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Appeal and Interference Statistics

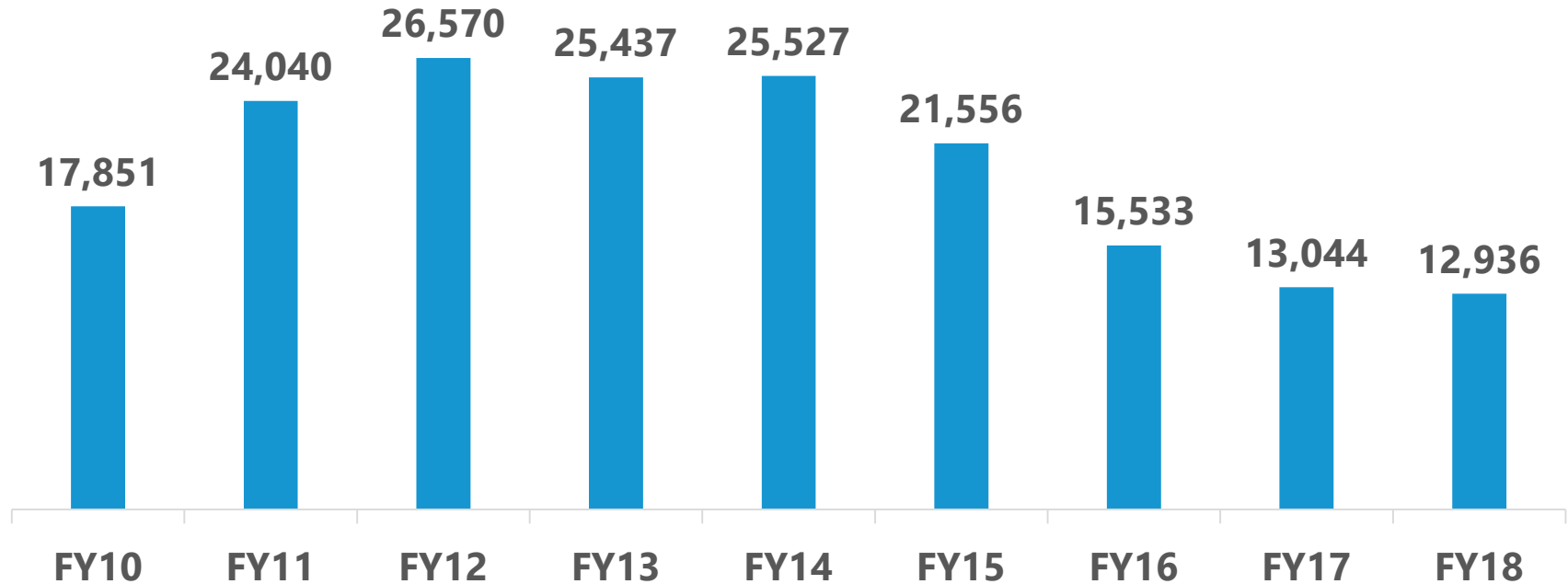
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Pending Appeals

(FY10 to FY18: 9/30/10 to 10/31/17)

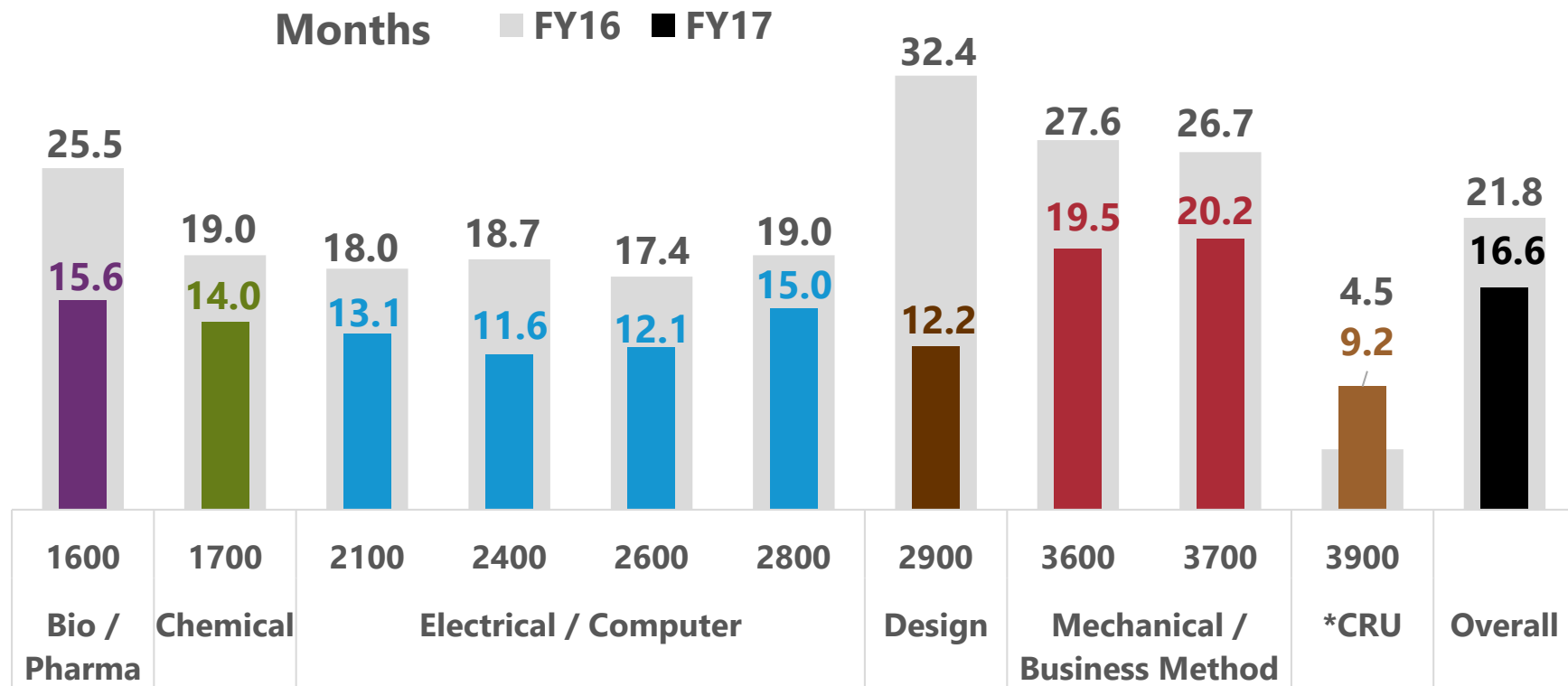


Note: FY17 pending changed from 13,034 to 13,044 due to an internal end of FY18 Q1 audit.



Pendency of Decided Appeals in FY17 and FY18

(10/31/16 compared to 10/31/17)

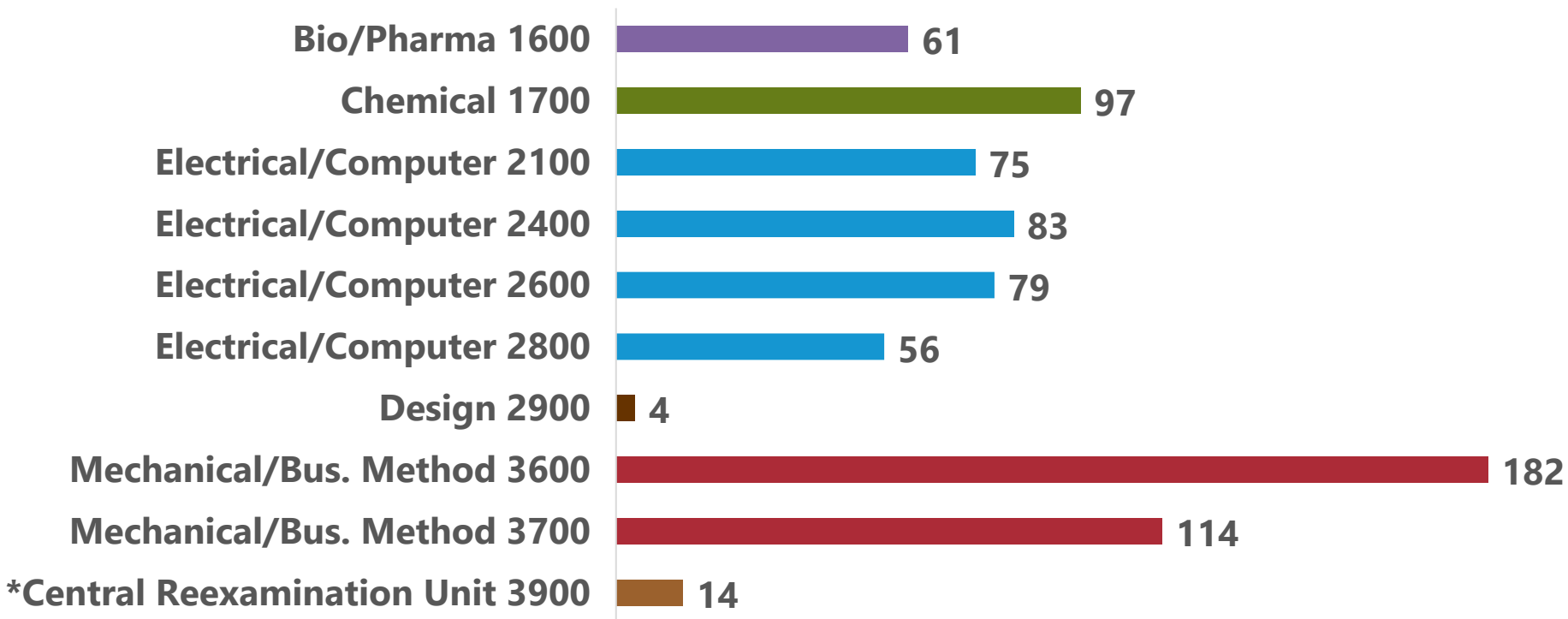


Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision.
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Appeal Intake in FY18

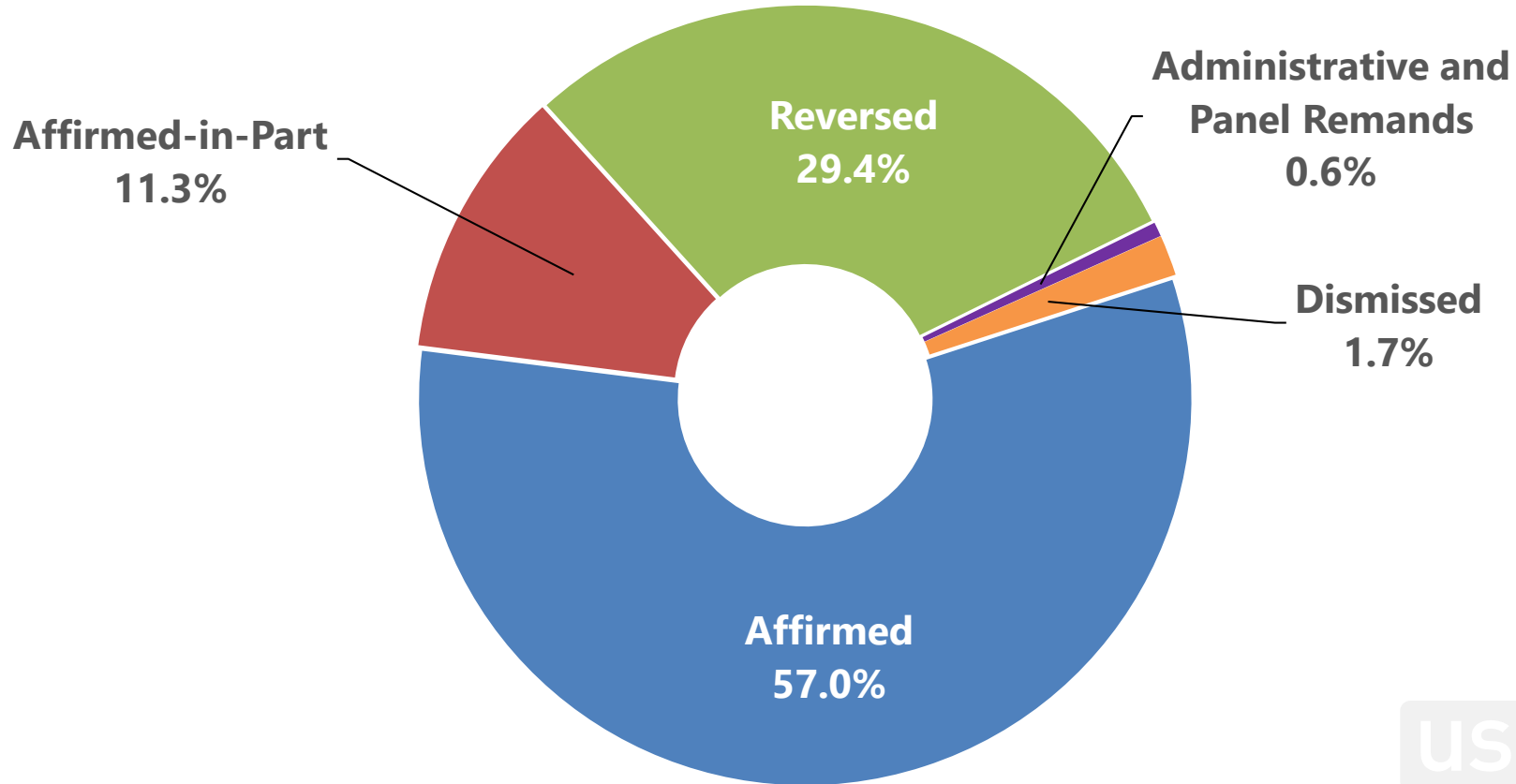
(10/1/17 to 10/31/17)



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Appeal Outcomes in FY18

(FY18: 10/1/17 to 9/30/18)



Interference Inventory

(FY08 to FY18: 9/30/08 to 10/31/17)

