

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

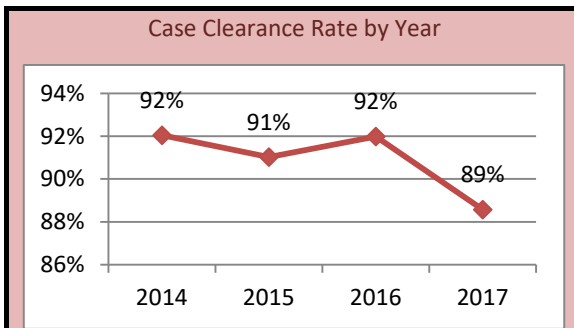
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

July - Sept 2017

Year-to-Date Report

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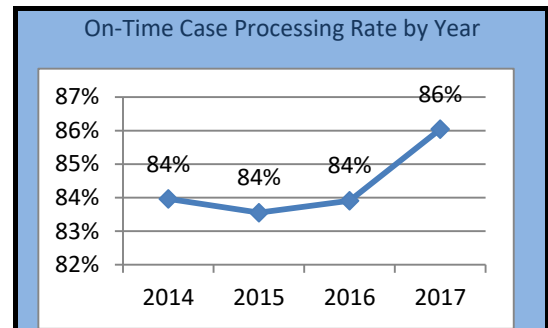
Case Clearance Rate: The case clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. The rate is the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of incoming cases. A clearance rate under 100% means the courts are disposing of fewer cases than are being filed.



Case Clearance Rate Detail (Jan - Mar 2017)

	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	649	553	85%
Civil	3254	2716	83%
Criminal	2922	2553	87%
Family	2933	2651	90%
Involuntary Commitment	328	314	96%
Juvenile	276	295	107%
Probate/Guardianship	1224	972	79%
Grand Total	11586	10054	87%

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 (Jan - Mar 2017)

	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	431	122	78%
Civil	2438	278	90%
Criminal	2273	280	89%
Family	2194	457	83%
Involuntary Commitment	305	9	97%
Juvenile	273	22	93%
Probate/Guardianship	740	232	76%
Grand Total	8654	1400	86%

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>.