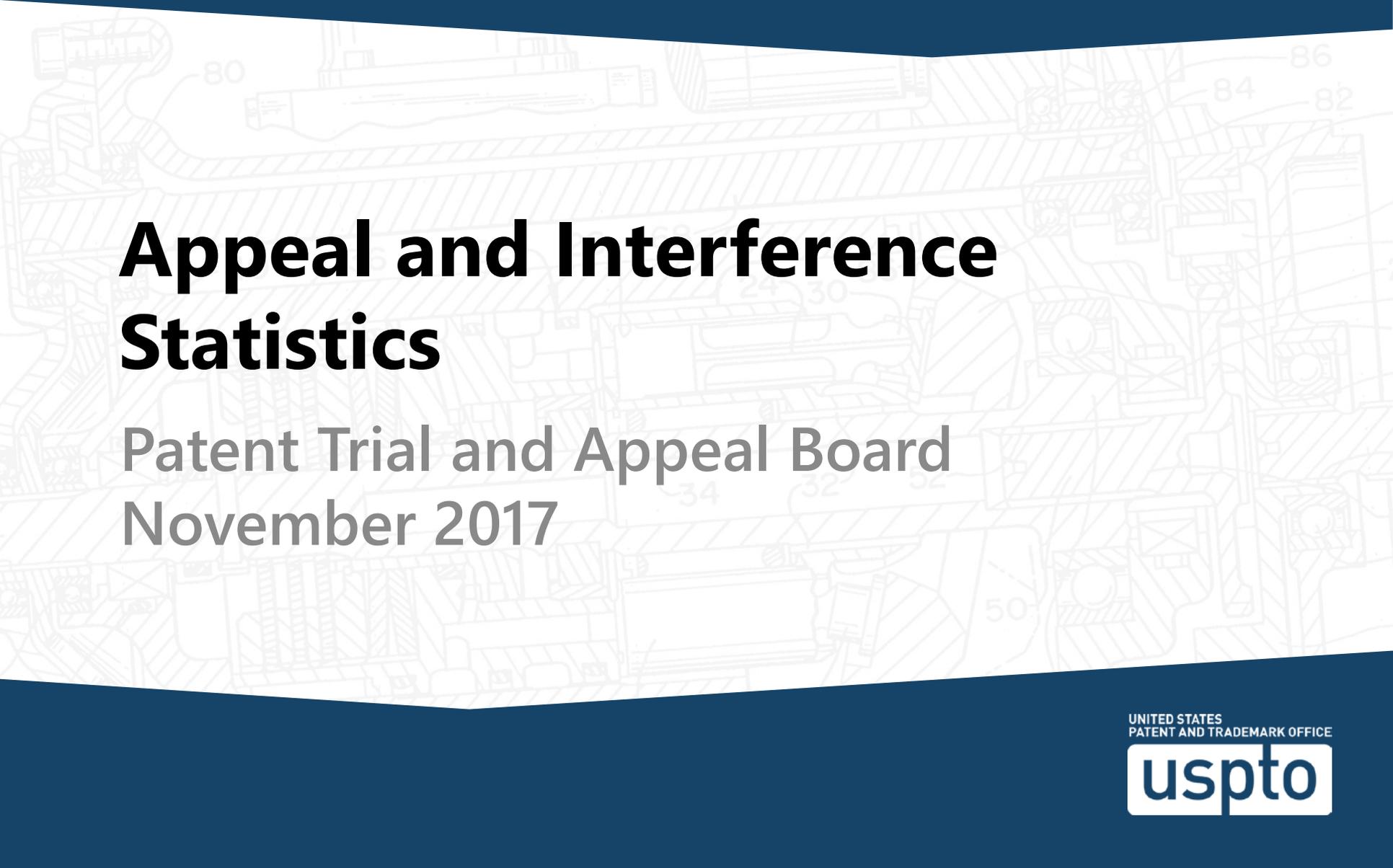


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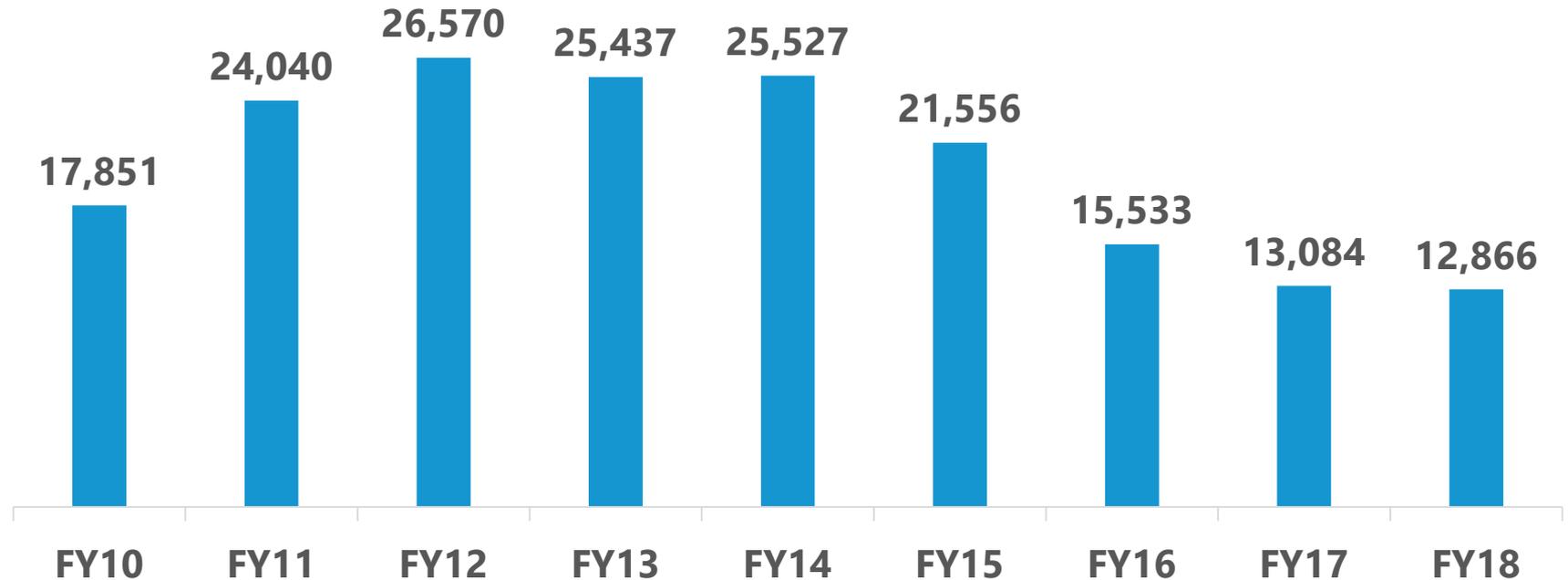
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Pending Appeals

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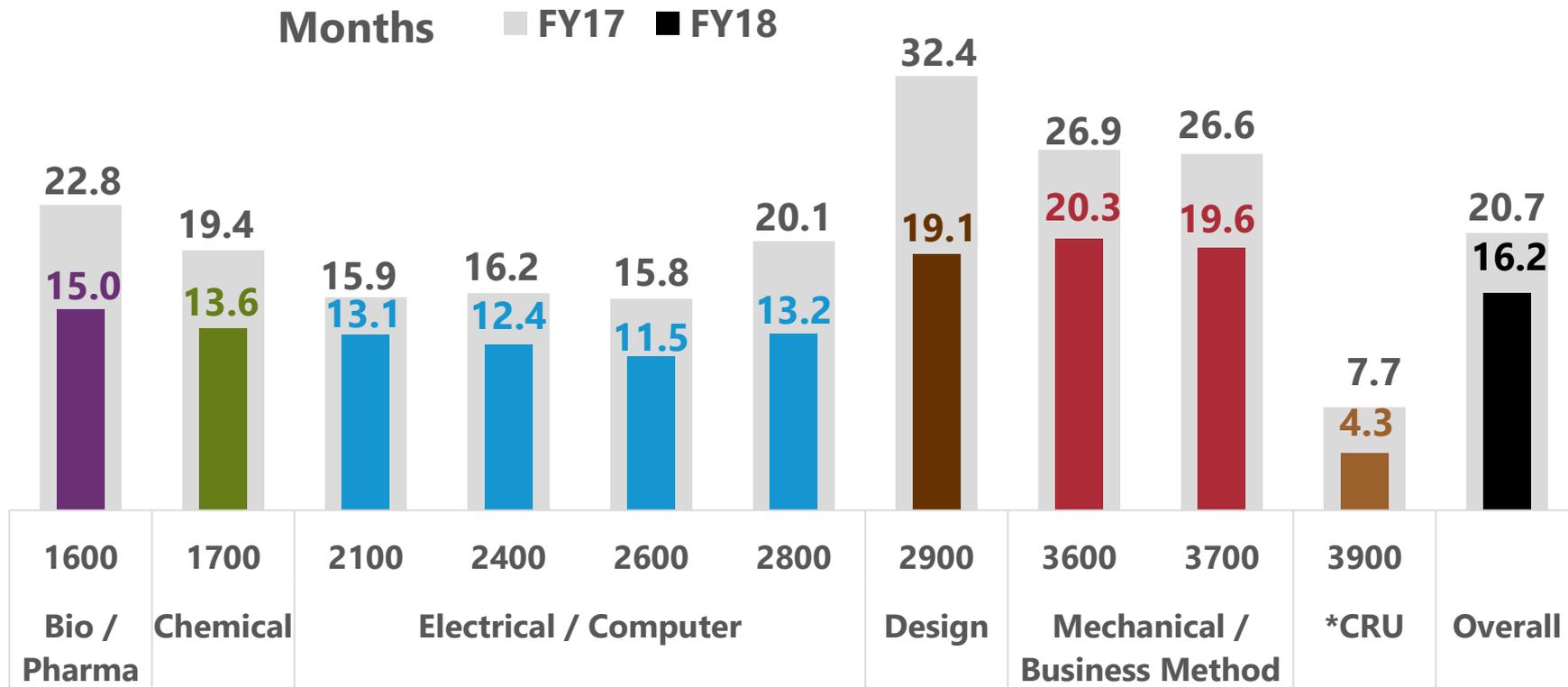


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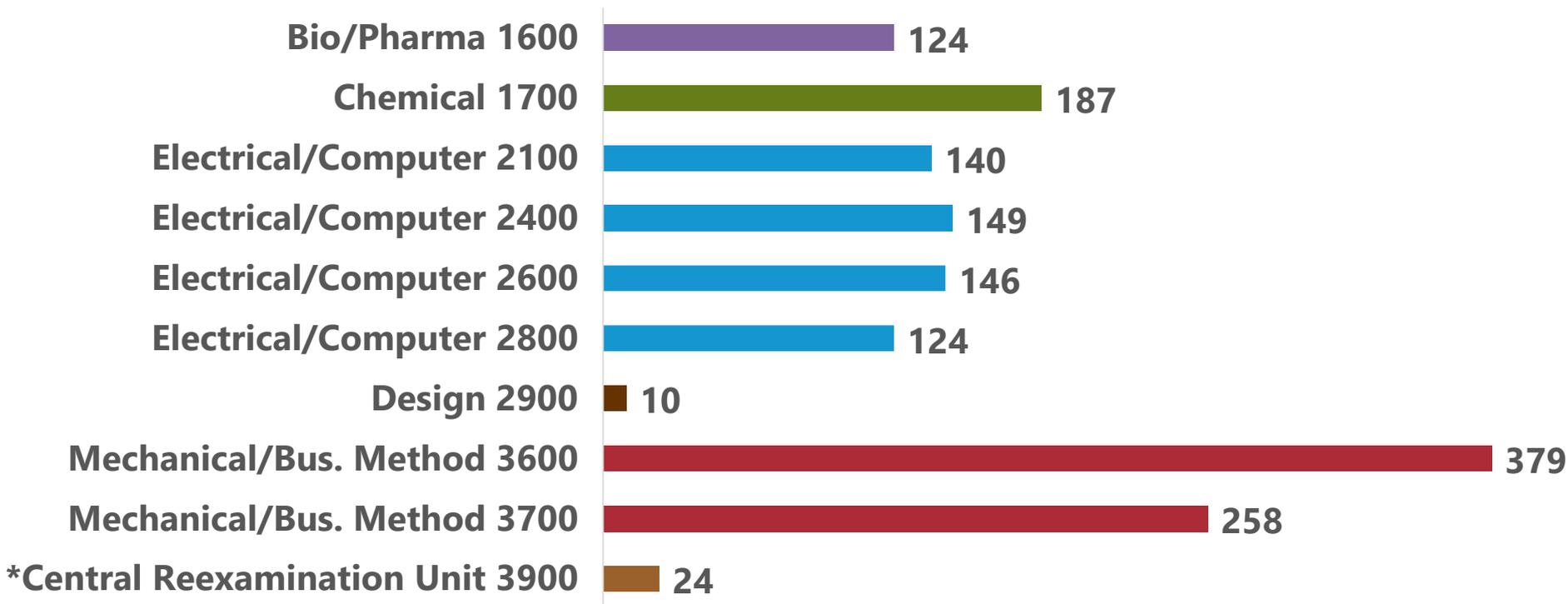


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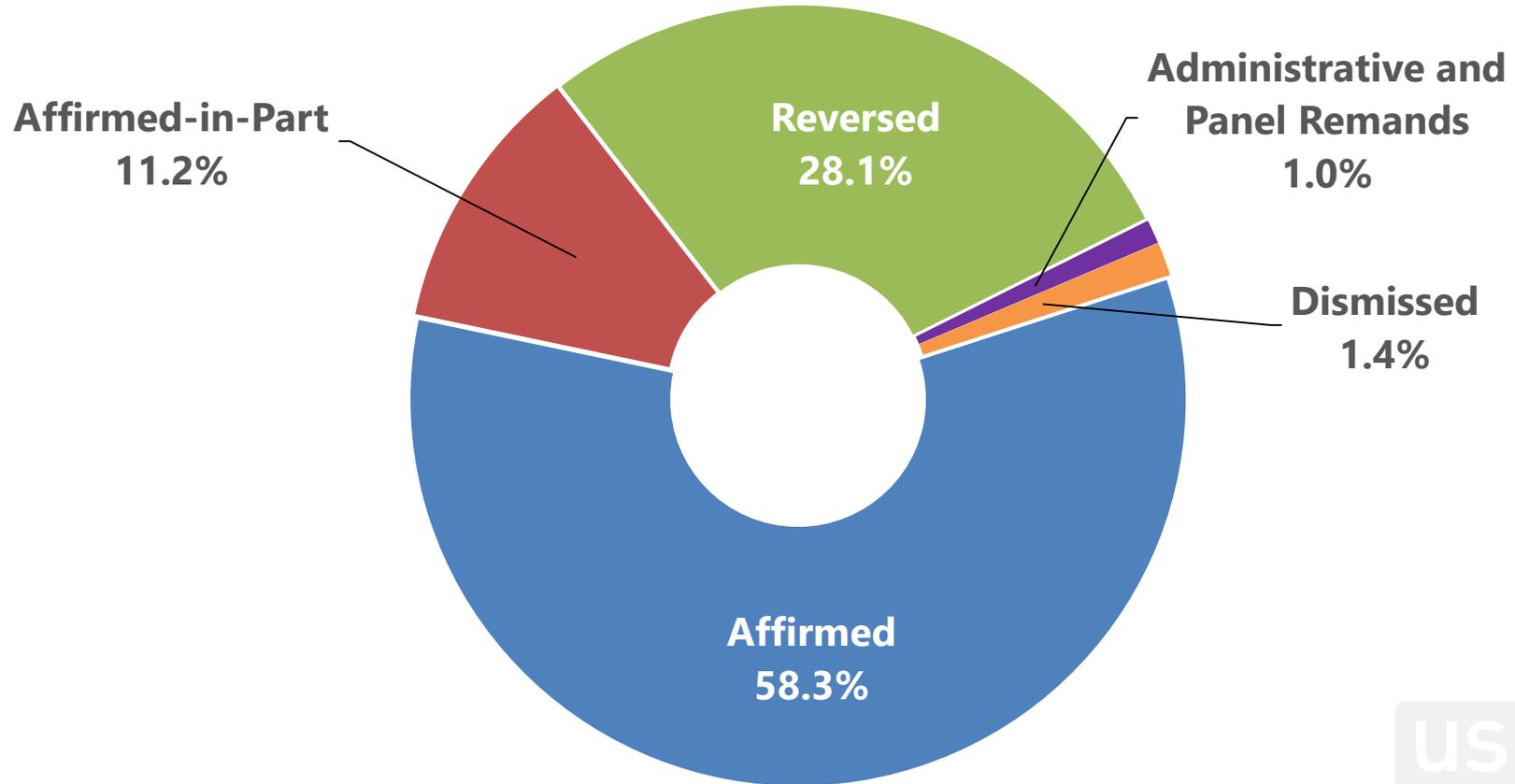
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Appeal Outcomes in FY18

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Interference Inventory

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