

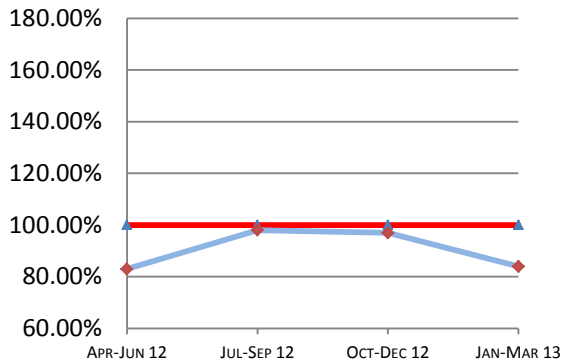
Montana Supreme Court

Case Processing Measures

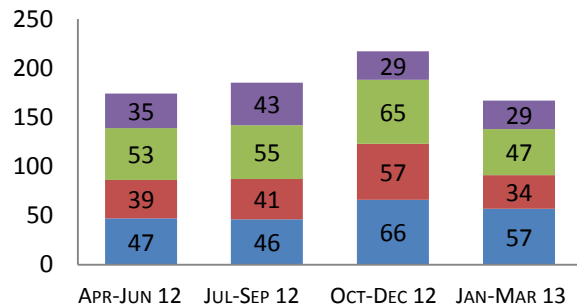
Quarterly Report

Jan-Mar 2013

Case Clearance



Manner of Disposition



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

Age of Pending Cases as of: 04/01/13

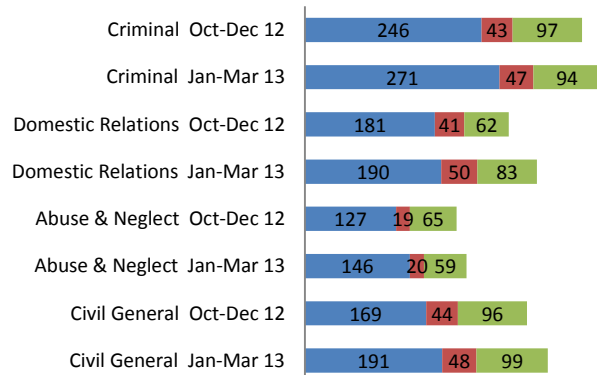
Age in Days from Date Sent to Court	# Cases Less than 180 Days Old	# Cases More than 180 Days old	Percent Current (less than 180 days old)
Direct Appeal			
Civil General	69	3	96%
Domestic Relations	8	0	100%
Abuse & Neglect	11	0	100%
Criminal	41	1	98%
Direct Appeal All	129	4	97%
Original Proceedings			
	21	2	91%

1st Quarter 2013 Highlights

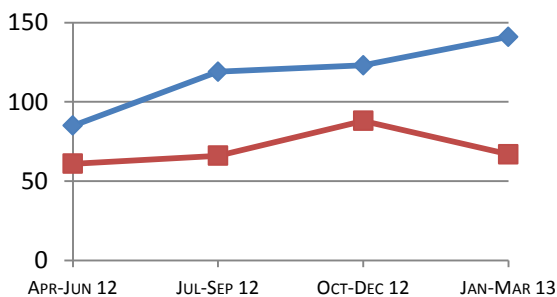
- * Case clearance rates have dropped from 97% to 83% between 4th Quarter 2012 and 1st Quarter 2013.
- * 213 cases were filed and 178 cases were closed in 1st Quarter 2013.
- * Time to Disposition for Direct Appeals increased from 123 days to 141 days between Q4 2012 and Q1 2013.
- * Time Disposition for Original Proceedings decreased from 88 days to 67 days between Q4 2012 and Q1 2013.

Direct Appeal Lifecycle - Median Days by Case Type

- Median Days from Notice of Appeal to Court
- Median Days from Date Sent to Court to Classification
- Median Days from Classification to Remittitur



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