

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

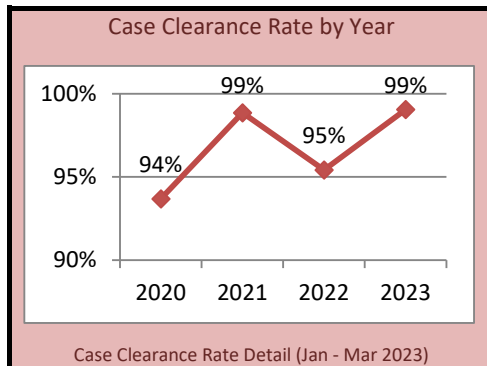
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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Year-to-Date Report

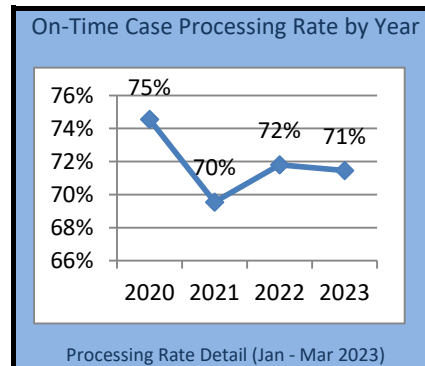
CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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	333	345	104%
Civil	2711	3222	119%
Criminal	3243	3109	96%
Family	2491	2305	93%
Involuntary Commitment	247	223	90%
Juvenile	233	215	92%
Probate/Guardianship	1374	1112	81%
Grand Total	10632	10531	99%

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	167	178	48%
Civil	2701	521	84%
Criminal	1836	1273	59%
Family	1726	579	75%
Involuntary Commitment	159	64	71%
Juvenile	169	46	79%
Probate/Guardianship	766	346	69%
Grand Total	7524	3007	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>.