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# Appeal and Interference Statistics

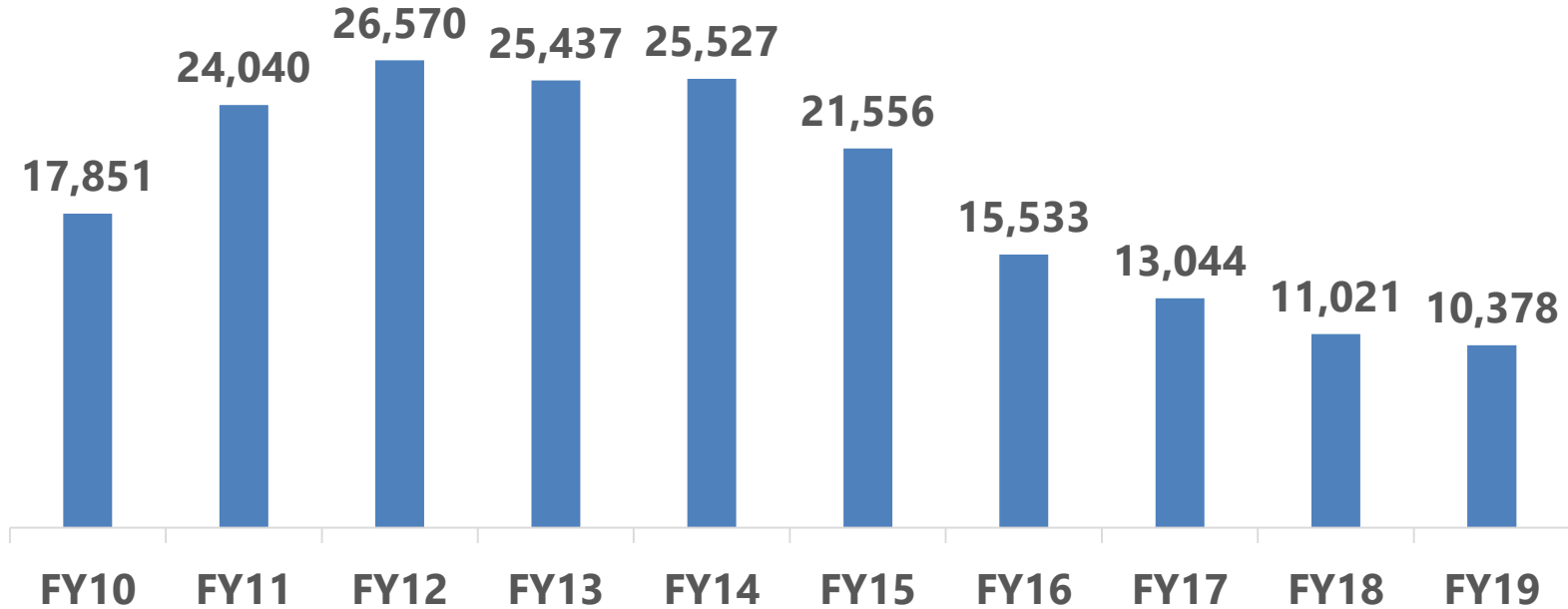
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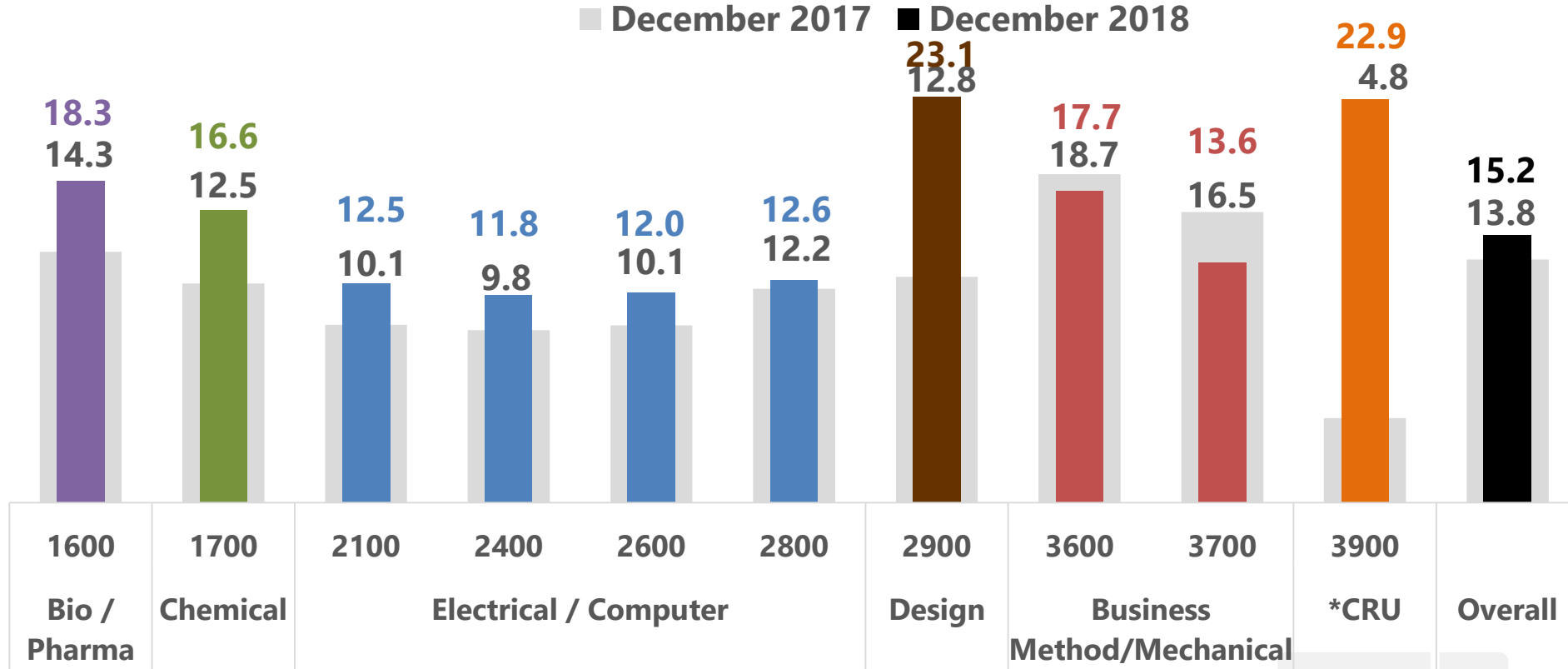
# Pending Appeals

(FY10 to FY19: 9/30/10 to 12/31/18)



# Pendency of Decided Appeals in FY18 and FY19

(Pendency of appeals decided in December 2017 compared to December 2018 in months)



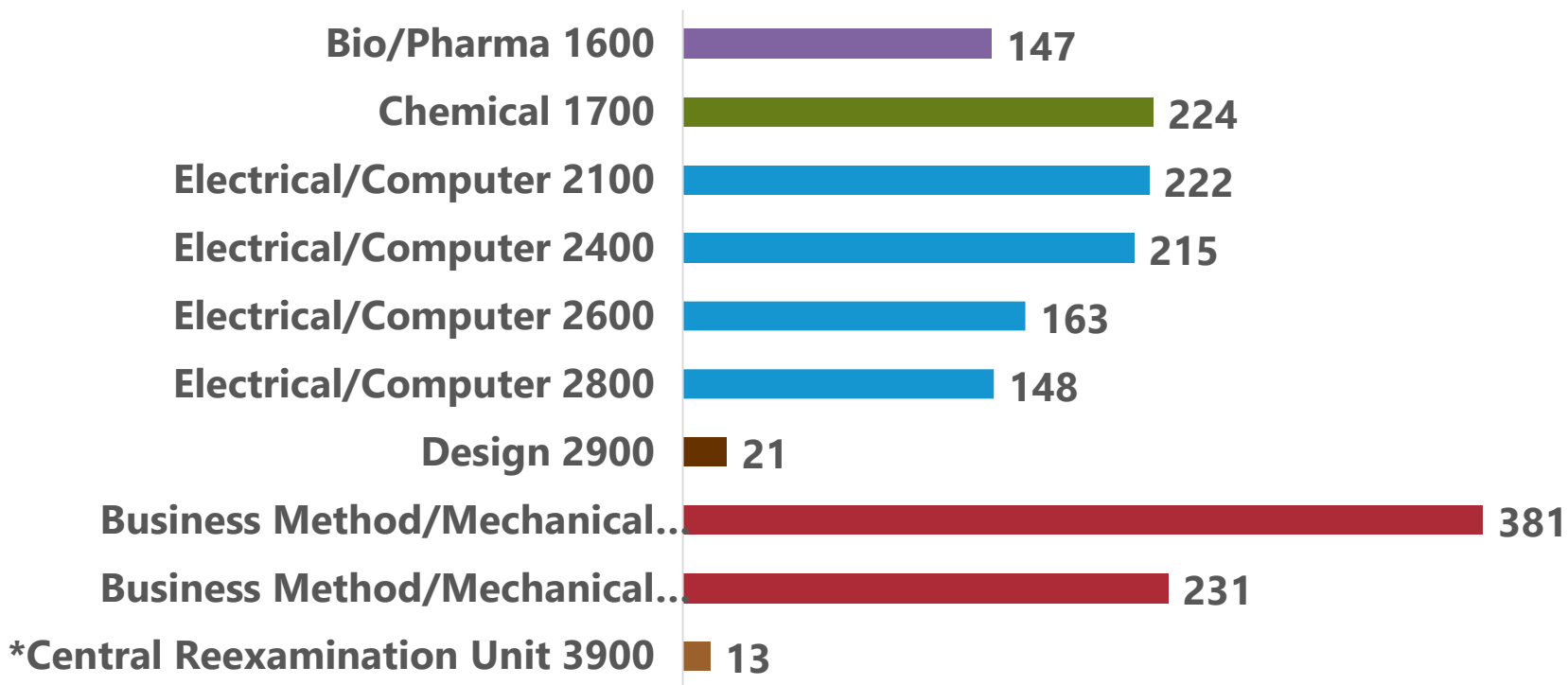
Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision.

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# Appeal Intake in FY19

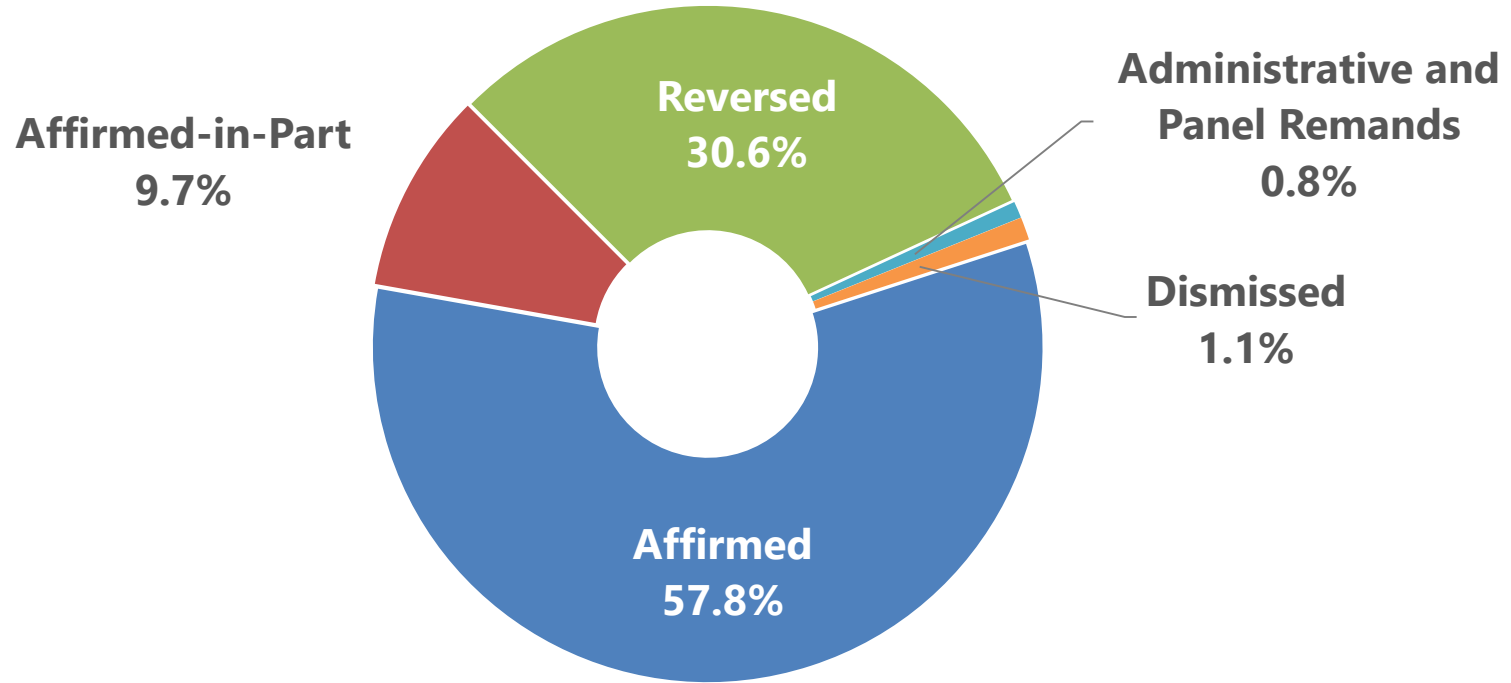
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# Appeal Outcomes in FY19

(FY19: 10/1/18 to 12/31/18)



# Interference Inventory

(FY08 to FY19: 9/30/08 to 12/31/18)

