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# Appeal and Interference Statistics

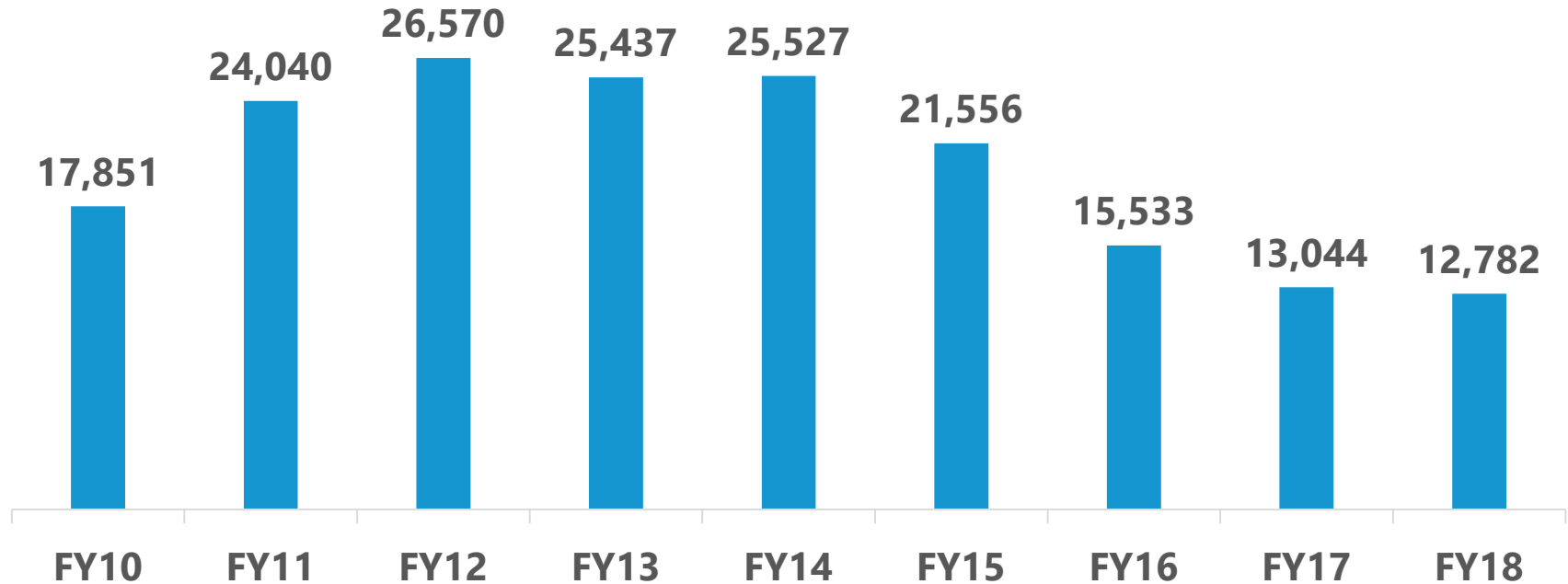
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# Pending Appeals

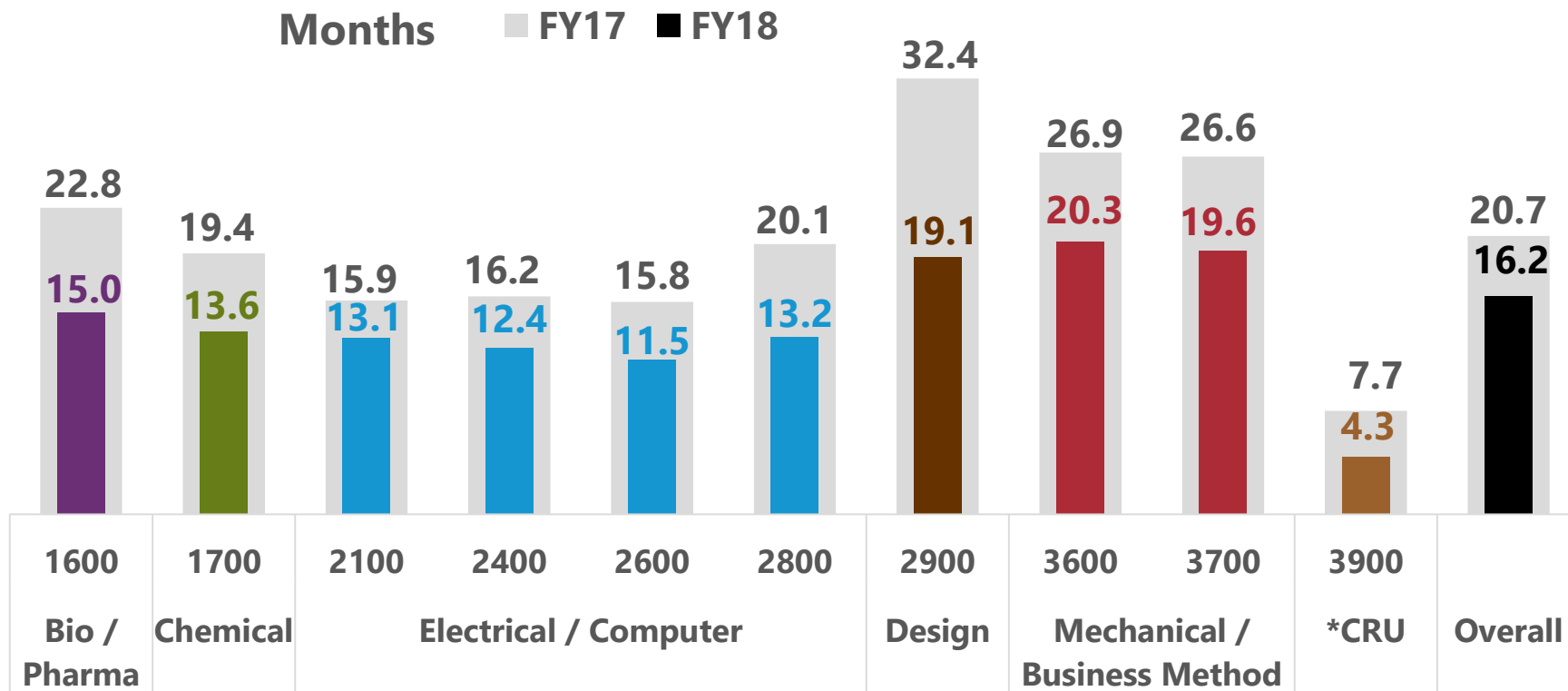
(FY10 to FY18: 9/30/10 to 11/30/17)



Note: FY17 pending changed from 13,034 to 13,044, and FY18 from 12,866 to 12,782 due to an internal end of FY18 Q1 audit.

# Pendency of Decided Appeals in FY17 and FY18

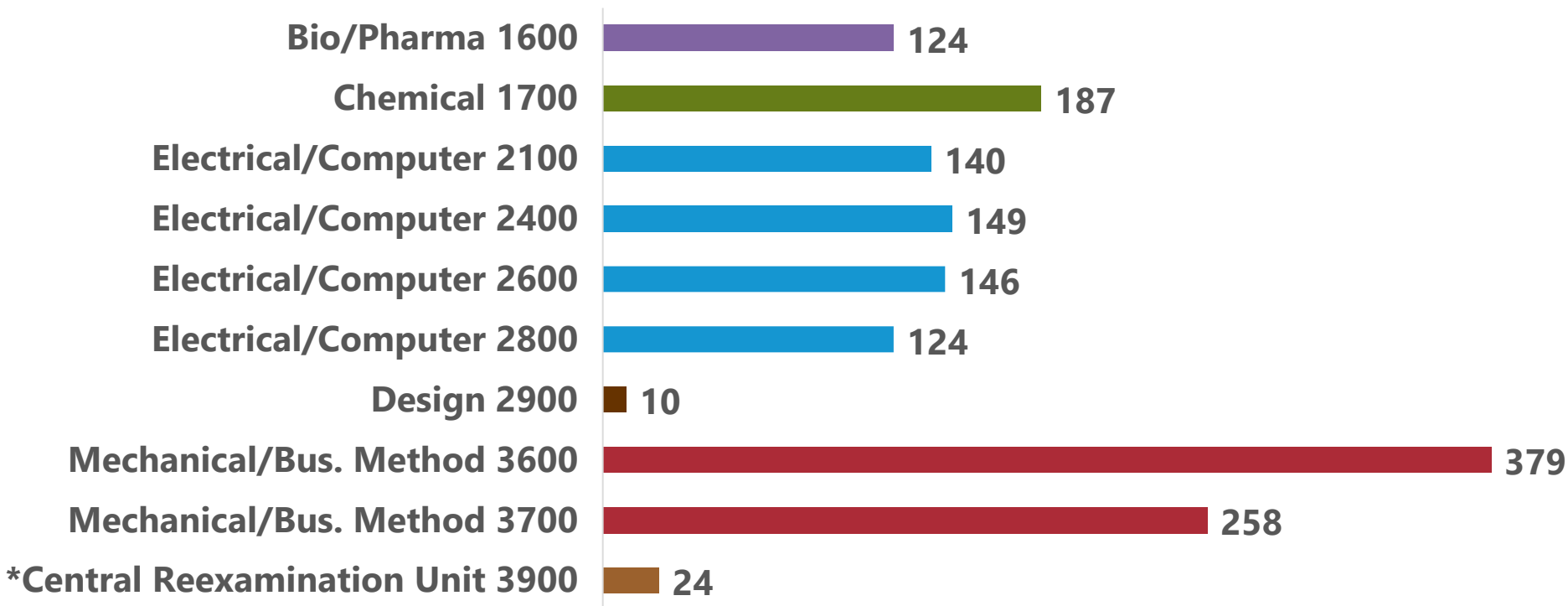
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Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision.  
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# Appeal Intake in FY18

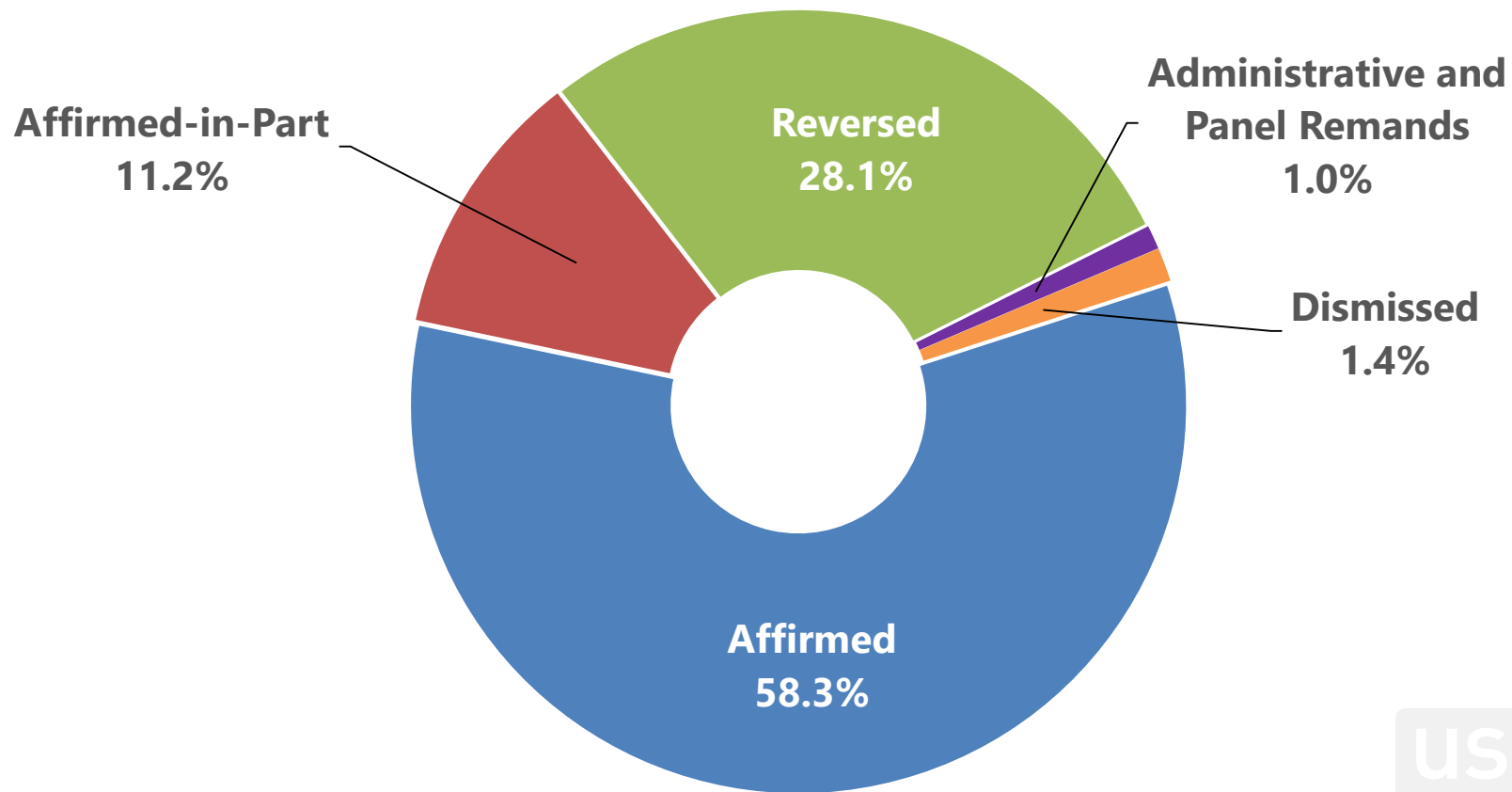
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# Appeal Outcomes in FY18

(FY18: 10/1/17 to 11/30/18)



# Interference Inventory

(FY08 to FY18: 9/30/08 to 11/30/17)

