

## 2.F SSA Resources and Operations: Hearings and Appeals

**Table 2.F8—Workload of SSA's Administrative Law Judges (ALJs), fiscal years 2020–2023**

Item	2020	2021	2022	2023
Number of ALJs	1,315	1,235	1,132	1,088
Average monthly hearing dispositions per ALJ <sup>a</sup>	37	30	26	29
Average hearings pending per ALJ	306	273	295	266

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Hearings Operations. Actual data from Case Processing Management System (CPMS) Management Information.

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. 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 2021–2023**

Program	Hearing level receipts			Hearing level dispositions			End-of-year pending cases		
	2021	2022 <sup>a</sup>	2023	2021	2022 <sup>a</sup>	2023	2021	2022 <sup>a</sup>	2023
Total	382,870	349,329	355,565	451,046	352,899	377,685	350,137	346,567	321,819
OASI	1,073	1,676	1,591	1,054	942	1,829	881	1,615	1,384
Disability									
DI	153,600	147,767	150,083	176,288	144,882	148,983	126,264	128,909	129,090
SSI	102,132	90,755	91,897	123,436	94,238	107,415	111,367	107,783	91,137
DI and SSI	126,065	109,131	111,994	150,268	112,837	119,458	111,625	108,260	100,208

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Hearings Operations. Actual data from Case Processing Management System (CPMS) Management Information.

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

OASI = Old-Age and Survivors Insurance; DI = Disability Insurance; SSI = Supplemental Security Income.

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. Although September 2022 included such a week, data for that week are not available. Values shown are as of the end of the 52nd week of fiscal year 2022.

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**Table 2.F11—Number of SSA Appeals Council cases, fiscal years 2020–2023**

Cases	2020	2021	2022 <sup>a</sup>	2023
Beginning-of-year pending	119,185	57,327	50,634	46,934
Receipts	129,876	111,722	84,935	68,192
Dispositions	191,734	118,415	88,635	79,764
End-of-year pending	57,327	50,634	46,934	35,362

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Hearings Operations. Actual data from the Appeals Review Processing System (ARPS) Management Information.

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. September 2022 included such a week, and the values shown for fiscal year 2022 include the 1,299 receipts and 2,240 dispositions (and the resulting reduction in pending cases by 941) that occurred in that week.

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