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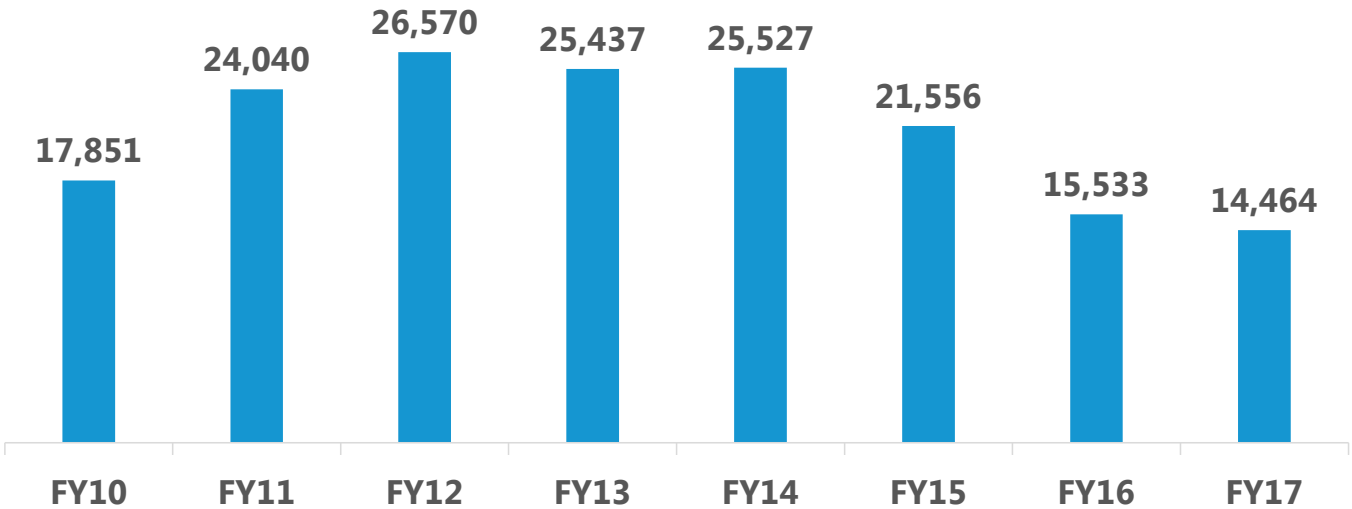
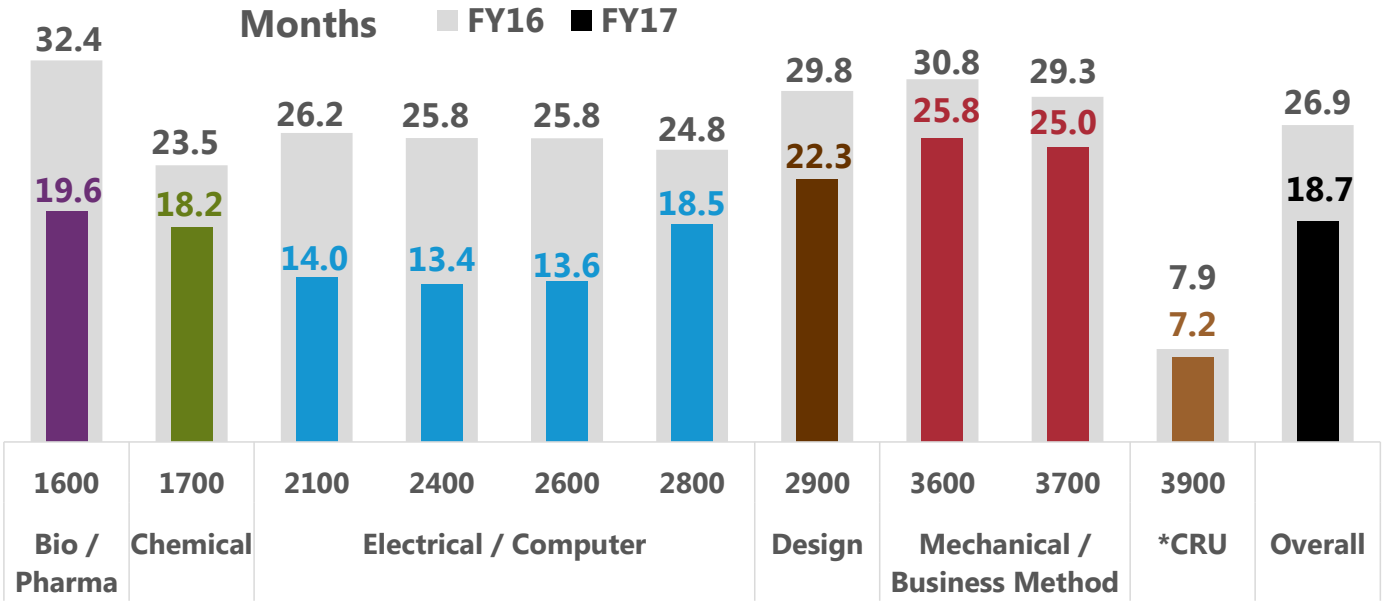
Pending Appeals

(FY10 to FY17: 10/1/09 to 5/31/17)



Pendency of Decided Appeals in FY16 and FY17

(5/31/16 compared to 5/31/17)



Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision.
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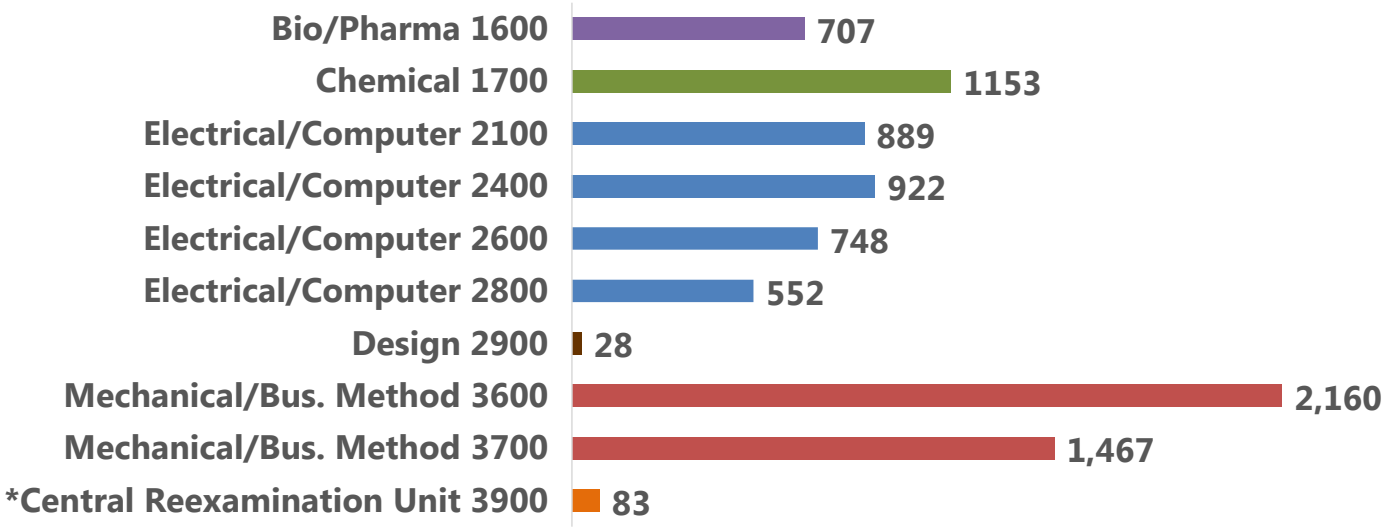
Appeal Intake in FY17

(10/1/16 to 5/31/17)



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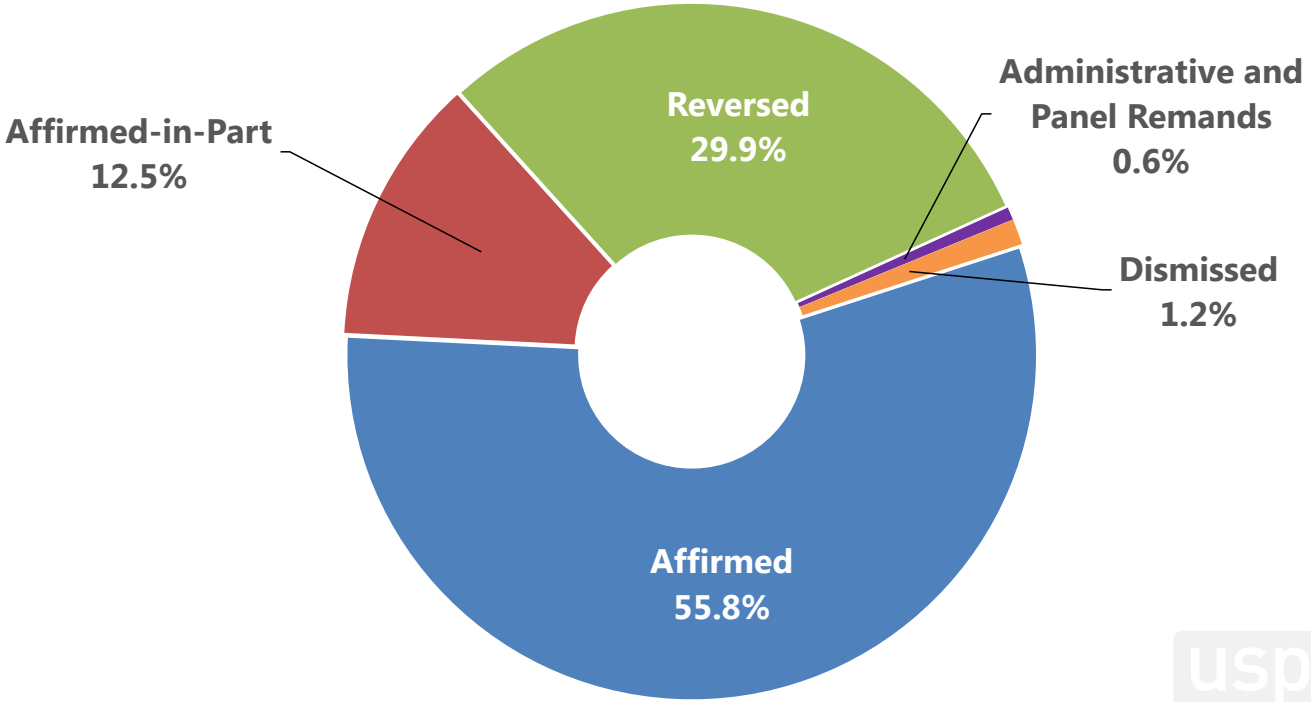
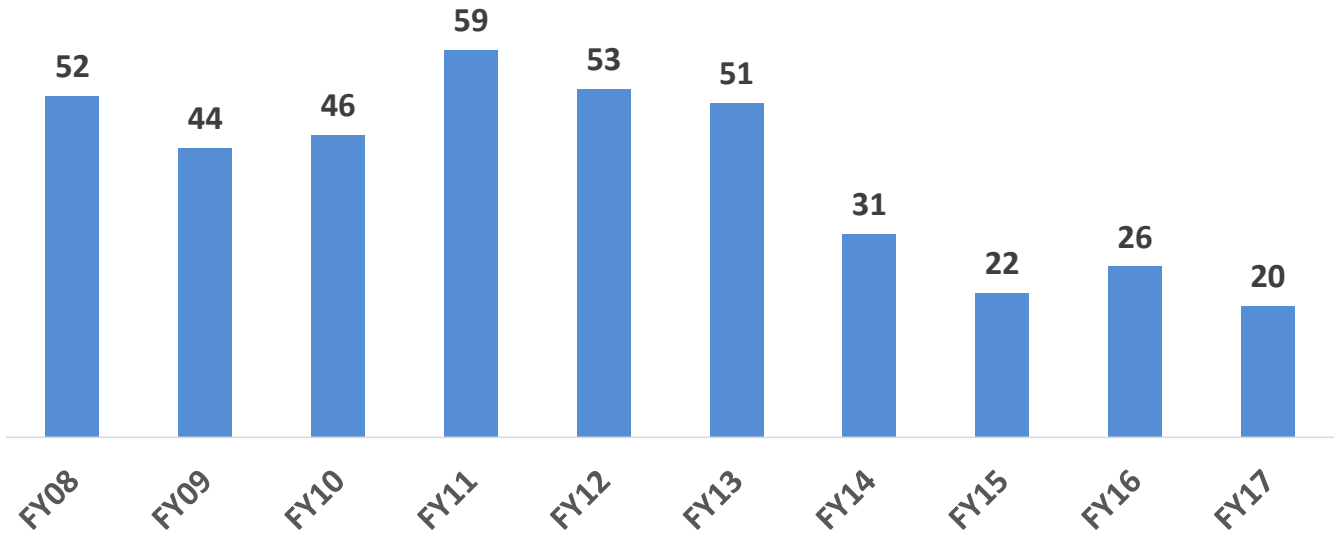
Appeal Outcomes in FY17

(FY17: 10/1/16 to 5/31/17)



Interference Inventory

(FY08 to FY17: 10/1/07 to 5/31/17)



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