



**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT  
ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2015**

## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Freedom of Information Act Annual Report FY 2015

#### I. BASIC INFORMATION REGARDING REPORT

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### III. AGENCY COMPONENT ABBREVIATIONS

Component Abbreviation	Component Name
AMS	Agricultural Marketing Service
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
ASCR	Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
FAS	Foreign Agricultural Service
FNCS	Food, Nutrition and Consumer Service
FSA	Farm Service Agency
FSIS	Food Safety and Inspection Service
FS	Forest Service
GIPSA	Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration
NAD	National Appeals Division
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
OBPA	Office of Budget and Program Analysis
OCFO	Office of the Chief Financial Officer
OGC	Office of General Counsel
OIG	Office of the Inspector General
OSEC/OCIO/DM	Office of the Secretary/Office of the Chief Information Officer/Departmental Management
RD	Rural Development
REE	Research, Education, and Economics
RMA	Risk Management Agency

#### 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
7 USC §608(d)(2)	Information for marketing order programs that are categorized as trade secrets and commercial or financial information.	N/A	AMS	10	10
7 USC §1502(c)	Personal information in connection with policy holders and/or yield data.	N/A	FSA	1	24
	Personal information in connection with policy holders and/or yield data.	N/A	RMA	23	
7 USC §2018(c)	Information obtained pursuant to chapter 51 of title 7 of the United States Code, which concerns the handling of information submitted by applicants to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.	Argus Leader Media v. U.S. Dep't of Agriculture, 740 F.3d 1172, 1175-76 (8th Cir. 2014).	FNCS	202	202
7 USC §2276(a)(2)	Information furnished under a provision of law referred to in subsection (d) of this section...unless such information has been transformed into a statistical or aggregate form that that does not allow the identification of the person who supplied particular information.	Strunk v. U.S. Dep't of Interior, 752 F. Supp. 2d, 39, 44 (D.D.C 2010).	AMS	1	4
	Information furnished under a provision of law referred to in subsection (d) of this section...unless such information has been transformed into a statistical or aggregate form that	Strunk v. U.S. Dep't of Interior, 752 F. Supp. 2d, 39, 44 (D.D.C 2010).	REE	1	

	that does not allow the identification of the person who supplied particular information.				
	Information furnished under a provision of law referred to in subsection (d) of this section...unless such information has been transformed into a statistical or aggregate form that that does not allow the identification of the person who supplied particular	Strunk v. U.S. Dep't of Interior, 752 F. Supp. 2d, 39, 44 (D.D.C 2010).	FSA		2
7 USC §8791	Information provided by an agricultural producer or owner of agricultural land concerning agricultural operations, farming, or conservation practices, or the land itself, in order to participate in programs of the Department and certain geospatial information....maintained by the Secretary.	Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. USDA, 626 F3d. 1113, 1118 (9th Cir. 2010); Zanoni v. USDA, 605 F. Supp. 2d 230, 237-381 (D.D.C. 2009).	APHIS		22
	Information provided by an agricultural producer or owner of agricultural land concerning agricultural operations, farming, or conservation practices, or the land itself, in order to participate in programs of the Department and certain geospatial information...maintained by the Secretary.	Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. USDA, 626 F3d. 1113, 1118 (9th Cir. 2010); Zanoni v. USDA, 605 F. Supp. 2d 230, 237-381 (D.D.C. 2009).	FSA		141
	Information provided by an agricultural producer or owner of agricultural land concerning agricultural operations, farming, or conservation practices, or the land itself, in order to participate in programs of the Department and certain geospatial information...maintained by the Secretary.	Ctr. For Biological Diversity v. USDA, 626 F3d. 1113, 1118 (9th Cir. 2010); Zanoni v. USDA, 605 F. Supp. 2d 230, 237-381 (D.D.C. C 2009).	NRCS		48
	Information provided by an agricultural	Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. USDA,	RMA		2

	producer or owner of agricultural land concerning agricultural operations, farming, or conservation practices, or the land itself, in order to participate in programs of the Department and certain geospatial information...maintained by the Secretary.	626 F3d. 1113, 1118 (9th Cir. 2010); Zaroni v. USDA, 605 F. Supp. 2d 230, 237-381 (D.D.C.C 2009).			
16 USC §470hh	Information pertaining to the nature and location of certain archaeological resources.	Hornbostel v. US Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).	FS	33	35
	Information pertaining to the nature and location of certain archaeological resources.	Hornbostel v. US Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).	NRCS	2	
7 USC §8401(h)(1)(c)	Site specific or transfer specific safeguard and security measures used by a registered person to prevent unauthorized access.	None.	REE	3	3
41 USC §4702	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.	Sinkerfield v. HUD, No. 10-885, 2012 US Dist. Lexis 35233, at 13-15 (S.D. Ohio Mar. 15, 2012); Margolin v. NASA, No. 09-CV-00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011); Hornbostel v. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (DC Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).	NRCS	3	7
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	contracts.	1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011); Hornbostel v. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (DC Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).			
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## 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
AMS	32	141	142	31
APHIS	532	955	959	528
ASCR	2	32	33	1
FAS	1	52	46	7
FNCS	50	495	462	83
FSA	1,453	14,854	14,232	2,075
FSIS	182	319	374	127
FS	543	2,072	1,935	680
GIPSA	1	75	74	2
NAD	6	2	0	8
NRCS	74	252	221	105
OBPA	0	23	23	0
OCFO	15	11	5	21
OGC	16	17	12	21
OIG	95	115	112	98
OSEC/OCIO/DM	25	235	225	35
RD	417	260	485	192
REE	4	127	122	9
RMA	17	95	97	15
AGENCY OVERALL	3,465	20,132	19,559	4,038

*OGC and RMA: Due to clerical error, the number of pending requests reported at the end of FY14 differs then that reported pending at the start of FY15.*



**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		
AMS	39	74	5	17	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	142
APHIS	225	453	41	158	8	46	1	2	1	5	19	0	959	
ASCR	6	8	0	5	2	10	0	0	0	1	1	0	33	
FAS	16	4	1	7	2	13	0	3	0	0	0	0	46	
FNCS	105	274	15	32	1	15	3	0	1	14	2	0	462	
FSA	13,369	245	102	107	203	75	53	4	18	15	29	12	14,232	
FSIS	78	168	7	60	17	38	0	0	1	1	4	0	374	
FS	885	649	66	182	58	53	8	1	10	7	16	0	1,935	
GIPSA	24	17	1	12	1	8	10	0	0	0	1	0	74	
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
NRCS	91	73	22	22	1	8	0	1	1	2	0	0	221	
OBPA	4	0	0	6	1	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	23	
OCFO	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
OGC	2	6	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	12	
OIG	5	42	22	26	5	8	1	1	2	0	0	0	112	
OSEC/OCIO/DM	86	63	2	42	5	7	8	3	1	5	3	0	225	
RD	240	90	14	39	22	30	0	18	3	5	24	0	485	
REE	54	35	2	8	1	13	0	1	1	5	2	0	122	
RMA	15	32	11	7	1	15	0	0	4	7	0	5	97	

AGENCY OVERALL	15,246	2,233	311	732	329	359	86	34	43	68	101	17	19,559
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**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
AMS	N/A	0	0
APHIS	N/A	0	0
ASCR	N/A	0	0
FAS	N/A	0	0
FNCS	N/A	0	0
FSA	Publicly Available Information.	12	12
FSIS	N/A	0	0
FS	N/A	0	0
GIPSA	N/A	0	0
NAD	N/A	0	0
NRCS	N/A	0	0
OBPA	N/A	0	0
OCFO	N/A	0	0
OGC	N/A	0	0

OIG	N/A	0	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	N/A	0	0
RD	N/A	0	0
REE	N/A	0	0
RMA	Unable to Locate Requester.	5	5
AGENCY OVERALL			17

**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
AMS	0	0	11	37	16	70	1	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
APHIS	0	2	22	66	57	432	53	0	251	30	3	14	0	1
ASCR	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
FAS	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FNCS	0	1	202	20	177	263	1	1	231	24	188	0	0	0
FSA	0	4	144	7	28	198	3	0	19	1	0	0	1	1
FSIS	0	3	0	131	26	159	4	1	49	3	4	0	0	0
FS	0	3	33	121	197	521	27	4	151	0	17	24	0	6
GIPSA	0	0	0	6	6	13	2	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	0	53	6	8	53	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	2	23	61	18	0	55	3	5	2	0	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	0	3	6	11	55	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
RD	0	0	1	53	13	61	4	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
REE	0	0	4	19	6	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMA	0	0	25	12	7	19	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	13	498	489	581	1,947	118	6	797	62	217	40	1	8

**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
AMS	9	6	3	12
APHIS	95	20	20	95
ASCR	0	1	1	0
FAS	0	2	1	1
FNCS	53	131	6	178
FSA	7	18	22	3
FSIS	6	12	12	6
FS	67	65	51	81
GIPSA	3	1	3	1
NAD	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	11	8	3
OBPA	0	0	0	0
OCFO	1	0	0	1
OGC	1	0	0	1
OIG	1	7	6	2
OSEC/OCIO/DM	6	6	4	8
RD	16	19	29	6
REE	0	2	2	0
RMA	33	3	3	33
AGENCY OVERALL	298	304	171	431

*RMA: Due to clerical error, the number of pending appeals reported at the end of FY14 differs then that repoted pending at the start of FY15.*

**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
AMS	0	1	1	1	3
APHIS	4	2	2	12	20
ASCR	0	0	0	1	1
FAS	0	0	1	0	1
FNCS	3	2	0	1	6
FSA	0	11	1	10	22
FSIS	3	3	3	3	12
FS	13	16	7	15	51
GIPSA	0	2	1	0	3
NAD	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	1	0	4	3	8
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	3	3	0	0	6
OSEC/OCIO/DM	2	2	0	0	4
RD	2	5	1	21	29
REE	0	0	0	2	2
RMA	0	1	1	1	3
AGENCY OVERALL	31	48	22	70	171

**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
AMS	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
APHIS	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	0
ASCR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FNCS	0	0	2	0	3	3	0	0	3	1	3	0	0	0
FSA	0	0	4	0	1	11	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
FSIS	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
FS	0	1	3	0	6	17	5	1	5	1	1	0	0	0
GIPSA	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	1	3	6	0	0	6	1	0	1	0	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RD	0	0	0	3	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
REE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	0	1	9	6	20	52	6	1	19	4	5	2	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
AMS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
APHIS	0	1	6	0	2	0	0	2	1	0	0
ASCR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FNCS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FSA	3	0	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
FSIS	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FS	2	0	8	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0
GIPSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RD	2	0	6	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	7
REE	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

AGENCY OVERALL	8	2	33	2	4	2	2	8	2	0	7
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**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
AMS	N/A	0	0
APHIS	N/A	0	0
ASCR	N/A	0	0
FAS	N/A	0	0
FNCS	N/A	0	0
FSA	N/A	0	0
FSIS	N/A	0	0
FS	N/A	0	0
GIPSA	N/A	0	0
NAD	N/A	0	0
NRCS	N/A	0	0
OBPA	N/A	0	0
OCFO	N/A	0	0
OGC	N/A	0	0
OIG	N/A	0	0

OSEC/OCIO/DM	N/A	0	0
RD	Unable to locate requester	7	7
REE	N/A	0	0
RMA	N/A	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL			7

#### 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
AMS	129.00	158.00	75.00	270.00
APHIS	184.00	546.50	6.00	2,108.00
ASCR	70.00	70.00	49.00	91.00
FAS	185.00	185.00	185.00	185.00
FNCS	237.00	230.50	84.00	345.00
FSA	37.00	35.81	1.00	98.00
FSIS	81.00	87.75	6.00	182.00
FS	131.00	196.03	1.00	664.00
GIPSA	126.00	175.67	44.00	357.00
NAD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NRCS	48.00	63.29	4.00	233.00
OBPA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OCFO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OGC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OIG	20.00	19.00	17.00	21.00
OSEC/OCIO/DM	149.50	149.50	62.00	237.00
RD	38.00	139.82	1.00	888.00
REE	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
RMA	1,008.00	715.67	125.00	1,014.00
AGENCY OVERALL	79.00	197.63	0.00	2,108.00

**VI.C.(5). TEN OLDEST PENDING ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS**

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Appeal	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Appeal
AMS	Date of Appeal	2015-06-18	2015-03-09	2014-11-03	2014-08-19	2014-08-11	2014-05-28	2014-02-28	2013-04-29	2012-12-10	2012-10-15
	Number of Days Pending	72	136	228	280	286	338	400	609	703	741
APHIS	Date of Appeal	2009-11-16	2009-11-06	2009-08-20	2009-08-20	2008-10-24	2008-05-22	2007-10-02	2007-02-23	2007-01-16	2006-11-20
	Number of Days Pending	1472	1477	1531	1531	1737	1844	2004	2185	2185	2222
ASCR	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
FAS	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-07-13
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56
FNCS	Date of Appeal	2013-10-25	2013-10-25	2013-09-24	2013-09-20	2013-09-03	2013-08-14	2013-07-25	2013-05-10	2012-12-05	2012-10-22
	Number of Days Pending	484	484	506	508	521	534	548	600	706	736
FSA	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-28	2015-09-17	2015-05-11
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	9	99
FSIS	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2014-09-30	2014-09-30	2014-09-19	2014-08-29	2013-12-03	2010-11-15
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	21	208	971
FS	Date of Appeal	2013-09-13	2013-07-12	2013-07-10	2013-07-02	2013-06-25	2013-06-19	2013-02-07	2012-12-19	2010-04-20	2008-08-07
	Number of Days Pending	513	557	559	564	569	573	664	696	1366	1791
GIPSA	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-28
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
NAD	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
NRCS	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-04-03	2014-11-04	2014-06-19
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	227	322

OBPA	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
OCFO	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2012-07-19
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	801
OGC	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2013-09-25
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	502
OIG	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-30	2015-09-28
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
OSEC/OCIO/DM	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	2015-07-07	2015-01-30	2014-11-04	2014-10-15	2014-10-15	2014-06-04	2014-05-09	2012-04-02
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	60	169	227	241	333	350	369	877
RD	Date of Appeal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-10	2015-07-22	2015-05-18	2015-03-18	2014-03-28	2012-02-07
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	14	49	94	137	380	915
REE	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
RMA	Date of Appeal	2011-10-12	2011-09-28	2011-09-20	2011-09-20	2011-09-06	2011-09-01	2011-08-18	2011-03-17	2010-12-16	2009-05-05
	Number of Days Pending	994	1003	1009	1009	1019	1021	1031	1139	1200	1606
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Appeal	2009-08-20	2009-08-20	2009-05-05	2008-10-24	2008-08-07	2008-05-22	2007-10-02	2007-01-16	2007-01-16	2006-11-20
	Number of Days Pending	1531	1531	1606	1737	1791	1844	2004	2185	2185	2222

**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
AMS	25	25.43	1	91	48	112.67	1	751	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
APHIS	42	96.46	1	1101	188	280.2	14	1265	75	75	75	75
ASCR	7	13.79	1	111	7	6.5	3	9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FAS	12	16	3	76	78	89.8	34	185	128.5	128.5	76	181
FNCS	23	34.95	1	292	27	27	27	27	349	349	349	349
FSA	2	3.26	1	677	4	17.49	1	505	1	1	1	1
FSIS	63	108.13	1	636	309	309	309	309	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FS	18	30.97	1	801	38	57.2	1	1074	4	13.83	1	62
GIPSA	2	5.47	1	25	13	21.96	1	52	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NAD	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NRCS	11	27.62	1	572	22.5	46.09	1	523	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OBPA	4	5.1	1	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OCFO	19	55.6	3	143	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OGC	31	144	1	547	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	76	115	4	612	200	254	46	606	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OSEC/OCIO/DM	30	49.05	1	509	92	230.62	1	1393	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
RD	38	188.05	1	961	478	396.39	1	1162	10.5	10.5	9	12
REE	11	10.51	1	21	19	19.04	1	70	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
RMA	4	12.11	1	82	7	100.97	1	753	11	11	11	11
AGENCY OVERALL	20	11.2	1	1101	24	51.14	1	1393	11	49	1	349



**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
AMS	21	28.19	1	91	56	129	9	751	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
APHIS	53	107.94	1	1101	185	276.07	14	1265	75	75	75	75
ASCR	17	25.2	4	111	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FAS	12	16	3	76	78	89.8	34	185	128.5	128.5	76	181
FNCS	24	37.1	1	292	27	27	27	27	349	349	349	349
FSA	2	1	1	677	1	9	1	381	1	1	1	1
FSIS	62.5	101.81	1	636	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FS	19	30.03	1	602	42	56.82	1	277	4	13.83	1	62
GIPSA	2	5.3	1	25	10	12.91	3	40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NAD	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NRCS	11	28.63	1	572	23.5	42.8	1	475	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OBPA	5	5.7	1	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OCFO	19	19	19	19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OGC	31	137	1	547	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	39	50	5	219	200	254	46	606	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OSEC/OCIO/DM	34	57.11	1	478	135	293.19	10	1393	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
RD	18	98.71	1	774	87.5	225.19	10	798	10.5	10.5	9	12
REE	10	10.74	1	21	20	23.56	2	70	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
RMA	9	16.68	1	82	127	210.1	14	753	11	11	11	11
AGENCY	22	9.76	1	1101	26	81.03	1	1393	11	49	1	349

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**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
AMS	2	37	20	6	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
APHIS	241	166	79	51	52	35	28	20	20	29	55	22	34	832
ASCR	25	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
FAS	29	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
FNCS	192	156	53	17	8	9	8	5	4	3	4	0	0	459
FSA	13,576	41	6	5	0	1	0	1	1	1	4	0	0	13,636
FSIS	63	66	48	35	21	12	22	11	11	7	49	23	4	372
FS	932	308	111	73	31	20	13	7	6	5	10	5	6	1,527
GIPSA	47	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	123	24	3	3	0	0	0	1	2	3	3	0	1	163
OBPA	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
OCFO	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
OGC	5	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	12
OIG	13	13	12	4	5	13	4	0	0	2	4	4	5	79
OSEC/OCIO/DM	96	39	17	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	162
RD	129	21	15	5	5	13	3	3	3	3	36	13	76	325
REE	38	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42
RMA	43	10	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
AGENCY OVERALL	15,580	897	367	204	129	108	80	49	47	53	166	70	128	17,878

**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
AMS	7	23	23	4	5	4	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	72
APHIS	7	8	6	9	10	8	4	2	3	10	13	12	31	123
ASCR	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
FAS	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
FNCS	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FSA	492	44	10	4	4	3	3	1	3	0	3	2	3	572
FSIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
FS	116	89	61	43	31	9	17	4	3	4	11	1	2	391
GIPSA	14	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	24	16	7	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	56
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	0	1	1	2	2	1	4	3	1	7	1	7	30
OSEC/OCIO/DM	16	15	3	7	2	2	3	1	0	1	2	2	5	59
RD	14	15	7	2	3	2	2	2	1	2	8	6	73	137
REE	54	20	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78
RMA	24	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	2	37
AGENCY OVERALL	772	235	131	80	57	31	32	17	17	19	46	27	125	1,589

**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
AMS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
APHIS	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
ASCR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAS	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
FNCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
FSA	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
FSIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FS	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
GIPSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OBPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OGC	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
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RD	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
REE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
AGENCY OVERALL	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	15

**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
AMS	22	21	52	10	180	217	0	N/A	N/A
APHIS	490	123	189	24	478	478	0	N/A	N/A
ASCR	1	10	10	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
FAS	3	82	65.3	4	36.5	43.2	0	N/A	N/A
FNCS	74	16.5	57	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
FSA	18	106	90	55	9	14	0	N/A	N/A
FSIS	122	86	142	1	349	349	0	N/A	N/A
FS	321	56	169	81	85	244	1	197	197
GIPSA	1	6	6	1	22	22	0	N/A	N/A
NAD	10	438.5	434	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
NRCS	48	107.5	121	3	126	170	0	N/A	N/A
OBPA	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
OCFO	15	511.5	483	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
OGC	21	203	362	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
OIG	24	124	140	74	282	368	0	N/A	N/A
OSEC/OCIO/DM	25	43	167	4	226	509	0	N/A	N/A
RD	39	27	87	1	96	96	0	N/A	N/A
REE	2	9	9	6	10.5	16	0	N/A	N/A
RMA	6	361	328	7	251	186	0	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	1242	79	90	271	87	230	1	197	197

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

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Request	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Request
AMS	Date of Receipt	2015-03-27	2015-01-23	2015-01-14	2015-01-05	2014-12-12	2014-10-23	2014-10-23	2014-09-22	2014-08-22	2013-01-04
	Number of Days Pending	130	174	180	187	201	205	235	257	277	687
APHIS	Date of Receipt	2012-07-24	2012-07-19	2012-06-19	2012-05-30	2012-05-30	2012-05-08	2012-05-01	2012-02-06	2011-12-01	2011-10-31
	Number of Days Pending	796	801	822	836	836	851	856	916	960	981
ASCR	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-16
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
FAS	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-19	2015-08-19	2015-08-13	2015-08-04	2015-06-04	2015-06-01	2015-05-20
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	8	29	33	40	82	85	92
FNCS	Date of Receipt	2015-02-17	2015-02-10	2015-01-29	2014-11-20	2014-11-17	2014-11-14	2014-10-22	2014-09-30	2014-07-17	2014-04-03
	Number of Days Pending	158	162	170	216	219	220	236	251	303	376
FSA	Date of Receipt	2015-01-26	2015-01-22	2014-10-31	2014-04-24	2014-02-14	2013-05-06	2013-03-18	2013-01-17	2012-12-19	2011-11-16
	Number of Days Pending	173	175	229	361	409	604	639	678	696	970
FSIS	Date of Receipt	2014-04-04	2014-03-31	2014-03-11	2014-03-05	2014-02-11	2014-01-15	2014-01-15	2014-01-08	2013-10-29	2013-10-17
	Number of Days Pending	375	379	393	397	412	430	430	435	482	490
FS	Date of Receipt	2012-04-13	2012-03-19	2012-02-27	2012-02-14	2011-11-16	2011-11-15	2011-07-27	2011-03-25	2010-12-15	2010-01-19
	Number of Days Pending	868	887	902	910	970	971	1047	1133	1201	1430
GIPSA	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-22	2015-08-28
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	22
NAD	Date of Receipt	2015-07-27	2014-12-11	2014-07-15	2014-04-16	2014-02-12	2013-11-21	2013-09-03	2013-07-09	2012-11-19	2012-10-01
	Number of Days Pending	46	202	305	367	411	466	521	560	717	750
NRCS	Date of Receipt	2014-10-29	2014-10-21	2014-10-08	2014-10-03	2014-10-01	2014-09-15	2014-08-27	2014-08-25	2014-08-21	2013-08-09
	Number of Days Pending	231	237	245	248	250	262	274	276	278	537

OBPA	Date of Receipt	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
OCFO	Date of Receipt	2014-10-07	2014-09-22	2014-06-23	2014-02-12	2013-11-21	2013-11-05	2013-09-23	2013-09-03	2013-04-30	2012-11-19
	Number of Days Pending	246	257	320	411	466	477	507	521	608	717
OGC	Date of Receipt	2014-11-25	2014-01-24	2013-09-16	2013-08-28	2013-01-16	2013-01-15	2012-04-09	2012-03-01	2011-12-22	2011-12-02
	Number of Days Pending	211	421	509	521	677	678	864	899	945	959
OIG	Date of Receipt	2012-12-10	2012-11-13	2012-10-15	2012-10-08	2012-08-22	2012-08-21	2012-08-10	2012-06-19	2012-06-12	2012-04-05
	Number of Days Pending	706	724	744	748	780	781	788	825	830	877
OSEC/OCIO/DM	Date of Receipt	2015-05-28	2015-02-04	2014-12-23	2014-11-26	2014-10-16	2014-08-13	2014-06-02	2013-09-03	2013-06-06	2010-03-12
	Number of Days Pending	87	166	194	212	240	284	335	521	582	1393
RD	Date of Receipt	2015-07-07	2015-06-16	2015-06-12	2015-06-10	2015-06-02	2015-05-14	2015-03-03	2014-08-28	2011-12-12	2011-10-13
	Number of Days Pending	60	74	76	78	84	96	140	273	953	993
REE	Date of Receipt	N/A	N/A	2015-09-28	2015-09-23	2015-09-22	2015-09-21	2015-09-15	2015-09-09	2015-08-26	2015-07-24
	Number of Days Pending	0	0	2	5	6	7	11	15	24	47
RMA	Date of Receipt	2015-07-24	2014-11-10	2014-09-30	2014-09-08	2014-07-01	2014-05-06	2014-05-02	2014-02-18	2014-01-17	2013-05-21
	Number of Days Pending	47	223	251	267	314	353	355	408	428	593
AGENCY OVERALL	Date of Receipt	2011-11-16	2011-11-16	2011-11-15	2011-10-31	2011-10-13	2011-07-27	2011-03-25	2010-12-15	2010-03-12	2010-01-19
	Number of Days Pending	970	970	971	981	993	1047	1133	1201	1393	1430



## 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
AMS	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
APHIS	1	6	1	5.86	5
ASCR	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
FAS	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
FNCS	0	1	1	1	1
FSA	0	1	5	5	1
FSIS	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
FS	6	4	3	11.7	9
GIPSA	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
NAD	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
NRCS	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
OBPA	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
OCFO	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
OGC	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
OIG	0	1	233	233	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	16	1	3	16
RD	2	3	1	6.6	3
REE	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
RMA	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGENCY OVERALL	9	32	6	25.85	35

## VIII.B. REQUESTS FOR FEE WAIVER

Agency / Component	Number Granted	Number Denied	Median Number of Days to Adjudicate	Average Number of Days to Adjudicate
AMS	4	1	1	0.6
APHIS	33	2	1	1.71
ASCR	0	0	N/A	N/A
FAS	0	0	N/A	N/A
FNCS	2	0	1	1
FSA	9	0	1	0.56
FSIS	1	1	2.5	2.5
FS	215	5	1	3.55
GIPSA	0	0	N/A	N/A
NAD	0	0	N/A	N/A
NRCS	6	0	1	8
OBPA	0	0	N/A	N/A
OCFO	1	0	1	1
OGC	0	0	N/A	N/A
OIG	0	0	N/A	N/A
OSEC/OCIO/DM	10	8	8	10.34
RD	3	1	4.5	36.75
REE	9	1	1	1
RMA	2	1	7	5
AGENCY OVERALL	295	20	1	3.77

## 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
AMS	3	3.26	6.26	\$665,514.80	\$85,681.57	\$751,196.37
APHIS	21	0	21	\$1,786,896.28	\$50,000.00	\$1,836,896.28
ASCR	0	0.5	0.5	\$582.00	\$0.00	\$582.00
FAS	0	0.5	0.5	\$94,203.00	\$0.00	\$94,203.00
FNCS	4	8	12	\$735,040.00	\$0.00	\$735,040.00
FSA	10	34.69	44.69	\$2,377,750.00	\$0.00	\$2,377,750.00
FSIS	7	0	7	\$361,555.80	\$0.00	\$361,555.80
FS	9	20.75	29.75	\$750,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$775,000.00
GIPSA	1	0	1	\$106,261.00	\$0.00	\$106,261.00
NAD	0	0.5	0.5	\$458.00	\$0.00	\$458.00
NRCS	1	12.5	13.5	\$960,715.00	\$1,730.00	\$962,445.00
OBPA	0	0.1	0.1	\$11,614.64	\$0.00	\$11,614.64
OCFO	1	0	1	\$458.00	\$0.00	\$458.00
OGC	0	6.5	6.5	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
OIG	1	3.64	4.64	\$399,478.68	\$227,414.41	\$626,893.09
OSEC/OCIO/DM	4	0.5	4.5	\$1,033,141.00	\$0.00	\$1,033,141.00
RD	4	14	18	\$322,344.83	\$0.00	\$322,344.83
REE	1	0	1	\$90,245.45	\$0.00	\$90,245.45
RMA	0	1.2	1.2	\$131,973.28	\$0.00	\$131,973.28
AGENCY	67	106.64	173.64	\$10,578,231.76	\$1,139,825.98	\$11,718,057.74

OVERALL						
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## X. FEES COLLECTED FOR PROCESSING REQUESTS

Agency / Component	Total Amount of Fees Collected	Percentage of Total Costs
AMS	\$671.83	0.10%
APHIS	\$0.00	0.00%
ASCR	\$0.00	0.00%
FAS	\$470.90	0.50%
FNCS	\$0.00	0.00%
FSA	\$26,554.03	1.12%
FSIS	\$700.00	0.19%
FS	\$3,923.18	0.52%
GIPSA	\$0.00	0.00%
NAD	\$0.00	0.00%
NRCS	\$0.00	0.00%
OBPA	\$0.00	0.00%
OCFO	\$0.00	0.00%
OGC	\$0.00	0.00%
OIG	\$0.00	0.00%
OSEC/OCIO/DM	\$2,600.00	0.25%
RD	\$1,371.22	0.43%
REE	\$187.00	0.21%
RMA	\$1,682.19	1.27%
AGENCY OVERALL	\$38,160.35	0.36%

## 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
AMS	19	13
APHIS	436	87
ASCR	0	1
FAS	7	1
FNCS	30	160
FSA	29	1
FSIS	109	4
FS	280	76
GIPSA	1	0
NAD	10	0
NRCS	46	3
OBPA	0	0
OCFO	15	0
OGC	20	1
OIG	97	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	16	7
RD	23	5
REE	0	0
RMA	10	33
AGENCY OVERALL	1,148	392

**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
AMS	0	0	0	0
APHIS	0	5	3	2
ASCR	0	0	0	0
FAS	0	1	1	0
FNCS	0	0	0	0
FSA	2	24	24	2
FSIS	0	0	0	0
FS	0	4	4	0
GIPSA	0	0	0	0
NAD	0	0	0	0
NRCS	0	2	2	0
OBPA	0	2	2	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0
OGC	0	0	0	0
OIG	0	8	6	2
OSEC/OCIO/DM	0	6	6	0
RD	1	1	1	1
REE	0	0	0	0
RMA	0	0	0	0
AGENCY OVERALL	3	53	49	7

**XII.C. CONSULTATIONS ON FOIA REQUESTS -- TEN OLDEST CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED FROM OTHER AGENCIES AND PENDING AT THE AGENCY**

Agency / Component		10th Oldest Consultation	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	Oldest Consultation
AMS	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
APHIS	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-03	2015-04-15
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	117
ASCR	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
FAS	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
FNCS	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
FSA	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2013-01-25	2012-08-30
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	424	523
FSIS	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
FS	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
GIPSA	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
NAD	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
NRCS	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	0
OBPA	Date	N/A	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	0
OCFO	Date	N/A	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	0
OGC	Date	N/A	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	0
OIG	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-01-17	2014-12-31	
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	178	190
OSEC/OCIO/DM	Date	N/A	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	0
RD	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2012-04-11
	Number of Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	870
REE	Date	N/A	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	0
RMA	Date	N/A	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	0
AGENCY OVERALL	Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	2015-09-30	2015-04-15	2015-01-17	2014-12-31	2013-01-25	2012-08-30	2012-04-11	
	Number of Days	0	0	0	18	117	178	190	424	523	870	

**XII.D.(1). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF REQUESTS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT -- REQUESTS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED**

Agency / Component	NUMBER OF REQUESTS RECEIVED		NUMBER OF REQUESTS PROCESSED	
	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
AMS	161	141	163	142
APHIS	993	955	798	959
ASCR	19	32	18	33
FAS	49	52	49	46
FNCS	334	495	309	462
FSA	14,814	14,854	14,343	14,232
FSIS	419	319	365	374
FS	1,939	2,072	1,889	1,935
GIPSA	36	75	37	74
NAD	4	2	0	0
NRCS	300	252	388	221
OBPA	5	23	8	23
OCFO	20	11	16	5
OGC	29	17	27	12
OIG	137	115	115	112
OSEC/OCIO/DM	181	235	251	225
RD	248	260	301	485
REE	115	127	115	122
RMA	61	95	51	97
AGENCY OVERALL	19,864	20,132	19,243	19,559

**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
AMS	26	19
APHIS	425	436
ASCR	2	0
FAS	0	7
FNCS	16	30
FSA	30	29
FSIS	133	109
FS	260	280
GIPSA	0	1
NAD	8	10
NRCS	13	46
OBPA	0	0
OCFO	10	15
OGC	15	20
OIG	88	97
OSEC/OCIO/DM	20	16
RD	258	23
REE	0	0
RMA	10	10
AGENCY OVERALL	1,314	1,148

**XII.E.(1). COMPARISON OF NUMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT -- APPEALS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED**

Agency / Component	NUMBER OF APPEALS RECEIVED		NUMBER OF APPEALS PROCESSED	
	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
AMS	10	6	8	3
APHIS	36	20	31	20
ASCR	0	1	0	1
FAS	2	2	2	1
FNCS	47	131	6	6
FSA	22	18	16	22
FSIS	18	12	16	12
FS	71	65	50	51
GIPSA	3	1	1	3
NAD	0	0	0	0
NRCS	4	11	9	8
OBPA	0	0	0	0
OCFO	0	0	0	0
OGC	2	0	2	0
OIG	8	7	8	6
OSEC/OCIO/DM	8	6	10	4
RD	8	19	10	29
REE	0	2	0	2
RMA	3	3	0	3
AGENCY OVERALL	242	304	169	171

**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
AMS	9	13
APHIS	91	87
ASCR	0	1
FAS	0	1
FNCS	42	160
FSA	6	1
FSIS	3	4
FS	59	76
GIPSA	2	0
NAD	0	0
NRCS	1	3
OBPA	0	0
OCFO	1	0
OGC	1	1
OIG	0	0
OSEC/OCIO/DM	5	7
RD	16	5
REE	0	0
RMA	32	33
AGENCY OVERALL	268	392