

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

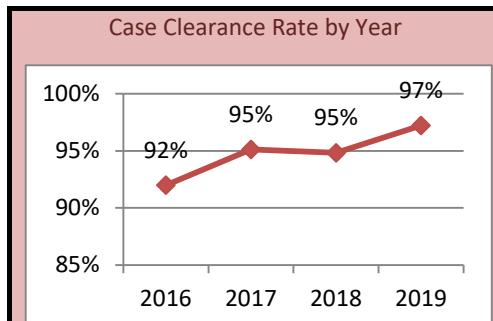
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

Year-to-Date Report

Jul-Sept 2019

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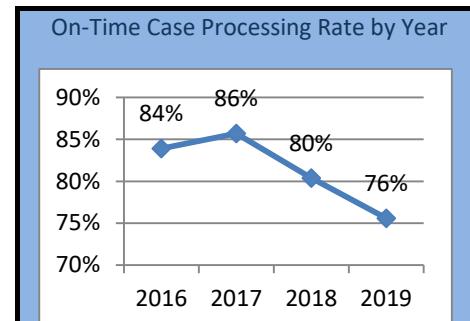
Case Clearance Rate: The case clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. The rate is the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of incoming cases. A clearance rate under 100% means the courts are disposing of fewer cases than are being filed.



Case Clearance Rate Detail (Jul-Sept 2019)

	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	537	666	124%
Civil	3896	3414	88%
Criminal	3127	2976	95%
Family	2852	2643	93%
Involuntary Commitment	258	220	85%
Juvenile	246	270	110%
Probate/Guardianship	1206	1093	91%
Grand Total	12122	11282	93%

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-Sept 2019)

	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	449	217	67%
Civil	3103	311	91%
Criminal	2100	876	71%
Family	2092	551	79%
Involuntary Commitment	207	13	94%
Juvenile	178	92	66%
Probate/Guardianship	805	288	74%
Grand Total	8934	2348	79%

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>.