

Table I. The Regulatory State: An Overview for 2023

	Year-End 2022	1-Year Change (2021–2022)	5-Year Change (2018–2022)	10-Year Change (2013–2022)
Total regulatory costs	\$1.927 trillion	n/a	n/a	n/a
Federal outlays	\$6.272 trillion			
Federal deficit	\$1.375 trillion			
Individual income taxes (estimated)	\$2.3 trillion			
Corporate income taxes (estimated)	\$382 billion			
Corporate pretax profits	\$3.1 trillion			
Gross domestic product	\$25.46 trillion			
Agency enforcement budgets*	\$81.7 billion	0.3%	10.8%	19.8%
<i>Federal Register</i> pages	80,756	10.1%	20.1%	1.8%
Devoted to final rules*	23,634	–28.7%	26.2%	–4.3%
<i>Federal Register</i> final rules	3,168	–28.5%	–5.9%	–13.4%
Significant final rules	265	–31.0%	32.0%	–20.0%
<i>Federal Register</i> proposed rules	2,044	14.8%	–2.6%	–21.2%
Significant proposed rules	262	–4.0%	9.0%	–16.0%
<i>Federal Register</i> , small business final rules	916	0.1%	21.5%	27.4%
Subset of significant final rules	72	–30.0%	41.0%	–30.0%
Proposed rules	646	–19.7%	13.9%	0.2%
Subset of significant proposed rules	67	–24.0%	–4.0%	–42.0%
“Notices” in <i>Federal Register</i>	22,505	2.4%	2.2%	–7.2%
Code of Federal Regulations pages	188,346	0.9%	1.0%	7.9%
Total rules in Agenda pipeline	3,690	–2.3%	4.4%	11.6%
Completed	443	–6.7%	–7.7%	–4.1%
Active	2,651	–1.0%	10.5%	10.6%
Long term	596	–4.5%	–9.0%	36.6%
“Economically significant” rules in the year-end pipeline	332	12.5%	90.8%	73.8%
Completed	53	32.5%	112.0%	89.3%
Active	244	19.0%	106.8%	86.3%
Long term	35	–30.0%	12.9%	9.4%
“Economically significant” rules completed in spring and fall 2022	89	–15.2%	154.3%	74.5%
Rules affecting small business	707	2.0%	16.9%	5.7%
Regulatory flexibility analysis required	349	–1.4%	5.8%	–10.7%
Regulatory flexibility analysis not required	358	5.6%	30.2%	28.8%
Rules affecting state governments	550	7.0%	68.2%	49.5%
Rules affecting local governments	387	19.1%	94.5%	75.1%
GAO Congressional Review Act reports on major rules	76	–41.1%	40.7%	16.9%
Executive Orders	29	–68.8%	–17.1%	20.9%
Executive Memoranda	46	53.3%	58.6%	43.8%

n/a = not applicable; GAO = Government Accountability Office. Some years fiscal, some years calendar—see text for more information.

* year-end 2021