



## **U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**



### **Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2025**

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## **VISION STATEMENT**

We are agents of positive change striving for continuous improvements in our agency's management and program operations, as well as within the Office of Inspector General.

## **STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES**

We will:

Work with the Commission and the Congress to improve program management.

Maximize the positive impact and ensure the independence and objectivity of our audits, investigations, and other reviews.

Use our investigations and other reviews to increase government integrity and recommend improved systems to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

Be innovative, question existing procedures, and suggest improvements.

Build relationships with program managers based on a shared commitment to improving program operations and effectiveness.

Strive to continually improve the quality and usefulness of our products.

Work together to address government-wide issues.



February 6, 2026

TO: Peter A. Feldman, Acting Chairman

FROM: Christopher W. Dentel, Inspector General

SUBJECT: Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2025

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) requires that the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission annually provide to the appropriate congressional committees the findings, conclusions, and recommendations from our reviews and audits performed under subsection 205(a) of the CPSIA as well actions taken with regard to employee complaints under subsection 205(b). The attached report fulfills these requirements for fiscal year 2025.

Please feel free to contact me if you or your staff have any questions or concerns.

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## ABBREVIATIONS AND SHORT TITLES

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Acronym	Meaning
CPSC	U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
CPSIA	The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008
FISMA	The Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014
FY	Fiscal Year
OIG	Office of Inspector General
Williams Adley	Williams Adley & Company-DC, LLP

## BACKGROUND

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The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) requires that the Inspector General of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) annually report the findings, conclusions, and recommendations from its reviews and audits performed to meet the requirements of subsection 205(a) of the CPSIA. Specifically, subsection 205(a) instructs the Inspector General to assess the CPSC's capital improvement efforts, which includes upgrades of the information technology architecture and systems as well as the development of a publicly accessible website.

In addition, subsection 205(b) requires that the Inspector General review any employee complaints fitting the definitions set forth in CPSIA subsection 205(b) and actions taken by the CPSC to address them.

### **Assessment of CPSIA-Compliant Activities**

#### **Results of Reviews and Audits**

##### **Audit of the CPSC's FISMA Implementation for FY 2025**

(Click [here](#) for the full report)

The Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014 (FISMA) requires each federal agency to develop, document, and implement an agency-wide program to provide information security for the information and information systems that support the operations and assets of the agency. It also requires that the relevant Office of Inspector General (OIG) perform an annual assessment of the effectiveness of the agency's information security program and practices.

The OIG contracted with Williams, Adley & Company-DC, LLP (Williams Adley), an independent public accounting firm, to perform an audit of the CPSC's compliance with the FISMA reporting requirements for fiscal year (FY) 2025. The audit was performed in accordance with the U.S. Government Accountability Office's *Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards*. The audit focused on the CPSC's compliance with the FISMA metrics provided by the Department of Homeland Security and the Office of Management and Budget. In years prior, this was conducted as a review in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency's *Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation*.



Williams Adley found that the CPSC was not compliant with all of FISMA's requirements. However, the CPSC is making progress in implementing FISMA requirements and was able to close 23 recommendations from prior years' reports. Altogether, there are 28 open FISMA recommendations as of the end of FY 2025.

### **Audit of the CPSC's Internal Controls Over Space Utilization**

(Click [here](#) for the full report)

The OIG audited the effectiveness of the CPSC's internal control over space utilization in its leased space and assessment of CPSC compliance with relevant laws and regulations regarding space utilization for the period May 2, 2022, to June 2, 2023. We conducted this audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.

Overall, we found that significant financial resources were, and will continue to be, wasted on underutilized leased space due to the agency's poor internal controls over space utilization, which date back over a decade. For example, the CPSC rejected the 2019 Government Service Administration recommendations to reduce the agency's footprint in line with best practices resulted in the waste of \$3.785M in lease expenses for the headquarters over the life of its current occupancy agreement. This report made 46 actionable recommendations. Agency management concurred with all recommendations.

### **Employee Complaints**

In FY 2025, the CPSC OIG received no employee complaints that fell within the purview of subsection 205(b) of the CPSIA.

### **Public Website Links**

As of this writing, the homepage of the CPSC's website has an active link to the Inspector General's website. The OIG's website has methods for individuals to report cases of fraud, waste, and abuse regarding the CPSC.





For more information on this report please contact us at [CPSC-OIG@cpsc.gov](mailto:CPSC-OIG@cpsc.gov)

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