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September 30, 2026

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Receipts & dispositions last month

Sept. 2026

Technology Center	Starting Inventory	Appeals Filed	Affirmed	Affirmed -in-Part	Reversed	Panel Remand	Admin Remand	Dismissed	Appeals Decided	Ending Inventory	Inventory Change	% of Inventory
1600	224	33	29	0	8	0	0	0	37	220	▼ -4	11.1%
1700	342	54	21	4	17	0	0	0	42	354	▲ 12	17.9%
2100	197	35	18	4	6	0	1	0	29	203	▲ 6	10.3%
2400	129	25	14	2	5	0	0	0	21	133	▲ 4	6.7%
2600	168	22	6	3	5	0	0	0	14	176	▲ 8	8.9%
2800	136	16	14	1	3	0	0	0	18	134	▼ -2	6.8%
2900	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	▲ 5	0.8%
3600	380	50	43	1	8	0	1	0	53	377	▼ -3	19.1%
3700	324	71	24	13	15	0	1	0	53	342	▲ 18	17.3%
3900 (Ex Parte)	19	5	6	2	0	0	0	0	8	16	▼ -3	0.8%
3900 (Sup. Exam)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	▬ 0	0.0%
3900 (Reissue)	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	▲ 3	0.3%
3900 (Regular)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	▬ 0	0.0%
Board Total	**1,933**	**319**	**175**	**30**	**67**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**275**	**1,977**	▲ **44**	**100.0%**

% Decisions

Affirmed	Affirmed-in-Part	Reversed	Panel Remand	Admin Remand	Dismissed
63.6%	**10.9%**	**24.4%**	**0.0%**	**1.1%**	**0.0%**

Receipts & dispositions fiscal year to date

Oct. 2025 – Sept. 2026

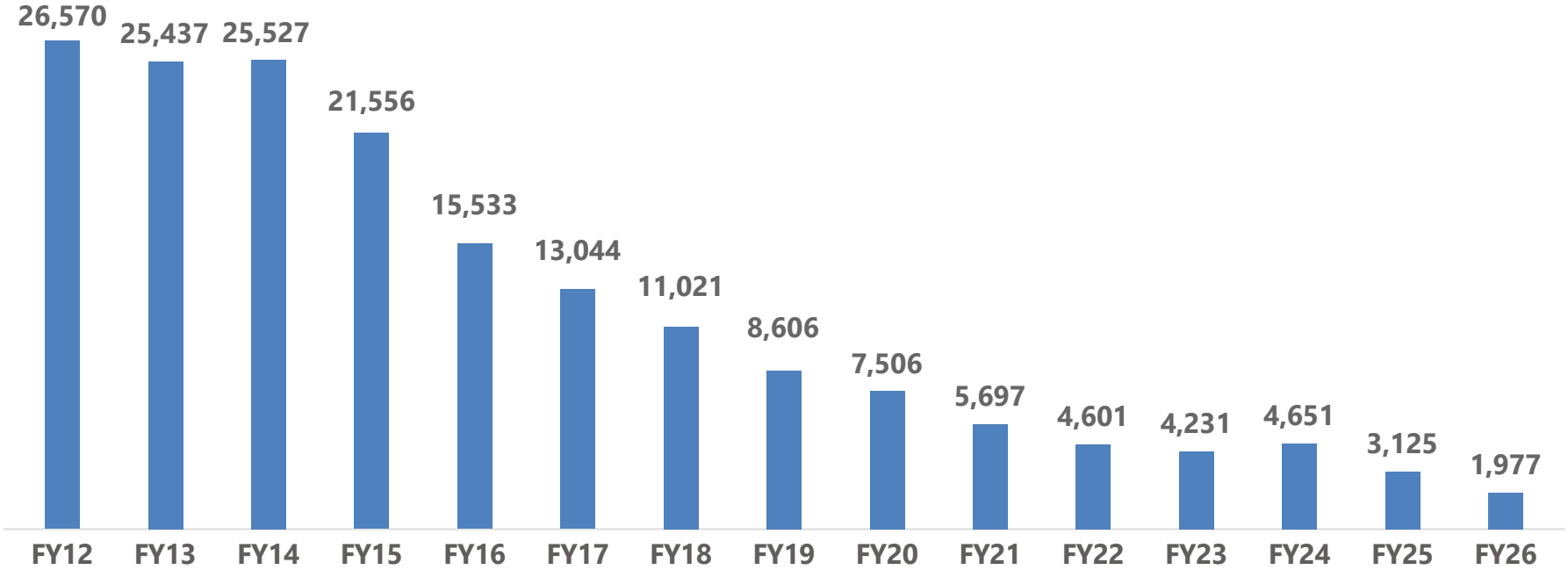
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1600	316	373	342	18	101	0	2	5	468	220	▼ -96	11.1%
1700	584	627	480	68	304	0	2	2	856	354	▼ -230	17.9%
2100	326	403	287	36	202	0	1	0	526	203	▼ -123	10.3%
2400	220	263	193	30	126	0	0	1	350	133	▼ -87	6.7%
2600	230	247	168	24	108	0	1	0	301	176	▼ -54	8.9%
2800	232	284	215	41	123	0	1	2	382	134	▼ -98	6.8%
2900	14	20	8	0	10	0	0	0	18	16	▲ 2	0.8%
3600	647	726	713	51	224	0	6	2	996	377	▼ -270	19.1%
3700	535	661	439	109	299	0	5	1	853	342	▼ -193	17.3%
3900 (Ex Parte)	19	58	29	9	20	0	2	1	61	16	▼ -3	0.8%
3900 (Sup. Exam)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	▬ 0	0.0%
3900 (Reissue)	2	21	11	1	4	0	0	1	17	6	▲ 4	0.3%
3900 (Regular)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	▬ 0	0.0%
Board Total	**3,125**	**3,684**	**2,886**	**387**	**1,521**	**0**	**20**	**15**	**4,829**	**1,977**	▼ **-1,148**	**100.0%**

% Decisions

Affirmed	Affirmed-in-Part	Reversed	Panel Remand	Admin Remand	Dismissed
59.8%	**8.0%**	**31.5%**	**0.0%**	**0.4%**	**0.3%**

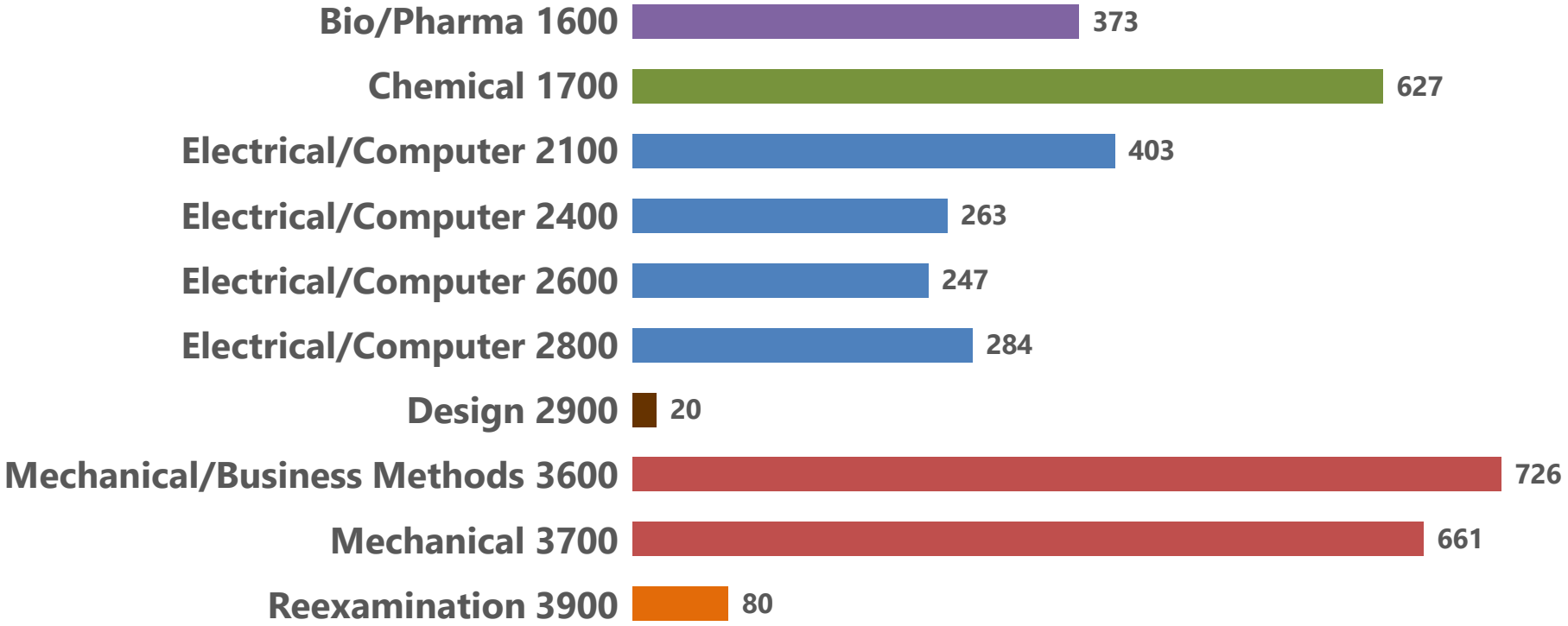
Appeals inventory

FY 12 to FY 26: Sept. 30, 2012 – Sept. 30, 2026



Appeals intake

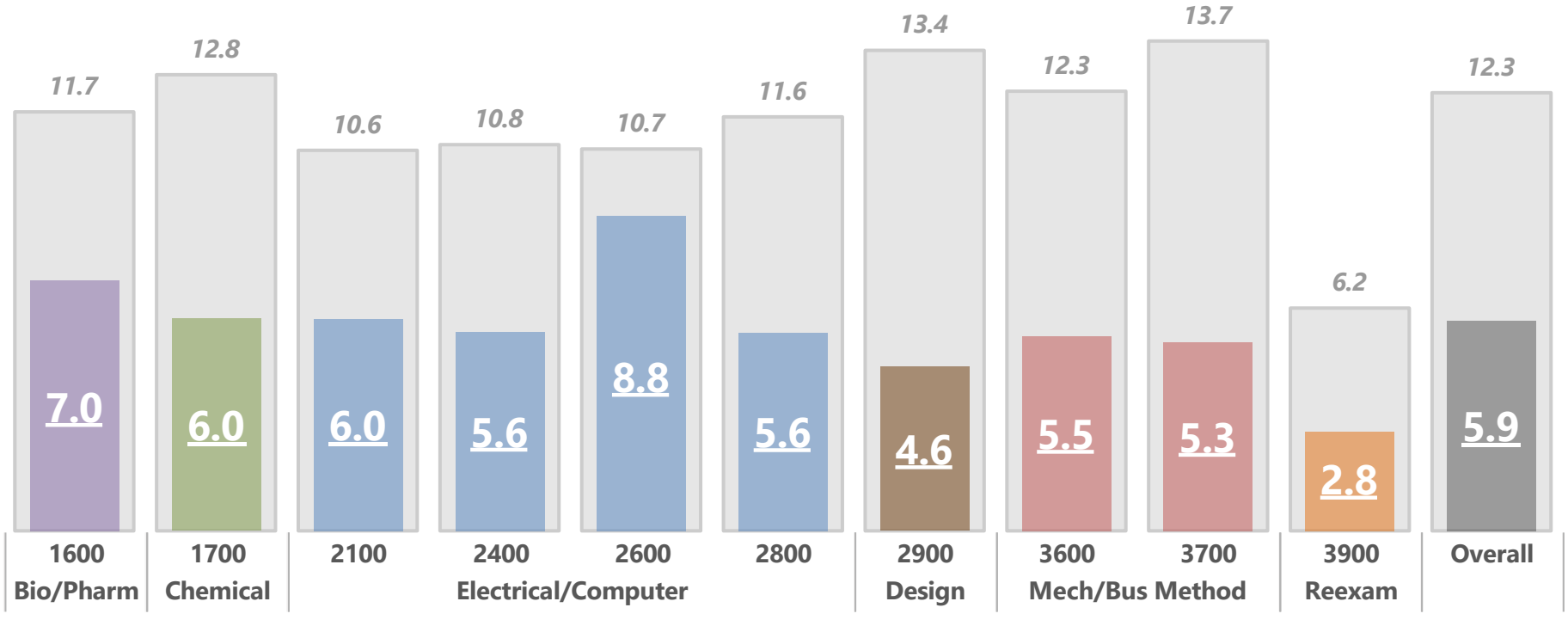
FY 26: Oct. 2025 – Sept. 2026



*The Central Reexamination Unit (TC 3900) includes ex parte reexams, inter partes reexams, supplemental examination reviews, regular and reissue cases from all technologies.

Average pendency of decided appeals in months

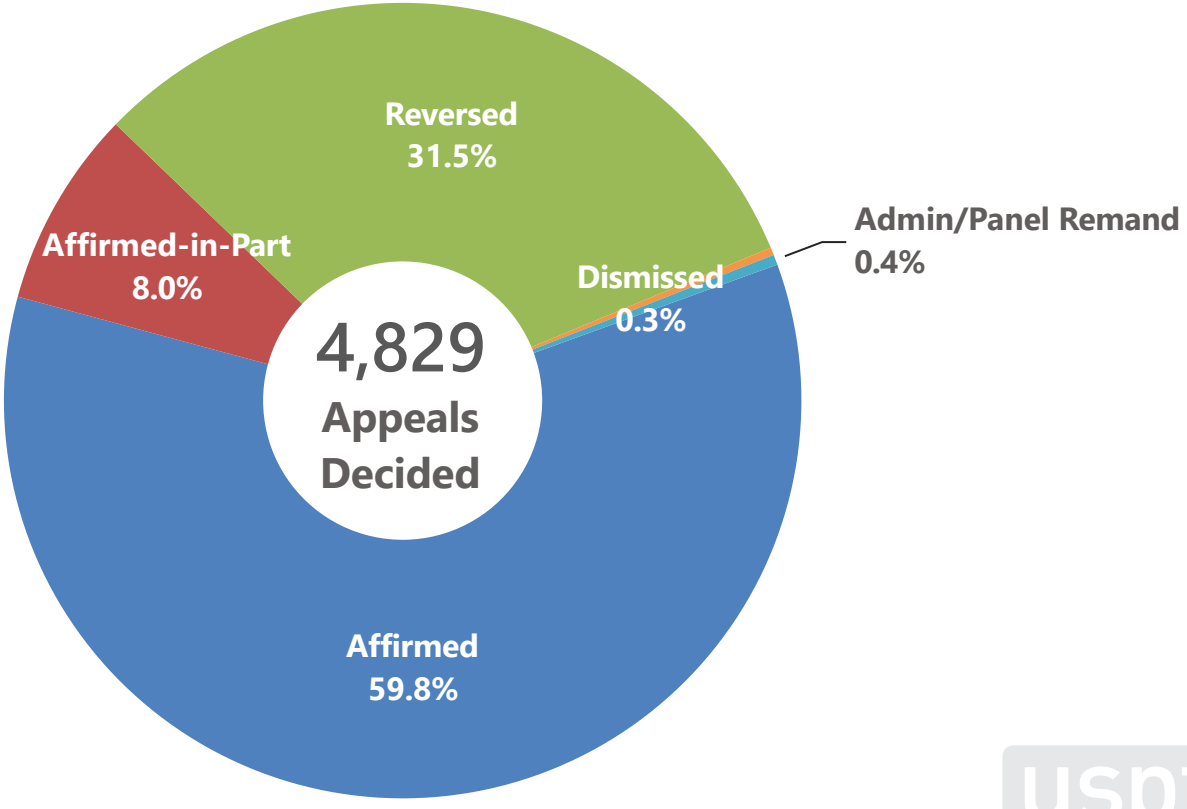
July 2026 – Sept. 2026 (color bars & white values) vs. July 2025 – Sept. 2025 (gray bars & values)



Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision for a three month period and compared to the same period the previous year. Central Reexamination Unit (CRU/TC 3900) decisions include *ex parte* reexams, *inter partes* reexam, supplemental examination review, regular cases and most reissues from all technologies except design patent applications.

Appeals outcomes

Oct. 2025 – Sept. 2026




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