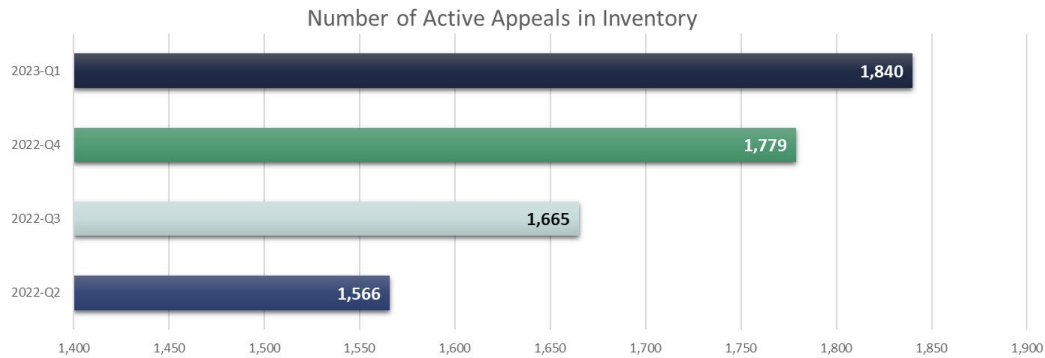


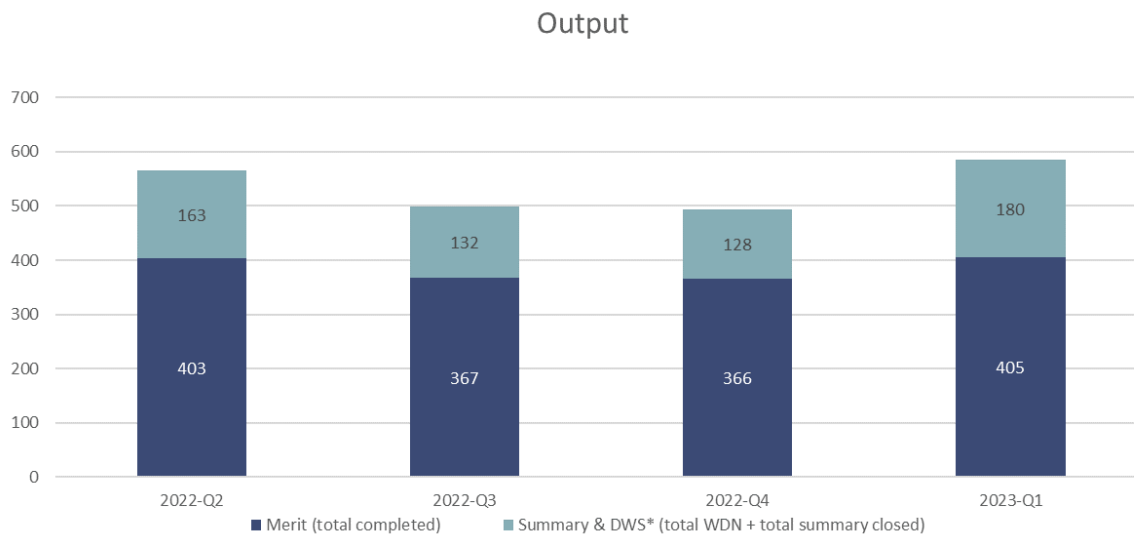
Inventory

As of March 31, 2023, our total active inventory was 1,840 appeals. The vast majority of appeals are compensation appeals from the Review Division of the Workers' Compensation Board (WorkSafeBC).



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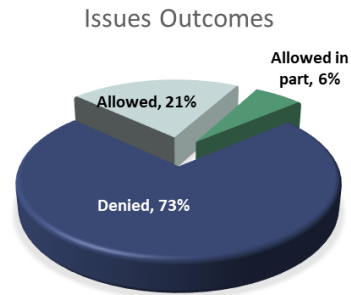
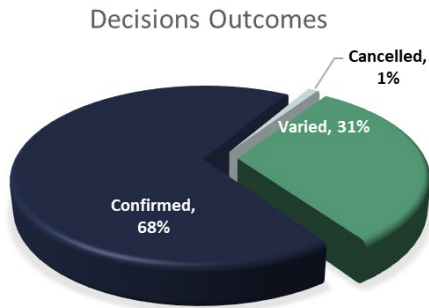
During the first quarter of 2023, we made decisions on the merits of 405 appeals and made summary decisions on a further 180 appeals that were rejected, dismissed, withdrawn, or suspended. An appeal may raise numerous issues and WCAT may allow, allow in part, or deny the appeal on each issue. During the first quarter, we decided 587 issues.



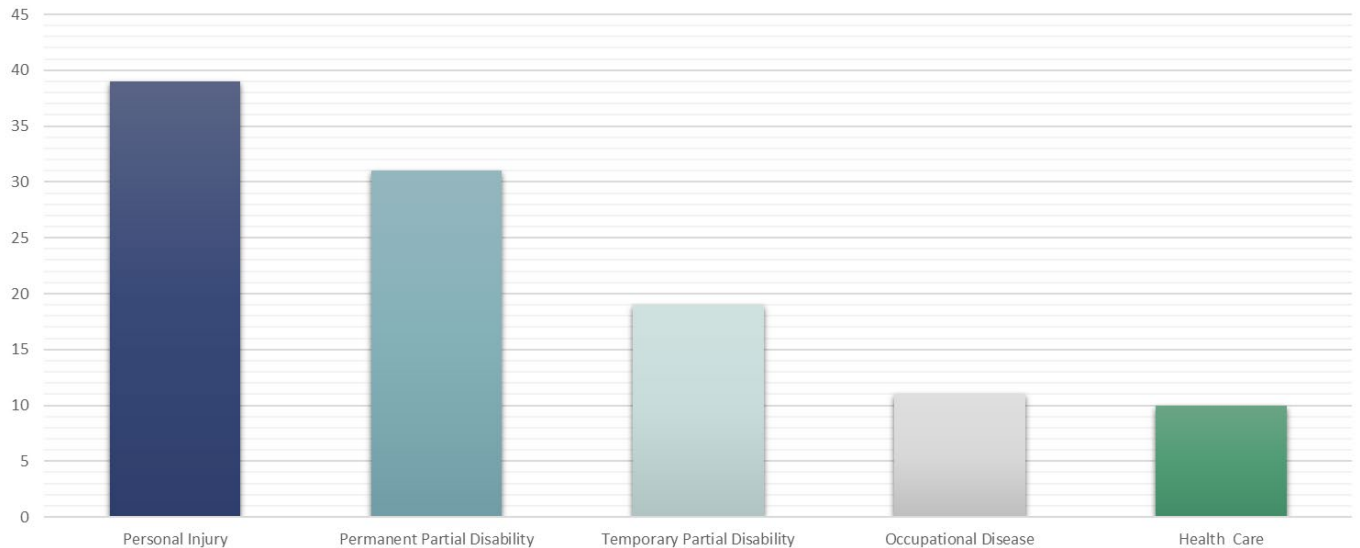
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Appeal Outcomes

When WCAT makes a decision on the merits of an appeal, the decision under appeal may be varied, confirmed, or cancelled by WCAT. "Vary" means that WCAT varied the previous decision in whole or in part. "Confirm" means that WCAT agreed with all aspects of the previous decision. "Cancel" means that WCAT set aside the previous decision without a new or changed decision being provided in its place. A single appeal may have more than one issue to be determined.

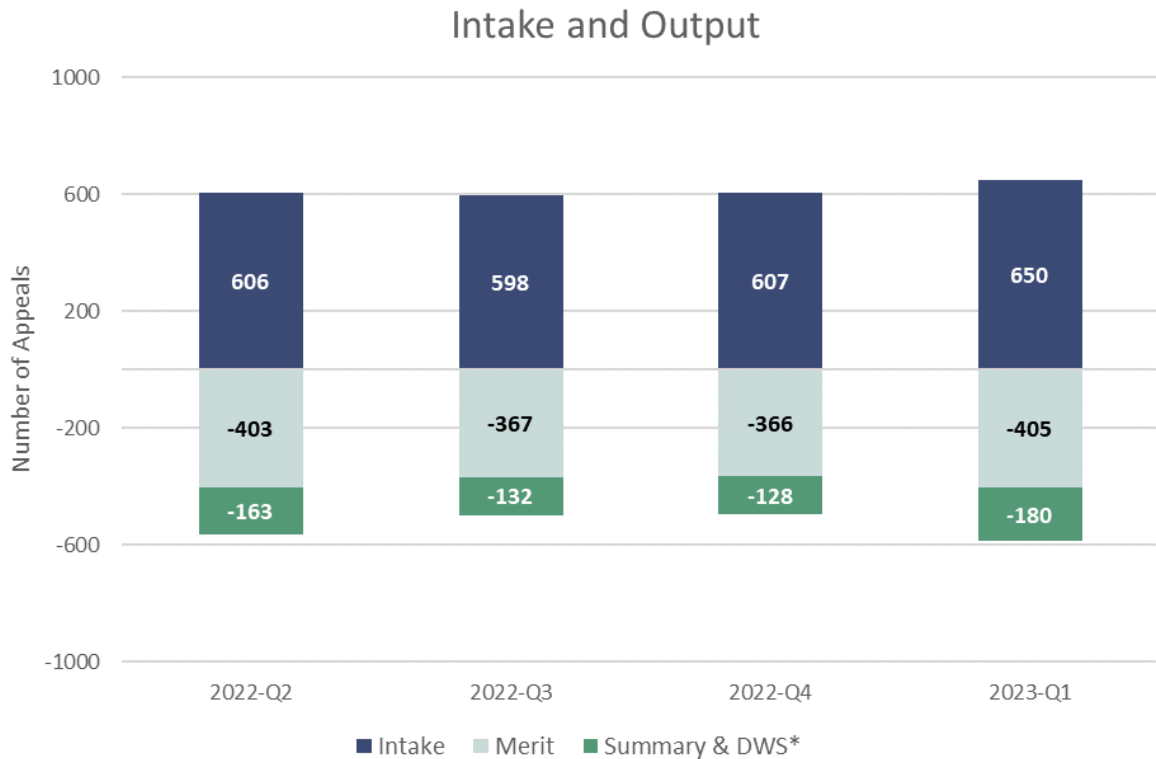


Top 5 Issues "Allow/Allow in Part" by Decision



Intake

During the first quarter of 2023, WCAT received 650 new appeals and applications. 90% arose from decisions of Board review officers and 10% were direct appeals and applications.



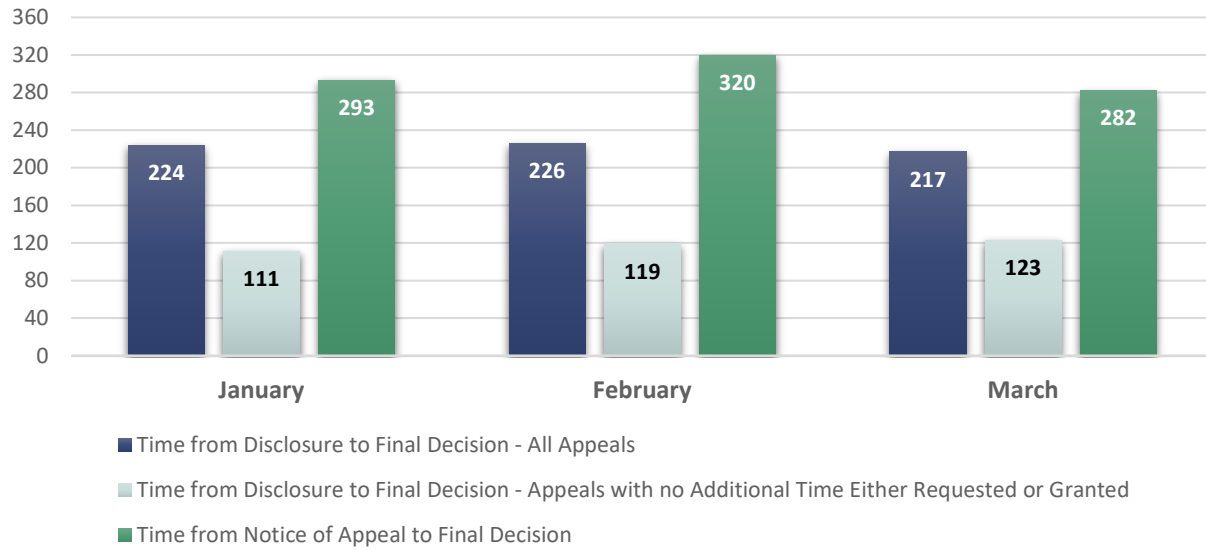
Time to Decision

Section 306 of the Act requires WCAT to decide new appeals within 180 days from the date that WCAT receives from the Board the records (disclosure) relating to the decision under appeal.

The 180-day statutory timeframe may be extended up to a maximum of 90 days in order to provide parties with additional time to make submissions or submit new evidence (additional time for submissions). The statutory timeframe may also be extended on the basis of complexity (additional time for decision).

In addition to tracking the time period from receipt of disclosure to final decision, WCAT also monitors the period of time from receipt of a Notice of Appeal to final decision.

Timeliness



Appeal Path

Of the 405 appeals decided in the first quarter, 117 (29%) appeals were decided after convening an oral hearing and 288 (71%) after consideration of written submissions.

Hearings

During the first quarter, WCAT held 129 oral hearings; 5 were held by teleconference, 98 were held by videoconference, and 26 were held in person.