

2.F SSA Administrative Data: Hearings and Appeals

Table 2.F8—Workload of SSA's Administrative Law Judges (ALJs), fiscal years 2009–2012

Item	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of ALJs	1,057	1,154	^a 1,230	1,301
Average monthly hearing dispositions per ALJ ^b	49	49	50	50
Average hearings pending per ALJ	575	528	523	533

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Disability Adjudication and Review. Actual data from the Key Workload Indicator Report.

NOTE: Number of ALJs and average monthly hearing dispositions per ALJ based on fiscal year average ALJ availability; average hearings pending per ALJ based on ALJs on duty. Data exclude Regional Chief ALJs.

a. Revised.

b. Calculation excludes Attorney Adjudicator decisions.

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Table 2.F9—Number of hearing level receipts, dispositions, and end-of-year pending cases, fiscal years 2010–2012

Program	Hearing level receipts			Hearing level dispositions			End-of-year pending cases		
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Total	720,161	859,514	849,869	737,616	793,563	820,484	705,367	771,318	^a 816,575
OASI	2,170	2,164	1,902	2,170	2,658	1,886	1,596	1,098	1,138
Disability									
DI	220,974	269,776	265,454	232,801	242,822	252,820	198,643	224,755	241,578
SSI	204,447	243,557	247,341	200,681	227,068	234,688	213,084	229,269	246,177
DI and SSI	292,570	344,017	335,172	301,964	321,015	331,090	292,044	316,196	327,682

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Disability Adjudication and Review. Actual data from the Case Processing and Management System and Key Workload Indicator Report.

NOTE: Some claims are reclassified from one program to another during their processing cycle. End-of-year adjustments account for those reclassifications.

a. Because of calendar variations and agency budgeting and accounting rules, one week occasionally falls between the end of one fiscal year and the beginning of the next. In September 2011, that week saw 17,733 total receipts and 1,861 total dispositions, thus adding 15,872 cases to the total pending at the end of fiscal year 2011.

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Table 2.F11—Number of SSA Appeals Council cases, fiscal years 2009–2012

Cases	2009	2010	2011	2012
Beginning-of-year pending	62,210	80,040	106,664	^a 153,242
Receipts	^b 106,896	128,703	173,332	173,848
Dispositions	89,066	102,062	126,992	166,020
End-of-year pending	80,040	^c 106,664	153,004	161,070

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Disability Adjudication and Review. Actual data from the Appeals Review Processing System and Key Workload Indicator Report.

a. Because of calendar variations and agency budgeting and accounting rules, one week occasionally falls between the end of one fiscal year and the beginning of the next. In September 2011, that week saw 2,159 receipts and 1,921 dispositions, thus adding 238 cases to the total pending at the end of fiscal year 2011.

b. Revised.

c. The Appeals Review Processing System recategorized 17 cases after they had been counted as receipts or dispositions.

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