

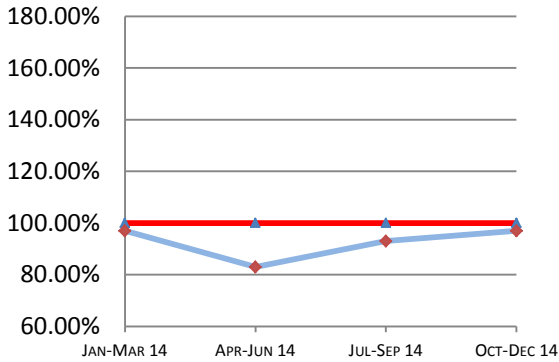
Montana Supreme Court

Case Processing Measures

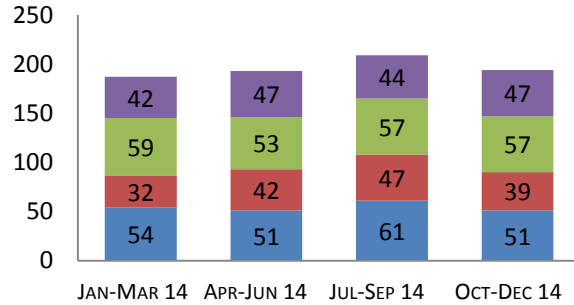
Quarterly Report

Oct-Dec 2014

Case Clearance



Manner of Disposition



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

Age of Pending Cases as of: 01/01/15

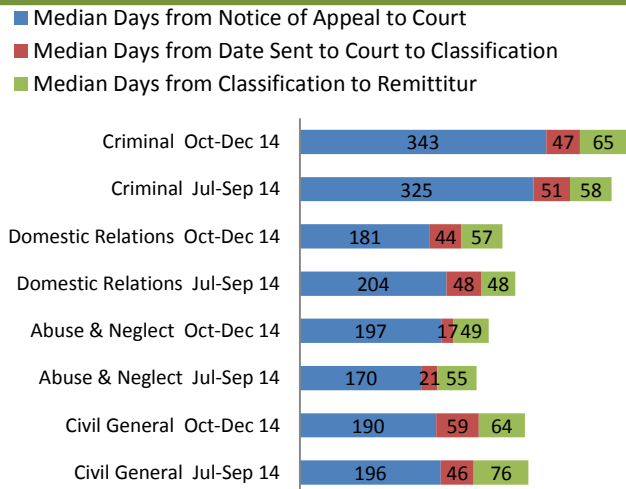
Age in Days from Date Sent to Court	# Cases Less than 180 Days Old	# Cases More than 180 Days old	Percent Current (less than 180 days old)
Direct Appeal			
Civil General	62	1	98%
Domestic Relations	9	1	90%
Abuse & Neglect	27	0	100%
Criminal	48	1	98%
Direct Appeal All	146	3	98%
Original Proceedings			
	21	1	95%

4th Quarter 2014 Highlights

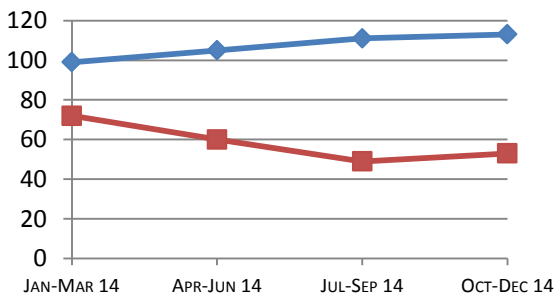
* Case Clearance rates increased slightly in Quarter 4 of 2014. A 5% increase was realized with 146 cases filed and 142 cases closed in Q4 resulting in a 97% case clearance rate vs. 204 cases filed and 189 cases closed in Q3 resulting in a 92% case clearance rate.

* Time to Disposition took a very slight increase in both Direct Appeals and Original Proceedings; a 2 day and 4 day increase respectively.

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