

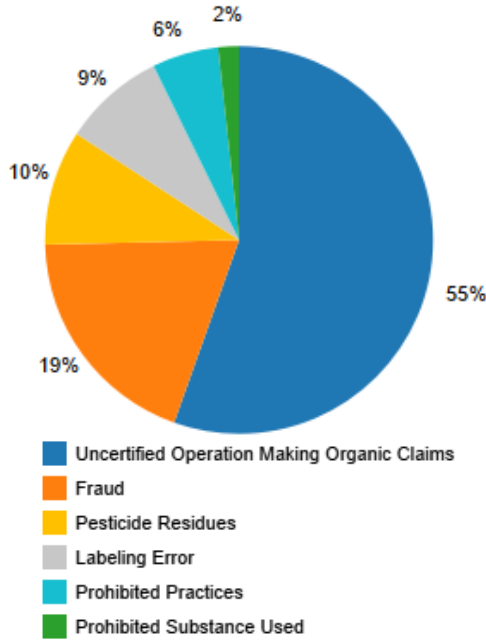


## Organic Integrity Dashboard – 3/31/2022

A quarterly review of National Organic Program (NOP) Enforcement activities

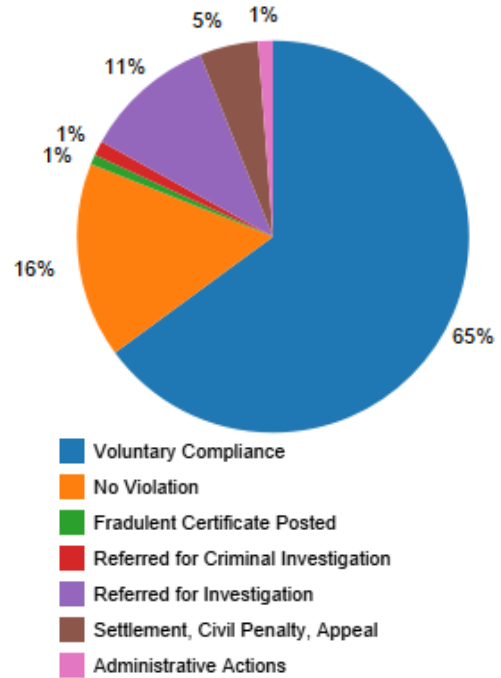
### 470 Cases in Progress

As of 3/31/2022



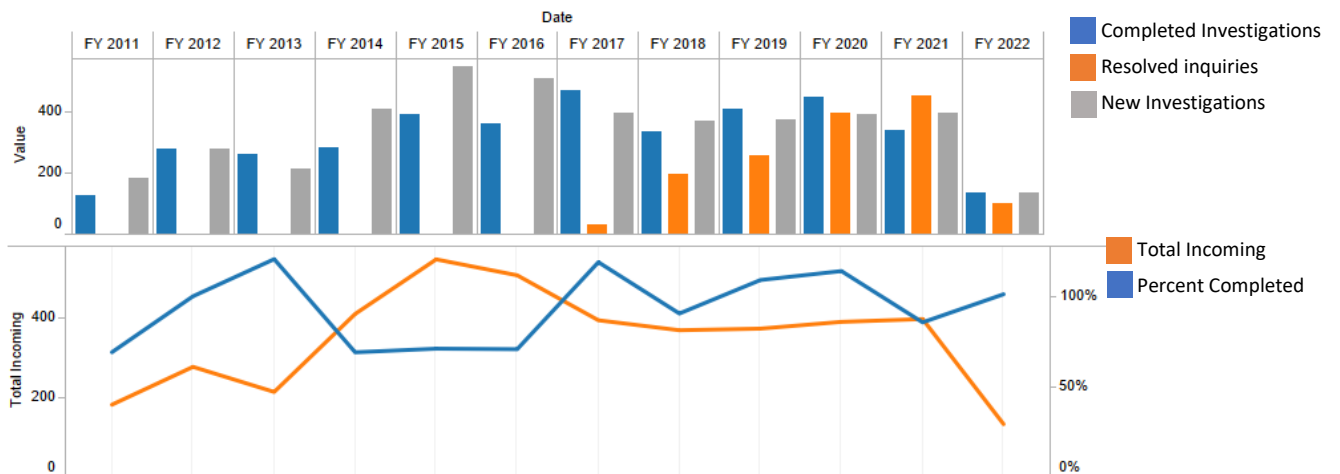
### 297 Closed Cases by Outcome

12 Months ending 3/31/2022



**NOTES:** Open cases are based on allegations, complaints, and surveillance, and are not in themselves proof of wrongdoing. Administrative Actions are warnings/notices to businesses, often uncertified, and are critical in establishing that violators are aware of the rules, to support future enforcement action if needed.

### Investigations & Inquiries by Fiscal Year

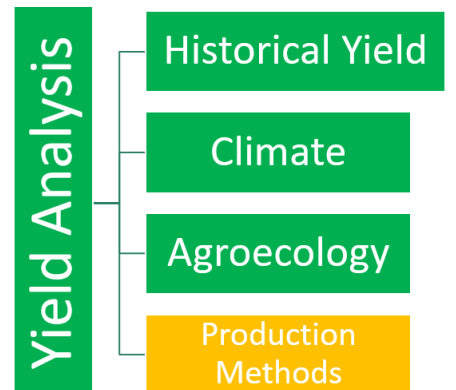


|                          | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | FY 2020 | FY 2021 | FY 2022 | Open Cases as of 3/31/2022 6:27:43 AM |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Completed Investigations | 127     | 279     | 260     | 285     | 391     | 361     | 471     | 336     | 409     | 447     | 342     | 136     |                                       |
| Resolved Inquiries       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 1       | 30      | 197     | 257     | 398     | 453     | 99      |                                       |
| New Investigations       | 183     | 278     | 215     | 411     | 548     | 508     | 395     | 370     | 374     | 391     | 398     | 134     |                                       |
| Total Incoming           | 183     | 278     | 215     | 412     | 548     | 509     | 425     | 567     | 631     | 789     | 851     | 233     | 470                                   |
| Percent Completed        | 69%     | 100%    | 121%    | 69%     | 71%     | 71%     | 118%    | 94%     | 106%    | 107%    | 93%     | 101%    |                                       |

### Bringing Risk to Light in the Organic Supply Chain

Yield analysis is a powerful tool for identifying the risk of fraud in supply chains. Using data from trusted sources like the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and others, NOP Agricultural Economists dive into reliable numbers to identify average expected yields for a given time period anywhere in the world. The NOP Compliance and Enforcement Strategic Initiatives Team uses this kind of analysis to analyze spikes in the supply of a commodity and works with certifiers to target inspections and testing based on risk to the organic market.

Over the last six years, this spotlight on questionable production claims is one of the enforcement tools used to increase the cost of fraud in the market for grain, grapes, and other commodities. This critical behind-the-scenes work is another example of the “many hands” working to continually strengthen the trust of organic farmers and consumers.



Learn more about the National Organic Program: [www.ams.usda.gov/Organic](http://www.ams.usda.gov/Organic)