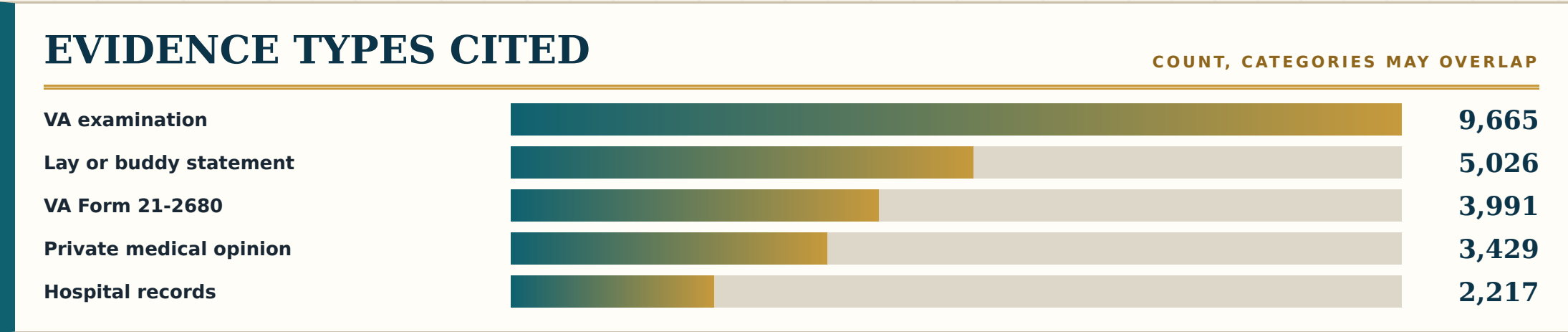
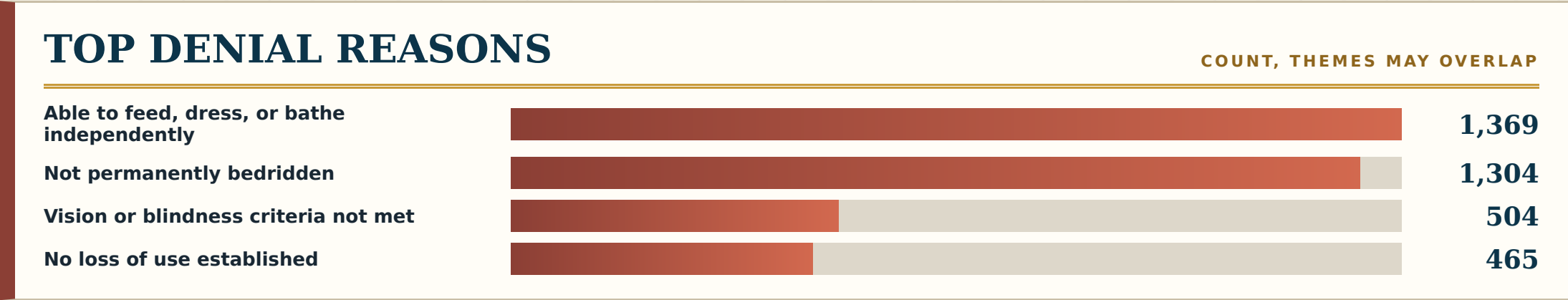
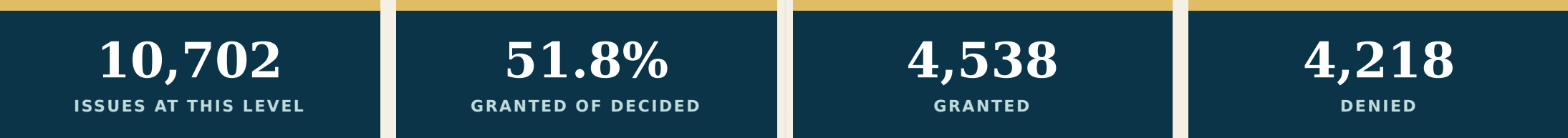


WHAT 10,702 SMC-L ISSUES REVEAL

Board outcomes, recurring denial reasons, and evidence citations for appealed SMC-L aid and attendance issues.



HOW TO USE THIS RESEARCH

READ THE DECISION REASON

Start with the failed element

A denial-theme count is not a filing checklist. Read the actual decision reason, identify the unmet legal predicate, and answer that specific finding with competent evidence.

Match evidence to the category

Evidence frequency does not establish value by itself. Use records that address the exact anatomical loss, remaining function, care need, or other criterion at issue.

These are appealed Board outcomes, not overall VA grant rates. Evidence citations show what appeared in the record, not what caused the result.