

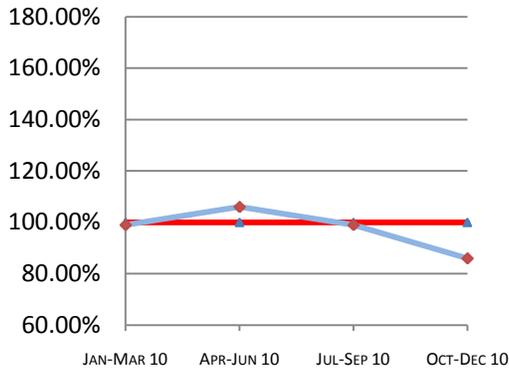
Montana Supreme Court

Case Processing Measures

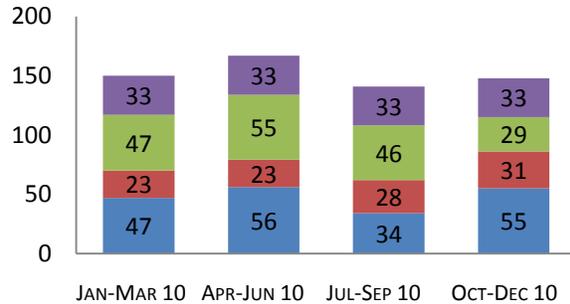
Quarterly Report

Oct-Dec 2010

Case Clearance



Manner of Disposition



Published Opinion Non-Cite Opinion or Memorandum
Closed Other Original Proceeding Dispositive Order

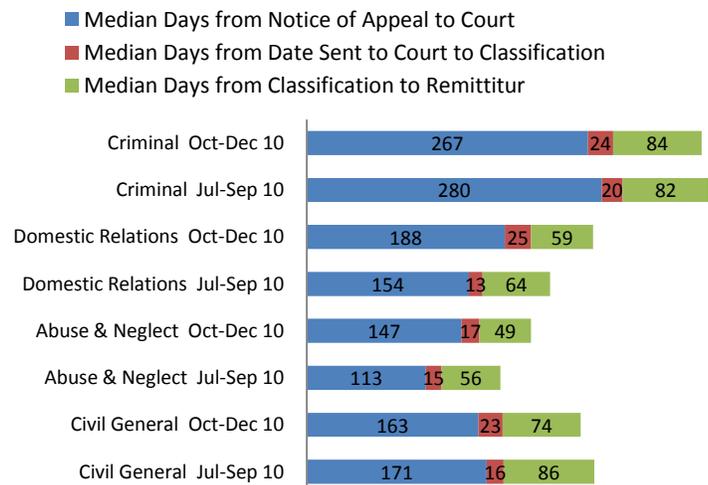
Age of Pending Cases as of: 01/01/11

Age in Days from Date Sent to Court	# Cases Less than 365 Days Old	# Cases More than 365 Days old	Percent Current (less than 365 days old)
Direct Appeal			
Civil General	59	1	98%
Domestic Relations	9	0	100%
Abuse & Neglect	1	0	100%
Criminal	38	0	100%
Direct Appeal All	107	1	99%
Original Proceedings	23	1	96%

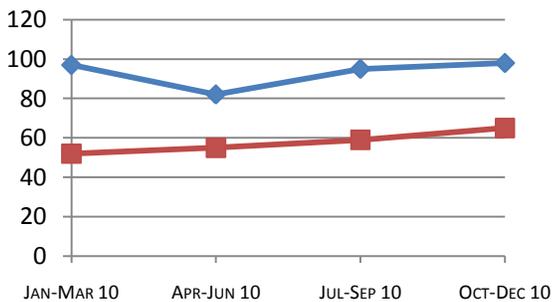
4th Quarter Highlights

- * 172 cases were filed in this quarter, 27 more than were filed in the 3rd quarter.
- * Case clearance dropped to 86%.
- * The number of days to dispose of both direct appeals and original proceedings continues to rise slightly.

Direct Appeal Lifecycle - Median Days by Case Type



Time to Disposition



Direct Appeals Original Proceedings

Case Clearance: The ratio between the number of cases closed (outgoing) and the number of cases filed (incoming).

Manner of Disposition: The manner by which the Court disposes of its cases.

Age of Pending Cases: The age of the Court's active cases (does not include stayed cases).

Time to Disposition: The length of time (median days) it takes the Court to dispose of cases.

Baseline information and a description of the methodology used is available at www.courts.mt.gov