

# State-by-State Disability Backlog

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| State <sup>2</sup>       | Hearing Backlog <sup>1</sup> |        | Hearing Office Average Processing Time<br>(In Days) <sup>1</sup> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------|--|
|                          | 2014                         | 2015   |  |
| California               | 63,652                       | 88,190 | 405  |
| Florida                  | 69,228                       | 76,495 | 564  |
| New York                 | 55,563                       | 70,825 | 477  |
| Pennsylvania             | 50,875                       | 58,965 | 479  |
| Texas                    | 46,773                       | 53,879 | 421  |
| Ohio                     | 37,346                       | 40,440 | 477  |
| Tennessee                | 38,597                       | 40,010 | 464  |
| Georgia                  | 39,591                       | 39,579 | 528  |
| Michigan                 | 36,562                       | 37,917 | 418  |
| North Carolina           | 32,052                       | 37,681 | 537  |
| Alabama                  | 33,427                       | 35,727 | 449  |
| South Carolina           | 22,506                       | 27,773 | 492  |
| Washington               | 15,996                       | 27,062 | 464  |
| Missouri                 | 27,574                       | 25,904 | 437  |
| Illinois                 | 23,415                       | 25,052 | 448  |
| Indiana                  | 21,151                       | 24,311 | 437  |
| Virginia                 | 21,220                       | 23,158 | 457  |
| Kentucky                 | 18,929                       | 20,008 | 436  |
| Mississippi              | 17,312                       | 18,260 | 464  |
| National Hearing Centers | 17,809                       | 17,926 | 444  |
| Louisiana                | 10,992                       | 16,759 | 334  |
| Arizona                  | 15,236                       | 16,438 | 436  |
| Oklahoma                 | 14,304                       | 14,613 | 424  |
| New Jersey               | 20,188                       | 13,866 | 468  |
| Oregon                   | 11,673                       | 13,476 | 475  |
| Colorado                 | 8,900                        | 13,369 | 361  |
| Wisconsin                | 11,994                       | 13,058 | 431  |
| West Virginia            | 15,159                       | 12,940 | 502  |
| Massachusetts            | 11,374                       | 12,468 | 397  |

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|                             | 2014                         | 2015      |  |
| Puerto Rico (territory)     | 5,592                        | 11,247    | 386  |
| Maryland                    | 10,966                       | 11,118    | 545  |
| Arkansas                    | 8,017                        | 10,879    | 370  |
| Connecticut                 | 6,713                        | 7,008     | 418  |
| New Mexico                  | 7,883                        | 6,977     | 476  |
| District of Columbia        | 4,866                        | 6,610     | 546  |
| Minnesota                   | 7,680                        | 6,524     | 392  |
| Kansas                      | 6,293                        | 5,859     | 422  |
| Nevada                      | 4,865                        | 5,516     | 421  |
| Iowa                        | 4,575                        | 5,000     | 450  |
| Utah                        | 3,546                        | 4,907     | 440  |
| Montana                     | 3,797                        | 4,407     | 415  |
| Maine                       | 3,452                        | 4,091     | 436  |
| Nebraska                    | 2,861                        | 3,728     | 425  |
| Delaware                    | 3,000                        | 3,678     | 483  |
| Rhode Island                | 2,788                        | 3,545     | 350  |
| New Hampshire               | 3,158                        | 3,124     | 394  |
| North Dakota                | 2,650                        | 2,185     | 351  |
| Hawaii                      | 1,008                        | 1,477     | 342  |
| Alaska                      | 602                          | 756       | 375  |
| NATIONAL TOTAL <sup>3</sup> | 903,710                      | 1,024,785 | 439 <sup>4</sup>   |

*Idaho, South Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming<sup>5</sup>*

*1 Total pending claims, hearing offices (HO), Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, <http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/publicusefiles.html>; FY2015 through 2/27/15.*

*2 Average processing times are based on the average of office wait times for hearing offices in that state. Some states have only one hearing office. [http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/DataSets/02\\_HO\\_Workload\\_Data.html](http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/DataSets/02_HO_Workload_Data.html)*

*3 For total SSDI beneficiaries by state, [http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di\\_asr/](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/) .*

*4 National average processing time - First quarter fiscal year 2015. [www.ssa.gov/appeals](http://www.ssa.gov/appeals)*

*5 Claims in these states are routed through adjacent/nearby offices in other states. They are counted in those states' totals.*

*Note: Some states include claims from other states in their totals. For example, the Kansas City hearing office also receives claims from parts of Kansas and Nebraska; [http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/ho\\_locator.html](http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/ho_locator.html).*

*Five National Hearing Centers receive claims from across the U.S.; locations: Albuquerque, N.M.; Baltimore, Chicago, Falls Church, Va., and St. Louis.*

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