

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

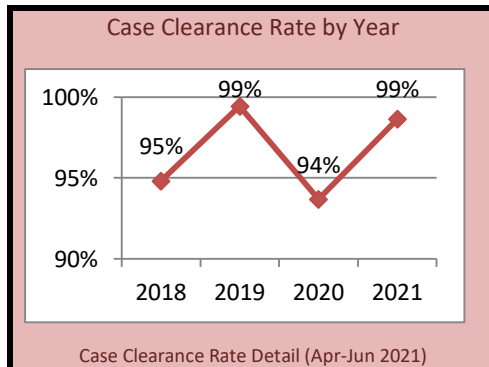
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

Apr-Jun 2021

Year-to-Date Report

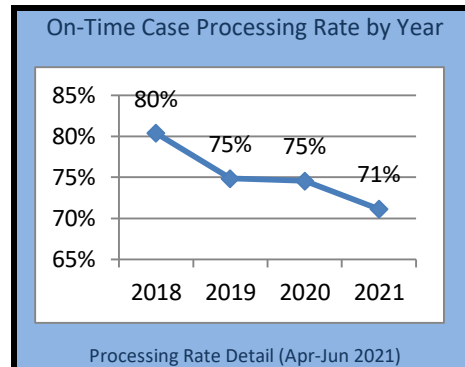
CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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	505	477	94%
Civil	3285	3103	94%
Criminal	3229	3272	101%
Family	2273	2327	102%
Involuntary Commitment	273	271	99%
Juvenile	175	156	89%
Probate/Guardianship	1219	1082	89%
Grand Total	10959	10688	98%

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	317	160	66%
Civil	2567	536	83%
Criminal	2127	1145	65%
Family	1547	780	66%
Involuntary Commitment	194	77	72%
Juvenile	121	35	78%
Probate/Guardianship	748	334	69%
Grand Total	7621	3067	71%

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>.