



**National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
Dispute Resolution Case Metrics
1st Quarter Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 (Oct 2019 – Dec 2019)**

Summary

Expectations

Requests for OGIS assistance decreased by 6 percent this quarter. The number of cases OGIS closed decreased by 12 percent. We reduced our backlog by 22 percent this quarter. The average time to close a simple case decreased from nine days to six days.

Our ability to improve our response time will depend upon future staffing levels.

OGIS Dispute Resolution Caseload

| Cases | FY19 Q4 | FY20 Q1 | % Change |
|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| Logged | 1151 | 1083 | -6% |
| Closed | 1254 | 1108 | -12% |
| Open | 214 | 190 | -11% |
| Backlog* | 153 | 119 | -22% |

* Cases pending ≥ 91 days

OGIS Ten Oldest Pending Cases

| Case No. | No. of Days Pending |
|----------|---------------------|
| 18-00071 | 561 |
| 18-00776 | 518 |
| 18-00827 | 515 |
| 18-00832 | 514 |
| 18-00861 | 514 |
| 18-00926 | 509 |
| 18-00966 | 504 |
| 18-00997 | 502 |
| 18-00998 | 502 |
| 18-01006 | 501 |

Performance Metrics

| Metric | Goal | Achieved FY19 Q4 | Achieved FY20 Q1 |
|--|---------|------------------|------------------|
| Average time to make initial contact for requests for assistance | 10 days | 3 days | 3 days |
| Average processing time to close a complex request for assistance** | 90 days | 432 days | 452 days |
| Average processing time to close a simple request for assistance** | 90 days | 9 days | 6 days |
| Percentage of complex requests for assistance processed within established timeframe** | 85-90% | 4% | 5% |
| Percentage of simple requests for assistance processed within established timeframe** | 85-90% | 98% | 99% |
| Number of complex cases pending assignment | N/A | 141 | 100 |
| Number of simple cases pending assignment | N/A | 11 | 9 |
| Average age of pending complex OGIS cases | N/A | 345 days | 358 days |
| Average age of pending simple OGIS cases | N/A | 70 days | 53 days |

**NARA Performance Measurement and Reporting System (PMRS) metric