

Table 3-22.

**ADJUDICATION OF MINING CLAIMS, PUBLIC LAW 94-579,  
FROM OCTOBER 21, 1976, THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2001**

<b>Administrative State</b>	<b>Total Claims At Beginning of Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Claims Received During Year</b>	<b>Total At Year End</b>	<b>Active Claims At Beginning of Fiscal Year /a/</b>	<b>Claims Closed /b/</b>	<b>Claims Held Under FHFC /c/</b>	<b>Active Claims At Year End</b>
Alaska	114,735	500	115,235	8,402	1,052	42	8,112
Arizona	353,647	1,616	355,263	24,699	2,267	196	25,350
California	277,281	1,144	278,425	20,884	2,764	511	14,013
Colorado	250,547	433	250,980	5,846	1,298	10	5,782
Eastern /d/	10,989	0	10,989	24	0	0	9
Idaho	183,069	442	183,511	9,861	2,974	250	10,533
Montana /e/	208,409	1,028	209,437	14,215	1,132	66	12,207
Nevada	815,329	5,921	821,250	104,578	42,624	498	93,598
New Mexico /f/	168,357	278	168,635	7,158	628	63	7,221
Oregon /g/	154,883	695	155,578	9,473	1,073	41	9,471
Utah	356,249	504	356,753	10,189	2,257	158	8,717
Wyoming /h/	256,981	975	257,956	13,228	1,050	98	12,744
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,150,476</b>	<b>13,536</b>	<b>3,164,012</b>	<b>228,557</b>	<b>59,119</b>	<b>1,933</b>	<b>207,757</b>

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- /a/ Active means that the subject claim or site is in good standing under the recording, maintenance, and assessment work statutes. It does not refer to any potential activity upon the land contained within the claim or site.
- /b/ Claims patented, or claims declared forfeit or abandoned and void, or null and void, under Public Laws 94-579, 103-66, or 105-277. On October 21, 1998, Public Law 105-277 (112 Stat. 2681-235) continued a one-time location fee of \$25 and an annual maintenance fee of \$100 per claim or site in lieu of performance of assessment work. Certain “small miners” and mineral patent applicants were exempted and the fees waived. Failure to pay, qualify as a “small miner,” qualify for a waiver, or file necessary documents as required by law or regulation results in statutory abandonment and forfeiture of the affected claim or site (43 CFR 3833.1-6). Claims forfeited or abandoned in one year may be closed out in the following year.
- /c/ Claims held under First Half of the Mineral Entry Final Certificate (FHFC) for a mineral patent application are exempt from the requirements to perform assessment work or to pay the annual \$100 fee (43 CFR 3851.5).
- /d/ Includes all States bordering on, or east of, the Mississippi River.
- /e/ Includes North and South Dakota.
- /f/ Includes Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas.
- /g/ Includes Washington.
- /h/ Includes Nebraska.

Sources: BLM’s automated mining claim recordation systems for the lower 48 States and Alaska; BLM State Office records and working files.  
Corrections were made for reporting delays in Fiscal Year 2000.