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### 3. Agency Component Abbreviations

Component Abbreviation	Component Name
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FMCSA	Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
GLS	Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation
MARAD	Maritime Administration
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
OIG	Office of Inspector General
OST	Office of the Secretary of Transportation
PHMSA	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

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. § 407 (formerly at 5 U.S.C. app. 3 § 7(b))	Names of employees who provide information or complaints to the Inspector General	Wash. Post Co. v. Special Inspector Gen. for Afg. Reconstr., 486 F. Supp. 3d 141, 166 (D.D.C. 2020).	FAA	3	3
41 U.S.C. § 4702 (formerly at 41 U.S.C. § 253b(m)(1))	Contractor proposals that are in the possession or control of an executive agency and that have not been set forth or incorporated by reference into contracts	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. 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	FAA	3	6
			FHWA	1	
			OST	2	

		granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).			
49 U.S.C. § 30172(f)	Information that could identify a whistleblower	N/A	FAA	3	3
49 U.S.C. § 40119	Certain information obtained or developed in ensuring transportation security if disclosure of that information would: constitute an invasion of personal privacy, reveal a trade secret or confidential commercial or financial information, or be detrimental to transportation safety	N/A	FAA	14	160
			FMCSA	146	
49 U.S.C. § 40115(a)	Information harmful to U.S. position in international aviation negotiations, or harmful to any U.S. international air carrier	N/A	FAA	5	5

51 U.S.C. § 50916 (formerly at 49 U.S.C. § 70114)	Commercial space launch activity information exempted under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4) or designated as confidential by the submitter or head of the executive agency providing the information	N/A	FAA	13	13
49 U.S.C. § 40110(e)	Contract proposal not incorporated into the contract	N/A	FAA	9	9
49 U.S.C. § 40123(a)	Aviation Safety Action Program voluntarily submitted information	N/A	FAA	42	42
49 U.S.C. § 44114	Registration numbers and other similar identifiable data or information of private aircraft owners or operators	N/A	FAA	13	13
10 U.S.C. § 130e	DOD Critical Infrastructure Security information	Newport Aeronautical Sales v. Dep't of the Air Force, 684 F.3d 160, 167-68 (D.C. Cir. 2012); Chenkin v. Dep't of the Army, No.	FAA	28	28



		93-494, 1994 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 20907, at *8 (M.D. Pa. Jan. 14, 1994), aff'd, 61 F.3d 894 (3d Cir. 1995) (unpublished table decision).			
49 U.S.C. § 44735	Certain report, data, or other safety information submitted to the FAA	N/A	FAA	2	2
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).	FHWA	2	5
			OST	2	
			FAA	1	
49 U.S.C. § 31143(b)	Identities of motor carrier safety complainants	N/A	FMCSA	496	496
49 U.S.C. § 20109	Information identifying railroad employee whistleblowers	N/A	FRA	1	1
49 U.S.C. § 30305(c)(1)	National Driver Register information on certain individuals	N/A	NHTSA	4	4

5 U.S.C. § 574(j)	Dispute resolution communications	N/A	OST	1	1
26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105	Certain tax return information, 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't 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).	OST	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
FAA	2542	7435	7323	2654
FHWA	117	436	295	258
FMCSA	2977	6819	5948	3848
FRA	46	488	477	57
FTA	150	302	235	217
GLS	13	48	4	57
MARAD	40	194	163	71
NHTSA	631	453	248	836
OIG	32	204	154	82
OST	874	1626	915	1585
PHMSA	154	340	318	176
AGENCY OVERALL	7576	18345	16080	9841

*After reviewing its database, DOT updated the number of requests pending at the start of the Fiscal Year for the following components: FAA, FHWA, FMCSA, FRA, FTA, and NHTSA.*

**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	
FAA	3344	1575	168	1156	30	384	39	83	21	130	270	123	7323
FHWA	91	44	6	69	54	4	1	7	9	1	9	0	295
FMCSA	553	4795	4	210	4	268	0	9	10	16	79	0	5948
FRA	66	172	9	100	17	30	0	9	0	3	71	0	477
FTA	104	50	2	71	4	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	235
GLS	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
MARAD	52	43	0	61	2	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	163
NHTSA	29	14	5	97	53	14	1	14	5	13	3	0	248
OIG	5	42	10	76	0	3	0	9	6	1	0	2	154
OST	110	73	12	513	21	121	0	3	2	43	15	2	915
PHMSA	103	39	4	66	14	71	5	2	2	3	9	0	318
AGENCY OVERALL	4457	6847	223	2420	199	896	46	137	56	212	460	127	16080

**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
FAA	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	49	123
	Aggregate Cases	2	
	Directed Requester to Another Entity Subject to the FOIA	5	
	Request in Litigation	1	
	Records Not Available in Format Requested	5	
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	61	
FHWA	N/A	0	0
FMCSA	N/A	0	0
FRA	N/A	0	0
FTA	N/A	0	0
GLS	N/A	0	0
MARAD	N/A	0	0
NHTSA	N/A	0	0
OIG	Directed Requester to Publicly Available Information	2	2
OST	Request Opened in Error	2	2
PHMSA	N/A	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			127

**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
FAA	2	58	130	108	500	1368	92	0	29	1	20	4	0	0
FHWA	0	0	3	11	16	35	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FMCSA	0	0	500	179	17	4777	12	7	2912	419	0	0	0	0
FRA	0	1	1	31	22	173	4	0	126	0	0	0	0	0
FTA	0	0	0	8	12	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
MARAD	0	0	0	21	13	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHTSA	0	0	4	6	2	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	4	0	4	10	45	10	0	27	0	10	0	0	0
OST	0	0	5	13	24	70	8	0	11	0	2	8	0	0
PHMSA	0	0	0	20	5	25	1	0	1	0	2	8	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	2	63	643	401	621	6576	129	7	3109	420	34	20	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
FAA	207	112	103	216
FHWA	0	8	8	0
FMCSA	4	11	12	3
FRA	0	4	3	1
FTA	0	1	0	1
GLS	0	0	0	0
MARAD	3	1	4	0
NHTSA	1	17	15	3
OIG	0	2	2	0
OST	5	8	7	6
PHMSA	5	2	2	5
AGENCY OVERALL	225	166	156	235

*After reviewing its database, DOT updated the number of appeals pending at the start of the Fiscal Year for the following components: FAA and FTA.*

**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
FAA	12	8	21	62	103
FHWA	4	1	0	3	8
FMCSA	4	0	3	5	12
FRA	0	0	2	1	3
FTA	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0	0
MARAD	1	1	1	1	4
NHTSA	5	0	8	2	15
OIG	1	1	0	0	2
OST	3	1	0	3	7
PHMSA	0	2	0	0	2
AGENCY OVERALL	30	14	35	77	156



**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
FAA	0	1	3	0	4	9	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0
FHWA	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FMCSA	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARAD	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHTSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
OST	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHMSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	1	4	0	12	14	0	0	4	0	1	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
FAA	1	0	13	2	0	2	1	5	2	1	35
FHWA	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
FMCSA	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
FRA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARAD	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHTSA	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OST	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
PHMSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	4	2	18	2	0	4	2	6	2	1	36

**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
FAA	Moot	10	35
	Unable to Locate or Contact Requester	9	
	Appeal Withdrawn	9	
	Improper Appeal	5	
	Untimely	2	
FHWA	Appeal Opened in Error	1	1
FMCSA	N/A	0	0
FRA	N/A	0	0
FTA	N/A	0	0
GLS	N/A	0	0
MARAD	N/A	0	0
NHTSA	N/A	0	0
OIG	N/A	0	0
OST	N/A	0	0
PHMSA	N/A	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			36

**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
FAA	327	628.95	<1	2129
FHWA	18	16	4	20
FMCSA	59	130.33	13	430
FRA	24	38	13	77
FTA	<1	<1	<1	<1
GLS	<1	<1	<1	<1
MARAD	151.5	307.25	100	826
NHTSA	26	38.93	<1	69
OIG	12.5	12.5	11	14
OST	69	160.43	38	474
PHMSA	23	23	17	29
AGENCY OVERALL	88.5	446.12	<1	2129



	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117
GLS	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
MARAD	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
NHTSA	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024-09-30	2024-03-25	2018-03-14
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	1643
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
OST	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024-07-29	2024-06-18	2024-02-14	2023-11-30	2023-02-09	2022-08-12
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	44	71	158	209	411	533

PHMSA	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2023-01-20	2022-10-11	2021-07-01	2020-12-30	2020-11-13
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	425	493	813	940	971
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Appeal	2016-09-07	2016-09-01	2016-08-31	2016-08-31	2016-08-30	2016-08-30	2016-08-29	2016-08-29	2016-08-26	2016-08-24
	Number of Days Pending	2021	2024	2025	2025	2026	2026	2027	2027	2028	2030

**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
FAA	18	39.22	<1	646	400.5	444.06	2	2387	64	412.46	1	1924
FHWA	22	61.18	<1	778	113.5	194.44	1	633	20	20	20	20
FMCSA	136	138.11	<1	1319	113	213	<1	1520	67.5	113	52	265
FRA	6	16.46	<1	502	37.5	66.1	<1	306	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FTA	37.5	92.9	<1	687	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
GLS	42	31.67	8	45	<1	<1	<1	<1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MARAD	8	18.73	<1	552	47	116.3	21	650	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NHTSA	48	127.59	<1	1412	584	552.11	33	1291	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	7	19.52	1	333	163.5	195.29	3	836	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OST	2	11.78	<1	1119	39	337.81	<1	1828	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PHMSA	7	31.08	<1	516	19	138.38	<1	1081	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	25	76.14	<1	1412	87	268.57	<1	2387	60.5	324.11	1	1924



**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
FAA	18	36.59	<1	646	369	311.51	14	2206	42	232.4	1	1048
FHWA	59	88.71	1	778	239	272.3	8	633	20	20	20	20
FMCSA	137	133.76	<1	1319	93.5	189.18	<1	1520	57	124.67	52	265
FRA	15.5	24.05	<1	156	43.5	82.61	3	306	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FTA	51.5	97.38	<1	662	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
GLS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MARAD	9	14.78	<1	110	52	125.45	23	650	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NHTSA	127	217.19	6	1176	420	420	420	420	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	25.5	53.09	2	333	203	250.14	31	836	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OST	10.5	26	2	129	154	386.46	1	1764	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PHMSA	4	23.33	1	241	50.5	155.48	<1	1081	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	31	82.47	<1	1319	104	219.01	<1	2206	54.5	194.14	1	1048

**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
FAA	4190	1060	489	276	173	132	80	58	45	54	193	48	2	6800
FHWA	113	36	18	14	21	12	0	6	2	2	19	1	3	247
FMCSA	942	305	293	299	215	135	245	603	353	269	775	117	208	4759
FRA	305	64	21	8	4	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	410
FTA	84	35	22	21	9	13	1	5	6	8	9	10	11	234
GLS	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
MARAD	92	7	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	105
NHTSA	63	41	24	5	10	5	14	7	6	3	13	14	15	220
OIG	79	9	5	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	101
OST	184	4	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	194
PHMSA	30	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	37
AGENCY OVERALL	6083	1565	878	626	437	303	345	681	412	336	1010	191	243	13110

**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
FAA	10	25	22	7	11	8	5	10	4	1	7	91	201	402
FHWA	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	3	2	16
FMCSA	261	108	80	69	46	34	31	30	27	28	72	145	235	1166
FRA	22	8	6	4	4	2	6	0	0	0	5	1	0	58
FTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
MARAD	0	23	13	5	3	1	0	0	3	1	1	2	5	57
NHTSA	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	9
OIG	3	2	2	1	4	1	3	1	4	1	6	2	4	34
OST	55	335	57	21	5	12	2	8	10	5	14	11	179	714
PHMSA	140	25	19	3	10	8	1	2	1	4	16	6	42	277
AGENCY OVERALL	494	528	201	113	83	66	48	53	50	41	121	262	674	2734

**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
FAA	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	13
FHWA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FMCSA	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHTSA	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
OST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHMSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	7	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	18

**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
FAA	1487	68	105.28	1013	795	901.38	63	1186	1212.24
FHWA	205	66	144.98	48	35.5	140.29	2	8	8
FMCSA	2577	82	91.55	1264	100	198.84	0	N/A	N/A
FRA	38	28.5	53.34	19	146	204.58	0	N/A	N/A
FTA	216	203.5	293.72	0	N/A	N/A	1	105	105
GLS	54	171	183.22	2	191	191	0	N/A	N/A
MARAD	62	120.5	181.18	9	62	63	0	N/A	N/A
NHTSA	611	291	408.29	212	965	967.3	0	N/A	N/A
OIG	24	11	11.25	58	63	168.47	0	N/A	N/A
OST	634	19	67.74	918	393	546.04	30	890	767.63
PHMSA	15	86	79.67	160	140	236.89	0	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	5923	79	135.38	3703	331	521.7	96	962.5	941.56

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

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Request	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Request
FAA	Date of Receipt	2015-05-04	2015-05-01	2015-04-29	2015-04-22	2015-04-22	2015-04-09	2015-03-12	2015-02-18	2014-12-16	2014-12-04
	Number of Days Pending	2360	2361	2363	2368	2368	2377	2397	2413	2455	2463
FHWA	Date of Receipt	2022-02-28	2022-02-28	2022-02-28	2022-02-28	2022-01-24	2021-10-19	2021-09-30	2021-08-09	2021-04-08	2020-07-01
	Number of Days Pending	650	650	650	650	674	738	750	787	872	1051
FMCSA	Date of Receipt	2019-03-08	2019-03-08	2019-02-22	2019-02-22	2019-02-11	2018-12-10	2018-10-25	2018-08-10	2017-04-12	2016-11-14
	Number of Days Pending	1396	1396	1406	1406	1414	1456	1486	1538	1873	1975
FRA	Date of Receipt	2024-01-16	2023-03-27	2023-03-22	2023-03-14	2023-03-03	2023-03-02	2023-02-27	2023-02-21	2023-02-15	2022-07-28
	Number of Days Pending	179	380	383	389	396	397	400	404	407	544
FTA	Date of Receipt	2021-06-14	2020-05-27	2019-04-16	2018-10-03	2018-05-30	2018-02-07	2018-01-30	2018-01-30	2018-01-30	2017-09-14

	Number of Days Pending	826	1089	1369	1501	1589	1667	1673	1673	1673	1765
GLS	Date of Receipt	2023-09-15	2023-09-15	2023-09-15	2023-09-15	2023-06-12	2023-06-08	2023-05-26	2023-05-03	2023-04-25	2023-04-25
	Number of Days Pending	260	260	260	260	326	328	336	353	359	359
MARAD	Date of Receipt	2023-02-03	2023-02-02	2023-02-02	2023-02-01	2023-01-25	2023-01-24	2023-01-17	2022-04-19	2022-04-05	2019-04-11
	Number of Days Pending	415	416	416	417	422	423	428	614	624	1372
NHTSA	Date of Receipt	2017-12-11	2017-08-17	2017-11-01	2017-07-19	2017-05-25	2016-07-19	2015-12-01	2015-01-30	2014-07-22	2014-05-27
	Number of Days Pending	1706	1726	1732	1805	1842	2056	2215	2425	2556	2595
OIG	Date of Receipt	2023-05-11	2023-03-13	2022-10-27	2022-10-05	2022-08-30	2022-06-08	2021-10-14	2021-06-11	2021-03-31	2021-03-04
	Number of Days Pending	347	390	481	496	521	579	742	828	879	898
OST	Date of Receipt	2017-08-03	2017-08-02	2017-07-21	2017-07-10	2017-06-30	2017-06-21	2017-05-08	2017-04-28	2017-04-25	2017-02-06
	Number of Days Pending	1794	1795	1803	1812	1817	1824	1855	1861	1864	1919

PHMSA	Date of Receipt	2021-09-13	2021-07-07	2021-07-01	2021-04-30	2021-03-18	2020-10-29	2020-10-26	2020-09-04	2019-12-13	2019-09-25
	Number of Days Pending	763	810	813	856	887	981	984	1018	1202	1256
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Receipt	2015-04-22	2015-04-22	2015-04-09	2015-03-12	2015-02-18	2015-01-30	2014-12-16	2014-12-04	2014-07-22	2014-05-27
	Number of Days Pending	2368	2368	2377	2397	2413	2425	2455	2463	2556	2595



**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
FAA	9	243	24.5	98.02	98
FHWA	2	1	29	21.67	1
FMCSA	4	5	116	181.56	0
FRA	0	0	N/A	N/A	0
FTA	0	0	N/A	N/A	0
GLS	0	1	12	12	0
MARAD	0	5	11	22	2
NHTSA	0	0	N/A	N/A	0
OIG	0	12	6.5	5.67	12
OST	1	14	7	6.87	14
PHMSA	0	20	7	11.8	12
AGENCY OVERALL	16	301	15	84.95	139

**VIII.B. Requests for Fee Waiver**

Agency / Component	Number Granted	Number Denied	Median Number of Days to Adjudicate	Average Number of Days to Adjudicate
FAA	140	66	3	34.39
FHWA	12	2	4	38.5
FMCSA	2	2	120	142.25
FRA	0	0	N/A	N/A
FTA	0	0	N/A	N/A
GLS	0	0	N/A	N/A
MARAD	1	0	57	57
NHTSA	0	0	N/A	N/A
OIG	5	0	130	116.4
OST	0	1	296	296
PHMSA	2	3	0	0.2
AGENCY OVERALL	162	74	3	38.68

**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
FAA	28	62.00	90.00	8885000.00	108900.00	8993900.00
FHWA	2	4.35	6.35	1044591.00	0.00	1044591.00
FMCSA	17	0.70	17.70	2399870.00	6000.00	2405870.00
FRA	3	2.00	5.00	419314.00	0.00	419314.00
FTA	0	2.02	2.02	378983.00	0.00	378983.00
GLS	0	0.25	0.25	35806.00	0.00	35806.00
MARAD	1	1.10	2.10	359897.00	0.00	359897.00
NHTSA	2	7.86	9.86	1435988.00	33853.00	1469841.00
OIG	2	1.65	3.65	504364.00	5208.00	509572.00
OST	6	0.23	6.23	1029615.00	18258.00	1047873.00
PHMSA	4	0.00	4.00	617562.00	0.00	617562.00
AGENCY OVERALL	65	82.16	147.16	17110990.00	172219.00	17283209.00

**X. Fees Collected for Processing Requests**

Agency / Component	Total Amount of Fees Collected	Percentage of Total Costs
FAA	160242.29	1.8000
FHWA	0.00	0.0000
FMCSA	0.00	0.0000
FRA	0.00	0.0000
FTA	0.00	0.0000
GLS	0.00	0.0000
MARAD	0.00	0.0000
NHTSA	0.00	0.0000
OIG	0.00	0.0000
OST	0.00	0.0000
PHMSA	0.00	0.0000
AGENCY OVERALL	160242.29	0.9400

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

Agency / Component	Number of Times Subsection Used
FAA	0
FHWA	0
FMCSA	0
FRA	0
FTA	0
GLS	0
MARAD	0
NHTSA	0
OIG	0
OST	0
PHMSA	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
FAA	22	72
FHWA	0	0
FMCSA	4	752
FRA	0	0
FTA	0	25
GLS	0	0
MARAD	0	2
NHTSA	0	0
OIG	0	0
OST	20	0
PHMSA	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	46	851

**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
FAA	2065	208
FHWA	201	0
FMCSA	3340	3
FRA	34	1
FTA	196	1
GLS	54	0
MARAD	59	0
NHTSA	784	2
OIG	57	0
OST	1099	6
PHMSA	159	5
AGENCY OVERALL	8048	226

**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
FAA	26	40	50	16
FHWA	0	3	3	0
FMCSA	3	1	4	0
FRA	0	0	0	0
FTA	0	0	0	0
GLS	0	0	0	0
MARAD	0	4	4	0
NHTSA	3	0	0	3
OIG	2	5	7	0
OST	8	56	46	18
PHMSA	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	42	109	114	37

*After reviewing its database, DOT adjusted the number of consults pending as of the start of the Fiscal Year for the following component: FAA.*





	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHTSA	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2020-05-12	2020-04-30	2020-04-14
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1099	1107	1119
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
OST	Date	2024-07-01	2024-07-01	2024-07-01	2024-04-02	2024-03-11	2024-01-19	2023-12-06	2023-06-20	2023-02-03	2022-11-16
	Number of Days	63	63	63	125	141	176	205	321	415	468
PHMSA	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	2023-02-03	2022-11-16	2022-10-28	2022-10-14	2022-01-27	2020-05-12	2020-04-30	2020-04-14	2020-01-09	2019-10-17
	Number of Days	415	468	480	490	671	1099	1107	1119	1185	1241

**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
FAA	8770	7435	8646	7323
FHWA	263	436	212	295
FMCSA	5918	6819	5644	5948
FRA	399	488	507	477
FTA	260	302	194	235
GLS	16	48	6	4
MARAD	142	194	142	163
NHTSA	378	453	236	248
OIG	98	204	95	154
OST	639	1626	557	915
PHMSA	253	340	219	318
AGENCY OVERALL	17136	18345	16458	16080

**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
FAA	1519	2065
FHWA	100	201
FMCSA	2534	3340
FRA	24	34
FTA	125	196
GLS	7	54
MARAD	28	59
NHTSA	590	784
OIG	24	57
OST	842	1099
PHMSA	120	159
AGENCY OVERALL	5913	8048

**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
FAA	44	112	26	103
FHWA	0	8	0	8
FMCSA	5	11	5	12
FRA	6	4	7	3
FTA	4	1	6	0
GLS	0	0	0	0
MARAD	8	1	7	4
NHTSA	3	17	20	15
OIG	1	2	4	2
OST	4	8	2	7
PHMSA	3	2	1	2
AGENCY OVERALL	78	166	78	156

**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
FAA	209	208
FHWA	0	0
FMCSA	3	3
FRA	0	1
FTA	3	1
GLS	0	0
MARAD	3	0
NHTSA	1	2
OST	5	6
PHMSA	5	5
OIG	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	229	226