State-by-State Disability Backlog

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State	Applications ¹	Hearing Backlog ²		Hearing Office Average Processing Time
		2015	2017	(In Days) ³
California^	226,646	88,190	98,617	618
New York*	142,011	70,825	79,402	690
Florida	176,176	76,495	74,725	630
Pennsylvania*	121,774	58,965	63,194	668
Texas	206,399	53,879	50,979	507
Ohio	101,539	40,440	44,671	550
Michigan*	86,388	37,917	42,587	558
North Carolina	90,407	37,681	40,739	675
Tennessee	58,276	40,010	40,138	550
Alabama*	65,277	35,727	37,631	563
Georgia	85,828	39,579	37,091	619
Illinois	82,431	25,052	32,456	566
Missouri*	64,453	25,904	30,675	586
New Jersey	54,413	13,866	27,705	706
Indiana	56,323	24,311	26,412	598
South Carolina	48,249	27,773	26,097	659
Kentucky	51,843	20,008	23,144	560
Louisiana*	52,685	16,759	22,649	447
Virginia	55,460	23,158	21,682	640
Mississippi	42,332	18,260	19,754	591
National Hearing Centers	-	17,926	19,402	640
Washington	48,650	27,062	19,077	572
Arizona	45,249	16,438	18,947	615
West Virginia	22,116	12,940	18,220	652
Wisconsin	41,243	13,058	15,102	599
Oregon	27,968	13,476	14,798	620
Oklahoma	47,683	14,613	14,222	493
Colorado*	30,010	13,369	13,788	590
Minnesota	30,202	6,524	11,811	544



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Massachusetts	46,770	12,468	11,194	475
Arkansas	37,371	10,879	10,253	413
Kansas	11,013	5,859	9,877	555
Puerto Rico (territory)	12,385	11,247	9,629	603
Maryland	41,366	11,118	7,162	647
Nevada	19,957	5,516	6,919	547
Connecticut	25,451	7,008	6,535	520
New Mexico	18,850	6,977	6,436	552
Utah	14,557	4,907	6,214	590
District of Columbia	6,161	6,610	6,182	645
Iowa	21,730	5,000	5,809	622
Montana	7,656	4,407	5,039	564
Nebraska	10,603	3,728	4,440	596
North Dakota	3,266	2,185	3,872	531
New Hampshire*	8,403	3,124	2,935	441
Delaware	6,961	3,678	2,621	639
Rhode Island	9,177	3,545	2,457	339
Maine	10,911	4,091	2,138	465
Hawaii	6,603	1,477	1,958	484
Alaska*	4,266	756	808	483
Four other states ⁴	25,603	-	-	-
NATIONAL TOTAL ^{5,6}	2,511,091	1,024,029	1,116,624	583

Idaho, South Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming⁴

1 Total applications, by state, 12-months through April 2017 - https://www.ssa.gov/disability/data/ssa-sa-mowl.htm

2 Pending claims at hearing offices (HO), Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/publicusefiles.html; FY2017 through 4/28/17.

3 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

4 Hearing-level appeals in these four states are routed through adjacent/nearby offices in other states. They are counted in those states' hearing 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.

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

5 For total SSDI beneficiaries by state - http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/ .

6 Second quarter total pending hearings and average processing times - https://www.ssa.gov/appeals/

^ Claims in three California branches skip the Reconsideration level and go directly to the hearing.

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