

# MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

## STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

Apr-Jun 2014

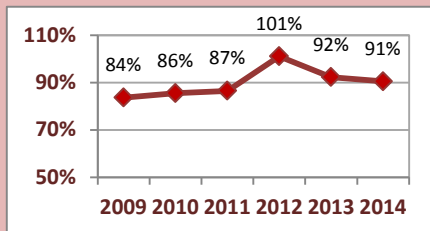
### Year-to-Date Report

#### CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

**Case Clearance Rate:** The case clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. The rate is the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of incoming cases. A clearance rate under 100% means the courts are disposing of fewer cases than are being filed.

**On-Time Case Processing Rate:** The on-time case processing rate measures the extent a District Court is processing its cases within established timeframes. The rate is the percentage of cases that are disposed or otherwise resolved within each timeframe.

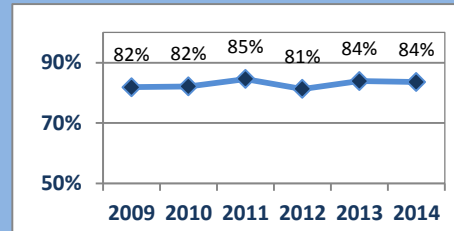
Case Clearance Rate by Year



Case Clearance Rate Detail (Apr-Jun 2014)

Case Category	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	379	354	93%
Civil	3382	3360	99%
Criminal	2332	2170	93%
Family	2967	2656	90%
Involuntary Commitment	333	287	86%
Juvenile	294	312	106%
Probate/Guardianship	1213	1040	86%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10900</b>	<b>10179</b>	<b>93%</b>

On-Time Case Processing Rate by Year



On-Time Case Processing Rate Detail (Apr-Jun 2014)

Case Category	On-Time Cases	Over-Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	252	102	71%
Civil	2898	462	86%
Criminal	1894	276	87%
Family	2175	481	82%
Involuntary Commitment	285	2	99%
Juvenile	266	46	85%
Probate/Guardianship	754	286	73%
<b>Total</b>	<b>8524</b>	<b>1655</b>	<b>84%</b>

#### Established Timeframes for On-Time Case Processing Rate

Case Category	Timeframes (Days)
Child Abuse & Neglect	457
Civil	730
Criminal	270
Family	270
Involuntary Commitment	180
Juvenile	180
Probate/Guardianship	730

Implementing case processing measures requires significant clean-up in the District Court case management system. The Clerks of District Court throughout the 56 counties are working diligently to update cases in compliance with the District Court Uniform Caseload Filing Standards. The case clearance and on-time case processing rates in this report reflect this on-going clean-up work. However, until the work is completed, it is not possible to report on the age of active cases, which is a case processing measure indicating whether active (open) cases are within established timeframes.

A full report describing the District Court case processing measures is available at <http://courts.mt.gov>.