

# MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

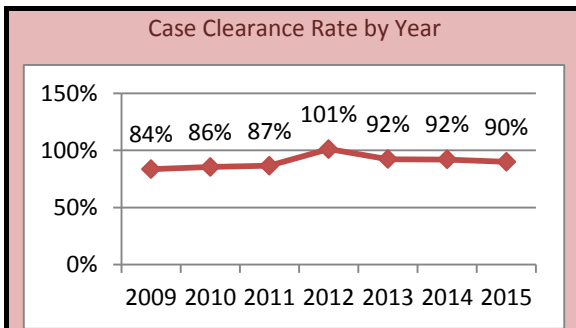
## STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

Jul - Sept 2015

### Year-to-Date Report

#### CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

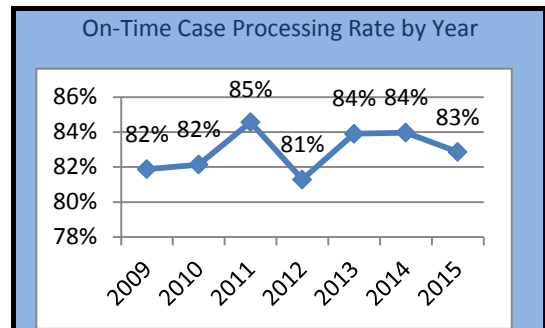
**Case Clearance Rate:** The case clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. The rate is the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of incoming cases. A clearance rate under 100% means the courts are disposing of fewer cases than are being filed.



Case Clearance Rate Detail (Jul - Sep 2015)

	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	540	433	80%
Civil	3406	2827	83%
Criminal	2814	2393	85%
Family	3019	3018	100%
Involuntary Commitment	342	322	94%
Juvenile	292	304	104%
Probate/Guardianship	1296	977	75%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11709</b>	<b>10274</b>	<b>88%</b>

**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.



Processing Rate Detail (Jul - Sep 2015)

	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	338	95	78%
Civil	2496	331	88%
Criminal	2103	290	88%
Family	2289	729	76%
Involuntary Commitment	318	4	99%
Juvenile	261	43	86%
Probate/Guardianship	743	234	76%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>8548</b>	<b>1726</b>	<b>83%</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>.