

# MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

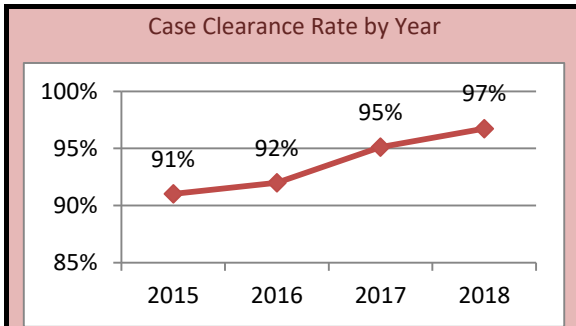
## STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

Jan - Mar 2018

### Year-to-Date Report

#### CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

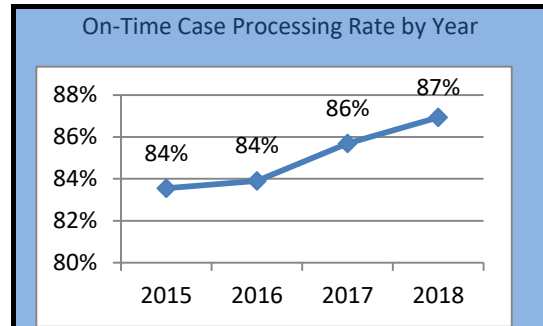
**Case Clearance Rate:** The case clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. The rate is the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of incoming cases. A clearance rate under 100% means the courts are disposing of fewer cases than are being filed.



Case Clearance Rate Detail (Jan - Mar 2018)

	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	627	720	115%
Civil	3531	3272	93%
Criminal	3197	3262	102%
Family	3098	2887	93%
Involuntary Commitment	298	303	102%
Juvenile	290	265	91%
Probate/Guardianship	1224	1156	94%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>12265</b>	<b>11865</b>	<b>97%</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 (Jan - Mar 2018)

	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	586	134	81%
Civil	3040	232	93%
Criminal	2933	329	90%
Family	2447	440	85%
Involuntary Commitment	301	2	99%
Juvenile	232	33	88%
Probate/Guardianship	776	380	67%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>10315</b>	<b>1550</b>	<b>87%</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>.