

Time Period	(i) Records showing the number of NICS appeals that are received by the FBI pursuant to 28 CFR § 25.10 based on NICS "denials"	(ii) The average time that it takes the FBI to decide an appeal	(iii) The percentage of appeals where the FBI's initial denial was later determined to be erroneous	(iv) Records showing the FBI's estimated or actual error rate for NICS denials
01/01/2019 to 03/31/2021	51,095	34 calendar days	27.7 percent of appeals received during the requested time period were overturned and the firearm purchase/transfer transactions were proceeded. See below Note.	See below Note

NOTE: The FBI does not maintain statistics regarding "erroneous denials." Firearm purchase/transfer transactions which are initially denied based upon federal or state laws may be overturned through the appeals process if the necessary information is obtained to determine that an individual is not the subject of the prohibiting record(s) or that the subject is no longer prohibited. A few examples of information/scenarios that could overturn a denial, are: changes in firearm laws; the application of restoration of rights; missing or incorrect information on the criminal history record, NCIC record, NICS Indices, or other information which was not made available to the FBI at the time of the initial background check; or the determination that an individual is not a valid match with an existing prohibiting criminal history record through fingerprint examination.