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**Department of Energy (DOE) Support to the Energy
Employees Occupational Illness Compensation
Program Act (EEOICPA)**



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Program News

- DOE/Office of Environment, Health, Safety and Security (EH) Leadership and Staff Changes



DOE's Role

- DOE's primary role is to provide records and information that establishes an employee's work history and potential exposure to both radiological and chemical hazards.
- Types of records include:
 - ✓ Employee records
 - ✓ Site characterization records
 - ✓ Facility research



Employee Records

- Employees often worked at multiple DOE sites, for multiple contractors and subcontractors, and in different jobs or divisions over a career.
- For a typical request for an employee's records, DOE may have to go to many different site departments and within those departments many different records sources or databases.
- For example, one DOE site routinely checks approximately 40 different sources for responsive records, including hardcopy paper records, microfilm, microfiche, databases, and scanned electronic records.



Research Projects

- Large-scale research projects are driven by the needs of Department of Labor (DOL) and National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).
- Recent NIOSH data capture requests for the following DOE sites:
 - Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)
 - Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)
 - Y-12 National Security Complex (Y-12)
 - Rocky Flats Plant (RFP)
 - Feed Materials Production Center (FMPC)
 - Grand Junction Facilities (GJF)
 - United Nuclear Corporation (UNC)
 - Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)
 - Hanford Site
 - Kansas City National Security Campus



Research Projects cont.

- Recent DOL requests for the following DOE sites:
 - Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)
 - Pantex Plant
 - Sandia National Laboratory
 - Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility
 - Kansas City National Security Campus
 - Kansas City Bannister Plant
 - Hanford Site
 - Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)
 - St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS)
 - Nevada Test Site
 - Los Alamos National Laboratory
 - Idaho National Laboratory
 - AMES National Laboratory



Document Reviews

- DOE committed to providing documents to NIOSH, DOL, and the Advisory Board, but must do so in a responsible manner.
- DOE Headquarters (HQ) reviews NIOSH generated reports but DOE field sites review the DOE source documents.
 - The average turnaround time for reports reviewed at DOE HQ is typically about eight workdays. (but there are fewer reports and they are typically shorter)
 - The turnaround time for source documents reviewed in the field can vary considerably because there can be hundreds of documents requested and thousands of pages to review.



Site Characterization

- NIOSH Special Exposure Cohorts (SEC) and technical basis documents.
- DOL Site Exposure Matrices (SEM).



Facility Research

- Research and maintain the Covered Facilities Database
- Database of over 350 facilities covered under EEOICPA.
- Includes DOE Facilities, Atomic Weapons Employers (AWEs) and Beryllium Vendors whose employees are eligible for benefits under EEOICPA. Each of these facility types is defined under EEOICPA.
- Full listing can be found at:
<https://ehss.energy.gov/Search/Facility/findfacility.aspx>.
- More information: <https://www.energy.gov/ehss/energy-employees-occupational-illness-compensation-program>.



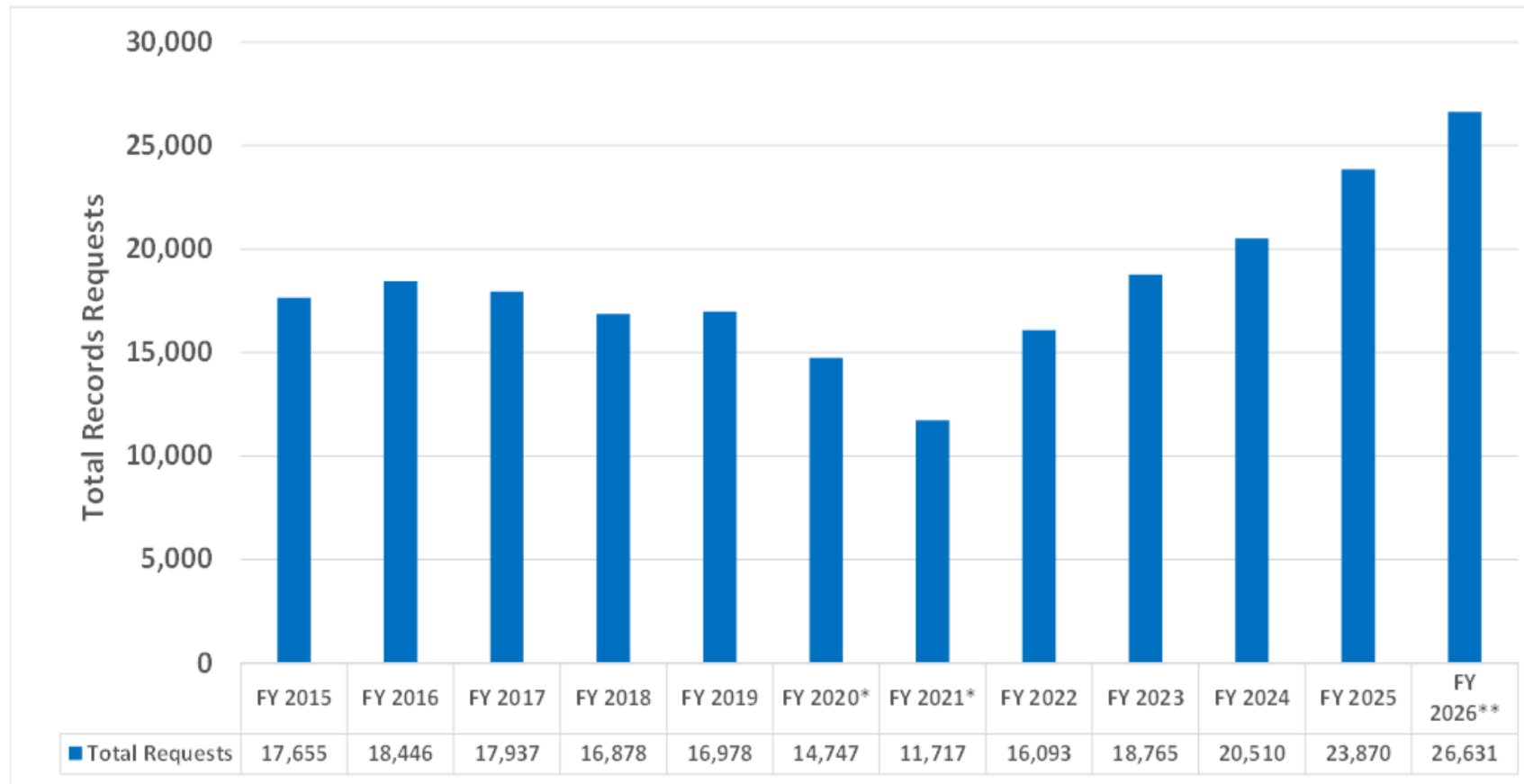
EEOICPA Performance

- DOE's goal for all individual records requests from DOL and NIOSH is to respond within 60 days
- In Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 DOE responded to 95% of requests within 60 days
- In FY 26, DOE has responded to the following percentages of claims within 60 days for each quarter:
 - Q1: 97%
 - Q2: 94%
 - Q3: 98%
 - Average: 96.3%



EEOICPA Workload Over Past 12 Fiscal Years

Chart 3. Record Requests Completed by Fiscal Year



* Numbers Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic

** Projection based on data through Q3



Former Worker Medical Screening Program

- All former Federal, contractor, and subcontractor workers from all DOE sites are eligible for the program.

Mission

- Identify and notify former workers at risk for occupational disease.
- Offer them medical screening that can lead to treatment.
- Provide information and assistance about medical follow-up and compensation.
- Use findings to strengthen safety and health protection for current and future workers.

