

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

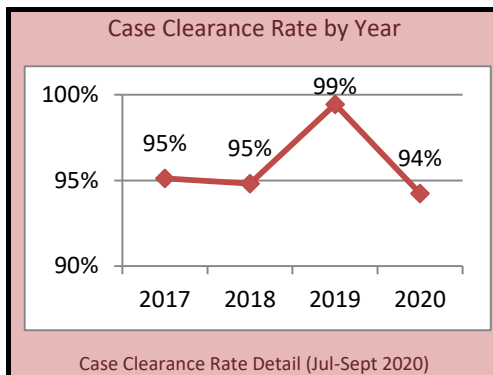
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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Year-to-Date Report

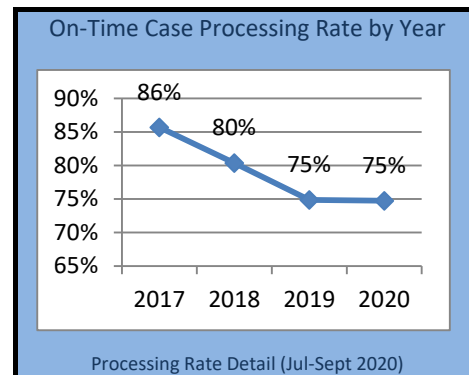
CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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.



	Cases Filed	Cases Closed	Clearance Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	537	534	99%
Civil	3622	3779	104%
Criminal	3234	3021	93%
Family	2622	2337	89%
Involuntary Commitment	328	292	89%
Juvenile	182	198	109%
Probate/Guardianship	1246	1006	81%
Grand Total	11771	11167	95%

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.



	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	296	238	55%
Civil	3416	363	90%
Criminal	1906	1115	63%
Family	1724	613	74%
Involuntary Commitment	227	65	78%
Juvenile	146	52	74%
Probate/Guardianship	766	240	76%
Grand Total	8481	2686	76%

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>.