

# MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

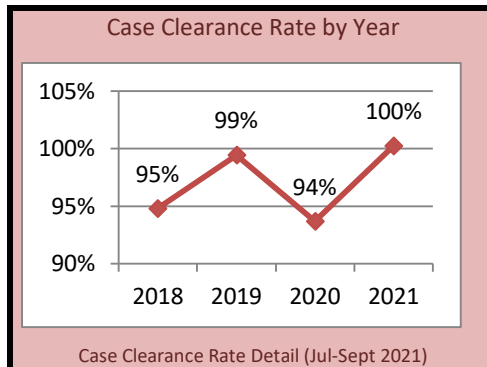
## STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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### Year-to-Date Report

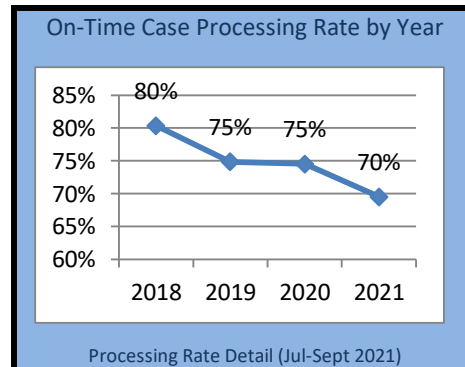
#### CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

**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	395	491	124%
Civil	2903	3541	122%
Criminal	3102	3037	98%
Family	2375	2263	95%
Involuntary Commitment	239	231	97%
Juvenile	201	162	81%
Probate/Guardianship	1201	1067	89%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>10416</b>	<b>10792</b>	<b>104%</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.



	On-Time Case	Over Time Cases	OTCP Rate
Child Abuse & Neglect	264	227	54%
Civil	2406	1135	68%
Criminal	1950	1087	64%
Family	1599	664	71%
Involuntary Commitment	171	60	74%
Juvenile	107	55	66%
Probate/Guardianship	672	395	63%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7169</b>	<b>3623</b>	<b>66%</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>.