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Office of Administrative Hearings

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<https://www.mn.gov/oah>

AT A GLANCE

The Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH):

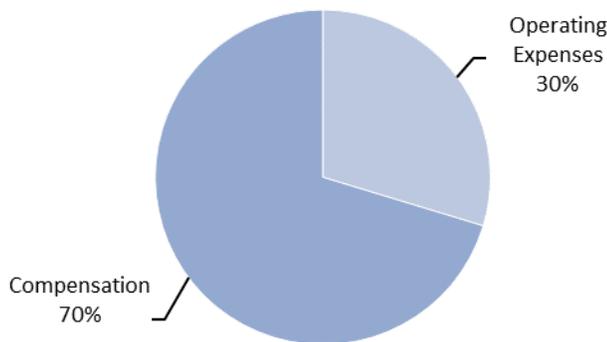
- Annually receives almost 10,000 workers compensation disputes involving 7,500 workers and their employers, insurers, and medical providers.
- Has served over 250 state agencies and local units of government involving over 200 unique areas of administrative law since the court’s creation in 1975.
- Is the largest of three Executive Branch courts with over 60 full-time equivalents located in St. Paul and Duluth that serve the entire State of Minnesota.

PURPOSE

The Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) renders justice through fair, timely, and impartial administrative hearings and high-quality dispute resolution services.

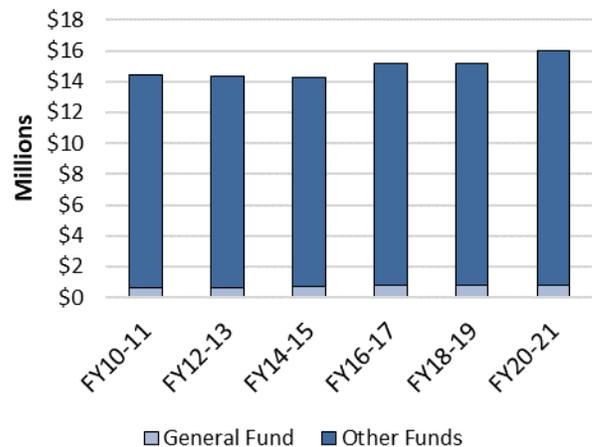
BUDGET

**Spending by Category
FY 2021 Actual**



Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)

Historical Spending



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The agency’s funding comes from three sources:

1. Workers’ Compensation Fund (68% of total funding)
2. Administrative Law Enterprise Fund (29% of total funding)
3. General Fund (3% of total funding)

General fund appropriations of \$409,000 per fiscal year represent no more than 3% of total agency funding and support a limited scope of work: municipal boundary adjustments; fair campaign practice complaints; and certain data practices matters.

STRATEGIES

OAH is an energetic, responsive, and respected service provider to Minnesotans, state and local governments, and the workers' compensation system.

OAH respects the tenets of procedural fairness in our hearing rooms and workplace:

- **Voice.** We ensure the opportunity for each person to express their own viewpoint.
- **Respect.** We treat everyone with courtesy and dignity.
- **Neutrality.** We apply the laws and rules consistently and fairly.
- **Trust.** We make unbiased and transparent decisions.
- **Understanding.** We communicate in plain language.
- **Helpfulness.** We provide quality services.

We practice these values by:

- Applying the law impartially, competently, and diligently.
- Assisting others in understanding court procedures and processes.
- Fostering understanding of Minnesota's administrative law and workers' compensation laws.
- Fully considering information from everyone involved.
- Listening with a genuine interest in the needs, problems, and concerns of others.
- Promoting equity through the practice of intercultural competency and the elimination of bias.
- Striving to reflect the diversity of Minnesota within our workforce.
- Using a cooperative team approach to solve problems.

RESULTS

<i>Type of Measure</i>	<i>Name of Measure</i>	<i>Previous</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Quantity	Workers' Compensation: Total new cases	9,159	8,917	FY21, FY22
Quality	Workers' Compensation: Average days from report of settlement to filing of stipulation	60	44	FY21, FY22
Quantity	Administrative Procedures Act: Total new cases	501	704	FY21, FY22
Quality	Administrative Procedures Act: Combined complexity value of new cases	1,206	1,666	FY21, FY22
Result	Court wide: Number of email subscription subscribers, validating quality and helpfulness of information communicated	923	6641	FY20, FY22

The primary legal authority for the Office of Administrative Hearings:

- M.S. 14 Administrative Procedure (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=14>)
- M.S. 115 Water Pollution Control; Sanitary Districts (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=115>)
- M.S. 176 Workers' Compensation (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=176>)
- M.S. 211B Unfair Campaign Practice Complaints (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/211B>)
- M.S. 414 Municipal Boundary Adjustments (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=414>)

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base	
					FY24	FY25
<u>Expenditures by Fund</u>						
1000 - General	376	389	380	559	409	409
2800 - Environmental	20	34	41	59	50	50
2830 - Workers Compensation	6,751	8,462	7,807	7,855	7,831	7,831
3010 - Coronavirus Relief	6					
5201 - Administrative Hearings	2,390	2,602	2,712	3,461	3,457	3,457
5202 - Workers Comp Transcript	4	4	1	2	2	2
Total	9,548	11,490	10,942	11,936	11,749	11,749
Biennial Change				1,839		620
Biennial % Change				9		3

Expenditures by Program

Administrative Hearings	9,548	11,490	10,942	11,936	11,749	11,749
Total	9,548	11,490	10,942	11,936	11,749	11,749

Expenditures by Category

Compensation	7,846	8,081	8,946	9,764	9,480	9,611
Operating Expenses	1,703	3,410	1,995	2,172	2,269	2,138
Other Financial Transaction			0			
Total	9,548	11,490	10,942	11,936	11,749	11,749

Full-Time Equivalents

	60.61	59.24	63.28	76.89	76.89	76.89
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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base	
					FY24	FY25
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In		24		25		
Direct Appropriation	400	404	405	409	409	409
Transfers In				125		
Transfers Out		8				
Cancellations		31				
Balance Forward Out	24		25			
Expenditures	376	389	380	559	409	409
Biennial Change in Expenditures				174		(121)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				23		(13)
Full-Time Equivalents	1.60	1.67	1.72	1.52	1.52	1.52

2800 - Environmental

Balance Forward In		30		9		
Transfers In	50	50	50	50	50	50
Cancellations		46				
Balance Forward Out	30		9			
Expenditures	20	34	41	59	50	50
Biennial Change in Expenditures				46		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				84		0
Full-Time Equivalents	0.06	0.20	0.27	0.17	0.17	0.17

2830 - Workers Compensation

Balance Forward In		1,080		24		
Direct Appropriation	7,831	7,831	7,831	7,831	7,831	7,831
Transfers Out		75				
Cancellations		374				
Balance Forward Out	1,080		24			
Expenditures	6,751	8,462	7,807	7,855	7,831	7,831
Biennial Change in Expenditures				450		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				3		0
Full-Time Equivalents	43.11	43.49	46.70	49.00	49.00	49.00

3010 - Coronavirus Relief

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base	
					FY24	FY25
Direct Appropriation	6					
Transfers In	5					
Transfers Out	5					
Cancellations	0					
Expenditures	6					
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(6)		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures						

5201 - Administrative Hearings

Balance Forward In	575	292	256	292	348	408
Receipts	2,100	2,544	2,748	3,517	3,517	3,517
Balance Forward Out	284	234	292	348	408	468
Expenditures	2,390	2,602	2,712	3,461	3,457	3,457
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,181		741
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				24		12
Full-Time Equivalents	15.84	13.88	14.59	26.20	26.20	26.20

5202 - Workers Comp Transcript

Balance Forward In	47	45	44	44	47	50
Receipts	2	3	2	5	5	5
Balance Forward Out	45	44	44	47	50	53
Expenditures	4	4	1	2	2	2
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(4)		1
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(54)		16

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
Direct				
Fund: 1000 - General				
FY2023 Appropriations	409	409	409	818
Forecast Base	409	409	409	818
Fund: 2830 - Workers Compensation				
FY2023 Appropriations	7,831	7,831	7,831	15,662
Forecast Base	7,831	7,831	7,831	15,662
Dedicated				
Fund: 5201 - Administrative Hearings				
Planned Spending	3,461	3,457	3,457	6,914
Forecast Base	3,461	3,457	3,457	6,914
Fund: 5202 - Workers Comp Transcript				
Planned Spending	2	2	2	4
Forecast Base	2	2	2	4
Revenue Change Summary				
Dedicated				
Fund: 5201 - Administrative Hearings				
Forecast Revenues	3,517	3,517	3,517	7,034
Fund: 5202 - Workers Comp Transcript				
Forecast Revenues	5	5	5	10
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1000 - General				
Forecast Revenues	165	165	165	330
Fund: 2830 - Workers Compensation				
Forecast Revenues	2	2	2	4