

<u>Year</u>	<u>Case Filings</u>	<u>5-Year Averages</u>	<u>Percentage Increase/Decrease</u>	
1972	230			
1973	244			
1974	266			
1975	301			
1976	409			
1977	470	1973-1977	338	
1978	518 *			
1979	477			
1980	490			
1981	574 *			
1982	522	1978-1982	516.2	53%
1983	561			
1984	567			
1985	639*			
1986	602			
1987	571	1983-1987	575.25	11%
1988	628			
1989	633			
1990	633			
1991	636			
1992	627	1988-1992	631.4	10%
1993	659*			
1994	633			
1995	580			
1996	731*			
1997	729	1993-1997	647.33	3%
1998	731			
1999	706			
2000	868*			
2001	909*			
2002	798	1998-2002	745	15%
2003	860			
2004	882			
2005	738			
2006	760			
2007	751 **	2003-2007	798.2	7%
2008	649			
2009	677			
2010	650			
2011	775			
2012	778	2008-2012	705.8	-12%
2013	860			
2014	822			
2015	806			
2016	765			
2017	743	2013-2017	799.2	13%

2018	721			
2019	711			
2020	581 ***			
2021	662			
2022	737	2018-2022	682.4	-15%

*Record-setting years for filings **Beginning October 1, 2007, the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure were changed to require notices of appeal to be filed in the Supreme Court instead of the District Court. Prior to 2007, the appellate caseload numbers above reflect original proceedings, attorney disciplinary proceedings, and direct appeals in which the briefing schedule initiated, since under the previous rules a case number was not assigned until the lower court record was transmitted to this court (40 days after the filing of the notice of appeal). ***Coronavirus