
BEA		0
BIS		0
CEN		0
EDA		0
IOS		0
ITA		0
MBDA		0
NIST		0
NOAA		0
NTIA		0
NTIS		0
OIG		0
OS		0
PTO		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
BEA	6	0
BIS	42	0
CEN	0	0
EDA	0	0
IOS	17	0
ITA	0	0
MBDA	0	0
NIST	0	0
NOAA	13453	0
NTIA	965	0
NTIS	0	0
OIG	3	54
OS	21	0
PTO	0	4360797
AGENCY OVERALL	14507	4360851

#### 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
BEA	0	N/A
BIS	61	N/A
CEN	19	N/A
EDA	51	N/A
InfoLaw	0	252
IOS	519	N/A
ITA	109	N/A
MBDA	35	N/A
NIST	165	N/A
NOAA	57	N/A
NTIA	119	N/A
NTIS	1	N/A
OIG	0	0
OS	249	N/A
PTO	25	0
AGENCY OVERALL	1410	252

#### 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
BEA	0	0	0	0
BIS	0	3	3	0
CEN	0	0	0	0
EDA	0	0	0	0
IOS	28	16	17	27
ITA	10	34	24	20
MBDA	0	0	0	0
NIST	2	20	20	2
NOAA	2	69	66	5
NTIA	0	7	6	1
NTIS	1	0	1	0
OIG	0	3	3	0
OS	4	13	8	9
PTO	1	11	12	0
AGENCY OVERALL	48	176	160	64

After reviewing its database, DOC adjusted the number of consults pending as of the start of the Fiscal Year for the following components: ITA, NOAA, OS, PTO.

#### 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
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BEA	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
BIS	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CEN	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
EDA	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	2022-09-14	2022- 08-22	2022- 07-22	2022- 06-03	2022- 04-26	2021- 03-31	2020- 10-27	2020- 04-16	2019- 03-29	2019-02-28
IOS	Number of Days	511	527	548	581	608	878	983	1117	1381	1402
	Date	2024-02-23	2024- 02-12	2024- 01-31	2023- 12-21	2023- 11-21	2023- 10-18	2023- 08-16	2023- 08-10	2022- 04-13	2021-09-16
ITA	Number of Days	152	160	168	194	215	238	281	285	617	756
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MBDA	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024- 06-20	2023-09-11
NIST	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	264
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024- 09-27	2024- 09-27	2024- 09-26	2024- 09-26	2024-09-04
NOAA	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	18

	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2023-12-04
NTIA	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	206
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NTIS	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Date	N/A	2024- 09-04	2024- 05-09	2024- 04-15	2024- 03-05	2024- 02-15	2024- 01-18	2023- 10-17	2023- 03-29	2022-05-03
os	Number of Days	0	18	98	116	145	157	177	238	378	603
	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PTO	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY	Date	2022-06-03	2022- 05-03	2022- 04-26	2022- 04-13	2021- 09-16	2021- 03-31	2020- 10-27	2020- 04-16	2019- 03-29	2019-02-28
OVERALL	Number of Days	581	603	608	617	756	878	983	1117	1381	1402

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

	NUMBER OF REC	UESTS <u>RECEIVED</u>	NUMBER OF REQUESTS PROCESSED		
Agency / Component	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	
BEA	56	109	58	109	
BIS	91	266	84	208	
CEN	257	289	270	357	
EDA	67	160	53	93	
IOS	110	588	94	427	
ITA	112	397	109	315	
MBDA	29	89	19	47	
NIST	151	310	117	201	
NOAA	616	815	576	756	
NTIA	74	243	25	167	
NTIS	14	48	12	47	
OIG	87	114	87	114	
OS	308	271	330	230	
PTO	269	349	259	338	
AGENCY OVERALL	2241	4048	2093	3409	

# 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
BEA	0	0
BIS	18	61
CEN	90	19
EDA	14	51
IOS	380	519
ITA	75	109
MBDA	18	35
NIST	99	165
NOAA	84	57
NTIA	60	119
NTIS	5	1
OIG	0	0
OS	214	249
PTO	26	25
AGENCY OVERALL	1083	1410

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

	NUMBER OF APPEALS <u>RECEIVED</u>		NUMBER OF APPEALS <u>PROCESSED</u>	
Agency / Component	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
InfoLaw	66	38	12	21
OIG	1	4	2	4
PTO	15	15	15	16
AGENCY OVERALL	82	57	29	41

#### 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
InfoLaw	235	252
OIG	0	0
PTO	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	235	252