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Appeal and Interference Statistics

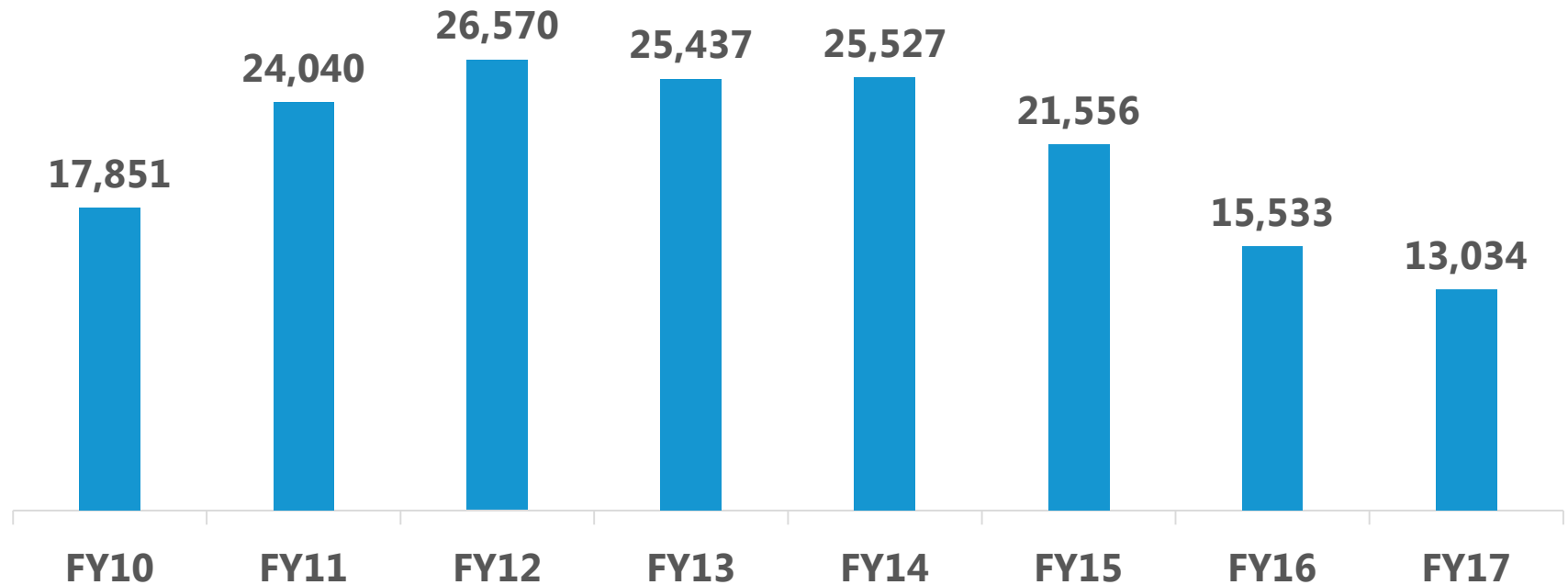
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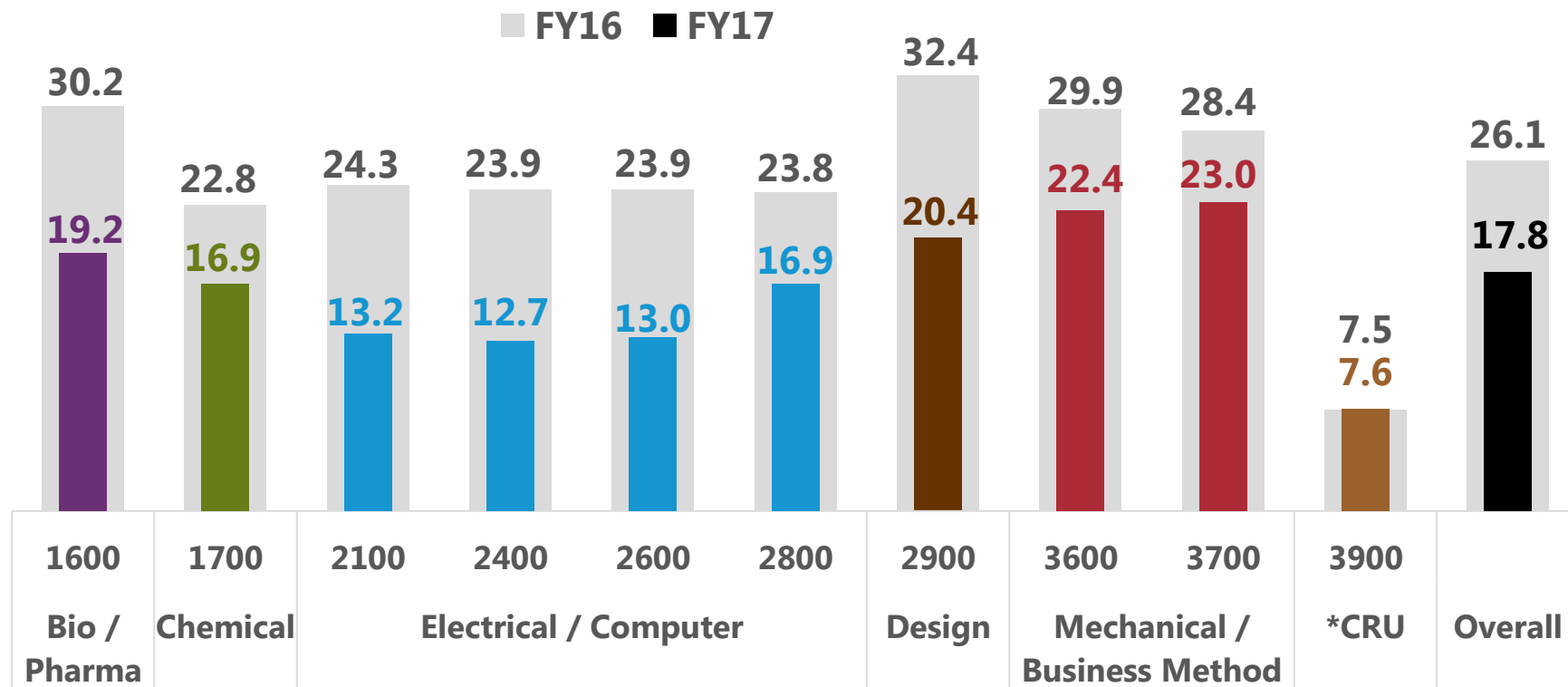
Pending Appeals

(FY10 to FY17: 9/30/10 to 9/30/17)



Pendency of Decided Appeals in FY16 and FY17

(9/30/16 compared to 9/30/17)

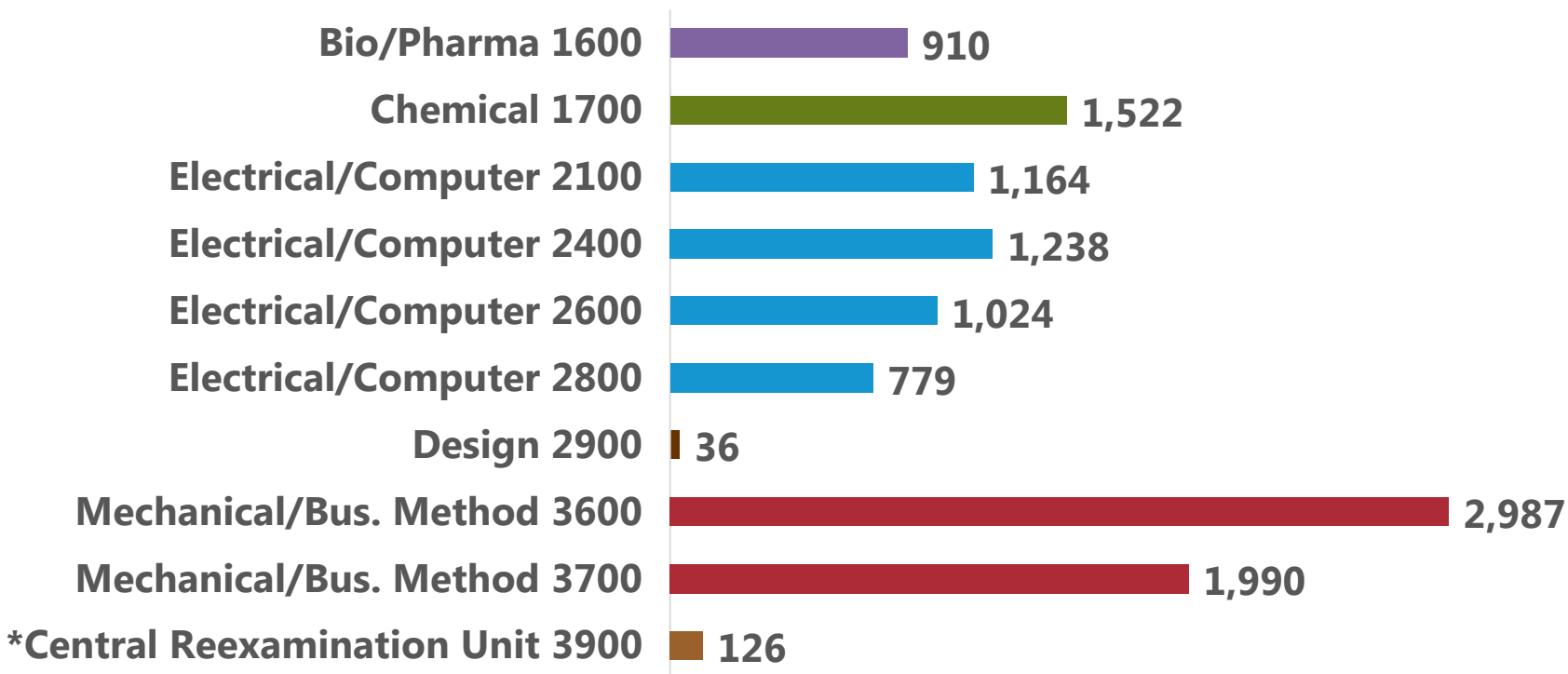


Pendency is calculated as average months from Board receipt date to final decision.
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Appeal Intake in FY17

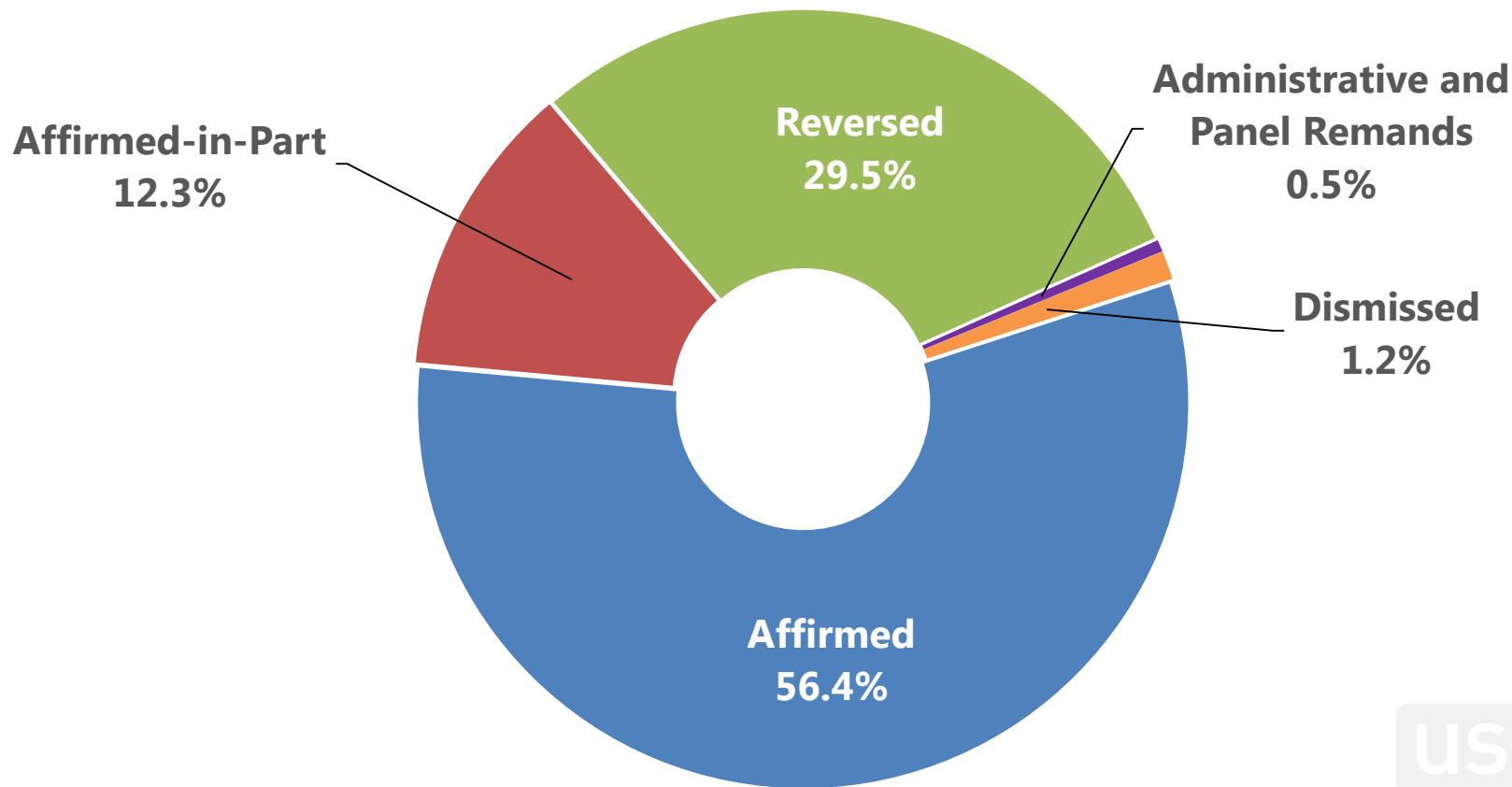
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Appeal Outcomes in FY17

(FY17: 10/1/16 to 9/30/17)



Interference Inventory

(FY08 to FY17: 9/30/08 to 9/30/17)

