

MONTANA DISTRICT COURTS

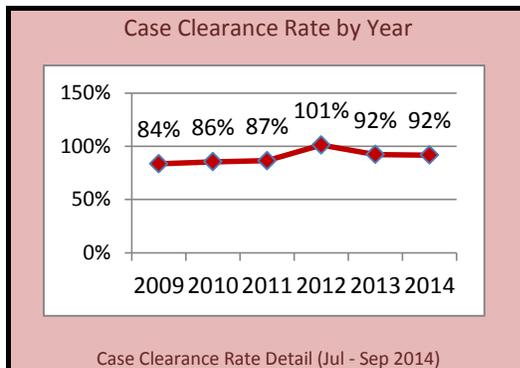
STATEWIDE CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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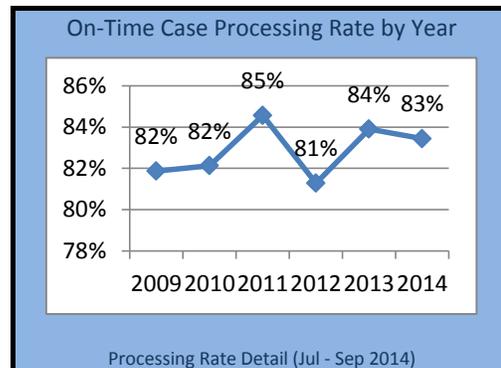
CASE PROCESSING MEASURES

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	347	362	104%
Civil	3622	3154	87%
Criminal	2364	2642	112%
Family	2915	2667	91%
Involuntary Commitment	309	300	97%
Juvenile	338	284	84%
Probate/Guardianship	1177	1034	88%
Grand Total	11072	10443	94%

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	246	116	68%
Civil	2743	411	87%
Criminal	2122	520	80%
Family	2282	385	86%
Involuntary Commitment	294	6	98%
Juvenile	235	49	83%
Probate/Guardianship	757	277	73%
Grand Total	8679	1764	83%

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>.