

#### Week in Regulation

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There were only three notable rulemakings this week and two of them were routine airworthiness directives. Annualized costs were \$8.9 million, compared to \$2.5 million in benefits; regulators proposed 57,000 additional paperwork burden hours this week.

# **REGULATORY TOPLINES**

- New Proposed Rules: 48
- New Final Rules: 66
- 2014 Significant Documents: 234
- 2014 Total Pages of Regulation: 30,002
- 2014 Proposed Rules: \$26.2 Billion
- 2014 Final Rules: \$27.8 Billion

AAF has catalogued regulations according to their codification in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The CFR is organized into 50 titles, with each title corresponding to an industry or part of government. This snapshot will help to determine which sectors of the economy receive the highest number of regulatory actions.

Regulation by Industry in 2014					
CFR Title-Industry	Regulations	Cost (in millions)	Hours		
6-Domestic Security	1	57.4			
7-Agriculture	8	\$25.2	677,196		
8-Aliens and Nationality	4	\$21	1,398,138		
10-Energy	8	\$22,200	91,131		
12-Banking	23	\$473	1,612,389		
14-Aeronautics	112	\$874.3	203,628		

Regulation by Industry in 2014					
15-Foreign Trade	2		2,940		
16-Commercial Practices	4		2,759		
17-Commodities, Securities	8	\$281	423,538		
18-Conservation	5	\$15	178,601		
20-Employees' Benefits	1	\$1.1	6,360		
21-Food and Drugs	11	\$5,256	3,531,545		
22-Foreign Relations	2		-259,800		
23-Highways	2	\$296			
26-Internal Revenue	7		8,345,050		
28-Judicial Administration	1	\$451			
29-Labor	7	\$202	919,775		
30-Mineral Resources	1	\$89	176,321		
34-Education	I	\$2,360	6,942,377		
37-Patents, Copyright	1	\$43.4	111,810		
38-Veterans' Relief	1		5,500		
40-Environment	17	\$16,220	6,136,660		
41-Public Contracts	1	\$8	107,100		
42-Public Health	9	-\$2,959	-1,068,665		
44-Emergency Management	1	-\$19.6	-540,954		
45-Public Welfare	7	\$693	2,215,249		
46-Shipping	1	\$0.3	842		

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Regulation by Industry in 2014					
47-Telecommunication	9	\$70	275,827		
48-Federal Acquisition	1		557,939		
49-Transportation	13	\$2,621	-20,151,471		
50-Wildlife and Fisheries	1	\$420			
Multiple Titles	7	\$4,392	-857,015		

The lone notable rulemaking was a proposed rule from the Department of Transportation designed to improve airfare transparency. This proposal would require "all ticket agents and airlines that provide fare information to consumers to also provide fee information for basic ancillary services to consumers." Ten-year costs of the proposed rule could eclipse \$80 million and impose more than 57,000 annual burden hours, primarily through increased reporting of on-time performance and mishandled baggage.

## AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

There were no notable ACA regulations this week. Since passage, based on total lifetime costs of the regulations, the Affordable Care Act has imposed an estimated cost of \$27.5 billion in private-sector burdens, approximately \$8 billion in costs to the states, and 159.2 million annual paperwork hours.

#### DODD-FRANK

Click here to view the total estimated compliance costs from Dodd-Frank; since passage, the legislation has produced more than 60.4 million paperwork burden hours and imposed \$21.7 billion in direct compliance costs. Based on calculations from the Financial Services Roundtable, Dodd-Frank regulations would require 30,211 employees to file federal paperwork.

## TOTAL BURDENS

Since January 1, the federal government has published \$54 billion in compliance costs and has imposed more than 11.3 million in net paperwork burden hours. Click here for our comprehensive database of regulations and rulemakings promulgated in 2014.