

# State-by-State Disability Backlog

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State	Applications <sup>1</sup>		Hearing Office Average Processing Time (In Days) <sup>3</sup>
	2018	Hearing Backlog <sup>2</sup> 2019	
California^	202,663	55,412	573
Florida	169,945	40,103	526
Texas	191,735	35,715	414
New York^	126,671	25,468	588
Michigan*	74,714	22,210	460
Ohio	94,330	21,672	517
Georgia	74,560	21,599	543
Alabama*	56,600	20,747	544
Pennsylvania*	104,463	20,554	487
Tennessee	56,860	19,443	472
North Carolina	78,684	19,237	581
National Hearing Centers	-	18,141	629
Illinois	75,534	17,595	481
Missouri*	57,826	17,380	506
Indiana	52,753	14,733	475
Arizona	42,070	13,155	635
New Jersey	50,236	12,637	578
Kentucky	48,643	11,881	509
Washington	51,284	11,126	471
Oklahoma	41,875	10,838	458
Louisiana^	53,908	10,771	441
Virginia	50,681	10,198	456
South Carolina	45,788	9,690	487
Mississippi	39,434	9,575	432
Arkansas	35,410	7,849	446
West Virginia	18,816	7,603	531
Oregon	26,160	7,586	482
Massachusetts	43,592	7,478	480
Wisconsin	36,882	6,685	486
Colorado^	26,489	6,670	480

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Maryland	45,827	6,634	470
Nevada	18,774	6,417	595
Minnesota	28,117	4,970	623
Connecticut	23,092	4,843	414
New Mexico	15,204	4,619	479
Kansas	10,102	4,140	468
Utah	12,102	3,185	539
Iowa	20,615	3,064	512
Montana	6,109	3,057	517
North Dakota	2,816	2,577	488
Puerto Rico (territory)	12,764	2,518	594
District of Columbia	6,098	2,485	533
New Hampshire <sup>^</sup>	8,178	2,447	441
Nebraska	10,084	2,117	417
Rhode Island	8,381	2,026	359
Hawaii	6,406	1,599	537
Delaware	7,087	1,460	542
Maine	10,251	1,181	370
Alaska*	3,990	592	422
Four other states <sup>4</sup>	23,866	-	-
<b>NATIONAL TOTAL<sup>5,6,6</sup></b>	<b>2,370,498</b>	<b>575,421</b>	<b>506</b>

1 Total applications, by state, 12-months through December 2018 - <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>; FY2019 through 9/27/19

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](http://www.ssa.gov/appeals/DataSets/02_HO_Workload_Data.html)

4 Hearing-level appeals in these four states: Idaho, South Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming, 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](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/](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/).

6 Latest total pending hearings and average processing times - <https://www.ssa.gov/appeals/>

<sup>^</sup> Claims in two California branches and these states skipped the Reconsideration level until 1/1/19, when SSA reinstated this level.

\* Formerly skip states, these will add the Reconsideration level effective: PA-04/01/19 | AL-10/01/19 | MI-10/01/19 | MO-01/01/20 | AK-03/01/20

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