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Section 337 Statistics: Average Length of Investigations

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Average Length of Investigations by Fiscal Year, Completion Time (in Months) (Updated Quarterly)

Fiscal Year	Completed on Merits[a]	Shortest[a]	Longest[a]	Average[a]	Average for all Inv[c]
2006	12	3.5	19.0	12.0	11.2
2007	12	8.0	23.5	16.6	12.0
2008	15	6.0	28.0	16.7	13.2
2009	16	3.5	28.5	17.9	10.4
2010	22[b]	6.4	25.4	18.4	12.5
2011	17	5.2	24.2	13.7	9.9
2012	22	2.6	28.9	16.7	12.6
2013	21	4.3	30.1	19.7	13.3
2014	18	7.4	23.9	17.1	13.9
2015	11	5.6	21.9	15.6	11.4
2016	16	4.4	21	15.8	10.8

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2017	16	3.7	27.2	15.1	10.3
2018	21	5.3	21.4	15.85	11.2
2019	22	9.4	29.3	17.7	14.1
2020	35	8.2	28.1	18.6	15.3
2021	18	8.1	29.8	18.2	11.8
2022	36	5.5	27.42	17.1	12.8
2023	26	5.6	26.2	17.5	13.1
2024	19	5.1	26.3	18	14.9
Q1 2025	4	9.04	29.2	18.04	11.6
Q2 2025	13	9.04	29.2	18.2	13.8

Source: USITC, *Annual Performance Plan FY2014-2015* and *Annual Performance Report*, FY2013; USITC, *Annual Performance Plan FY2015–2016* and *Annual Performance Report*, FY 2014; USITC, EDIS.

[a] Includes investigations in which the Commission rendered a final determination on the merits as to a violation.

[b] FY 2010 data exclude an anomalous case pending since 2004, which took 79 months to complete because of a subpoena enforcement issue.

[c] The average on this column represents all investigations completed during the period, including terminations based on settlements, consent orders, complaint withdrawals and merit-based final determinations.

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