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The Judicial Council/Administrative Office of the Courts has submitted a report to the Legislature in accordance with Government Code Section 68604. The following summary of the report is provided under the requirements of Government Code section 9795.

The 2013 Court Statistics Report is being submitted on behalf of the Judicial Council in response to Government Code section 68604, which requires the Judicial Council to report annually regarding the standards of timely disposition adopted pursuant to Section 68603. The 2013 Court Statistics Report contains case processing and time to disposition statistics that meet the requirements of Government Code section 68604.

The full report can be accessed here: <http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/2013-Court-Statistics-Report.pdf>.

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# PREFACE

## Court Statistics Report

The *Court Statistics Report (CSR)* is published annually by the Judicial Council of California and is designed to fulfill the provisions of article VI, section 6 of the California Constitution, which requires the Judicial Council to survey the condition and business of the California courts. The *CSR* combines 10-year statewide summaries of superior court filings and dispositions with similar workload indicators for the California Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal. The 2013 *CSR* also provides more detailed information on filings and dispositions in the individual superior courts for the most recent fiscal year for which data are available, 2011–2012.

## Caseload Data and Court Workload

California's court system is the largest in the world and serves a population of more than 38 million people—about 12.1 percent of the total U.S. population—and more than 2,000 judicial officers and 19,000 court employees statewide address the full range of cases heard each year. The vast majority of cases in the California courts begin in one of the 58 superior, or trial, courts, which reside in each of the state's 58 counties. With more than 500 court buildings throughout the state, these courts hear both civil and criminal cases as well as family, probate, mental health, juvenile, and traffic cases.

The data published in the *Court Statistics Report* is used by the judicial branch in policy development, program evaluation, performance management, and in workload analysis to measure judicial and court staff resource needs in California. Because different types of cases require different amounts of judicial and staff resources, a weighted caseload approach is the standard method, nationwide, to estimate the workload and resource needs of the courts. Weighted caseload distinguishes between different categories of filings so that the resources required to process a felony case, for example, are recognized as being much greater than the resources required to process a traffic infraction. As the mix or composition of cases change over time, a weighted caseload approach is needed to assess the impact of caseload trends on court workload. The Judicial Council has adopted caseweights for two workload models used by the judicial branch—the Judicial Workload Assessment and the Resource Assessment Study (RAS) model.

With the introduction of a new budget development and allocation process for the trial courts in 2013, the data published in the *Court Statistics Report* is being used by the judicial branch for a critically important new purpose. The Judicial Council adopted the Workload-based Allocation and Funding Methodology, or WAFM, which uses the Resource Assessment Model (RAS) and other workload factors in a new budget development process that alters baseline funding for most trial courts based on court workload.

## Summary of 2013 Court Statistics Report

A summary of the caseload data in the 2013 *CSR* for the California Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, and Superior Courts for fiscal year 2011–2012 are as follows:

### Supreme Court

- The Supreme Court issued 87 written opinions during the year.
- Filings totaled 9,237, and dispositions totaled 9,739.
- Automatic appeals arising out of judgments of death totaled 18 cases, and the court disposed of 29 such appeals by written opinion.

- The Supreme Court ordered 1 Court of Appeal opinion depublished in this fiscal year.

### **Courts of Appeal**

- Total contested matters for the Courts of Appeal totaled 21,894 made up of 13,498 records of appeal and 8,396 original proceedings.
- Dispositions in the Courts of Appeal totaled 24,215. Of these dispositions, 15,531 were appeals, and 8,684 were original proceedings.
- Dispositions of appeals by written opinion totaled 10,097, appeals disposed of without written opinion totaled 3,485, and appeals disposed of without a record filed totaled 1,949. Dispositions of original proceedings by written opinion totaled 572, and original proceedings disposed of without written opinion totaled 8,112.
- Statewide, 8 percent of Court of Appeal majority opinions were published.

### **Superior Courts**

In FY 2011-12, almost 8.5 million cases were filed statewide in the Superior Courts. The CSR organizes all the cases filed in the courts in four main case categories—Civil; Criminal; Family and Juvenile; Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas. The case filing totals for the individual case types reported by the courts for FY 2011-12 are as follows:

Civil: The civil case category is made up of unlimited civil, limited civil, and small claims matters. Civil unlimited cases are matters where the petitioner is seeking more than \$25,000. There were 196,994 unlimited civil cases filed in the courts. Limited civil filings are cases where the petitioner is seeking \$25,000 or less. Limited civil cases totaled 603,097 statewide. Small claims filings are cases where the petitioner is seeking \$10,000 or less and is not represented by counsel. A total of 183,957 small claims cases were filed statewide.

Criminal: The criminal case category is made up of felonies, misdemeanors, and infractions. The filing totals for the individual case types are as follows: felony filings represented 243,270 cases, misdemeanor filings totaled 1,047,594 cases, and infraction filings accounted for 5,607,727 cases.

Family and Juvenile: Marital filings (dissolutions, legal separations and nullities) accounted for 160,593 cases and other family law filings (e.g. paternity, child support) totaled 277,207 cases. Juvenile delinquency filings totaled 62,937 cases and juvenile dependency filings totaled 39,040 cases.

Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, and Habeas: The filing totals for the individual case types are as follows: probate filings totaled 42,781 cases; mental health filings totaled 19,643 cases; civil and criminal appeal filings totaled 5,008 cases; and criminal habeas corpus filings totaled 8,483 cases.

The largest changes in statewide filings for Superior Courts from the previous year are in limited jurisdiction case types—misdemeanors and infractions in the criminal case category and small claims and limited civil in the civil case category. Limited jurisdiction cases tend to be, on average, much less complex and resource-intensive for courts than unlimited jurisdiction case types such as felonies, family law, juvenile, probate, and mental health. Many of the most complex types of cases filed in the courts had an increase in filings from the previous year, which include the following case types: Felony, Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (PI/PD/WD), Family Law (marital), Juvenile Dependency, Probate, and Mental Health.

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# INTRODUCTION

The *Court Statistics Report (CSR)* is published annually by the Judicial Council of California and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). The CSR combines 10-year statewide summaries of superior court filings and dispositions with similar workload indicators for the California Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal. The appendixes to this report provide detailed information on filings and dispositions in the superior courts for the most recent fiscal year, 2011–2012.

The CSR is designed to fulfill the provisions of article VI, section 6 of the California Constitution, which requires the Judicial Council to survey the condition and business of the California courts.

The CSR is published on the California Courts website at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/12941.htm#id7495>.

## Snapshot of Court Caseload

The *Court Statistics Report* contains essential information about the annual caseload of the California judicial branch, with a particular emphasis on the number and types of cases that are filed and disposed of in the courts. This information is submitted to the California Legislature and used in numerous judicial branch reports. As with any published data, the numbers in this report represent a snapshot of the most complete and reliable information available at the time of compilation.

To ensure that the statistics used for making policy decisions are as accurate as possible, courts may amend the data they submit to the AOC should new, more detailed or more complete information become available. For this reason, the data in this report may change slightly over time as courts revise their calculations and submit new caseload estimates.

## Weighted Caseload and Court Workload

In the judicial branch the most reliable and consistent measure of workload is the number of case filings. Because different types of cases require different amounts of judicial and staff resources, a weighted caseload approach is the standard method, nationwide, to estimate the workload and resource needs of the courts. Accordingly, the Judicial Council has adopted a weighted caseload methodology to measure judicial and court staff resource needs in California. Weighted caseload distinguishes between different categories of filings so that the resources required to process a felony case, for example, are recognized as being much greater than the resources required to process a traffic infraction. Individual caseweights have been assigned to the many different types of cases filed in the courts. Caseweights are used along with the data published in the Court Statistics Report to estimate the number of judicial officers and court staff needed to fully adjudicate each case filed in the 58 superior courts.

The Judicial Council has adopted caseweights for two workload models used by the judicial branch—the Judicial Workload Assessment and the Resource Assessment Study (RAS) model. The Judicial Workload Assessment model was originally developed and adopted by the Judicial Council in 2001, and the Judicial Council adopted updated caseweights or judicial workload standards in 2012. The Resource Assessment Study (RAS) model was originally developed and adopted by the Judicial Council in 2005, and the RAS model was updated and adopted by the Judicial Council in 2013.

With the introduction of a new budget development and allocation process for the trial courts in 2013, the data published in the Court Statistics Report is being used by the judicial branch for a critically important new purpose. The Judicial Council adopted the Workload-based Allocation and Funding Methodology, or WAFM, which uses the Resource Assessment Model (RAS) and other workload factors in a new budget development process that alters baseline funding for most trial courts based on court workload. WAFM is consistent with Goal II, Independence and Accountability, of Justice in Focus: The Strategic Plan for California Judicial Branch 2006-2012, in that the methodology strives to “allocate resources in a transparent and fair manner that promotes efficiency and effectiveness in the administration of justice, supports the strategic goals of the judicial branch, promotes innovation, and provides for effective and consistent court operations” (Goal II.B.3).

## Variations in Data Totals

Statewide trends in filings and dispositions may be influenced by a number of factors. For example, changes in the number of filings and dispositions may reflect shifting needs or behavior of residents of a court’s service area as well as new policy emphases in the work of justice system partners. The following are some of the more common causes of statistical variations.

### Missing Data

Statewide totals in the *CSR* may be influenced by missing data for certain courts. Typically, when courts do not report data to the AOC, it is because they have encountered difficulties generating automated reports from their case management systems. Filings data submitted by the courts tend to be more complete than disposition data. (See Appendix A for a list of courts that have not submitted data for FY 2011–2012.)

### Incomplete Data

The reporting of incomplete data typically occurs when courts transmit partial data totals for a particular case type because of the limits of their case management systems. It should be noted that incomplete data are more difficult to spot in the tables that follow, but in general they will cause downward shifts in the number of filings and dispositions. (Incomplete data for FY 2011–2012 are also detailed in Appendix A.)

## Variation in Local Business Practices

Data reported in the *CSR* are compiled in a data warehouse, the Judicial Branch Statistical Information System (JBSIS). Because many different case management systems are used in the courts, data must be “mapped” from local systems into the standard categories used for reporting purposes. One essential function of JBSIS is to standardize the basic definitions of case types and case events across all courts in California. Another important aspect of JBSIS is its role in the extraction of court data through different transmission methods that include web-based reports through the JBSIS Portal and automated JBSIS reports. Through this process JBSIS contributes to the warehousing of this data in a structure that is comparable from one court to another.

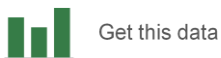
Maintaining quality control over the data contained in the JBSIS data warehouse involves:

- Training court staff on the standards for the classification, entry, and reporting of data;
- Providing information to the courts for resolving technical questions associated with data definitions, processing, and aggregation; and
- Documenting and disseminating information related to changes in the ways that courts define or report data.

Although a growing number of courts now transmit their data electronically from the case management system to the AOC, there continue to be differences among superior 'courts' case processing and other business practices that reflect the histories of individual courts and the unique needs of the communities they serve. These differences may influence the ways in which superior courts report data to the AOC. On that basis, while the filings and disposition data reported by any one court are largely comparable to data from other courts, some local variations in the classification and reporting of cases still occur.

## Changes to 2013 Court Statistics Report

The 2013 *Court Statistics Report* reflects several design improvements and organizational changes to make the document more user-friendly—primarily a more graphical presentation of the material and more accurate organization of the work of the branch by case type and subject matter. The electronic PDF version of the 2013 CSR also offers access to the raw data underlying many of the graphical charts by clicking the data icon:



The major organizational change in the 2013 CSR is to distinguish descriptive caseload indicators such as filings and dispositions, and basic standards and measures of judicial administration. These measures, such as time to disposition and caseload clearance rate, allow the courts to assess case-processing practices and ensure efficient allocation of resources. Engaging in an ongoing assessment of performance measurement furthers many of the branchwide strategic goals—such as access to justice, accountability, and quality of justice and service to the public—that are vital to the effective administration of justice in California.

### Judicial Administration Standards and Measures

Government Code section 77001.5 (Sen. Bill 56 [Dunn]; Stats. 2006, ch. 390) requires the Judicial Council to adopt and annually report on “judicial administration standards and measures that promote the fair and efficient administration of justice, including, but not limited to, the following subjects: (1) providing equal access to courts and respectful treatment for all court participants; (2) case processing, including the efficient use of judicial resources; and (3) general court administration.” The judicial administration standards and measures included in the 2013 CSR further the branch’s commitment to the goals and measures outlined in Government Code section 77001.5.

### CalCourTools

CalCourTools is a set of judicial administration standards and measures linked to technical assistance available from the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). The CalCourTools program builds on the CourTools measures developed by the National Center for State Courts and endorsed by the Conference of Chief Justices and the Conference of State Court Administrators

## Statistical Overview

This section contains summaries of filings and dispositions for the California Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, and superior courts for fiscal year 2011–2012.

### Supreme Court

- The Supreme Court issued 87 written opinions during the year.

- 9,237 matters were filed with the court, with 9,739 matters disposed of during the same period.
- The court received 4,620 petitions seeking review from a Court of Appeal decision in an appeal or an original writ proceeding and disposed of 4,549 such petitions.
  - 1,203 of these petitions for review arose from civil matters, and 3,417 from criminal matters.
  - The court disposed of 1,168 civil petitions and 3,381 criminal petitions.
- The court received 3,581 petitions seeking original writ relief and disposed of 4,236 of these matters.
  - Of the petitions seeking original writ relief, 294 arose out of civil matters and 3,287 arose out of criminal matters.
  - The court disposed of 280 civil and 3,946 criminal petitions.
- A total of 18 automatic appeals were filed with the court following a judgment of death, and the court disposed of 29 automatic appeals by written opinion.
- The court received 46 habeas corpus petitions related to automatic appeals and disposed of 26 such petitions.
- A total of 972 State Bar matters were filed with the court, and 909 such matters were disposed of during the year.
- The Supreme Court ordered 1 Court of Appeal opinions depublished in this fiscal year.

### **Courts of Appeal**

- Contested matters for the Courts of Appeal totaled 21,894, and dispositions totaled 24,215.
- Contested matters included 13,498 records of appeal and 8,396 original proceedings.
- The 13,498 filings of records of appeal comprised 4,601 civil cases, 6,145 criminal cases, and 2,752 juvenile cases. The 8,396 filings of original proceedings included 1,982 civil, 5,945 criminal, and 469 juvenile cases.
- Filings of notices of appeal in the superior court totaled 15,722: 6,505 civil cases, 6,387 criminal cases, and 2,830 juvenile cases.
- Disposition of notices of appeal totaled 15,531 and included 6,257 civil, 6,412 criminal, and 2,862 juvenile cases.
  - Dispositions of notices of appeal by written opinion totaled 10,097: 3,236 civil cases, 5,089 criminal cases, and 1,772 juvenile cases.
  - Dispositions without written opinion totaled 3,485 cases: 1,418 civil, 1,078 criminal, and 989 juvenile.
  - Dispositions of notices of appeal with no record filed totaled 1,949 cases: 1,603 civil, 245 criminal, and 101 juvenile.
- Disposition of filings of original proceedings is composed of 2,071 civil, 6,150 criminal, and 463 juvenile cases.
  - Disposition of original proceedings decided with written opinion totaled 572 cases: 132 civil cases, 204 criminal cases, and 236 juvenile cases.
  - Disposition of original proceedings without written opinion totaled 8,112 cases: 1,939 civil, 5,946 criminal, and 227 juvenile.
- Of the cases disposed of by written opinion, 8,591 were affirmed, 954 were reversed, and 295 were dismissed.

- Of those cases affirmed by the Courts of Appeal, 6,851 received full affirmance, while 1,740 received affirmance with modification.
- Statewide, 8 percent of Court of Appeal majority opinions were published in this fiscal year.

## Superior Court

Superior court case filings across all case categories totaled 8,498,331 cases, while dispositions numbered 7,518,201. Within these aggregate numbers, the following totals by major case category and case type were recorded:

**Civil Cases.** Civil filings totaled 984,048 and civil dispositions totaled 1,008,329, with a caseload clearance rate of 102% attained over all civil case types in this fiscal year.

- **UNLIMITED:** Civil unlimited filings totaled 196,994 cases, while civil unlimited dispositions numbered 186,704.
  - Method of disposition for civil unlimited cases: 137,643 cases disposed of before trial and 29,512 after trial.
  - Caseload clearance rate for civil unlimited cases: 95%.
  - Case processing time for civil unlimited cases was 68% within 12 months, 83% in 18 months, and 90% in 24 months.
- **LIMITED:** Civil limited filings totaled 603,097 cases, while civil limited dispositions numbered 637,910.
  - Method of disposition for civil limited trials: 543,200 cases were disposed of before trial and 47,839 after trial.
  - The caseload clearance rate for civil limited cases was 106%.
  - Case processing time for civil limited was as follows: 88% in 12 months, 95% in 18 months, and 97% in 24 months.
- **SMALL CLAIMS:** Small claims filings reached a total of 183,957 cases, while small claims dispositions numbered 183,715.
  - Method of disposition for small claims cases: 71,752 cases were disposed of before trial and 111,963 after trial.
  - The caseload clearance rate for small claims cases was 100%.
  - Case processing time in small claims cases was as follows: 64% in 70 days, 75% in 90 days.

**Criminal Cases.** Criminal filings totaled 6,898,591 and criminal dispositions numbered 5,965,657, with a caseload clearance rate of 86% attained over all criminal case types in this fiscal year.

- **FELONIES:** Felony filings reached a total of 243,270 cases, while felony dispositions numbered 227,810.
  - Method of disposition: 221,612 felony cases were disposed of before trial and 5,915 after trial.
  - Caseload clearance rate for felony cases was 94%.
  - Case processing time in felony cases resulting in bindovers or certified pleas: 48% in 30 days, 58% in 45 days, 75% in 90 days—with 88% of all felonies disposed of in less than 12 months.
- **MISDEMEANORS:** Misdemeanor filings reached a total of 1,047,594 cases, while misdemeanor dispositions numbered 844,074.



- Method of disposition: 834,451 misdemeanor cases were disposed of before trial and 9,626 after trial.
- Caseload clearance rate for misdemeanor cases ranged from 77% for traffic misdemeanors to 87% for nontraffic misdemeanors.
- Case processing time for misdemeanors: 64% in 30 days, 80% in 90 days, and 85% in 120 days.
- **INFRACTIONS:** Infraction filings reached a total of 5,607,727 cases, while infraction dispositions numbered 4,893,773.
  - Method of disposition: 4,532,304 infraction cases were disposed of before trial and 361,468 after trial.
  - The caseload clearance rate for infraction cases ranged from 87% for traffic infractions to 88% for nontraffic infractions.

**Family Law.** Family law filings totaled 437,800, and family law dispositions numbered 396,392, with a caseload clearance rate of 91% attained over all family law case types in this fiscal year.

- **FAMILY LAW (MARITAL):** Family law (marital) filings reached a total of 160,593 cases, while this type of family law dispositions numbered 138,578.
  - Method of disposition: 137,064 family law (marital) cases were disposed of before trial and 1,514 after trial.
  - The caseload clearance rate for family law (marital) cases was 86%.
- **FAMILY LAW PETITIONS:** Family law petition filings reached a total of 277,207 cases, while this type of family law dispositions numbered 257,814.
  - Method of disposition: 257,027 family law petition cases were disposed of before trial and 787 after trial.
  - The caseload clearance rate for family law petition cases was 93%.

**Juvenile Law.** Juvenile filings totaled 101,977, and juvenile dispositions numbered 85,973.

- **JUVENILE DELINQUENCY:** Juvenile delinquency filings reached a total of 62,937 cases, while juvenile delinquency dispositions numbered 55,337.
  - Method of disposition: 9,550 juvenile delinquency cases were disposed of before hearing and 45,787 after hearing.
  - The caseload clearance rate for juvenile delinquency cases ranged from 86% for original petitions to 92% for subsequent petitions, with an average of 88% for this case type.
- **JUVENILE DEPENDENCY:** Juvenile dependency filings reached a total of 39,040 cases, while juvenile dependency dispositions numbered 30,636.
  - Method of disposition: 5,836 juvenile dependency cases were disposed of before hearing and 23,261 after hearing.
  - The caseload clearance rate for juvenile dependency cases ranged from 87% for original petitions to 29% for subsequent petitions, with an average of 78% for this case type.

***Probate and Mental Health Cases.***

- **PROBATE:** Probate (estate, guardianship, and conservatorship) filings reached a total of 42,781 cases, while probate dispositions numbered 31,678.
  - Method of disposition: 15,363 probate cases were disposed of before hearing and 16,318 after hearing.
  - The caseload clearance rate for all types of probate cases was 74%.
- **MENTAL HEALTH:** Mental health filings reached a total of 19,643 cases, while mental health dispositions numbered 17,121.
  - Method of disposition: 5,127 mental health cases were disposed of before hearing and 11,994 after hearing.
  - The caseload clearance rate for all types of mental health cases was 87%.

### ***Trials, By Type of Proceeding***

- **JURY TRIALS:** A total of 10,007 jury trials were recorded across all case types. Jury trials held in the superior courts in fiscal year 2011–2012 included 5,300 felony, 3,002 misdemeanor, 1,172 civil unlimited, 509 civil limited, and 24 probate and mental health cases.
- **ALL COURT TRIALS:** A total of 467,649 court trials were recorded across all the case types detailed above (excluding small claims). These included 615 felony, 368,093 misdemeanor and infractions, 23,323 civil unlimited, 47,330 civil limited, and 28,288 probate and mental health cases.
- **SMALL CLAIMS TRIALS:** A total of 111,963 small claims court trials were recorded, which may be distinguished from criminal and civil court trials for their tendency to be resolved in a single hearing.

### ***Trial Court Workload and Judicial Resources***

- Authorized judicial positions in the California courts in fiscal year 2011–2012 totaled 2,024: 1,682 judges and 342 subordinate judicial officers.
- While the number of authorized judicial positions for the year was 2,024, the assessed number of judges needed (AJN) was 2,286.

## **The California Court System**

California’s court system serves a population of more than 38 million people—about 12.1 percent of the total U.S. population—and processed almost 8.5 million cases in fiscal year 2011–2012. The judicial branch budget excluding infrastructure of \$3.1 billion represents about 2.1 percent of the California state budget for the current 2013-2014 fiscal year and makes possible the case-processing activity detailed above while also providing the basis of support for approximately 2,000 judicial officers and 19,000 court employees statewide.

The vast majority of cases in the California courts begin in one of the 58 superior, or trial, courts, which reside in each of the state’s 58 counties. With more than 500 court buildings throughout the state, these courts hear both civil and criminal cases as well as family, probate, mental health, and juvenile cases. The equivalent of more than 2,000 judicial positions statewide address the full range of cases heard each year by the superior courts, as reflected in the sheer number of case filings and dispositions reported here. The superior courts report summaries of their case filing counts to the AOC, and the CSR reports those figures here in aggregate form.

The next level of court authority within the state's judicial branch resides with the Courts of Appeal. Most of the cases that come before the Courts of Appeal involve the review of a superior court decision that is being contested by a party to the case. The Legislature has divided the state geographically into six appellate districts, each containing a Court of Appeal. Currently, 105 appellate justices preside in nine locations in the state to hear matters brought for review. Totals of Court of Appeal case filings are forwarded to the AOC; these are summarized in the tables that follow.

The Supreme Court sits at the apex of the state's judicial system, and has discretion to review decisions of the Courts of Appeal in order to settle important questions of law and resolve conflicts among the courts of appeal. Although the Supreme Court generally has considerable discretion in determining in which cases to grant review, it must review the appeal in any case in which a trial court has imposed the death penalty. The Supreme Court sends the AOC its annual case filing figures, which are reported here in summary form.

## Terminology and Rules for Counting Cases

Technical definitions of most terms used in this CSR can be found in the appendixes. Some core definitions are presented here in more detail.

### Appellate Courts

**APPEAL.** An *appeal* is a proceeding undertaken to have a decision of a lower trial court reviewed by a court with appellate authority over the matter. (Certain limited matters are reviewed by the appellate department of the superior court courts.) A *notice of appeal* is a written notification filed in the superior court to initiate the appeal of a judgment to the Court of Appeal. The Courts of Appeal have appellate jurisdiction in all trial court matters, except when a judgment of death is entered, in which case the Supreme Court has appellate jurisdiction. If the matter is appealable, the court must hear the appeal. A *fully briefed* appeal is one in which all briefs have been filed with the court. *Dismissal* of an appeal involves the termination of a case for reasons other than its merit. An appeal that is awaiting a final decision is said to be *pending*. **Each notice of appeal is counted as one new filing.**

**PETITION FOR REVIEW.** A *petition for review* is filed in the California Supreme Court to ask that court to exercise its discretion to review a decision issued by a Court of Appeal in an appeal or an original proceeding. The Supreme Court has a total of 90 days to consider a petition for review, after which it loses jurisdiction. If a petition for review is granted by the Supreme Court then full briefing occurs on the case; if a petition is denied then the judgment of the lower court becomes final as to the case.

**AUTOMATIC APPEAL.** An *automatic appeal* is the appeal following a judgment of death in the trial court. This type of appeal is unique because it moves directly from a superior court to the Supreme Court without first being reviewed by a Court of Appeal. Like other types of appeals, is fully briefed before being heard. **An automatic appeal is counted as one new filing.**

**ORIGINAL PROCEEDING.** An *original proceeding* is an action that may be filed and heard for the first time in an appellate court. This action is not an appeal; rather, it is ordinarily a petition for a writ. Examples of original proceedings include a writ of mandamus, which instructs a lower court to perform mandatory duties correctly; a writ of prohibition, or an order that forbids certain actions; and a writ of habeas corpus, which is described below. **Each original proceeding is counted as one new filing.**

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS. A petition for the issuance of a *writ of habeas corpus* is typically filed to contest the legality of a party's imprisonment or conditions of confinement. **Each habeas corpus petition is counted as one new filing.**

WRITTEN OPINION. A *written opinion* is a document issued by an appellate court explaining the terms and reasoning in its disposition of a case. The written opinion includes a statement of the legal facts in the case, relevant points of law, and the court's analysis and rationale for its decision. In addition to the written majority opinion in a case, concurring and dissenting opinions also may be filed in each case. **For each case, only the majority opinion is counted as a written opinion in these tables.**

DISPOSITIONS. The appellate court may dispose of a case by affirming or reversing the action of the lower court, or it may send the case back to the lower court for further proceedings if appropriate.

RECORD OF APPEAL. A *record of appeal* is the compilation of documents and transcripts associated with a given superior court case under review by an appellate court. The record is a component of a new appellate case and as such **is not counted separately from the initial appeal.**

REVERSAL OF CASE DECISION. A *reversal* is the overturning of a lower court's decision by an appellate court.

## Superior Courts

FILING. In the most general sense, a *filing* is the initiation of a legal action with the court through a carefully prescribed legal procedure.

**How Filings Are Counted.** The procedure used to count filings for this report follows a set of rules consistent with national standards for statistical reporting. These rules differ according to case type:

- Each filing in a *civil* case pertains to the complaint or petition that has been submitted to the court for action. A given civil complaint may name one or more individuals or groups as its object. However, **regardless of the number of parties named in a case, each civil case is reported as one filing or one disposition.**
- Each filing in a *criminal* case is associated with a single defendant against whom criminal charges have been filed. Multiple criminal charges may occur in a case where different charges have been brought against the same defendant, but **only the single most severe charge against a defendant in a given case is counted as a new criminal filing. When multiple defendants are charged with a crime, multiple filings are respectively reported.**
- Each filing in a *juvenile* case pertains to a minor who is the subject of a petition made to the court for adjudication. A minor may have an initial filing that brought him or her to the attention of the court, and subsequent filings if new petitions or charges are filed over time. This practice continues until termination of the dependency or delinquency jurisdiction by the court or when the minor has reached the legal definition of adulthood. **In a single case involving multiple minors, each minor is counted as a separate filing.**

DISPOSITION. In a general sense, a *disposition* may be described as a final settlement or determination in a case. A disposition may occur either before or after a civil or criminal case has been scheduled for trial. A final judgment, a dismissal of a case, and the sentencing of a criminal defendant are all examples of dispositions. In certain case types, however, a disposition may merely signal the beginning of the court's authority over a case. For example, after the petition to appoint a conservator is disposed of in conservatorship cases, the court assumes control over that case. Rules for counting and reporting dispositions mirror those for filings, although a case filed in one year may be disposed of by the court in a subsequent year.

## California Judicial Branch: Structure and Duties

### The Courts

#### CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT

[www.courts.ca.gov/supremecourt.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/supremecourt.htm)

- Has discretionary authority to review decisions of the Courts of Appeal; jurisdiction to review original petitions for writ relief; direct responsibility for automatic appeals after death penalty judgments
- Hears oral arguments in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Sacramento

#### COURTS OF APPEAL

[www.courts.ca.gov/courtssofarpeal.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/courtssofarpeal.htm)

- Review the majority of appealable orders or judgments from the superior courts; jurisdiction to review original petitions for writ relief
- Six districts, 19 divisions, 9 court locations

#### SUPERIOR COURTS

[www.courts.ca.gov/superiorcourts.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/superiorcourts.htm)

- Have trial jurisdiction over all criminal and civil cases filed in their respective counties; guided by state and local laws that define crimes and specify punishments, as well as defining civil duties and liabilities
- A total of 58 courts—one for each California county—each operating in 1 to 55 branches depending on county population, total local caseload, and other factors

### Branch and Administration Policy

#### JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

[www.courts.ca.gov/policyadmin-jc.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/policyadmin-jc.htm)

The constitutionally created policymaking body of the California courts

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS (AOC)

[www.courts.ca.gov/policyadmin-aoc.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/policyadmin-aoc.htm)

The staff agency to the Judicial Council

### Branch Agencies

#### COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS

[www.courts.ca.gov/5367.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/5367.htm)

Confirms gubernatorial appointments to the Supreme Court and appellate courts

#### COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE

<http://cjp.ca.gov>

Responsible for maintaining statewide standards for administration of justice and empowered with disciplinary authority to effect the censure, removal, retirement, or private admonishment of judges and commissioners

Decisions subject to review by the California Supreme Court

HABEAS CORPUS RESOURCE CENTER

[www.courts.ca.gov/5361.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/5361.htm)

Handles state and federal habeas corpus proceedings; provides training and support for private attorneys who take these cases

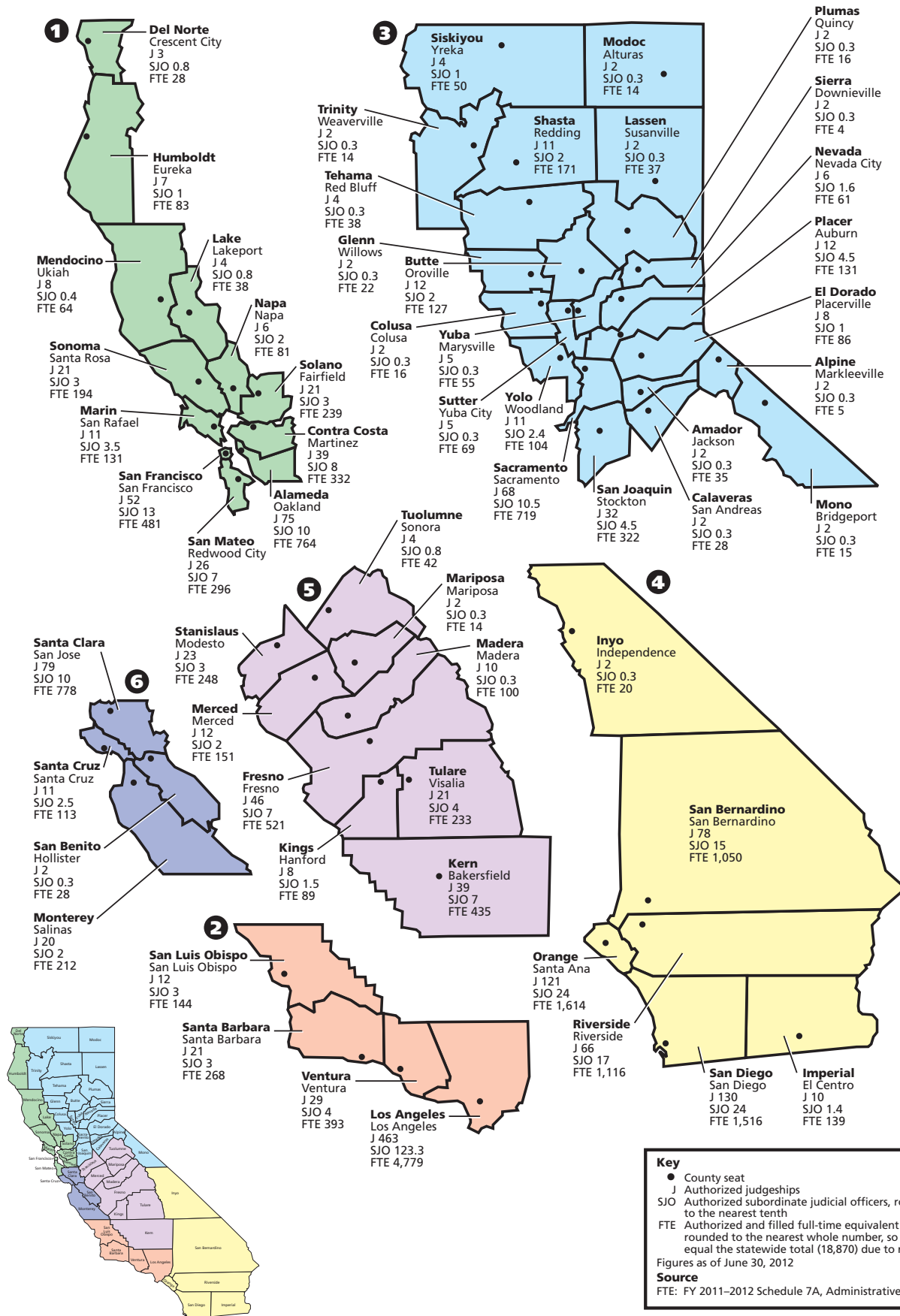
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 Justices 20  
 FTE 101

**Second Appellate District**  
 Justices 32  
 FTE 238

**Third Appellate District**  
 Justices 11  
 FTE 76

**Fourth Appellate District**  
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 FTE 173

**Fifth Appellate District**  
 Justices 10  
 FTE 66

**Sixth Appellate District**  
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# Supreme Court







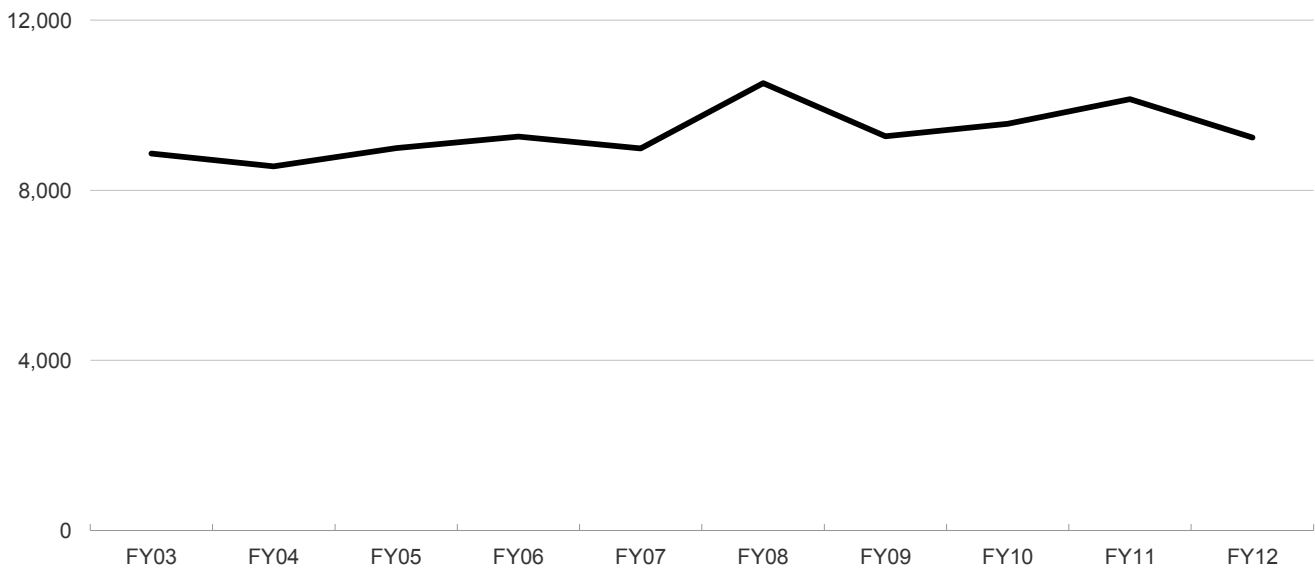
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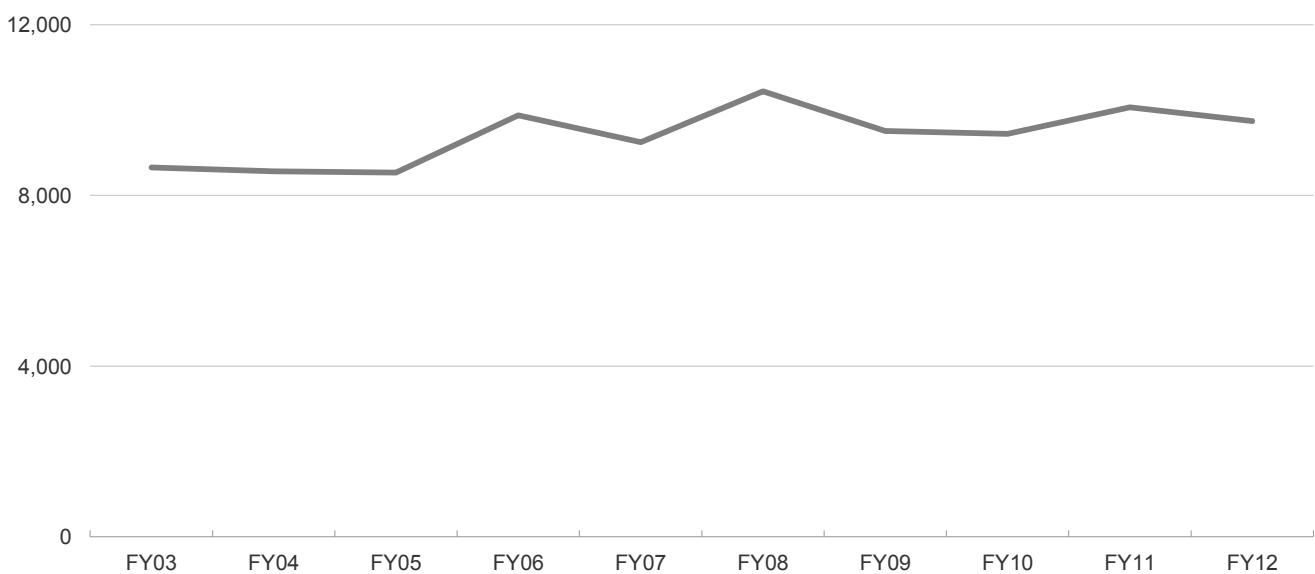
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Filings	8,862	8,564	8,990	9,261	8,988	10,521	9,274	9,562	10,145	9,237
Dispositions	8,652	8,565	8,535	9,878	9,247	10,440	9,513	9,439	10,063	9,739

**Figure 1: Total Filings**

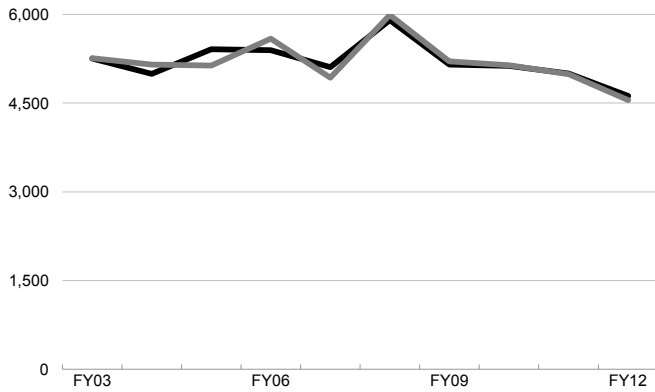


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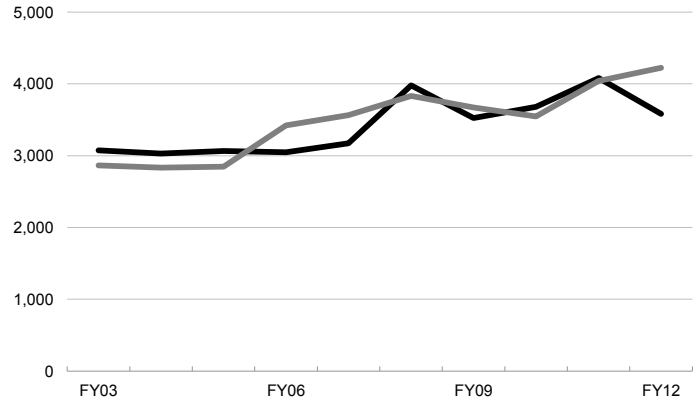


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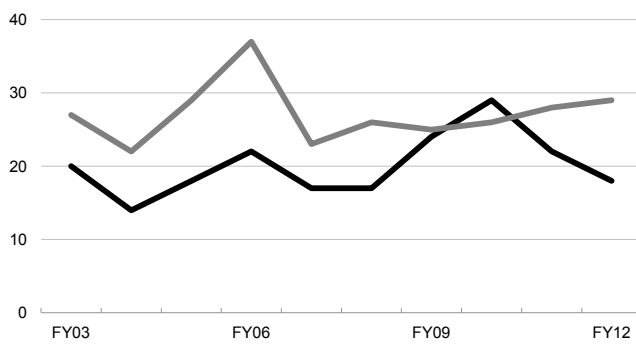
**Figure 3: Petitions for Review <sup>1</sup>**



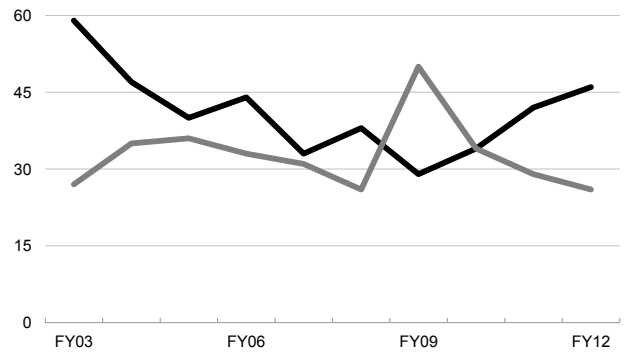
**Figure 4: Original Proceedings <sup>2</sup>**



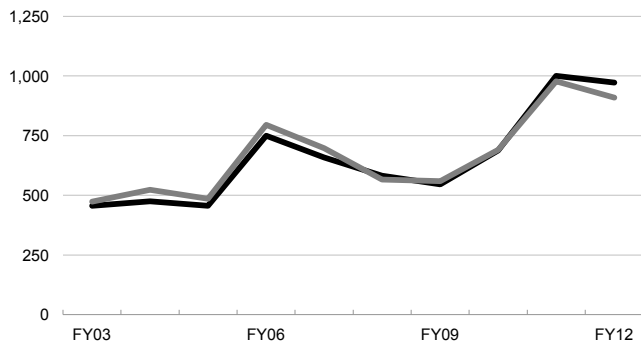
**Figure 5: Automatic Appeals (Death Penalty Cases)**



**Figure 6: Habeas Corpus Related To Automatic Appeals <sup>3</sup>**



**Figure 7: State Bar Matters <sup>4</sup>**



**Notes:**

- 1 Petitions seeking review following Court of Appeal decision in appeals and writs. Detailed breakout is shown in Figures 8-10c.
- 2 Original petitions for writs filed directly in the Supreme Court. Detailed breakout is shown in Figures 11-13b.
- 3 Includes petitions filed both before the court has issued an opinion in the related automatic appeal and after affirmance.
- 4 Filings include State Bar Court recommendations for disciplinary action, reports of criminal convictions of attorneys, motions for the admissions of attorneys, requests for rule proposals, and other administrative matters relating to the State Bar.

**Filings and Dispositions: Summary**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Data for Figures 3–7**

<b>Filings</b>						
Fiscal year	Total (A)	Petitions for review (B)	Original proceedings (C)	Automatic appeals (D)	Habeas Corpus related to automatic appeals (E)	State Bar matters (F)
FY12	9,237	4,620	3,581	18	46	972
FY11	10,145	4,999	4,082	22	42	1,000
FY10	9,562	5,131	3,680	29	34	688
FY09	9,274	5,151	3,524	24	29	546
FY08	10,521	5,903	3,981	17	38	582
FY07	8,988	5,108	3,172	17	33	658
FY06	9,261	5,397	3,048	22	44	750
FY05	8,990	5,410	3,066	18	40	456
FY04	8,564	4,997	3,031	14	47	475
FY03	8,862	5,253	3,074	20	59	456

<b>Dispositions</b>						
Fiscal year	Total (A)	Petitions for review (B)	Original proceedings (C)	Automatic appeals (D)	Habeas Corpus related to automatic appeals (E)	State Bar matters (F)
FY12	9,739	4,549	4,226	29	26	909
FY11	10,063	4,989	4,040	28	29	977
FY10	9,439	5,141	3,548	26	34	690
FY09	9,513	5,205	3,674	25	50	559
FY08	10,440	5,989	3,833	26	26	566
FY07	9,247	4,930	3,566	23	31	697
FY06	9,878	5,591	3,422	37	33	795
FY05	8,535	5,135	2,849	29	36	486
FY04	8,565	5,149	2,836	22	35	523
FY03	8,652	5,260	2,865	27	27	473

<b>Caseload Clearance</b>						
Fiscal year	Total (A)	Petitions for review (B)	Original proceedings (C)	Automatic appeals (D)	Habeas Corpus related to automatic appeals (E)	State Bar matters (F)
FY12	105%	98%	118%	161%	57%	94%
FY11	99%	100%	99%	127%	69%	98%
FY10	99%	100%	96%	90%	100%	100%
FY09	103%	101%	104%	104%	172%	102%
FY08	99%	101%	96%	153%	68%	97%
FY07	103%	97%	112%	135%	94%	106%
FY06	107%	104%	112%	168%	75%	106%
FY05	95%	95%	93%	161%	90%	107%
FY04	100%	103%	94%	157%	74%	110%
FY03	98%	100%	93%	135%	46%	104%

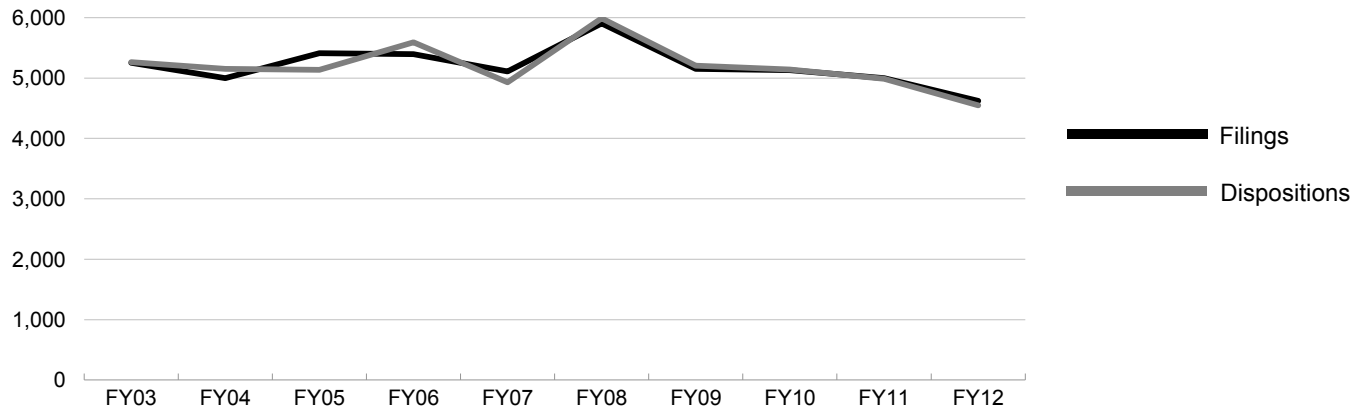
**Column Key:**

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- (B) Petitions seeking review following Court of Appeal decision in appeals and writs. Detailed breakout is shown in Figures 8-10c.
- (C) Original petitions for writs filed directly in the Supreme Court. Detailed breakout is shown in Figures 11-13b.
- (D) Death penalty cases.
- (E) Includes petitions filed both before the court has issued an opinion in the related automatic appeal and after affirmance.
- (F) Filings include State Bar Court recommendations for disciplinary action, reports of criminal convictions of attorneys, motions for the admissions of attorneys, request for rule proposals, and other administrative matters relating to the State Bar. Detailed breakout is shown in Table 2.

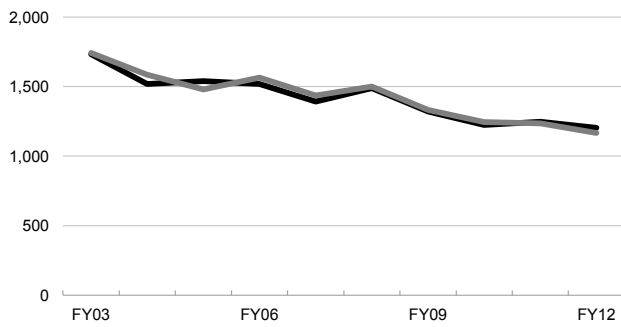
**Filings and Dispositions: Petitions for Review**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Figures 8–10c**

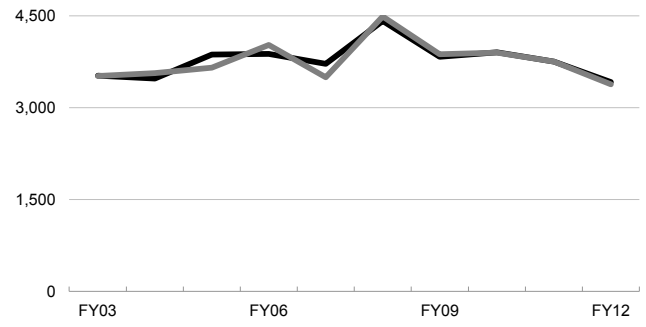
**Figure 8: Total Petitions for Review**



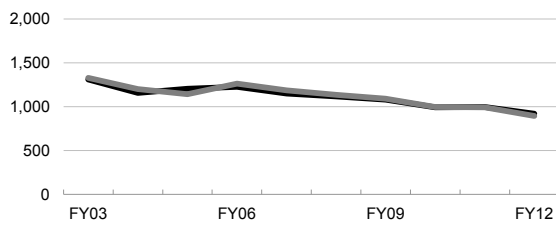
**Figure 9: Civil Total**



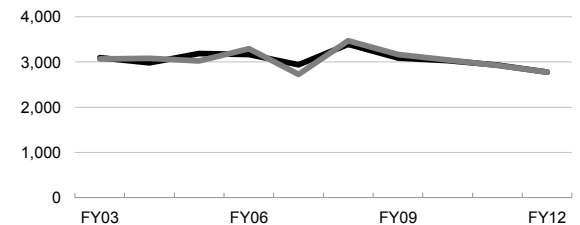
**Figure 10: Criminal Total**



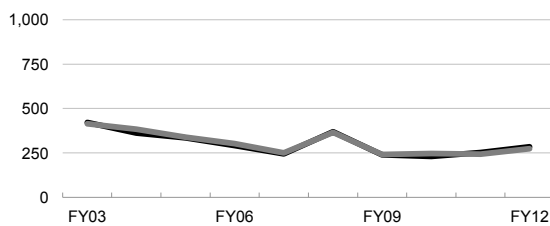
**Figure 9a: Civil Appeals <sup>1</sup>**



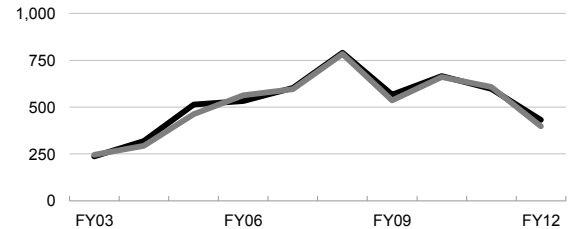
**Figure 10a: Criminal Appeals <sup>3</sup>**



**Figure 9b: Civil Writs <sup>2</sup>**



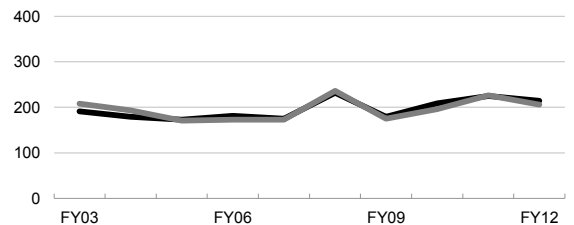
**Figure 10b: Criminal Habeas Corpus <sup>4</sup>**



**Notes:**

- 1 Petitions for review from decisions in civil appeals
- 2 Petitions for review arising from civil original writs filed in the Courts of Appeal
- 3 Petitions for review from decisions in criminal appeals
- 4 Petitions for review arising from habeas corpus petitions filed in the Courts of Appeal
- 5 Petitions for review arising from original criminal writs filed in the Courts of Appeal other than a petition for writ of habeas corpus.

**Figure 10c: Criminal – Other Writs <sup>5</sup>**



**Filings and Dispositions: Petitions for Review**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Data for Figures 8–10c**

<b>Filings</b>								
Fiscal year	Grand total (A)	Civil			Criminal			
		Total (B)	Appeals (C)	Writs (D)	Total (E)	Appeals (F)	Habeas Corpus (G)	Other Writs (H)
FY12	4,620	1,203	918	285	3,417	2,772	431	214
FY11	4,999	1,247	996	251	3,752	2,929	598	225
FY10	5,131	1,225	994	231	3,906	3,031	666	209
FY09	5,151	1,320	1,081	239	3,831	3,086	566	179
FY08	5,903	1,488	1,118	370	4,415	3,393	790	232
FY07	5,108	1,392	1,148	244	3,716	2,939	602	175
FY06	5,397	1,520	1,228	292	3,877	3,163	533	181
FY05	5,410	1,540	1,206	334	3,870	3,183	514	173
FY04	4,997	1,519	1,157	362	3,478	2,980	319	179
FY03	5,253	1,732	1,311	421	3,521	3,093	237	191

<b>Dispositions</b>								
Fiscal year	Grand total (A)	Civil			Criminal			
		Total (B)	Appeals (C)	Writs (D)	Total (E)	Appeals (F)	Habeas Corpus (G)	Other Writs (H)
FY12	4,549	1,168	894	274	3,381	2,778	397	206
FY11	4,989	1,235	992	243	3,754	2,921	607	226
FY10	5,141	1,244	998	246	3,897	3,040	661	196
FY09	5,205	1,332	1,091	241	3,873	3,162	536	175
FY08	5,989	1,500	1,135	365	4,489	3,469	784	236
FY07	4,930	1,436	1,186	250	3,494	2,726	595	173
FY06	5,591	1,565	1,263	302	4,026	3,290	563	173
FY05	5,135	1,480	1,142	338	3,655	3,021	463	171
FY04	5,149	1,586	1,202	384	3,563	3,076	294	193
FY03	5,260	1,743	1,329	414	3,517	3,063	246	208

**Column Key:**

- (A)  $B + E$ .
- (B)  $C + D$ .
- (C) Cases in which the Court of Appeal case was a civil appeal.
- (D) Cases in which the Court of Appeal case was a civil original proceeding.
- (E)  $F + G + H$ .
- (F) Cases in which the Court of Appeal case was a criminal appeal.
- (G) Cases in which the Court of Appeal case was a petition for writ of habeas corpus.
- (H) Cases in which the Court of Appeal case was a criminal original proceeding other than a petition for writ of habeas corpus.

	<b>Actions taken on petitions for review</b>						Percentage granted (G)
	Disposed (A)	Total (B)	Granted (C)	Granted and held (D)	Granted and transferred (E)	Denied (F)	
	<b>Total</b>	4,549	4,546	63	71	34	
<b>Total civil</b>	1,168	1,153	35	19	10	1,089	6%
Civil appeals	894	884	31	19	3	831	6%
Civil writs	274	269	4	0	7	258	4%
<b>Total criminal</b>	3,381	3,393	28	52	24	3,289	3%
Criminal appeals	2,778	2,790	23	33	7	2,727	2%
Criminal writs (excluding habeas corpus)	397	200	3	10	13	174	13%
Habeas Corpus	206	403	2	9	4	388	4%

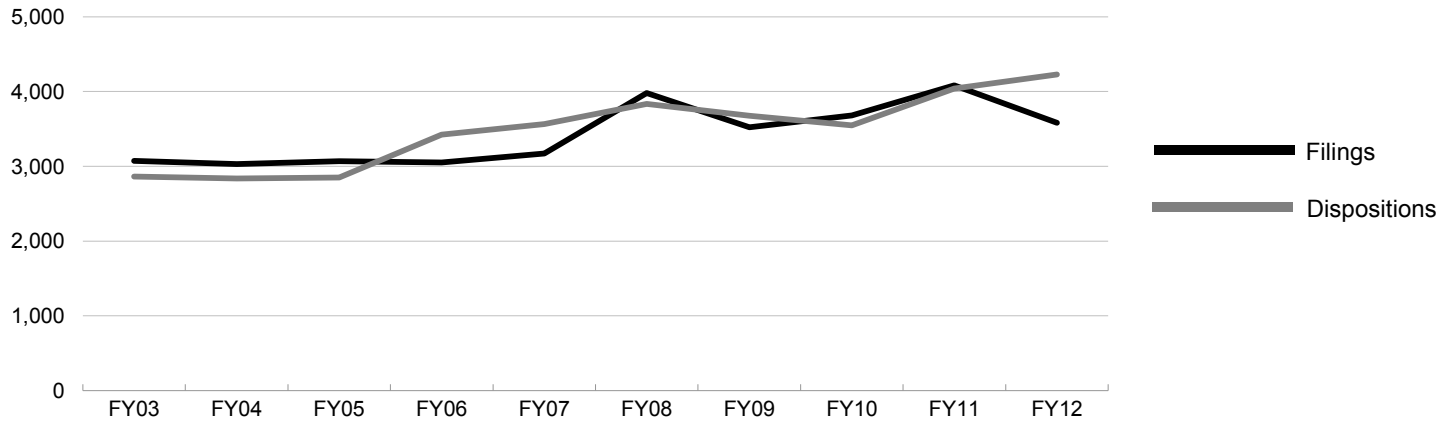
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- (B) Sum of C through F. (Administrative dispositions are not included in this table.)
- (G)  $(C + D + E) / B$

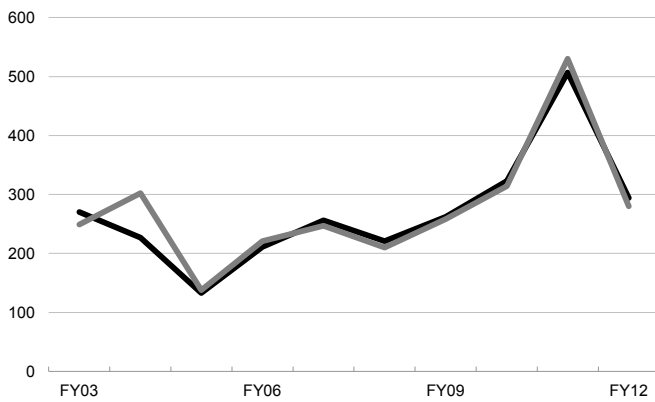
**Filings and Dispositions: Original Proceedings**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Figures 11–13b**

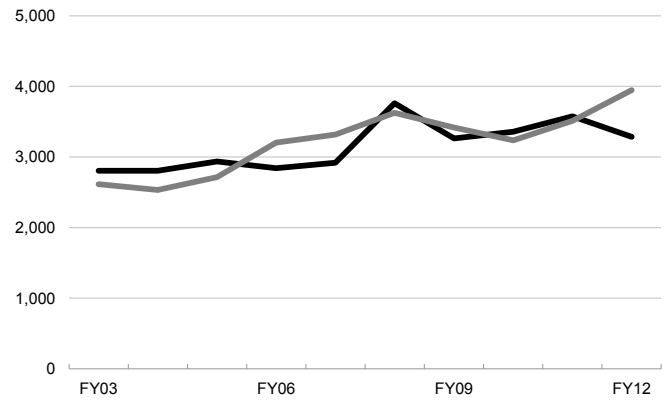
**Figure 11: Total Original Proceedings**



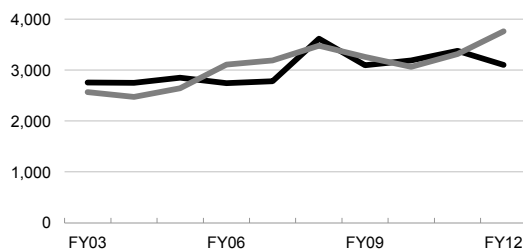
**Figure 12: Civil Total <sup>1</sup>**



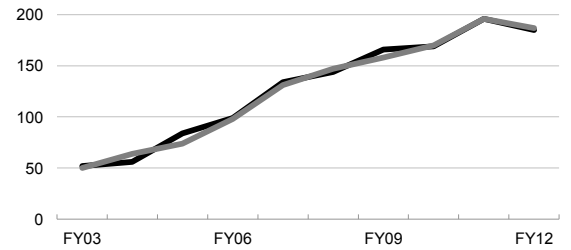
**Figure 13: Criminal Total**



**Figure 13a: Criminal Habeas Corpus <sup>2</sup>**



**Figure 13b: Criminal - Other Writs <sup>3</sup>**



**Notes:**

- 1 Includes original writ petitions, questions of state law referred by the federal courts, accusations against attorneys, and petitions pertaining to Commission on Judicial Performance proceedings.
- 2 Petitions for writs of habeas corpus filed in the Supreme Court's original jurisdiction, not including filings related to automatic appeals.
- 3 Primarily petitions for writ of mandate and/or prohibition.



**Filings and Dispositions: Original Proceedings**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Data for Figures 11–13b**

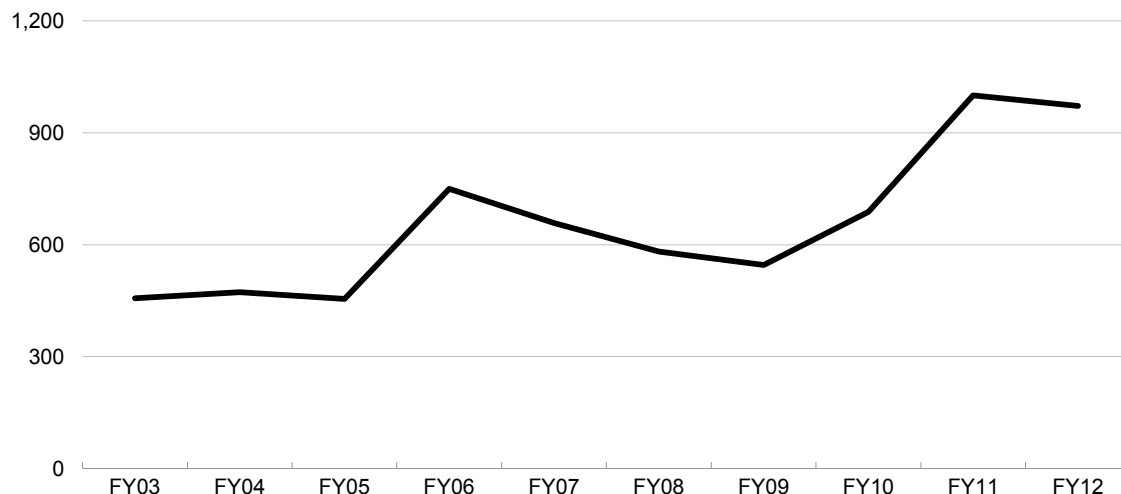
<b>Filings</b>							
Fiscal year	Grand total (A)	Civil			Criminal		
		Total (B)	PUC (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Habeas Corpus (F)	Other Writs (G)
FY12	3,581	294	0	294	3,287	3,102	185
FY11	4,082	507	2	505	3,575	3,379	196
FY10	3,680	323	3	320	3,357	3,188	169
FY09	3,524	262	0	262	3,262	3,096	166
FY08	3,981	221	0	221	3,760	3,616	144
FY07	3,172	256	4	252	2,916	2,782	134
FY06	3,050	211	4	207	2,839	2,740	99
FY05	3,068	133	2	131	2,935	2,851	84
FY04	3,031	227	8	219	2,804	2,748	56
FY03	3,074	270	5	265	2,804	2,752	52

<b>Dispositions</b>							
Fiscal year	Grand total (A)	Civil			Criminal		
		Total (B)	PUC (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Habeas Corpus (F)	Other Writs (G)
FY12	4,226	280	0	280	3,946	3,759	187
FY11	4,040	530	3	527	3,510	3,314	196
FY10	3,548	314	2	312	3,234	3,064	170
FY09	3,674	258	3	255	3,416	3,258	158
FY08	3,833	210	1	209	3,623	3,476	147
FY07	3,566	247	3	244	3,319	3,188	131
FY06	3,424	221	4	217	3,203	3,105	98
FY05	2,851	138	4	134	2,713	2,639	74
FY04	2,836	302	10	292	2,534	2,470	64
FY03	2,865	249	4	245	2,616	2,566	50

**Column Key:**

- (A) B + E.
- (B) C + D.
- (C) Petitions for review of Public Utility Commission matters originally filed in the Court of Appeal are reflected in Figure 9b.
- (D) Includes original writ petitions, questions of state law referred by the federal courts, accusations against attorneys, and petitions pertaining to Commission on Judicial Performance proceedings.
- (E) F + G.
- (F) Petitions for writs of habeas corpus filed in the Supreme Court's original jurisdiction, not including filings related to automatic appeals.
- (G) Primarily petitions for writ of mandate and/or prohibition.

**Figure 14: Total State Bar Matters Filed <sup>1</sup>**



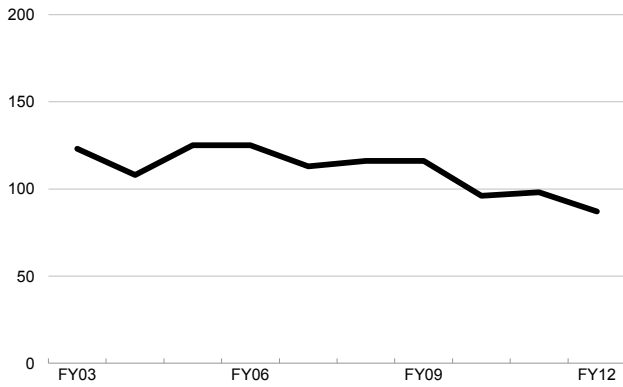
**Table 2: Types of State Bar Matters Filed**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Admission</u>	<u>Discipline</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Reinstatement</u>	<u>Resignation</u>	<u>Rule Proposal</u>
FY12	972	6	610	2	0	351	3
FY11	1,000	0	571	4	3	422	0
FY10	688	2	408	3	5	268	2
FY09	546	6	230	11	10	286	3
FY08	582	3	223	7	4	339	6
FY07	658	3	203	8	1	441	2
FY06	750	1	226	1	4	516	2
FY05	455	3	278	4	7	161	2
FY04	473	4	274	4	8	182	1
FY03	456	0	265	4	5	182	0

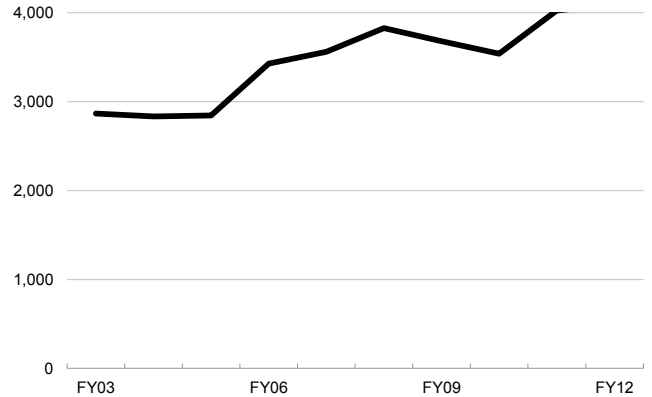
**Note:**

<sup>1</sup> Filings include State Bar Court recommendations for disciplinary action, reports of criminal convictions of attorneys, motions for the admission of attorneys, requests for rule proposals, and other administrative matters relating to the State Bar.

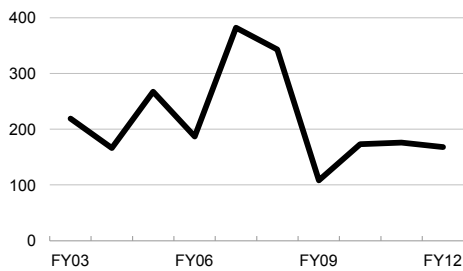
**Figure 15: Written Opinions**



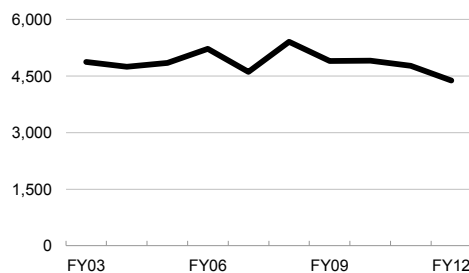
**Figure 16: Original Proceedings**



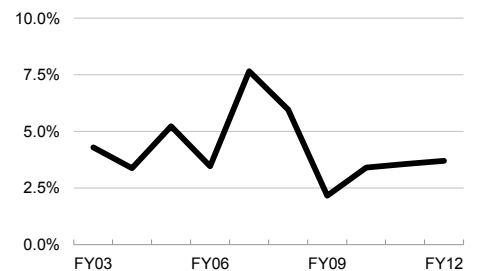
**Figure 17: Petitions for Review <sup>1</sup> Granted**



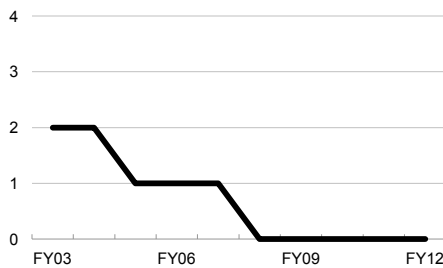
**Figure 18: Petitions for Review <sup>1</sup> Denied**



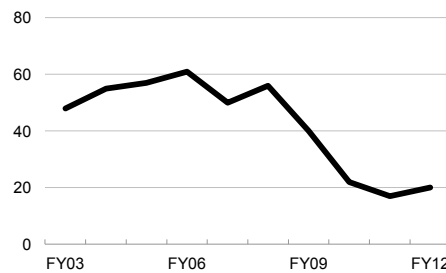
**Figure 19: Petitions for Review <sup>1</sup> Percent Granted**



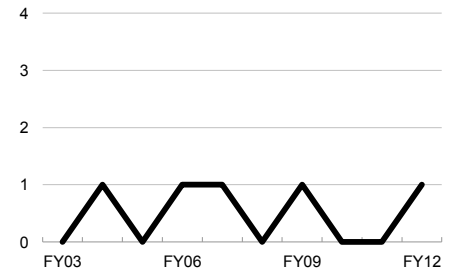
**Figure 20: Rehearings – Granted**



**Figure 21: Rehearings – Denied**



**Figure 22: Executive Clemency Applications <sup>2</sup>**



**Notes:**

1 The Supreme Court's exercise of its discretion to grant or deny petitions for review constitutes a significant part of its workload.

2 See Cal. Const., art. V, § 8.

**Business Transacted**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court**  
**Data for Figures 15–22**

Fiscal year	Written opinions (A)	Petitions for review*					Original proceedings		
		Granted (B)	Granted and held (C)	Granted and transferred (D)	Denied (E)	Percentage granted (F)	Total (G)	Alternative writs or orders to show cause (H)	Other dispositions (I)
FY12	87	63	71	34	4,378	4%	4,096	12	4,084
FY11	98	71	69	36	4,769	4%	4,027	5	4,022
FY10	96	86	44	43	4,911	3%	3,538	4	3,534
FY09	116	39	33	36	4,896	2%	3,681	20	3,661
FY08	116	82	210	51	5,406	6%	3,827	11	3,816
FY07	113	92	252	38	4,609	8%	3,563	11	3,552
FY06	125	85	60	42	5,226	3%	3,427	13	3,414
FY05	125	101	133	33	4,847	5%	2,846	9	2,837
FY04	108	95	48	23	4,750	3%	2,833	7	2,826
FY03	123	118	66	35	4,878	4%	2,866	17	2,849

**Column Key:**

(F)  $(B + C + D) / (B + C + D + E)$ .

(I) Original proceedings disposed of without an alternative writ or order to show cause, e.g., denials and administrative transfers to the Court of Appeal.

**Note:**

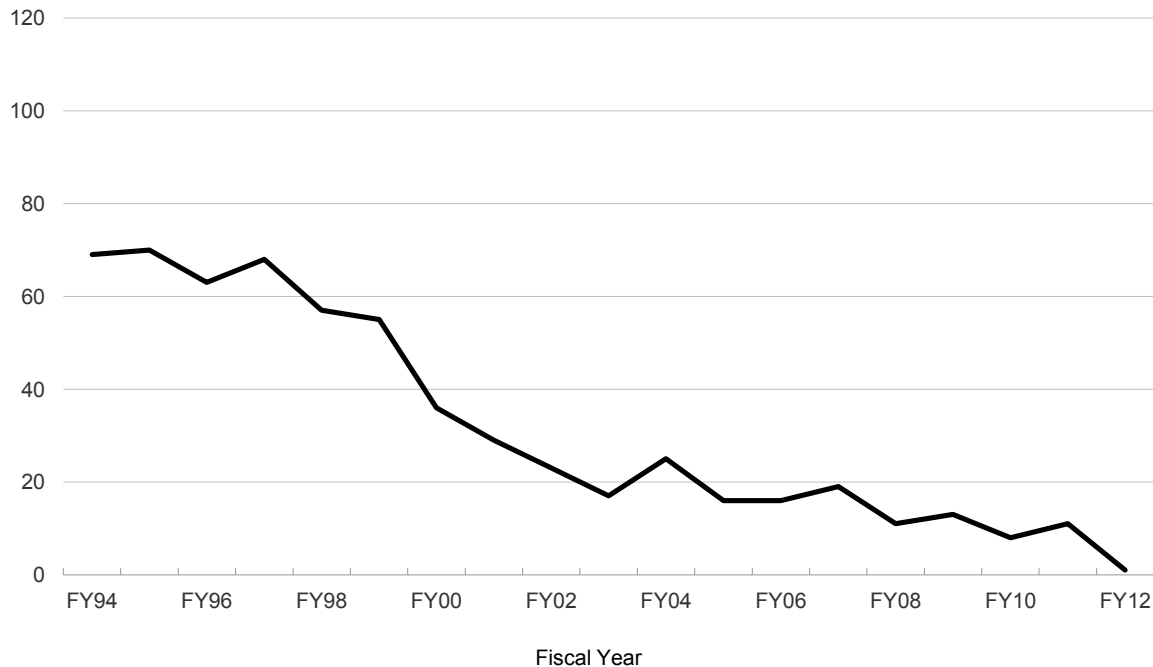
(\*) The Supreme Court's exercise of its discretion to grant or deny petitions for review constitutes a significant part of its workload.

Fiscal year	Rehearings		Executive clemency applications (C)
	Granted (A)	Denied (B)	
FY12	0	20	1
FY11	0	17	0
FY10	0	22	0
FY09	0	40	1
FY08	0	56	0
FY07	1	50	1
FY06	1	61	1
FY05	1	57	0
FY04	2	55	1
FY03	2	48	0

**Column Key:**

(C) See Cal. Const., art. V, § 8.

**Figure 30: Depublished Opinions <sup>1</sup>**



**Note:**

- 1 Depublished opinions are Court of Appeal opinions that the Court of Appeal has certified for publication but that the Supreme Court, acting under its constitutional power over opinion publication (Cal. Const., art. VI, § 14), orders not published in the Official Reports, and that may be cited or relied upon only in limited circumstances (see Cal. Rules of Court, rule 8.1115(b)). For information on the total number of published and unpublished opinions issued by the Courts of Appeal, see Table 7 and Figures 28-32 in the Courts of Appeal section.

**Court of Appeal Opinions Ordered Depublished by the Supreme Court  
Fiscal Years 1993–94 through 2011–12**

**Supreme Court  
Data for Figure 23**

Fiscal year	Depublished opinions (A)
FY12	1
FY11	11
FY10	8
FY09	13
FY08	11
FY07	19
FY06	16
FY05	16
FY04	25
FY03	17
FY02	23
FY01	29
FY00	36
FY99	55
FY98	57
FY97	68
FY96	63
FY95	70
FY94	69

**Column Key:**

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**Capital Cases in Which the Record Was Not Certified for Completeness Within 90 Days, and for Accuracy Within 120 Days**

**Supreme Court**

Table 3

Fiscal Year 2011–2012

In the following cases, the record was not certified for completeness within **90 days**. (See Penal Code, § 190.8(d).)

<b>County</b>	<b>Supreme Court case number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Superior court case number</b>	<b>Sentence date</b>
Los Angeles	S201205	Moore, Ryan T.	BA341230	03/23/12
	S200982	Ronquillo, Gabriel	VA085405	03/15/12
Riverside	S197781	Reed, David John	INF051437	10/31/11
Ventura	S195828	Villa, Ricardo	2004033386	08/16/11

In the following cases, the record was not certified for accuracy within **120 days**. (See Penal Code, § 190.8 (g).)

<b>County</b>	<b>Supreme Court case number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Superior court case number</b>	<b>Sentence date</b>
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There are no cases to report.

# Courts of Appeal







**Performance Indicator Data**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

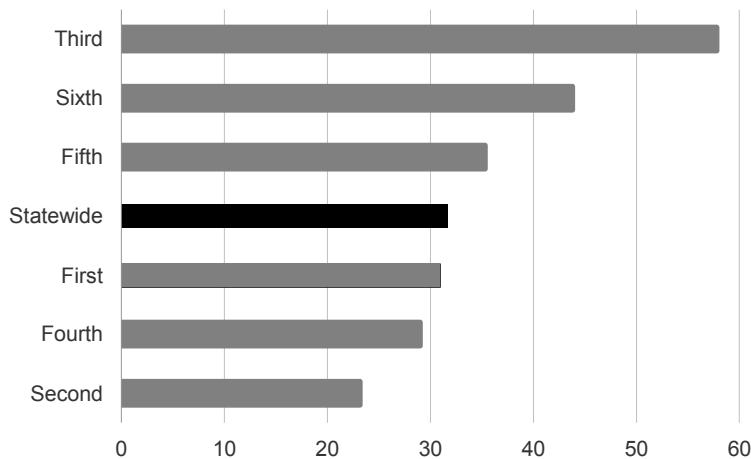
**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 1**

District	Number of authorized justices (A)	Full-time judge equivalents (B)	Pending fully briefed appeals (C)	Appeals becoming fully briefed (D)	Appeals disposed of by written opinion (E)	Majority opinions	
						Appeals (F)	Original proceedings (G)
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>102.1</b>	<b>3,195</b>	<b>10,292</b>	<b>10,097</b>	<b>9,880</b>	<b>503</b>
First	20	19.9	429	1,440	1,388	1,310	60
Second	32	32.4	791	3,352	3,414	3,386	119
Third	11	10.0	614	1,156	1,062	1,044	42
Fourth	25	24.0	828	2,917	2,854	2,789	179
Fifth	10	9.9	296	835	838	821	82
Sixth	7	6.0	237	592	541	530	21

**Column Key:**

- (A) Authorized justices as of June 30, 2012. Does not include assistance received through assignments or through the Senior Justice Program.
- (B) "Full-time judge equivalents" includes a court's regular number of judges, plus 60 percent of the time reported for judges assigned to the court (translated into full-time positions), minus the time reported for the assignments of the court's regular members to another court and for unfilled vacancies (translated into full-time positions).
- (C) Appeals argued, calendared, or ready as of June 30, 2012.
- (D) The total number of appeals that became fully briefed during fiscal year 2011–12.
- (E) Appeals disposed of by opinion during fiscal year 2011–12. Includes appeals filed prior to fiscal year 2011–12.
- (F) The number of written opinions that decided appeals. One opinion may have decided more than one appeal.
- (G) The number of written opinions that decided original proceedings. One opinion may have decided more than one case.

**Figure 1: Ratio of Pending Fully Briefed Appeals per 100 Appeals Disposed of by Written Opinion**



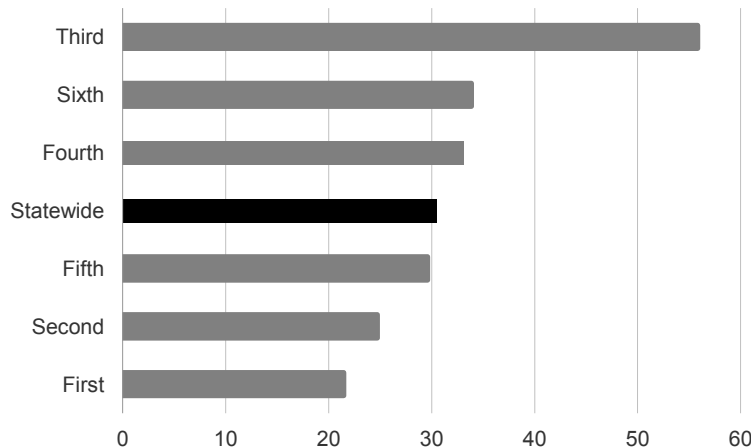
This ratio is a measure of pending workload as well as judicial productivity and is an estimate of the time a court needs to dispose of pending fully briefed appeals. A ratio of 100 is equivalent to one year, 50 is equivalent to six months, and so forth. The estimate is based on the assumption that the court will decide the same number of appeals in 2012–13 as in 2011–12.

The Second District had 23 fully briefed appeals per 100 appeals disposed of by opinion in 2011–12, the lowest ratio among the six appellate districts.

The Third District had 58 pending fully briefed appeals per 100 appeals disposed of by opinion, the highest ratio among the six appellate districts.

The statewide average increased from 29 in 2010–11 to 32 in 2011–12.

**Figure 2: Pending Fully Briefed Appeals per Authorized Justice as of June 30, 2012**

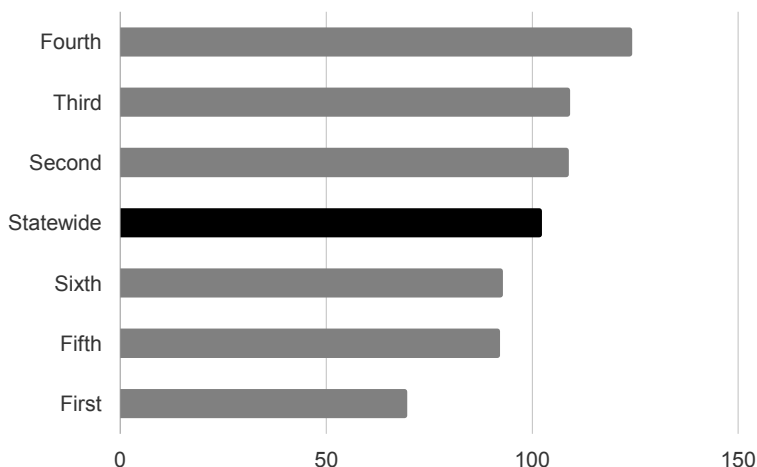


The Third District reported the highest number of pending fully briefed appeals per authorized justice, 56.

The First District reported the lowest number of pending fully briefed appeals per authorized justice, 21.

The statewide average increased from 29 in 2010–11 to 30 in 2011–12.

**Figure 3: Majority Opinions per Judge Equivalent**



“Judge equivalent” refers to the number of authorized justices adjusted for judicial vacancies, assistance given to other courts, and judicial assistance received.

The statewide average opinions per judge equivalent was 102 in 2011–12, which remained the same as in 2010–11.

The Fourth District reported the highest rate, 124 opinions per judge equivalent—22 percent higher than the statewide average.

The First District reported the lowest opinion rate, 69 per judge equivalent. However, the First District had the lowest number of pending fully briefed appeals per authorized justice. The lower disposition rate may reflect that fewer cases are available for the justices.

Beyond an optimum number of opinions (not yet identified), high rates of disposition indicate overload and a need for additional judgeships.

**Caseload Comparisons**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

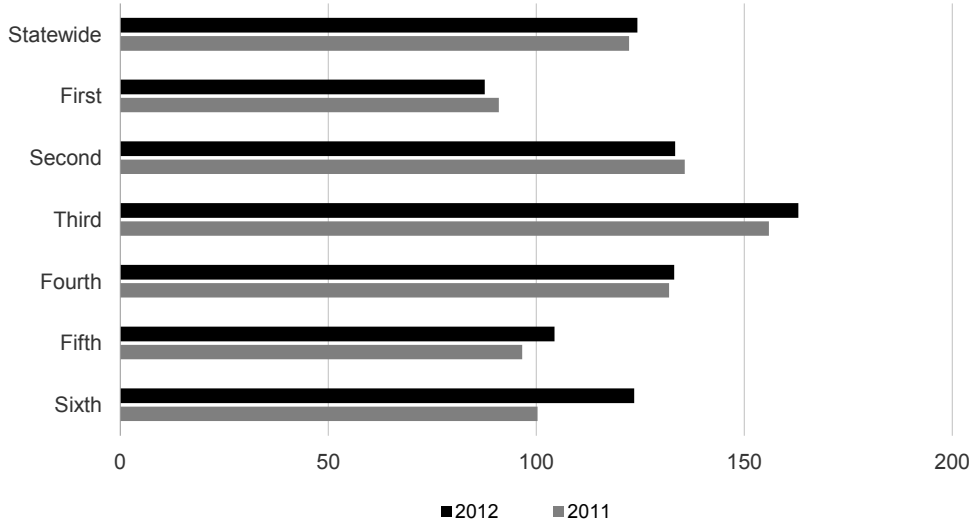
**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 2**

District	Pending appeals as of 6/30/11 (A)	Notices filed in FY 2011–12 (B)	Total appeals disposed of in FY 2011–12 (C)	Pending appeals as of 6/30/12 (D)	Number of authorized justices (E)
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>12,843</b>	<b>15,722</b>	<b>15,531</b>	<b>13,051</b>	<b>105</b>
First	1,820	2,058	2,132	1,752	20
Second	4,342	5,209	5,256	4,268	32
Third	1,715	1,928	1,855	1,793	11
Fourth	3,298	4,240	4,237	3,329	25
Fifth	966	1,325	1,247	1,044	10
Sixth	702	962	804	865	7

**Column Key:**

- (A), (B) Includes appeals for which the record has not been filed.
- (D) Includes appeals for which the record has not been filed. Column D should equal  $A + B - C$ . Discrepancies may be caused by data entry problems in any of the four data elements.
- (E) Authorized justices as of June 30, 2012.

**Figure 4: Pending Appeals: Caseload Comparison per Authorized Justice**

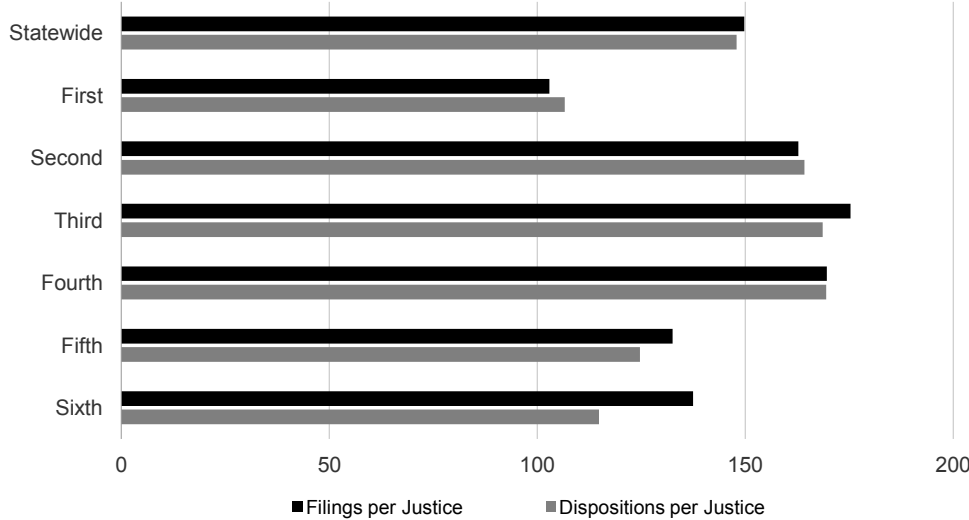


Depicts the change in courts' inventories of appeals per authorized justice by showing pending cases as of June 30, 2011, and pending cases as of June 30, 2012.

The Third District had the highest level of pending appeals per justice as of June 30, 2012—31 percent higher than the statewide average.

The statewide average of pending appeals per justice was 122 as of June 30, 2011, and 124 as of June 30, 2012—an increase of 2 percent.

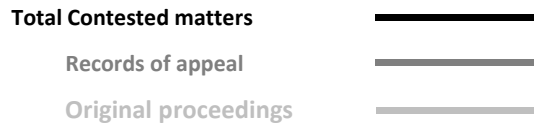
**Figure 5: Filings and Dispositions: Caseload Comparison per Authorized Justice**



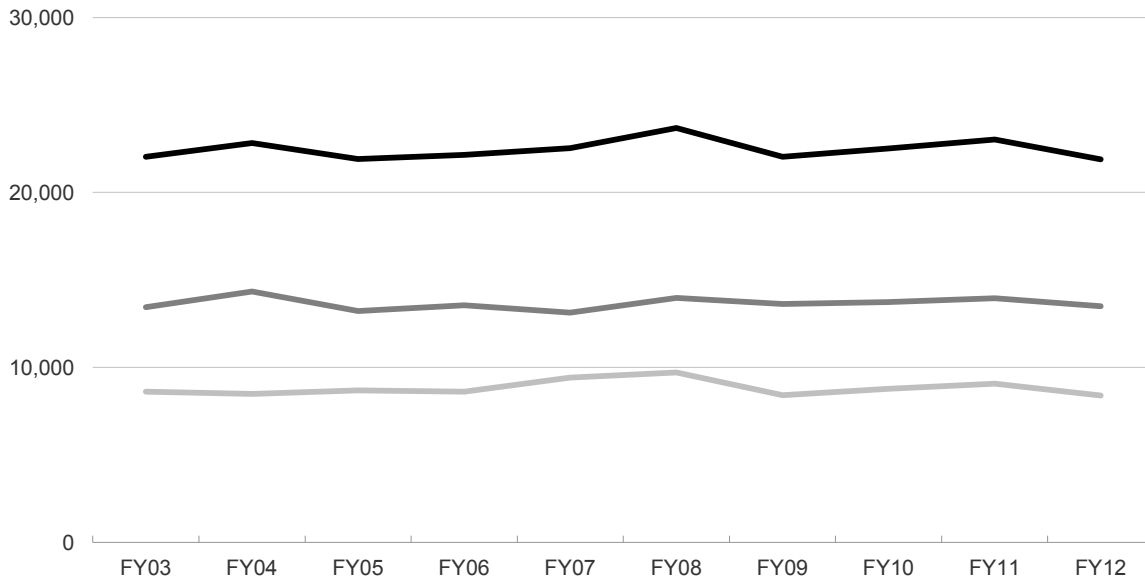
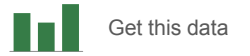
The number of filings and dispositions relates to a court's pending caseload; disposing fewer cases than were filed in a time period would add to the number of pending cases and court backlog.

The Third District had the highest levels of filings and the Fourth District had the highest levels of dispositions per justice in 2011–12. Filings per justice in the Third District were 17 percent higher than the statewide average, and dispositions per justice in the Fourth District were 14 percent higher than the statewide average.

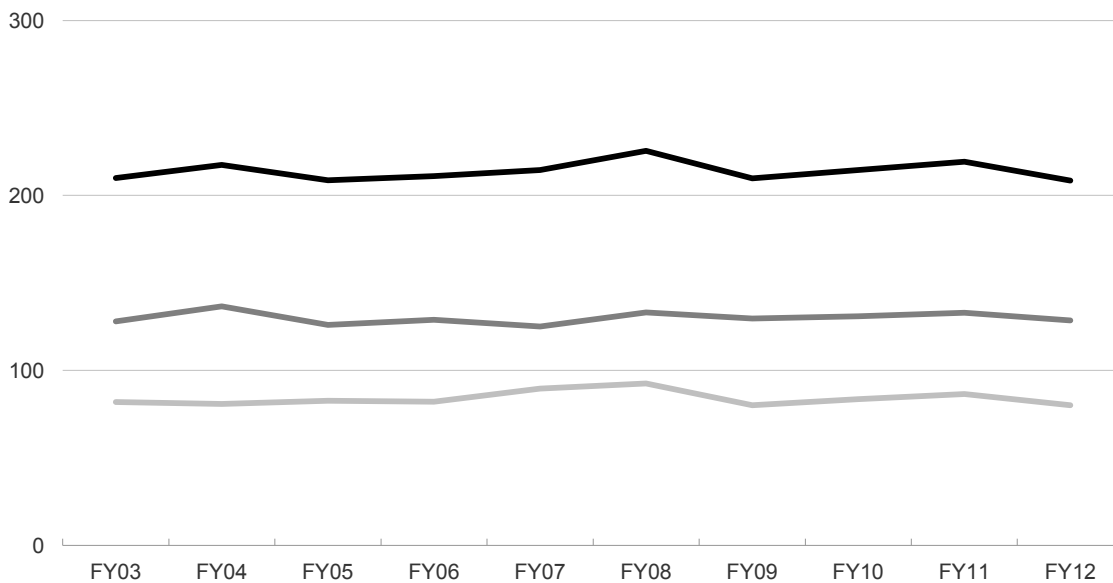
The First District had the lowest levels of filings and dispositions per justice.



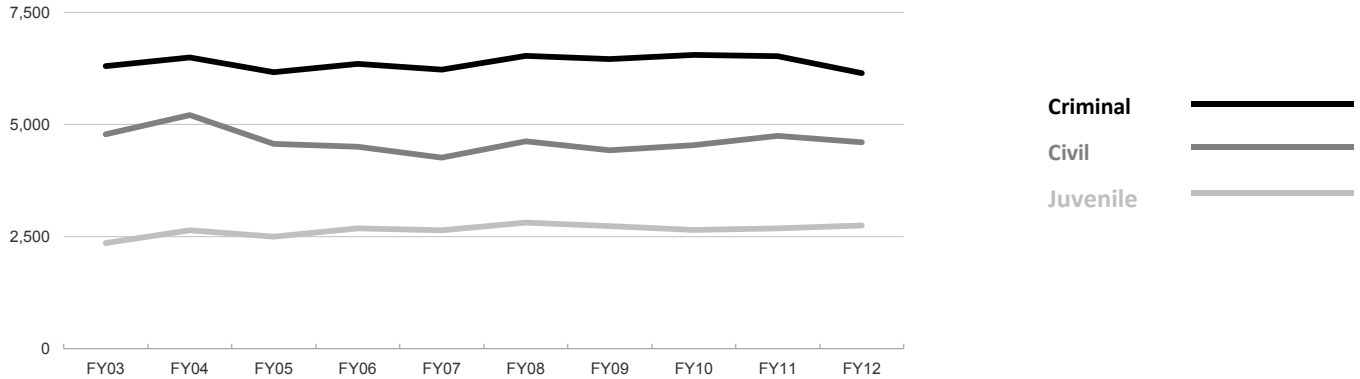
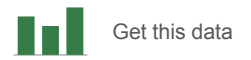
**Figure 6: Total Contested Matters**



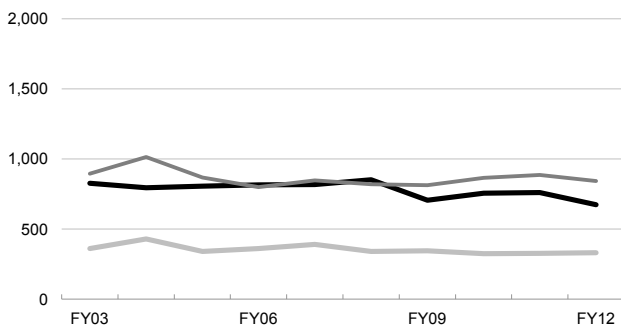
**Figure 7: Total Contested Matters per Authorized Justice**



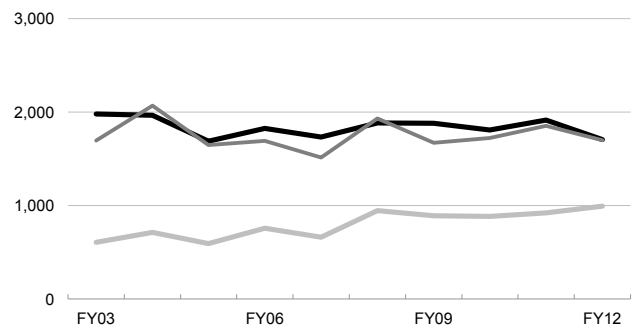
**Figure 8: All Districts**



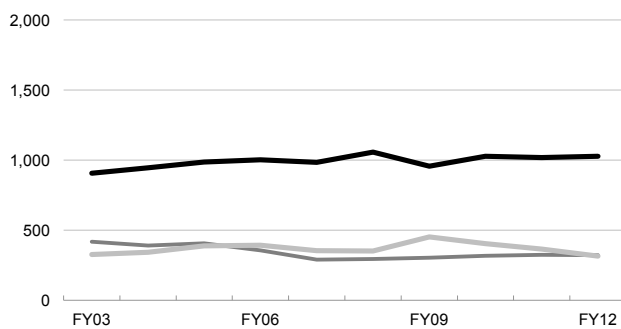
**Figure 9: First District**



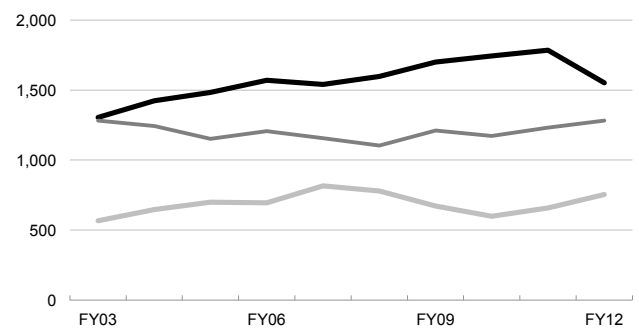
**Figure 10: Second District**



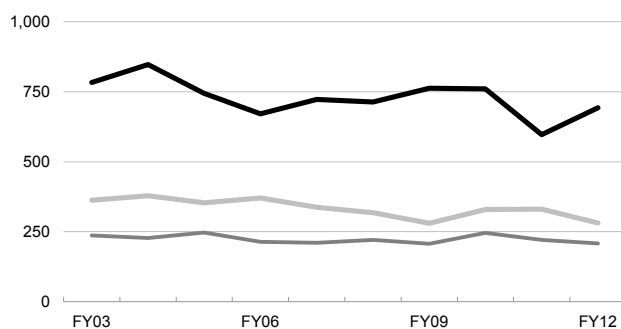
**Figure 11: Third District**



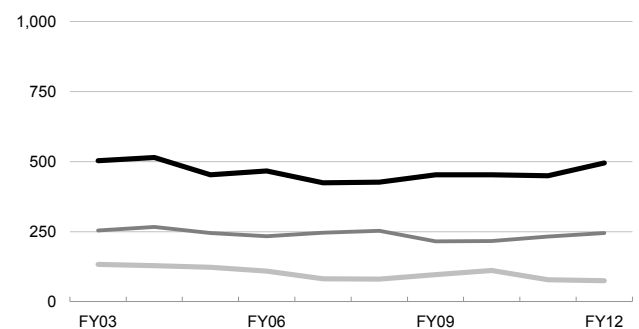
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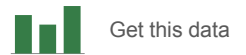


**Figure 13: Fifth District**

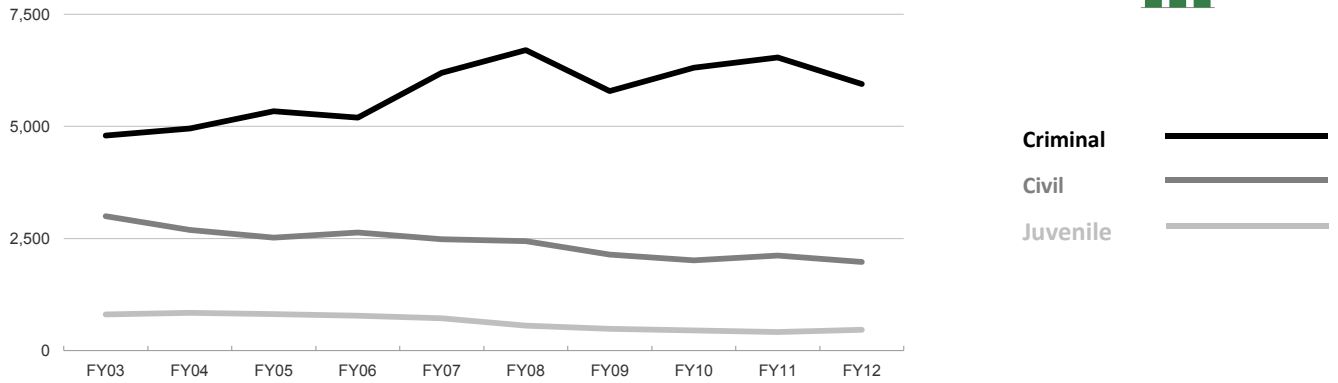


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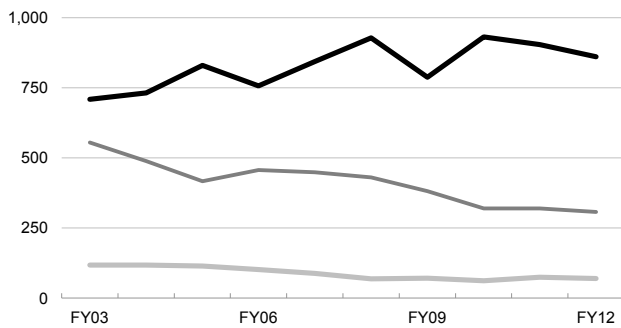




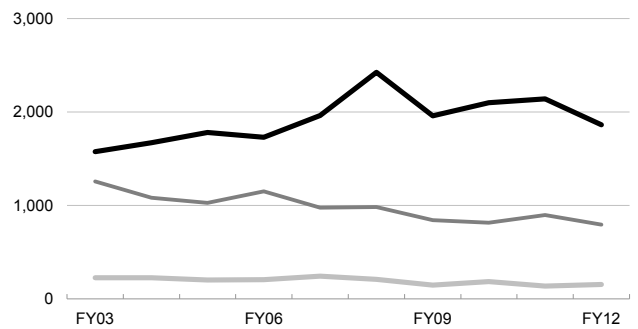
**Figure 15: All Districts**



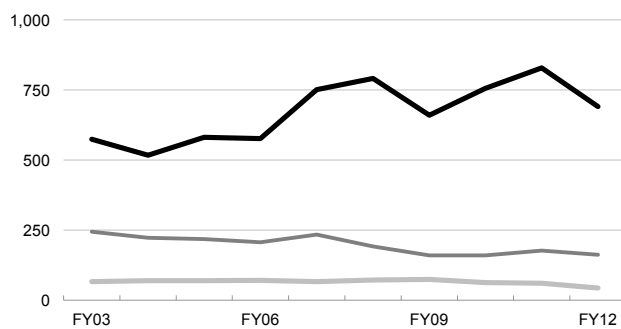
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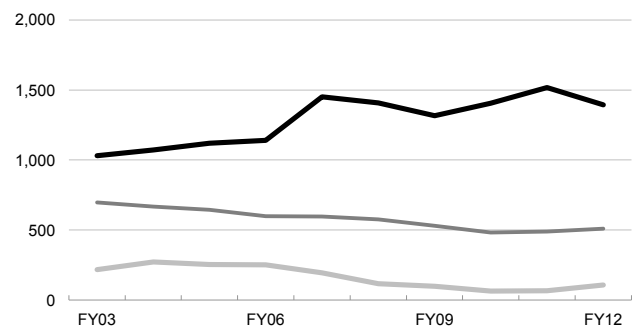
**Figure 17: Second District**



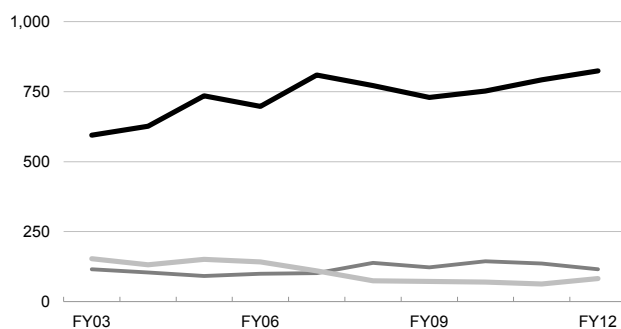
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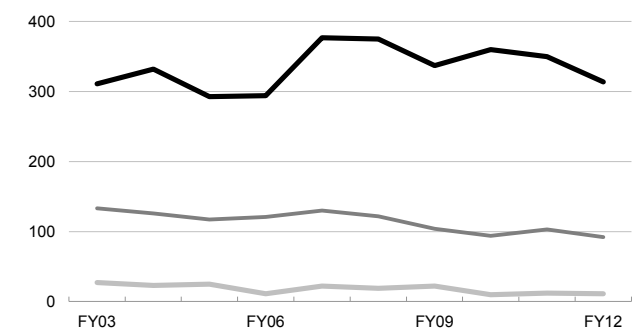
**Figure 19: Fourth District**



**Figure 20: Fifth District**



**Figure 21: Sixth District**

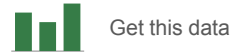




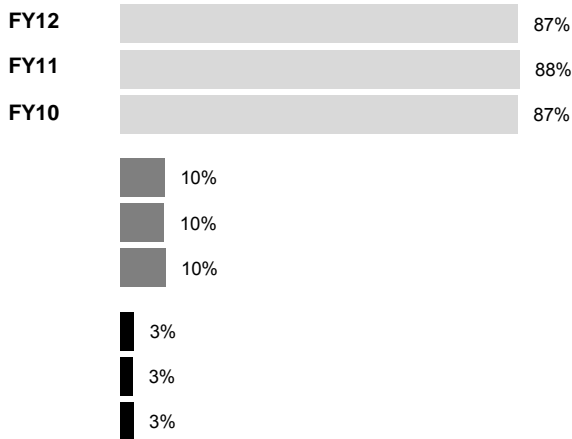
**Appeals Terminated by Written Opinion**  
Fiscal Years 2009–10 through 2011–12

**Courts of Appeal**  
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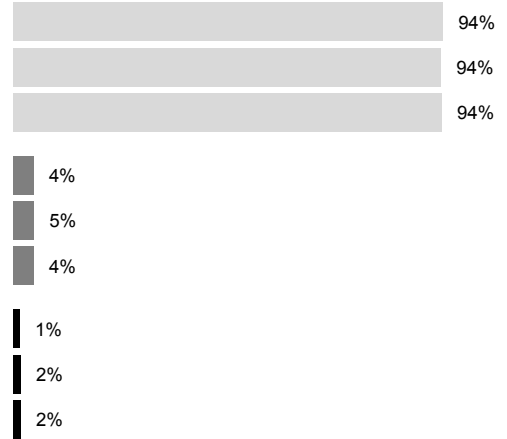
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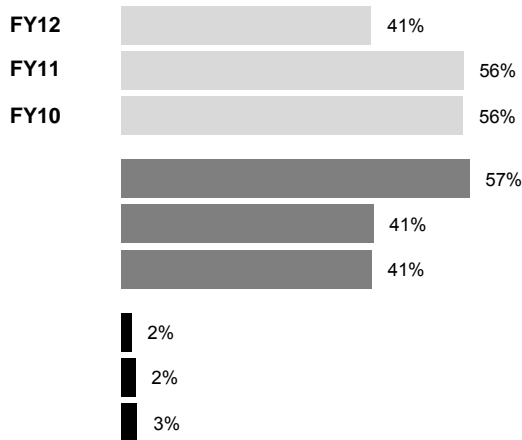
**Figure 22: Total appeals**



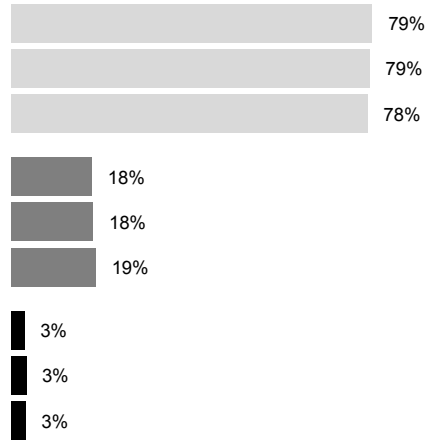
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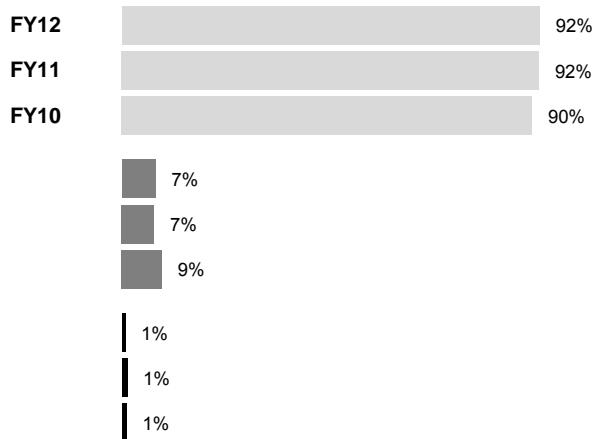
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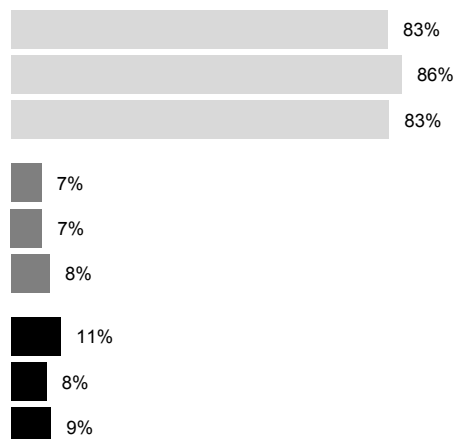
**Figure 25: Civil appeals**



**Figure 26: Juvenile appeals (criminal violation)**



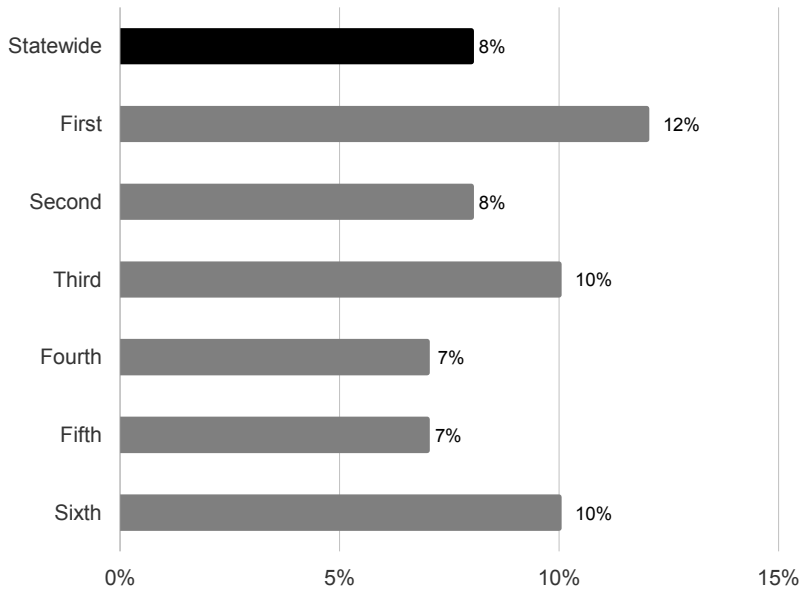
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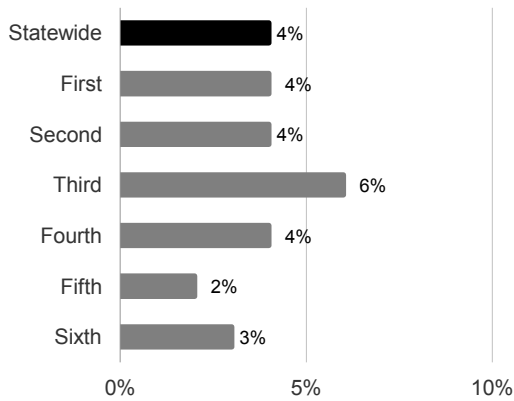
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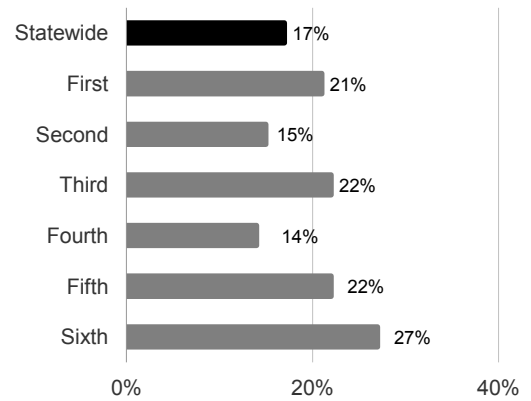
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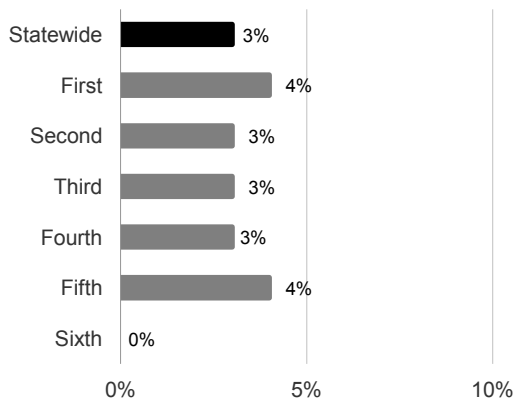
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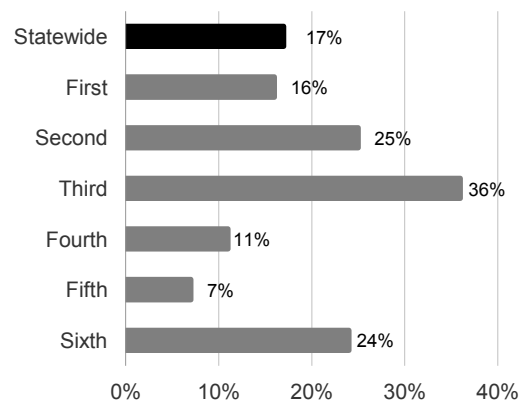
**Figure 30: Civil Appeals**



**Figure 31: Juvenile Appeals**



**Figure 32: Original Proceedings**



**Civil Appeals: Time From Notice of Appeal to Filing Opinion  
(90th Percentile and Median)**

Fiscal Year 2011–12

<b>Court District</b>	<b>Division</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>90% of Appeals Processed Within (days)</b>	<b>Median Time in Days</b>
First	5	San Francisco	623	382
First	3	San Francisco	728	401
Fourth	3	Santa Ana	626	406
Second	5	Los Angeles	593	420
First	1	San Francisco	688	433
Second	6	Ventura	696	434
Second	8	Los Angeles	658	439
First	4	San Francisco	856	446
Second	4	Los Angeles	645	447
Second	2	Los Angeles	642	448
First	2	San Francisco	735	449
Second	1	Los Angeles	644	450
<b>Statewide</b>			700	453
Fourth	2	Riverside	637	469
Fifth		Fresno	675	473
Sixth		San Jose	802	480
Fourth	1	San Diego	669	485
Second	7	Los Angeles	740	496
Second	3	Los Angeles	717	502
Third		Sacramento	872	551

**Criminal Appeals: Time From Notice of Appeal to Filing Opinion  
(90th Percentile and Median)**

Fiscal Year 2011–12

<b>Court District</b>	<b>Division</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>90% of Appeals Processed Within (days)</b>	<b>Median Time in Days</b>
Sixth		San Jose	640	363
First	4	San Francisco	675	364
First	1	San Francisco	659	382
Second	6	Ventura	548	383
Second	5	Los Angeles	536	388
First	5	San Francisco	609	394
Fourth	2	Riverside	561	401
First	3	San Francisco	722	404
Second	1	Los Angeles	650	408
Fourth	3	Santa Ana	591	413
<b>Statewide</b>			632	415
Third		Sacramento	744	419
Second	3	Los Angeles	600	424
Fifth		Fresno	585	427
Second	2	Los Angeles	651	428
Second	8	Los Angeles	629	439
Second	4	Los Angeles	622	440
Second	7	Los Angeles	639	444
First	2	San Francisco	807	465
Fourth	1	San Diego	663	483

**Summary of Filings and Dispositions**  
**Fiscal Years 2010–11 and 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 3**

Court	Filings						Dispositions					
	Total		Notices of appeal		Original proceedings		Total		Notices of appeal		Original proceedings	
	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>24,118</b>	<b>25,017</b>	<b>15,722</b>	<b>15,946</b>	<b>8,396</b>	<b>9,071</b>	<b>24,215</b>	<b>24,967</b>	<b>15,531</b>	<b>15,805</b>	<b>8,684</b>	<b>9,162</b>
First District	3,294	3,481	2,058	2,183	1,236	1,298	3,357	3,507	2,132	2,191	1,225	1,316
Division 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	650	692	413	434	237	258
Division 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	687	659	442	408	245	251
Division 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	662	702	414	434	248	268
Division 4	—	—	—	—	—	—	661	714	416	448	245	266
Division 5	—	—	—	—	—	—	697	740	447	467	250	273
Second District	8,022	8,453	5,209	5,279	2,813	3,174	8,157	8,538	5,256	5,247	2,901	3,291
Division 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	970	1,001	571	583	399	418
Division 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	964	956	585	538	379	418
Division 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	929	1,070	568	648	361	422
Division 4	—	—	—	—	—	—	961	1,010	599	558	362	452
Division 5	—	—	—	—	—	—	960	983	572	567	388	416
Division 6	893	962	638	649	255	313	891	938	633	612	258	326
Division 7	—	—	—	—	—	—	932	1,023	576	587	356	436
Division 8	—	—	—	—	—	—	977	1,017	587	618	390	399
Not assigned	7,129	7,491	4,571	4,630	2,558	2,861	573	540	565	536	8	4
Third District	2,824	3,111	1,928	2,044	896	1,067	2,784	3,101	1,855	2,048	929	1,053
Fourth District	6,252	6,392	4,240	4,316	2,012	2,076	6,303	6,242	4,237	4,113	2,066	2,129
Division 1	2,083	2,222	1,401	1,550	682	672	2,207	2,092	1,494	1,392	713	700
Division 2	2,562	2,616	1,708	1,695	854	921	2,454	2,524	1,589	1,584	865	940
Division 3	1,607	1,554	1,131	1,071	476	483	1,642	1,626	1,154	1,137	488	489
Fifth District	2,347	2,254	1,325	1,263	1,022	991	2,349	2,237	1,247	1,303	1,102	934
Sixth District	1,379	1,326	962	861	417	465	1,265	1,342	804	903	461	439

**Summary of Filings**  
**Fiscal Years 2010–11 and 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 4**

Court	Notices of appeal						Appeal records filed						Original proceedings					
	Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile	
	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>6,505</b>	<b>6,258</b>	<b>6,387</b>	<b>6,877</b>	<b>2,830</b>	<b>2,811</b>	<b>4,601</b>	<b>4,747</b>	<b>6,145</b>	<b>6,522</b>	<b>2,752</b>	<b>2,681</b>	<b>1,982</b>	<b>2,122</b>	<b>5,945</b>	<b>6,533</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>416</b>
First District	1,037	1,062	690	785	331	336	843	886	674	759	331	326	307	320	860	904	69	74
Second District	2,462	2,358	1,725	1,975	1,022	946	1,700	1,852	1,704	1,913	995	922	795	896	1,863	2,140	155	138
Division 6	242	231	325	364	71	54	182	186	321	357	66	51	59	64	181	241	15	8
Others	2,220	2,127	1,400	1,611	951	892	1,518	1,666	1,383	1,556	929	871	736	832	1,682	1,899	140	130
Third District	551	533	1,074	1,103	303	408	323	324	1,028	1,019	315	366	162	177	691	829	43	61
Fourth District	1,777	1,686	1,665	1,926	798	704	1,282	1,232	1,551	1,784	755	659	510	490	1,393	1,518	109	68
Division 1	607	594	477	636	317	320	448	451	416	573	303	301	165	157	458	495	59	20
Division 2	581	511	805	936	322	248	364	302	772	902	302	228	163	160	658	733	33	28
Division 3	589	581	383	354	159	136	470	479	363	309	150	130	182	173	277	290	17	20
Fifth District	312	297	712	630	301	336	208	221	693	597	281	330	116	136	824	792	82	63
Sixth District	366	322	521	458	75	81	245	232	495	450	75	78	92	103	314	350	11	12

**Appeals—Method of Disposition**  
**Fiscal Years 2010–11 and 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 5**

Court	By written opinion						Without opinion, record filed						No record filed					
	Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile	
	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>3,117</b>	<b>5,089</b>	<b>5,444</b>	<b>1,772</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>1,418</b>	<b>1,457</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>1,603</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>97</b>
First District	577	543	594	662	217	240	274	315	125	124	106	77	211	193	23	30	5	7
Division 1	109	100	110	124	35	51	62	69	18	29	30	18	45	32	2	10	2	1
Division 2	110	97	127	121	50	45	54	67	23	22	23	13	44	39	10	3	1	1
Division 3	122	118	112	139	51	47	46	62	30	23	13	10	37	29	2	4	1	2
Division 4	120	110	115	132	34	52	48	54	25	26	24	18	44	44	6	9	0	3
Division 5	116	118	130	146	47	45	64	63	29	24	16	18	41	49	3	4	1	0
Second District	1,253	1,189	1,549	1,662	612	593	562	574	276	265	366	300	591	595	30	47	17	22
Division 1	155	156	171	190	68	79	67	67	20	35	72	41	10	7	7	5	4	3
Division 2	147	129	188	188	92	78	74	66	28	22	43	39	5	9	4	3	1	4
Division 3	171	184	172	239	77	75	64	63	27	30	41	42	11	10	4	4	1	1
Division 4	160	149	202	175	79	81	60	70	34	26	50	40	9	10	3	5	2	2
Division 5	162	139	180	192	75	91	72	70	25	26	50	34	6	5	2	8	0	2
Division 6	134	104	275	297	37	36	60	49	48	56	19	10	55	53	2	5	3	2
Division 7	159	153	169	187	93	75	67	74	29	37	48	45	6	5	3	7	2	4
Division 8	165	175	192	194	91	78	65	73	23	32	43	49	6	7	2	9	0	1
Not assigned	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	42	42	1	0	0	483	489	3	1	4	3
Third District	214	241	710	809	138	177	82	75	219	200	197	212	210	226	57	84	28	24
Fourth District	867	822	1,424	1,398	563	477	387	364	235	365	180	130	436	410	106	114	39	33
Division 1	276	263	537	471	303	273	115	132	64	62	15	17	136	135	33	26	15	13
Division 2	209	191	587	600	173	109	117	84	131	259	98	75	192	180	63	69	19	17
Division 3	282	368	300	327	87	95	155	148	40	44	67	38	108	95	10	19	5	3
Fifth District	172	161	465	512	201	203	60	59	143	170	124	115	61	66	10	8	11	9
Sixth District	153	161	347	401	41	78	53	70	80	68	16	26	94	89	19	8	1	2

**Dispositions of Original Proceedings**  
**Fiscal Years 2010–11 and 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 6**

Court	By Written Opinion						Without Opinion					
	Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile	
	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>1,939</b>	<b>2,034</b>	<b>5,946</b>	<b>6,341</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>206</b>
First District	13	17	20	24	43	53	280	321	841	881	28	20
Division 1	3	3	3	4	6	12	42	53	178	180	5	6
Division 2	1	4	4	10	13	9	67	72	156	153	4	3
Division 3	3	2	8	8	9	13	66	68	159	175	3	2
Division 4	1	2	2	1	6	11	56	50	172	199	8	3
Division 5	5	6	3	1	9	8	49	78	176	174	8	6
Second District	45	50	43	59	44	50	786	870	1,876	2,165	107	97
Division 1	6	9	13	15	8	9	83	93	283	287	6	5
Division 2	4	4	1	3	4	5	98	115	249	281	23	10
Division 3	18	15	7	8	3	6	82	125	241	251	10	17
Division 4	4	8	4	8	5	9	99	109	227	304	23	14
Division 5	4	5	7	4	4	5	115	96	249	289	8	17
Division 6	3	1	2	6	12	9	54	63	187	243	0	4
Division 7	4	5	4	11	3	3	108	120	221	283	16	14
Division 8	2	3	5	4	4	4	141	146	217	226	21	16
Not assigned	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	3	2	1	0	0
Third District	14	14	26	22	5	3	156	161	685	798	43	55
Fourth District	40	51	85	77	77	51	486	480	1,349	1,444	29	26
Division 1	10	7	27	39	43	17	172	167	447	460	14	10
Division 2	2	30	18	12	24	22	145	144	650	724	6	8
Division 3	8	14	40	26	10	12	169	169	252	260	9	8
Fifth District	12	6	15	8	61	61	123	118	873	738	18	3
Sixth District	8	9	15	18	6	8	108	84	322	315	2	5



**Opinions Written**  
**Fiscal Years 2010–11 and 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 7**

Court	Total		Appeals						Original proceedings					
	FY12	FY11	Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile	
			FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11	FY12	FY11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>10,383</b>	<b>10,631</b>	<b>3,094</b>	<b>2,996</b>	<b>5,039</b>	<b>5,383</b>	<b>1,747</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>210</b>
First District	1,370	1,457	513	493	585	650	212	237	10	17	13	16	37	44
Division 1	247	274	94	87	107	119	35	51	3	4	3	4	5	10
Division 2	288	270	100	89	125	119	48	45	1	6	3	6	11	7
Division 3	286	300	111	103	112	136	51	45	2	4	2	4	8	10
Division 4	259	295	105	101	114	131	33	51	0	1	2	1	5	9
Division 5	290	318	103	113	127	145	45	45	4	1	3	1	8	8
Second District	3,505	3,556	1,235	1,172	1,542	1,655	609	589	44	47	31	44	44	49
Division 1	417	444	155	150	170	187	68	79	6	8	10	12	8	8
Division 2	434	406	146	129	187	188	92	78	4	4	1	1	4	5
Division 3	438	514	166	179	172	238	75	73	17	14	5	4	3	6
Division 4	448	424	158	148	202	174	79	81	4	8	0	4	5	9
Division 5	432	434	162	138	180	192	75	90	4	5	6	4	5	5
Division 6	462	450	134	103	275	296	37	36	3	1	1	5	12	9
Division 7	424	428	154	150	167	187	92	74	4	4	4	10	3	3
Division 8	450	456	160	175	189	193	91	78	2	3	4	3	4	4
Third District	1,086	1,241	207	234	701	798	136	173	13	13	24	20	5	3
Fourth District	2,968	2,796	822	784	1,410	1,387	557	473	39	50	66	56	74	46
Division 1	1,160	1,040	266	257	525	467	301	269	9	7	18	26	41	14
Division 2	1,021	957	202	185	585	599	171	109	22	30	17	12	24	22
Division 3	787	799	354	342	300	521	85	95	8	13	31	18	9	10
Fifth District	903	930	167	156	459	499	195	201	11	6	15	8	56	60
Sixth District	551	651	150	157	342	394	38	77	8	7	7	8	6	8

**Pending Appeals—Total and Fully Briefed**  
as of June 30, 2011, and June 30, 2012

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Table 8**

Court	Total pending appeals <sup>a</sup>								Pending fully briefed appeals							
	Total		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile		Total		Civil		Criminal		Juvenile	
	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/11
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>13,051</b>	<b>12,843</b>	<b>5,359</b>	<b>5,063</b>	<b>6,297</b>	<b>6,300</b>	<b>1,395</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>3,195</b>	<b>3,032</b>	<b>1,349</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>260</b>
First District	1,752	1,820	863	878	676	736	213	206	429	411	243	232	148	141	38	38
Division 1	363	350	175	177	148	136	40	37	79	60	37	35	33	21	9	4
Division 2	363	393	182	181	141	167	40	45	102	100	55	53	37	38	10	9
Division 3	367	379	181	177	136	154	50	48	116	97	72	48	34	37	10	12
Division 4	349	357	184	186	126	136	39	35	84	80	56	55	24	22	4	3
Division 5	310	341	141	157	125	143	44	41	48	74	23	41	20	23	5	10
Second District	4,268	4,342	2,005	1,935	1,726	1,840	537	567	791	765	392	395	302	270	97	100
Division 1	446	490	166	196	206	212	74	82	91	74	48	46	31	21	12	7
Division 2	453	514	182	203	202	230	69	81	82	83	39	43	33	26	10	14
Division 3	503	502	202	205	226	223	75	74	110	104	51	54	43	35	16	15
Division 4	441	506	174	192	195	237	72	77	108	110	47	45	41	42	20	23
Division 5	413	439	170	191	186	194	57	54	106	80	61	49	37	26	8	5
Division 6	528	528	172	195	315	306	41	27	108	96	43	48	61	45	4	3
Division 7	478	508	205	207	200	211	73	90	101	123	54	62	34	39	13	22
Division 8	437	501	175	201	187	219	75	81	85	95	49	48	22	36	14	11
Not assigned	569	354	559	345	9	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Third District	1,793	1,715	517	460	1,125	1,039	151	216	614	539	175	153	404	351	35	35
Fourth District	3,329	3,298	1,396	1,283	1,609	1,701	324	314	828	841	380	324	408	455	40	62
Division 1	1,128	1,236	544	459	473	640	111	137	319	338	170	121	140	197	9	20
Division 2	1,367	1,220	440	372	772	726	155	122	344	307	122	101	198	177	24	29
Division 3	834	842	412	452	364	335	58	55	165	196	88	102	70	81	7	13
Fifth District	1,044	966	253	243	675	579	116	144	296	287	56	85	227	182	13	20
Sixth District	865	702	325	264	486	405	54	33	237	189	103	81	125	103	9	5

**Note:**

<sup>a</sup> Includes appeals for which the record has not been filed.



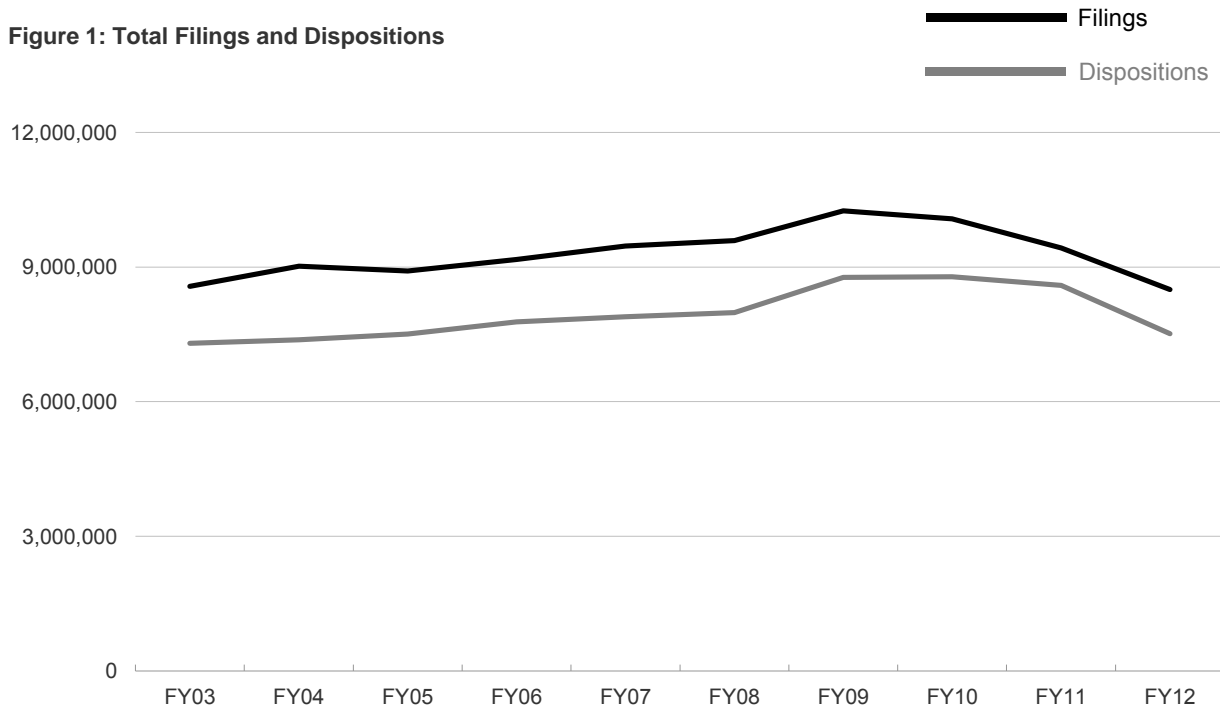
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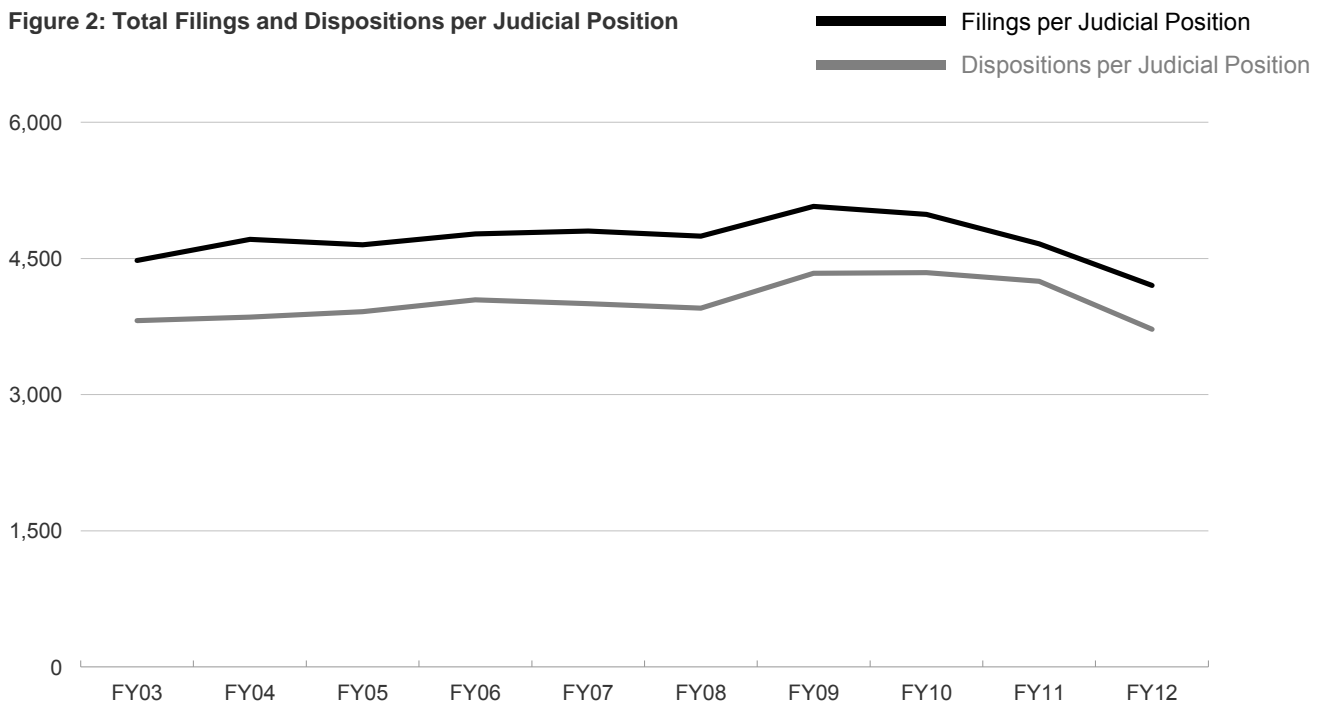




**Figure 1: Total Filings and Dispositions**

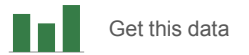


**Figure 2: Total Filings and Dispositions per Judicial Position**

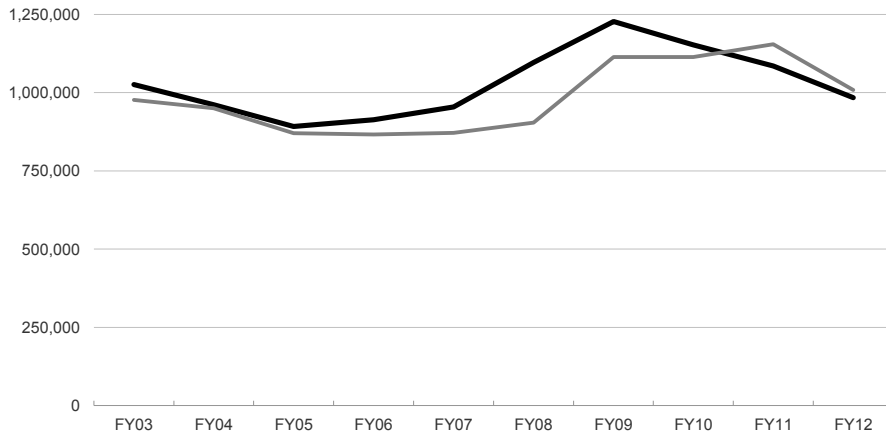


**Civil Filings and Dispositions**  
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Figures 3–9

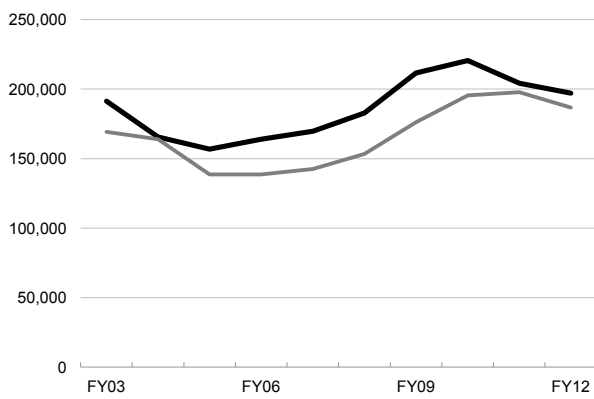


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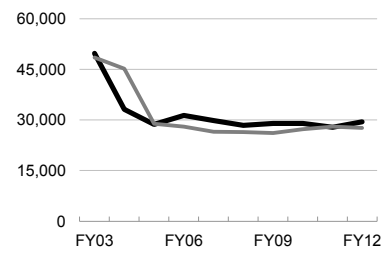


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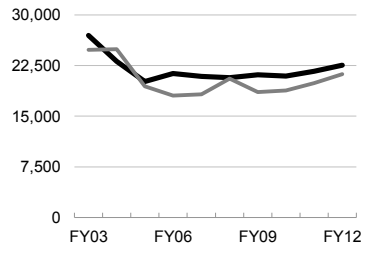
**Figure 4: Civil Unlimited**



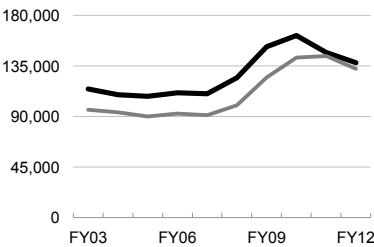
**Figure 5: Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD**



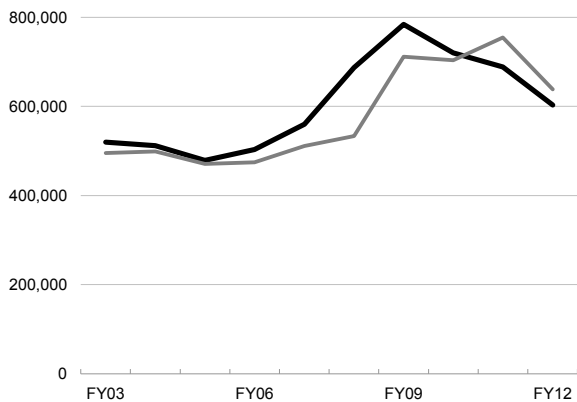
**Figure 6: Other PI/PD/WD**



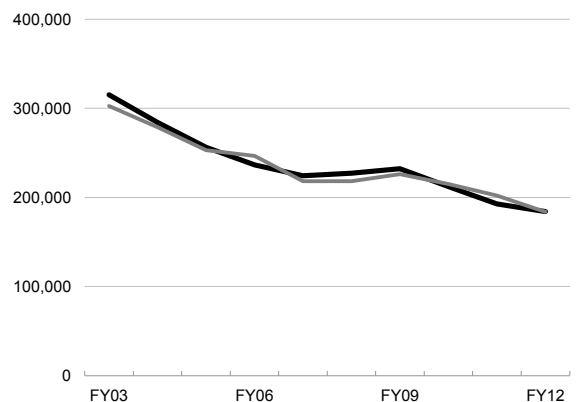
**Figure 7: Civil Complaints**

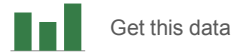


**Figure 8: Civil Limited**

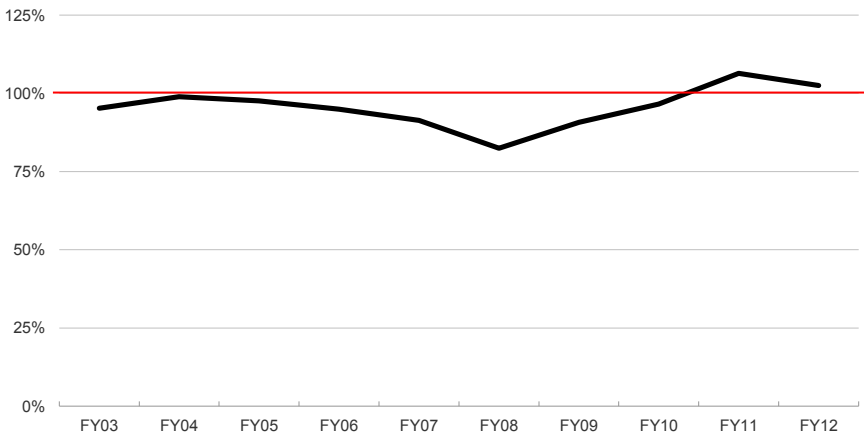


**Figure 9: Small Claims**





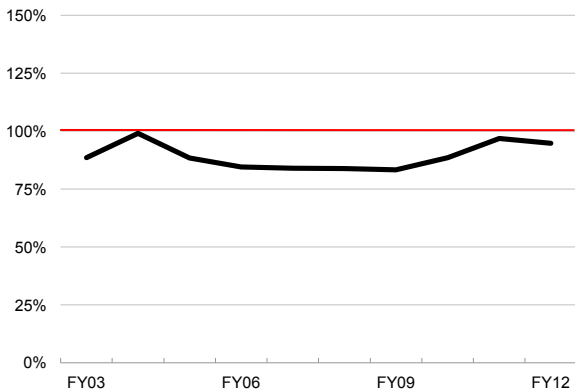
**Figure 10: Total Civil**



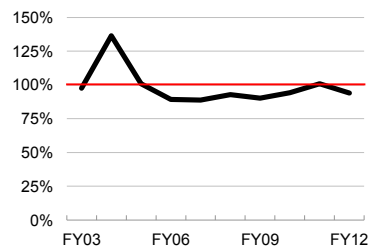
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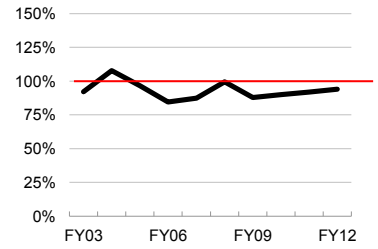
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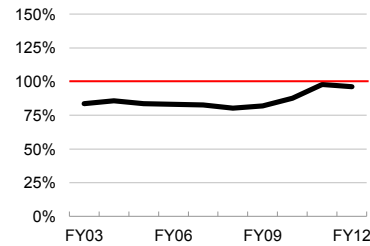
**Figure 12: Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD**



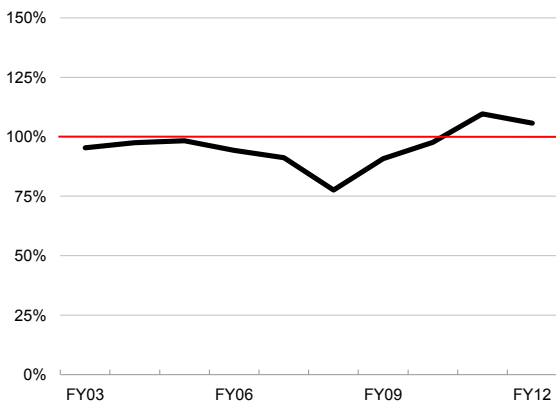
**Figure 13: Other PI/PD/WD**



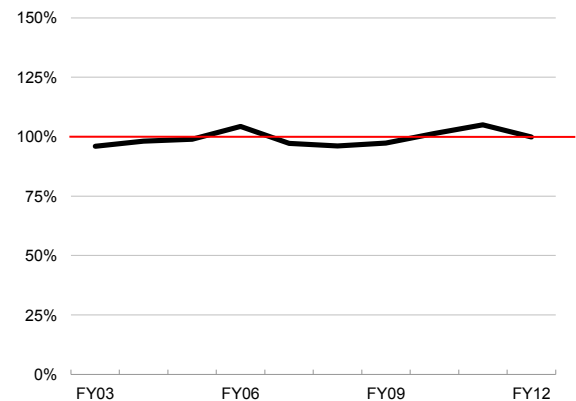
**Figure 14: Civil Complaints**



**Figure 15: Civil Limited**



**Figure 16: Small Claims**







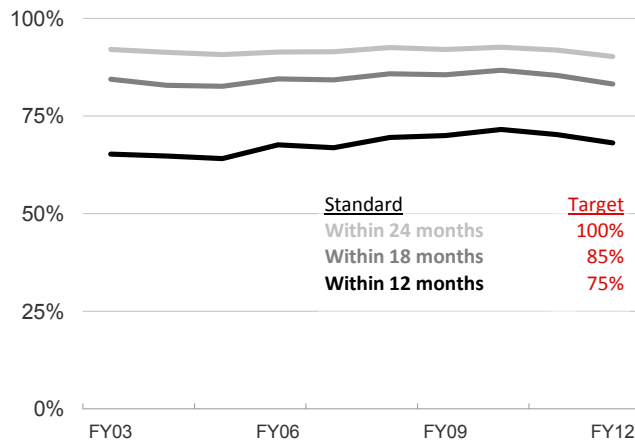
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**Civil Case Processing Time** (percent of cases disposed within specified periods)

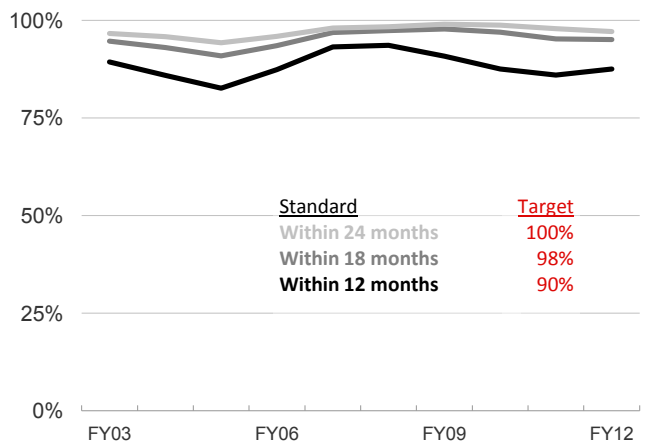
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<u>Standard</u>	<u>Target</u>
Time standard	Goal

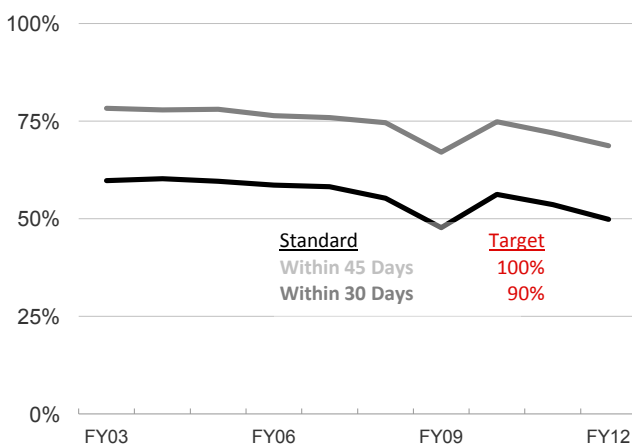
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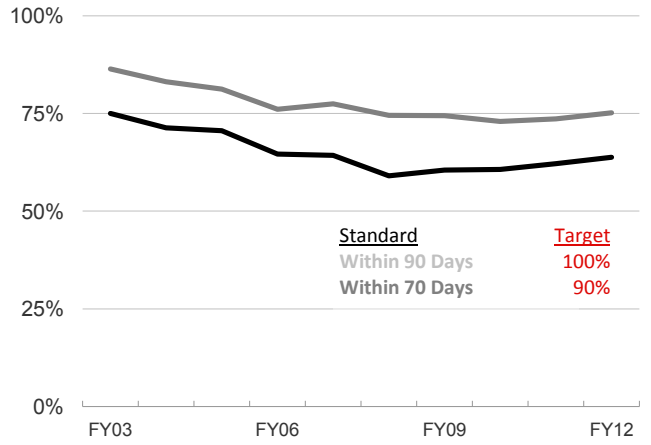
**Figure 18: Limited Civil**



**Figure 19: Unlawful Detainer**



**Figure 20: Small Claims**





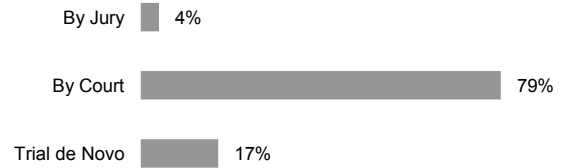
**Figure 21: How and at what stage are civil cases resolved?**

**Unlimited Civil**

Number disposed before trial



Number disposed after trial

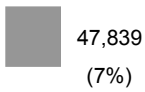


**Limited Civil**

Number disposed before trial



Number disposed after trial



**Small Claims**

Number disposed before trial

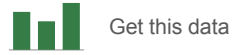


Number disposed after trial

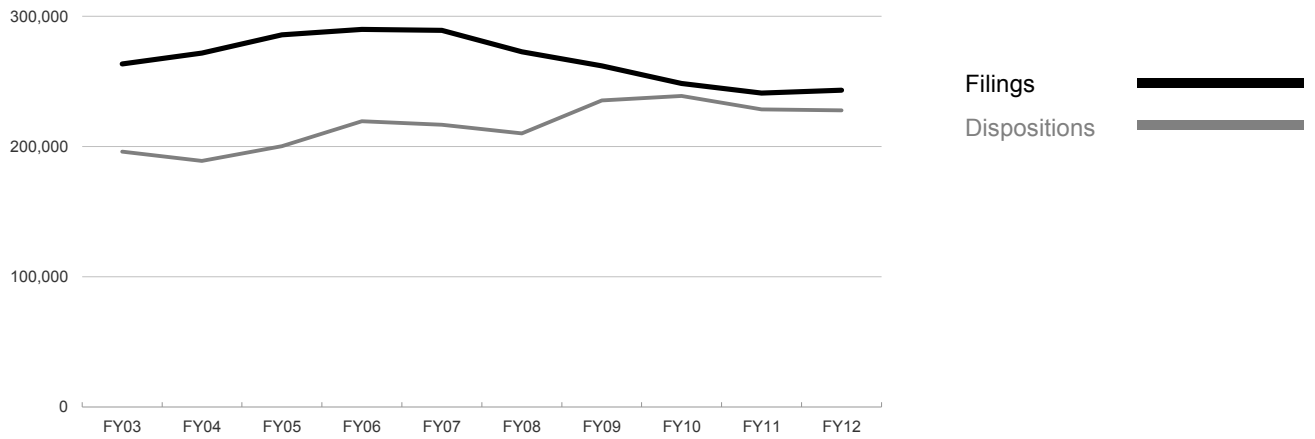


**Criminal Filings and Dispositions**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

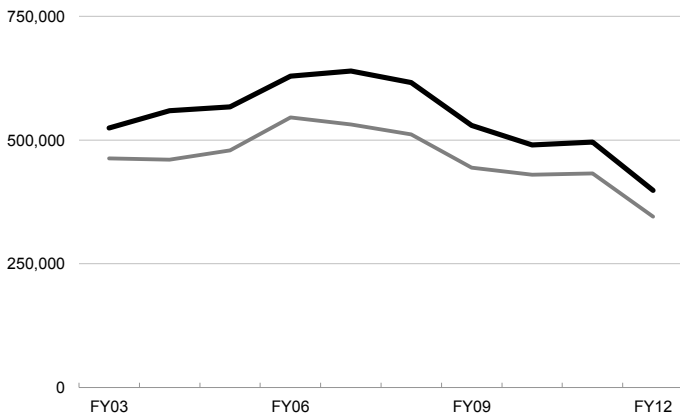
**Superior Courts**  
**Figures 22–26**



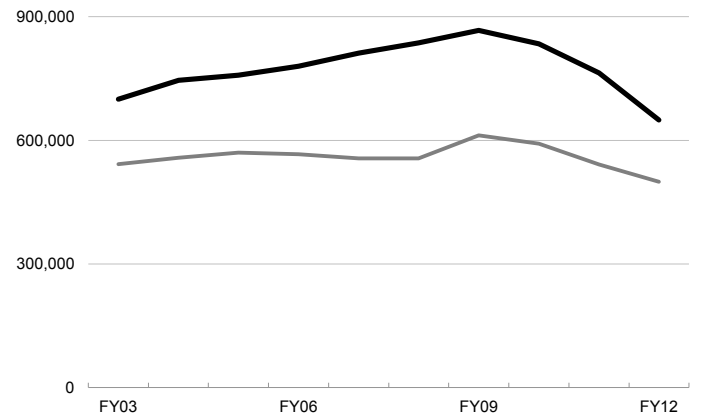
**Figure 22: Felony**



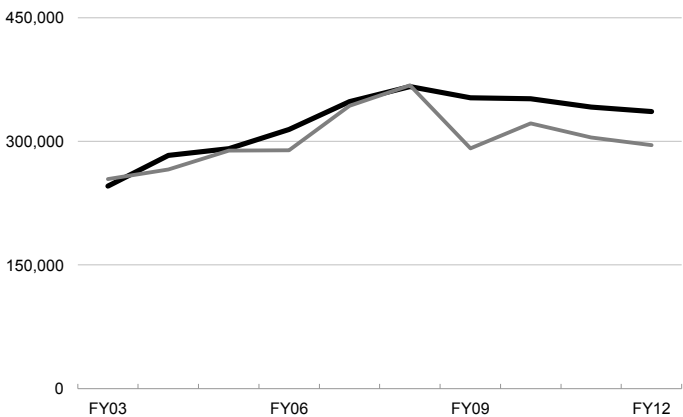
**Figure 23: Nontraffic Misdemeanor**



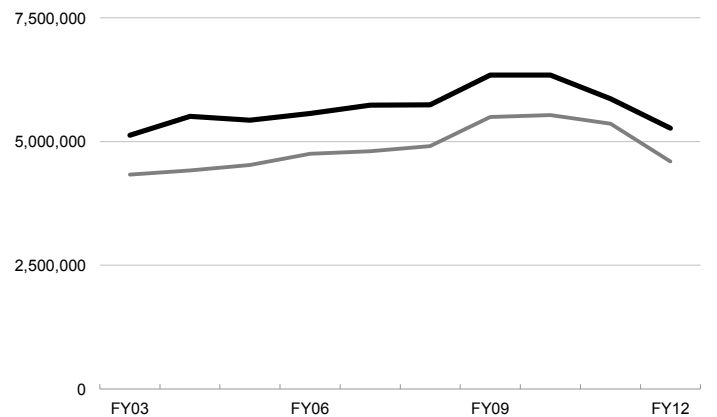
**Figure 24: Traffic Misdemeanor**



**Figure 25: Nontraffic Infraction**

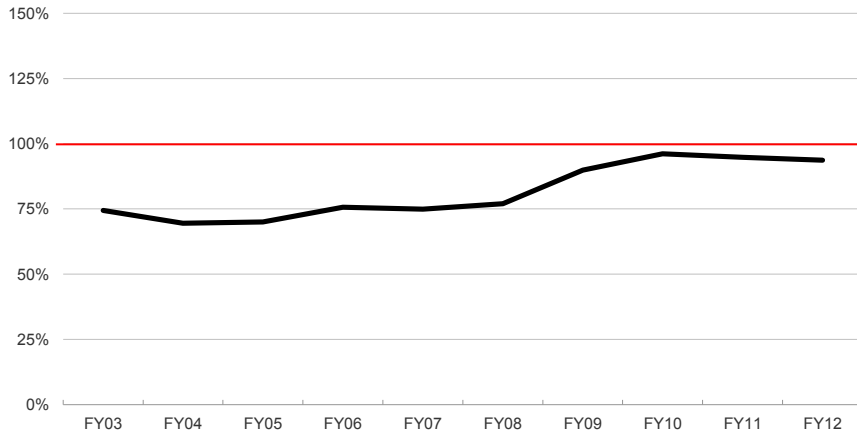


**Figure 26: Traffic Infraction**





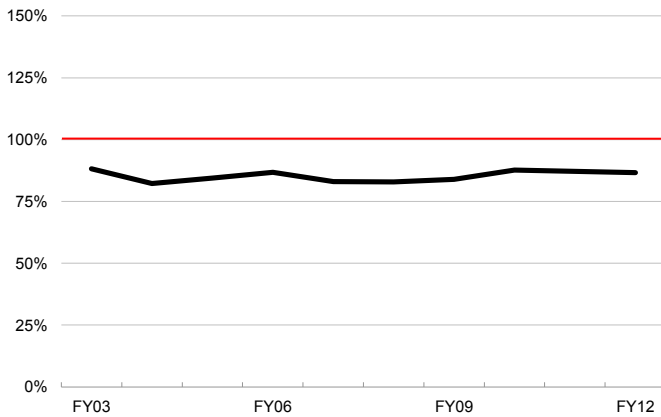
**Figure 27: Felony**



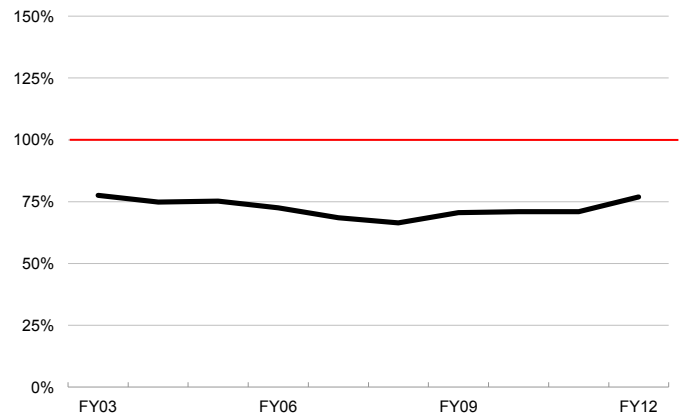
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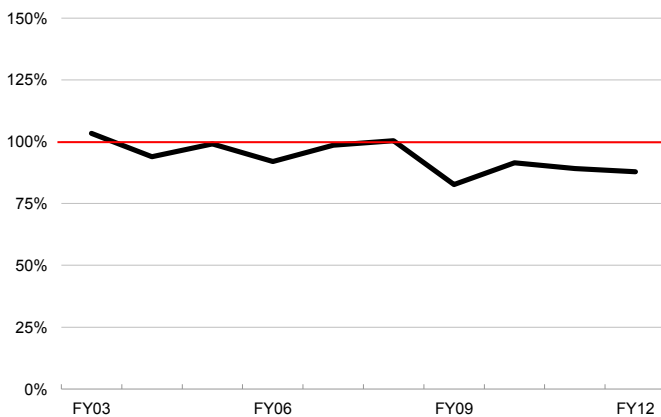
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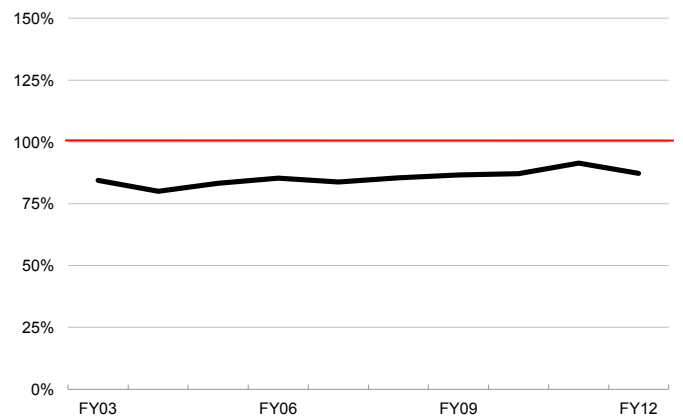
**Figure 29: Traffic Misdemeanor**



**Figure 30: Nontraffic Infraction**



**Figure 31: Traffic Infraction**



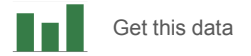
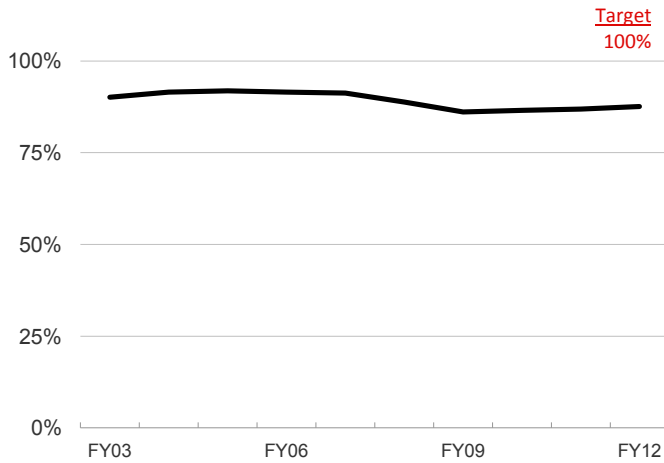


Figure 32: Felonies disposed within 12 months



**Criminal Case Processing Time**

(percent of cases disposed within specified periods)

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Figure 33: Felonies resulting in bindover or certified pleas

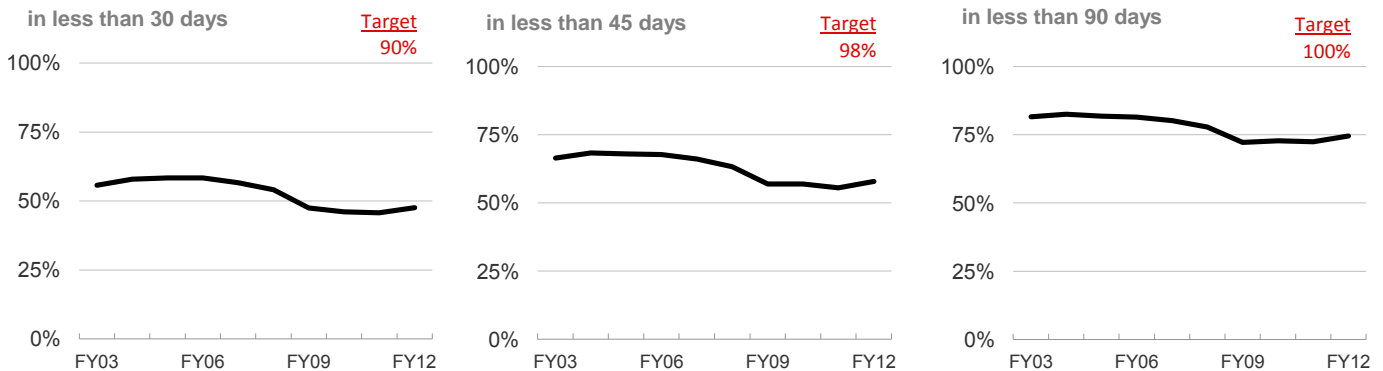
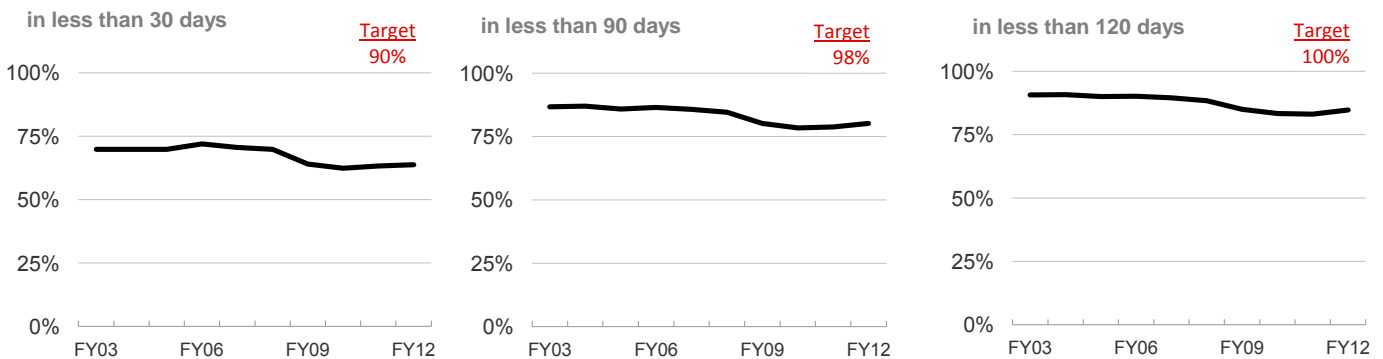


Figure 34: Misdemeanors disposed



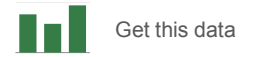
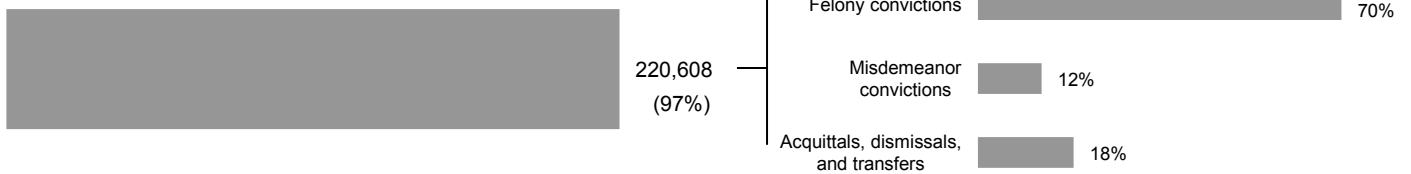


Figure 35: How and at what stage are felony cases resolved?

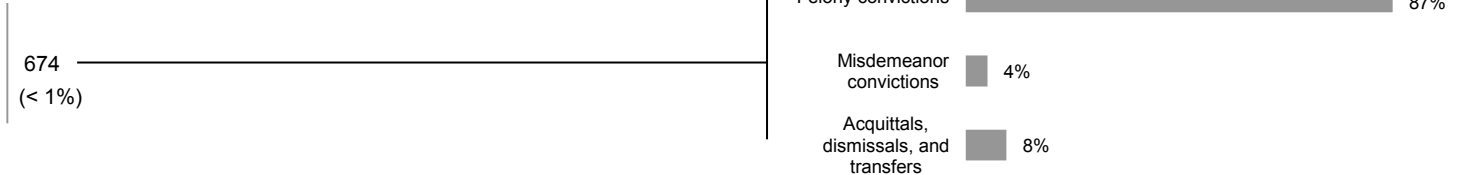
**Total felony dispositions (not including felony petitions)**



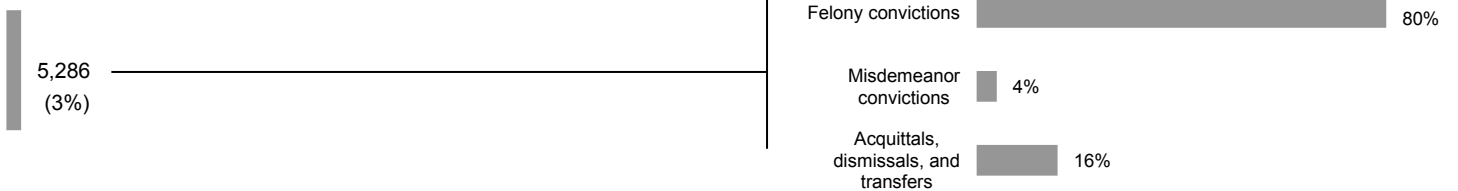
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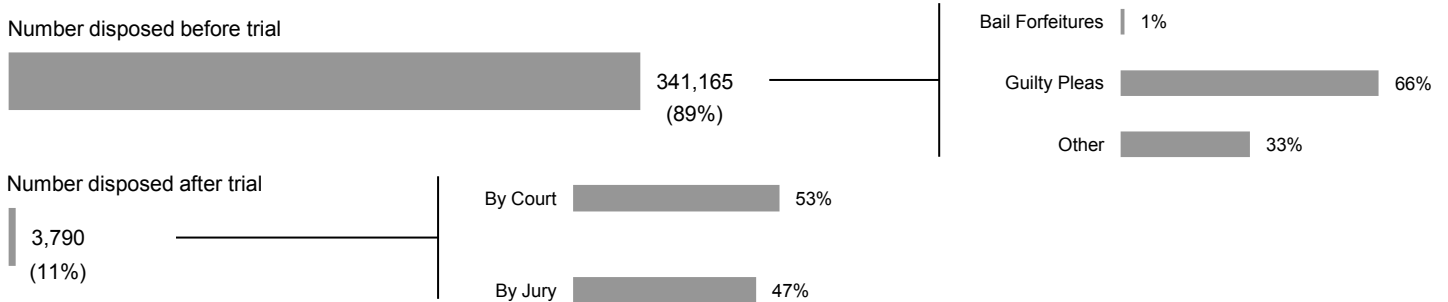
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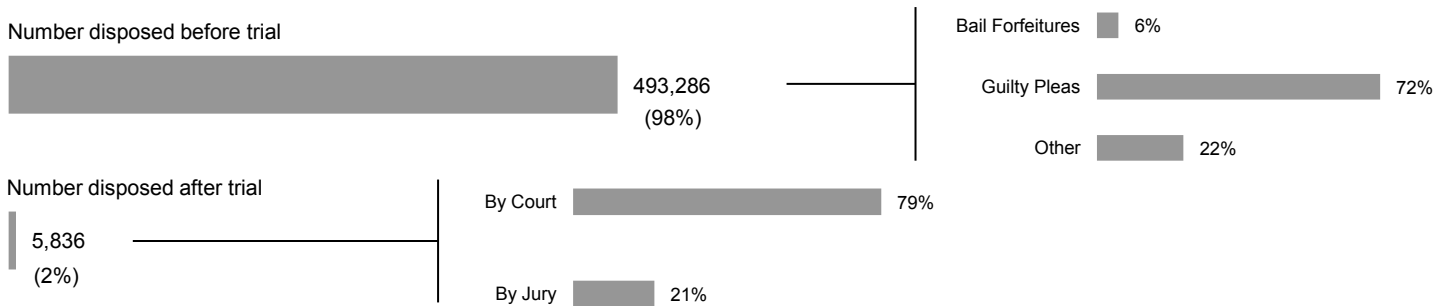


**Figure 36: How and at what stage are misdemeanor and infraction cases resolved?**

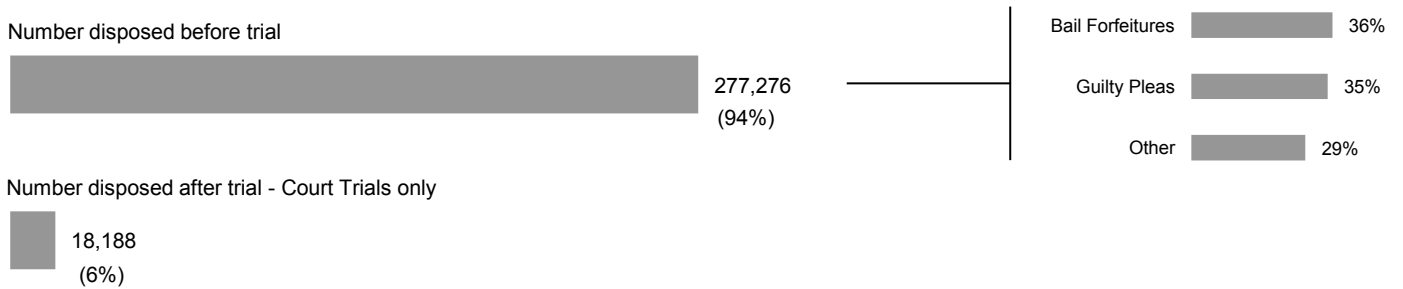
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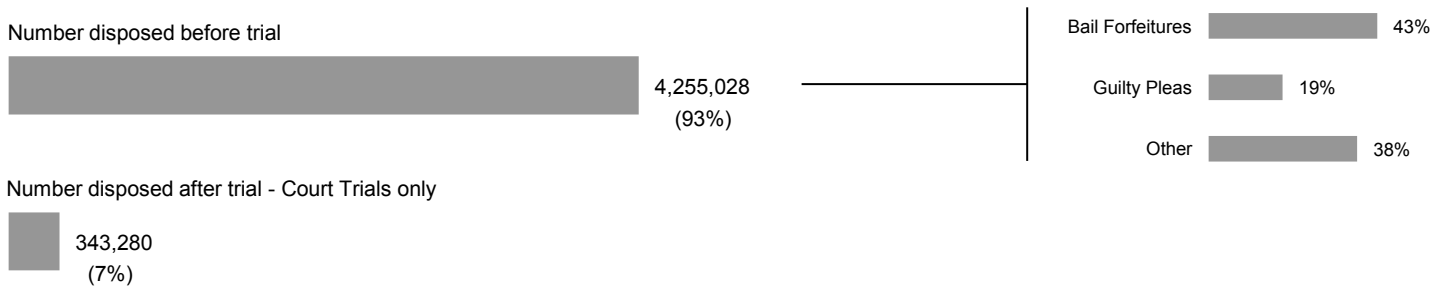
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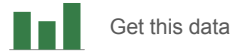


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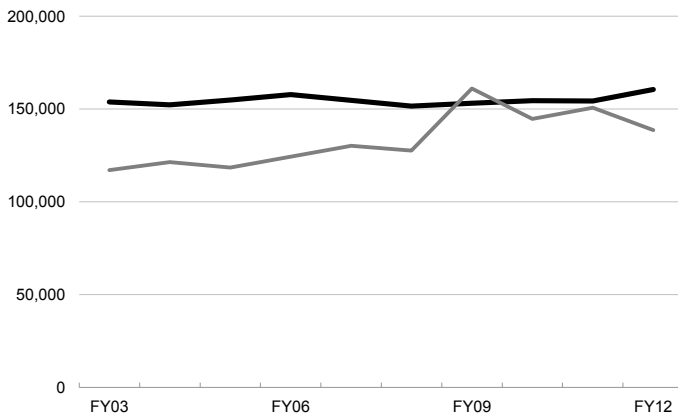
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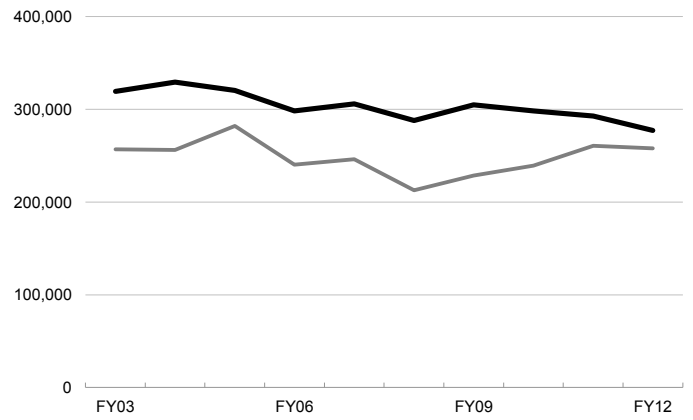


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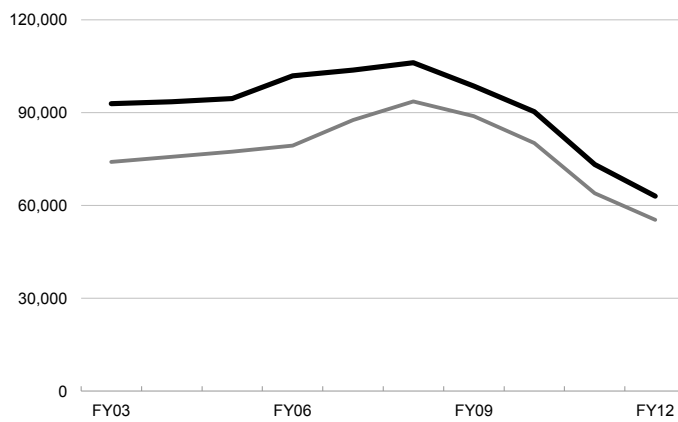
**Figure 37: Family Law — Marital**



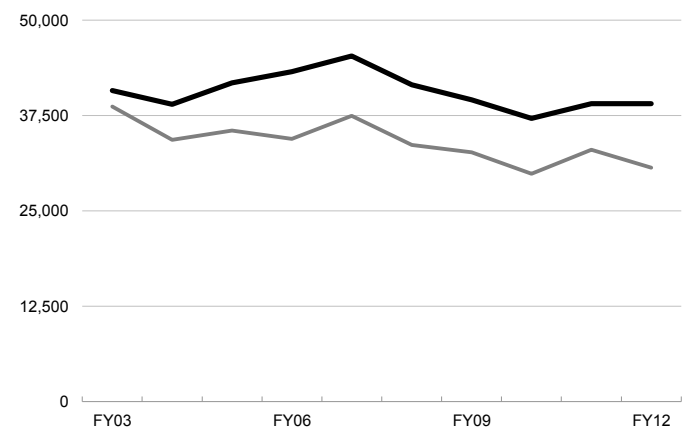
**Figure 38: Family Law Petitions**



**Figure 39: Juvenile Delinquency**



**Figure 40: Juvenile Dependency**





**CalCourTools: Caseload Clearance Rates**  
**Family Law, Juvenile Delinquency, Juvenile Dependency**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

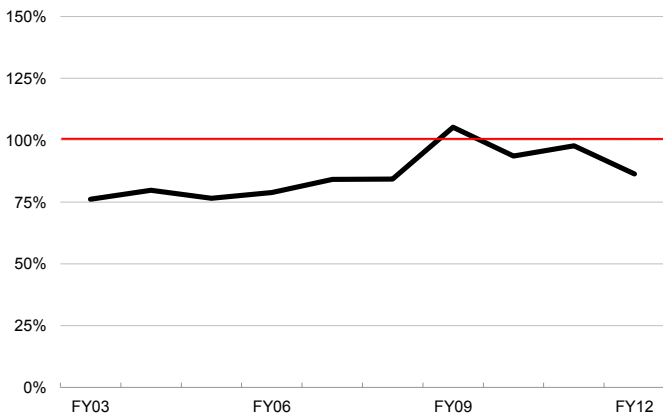


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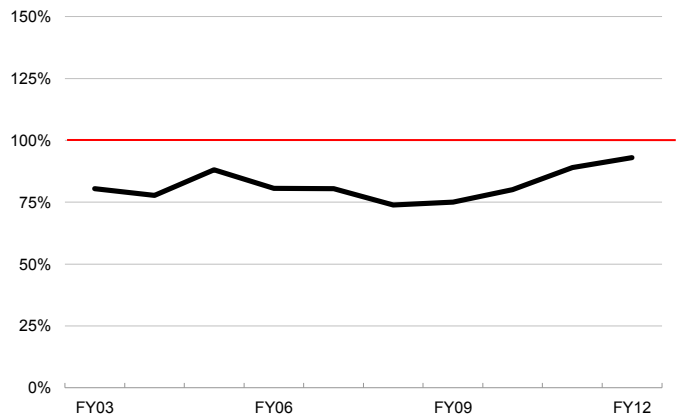
Clearance Rate equals the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of the number of incoming cases. A clearance rate of 100% indicates that the number of cases disposed of in any given year equals the number of cases filed.

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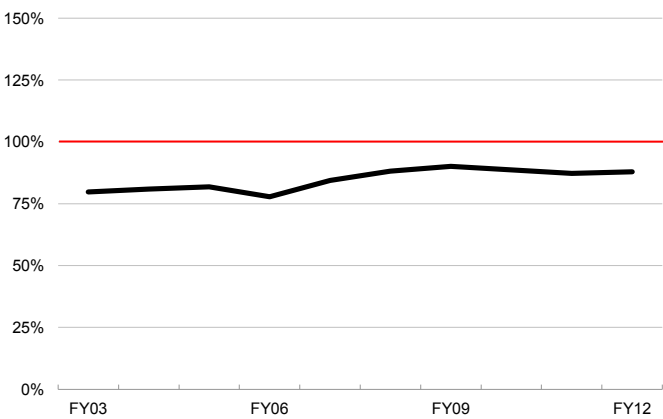
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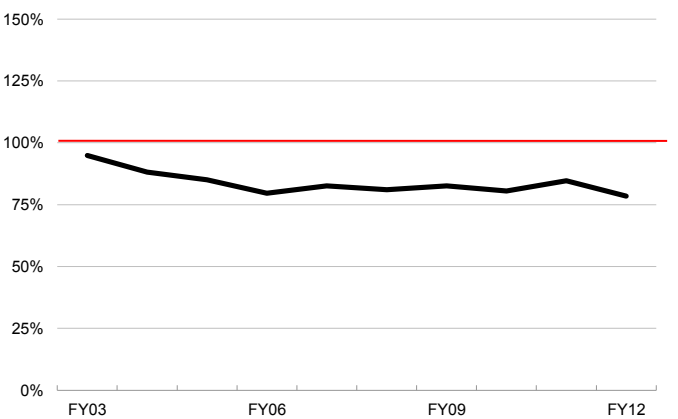
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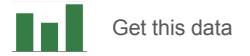


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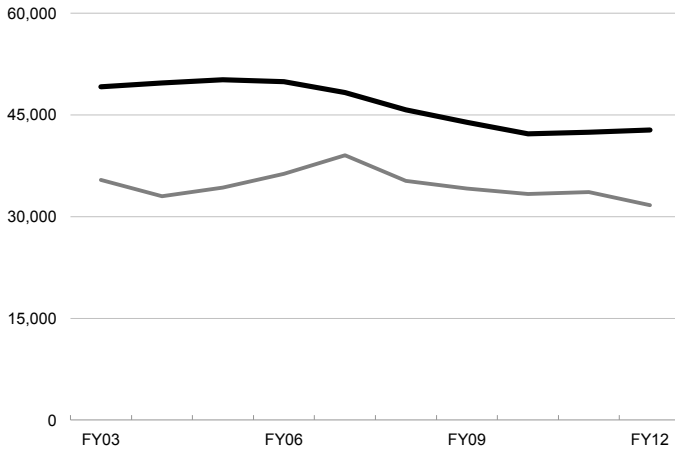
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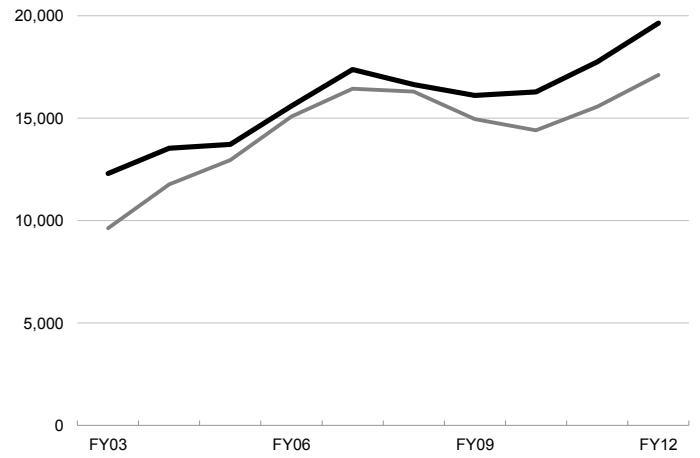


Filings   
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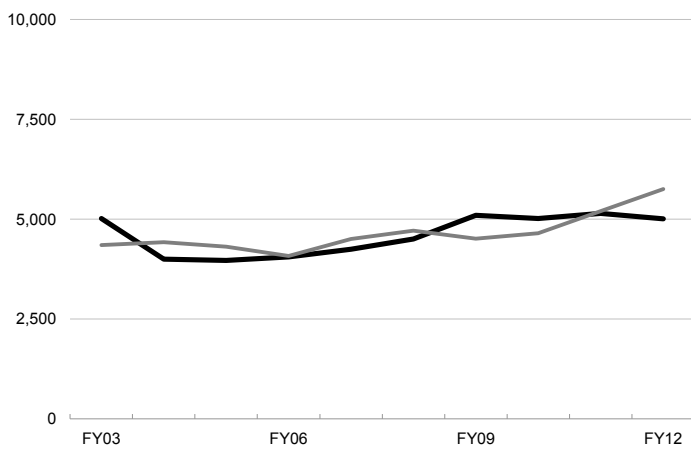
**Figure 45: Probate**



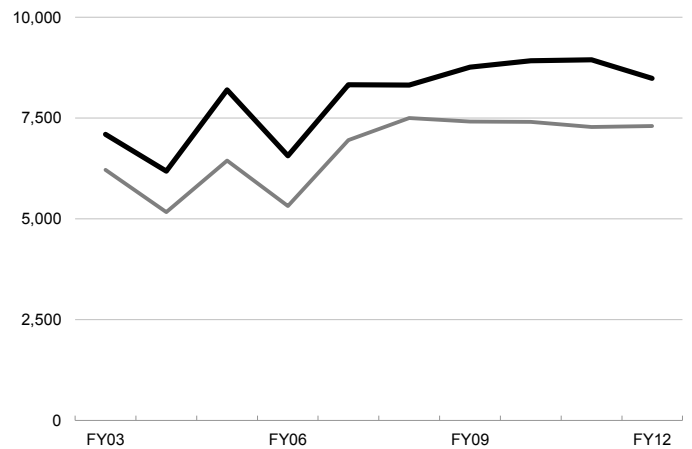
**Figure 46: Mental Health**



**Figure 47: Appeals**



**Figure 48: Criminal Habeas Corpus**



**CalCourTools: Caseload Clearance Rates**  
**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

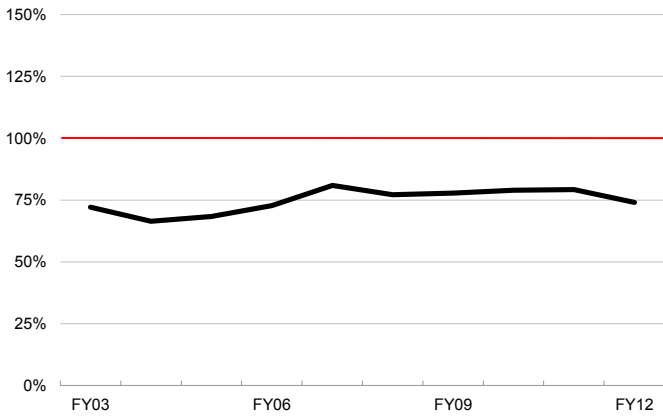


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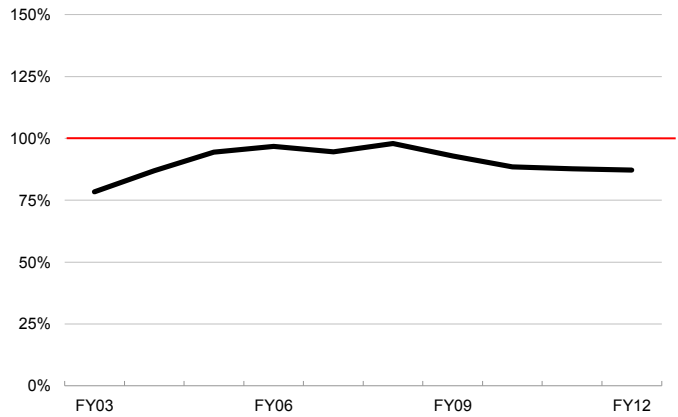
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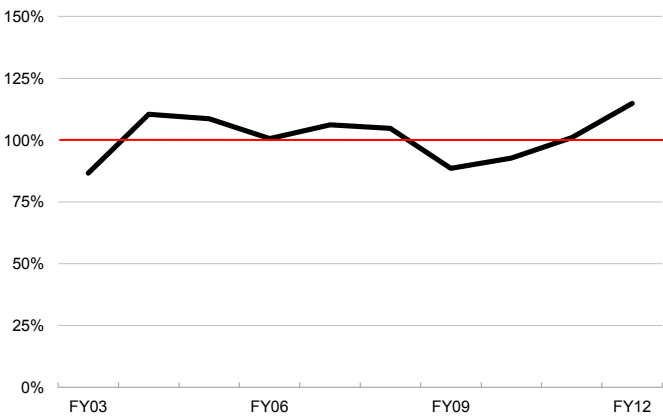
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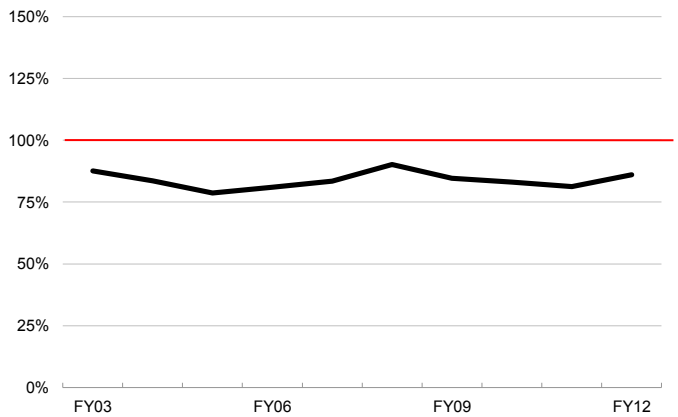
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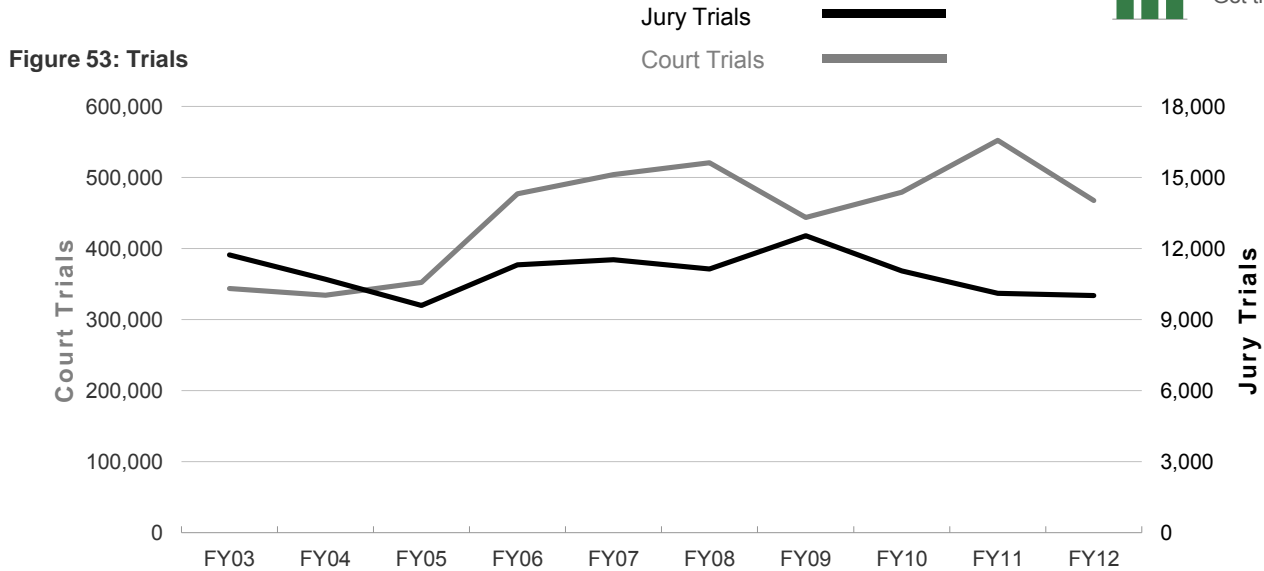


**Figure 52: Criminal Habeas Corpus**



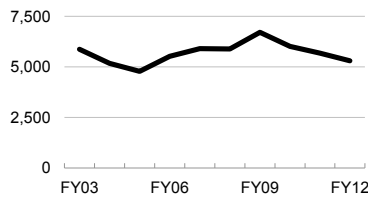
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Trials By Type of Proceeding  
Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts  
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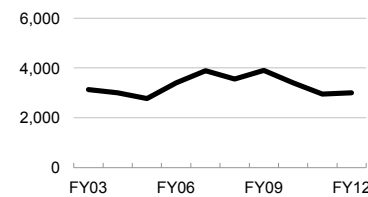


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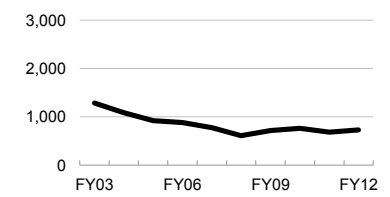
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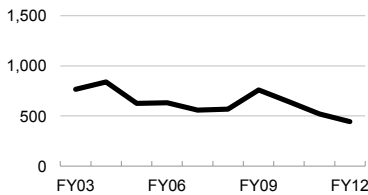
**Figure 55: Misdemeanor**



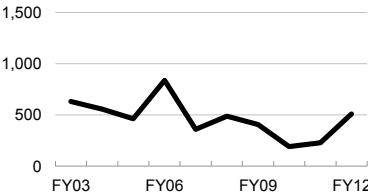
**Figure 56: PI/PD/WD Civil Unlimited**



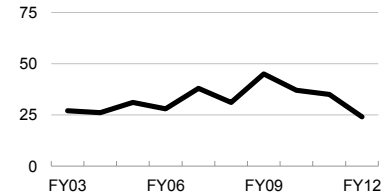
**Figure 57: Other Civil Unlimited**



**Figure 58: Civil Limited**

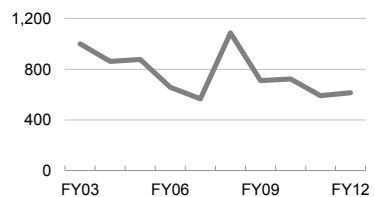


**Figure 59: Probate and Mental Health**

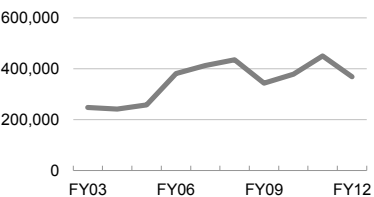


**Court Trials**

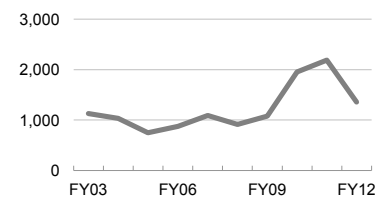
**Figure 60: Felony**



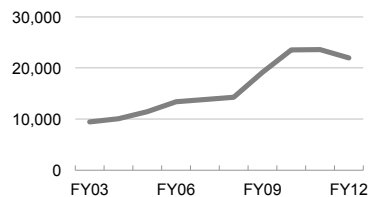
**Figure 61: Misdemeanor and Infractions**



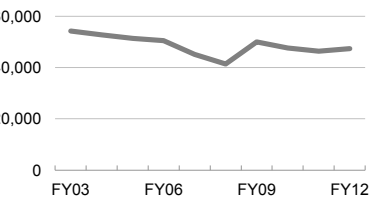
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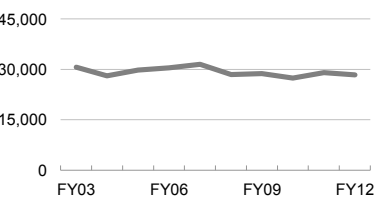
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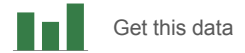


**Figure 64: Civil Limited**



**Figure 65: Probate and Mental Health**





**Definition of Terms**

**Assessed Judicial Need (AJN):** Represents the estimated number of judicial officers needed to handle the workload in the trial courts based on the Judicial Needs Assessment Project. The Judicial Needs Assessment Project was approved by the Judicial Council in 2001 as the methodology for evaluating judicial workload and the need for new judgeships. In 2004, the Judicial Council approved a minor change in the assessment methodology that uses a 3-year average filings data instead of using a single year. The AJN numbers are updated on a 2-year cycle in even-numbered years, and the value for FY 2011-12 represents the recent 2012 update that was presented to the Judicial Council at the October 2012 meeting.

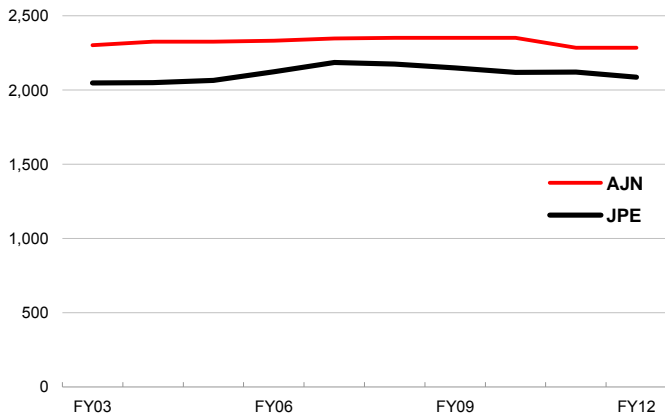
**Judicial Position Equivalents (JPE):** Reflects authorized judicial positions adjusted for vacancies, assistance rendered by the court, and assistance received by the court from assigned judges, temporary judges, commissioners, and referees.

**Authorized Judicial Positions (AJP):** Number of authorized judgeships, commissioners, and referees.

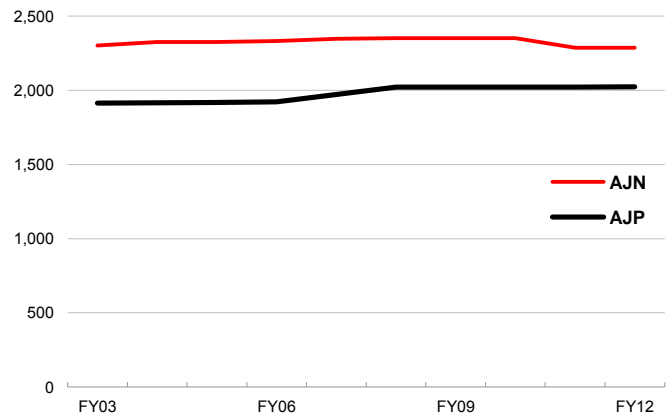
**Authorized Judgeships:** Number of judgeships authorized in statute.

**Judicial Assistance Received by Trial Courts:** Includes only assistance rendered by judges through assignments. Does not include assistance rendered by commissioners, referees, and temporary judges (these are included in JPE).

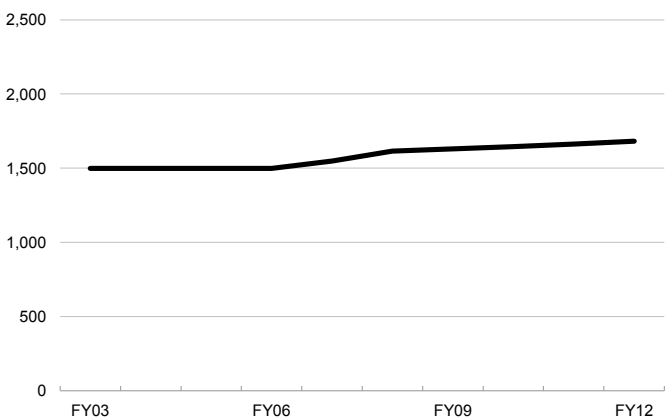
**Figure 66: Total Judicial Position Equivalents (JPE) and Assessed Judicial Need (AJN)**



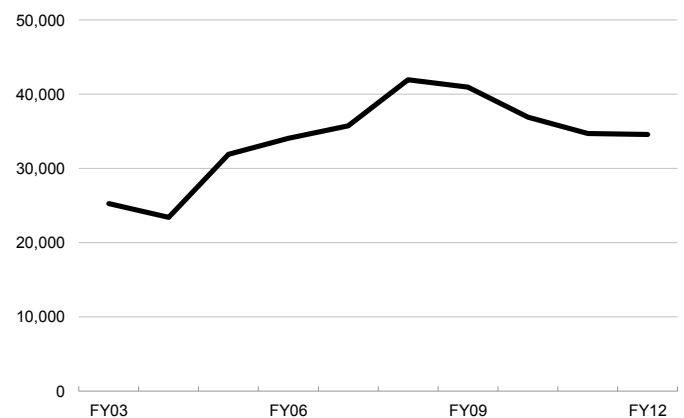
**Figure 67: Total Authorized Judicial Positions (AJP) and Assessed Judicial Need (AJN)**



**Figure 68: Authorized Judgeships**



**Figure 69: Judicial Assistance Received by Trial Courts (days received)**



**Background**

The number of judges available to serve a given population is an important measure of the public’s access to justice. Having a sufficient number of judges ensures that the public will have proper access to justice through the state trial court system, and also enables the court to provide quality of justice to the public.

The California judicial branch uses a weighted caseload method to determine the number of judicial officers needed to manage the work of the courts. The method measures the amount of time that judges spend processing different types of cases, evaluates the amount of time that judges need to spend on these cases, and then calculates the total workload in the court by multiplying filings data by these case weights.

After calculating the total number of judges needed, each court is ranked according to its absolute need for new judgeships—the total number of judgeships needed—and relative need for new judgeships—the percentage that the need represents. These figures are then used to rank the courts to determine how many judges a court should get. Current estimates indicate a statewide shortfall of over 300 judgeships.

In 2006, the California State Legislature created 50 new judgeships in trial courts identified in the Judicial Workload Assessment as having the most urgent need for new judgeships. In 2007, the State Legislature created another 50 judgeships but did not provide funding for these judgeships.

**Table 1: New Judgeships Created by the State Legislature**

	SB 56 2006	AB 159 2007*
San Bernardino	8	7
Riverside	7	7
Sacramento	5	6
Fresno	4	4
San Joaquin	3	3
Kern	2	3
Stanislaus	3	2
Placer	1	2
Los Angeles	2	1
Merced	2	2
Tulare	2	2
Orange	1	1
Solano	1	1
Sonoma	2	1
Madera	2	1
Monterey	1	1
Shasta	1	1
Butte	1	1
Contra Costa	1	1
Ventura	1	0
Kings	0	1
Del Norte	0	1
Yolo	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>

\* AB 159 created 50 new judgeships but did not fund these positions.

**Trial Court Workload and Resources**  
**Subordinate Judicial Officer Conversions**  
**Fiscal Years 2007–08 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 2**

**Background**

California rule of court 10.700 provides for the use of subordinate judicial officers (SJOs) to perform subordinate judicial duties. A presiding judge may also assign a SJO to act as a temporary judge where lawful if the presiding judge determines that it is necessary for the effective administration of justice because of a shortage of judges.

During the 1980s and 1990s, the shortage of judicial positions across the state led many trial courts to create SJO positions to manage their caseloads. The stagnation in the number of new judgeships combined with the growth in the number of SJO positions created an imbalance in many courts, with SJOs spending much of their time working as temporary judges.

To restore the appropriate balance between judges and SJOs in the trial courts, in 2007 the Legislature passed AB 159 which authorized the conversion of 162 SJO positions to judgeships in 25 courts where the judicial workload assessment determined that the number of SJOs exceeded the workload appropriate to SJOs.

**Table 2: Subordinate Judicial Officer Conversions**

	Total Eligible for Conversion	2007–08	2008–09	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12	Positions Remaining for Conversion
Alameda	6	0	0	1	2	3	0
Contra Costa	6	3	0	1			2
El Dorado	2	0	1	0	1		0
Fresno	3	0	1	0	1		1
Imperial	1	0	0	0	1		0
Kern	2	0	1	0			1
Los Angeles	78	4	5	7	7	8	47
Marin	2	0	0	0		1	1
Merced	2	0	1	0		1	0
Napa	1	0	0	0			1
Orange	14	1	2	2	2	3	4
Placer	1	0	0	0			1
Riverside	6	1	1	0		1	3
Sacramento	5	1	2	0		2	0
San Diego	7	2	0	0			5
San Francisco	9	1	0	1			7
San Luis Obispo	2	1	0	0			1
San Mateo	2	0	0	0			2
Santa Barbara	2	0	0	2			0
Santa Cruz	1	0	0	0		1	0
Solano	3	1	2	0			0
Sonoma	2	0	0	1	1		0
Stanislaus	1	0	0	0	1		0
Tulare	2	0	0	1			1
Yolo	2	1	0	0			1
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>78</b>

## JBSIS Courts as of Fiscal Year 2011–12

The following table shows the courts that are submitting data via JBSIS v2.3 (Judicial Branch Statistical Information System) as of the end of fiscal year 2011–12. For updated information, court staff with access to the password-protected Serranus website may log in directly to JBSIS at <http://jbsis.courts.ca.gov>.

<b>Superior Court</b>	Appellate Court 04a	Appellate Division 04b	Limited Civil 05a	Unlimited Civil 05b	Family Law 06a	Felony 07c	Juvenile Delinquency 08a	Juvenile Dependency 09a	Mental Health 10a	Misdemeanor/ Infraction 11a	Probate 12a	Small Claims 13a
Alameda			X	X	X		X	X				X
Alpine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Calaveras			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Colusa			X	X	X							X
Contra Costa			X	X	X	X				X	X	X
El Dorado	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Humboldt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Inyo			X	X	X	X				X	X	X
Kern						X				X		
Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lassen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Madera	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Merced	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Modoc	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Monterey	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Napa	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Orange						X						X
Plumas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Riverside			X	X	X							
Sacramento						X						X
San Benito	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
San Bernardino	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
San Joaquin			X	X	X			X			X	X
San Luis Obispo					X							
San Mateo						X				X		
Santa Barbara		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Santa Clara		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Santa Cruz	X	X	X	X	X				X		X	X
Shasta			X	X	X	X				X		X
Siskiyou	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Solano					X							
Sonoma	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Stanislaus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sutter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tehama	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Trinity		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tulare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tuolumne	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ventura			X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Yolo			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Yuba			X	X	X	X				X	X	X





# Appendixes





## Appendix A Courts With Incomplete Data

JBSIS report type 4b	Appellate Division Appeals
JBSIS report type 5a	Limited Civil
JBSIS report type 5b	Unlimited Civil
JBSIS report type 6a	Family Law
JBSIS report type 7a/7b/7c	Felony
JBSIS report type 8a	Juvenile Delinquency
JBSIS report type 9a	Juvenile Dependency
JBSIS report type 10a	Mental Health
JBSIS report type 11a	Misdemeanors and Infractions
JBSIS report type 12a	Probate
JBSIS report type 13a	Small Claims

Court	Report	Incomplete Data, Fiscal Year 2011–2012
<b>Alameda</b>	JBSIS report type 11a	Reports submitted but incomplete disposition data reported.
<b>Contra Costa</b>	JBSIS report types 8a, 9a	Reports submitted but no disposition data reported.
<b>Kings</b>	JBSIS report types 4b, 5b, 6a, 9a, 12a	Reports submitted but incomplete or no disposition data reported.
<b>Orange</b>	JBSIS report types 5a, 5b, 13a	Reports submitted but do not include detailed breakout of disposition data.
	JBSIS report types 6a, 10a, 11a, 12a	Reports submitted but incomplete or no disposition data reported.
<b>Placer</b>	JBSIS report types 7a, 7b, 11a	Reports submitted but incomplete disposition data reported.
<b>Sierra</b>	JBSIS report types 4b, 5a, 5b, 6a, 7a, 7b, 8a, 9a, 10a, 11a, 12a, 13a	Reports submitted but incomplete or no disposition data reported.

## APPENDIX B

### Supreme Court Glossary

*The definitions in this glossary are intended only to provide context and a general understanding of the information in this publication. They are not to be relied on as legal authority or cited as authoritative.*

**attorney disciplinary proceedings** Proceedings concerning possible suspension, disbarment, and public or private reproof of attorneys for alleged violations of law or rules of professional conduct. Other State Bar filings include requests for approval of rule proposals, motions for the admission of attorneys, reports of criminal convictions and other administrative matters relating to the admission and discipline of attorneys. Most matters are resolved by the entry of an order in the Supreme Court adopting the recommendation of the State Bar Court. Requests for approval of a rule may be resolved by an order adopting or denying the request, or a retransfer of the matter to the State Bar, all undertaken by the Court acting at its weekly conference. If the Supreme Court grants review of an attorney disciplinary proceeding, the matter will be handling in the same manner as any case in which review has been granted. The California Rules of Court govern petitions for review of disciplinary matters by the respondent attorney and the State Bar's Office of Chief Trial Counsel. In addition, the Supreme Court may, on its own motion, grant review or return a matter to the State Bar Court for reconsideration.

**automatic appeal** A criminal appeal by operation of law, directly from a superior court to the Supreme Court, upon imposition of a judgment of death.

**civil** Pertaining to an appeal or original proceeding in a case that is neither a criminal nor a juvenile delinquency case.

**criminal** Pertaining to an appeal or original proceeding in a case charging the violation of criminal law.

**depublished opinion** A Court of Appeal opinion that the Court of Appeal has certified for publication but that the Supreme Court, acting under its constitutional power over opinion publication, directs the Reporter of Decisions not to publish in the *Official Reports*, and that may be cited or relied upon only in limited circumstances (see Cal. Rules of Court, rule 8.1115(b)).

**original proceedings** Petitions for writs within the Supreme Court's original jurisdiction. The most common types are mandamus and prohibition, which may relate to either civil or criminal matters, and habeas corpus.

**petition for review** A request for Supreme Court review of a Court of Appeal decision.

**petition for review denied** An order by the Supreme Court declining review of a Court of Appeal decision.

**petition for review granted** An order by the Supreme Court granting review of a Court of Appeal decision.

**petition for review granted and held** An order by the Supreme Court granting review of a Court of Appeal decision that will be held for final action until a lead case addressing a related issue has been decided by the Supreme Court.

**petition for review granted and transferred** An order by the Supreme Court granting review of a Court of Appeal summary denial in an original proceeding and transferring review of the case to a Court of Appeal for further proceedings.

**request for publication or depublishment** A case in which the sole relief requested is for the Supreme Court to order that a Court of Appeal decision be either published or depublished.

**written opinion** The written decision, with reasons stated, that describes and explains the outcome of a Supreme Court case.

## APPENDIX C

### Courts of Appeal Glossary

*The definitions in this glossary are intended only to provide context and a general understanding of the information in this publication. They are not to be relied on as legal authority or cited as authoritative.*

**appeal** A proceeding for direct review of a judgment of an appealable order of a trial court. Excludes collateral review by means of an original proceeding. (See “civil appeal” and “criminal appeal.”)

**civil appeal** An appeal in a case that is neither a criminal nor a juvenile delinquency case.

**civil original proceeding** Any original proceeding in which the underlying case is not related to a violation of criminal law.

**Court of Appeal** The California court that hears (1) appeals in all noncapital cases in which a superior court has original jurisdiction and (2) appeals under other special circumstances, as prescribed by law.

**criminal appeal** An appeal from the judgment or order in a case charging a violation of criminal law.

**criminal original proceeding** Any original proceeding in which the underlying case is related to a violation of criminal law.

**disposition** Termination of an appeal or original proceeding. Court of Appeal dispositions are either by written opinion or without opinion (with or without a record filed).

**fully briefed appeal** A pending appeal in which all briefs have been filed.

**median time** In a listing where time values are placed in order from shortest to longest, the value with half of the cases above it and half below it.

**90th percentile time** In a listing where time values are placed in order from shortest to longest, the value with 10 percent of the cases above it and 90 percent below it.

**notice filed** The filing of a notice of appeal in the superior court, initiating the appellate process.

**original proceedings** Cases begun in an appellate court, commonly called writ proceedings. The most common are writs of mandamus and prohibition, usually seeking an order addressed to a lower court, and writs of habeas corpus, usually addressed to a person holding another in official custody. (See “civil original proceeding” and “criminal original proceeding.”)

**pending appeal** An appeal awaiting decision.

**record filed** The filing of the trial court clerk’s transcript (copies of documents filed in the case) and the reporter’s transcript (the typed version of oral proceedings).

## APPENDIX D

### Superior Courts Glossary

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**appeal** A proceeding for direct review of a civil or criminal judgment from a limited-jurisdiction case, including small claims matters.

**assessed judge need (AJN):** Represents the estimated number of judicial officers needed to handle the workload in the trial courts based on the Judicial Needs Assessment Project.

**caseload clearance rate** Clearance rates show the number of outgoing cases as a percentage of the number of incoming cases. They measure whether the court is disposing of cases in a timely fashion or whether a backlog of cases is growing.

**commissioner** A subordinate judicial officer, employed by the court, who performs judicial or quasi-judicial duties assigned to him or her. A commissioner may be authorized to decide only limited pretrial issues of fact and law or to conduct complete trials. Commissioners frequently act as temporary judges.

**disposition** Termination of a proceeding. Civil dispositions *before trial* include transfers to another trial court, dismissals, summary judgments, and other judgments. Criminal dispositions *before trial* include transfers to another trial court, sentences after pleas of guilty or no contest, and dismissals. Civil dispositions *after trial* include entry of judgment after jury trial and court trial. Criminal dispositions *after trial* include acquittals, grants of probation, and sentences after conviction.

**family law (marital)** Proceedings in which a petition has been filed for dissolution or voiding of a marriage or for legal separation.

**family law petitions** Family law cases other than marital cases, such as domestic violence petitions and petitions filed by the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) for reimbursement of child support.

**felony** A criminal case alleging an offense punishable by imprisonment in a state prison or by death.

**filings in civil matters** Civil cases for which complaints or petitions have been filed.

**filings in criminal matters** The number of defendants against whom criminal charges have been filed.

**filings in juvenile matters** The number of minors who are the subjects of petitions.

**judgeship** A judicial position conferring power to exercise the full legal authority of the court in which the judge sits (by selection or assignment). The term “Judgeships,” as used in this report, represents the number of positions authorized by law, whether filled or vacant.

**judicial position equivalents** An estimate of the number of judicial officers who were present and available to conduct court business. The number includes authorized judgeships (adjusted to reflect judicial vacancies and assistance given to other courts) and assistance received from assigned judges, full-time and part-time commissioners and referees, and temporary judges serving by stipulation of the parties.

**judicial positions** The number of judgeships authorized by law, plus positions of referees and commissioners.

**juvenile delinquency proceedings** Petitions filed under Welfare and Institutions Code section 602, alleging violation of a criminal statute, and petitions filed under Welfare and Institutions Code section 601, alleging that a minor is beyond the control of parents or guardians but has not

violated any law. An *original petition* begins a delinquency proceeding. A *subsequent petition* adds allegations against a minor child who is already subject to the court's jurisdiction.

**juvenile dependency proceedings** Petitions filed under Welfare and Institutions Code section 300, seeking to make a minor child a ward of the court because of abuse or neglect. An *original petition* begins a dependency proceeding. A *subsequent petition* adds allegations regarding a minor child who is already subject to the court's jurisdiction.

**limited civil** All civil matters with a value of \$25,000 or less, except small claims matters.

**mental health proceedings** Includes most types of mental health cases, including but not limited to postcertification treatment (W&I 5300), LPS Conservatorship (W&I 5350), narcotics addict (W&I 3050/3051), commitments (PC 2966), mental competency (PC 1368), sexually violent predator (W&I 6600), juvenile (W&I 1800), mentally retarded and dangerous (W&I 6500), and W&I Code, § 4500.

**motor vehicle personal injury, death, and property damage** Actions for damages in excess of \$25,000 for physical injury to persons and property and actions for wrongful death related to motor vehicle accidents.

**nontraffic infractions** Nontraffic violations of state statutes or local ordinances specified as infractions.

**nontraffic misdemeanors** Misdemeanors including intoxication complaints and violations of the Penal Code, local city and county ordinances, and the Fish and Game Code.

**other civil complaints and petitions** Cases not covered in any other civil case category, including complaints for declaratory relief only, mechanics' liens, and petitions for partnership and corporate governance. If the requested relief is for money, it must be in excess of \$25,000 to be filed as a general-jurisdiction case.

**other mental health proceedings** Includes other mental health cases not included in the mental health category as well as noncriminal habeas corpus.

**personal injury, death, and property damage** All actions for damages in excess of \$25,000 for physical injury to persons and property and all actions for wrongful death.

**probate and guardianship** All probate proceedings, will contests, guardianship and conservatorship proceedings (including conservatorship proceedings under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act), and petitions to compromise minors' claims (when not part of a pending action or proceeding).

**reduced to misdemeanor** Cases in which a charge originally filed as a felony is disposed of as a misdemeanor.

**referee** A subordinate judicial officer employed by a county to handle matters assigned by the court, such as traffic law violations.

**small claims** All matters filed in small claims court (value of \$7,500 or less at the beginning of FY 2011-12, but changed to \$10,000 effective January 1, 2012).

**time to disposition** The amount of time it takes a court to dispose of cases within established time frames.

**traffic infractions** Traffic-related violations of state statutes or city or county ordinances specified as infractions, excluding parking violations.

**traffic misdemeanors** Violations of Vehicle Code § 20002 (hit and run, property damage), 23104 (reckless driving, causing injury), and 23152 (driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs) and all other traffic misdemeanors.

**unlimited civil** All civil matters with a value of more than \$25,000.



## APPENDIX E — Courts of Appeal Data Tables

### Summary of Filings

Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12

### Courts of Appeal

Data for Figures 6–7

Fiscal year	Authorized justices (A)	Contested matters		Records of appeal		Original proceedings	
		Total (B)	Per authorized justice (C)	Total (D)	Per authorized justice (E)	Total (F)	Per authorized justice (G)
FY12	105	21,894	209	13,498	129	8,396	80
FY11	105	23,021	219	13,950	133	9,071	86
FY10	105	22,515	214	13,738	131	8,777	84
FY09	105	22,030	210	13,617	130	8,413	80
FY08	105	23,675	225	13,970	133	9,705	92
FY07	105	22,532	215	13,125	125	9,407	90
FY06	105	22,150	211	13,539	129	8,611	82
FY05	105	21,901	209	13,227	126	8,674	83
FY04	105	22,824	217	14,340	137	8,484	81
FY03	105	22,043	210	13,437	128	8,606	82

**Column Key:**

- (B) *D + F.* “Total contested matters” means all appeals and original proceedings; it excludes motions to dismiss on clerk’s certificate, rehearings, and miscellaneous orders, which do not significantly add to the court’s workload.
- (C) *B / A.*
- (E) *D / A.*
- (G) *F / A.*

**Record of Appeal Filings**  
Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12

**Courts of Appeal**  
Data for Figures 8–14

**All Districts**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	13,498	4,601	6,145	2,752
FY11	13,950	4,747	6,522	2,681
FY10	13,738	4,539	6,549	2,650
FY09	13,617	4,422	6,458	2,737
FY08	13,970	4,623	6,531	2,816
FY07	13,125	4,262	6,224	2,639
FY06	13,539	4,501	6,351	2,687
FY05	13,227	4,566	6,162	2,499
FY04	14,340	5,211	6,490	2,639
FY03	13,437	4,780	6,303	2,354

**District 1**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	1,848	843	674	331
FY11	1,971	886	759	326
FY10	1,943	864	756	323
FY09	1,861	812	704	345
FY08	2,010	820	851	339
FY07	2,054	846	818	390
FY06	1,973	798	814	361
FY05	2,014	868	806	340
FY04	2,236	1,013	793	430
FY03	2,081	895	825	361

**District 3**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	1,666	323	1,028	315
FY11	1,709	324	1,019	366
FY10	1,750	317	1,028	405
FY09	1,715	305	957	453
FY08	1,704	294	1,058	352
FY07	1,629	290	985	354
FY06	1,753	357	1,002	394
FY05	1,782	406	987	389
FY04	1,679	390	946	343
FY03	1,652	418	908	326

**District 5**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	1,182	208	693	281
FY11	1,148	221	597	330
FY10	1,335	246	760	329
FY09	1,249	207	762	280
FY08	1,252	221	713	318
FY07	1,270	210	723	337
FY06	1,256	214	671	371
FY05	1,344	247	744	353
FY04	1,454	228	847	379
FY03	1,383	237	783	363

**District 2**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	4,399	1,700	1,704	995
FY11	4,687	1,852	1,913	922
FY10	4,415	1,723	1,808	884
FY09	4,442	1,672	1,881	889
FY08	4,761	1,931	1,884	946
FY07	3,906	1,513	1,732	661
FY06	4,275	1,692	1,826	757
FY05	3,931	1,647	1,690	594
FY04	4,748	2,069	1,966	713
FY03	4,278	1,694	1,979	605

**District 4**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	3,588	1,282	1,551	755
FY11	3,675	1,232	1,784	659
FY10	3,515	1,173	1,744	598
FY09	3,585	1,211	1,701	673
FY08	3,482	1,104	1,598	780
FY07	3,513	1,157	1,541	815
FY06	3,472	1,206	1,571	695
FY05	3,335	1,153	1,482	700
FY04	3,313	1,244	1,423	646
FY03	3,153	1,282	1,305	566

**District 6**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	815	245	495	75
FY11	760	232	450	78
FY10	780	216	453	111
FY09	765	215	453	97
FY08	761	253	427	81
FY07	753	246	425	82
FY06	810	234	467	109
FY05	821	245	453	123
FY04	910	267	515	128
FY03	890	254	503	133

**Original Proceeding Filings**  
Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12

**Courts of Appeal**  
Data for Figures 15–21

**All Districts**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	8,396	1,982	5,945	469
FY11	9,071	2,122	6,533	416
FY10	8,777	2,017	6,305	455
FY09	8,413	2,139	5,788	486
FY08	9,705	2,444	6,701	560
FY07	9,407	2,488	6,195	724
FY06	8,611	2,633	5,197	781
FY05	8,674	2,517	5,339	818
FY04	8,484	2,692	4,950	842
FY03	8,606	3,000	4,796	810

**District 1**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	1,236	307	860	69
FY11	1,298	320	904	74
FY10	1,313	320	931	62
FY09	1,239	381	787	71
FY08	1,426	430	928	68
FY07	1,379	448	843	88
FY06	1,314	456	757	101
FY05	1,361	417	830	114
FY04	1,337	488	731	118
FY03	1,381	554	709	118

**District 3**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	896	162	691	43
FY11	1,067	177	829	61
FY10	979	160	756	63
FY09	894	160	660	74
FY08	1,056	192	792	72
FY07	1,052	234	752	66
FY06	855	207	577	71
FY05	869	218	581	70
FY04	810	223	517	70
FY03	884	244	574	66

**District 5**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	1,022	116	824	82
FY11	991	136	792	63
FY10	966	144	752	70
FY09	923	122	729	72
FY08	985	139	772	74
FY07	1,021	102	809	110
FY06	939	100	697	142
FY05	978	92	735	151
FY04	862	104	626	132
FY03	864	116	595	153

**District 2**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	2,813	795	1,863	155
FY11	3,174	896	2,140	138
FY10	3,101	816	2,100	185
FY09	2,948	842	1,958	148
FY08	3,619	984	2,426	209
FY07	3,183	978	1,962	243
FY06	3,087	1,151	1,731	205
FY05	3,012	1,028	1,781	203
FY04	2,982	1,083	1,672	227
FY03	3,061	1,256	1,577	228

**District 4**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	2,012	510	1,393	109
FY11	2,076	490	1,518	68
FY10	1,954	483	1,406	65
FY09	1,946	530	1,317	99
FY08	2,103	577	1,408	118
FY07	2,243	596	1,452	195
FY06	1,990	598	1,141	251
FY05	2,019	645	1,119	255
FY04	2,012	668	1,072	272
FY03	1,945	697	1,030	218

**District 6**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>Juvenile</b>
FY12	417	92	314	11
FY11	465	103	350	12
FY10	464	94	360	10
FY09	463	104	337	22
FY08	516	122	375	19
FY07	529	130	377	22
FY06	426	121	294	11
FY05	435	117	293	25
FY04	481	126	332	23
FY03	471	133	311	27

**Appeals Terminated by Written Opinion**  
**Fiscal Years 2009–10 through 2011–12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Data for Figures 22–27**

Fiscal year	Total cases		Affirmance						Reversed		Dismissed	
	Number (A)	Percent (B)	Total		Full		With modification		Number (I)	Percent (J)	Number (K)	Percent (L)
			Number (C)	Percent (D)	Number (E)	Percent (F)	Number (G)	Percent (H)				
<b>Total appeals</b>												
FY12	9,840	100%	8,591	87%	6,851	70%	1,740	18%	954	10%	295	3%
FY11	10,093	100%	8,843	88%	6,869	68%	1,974	20%	969	10%	281	3%
FY10	10,022	100%	8,743	87%	7,001	70%	1,742	17%	990	10%	289	3%
<b>Criminal appeals by defendants</b>												
FY12	4,860	100%	4,583	94%	3,366	69%	1,217	25%	212	4%	65	1%
FY11	5,143	100%	4,830	94%	3,402	66%	1,428	28%	232	5%	81	2%
FY10	5,125	100%	4,820	94%	3,598	70%	1,222	24%	226	4%	79	2%
<b>Criminal appeals by prosecution</b>												
FY12	124	100%	51	41%	33	27%	18	15%	71	57%	2	2%
FY11	176	100%	99	56%	56	32%	43	24%	73	41%	4	2%
FY10	153	100%	86	56%	73	48%	13	8%	63	41%	4	3%
<b>Civil appeals</b>												
FY12	3,112	100%	2,469	79%	2,176	70%	293	9%	552	18%	91	3%
FY11	3,023	100%	2,380	79%	2,088	69%	292	10%	544	18%	99	3%
FY10	2,960	100%	2,317	78%	2,031	69%	286	10%	549	19%	94	3%
<b>Juvenile appeals (criminal violation)<sup>a</sup></b>												
FY12	512	100%	470	92%	317	62%	153	30%	38	7%	4	1%
FY11	573	100%	525	92%	378	66%	147	26%	41	7%	7	1%
FY10	566	100%	510	90%	349	62%	161	28%	50	9%	6	1%
<b>Other juvenile appeals<sup>b</sup></b>												
FY12	1,232	100%	1018	83%	959	78%	59	5%	81	7%	133	11%
FY11	1,178	100%	1009	86%	945	80%	64	5%	79	7%	90	8%
FY10	1,218	100%	1010	83%	950	78%	60	5%	102	8%	106	9%

**Column Key:**

- (A)  $C + I + K$ . Total does not match that in column *E* of Table 1 because of missing data. Percentages are calculated based on totals shown in column *A*.
- (B)  $D + J + L$ . Components may not add to total because of rounding.

**Notes:**

- <sup>a</sup> Juvenile appeals filed under Welf. & Inst. Code, § 602, alleging violation of a criminal statute.
- <sup>b</sup> Juvenile appeals filed under Welf. & Inst. Code, § 300 or § 601. These cases do not involve violations of criminal statutes.

**Percentage of Majority Opinions Published**  
**Fiscal Year 2011-12**

**Courts of Appeal**  
**Data for Figures 28–32**

<b>District</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil Appeals</b>	<b>Criminal Appeals</b>	<b>Juvenile Appeals</b>	<b>Original Proceedings</b>
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>17%</b>
First	12%	21%	4%	4%	16%
Second	8%	15%	4%	3%	25%
Third	10%	22%	6%	3%	36%
Fourth	7%	14%	4%	3%	11%
Fifth	7%	22%	2%	4%	7%
Sixth	10%	27%	3%	0%	24%

## APPENDIX F — Superior Court Statewide Data Tables

### Caseloads and Authorized Judicial Positions

Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12

### Superior Courts

Data for Figures 1–2

Fiscal year	Judicial positions (A)	Filings		Dispositions	
		Total (B)	Per judicial position (C)	Total (E)	Per judicial position (F)
FY12	2,022	8,498,331	4,203	7,518,201	3,718
FY11	2,022	9,425,591	4,661	8,591,235	4,249
FY10	2,022	10,076,691	4,983	8,783,423	4,344
FY09	2,022	10,256,163	5,072	8,768,510	4,336
FY08	2,022	9,591,963	4,744	7,989,141	3,951
FY07	1,972	9,467,156	4,801	7,891,932	4,002
FY06	1,922	9,171,266	4,772	7,776,028	4,046
FY05	1,917	8,916,502	4,651	7,505,235	3,915
FY04	1,915	9,020,431	4,711	7,378,846	3,854
FY03	1,914	8,570,030	4,478	7,304,883	3,817

**Column Key:**

- (A) Judicial positions include authorized commissioners and referees in addition to the number of judges authorized for the court. The 50 new judgeships authorized but not funded by Assembly Bill 159, effective January 2008, are included in column A.
- (C)  $B / A$ .
- (F)  $E / A$ .

**Note:**

Dispositions are underreported due to incomplete data from some courts. See Appendix A for more details.

**Civil Filings, Dispositions, and Caseload Clearance Rate**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 3–16**

Fiscal Year	Total Civil (A)	Unlimited Civil					Limited Civil (G)	Small Claims (H)
		Total Unlimited Civil (B)	Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD (C)	Other PI/PD/WD (D)	Other Civil Complaints & Petitions (E)	Small Claims Appeals (F)		
<b>Filings</b>								
FY12	984,048	196,994	29,466	22,532	137,952	7,044	603,097	183,957
FY11	1,085,202	204,191	27,803	21,646	147,096	7,646	688,434	192,577
FY10	1,152,928	220,633	28,964	20,928	162,298	8,443	720,308	211,987
FY09	1,227,779	211,555	28,945	21,142	152,262	9,206	783,883	232,341
FY08	1,096,959	182,815	28,431	20,684	124,696	9,004	686,903	227,241
FY07	954,183	169,723	29,830	20,875	110,335	8,683	560,069	224,391
FY06	912,923	173,079	31,390	21,338	111,270	9,081	503,326	236,518
FY05	901,377	166,337	28,661	20,113	107,923	9,640	478,954	256,086
FY04	972,092	176,375	33,121	23,111	109,350	10,793	511,621	284,096
FY03	1,037,079	202,360	49,756	26,941	114,619	11,044	519,571	315,148
<b>Dispositions</b>								
FY12	1,008,329	186,704	27,685	21,216	132,619	5,184	637,910	183,715
FY11	1,154,496	197,815	28,060	19,884	144,065	5,806	754,487	202,194
FY10	1,113,649	195,378	27,294	18,821	142,446	6,817	703,350	214,921
FY09	1,113,499	176,219	26,123	18,583	124,894	6,619	711,169	226,111
FY08	904,672	153,299	26,402	20,572	100,131	6,194	533,091	218,282
FY07	871,428	142,476	26,514	18,252	91,225	6,485	510,833	218,119
FY06	866,559	145,553	27,995	18,049	92,579	6,930	474,293	246,713
FY05	870,090	146,237	28,922	19,429	90,214	7,672	470,673	253,180
FY04	950,520	172,996	45,174	24,908	93,894	9,020	498,598	278,926
FY03	976,647	178,701	48,493	24,848	95,980	9,380	495,408	302,538
<b>Caseload Clearance Rate</b>								
FY12	102%	95%	94%	94%	96%	74%	106%	100%
FY11	106%	97%	101%	92%	98%	76%	110%	105%
FY10	97%	89%	94%	90%	88%	81%	98%	101%
FY09	91%	83%	90%	88%	82%	72%	91%	97%
FY08	82%	84%	93%	99%	80%	69%	78%	96%
FY07	91%	84%	89%	87%	83%	75%	91%	97%
FY06	95%	84%	89%	85%	83%	76%	94%	104%
FY05	97%	88%	101%	97%	84%	80%	98%	99%
FY04	98%	98%	136%	108%	86%	84%	97%	98%
FY03	94%	88%	97%	92%	84%	85%	95%	96%

**Column Key:**

- (A) Sum of C through H.
- (B) Sum of C through F.
- (E) Civil complaints and petitions not specified in columns C and D. Prior to the 2004 Court Statistics Report, this case type included miscellaneous family law petitions, which are now reported in the Family and Juvenile section.

**Civil Case Processing Time**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 17–20**

Fiscal year	General civil unlimited disposed of in less than _ months			Limited civil disposed of in less than _ months			Unlawful detainers disposed of in less than _ days		Small claims disposed of in less than _ days	
	12 (A)	18 (B)	24 (C)	12 (D)	18 (E)	24 (F)	30 (G)	45 (H)	70 (I)	90 (J)
FY12	68%	83%	90%	88%	95%	97%	50%	69%	64%	75%
FY11	70%	85%	92%	86%	95%	98%	54%	72%	62%	74%
FY10	72%	87%	93%	88%	97%	99%	56%	75%	61%	73%
FY09	70%	86%	92%	91%	98%	99%	48%	67%	61%	74%
FY08	70%	86%	93%	94%	97%	98%	55%	75%	59%	75%
FY07	67%	84%	92%	93%	97%	98%	58%	76%	64%	78%
FY06	68%	85%	91%	87%	94%	96%	59%	76%	65%	76%
FY05	64%	83%	91%	83%	91%	94%	60%	78%	71%	81%
FY04	65%	83%	91%	86%	93%	96%	60%	78%	71%	83%
FY03	65%	84%	92%	89%	95%	97%	60%	78%	75%	86%

**Column Key:**

(G), (H) Includes only limited jurisdiction civil unlawful detainers.



**Caseflow Management Data**  
**Stage of Case at Disposition — Civil**  
 Fiscal Year 2011-12

**Superior Courts**  
 Data for Figure 21

Unlimited Civil	Total Filings	Total Dispositions	Before Trial		After Trial		
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution	Other Before Trial	By Jury	By Court	Trial de Novo
STATEWIDE	196,994	186,704	6,855	130,788	1,172	23,323	5,017
Dispositions Before Trial		137,643					
Dispositions After Trial		29,512			4%	79%	17%

Limited Civil	Total Filings	Total Dispositions	Before Trial		After Trial		
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution	Other Before Trial	By Jury	By Court	
STATEWIDE	603,097	637,910	20,612	522,588	509	47,330	
Dispositions Before Trial		543,200					
Dispositions After Trial		47,839			1%	99%	

Small Claims	Total Filings	Total Dispositions	Before Trial		After Trial
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution	Other Before Trial	
STATEWIDE	183,957	183,715	19,538	52,214	111,963
Dispositions Before Trial		71,752			
Dispositions After Trial		111,963			

**Notes:** Other Before Trial includes other dismissals and transfers, summary judgments and all other judgments before trial.

**Criminal Filings, Dispositions, and Caseload Clearance Rate**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 22–31**

Fiscal year	Total Criminal (A)	Felonies (B)	Nontraffic		Traffic	
			Misdemeanors (C)	Infractions (D)	Misdemeanors (E)	Infractions (F)
<b>Filings</b>						
FY12	6,898,591	243,270	398,215	336,114	649,379	5,271,613
FY11	7,706,897	241,025	496,189	341,549	763,068	5,865,066
FY10	8,270,995	248,424	490,131	351,703	833,719	6,347,018
FY09	8,358,300	261,768	529,399	352,893	866,702	6,347,538
FY08	7,832,780	272,764	616,597	366,440	836,491	5,740,488
FY07	7,825,391	289,230	639,623	348,193	811,425	5,736,920
FY06	7,581,211	289,852	629,415	314,194	780,102	5,567,648
FY05	7,337,186	285,788	567,331	291,160	758,208	5,434,699
FY04	7,371,646	271,754	559,333	283,047	745,279	5,512,233
FY03	6,863,562	263,321	524,547	245,745	699,581	5,130,368
<b>Dispositions</b>						
FY12	5,965,657	227,810	344,952	295,464	499,122	4,598,309
FY11	6,866,880	228,559	432,665	304,600	541,625	5,359,431
FY10	7,116,249	238,747	429,715	321,855	591,713	5,534,219
FY09	7,082,731	235,399	444,480	291,589	612,022	5,499,241
FY08	6,553,253	210,035	511,238	368,005	555,829	4,908,146
FY07	6,452,279	216,701	531,267	343,268	555,960	4,805,083
FY06	6,370,261	219,478	545,980	289,052	565,930	4,749,821
FY05	6,063,700	200,110	479,108	288,721	570,002	4,525,759
FY04	5,886,617	188,850	460,360	265,769	557,567	4,414,071
FY03	5,785,918	196,110	462,758	254,143	542,138	4,330,769
<b>Caseload Clearance Rate</b>						
FY12	86%	94%	87%	88%	77%	87%
FY11	89%	95%	87%	89%	71%	91%
FY10	86%	96%	88%	92%	71%	87%
FY09	85%	90%	84%	83%	71%	87%
FY08	84%	77%	83%	100%	66%	86%
FY07	82%	75%	83%	99%	69%	84%
FY06	84%	76%	87%	92%	73%	85%
FY05	83%	70%	84%	99%	75%	83%
FY04	80%	69%	82%	94%	75%	80%
FY03	84%	74%	88%	103%	77%	84%

**Column Key:**

(A) Sum of B through F.

(B) Since 2001, a felony is counted as one filing and one disposition for each defendant throughout all stages of criminal proceedings. This change eliminated the double counting of defendants who were held to answer, certified on guilty pleas, or waived preliminary hearings, and it reduced the numbers of filings and dispositions reported.

**Criminal Case Processing Time**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 32–34**

Fiscal year	Felonies disposed of in less than 12 months (A)	Felonies resulting in bindovers or certified pleas in less than _ days			Misdemeanors disposed of in less than _ days		
		30 (B)	45 (C)	90 (D)	30 (E)	90 (F)	120 (G)
FY12	88%	48%	58%	75%	64%	80%	85%
FY11	87%	46%	56%	72%	63%	79%	83%
FY10	87%	46%	57%	73%	62%	78%	83%
FY09	86%	47%	57%	72%	64%	80%	85%
FY08	89%	54%	63%	78%	70%	85%	88%
FY07	91%	57%	66%	80%	71%	86%	90%
FY06	92%	58%	68%	81%	72%	86%	90%
FY05	92%	58%	68%	82%	70%	86%	90%
FY04	92%	58%	68%	83%	70%	87%	91%
FY03	90%	56%	66%	82%	70%	87%	91%

**Column Key:**

- (A) This column consists only of cases where defendants were held to answer or were certified on guilty pleas. Processing time is based on time from first appearance in limited jurisdiction court to final disposition.
- (B)–(D) Based on the time from filing of the initial complaint to certified plea, bindover, or dismissal at or before preliminary hearing.

**Caseflow Management Data**  
**Stage of Case at Disposition — Felony**  
 Fiscal Year 2011-12

**Superior Courts**  
 Data for Figure 35

		Manner of Disposition		
		Felony convictions	Misdemeanor convictions	Acquittals, dismissals, and transfers
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>226,568</b>	<b>158,252</b>	<b>27,051</b>	<b>41,265</b>
<b>Stage of Disposition</b>				
Before Trial	220,608	153,425	26,813	40,370
After Court Trial	674	588	30	56
After Jury Trial	5,286	4,239	208	839
Before Trial	97%	70%	12%	18%
After Court Trial	< 1%	87%	4%	8%
After Jury Trial	2%	80%	4%	16%

**Note:** Does not include disposition of felony petitions, which are reported only by JBSIS courts and are only classified as a disposition before hearing or after hearing.

**Caseflow Management Data**  
**Stage of Case at Disposition — Misdemeanors and Infractions**  
 Fiscal Year 2011-12

**Superior Courts**  
 Data for Figure 36

**Nontraffic Misdemeanors**

			Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures	Guilty Pleas	Other	By Court	By Jury
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>398,215</b>	<b>344,952</b>	<b>3,416</b>	<b>224,993</b>	<b>112,756</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>1,782</b>
	<b>Dispositions Before Trial</b>	<b>341,165</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>33%</b>		
	<b>Dispositions After Trial</b>	<b>3,790</b>				<b>53%</b>	<b>47%</b>

**Traffic Misdemeanors**

			Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures	Guilty Pleas	Other	By Court	By Jury
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>649,379</b>	<b>499,122</b>	<b>27,389</b>	<b>356,772</b>	<b>109,125</b>	<b>4,617</b>	<b>1,219</b>
	<b>Dispositions Before Trial</b>	<b>493,286</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>22%</b>		
	<b>Dispositions After Trial</b>	<b>5,836</b>				<b>79%</b>	<b>21%</b>

**Nontraffic Infractions**

			Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures	Guilty Pleas	Other	By Court
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>336,114</b>	<b>295,464</b>	<b>99,964</b>	<b>96,540</b>	<b>80,772</b>	<b>18,188</b>
	<b>Dispositions Before Trial</b>	<b>277,276</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>29%</b>	
	<b>Dispositions After Trial</b>	<b>18,188</b>				

**Traffic Infractions**

			Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures	Guilty Pleas	Other	By Court
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,271,613</b>	<b>4,598,309</b>	<b>1,834,393</b>	<b>804,691</b>	<b>1,615,944</b>	<b>343,280</b>
	<b>Dispositions Before Trial</b>	<b>4,255,028</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>38%</b>	
	<b>Dispositions After Trial</b>	<b>343,280</b>				

**Notes:** Other Before Trial includes transfers, dismissals and dismissal after diversion.

**Family and Juvenile Filings, Dispositions, and Caseload Clearance Rate**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 37–44**

Fiscal year	Family Law			Delinquency			Dependency		
	Total (A)	Marital (B)	Petitions (C)	Total (D)	Original (E)	Subsequent (F)	Total (G)	Original (H)	Subsequent (I)
<b>Filings</b>									
FY12	437,800	160,593	277,207	62,937	41,530	21,407	39,040	32,990	6,050
FY11	446,927	154,279	292,648	73,249	47,982	25,267	39,017	33,386	5,631
FY10	452,932	154,534	298,398	90,331	62,800	27,531	37,084	31,063	6,021
FY09	458,138	153,205	304,933	98,568	67,921	30,647	39,538	33,170	6,368
FY08	439,420	151,505	287,915	106,114	73,972	32,142	41,513	35,372	6,141
FY07	460,375	154,636	305,739	103,702	71,102	32,600	45,290	38,657	6,633
FY06	455,901	157,719	298,182	101,876	70,643	31,233	43,248	37,384	5,864
FY05	475,271	154,895	320,376	94,487	65,405	29,082	41,766	36,022	5,744
FY04	481,640	152,237	329,403	93,508	64,060	29,448	38,937	33,264	5,673
FY03	473,248	153,858	319,390	92,895	62,418	30,477	40,762	34,326	6,436
<b>Dispositions</b>									
FY12	396,392	138,578	257,814	55,337	35,593	19,744	30,636	28,856	1,780
FY11	411,255	150,739	260,516	63,933	40,299	23,634	33,003	30,905	2,098
FY10	383,733	144,628	239,105	80,156	54,142	26,014	29,849	27,866	1,983
FY09	389,785	161,129	228,656	88,845	60,029	28,816	32,655	30,318	2,337
FY08	340,238	127,654	212,584	93,578	64,153	29,425	33,611	31,825	1,786
FY07	376,279	130,170	246,109	87,604	58,871	28,733	37,420	35,599	1,821
FY06	364,680	124,239	240,441	79,336	53,170	26,166	34,422	32,635	1,787
FY05	400,542	118,467	282,075	77,378	53,310	24,068	35,526	33,602	1,924
FY04	377,415	121,355	256,060	75,672	52,405	23,267	34,295	31,870	2,425
FY03	373,978	117,135	256,843	74,091	51,001	23,090	38,663	34,571	4,092
<b>Caseload clearance rate</b>									
FY12	91%	86%	93%	88%	86%	92%	78%	87%	29%
FY11	92%	98%	89%	87%	84%	94%	85%	93%	37%
FY10	85%	94%	80%	89%	86%	94%	80%	90%	33%
FY09	85%	105%	75%	90%	88%	94%	83%	91%	37%
FY08	77%	84%	74%	88%	87%	92%	81%	90%	29%
FY07	82%	84%	80%	84%	83%	88%	83%	92%	27%
FY06	80%	79%	81%	78%	75%	84%	80%	87%	30%
FY05	84%	76%	88%	82%	82%	83%	85%	93%	33%
FY04	78%	80%	78%	81%	82%	79%	88%	96%	43%
FY03	79%	76%	80%	80%	82%	76%	95%	101%	64%

**Column Key:**

- (B) Includes dissolution, legal separation, and nullity.
- (C) Includes Department of Child Support Services (DCSS), domestic violence prevention, and other miscellaneous family law petitions.

**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus  
Filings, Dispositions, and Caseload Clearance Rate**  
Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12

**Superior Courts**  
Data for Figures 45–52

Fiscal year	Probate (A)	Mental Health			Appeals			Habeas Corpus Criminal
		Total (B)	Mental Health (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Civil (F)	Criminal (G)	(H)
<b>Filings</b>								
FY12	42,781	19,643	14,549	5,094	5,008	1,502	3,506	8,483
FY11	42,453	17,756	13,443	4,313	5,145	1,596	3,549	8,945
FY10	42,214	16,279	12,623	3,656	5,013	1,296	3,717	8,915
FY09	43,879	16,108	12,859	3,249	5,096	1,398	3,698	8,757
FY08	45,713	16,651	13,364	3,287	4,500	1,225	3,275	8,313
FY07	48,262	17,384	14,114	3,270	4,245	1,246	2,999	8,324
FY06	49,898	15,599	13,763	1,836	4,052	1,322	2,730	6,558
FY05	50,174	13,718	13,100	618	3,966	1,311	2,655	8,197
FY04	49,687	13,530	13,145	385	4,000	1,083	2,917	6,184
FY03	49,119	12,300	12,146	154	5,018	2,124	2,894	7,091
<b>Dispositions</b>								
FY12	31,678	17,121	12,391	4,730	5,749	1,757	3,992	7,302
FY11	33,626	15,573	11,696	3,877	5,195	1,517	3,678	7,274
FY10	33,330	14,405	11,174	3,231	4,649	1,306	3,343	7,403
FY09	34,116	14,957	11,847	3,110	4,510	1,499	3,011	7,412
FY08	35,276	16,305	13,345	2,960	4,713	1,529	3,184	7,495
FY07	39,029	16,436	13,548	2,888	4,504	1,711	2,793	6,953
FY06	36,295	15,084	13,544	1,540	4,076	1,394	2,682	5,315
FY05	34,292	12,953	12,643	310	4,308	1,655	2,653	6,446
FY04	32,973	11,767	11,545	222	4,420	1,547	2,873	5,167
FY03	35,392	9,636	9,542	94	4,348	1,867	2,481	6,210
<b>Caseload clearance</b>								
FY12	74%	87%	85%	93%	115%	117%	114%	86%
FY11	79%	88%	87%	90%	101%	95%	104%	81%
FY10	79%	88%	89%	88%	93%	101%	90%	83%
FY09	78%	93%	92%	96%	89%	107%	81%	85%
FY08	77%	98%	100%	90%	105%	125%	97%	90%
FY07	81%	95%	96%	88%	106%	137%	93%	84%
FY06	73%	97%	98%	84%	101%	105%	98%	81%
FY05	68%	94%	97%	50%	109%	126%	100%	79%
FY04	66%	87%	88%	58%	111%	143%	98%	84%
FY03	72%	78%	79%	—	87%	88%	86%	88%

**Column Key:**

- (C) Includes most types of mental health cases including but not limited to Postcertification Treatment (W&I 5300), LPS Conservatorship (W&I 5350), Narcotics Addict (W&I 3050/3051), Commitments (PC 2966), Mental Competency (PC 1368), Sexually Violent Predator (W&I 6600), Juvenile (W&I 1800), Mentally Retarded and Dangerous (W&I 6500), and Welf. & Inst. Code, § 4500.
- (D) Includes other mental health cases not included in (C) for JBSIS courts, and noncriminal habeas corpus reported by non-JBSIS courts.

**Caseflow Management Data  
Trials By Type of Proceeding  
Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts  
Data for Figures 53–65**

**Jury Trials**

	Total (A)	Felony (B)	Misdemeanors (C)	PI/PD/WD Civil Unlimited (D)	Other Civil Unlimited (E)	Civil Limited (F)	Probate and Mental Health (G)
FY12	10,006	5,300	3,001	730	442	509	24
FY11	10,110	5,685	2,958	684	520	228	35
FY10	11,052	6,021	3,404	758	642	190	37
FY09	12,532	6,705	3,904	714	758	406	45
FY08	11,138	5,882	3,563	608	566	488	31
FY07	11,521	5,906	3,891	772	557	357	38
FY06	11,308	5,531	3,397	881	633	838	28
FY05	9,587	4,776	2,771	921	626	462	31
FY04	10,698	5,181	3,007	1,087	840	557	26
FY03	11,728	5,878	3,139	1,286	766	632	27

**Court Trials**

	Total (A)	Felony (B)	Misdemeanor and Infractions (C)	PI/PD/WD Civil Unlimited (D)	Other Civil Unlimited (E)	Civil Limited (F)	Probate and Mental Health (G)
FY12	467,649	615	368,093	1,354	21,969	47,330	28,288
FY11	551,972	591	450,198	2,185	23,588	46,401	29,009
FY10	479,428	724	378,169	1,954	23,545	47,643	27,393
FY09	443,442	711	343,731	1,078	19,147	50,036	28,739
FY08	520,779	1,088	434,677	913	14,283	41,374	28,444
FY07	503,909	567	411,878	1,092	13,812	45,125	31,435
FY06	476,945	656	381,089	873	13,365	50,487	30,475
FY05	352,049	877	257,910	745	11,426	51,359	29,732
FY04	334,092	863	241,383	1,030	10,065	52,715	28,036
FY03	343,450	1,002	247,053	1,129	9,443	54,239	30,584



**Trial Court Workload and Resources**  
**Judicial Positions and Use of Judicial Assistance**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figures 66–68**

Fiscal year	Judicial positions						Judicial position equivalents (F)	Assessed Judicial Need (AJN) (G)
	Total (A)	Judges (B)	Subordinate judicial officers					
			Total (C)	Commissioners (D)	Referees (E)			
FY12	2,024	1,682	342	315	27	2,088	2,286	
FY11	2,022	1,662	360	333	27	2,121	2,286	
FY10	2,022	1,646	376	349	27	2,118	2,352	
FY09	2,022	1,630	392	365	27	2,150	2,352	
FY08	2,022	1,614	408	381	27	2,175	2,352	
FY07	1,972	1,548	424	397	27	2,187	2,348	
FY06	1,922	1,498	424	397	27	2,123	2,332	
FY05	1,917	1,498	419	387	33	2,064	2,326	
FY04	1,915	1,498	417	383	35	2,049	2,326	
FY03	1,914	1,498	416	382	36	2,047	2,302	

**Column Key:**

- (A) B + C.
- (B) The 50 new judgeships authorized but not funded by Assembly Bill 159, effective January 2008, are included in column B.
- (C) D + E. Total may not match exactly due to rounding caused by part-time commissioner and referee positions.
- (F) Reflects authorized judicial positions adjusted for vacancies, assistance rendered by the court to other courts, and assistance received by the court from assigned judges, temporary judges, commissioners, and referees. With the 50 new judgeships authorized by Assembly Bill 159 positions unfilled, pending funding approval by the Legislature, they are considered vacant and are excluded in column (F) in the same way as other judicial vacancies.
- (G) Represents the estimated number of judicial officers needed to handle the workload in the trial courts based on the Judicial Needs Assessment Project. The Judicial Needs Assessment Project was approved by the Judicial Council in 2001 as the methodology for evaluating judicial workload and the need for new judgeships. In 2004, the Judicial Council approved a minor change in the assessment methodology that uses a 3-year average filings data instead of using a single year. The AJN numbers are updated on a 2-year cycle in even-numbered years, and the values for FY 2010-11 and FY 2011-12 represent the recent 2012 update that was presented to the Judicial Council at the October 2012 meeting.

**Assistance Received and Rendered by Type of Court**  
**Fiscal Years 2002–03 through 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Data for Figure 69**

Fiscal year	Days rendered by judge source			
	Total (A)	Retired judges (B)	Court of Appeal justices (C)	Trial court judges (D)
<b>Days received by all courts</b>				
FY12	34,580	33,794	0	786
FY11	34,714	34,002	0	712
FY10	36,883	36,203	0	680
FY09	40,977	39,987	1	989
FY08	41,948	40,100	13	1,835
FY07	35,729	35,554	17	158
FY06	34,045	33,691	0	354
FY05	31,896	31,364	0	532
FY04	23,393	23,320	0	73
FY03	25,265	24,889	0	376
<b>Days received by Courts of Appeal</b>				
FY12	673	166	0	507
FY11	607	75	0	532
FY10	630	112	0	518
FY09	1,350	500	1	849
FY08	1,058	105	0	953
FY07	545	528	17	0
FY06	413	73	0	340
FY05	465	0	0	465
FY04	44	0	0	44
FY03	275	0	0	275
<b>Days received by trial courts</b>				
FY12	33,907	33,628	0	279
FY11	34,107	33,927	0	180
FY10	36,253	36,091	0	162
FY09	39,627	39,487	0	140
FY08	40,890	39,995	13	882
FY07	35,184	35,026	0	158
FY06	33,632	33,618	0	14
FY05	31,431	31,364	0	67
FY04	23,349	23,320	0	29
FY03	24,990	24,889	0	101

**Column Key:**

(A) Components may not add to total due to rounding. Includes only assistance rendered by judges through assignments. Does not include assistance rendered by commissioners, referees, and temporary judges.

## APPENDIX G — County Tables

### Caseloads and Judicial Positions, by County Fiscal Year 2011–12

### Superior Courts Table 1

County	Authorized Judicial positions as of 06/30/12 (A)	Judicial position equivalents 2011–12 (B)	Filings			Dispositions		
			Total (C)	Per judicial position (D)	Rank (E)	Total (F)	Per judicial position equivalent (G)	Rank (H)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>2,024.0</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>	<b>8,498,331</b>	<b>4,199</b>		<b>7,518,201</b>	<b>3,601</b>	
Alameda	85.0	88.2	366,452	4,311	16	(i) 125,343	(i) 1,421	—
Alpine	2.3	2.1	1,652	718	57	1,412	659	52
Amador	2.3	3.0	7,919	3,443	35	7,028	2,377	43
Butte	14.0	14.7	43,253	3,090	42	39,472	2,692	39
Calaveras	2.3	2.7	6,437	2,799	47	6,354	2,358	44
Colusa	2.3	2.5	13,237	5,755	3	10,289	4,180	15
Contra Costa	47.0	49.4	172,470	3,670	32	(i) 248,884	(i) 5,036	—
Del Norte	3.8	3.2	8,105	2,133	52	15,014	4,717	8
El Dorado	9.0	11.1	31,897	3,544	34	31,093	2,811	37
Fresno	53.0	52.9	191,372	3,611	33	154,018	2,912	32
Glenn	2.3	2.6	12,358	5,373	6	11,276	4,367	12
Humboldt	8.0	8.4	29,363	3,670	31	31,864	3,776	20
Imperial	11.4	10.6	73,744	6,480	1	73,354	6,898	1
Inyo	2.3	2.7	14,344	6,237	2	14,387	5,378	3
Kern	46.0	42.9	238,276	5,180	8	214,482	4,999	5
Kings	9.5	9.7	38,353	4,037	22	(i) 36,255	(i) 3,746	—
Lake	4.8	5.7	10,677	2,224	50	11,044	1,946	46
Lassen	2.3	3.3	10,375	4,511	13	9,426	2,860	36
Los Angeles	586.3	596.9	2,524,252	4,306	17	2,534,267	4,245	14
Madera	10.3	9.8	29,750	2,888	46	27,985	2,863	35
Marin	14.5	14.3	56,716	3,911	25	57,519	4,033	16
Mariposa	2.3	2.5	3,489	1,517	55	3,107	1,234	50
Mendocino	8.4	7.5	21,499	2,559	49	21,804	2,888	34
Merced	14.0	13.5	63,730	4,552	12	61,868	4,597	10
Modoc	2.3	2.3	2,170	943	56	2,187	948	51
Mono	2.3	2.6	9,186	3,994	24	8,797	3,450	25
Monterey	22.2	21.5	83,214	3,748	27	83,069	3,857	18
Napa	8.0	8.3	21,301	2,663	48	21,343	2,573	41
Nevada	7.6	8.9	22,660	2,982	44	14,978	1,691	47
Orange	145.0	155.4	626,257	4,319	15	(i) 117,224	(i) 754	—
Placer	16.5	16.5	56,331	3,414	36	(i) 17,234	(i) 1,046	—
Plumas	2.3	2.7	4,373	1,901	53	4,129	1,514	48
Riverside	83.0	92.0	474,589	5,718	4	422,963	4,599	9
Sacramento	78.5	81.6	380,020	4,841	10	310,943	3,809	19
San Benito	2.3	2.8	9,239	4,017	23	9,007	3,235	28
San Bernardino	93.0	93.1	467,075	5,022	9	447,155	4,805	7
San Diego	154.0	166.8	637,079	4,137	21	615,910	3,692	22
San Francisco	65.0	68.5	218,190	3,357	37	176,062	2,570	42
San Joaquin	36.5	36.3	121,968	3,342	38	114,623	3,154	30
San Luis Obispo	15.0	15.9	62,519	4,168	19	97,832	6,144	2
San Mateo	33.0	32.7	172,000	5,212	7	172,519	5,272	4
Santa Barbara	24.0	24.5	99,330	4,139	20	95,845	3,908	17
Santa Clara	89.0	90.3	292,477	3,286	40	288,007	3,190	29
Santa Cruz	13.5	13.2	57,722	4,276	18	65,536	4,983	6
Shasta	13.0	13.6	41,098	3,161	41	36,545	2,687	40

**Caseloads and Judicial Positions, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 1**

County	Authorized Judicial positions as of 06/30/12 (A)	Judicial position equivalents 2011–12 (B)	Filings			Dispositions		
			Total (C)	Per judicial position (D)	Rank (E)	Total (F)	Per judicial position equivalent (G)	Rank (H)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>2,024.0</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>	<b>8,498,331</b>	<b>4,199</b>		<b>7,518,201</b>	<b>3,601</b>	
Sierra	2.3	2.2	890	387	58	(i) 538	(i) 249	—
Siskiyou	5.0	5.5	18,506	3,701	29	19,763	3,609	23
Solano	24.0	24.4	74,033	3,085	43	85,188	3,486	24
Sonoma	24.0	24.6	107,081	4,462	14	106,011	4,317	13
Stanislaus	26.0	23.2	85,535	3,290	39	77,458	3,332	27
Sutter	5.3	5.6	19,475	3,675	30	19,152	3,426	26
Tehama	4.3	4.8	19,796	4,572	11	14,066	2,952	31
Trinity	2.3	2.4	3,803	1,653	54	3,595	1,505	49
Tulare	25.0	24.9	93,190	3,728	28	92,821	3,727	21
Tuolumne	4.8	4.5	10,336	2,176	51	10,365	2,326	45
Ventura	33.0	37.0	177,510	5,379	5	166,518	4,505	11
Yolo	13.4	13.0	39,401	2,940	45	35,582	2,747	38
Yuba	5.3	6.1	20,257	3,801	26	17,691	2,902	33

**Column Key:**

- (A) Judicial positions include court commissioners and referees in addition to the number of judges authorized for the court.
- (B) Reflects authorized judicial positions adjusted for vacancies, assistance rendered by the court to other courts, and assistance received by the court from assigned judges, temporary judges, commissioners, and referees.
- (D) C / A
- (G) F / B

**Notes:**

- (i) Reports were either incomplete or not submitted for a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category. Ranks not computed for courts with missing or incomplete data.

**Court Trials, by County and Type of Proceeding**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 2**

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>Total (A)</b>	<b>Felony (B)</b>	<b>Misdemeanor and Infractions (C)</b>	<b>PI/PD/WD Unlimited Civil (D)</b>	<b>Other Unlimited Civil (E)</b>	<b>Limited Civil (F)</b>	<b>Probate and Mental Health (G)</b>
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>467,649</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>368,093</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>21,969</b>	<b>47,330</b>	<b>28,288</b>
Alameda	(i) 7,772	0	(i) 3,684	19	2,718	660	691
Alpine	276	10	261	0	0	5	0
Amador	1,332	68	1,200	1	31	18	14
Butte	1,737	24	787	28	63	377	458
Calaveras	797	0	609	0	97	76	15
Colusa	368	0	335	0	1	4	28
Contra Costa	19,586	2	17,428	4	500	1,473	179
Del Norte	1,855	0	1,784	0	14	38	19
El Dorado	2,129	3	1,789	4	119	168	46
Fresno	3,487	1	1,685	17	147	1,453	184
Glenn	647	8	497	1	6	84	51
Humboldt	2,256	2	1,369	2	292	179	412
Imperial	9,587	1	9,013	10	268	221	74
Inyo	1,578	0	1,476	2	29	69	2
Kern	8,375	9	6,194	2	45	769	1,356
Kings	(i) 936	2	927	(i)	(i)	0	7
Lake	2,654	4	2,355	3	93	79	120
Lassen	141	0	114	0	6	18	3
Los Angeles	104,969	30	72,502	181	4,972	15,241	12,043
Madera	2,956	2	2,458	4	178	191	123
Marin	4,971	2	4,472	5	280	91	121
Mariposa	295	0	277	0	0	15	3
Mendocino	1,300	15	1,223	1	4	22	35
Merced	4,002	2	3,412	7	174	321	86
Modoc	228	0	195	0	24	5	4
Mono	462	16	432	0	1	13	0
Monterey	3,577	14	2,863	10	269	217	204
Napa	3,210	0	2,775	3	211	128	93
Nevada	479	1	312	0	38	99	29
Orange	(i) 5	(i) 5	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	(i) 455	(i)	(i) 53	5	48	334	15
Plumas	190	0	116	1	50	16	7
Riverside	23,826	24	13,467	54	3,490	6,111	680
Sacramento	15,759	0	10,504	191	1,103	3,316	645
San Benito	374	1	250	0	36	66	21
San Bernardino	34,557	14	29,386	24	402	4,109	622
San Diego	62,741	13	55,660	515	975	4,380	1,198
San Francisco	31,198	1	28,370	7	39	15	2,766
San Joaquin	5,927	0	3,441	20	628	1,420	418
San Luis Obispo	3,749	242	1,821	14	351	328	993
San Mateo	13,512	9	12,864	4	35	201	399
Santa Barbara	3,231	10	2,658	2	127	253	181
Santa Clara	34,268	17	29,805	51	1,468	1,245	1,682
Santa Cruz	2,459	4	1,874	4	260	241	76
Shasta	1,471	5	1,112	1	131	214	8

**Court Trials, by County and Type of Proceeding**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 2**

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>Total (A)</b>	<b>Felony (B)</b>	<b>Misdemeanor and Infractions (C)</b>	<b>PI/PD/WD Unlimited Civil (D)</b>	<b>Other Unlimited Civil (E)</b>	<b>Limited Civil (F)</b>	<b>Probate and Mental Health (G)</b>
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>467,649</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>368,093</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>21,969</b>	<b>47,330</b>	<b>28,288</b>
Sierra	(i) 33	(i)	(i) 33	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	960	1	827	3	81	44	4
Solano	4,689	3	4,173	4	5	419	85
Sonoma	3,297	9	2,200	9	437	259	383
Stanislaus	3,146	0	3,006	1	14	118	7
Sutter	1,682	5	1,295	13	159	140	70
Tehama	530	2	447	1	18	62	0
Trinity	142	0	78	0	46	9	9
Tulare	16,607	5	15,227	13	208	640	514
Tuolumne	1,473	1	1,204	3	79	87	99
Ventura	5,942	7	2,891	103	1,032	1,054	855
Yolo	2,191	3	1,940	2	92	97	57
Yuba	1,273	18	963	5	75	118	94

**Column Key:**

(B) Includes trials for defendants whose felony charges were reduced to misdemeanors before the start of trial.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Jury Trials, by County and Type of Proceeding**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 3**

COUNTY	Total (A)	Felony (B)	Misdemeanor (C)	PI/PD/WD Unlimited Civil (D)	Other Unlimited Civil (E)	Limited Civil (F)	Probate and Mental Health (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>10,006</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>3,001</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>24</b>
Alameda	(i) 192	104	(i) 32	33	18	5	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	4	1	2	0	1	0	0
Butte	61	27	27	5	1	0	1
Calaveras	7	2	3	2	0	0	0
Colusa	4	3	1	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	296	100	185	4	6	1	0
Del Norte	24	15	4	0	2	3	0
El Dorado	41	16	15	8	0	1	1
Fresno	188	100	49	22	14	2	1
Glenn	15	13	2	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	39	17	19	1	2	0	0
Imperial	35	17	10	5	2	0	1
Inyo	8	2	6	0	0	0	0
Kern	311	164	75	10	1	61	0
Kings	(i) 39	36	3	(i)	(i)	0	0
Lake	32	13	13	1	3	0	2
Lassen	20	15	3	2	0	0	0
Los Angeles	3,212	1,911	678	317	161	145	0
Madera	45	24	19	1	1	0	0
Marin	69	18	41	8	1	1	0
Mariposa	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	28	11	14	2	0	1	0
Merced	62	38	22	0	1	1	0
Modoc	6	4	2	0	0	0	0
Mono	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Monterey	137	49	77	6	3	2	0
Napa	28	6	16	2	4	0	0
Nevada	19	4	11	0	3	1	0
Orange	(i) 373	373	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	(i) 129	(i) 44	(i) 65	12	4	4	0
Plumas	4	1	2	0	1	0	0
Riverside	617	414	154	19	23	7	0
Sacramento	369	298	19	34	11	7	0
San Benito	15	11	2	1	1	0	0
San Bernardino	579	276	204	52	24	19	4
San Diego	812	216	269	61	61	205	0
San Francisco	404	144	217	22	16	5	0
San Joaquin	114	62	19	14	15	4	0
San Luis Obispo	39	11	23	2	3	0	0
San Mateo	94	47	36	2	5	4	0
Santa Barbara	79	30	33	11	4	1	0
Santa Clara	235	125	85	11	9	3	2
Santa Cruz	49	23	18	1	5	2	0
Shasta	97	56	34	5	2	0	0

**Jury Trials, by County and Type of Proceeding**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 3**

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Felony</b>	<b>Misdemeanor</b>	<b>PI/PD/WD Unlimited Civil</b>	<b>Other Unlimited Civil</b>	<b>Limited Civil</b>	<b>Probate and Mental Health</b>
	<i>(A)</i>	<i>(B)</i>	<i>(C)</i>	<i>(D)</i>	<i>(E)</i>	<i>(F)</i>	<i>(G)</i>
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>10,006</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>3,001</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>24</b>
Sierra	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	21	10	9	0	0	1	1
Solano	129	76	41	6	6	0	0
Sonoma	144	49	73	11	8	1	2
Stanislaus	179	69	92	9	8	1	0
Sutter	17	9	2	4	0	1	1
Tehama	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
Trinity	10	4	6	0	0	0	0
Tulare	122	47	59	5	4	1	6
Tuolumne	31	17	12	0	1	0	1
Ventura	280	93	150	11	7	18	1
Yolo	115	78	33	3	0	1	0
Yuba	21	6	10	5	0	0	0

**Column Key:**

*(B)* Includes trials for defendants whose felony charges were reduced to misdemeanors before the start of trial.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

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**Total Civil Filings, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 4a**

COUNTY	Total Civil (A)	Unlimited Civil					Small Claims Appeals (F)	Limited Civil (G)	Small Claims (H)
		Total Unlimited Civil (B)	Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD (C)	Other PI/PD/WD (D)	Other Civil Complaints & Petitions (E)				
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>984,048</b>	<b>196,994</b>	<b>29,466</b>	<b>22,532</b>	<b>137,952</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>603,097</b>	<b>183,957</b>	
Alameda	33,230	9,056	1,153	918	6,719	266	17,923	6,251	
Alpine	102	72	3	12	57	0	26	4	
Amador	666	207	28	31	138	10	320	139	
Butte	4,593	752	161	94	476	21	3,050	791	
Calaveras	934	287	21	18	241	7	518	129	
Colusa	245	53	14	3	36	0	157	35	
Contra Costa	22,711	4,646	638	369	3,471	168	14,343	3,722	
Del Norte	709	320	7	10	301	2	291	98	
El Dorado	3,748	1,005	110	73	787	35	1,919	824	
Fresno	21,591	4,312	702	345	3,157	108	13,980	3,299	
Glenn	397	40	10	3	27	0	286	71	
Humboldt	2,461	753	51	44	650	8	1,203	505	
Imperial	3,298	719	77	80	562	0	1,954	625	
Inyo	264	87	6	15	65	1	103	74	
Kern	16,139	1,901	519	323	1,028	31	11,759	2,479	
Kings	2,399	264	39	75	150	0	1,867	268	
Lake	1,644	474	39	34	397	4	889	281	
Lassen	1,141	419	6	11	399	3	557	165	
Los Angeles	292,726	60,117	10,323	8,299	38,737	2,758	171,006	61,603	
Madera	5,012	1,069	72	48	948	1	3,648	295	
Marin	4,478	1,539	180	122	1,213	24	2,086	853	
Mariposa	274	151	10	8	133	0	78	45	
Mendocino	1,540	356	37	40	273	6	906	278	
Merced	5,218	812	129	62	595	26	3,356	1,050	
Modoc	149	49	1	4	44	0	68	32	
Mono	310	109	7	14	73	15	82	119	
Monterey	6,722	1,564	191	155	1,188	30	4,192	966	
Napa	2,598	821	77	46	673	25	1,389	388	
Nevada	2,031	541	57	32	402	50	1,100	390	
Orange	79,277	19,007	2,383	2,196	13,835	593	43,603	16,667	
Placer	6,894	1,699	333	212	1,107	47	3,854	1,341	
Plumas	445	144	5	14	123	2	169	132	
Riverside	64,397	12,205	1,135	644	10,191	235	40,237	11,955	
Sacramento	96,974	7,642	1,766	871	4,904	101	83,132	6,200	
San Benito	1,050	165	24	11	125	5	720	165	
San Bernardino	62,678	9,464	1,308	966	6,922	268	38,608	14,606	
San Diego	67,758	13,701	2,356	1,858	8,377	1,110	37,657	16,400	
San Francisco	21,117	7,928	960	1,435	5,349	184	9,475	3,714	
San Joaquin	16,095	2,912	491	282	2,058	81	10,337	2,846	
San Luis Obispo	4,644	1,255	134	133	962	26	2,473	916	
San Mateo	12,601	2,382	412	202	1,660	108	7,895	2,324	
Santa Barbara	7,421	1,919	259	191	1,396	73	4,113	1,389	
Santa Clara	30,516	7,887	943	659	6,088	197	16,892	5,737	
Santa Cruz	4,638	1,200	125	105	944	26	2,491	947	
Shasta	3,901	933	121	64	724	24	2,345	623	

**Total Civil Filings, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 4a**

COUNTY	Unlimited Civil							Limited Civil (G)	Small Claims (H)
	Total Civil (A)	Total Unlimited Civil (B)	Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD (C)	Other PI/PD/WD (D)	Other Civil Complaints & Petitions (E)	Small Claims Appeals (F)			
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>984,048</b>	<b>196,994</b>	<b>29,466</b>	<b>22,532</b>	<b>137,952</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>603,097</b>	<b>183,957</b>	
Sierra	39	12	0	1	11	0	22	5	
Siskiyou	783	188	9	21	152	6	485	110	
Solano	10,356	1,948	293	176	1,406	73	6,817	1,591	
Sonoma	8,075	2,347	341	242	1,714	50	4,080	1,648	
Stanislaus	11,043	1,842	308	168	1,321	45	7,481	1,720	
Sutter	1,914	440	96	37	295	12	1,181	293	
Tehama	1,459	239	26	13	197	3	735	485	
Trinity	218	113	1	5	106	1	84	21	
Tulare	8,518	1,454	230	118	1,071	35	5,887	1,177	
Tuolumne	1,011	277	22	44	208	3	532	202	
Ventura	18,279	4,078	568	501	2,891	118	9,844	4,357	
Yolo	3,099	758	100	53	593	12	1,911	430	
Yuba	1,518	360	49	22	282	7	981	177	

**Column Key:**

(B) Civil Unlimited includes columns (C)–(F.)

(E) Prior to the 2004 Court Statistics Report, this case type included miscellaneous family law petitions that are now reported in Table 11a.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Total Civil Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 4b**

COUNTY	Total Civil (A)	Unlimited Civil					Small Claims Appeals (F)	Limited Civil (G)	Small Claims (H)
		Total Unlimited Civil (B)	Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD (C)	Other PI/PD/WD (D)	Other Civil Complaints & Petitions (E)				
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>1,008,329</b>	<b>186,704</b>	<b>27,685</b>	<b>21,216</b>	<b>132,619</b>	<b>5,184</b>	<b>637,910</b>	<b>183,715</b>	
Alameda	33,245	8,607	1,130	898	6,564	15	18,049	6,589	
Alpine	70	32	0	12	20	0	33	5	
Amador	536	127	23	15	88	1	272	137	
Butte	4,256	570	142	92	327	9	2,883	803	
Calaveras	992	279	21	15	241	2	581	132	
Colusa	392	49	11	5	33	0	98	245	
Contra Costa	26,301	4,733	649	442	3,493	149	17,740	3,828	
Del Norte	2,104	1,181	2	16	1,162	1	753	170	
El Dorado	3,986	1,016	127	113	739	37	2,110	860	
Fresno	12,553	1,634	182	116	1,269	67	9,371	1,548	
Glenn	405	27	10	2	15	0	327	51	
Humboldt	2,734	732	55	36	635	6	1,464	538	
Imperial	3,372	712	70	70	572	0	2,113	547	
Inyo	276	51	4	5	40	2	163	62	
Kern	17,191	1,711	468	308	914	21	12,778	2,702	
Kings	(i) 2,463	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	2,154	309	
Lake	1,410	336	37	22	277	0	833	241	
Lassen	1,106	342	12	12	315	3	600	164	
Los Angeles	307,143	59,203	9,381	7,789	39,688	2,345	185,323	62,617	
Madera	4,292	708	80	41	583	4	3,289	295	
Marin	4,810	1,661	207	152	1,278	24	2,258	891	
Mariposa	28	6	2	1	1	2	22	0	
Mendocino	1,501	320	40	45	223	12	924	257	
Merced	5,053	653	111	60	477	5	3,372	1,028	
Modoc	173	48	1	1	46	0	90	35	
Mono	212	66	4	9	40	13	66	80	
Monterey	6,361	1,377	192	137	1,026	22	3,973	1,011	
Napa	2,625	753	72	44	613	24	1,458	414	
Nevada	1,597	375	37	36	297	5	889	333	
Orange	83,309	20,016	2,301	2,216	15,032	467	46,871	16,422	
Placer	7,004	1,773	315	226	1,183	49	4,072	1,159	
Plumas	439	139	4	14	119	2	191	109	
Riverside	69,672	13,430	1,203	764	11,270	193	43,188	13,054	
Sacramento	93,725	6,464	1,707	746	3,924	87	80,965	6,296	
San Benito	1,018	156	15	9	130	2	725	137	
San Bernardino	66,089	8,337	1,294	1,037	5,780	226	43,471	14,281	
San Diego	76,393	13,225	2,357	1,727	8,512	629	45,258	17,910	
San Francisco	17,419	6,042	899	983	4,069	91	8,046	3,331	
San Joaquin	15,797	2,621	437	261	1,863	60	10,943	2,233	
San Luis Obispo	4,668	1,139	114	138	859	28	2,642	887	
San Mateo	11,017	2,376	429	154	1,729	64	6,531	2,110	
Santa Barbara	7,008	1,673	231	177	1,195	70	3,975	1,360	
Santa Clara	30,298	6,716	935	659	5,056	66	17,917	5,665	
Santa Cruz	4,542	1,082	121	90	845	26	2,573	887	
Shasta	3,832	716	109	100	480	27	2,512	604	

**Total Civil Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 4b**

COUNTY	Total Civil (A)	Unlimited Civil					Limited Civil (G)	Small Claims (H)
		Total Unlimited Civil (B)	Motor Vehicle PI/PD/WD (C)	Other PI/PD/WD (D)	Other Civil Complaints & Petitions (E)	Small Claims Appeals (F)		
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>1,008,329</b>	<b>186,704</b>	<b>27,685</b>	<b>21,216</b>	<b>132,619</b>	<b>5,184</b>	<b>637,910</b>	<b>183,715</b>
Sierra	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	858	208	11	21	175	1	525	125
Solano	11,707	2,100	341	212	1,468	79	8,113	1,494
Sonoma	9,169	2,343	336	224	1,746	37	5,257	1,569
Stanislaus	12,063	2,023	384	234	1,366	39	8,343	1,697
Sutter	1,987	398	69	34	282	13	1,190	399
Tehama	1,244	153	22	15	116	0	696	395
Trinity	214	108	2	6	98	2	77	29
Tulare	8,256	1,040	187	122	712	19	6,268	948
Tuolumne	1,082	248	25	31	190	2	570	264
Ventura	17,963	3,917	606	453	2,741	117	10,176	3,870
Yolo	2,907	619	113	49	444	13	1,868	420
Yuba	1,462	333	48	20	259	6	961	168

**Column Key:**

(B) Civil Unlimited includes columns (C)–(F.)

(E) Prior to the 2004 Court Statistics Report, this case type included miscellaneous family law petitions that are now reported in Table 11b.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Total Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial		Trial de Novo (G)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>984,048</b>	<b>1,008,329</b>	<b>47,005</b>	<b>705,590</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>182,616</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Alameda	33,230	33,245	0	25,836	56	7,338	15
Alpine	102	70	7	53	0	10	0
Amador	666	536	2	365	1	167	1
Butte	4,593	4,256	1	3,164	6	1,076	9
Calaveras	934	992	31	671	2	287	1
Colusa	245	392	117	256	0	19	0
Contra Costa	22,711	26,301	903	20,909	11	4,382	96
Del Norte	709	2,104	116	1,798	5	184	1
El Dorado	3,748	3,986	30	3,035	9	877	35
Fresno	21,591	12,553	10	10,293	38	2,145	67
Glenn	397	405	1	267	0	137	0
Humboldt	2,461	2,734	219	1,639	3	868	5
Imperial	3,298	3,372	72	2,419	7	874	0
Inyo	264	276	0	119	0	157	0
Kern	16,139	17,191	2,022	12,929	72	2,147	21
Kings	2,399	(i) 2,463	(i)	(i) 2,175	(i)	(i) 288	(i)
Lake	1,644	1,410	30	1,058	4	318	0
Lassen	1,141	1,106	0	973	2	128	3
Los Angeles	292,726	307,143	17,063	229,850	623	57,262	2,345
Madera	5,012	4,292	21	3,687	2	578	4
Marin	4,478	4,810	64	3,798	10	914	24
Mariposa	274	28	1	10	0	15	2
Mendocino	1,540	1,501	104	1,220	3	162	12
Merced	5,218	5,053	108	3,909	2	1,029	5
Modoc	149	173	13	109	0	51	0
Mono	310	212	1	114	0	84	13
Monterey	6,722	6,361	254	4,985	11	1,091	20
Napa	2,598	2,625	37	1,948	6	614	20
Nevada	2,031	1,597	21	1,211	4	356	5
Orange	79,277	83,309	(i) 4,651	(i) 1,850	(i)	(i) 9,921	(i) 467
Placer	6,894	7,004	40	5,754	20	1,141	49
Plumas	445	439	20	285	1	131	2
Riverside	64,397	69,672	5,686	46,007	49	17,737	193
Sacramento	96,974	93,725	1,676	83,942	52	7,968	87
San Benito	1,050	1,018	1	835	2	178	2
San Bernardino	62,678	66,089	5,192	46,767	95	13,858	177
San Diego	67,758	76,393	4,310	54,363	327	16,764	629
San Francisco	21,117	17,419	263	14,344	43	2,678	91
San Joaquin	16,095	15,797	400	11,530	33	3,774	60
San Luis Obispo	4,644	4,668	3	3,459	5	1,173	28
San Mateo	12,601	11,017	1	9,307	11	1,634	64
Santa Barbara	7,421	7,008	6	5,595	16	1,321	70
Santa Clara	30,516	30,298	225	23,977	23	6,026	47
Santa Cruz	4,638	4,542	7	3,477	8	1,025	25
Shasta	3,901	3,832	51	3,024	7	723	27

**Total Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial		Trial de Novo (G)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>984,048</b>	<b>1,008,329</b>	<b>47,005</b>	<b>705,590</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>182,616</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Sierra	39	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	783	858	15	638	1	204	0
Solano	10,356	11,707	659	9,362	12	1,595	79
Sonoma	8,075	9,169	305	7,369	20	1,452	23
Stanislaus	11,043	12,063	1,450	9,354	18	1,204	37
Sutter	1,914	1,987	199	1,224	5	547	12
Tehama	1,459	1,244	0	879	0	365	0
Trinity	218	214	2	131	0	79	2
Tulare	8,518	8,256	56	6,504	10	1,668	18
Tuolumne	1,011	1,082	9	771	1	299	2
Ventura	18,279	17,963	470	12,613	36	4,730	114
Yolo	3,099	2,907	60	2,328	4	513	2
Yuba	1,518	1,462	0	1,101	5	350	6

**Column Key:**

- (C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.
- (D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.
- (G) Data apply only to small claims appeals.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Unlimited Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5b**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial		Trial de Novo (G)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>196,994</b>	<b>186,704</b>	<b>6,855</b>	<b>130,788</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>23,323</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Alameda	9,056	8,607	0	5,804	51	2,737	15
Alpine	72	32	0	32	0	0	0
Amador	207	127	1	92	1	32	1
Butte	752	570	0	464	6	91	9
Calaveras	287	279	5	174	2	97	1
Colusa	53	49	6	42	0	1	0
Contra Costa	4,646	4,733	268	3,855	10	504	96
Del Norte	320	1,181	46	1,118	2	14	1
El Dorado	1,005	1,016	4	846	8	123	35
Fresno	4,312	1,634	7	1,360	36	164	67
Glenn	40	27	0	20	0	7	0
Humboldt	753	732	167	263	3	294	5
Imperial	719	712	23	404	7	278	0
Inyo	87	51	0	20	0	31	0
Kern	1,901	1,711	29	1,603	11	47	21
Kings	264	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	474	336	13	223	4	96	0
Lassen	419	342	0	331	2	6	3
Los Angeles	60,117	59,203	2,329	48,898	478	5,153	2,345
Madera	1,069	708	8	512	2	182	4
Marin	1,539	1,661	18	1,325	9	285	24
Mariposa	151	6	1	3	0	0	2
Mendocino	356	320	9	292	2	5	12
Merced	812	653	36	430	1	181	5
Modoc	49	48	5	19	0	24	0
Mono	109	66	0	52	0	1	13
Monterey	1,564	1,377	49	1,020	9	279	20
Napa	821	753	20	493	6	214	20
Nevada	541	375	8	321	3	38	5
Orange	19,007	20,016	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i) 467
Placer	1,699	1,773	3	1,652	16	53	49
Plumas	144	139	8	77	1	51	(i) 2
Riverside	12,205	13,430	1,460	8,191	42	3,544	193
Sacramento	7,642	6,464	60	4,978	45	1,294	87
San Benito	165	156	1	115	2	36	2
San Bernardino	9,464	8,337	879	6,779	76	426	177
San Diego	13,701	13,225	185	10,799	122	1,490	629
San Francisco	7,928	6,042	118	5,749	38	46	91
San Joaquin	2,912	2,621	147	1,737	29	648	60
San Luis Obispo	1,255	1,139	1	740	5	365	28
San Mateo	2,382	2,376	1	2,265	7	39	64
Santa Barbara	1,919	1,673	2	1,457	15	129	70
Santa Clara	7,887	6,716	46	5,084	20	1,519	47
Santa Cruz	1,200	1,082	3	784	6	264	25
Shasta	933	716	0	550	7	132	27

**Unlimited Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5b**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial		Trial de Novo (G)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>196,994</b>	<b>186,704</b>	<b>6,855</b>	<b>130,788</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>23,323</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Sierra	12	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	188	208	6	118	0	84	0
Solano	1,948	2,100	93	1,907	12	9	79
Sonoma	2,347	2,343	65	1,790	19	446	23
Stanislaus	1,842	2,023	589	1,365	17	15	37
Sutter	440	398	7	203	4	172	12
Tehama	239	153	0	134	0	19	0
Trinity	113	108	0	60	0	46	2
Tulare	1,454	1,040	20	772	9	221	18
Tuolumne	277	248	4	159	1	82	2
Ventura	4,078	3,917	98	2,552	18	1,135	114
Yolo	758	619	7	513	3	94	2
Yuba	360	333	0	242	5	80	6

**Column Key:**

(C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.

(G) Data apply only to small claims appeals.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.



**Unlimited Civil: Motor Vehicle Personal Injury, Property Damage,  
and Wrongful Death—Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5c**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>29,466</b>	<b>27,685</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>23,774</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>683</b>
Alameda	1,153	1,130	0	1,106	21	3
Alpine	3	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	28	23	0	22	0	1
Butte	161	142	0	131	1	10
Calaveras	21	21	0	20	1	0
Colusa	14	11	2	9	0	0
Contra Costa	638	649	9	637	3	0
Del Norte	7	2	0	2	0	0
El Dorado	110	127	1	124	1	1
Fresno	702	182	0	160	17	5
Glenn	10	10	0	9	0	1
Humboldt	51	55	1	53	0	1
Imperial	77	70	1	61	3	5
Inyo	6	4	0	3	0	1
Kern	519	468	3	461	3	1
Kings	39	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	39	37	0	37	0	0
Lassen	6	12	0	10	2	0
Los Angeles	10,323	9,381	262	8,882	147	90
Madera	72	80	1	78	0	1
Marin	180	207	3	197	5	2
Mariposa	10	2	1	1	0	0
Mendocino	37	40	1	37	1	1
Merced	129	111	10	98	0	3
Modoc	1	1	0	1	0	0
Mono	7	4	0	4	0	0
Monterey	191	192	5	180	3	4
Napa	77	72	0	70	1	1
Nevada	57	37	2	35	0	0
Orange	2,383	2,301	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	333	315	1	305	7	2
Plumas	5	4	0	4	0	0
Riverside	1,135	1,203	9	1,160	9	25
Sacramento	1,766	1,707	0	1,562	26	119
San Benito	24	15	0	15	0	0
San Bernardino	1,308	1,294	78	1,185	23	8
San Diego	2,356	2,357	25	2,019	26	287
San Francisco	960	899	18	869	12	0
San Joaquin	491	437	3	416	9	9
San Luis Obispo	134	114	0	109	2	3
San Mateo	412	429	0	427	1	1
Santa Barbara	259	231	0	221	8	2
Santa Clara	943	935	1	903	6	25
Santa Cruz	125	121	0	120	0	1
Shasta	121	109	0	106	3	0

**Unlimited Civil: Motor Vehicle Personal Injury, Property Damage,  
and Wrongful Death—Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5c**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>29,466</b>	<b>27,685</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>23,774</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>683</b>
Sierra	0	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	9	11	0	11	0	0
Solano	293	341	26	310	4	1
Sonoma	341	336	6	323	3	4
Stanislaus	308	384	90	290	4	0
Sutter	96	69	1	55	3	10
Tehama	26	22	0	22	0	0
Trinity	1	2	0	2	0	0
Tulare	230	187	1	178	2	6
Tuolumne	22	25	0	25	0	0
Ventura	568	606	1	555	4	46
Yolo	100	113	0	112	1	0
Yuba	49	48	0	42	3	3

**Column Key:**

(C)–(F) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Unlimited Civil: Other Personal Injury, Property Damage,  
and Wrongful Death—Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5d**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>22,532</b>	<b>21,216</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>17,427</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>671</b>
Alameda	918	898	0	870	12	16
Alpine	12	12	0	12	0	0
Amador	31	15	0	15	0	0
Butte	94	92	0	70	4	18
Calaveras	18	15	0	14	1	0
Colusa	3	5	2	3	0	0
Contra Costa	369	442	15	422	1	4
Del Norte	10	16	6	10	0	0
El Dorado	73	113	0	103	7	3
Fresno	345	116	1	98	5	12
Glenn	3	2	0	2	0	0
Humboldt	44	36	0	34	1	1
Imperial	80	70	2	61	2	5
Inyo	15	5	0	4	0	1
Kern	323	308	4	296	7	1
Kings	75	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	34	22	0	18	1	3
Lassen	11	12	0	12	0	0
Los Angeles	8,299	7,789	241	7,287	170	91
Madera	48	41	1	36	1	3
Marin	122	152	4	142	3	3
Mariposa	8	1	0	1	0	0
Mendocino	40	45	0	44	1	0
Merced	62	60	5	51	0	4
Modoc	4	1	0	1	0	0
Mono	14	9	0	9	0	0
Monterey	155	137	5	123	3	6
Napa	46	44	0	41	1	2
Nevada	32	36	2	34	0	0
Orange	2,196	2,216	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	212	226	0	218	5	3
Plumas	14	14	0	13	0	1
Riverside	644	764	17	708	10	29
Sacramento	871	746	2	664	8	72
San Benito	11	9	0	8	1	0
San Bernardino	966	1,037	73	919	29	16
San Diego	1,858	1,727	21	1,443	35	228
San Francisco	1,435	983	28	938	10	7
San Joaquin	282	261	1	244	5	11
San Luis Obispo	133	138	0	127	0	11
San Mateo	202	154	0	150	1	3
Santa Barbara	191	177	2	172	3	0
Santa Clara	659	659	0	628	5	26
Santa Cruz	105	90	0	86	1	3
Shasta	64	100	0	97	2	1

**Unlimited Civil: Other Personal Injury, Property Damage,  
and Wrongful Death—Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5d**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>22,532</b>	<b>21,216</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>17,427</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>671</b>
Sierra	1	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	21	21	0	18	0	3
Solano	176	212	13	194	2	3
Sonoma	242	224	6	205	8	5
Stanislaus	168	234	84	144	5	1
Sutter	37	34	0	30	1	3
Tehama	13	15	0	14	0	1
Trinity	5	6	0	6	0	0
Tulare	118	122	0	112	3	7
Tuolumne	44	31	0	28	0	3
Ventura	501	453	1	388	7	57
Yolo	53	49	1	44	2	2
Yuba	22	20	0	16	2	2

**Column Key:**

(C)–(F) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Unlimited Civil: Other Civil Complaints and Petitions—  
Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5e**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>137,952</b>	<b>132,619</b>	<b>5,756</b>	<b>89,420</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>21,969</b>
Alameda	6,719	6,564	0	3,828	18	2,718
Alpine	57	20	0	20	0	0
Amador	138	88	1	55	1	31
Butte	476	327	0	263	1	63
Calaveras	241	241	5	139	0	97
Colusa	36	33	2	30	0	1
Contra Costa	3,471	3,493	244	2,743	6	500
Del Norte	301	1,162	40	1,106	2	14
El Dorado	787	739	3	617	0	119
Fresno	3,157	1,269	6	1,102	14	147
Glenn	27	15	0	9	0	6
Humboldt	650	635	166	175	2	292
Imperial	562	572	20	282	2	268
Inyo	65	40	0	11	0	29
Kern	1,028	914	22	846	1	45
Kings	150	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	397	277	13	168	3	93
Lassen	399	315	0	309	0	6
Los Angeles	38,737	39,688	1,826	32,729	161	4,972
Madera	948	583	6	398	1	178
Marin	1,213	1,278	11	986	1	280
Mariposa	133	1	0	1	0	0
Mendocino	273	223	8	211	0	4
Merced	595	477	21	281	1	174
Modoc	44	46	5	17	0	24
Mono	73	40	0	39	0	1
Monterey	1,188	1,026	39	715	3	269
Napa	673	613	20	378	4	211
Nevada	402	297	4	252	3	38
Orange	13,835	15,032	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	1,107	1,183	2	1,129	4	48
Plumas	123	119	8	60	1	50
Riverside	10,191	11,270	1,434	6,323	23	3,490
Sacramento	4,904	3,924	58	2,752	11	1,103
San Benito	125	130	1	92	1	36
San Bernardino	6,922	5,780	728	4,626	24	402
San Diego	8,377	8,512	139	7,337	61	975
San Francisco	5,349	4,069	72	3,942	16	39
San Joaquin	2,058	1,863	143	1,077	15	628
San Luis Obispo	962	859	1	504	3	351
San Mateo	1,660	1,729	1	1,688	5	35
Santa Barbara	1,396	1,195	0	1,064	4	127
Santa Clara	6,088	5,056	45	3,534	9	1,468
Santa Cruz	944	845	3	577	5	260
Shasta	724	480	0	347	2	131

**Unlimited Civil: Other Civil Complaints and Petitions—  
Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 5e**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>137,952</b>	<b>132,619</b>	<b>5,756</b>	<b>89,420</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>21,969</b>
Sierra	11	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	152	175	6	88	0	81
Solano	1,406	1,468	54	1,403	6	5
Sonoma	1,714	1,746	53	1,248	8	437
Stanislaus	1,321	1,366	415	929	8	14
Sutter	295	282	6	117	0	159
Tehama	197	116	0	98	0	18
Trinity	106	98	0	52	0	46
Tulare	1,071	712	19	481	4	208
Tuolumne	208	190	4	106	1	79
Ventura	2,891	2,741	96	1,606	7	1,032
Yolo	593	444	6	346	0	92
Yuba	282	259	0	184	0	75

**Column Key:**

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(D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.

**Notes:**

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0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Small Claims Appeals—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Trial de Novo (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>5,184</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Alameda	266	15	0	15
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	10	1	0	1
Butte	21	9	0	9
Calaveras	7	2	1	1
Colusa	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	168	149	53	96
Del Norte	2	1	0	1
El Dorado	35	37	2	35
Fresno	108	67	0	67
Glenn	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	8	6	1	5
Imperial	0	0	0	0
Inyo	1	2	2	0
Kern	31	21	0	21
Kings	0	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	4	0	0	0
Lassen	3	3	0	3
Los Angeles	2,758	2,345	0	2,345
Madera	1	4	0	4
Marin	24	24	0	24
Mariposa	0	2	0	2
Mendocino	6	12	0	12
Merced	26	5	0	5
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	15	13	0	13
Monterey	30	22	2	20
Napa	25	24	4	20
Nevada	50	5	0	5
Orange	593	467	0	467
Placer	47	49	0	49
Plumas	2	2	0	2
Riverside	235	193	0	193
Sacramento	101	87	0	87
San Benito	5	2	0	2
San Bernardino	268	226	49	177
San Diego	1,110	629	0	629
San Francisco	184	91	0	91
San Joaquin	81	60	0	60
San Luis Obispo	26	28	0	28
San Mateo	108	64	0	64
Santa Barbara	73	70	0	70
Santa Clara	197	66	19	47
Santa Cruz	26	26	1	25
Shasta	24	27	0	27

**Small Claims Appeals—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Trial de Novo (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>5,184</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>5,017</b>
Sierra	0	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	6	1	1	0
Solano	73	79	0	79
Sonoma	50	37	14	23
Stanislaus	45	39	2	37
Sutter	12	13	1	12
Tehama	3	0	0	0
Trinity	1	2	0	2
Tulare	35	19	1	18
Tuolumne	3	2	0	2
Ventura	118	117	3	114
Yolo	12	13	11	2
Yuba	7	6	0	6

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(C) Data are available only for courts reporting data via the Judicial Branch Statistical Information System (JBSIS).

**Notes:**

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**Limited Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5g**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>603,097</b>	<b>637,910</b>	<b>20,612</b>	<b>522,588</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>47,330</b>
Alameda	17,923	18,049	0	17,384	5	660
Alpine	26	33	7	21	0	5
Amador	320	272	0	254	0	18
Butte	3,050	2,883	1	2,505	0	377
Calaveras	518	581	26	479	0	76
Colusa	157	98	0	94	0	4
Contra Costa	14,343	17,740	193	16,073	1	1,473
Del Norte	291	753	44	668	3	38
El Dorado	1,919	2,110	4	1,937	1	168
Fresno	13,980	9,371	3	7,913	2	1,453
Glenn	286	327	1	242	0	84
Humboldt	1,203	1,464	11	1,274	0	179
Imperial	1,954	2,113	20	1,872	0	221
Inyo	103	163	0	94	0	69
Kern	11,759	12,778	1,351	10,597	61	769
Kings	1,867	2,154	0	2,154	0	0
Lake	889	833	12	742	0	79
Lassen	557	600	0	582	0	18
Los Angeles	171,006	185,323	13,113	156,824	145	15,241
Madera	3,648	3,289	6	3,092	0	191
Marin	2,086	2,258	17	2,149	1	91
Mariposa	78	22	0	7	0	15
Mendocino	906	924	2	899	1	22
Merced	3,356	3,372	42	3,008	1	321
Modoc	68	90	4	81	0	5
Mono	82	66	1	52	0	13
Monterey	4,192	3,973	27	3,727	2	217
Napa	1,389	1,458	4	1,326	0	128
Nevada	1,100	889	9	780	1	99
Orange	43,603	46,871	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	3,854	4,072	2	3,732	4	334
Plumas	169	191	5	170	0	16
Riverside	40,237	43,188	1,324	35,746	7	6,111
Sacramento	83,132	80,965	5	77,637	7	3,316
San Benito	720	725	0	659	0	66
San Bernardino	38,608	43,471	1,353	37,990	19	4,109
San Diego	37,657	45,258	1,180	39,493	205	4,380
San Francisco	9,475	8,046	144	7,882	5	15
San Joaquin	10,337	10,943	128	9,391	4	1,420
San Luis Obispo	2,473	2,642	2	2,312	0	328
San Mateo	7,895	6,531	0	6,326	4	201
Santa Barbara	4,113	3,975	3	3,718	1	253
Santa Clara	16,892	17,917	10	16,659	3	1,245
Santa Cruz	2,491	2,573	3	2,327	2	241
Shasta	2,345	2,512	0	2,298	0	214

**Limited Civil—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5g**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>603,097</b>	<b>637,910</b>	<b>20,612</b>	<b>522,588</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>47,330</b>
Sierra	22	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	485	525	4	476	1	44
Solano	6,817	8,113	519	7,175	0	419
Sonoma	4,080	5,257	64	4,933	1	259
Stanislaus	7,481	8,343	861	7,363	1	118
Sutter	1,181	1,190	45	1,004	1	140
Tehama	735	696	0	634	0	62
Trinity	84	77	0	68	0	9
Tulare	5,887	6,268	22	5,605	1	640
Tuolumne	532	570	3	480	0	87
Ventura	9,844	10,176	33	9,071	18	1,054
Yolo	1,911	1,868	4	1,766	1	97
Yuba	981	961	0	843	0	118

**Column Key:**

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(D) Includes before- and after-hearing dismissals, transfers, and judgments.

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**Small Claims—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5h**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial (E)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>183,957</b>	<b>183,715</b>	<b>19,538</b>	<b>52,214</b>	<b>111,963</b>
Alameda	6,251	6,589	0	2,648	3,941
Alpine	4	5	0	0	5
Amador	139	137	1	19	117
Butte	791	803	0	195	608
Calaveras	129	132	0	18	114
Colusa	35	245	111	120	14
Contra Costa	3,722	3,828	442	981	2,405
Del Norte	98	170	26	12	132
El Dorado	824	860	22	252	586
Fresno	3,299	1,548	0	1,020	528
Glenn	71	51	0	5	46
Humboldt	505	538	41	102	395
Imperial	625	547	29	143	375
Inyo	74	62	0	5	57
Kern	2,479	2,702	642	729	1,331
Kings	268	309	0	21	288
Lake	281	241	5	93	143
Lassen	165	164	0	60	104
Los Angeles	61,603	62,617	1,621	24,128	36,868
Madera	295	295	7	83	205
Marin	853	891	29	324	538
Mariposa	45	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	278	257	93	29	135
Merced	1,050	1,028	30	471	527
Modoc	32	35	4	9	22
Mono	119	80	0	10	70
Monterey	966	1,011	178	238	595
Napa	388	414	13	129	272
Nevada	390	333	4	110	219
Orange	16,667	16,422	4,651	1,850	9,921
Placer	1,341	1,159	35	370	754
Plumas	132	109	7	38	64
Riverside	11,955	13,054	2,902	2,070	8,082
Sacramento	6,200	6,296	1,611	1,327	3,358
San Benito	165	137	0	61	76
San Bernardino	14,606	14,281	2,960	1,998	9,323
San Diego	16,400	17,910	2,945	4,071	10,894
San Francisco	3,714	3,331	1	713	2,617
San Joaquin	2,846	2,233	125	402	1,706
San Luis Obispo	916	887	0	407	480
San Mateo	2,324	2,110	0	716	1,394
Santa Barbara	1,389	1,360	1	420	939
Santa Clara	5,737	5,665	169	2,234	3,262
Santa Cruz	947	887	1	366	520
Shasta	623	604	51	176	377

**Small Claims—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 5h**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial (E)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>183,957</b>	<b>183,715</b>	<b>19,538</b>	<b>52,214</b>	<b>111,963</b>
Sierra	5	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	110	125	5	44	76
Solano	1,591	1,494	47	280	1,167
Sonoma	1,648	1,569	176	646	747
Stanislaus	1,720	1,697	0	626	1,071
Sutter	293	399	147	17	235
Tehama	485	395	0	111	284
Trinity	21	29	2	3	24
Tulare	1,177	948	14	127	807
Tuolumne	202	264	2	132	130
Ventura	4,357	3,870	339	990	2,541
Yolo	430	420	49	49	322
Yuba	177	168	0	16	152

**Column Key:**

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(D) Includes before- and after-hearing dismissals, transfers, and judgments.

**Notes:**

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**Civil Case Processing Time, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 6a**

COUNTY	General Unlimited Civil Disposed of in Less Than _ Months			Limited Civil Disposed of in Less Than _ Months			Unlawful Detainers Disposed of in Less Than _ Days		Small Claims Disposed of in Less Than _ Days	
	12	18	24	12	18	24	30	45	70	90
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>75%</b>
Alameda	70%	83%	91%	77%	96%	98%	44%	61%	29%	39%
Alpine	—	—	—	—	—	—	6%	7%	—	—
Amador	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Butte	61%	82%	90%	94%	99%	100%	53%	70%	61%	70%
Calaveras	74%	82%	89%	86%	92%	94%	39%	57%	64%	80%
Colusa	77%	85%	91%	91%	94%	96%	32%	45%	14%	18%
Contra Costa	70%	85%	93%	74%	90%	97%	45%	62%	52%	68%
Del Norte	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
El Dorado	75%	85%	91%	80%	92%	96%	49%	68%	68%	78%
Fresno	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Glenn	77%	84%	94%	77%	87%	90%	31%	43%	70%	82%
Humboldt	58%	65%	68%	87%	95%	97%	31%	45%	68%	78%
Imperial	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inyo	80%	86%	86%	60%	68%	71%	38%	46%	53%	68%
Kern	81%	94%	97%	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kings	62%	79%	86%	77%	83%	86%	46%	69%	27%	47%
Lake	76%	85%	90%	91%	98%	100%	45%	64%	68%	76%
Lassen	92%	95%	97%	95%	99%	99%	66%	79%	46%	72%
Los Angeles	65%	84%	91%	91%	98%	99%	49%	67%	69%	79%
Madera	77%	91%	95%	90%	95%	96%	42%	70%	80%	87%
Marin	70%	83%	90%	88%	96%	98%	42%	57%	76%	84%
Mariposa	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mendocino	47%	70%	83%	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Merced	55%	66%	77%	77%	84%	88%	51%	74%	59%	69%
Modoc	83%	88%	92%	70%	92%	96%	45%	60%	69%	80%
Mono	62%	70%	82%	73%	92%	98%	36%	55%	30%	50%
Monterey	68%	84%	91%	72%	93%	97%	61%	79%	80%	83%
Napa	79%	90%	95%	83%	91%	94%	52%	71%	69%	78%
Nevada	79%	91%	95%	95%	99%	99%	43%	63%	56%	72%
Orange	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67%	78%
Placer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plumas	84%	90%	95%	82%	87%	90%	29%	48%	54%	74%
Riverside	59%	73%	82%	89%	96%	98%	54%	75%	72%	83%
Sacramento	59%	74%	86%	96%	98%	98%	—	—	52%	59%
San Benito	80%	85%	92%	83%	89%	93%	50%	68%	80%	89%
San Bernardino	61%	76%	86%	90%	97%	98%	57%	80%	53%	73%
San Diego	80%	91%	95%	76%	89%	94%	50%	75%	66%	82%
San Francisco	55%	78%	89%	78%	92%	96%	36%	56%	67%	77%
San Joaquin	67%	78%	85%	76%	84%	87%	41%	60%	42%	62%
San Luis Obispo	62%	78%	88%	82%	95%	98%	48%	64%	56%	67%
San Mateo	70%	86%	94%	79%	87%	91%	55%	70%	67%	76%
Santa Barbara	80%	91%	95%	89%	95%	97%	45%	67%	74%	83%
Santa Clara	66%	80%	89%	73%	83%	88%	61%	76%	55%	64%
Santa Cruz	74%	87%	93%	84%	97%	100%	47%	63%	49%	71%
Shasta	70%	85%	92%	91%	99%	100%	59%	77%	67%	78%

**Civil Case Processing Time, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 6a**

COUNTY	General Unlimited Civil Disposed of in Less Than _ Months			Limited Civil Disposed of in Less Than _ Months			Unlawful Detainers Disposed of in Less Than _ Days		Small Claims Disposed of in Less Than _ Days	
	12 (A)	18 (B)	24 (C)	12 (D)	18 (E)	24 (F)	30 (G)	45 (H)	70 (I)	90 (J)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>75%</b>
Sierra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Siskiyou	61%	70%	74%	83%	91%	94%	47%	60%	50%	58%
Solano	—	—	—	80%	91%	95%	46%	62%	62%	73%
Sonoma	73%	87%	93%	86%	97%	100%	59%	74%	71%	80%
Stanislaus	54%	68%	76%	75%	94%	95%	17%	29%	46%	54%
Sutter	68%	82%	92%	81%	87%	90%	68%	87%	51%	56%
Tehama	62%	79%	91%	82%	88%	94%	62%	80%	71%	87%
Trinity	81%	86%	91%	76%	83%	93%	52%	87%	48%	48%
Tulare	78%	90%	95%	79%	87%	91%	59%	76%	76%	83%
Tuolumne	72%	84%	91%	95%	99%	99%	42%	67%	49%	57%
Ventura	76%	89%	94%	87%	97%	98%	51%	70%	70%	79%
Yolo	68%	82%	90%	80%	95%	98%	54%	70%	60%	70%
Yuba	79%	91%	95%	88%	96%	97%	69%	86%	74%	89%

**Column Key:**

(G)–(H) Includes limited unlawful detainers only.

**Note:**

— The court did not submit a report in this category.

**Total Criminal Filings, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 7a**

COUNTY	Total Criminal (A)	Felonies (B)	Nontraffic		Traffic	
			Misdemeanors (C)	Infractions (D)	Misdemeanors (E)	Infractions (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>6,898,591</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>398,215</b>	<b>336,114</b>	<b>649,379</b>	<b>5,271,613</b>
Alameda	315,482	6,878	9,757	7,571	14,919	276,357
Alpine	1,531	26	39	27	79	1,360
Amador	6,501	449	294	37	621	5,100
Butte	33,723	2,009	3,177	2,196	2,242	24,099
Calaveras	4,660	284	485	233	429	3,229
Colusa	12,653	294	351	45	489	11,474
Contra Costa	135,869	4,116	3,870	5,124	8,227	114,532
Del Norte	6,413	397	428	101	433	5,054
El Dorado	24,921	1,058	1,572	719	1,655	19,917
Fresno	152,178	9,287	8,298	2,070	29,945	102,578
Glenn	11,202	452	325	123	385	9,917
Humboldt	24,270	1,985	1,858	1,866	1,559	17,002
Imperial	64,685	1,786	2,876	825	2,773	56,425
Inyo	13,607	207	451	0	340	12,609
Kern	202,629	8,533	15,695	1,717	15,950	160,734
Kings	32,692	2,163	2,331	185	1,593	26,420
Lake	7,655	791	1,230	314	568	4,752
Lassen	8,317	420	296	27	368	7,206
Los Angeles	2,073,623	55,072	116,576	98,569	278,133	1,525,273
Madera	20,876	1,594	1,272	428	3,928	13,654
Marin	49,518	1,033	1,670	1,270	2,483	43,062
Mariposa	2,881	201	423	71	190	1,996
Mendocino	17,390	836	1,607	667	2,068	12,212
Merced	53,357	2,739	2,211	667	3,063	44,677
Modoc	1,666	123	205	43	121	1,174
Mono	8,690	124	275	392	393	7,506
Monterey	70,341	3,002	5,913	1,108	7,297	53,021
Napa	16,313	1,038	930	544	1,669	12,132
Nevada	19,130	665	1,704	695	1,743	14,323
Orange	509,475	15,494	34,418	15,578	45,170	398,815
Placer	43,450	1,942	2,671	716	2,982	35,139
Plumas	3,482	147	316	153	391	2,475
Riverside	371,787	15,852	15,747	12,137	24,928	303,123
Sacramento	252,392	8,594	9,542	29,855	33,128	171,273
San Benito	7,343	457	555	100	997	5,234
San Bernardino	360,648	18,150	35,342	11,058	45,461	250,637
San Diego	512,770	16,406	25,393	43,331	25,774	401,866
San Francisco	186,090	4,436	2,183	34,363	2,432	142,676
San Joaquin	94,135	6,083	6,025	4,263	18,896	58,868
San Luis Obispo	53,220	2,154	6,372	1,918	4,875	37,901
San Mateo	149,818	2,906	5,750	6,408	4,848	129,906
Santa Barbara	86,060	2,871	8,199	7,395	4,880	62,715
Santa Clara	245,027	7,853	14,658	15,608	11,342	195,566
Santa Cruz	49,419	1,916	3,614	10,639	3,221	30,029
Shasta	33,185	2,942	2,928	1,848	2,912	22,555

**Total Criminal Filings, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 7a**

COUNTY	Total Criminal (A)	Felonies (B)	Nontraffic		Traffic	
			Misdemeanors (C)	Infractions (D)	Misdemeanors (E)	Infractions (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>6,898,591</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>398,215</b>	<b>336,114</b>	<b>649,379</b>	<b>5,271,613</b>
Sierra	781	23	47	22	41	648
Siskiyou	16,712	578	650	317	632	14,535
Solano	55,621	4,110	4,538	1,493	2,948	42,532
Sonoma	91,840	3,217	6,810	3,688	5,651	72,474
Stanislaus	64,605	6,286	3,405	1,728	7,326	45,860
Sutter	15,599	991	1,278	394	1,109	11,827
Tehama	16,716	854	1,192	241	1,824	12,605
Trinity	3,163	376	265	27	314	2,181
Tulare	77,197	4,125	6,052	1,101	4,286	61,633
Tuolumne	8,187	618	767	361	879	5,562
Ventura	147,027	3,770	9,056	2,980	5,058	126,163
Yolo	33,108	1,740	2,741	340	3,059	25,228
Yuba	16,961	817	1,582	418	352	13,792

**Column Key:**

- (B) Since 2001, a felony is counted as one filing and one disposition for each defendant throughout all stages of criminal proceedings. This change eliminated double-counting of defendants who were held to answer, certified on guilty pleas, or waived preliminary hearings, and it reduced the numbers of filings and dispositions reported.
- (B) This column also includes miscellaneous felony petitions reported only by JBSIS courts.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.



**Total Criminal Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 7b**

COUNTY	Total Criminal (A)	Felonies (B)	Nontraffic		Traffic	
			Misdemeanors (C)	Infractions (D)	Misdemeanors (E)	Infractions (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,965,657</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>344,952</b>	<b>295,464</b>	<b>499,122</b>	<b>4,598,309</b>
Alameda	(i) 77,290	6,287	(i) 2,934	(i) 2,692	(i) 3,887	(i) 61,490
Alpine	1,336	17	31	23	62	1,203
Amador	5,928	323	272	28	549	4,756
Butte	31,234	1,566	3,125	2,022	2,140	22,381
Calaveras	4,679	248	431	211	551	3,238
Colusa	9,599	129	357	57	1,005	8,051
Contra Costa	217,893	4,078	5,751	15,398	37,096	155,570
Del Norte	11,498	528	1,063	106	1,601	8,200
El Dorado	24,481	998	1,422	750	1,952	19,359
Fresno	118,869	7,467	6,099	1,547	21,061	82,695
Glenn	10,242	281	309	117	329	9,206
Humboldt	27,022	1,993	1,909	1,414	2,020	19,686
Imperial	64,699	1,827	3,059	606	2,756	56,451
Inyo	13,707	122	486	0	368	12,731
Kern	180,228	8,160	14,917	1,229	13,566	142,356
Kings	33,080	1,280	1,768	342	1,460	28,230
Lake	8,385	878	1,402	332	631	5,142
Lassen	7,439	287	277	18	990	5,867
Los Angeles	2,070,617	53,359	110,576	70,048	213,228	1,623,406
Madera	20,743	1,720	1,232	364	3,548	13,879
Marin	49,724	895	1,725	1,019	2,288	43,797
Mariposa	2,839	207	405	60	237	1,930
Mendocino	18,105	999	2,599	493	2,167	11,847
Merced	53,358	2,138	2,695	669	4,474	43,382
Modoc	1,638	117	203	37	121	1,160
Mono	8,412	205	292	315	538	7,062
Monterey	71,382	3,148	5,774	1,219	6,738	54,503
Napa	16,576	1,006	935	346	1,668	12,621
Nevada	12,310	387	1,661	434	2,371	7,457
Orange	(i) 15,218	15,218	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	(i) 5,702	(i) 878	(i) 2,320	(i) 527	(i) 1,977	(i)
Plumas	3,260	146	296	132	321	2,365
Riverside	309,962	14,417	12,491	43,095	17,249	222,710
Sacramento	190,947	9,430	11,978	6,750	7,006	155,783
San Benito	7,074	492	575	108	993	4,906
San Bernardino	337,745	15,337	33,028	27,542	32,910	228,928
San Diego	496,406	15,657	24,685	30,376	25,093	400,595
San Francisco	148,943	6,984	1,484	14,069	1,191	125,215
San Joaquin	88,512	4,597	5,869	3,062	15,478	59,506
San Luis Obispo	88,785	1,952	5,290	847	11,039	69,657
San Mateo	155,079	3,080	6,553	19,888	5,250	120,308
Santa Barbara	83,515	2,323	7,668	6,984	4,679	61,861
Santa Clara	241,840	7,922	16,436	10,971	11,754	194,757
Santa Cruz	57,892	2,053	3,583	17,482	2,901	31,873
Shasta	29,745	2,448	2,278	1,394	1,800	21,825

**Total Criminal Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 7b**

COUNTY	Total Criminal (A)	Felonies (B)	Nontraffic		Traffic	
			Misdemeanors (C)	Infractions (D)	Misdemeanors (E)	Infractions (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,965,657</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>344,952</b>	<b>295,464</b>	<b>499,122</b>	<b>4,598,309</b>
Sierra	(i) 538	(i)	(i)	(i) 14	(i)	(i) 524
Siskiyou	17,708	385	487	233	512	16,091
Solano	67,300	2,388	3,551	474	2,640	58,247
Sonoma	89,803	3,285	7,318	2,967	6,397	69,836
Stanislaus	57,286	5,801	2,558	1,664	4,194	43,069
Sutter	15,170	910	1,268	336	1,086	11,570
Tehama	11,734	677	879	209	754	9,215
Trinity	3,020	284	204	56	301	2,175
Tulare	78,537	3,444	5,574	1,144	4,376	63,999
Tuolumne	8,178	764	864	364	905	5,281
Ventura	138,171	3,837	10,264	2,371	5,913	115,786
Yolo	29,862	1,700	2,371	226	2,407	23,158
Yuba	14,412	751	1,371	283	594	11,413

**Column Key:**

(B) Since 2001, a felony is counted as one filing and one disposition for each defendant throughout all stages of criminal proceedings. This change eliminated double-counting of defendants who were held to answer, certified on guilty pleas, or waived preliminary hearings, and it reduced the numbers of filings and dispositions reported.

(B) This column also includes miscellaneous felony petitions reported only by JBSIS courts.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Felonies—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 8a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Pleas of Guilty (C)	Other — Before Preliminary Hearing (D)	Other — After Preliminary Hearing (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>180,023</b>	<b>27,650</b>	<b>13,939</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>5,300</b>
Alameda	6,878	6,287	4,747	1,069	367	0	104
Alpine	26	17	0	5	2	10	0
Amador	449	323	171	77	6	68	1
Butte	2,009	1,566	1,211	169	135	24	27
Calaveras	284	248	199	11	36	0	2
Colusa	294	129	71	42	13	0	3
Contra Costa	4,116	4,078	3,327	530	119	2	100
Del Norte	397	528	338	95	80	0	15
El Dorado	1,058	998	847	69	63	3	16
Fresno	9,287	7,467	6,109	1,063	194	1	100
Glenn	452	281	217	15	28	8	13
Humboldt	1,985	1,993	1,539	168	267	2	17
Imperial	1,786	1,827	1,295	514	0	1	17
Inyo	207	122	94	12	14	0	2
Kern	8,533	8,160	6,463	1,056	468	9	164
Kings	2,163	1,280	879	156	207	2	36
Lake	791	878	611	187	63	4	13
Lassen	420	287	183	13	76	0	15
Los Angeles	55,072	53,359	43,861	5,601	1,956	30	1,911
Madera	1,594	1,720	1,223	372	99	2	24
Marin	1,033	895	767	42	66	2	18
Mariposa	201	207	154	39	13	0	1
Mendocino	836	999	532	306	135	15	11
Merced	2,739	2,138	1,482	510	106	2	38
Modoc	123	117	73	27	13	0	4
Mono	124	205	85	46	58	16	0
Monterey	3,002	3,148	2,483	513	89	14	49
Napa	1,038	1,006	701	235	64	0	6
Nevada	665	387	282	81	19	1	4
Orange	15,494	15,218	12,615	1,740	485	5	373
Placer	1,942	(i) 878	(i) 389	(i) 402	(i) 43	(i)	(i) 44
Plumas	147	146	108	33	4	0	1
Riverside	15,852	14,417	11,807	1,020	1,152	24	414
Sacramento	8,594	9,430	7,700	1,003	429	0	298
San Benito	457	492	326	150	4	1	11
San Bernardino	18,150	15,337	13,093	1,417	537	14	276
San Diego	16,406	15,657	12,401	1,099	1,928	13	216
San Francisco	4,436	6,984	5,116	547	1,176	1	144
San Joaquin	6,083	4,597	3,474	965	96	0	62
San Luis Obispo	2,154	1,952	1,148	197	71	242	11
San Mateo	2,906	3,080	2,210	587	227	9	47
Santa Barbara	2,871	2,323	1,828	382	73	10	30
Santa Clara	7,853	7,922	6,791	879	110	17	125
Santa Cruz	1,916	2,053	1,597	340	89	4	23
Shasta	2,942	2,448	1,661	559	167	5	56

**Felonies—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 8a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Pleas of Guilty (C)	Other — Before Preliminary Hearing (D)	Other — After Preliminary Hearing (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>180,023</b>	<b>27,650</b>	<b>13,939</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>5,300</b>
Sierra	23	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	578	385	297	54	23	1	10
Solano	4,110	2,388	1,024	765	520	3	76
Sonoma	3,217	3,285	2,232	426	569	9	49
Stanislaus	6,286	5,801	4,704	650	378	0	69
Sutter	991	910	683	99	114	5	9
Tehama	854	677	545	107	23	2	0
Trinity	376	284	193	65	22	0	4
Tulare	4,125	3,444	2,817	481	94	5	47
Tuolumne	618	764	466	158	122	1	17
Ventura	3,770	3,837	3,083	160	494	7	93
Yolo	1,740	1,700	1,219	261	139	3	78
Yuba	817	751	552	81	94	18	6

**Column Key:**

- (B) Since 2001, a felony is counted as one filing and one disposition for each defendant throughout all stages of criminal proceedings. This change eliminated double-counting of defendants who were held to answer, certified on guilty pleas, or waived preliminary hearings, and it reduced the numbers of filings and dispositions reported.
- (B) This column also includes miscellaneous felony petitions reported only by JBSIS courts disposed before trial in columns (D) and (E.)
- (C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.
- (C) Pleas of guilty before the start of trial. Includes felonies reduced to misdemeanors that subsequently went to trial.
- (D)–(E) Includes dismissals and transfers.
- (F) Includes trials for defendants whose felony charges were reduced to misdemeanors before the start of trial.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Felonies—Dispositions, by Outcome and County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 8b**

<b>COUNTY</b>	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Felony Convictions (C)	Misdemeanor Convictions (D)	Acquittals and Dismissals (E)	Transfers (F)	Felony Petitions (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>158,252</b>	<b>27,051</b>	<b>39,688</b>	<b>1,574</b>	<b>1,157</b>
Alameda	6,878	6,287	3,575	1,266	1,435	11	--
Alpine	26	17	10	0	5	2	0
Amador	449	323	238	0	69	16	--
Butte	2,009	1,566	1,044	208	278	36	--
Calaveras	284	248	193	8	42	2	3
Colusa	294	129	57	15	57	0	--
Contra Costa	4,116	4,078	2,968	455	532	49	74
Del Norte	397	528	222	130	176	0	--
El Dorado	1,058	998	615	249	127	7	0
Fresno	9,287	7,467	4,878	1,322	1,216	51	--
Glenn	452	281	221	3	52	5	--
Humboldt	1,985	1,993	953	598	440	2	0
Imperial	1,786	1,827	1,308	0	519	0	--
Inyo	207	122	91	5	25	1	0
Kern	8,533	8,160	5,204	1,398	1,484	54	18
Kings	2,163	1,280	637	277	346	20	--
Lake	791	878	391	227	245	7	3
Lassen	420	287	184	11	64	2	13
Los Angeles	55,072	53,359	42,772	2,671	7,909	7	--
Madera	1,594	1,720	843	400	448	6	23
Marin	1,033	895	493	291	109	2	--
Mariposa	201	207	155	0	11	41	--
Mendocino	836	999	382	176	365	76	--
Merced	2,739	2,138	1,047	468	616	5	2
Modoc	123	117	38	35	34	8	0
Mono	124	205	72	27	106	0	--
Monterey	3,002	3,148	1,856	681	607	4	0
Napa	1,038	1,006	435	270	301	0	0
Nevada	665	387	271	15	101	0	--
Orange	15,494	15,218	10,211	2,743	1,908	88	268
Placer	1,942	(i) 878	(i) 158	(i) 267	(i) 453	(i)	--
Plumas	147	146	64	45	34	0	0
Riverside	15,852	14,417	10,046	2,133	2,236	2	--
Sacramento	8,594	9,430	6,236	1,722	1,472	0	0
San Benito	457	492	223	110	157	1	1
San Bernardino	18,150	15,337	13,346	0	1,924	44	23
San Diego	16,406	15,657	11,041	1,565	2,907	144	--
San Francisco	4,436	6,984	3,445	1,794	1,745	0	--
San Joaquin	6,083	4,597	3,483	43	1,037	34	--
San Luis Obispo	2,154	1,952	1,156	515	268	13	--
San Mateo	2,906	3,080	2,208	44	812	0	0
Santa Barbara	2,871	2,323	1,863	0	413	21	17
Santa Clara	7,853	7,922	5,468	1,441	852	63	98
Santa Cruz	1,916	2,053	1,520	103	420	10	--
Shasta	2,942	2,448	1,347	362	674	30	35

**Felonies—Dispositions, by Outcome and County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 8b**

<b>COUNTY</b>	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Felony Convictions (C)	Misdemeanor Convictions (D)	Acquittals and Dismissals (E)	Transfers (F)	Felony Petitions (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>243,270</b>	<b>227,810</b>	<b>158,252</b>	<b>27,051</b>	<b>39,688</b>	<b>1,574</b>	<b>1,157</b>
Sierra	23	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	--
Siskiyou	578	385	266	40	57	8	13
Solano	4,110	2,388	572	515	1,103	198	--
Sonoma	3,217	3,285	1,823	454	498	9	501
Stanislaus	6,286	5,801	4,332	433	835	201	0
Sutter	991	910	406	284	155	44	2
Tehama	854	677	414	133	127	0	3
Trinity	376	284	121	74	75	14	0
Tulare	4,125	3,444	2,575	289	544	17	1
Tuolumne	618	764	386	98	111	159	10
Ventura	3,770	3,837	2,728	442	589	41	37
Yolo	1,740	1,700	1,217	64	396	11	12
Yuba	817	751	444	132	167	8	0

**Column Key:**

- (C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.
- (D) Defendants convicted of one or more misdemeanors but not convicted of a felony.
- (G) Disposition of felony petitions are reported only by JBSIS courts and are only classified as a disposition before hearing or after hearing.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Nontraffic Misdemeanors—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>398,215</b>	<b>344,952</b>	<b>3,416</b>	<b>224,993</b>	<b>112,756</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>1,782</b>
Alameda	9,757	(i) 2,934	(i) 92	(i) 1,270	(i) 1,527	(i) 25	(i) 20
Alpine	39	31	2	1	4	24	0
Amador	294	272	0	96	95	80	1
Butte	3,177	3,125	5	1,968	1,127	11	14
Calaveras	485	431	5	269	151	3	3
Colusa	351	357	23	228	103	2	1
Contra Costa	3,870	5,751	190	2,780	2,594	80	107
Del Norte	428	1,063	0	894	166	2	1
El Dorado	1,572	1,422	5	880	523	5	9
Fresno	8,298	6,099	0	2,330	3,750	1	18
Glenn	325	309	2	234	68	4	1
Humboldt	1,858	1,909	2	1,099	800	1	7
Imperial	2,876	3,059	1	1,339	1,706	9	4
Inyo	451	486	6	322	152	3	3
Kern	15,695	14,917	11	9,131	5,726	7	42
Kings	2,331	1,768	0	1,058	695	14	1
Lake	1,230	1,402	0	829	560	2	11
Lassen	296	277	12	158	106	0	1
Los Angeles	116,576	110,576	2,123	79,399	28,232	355	467
Madera	1,272	1,232	0	741	480	4	7
Marin	1,670	1,725	1	815	764	132	13
Mariposa	423	405	0	311	72	22	0
Mendocino	1,607	2,599	1	1,580	1,001	13	4
Merced	2,211	2,695	31	1,085	1,564	9	6
Modoc	205	203	2	110	89	0	2
Mono	275	292	61	166	61	4	0
Monterey	5,913	5,774	54	4,078	1,576	8	58
Napa	930	935	0	632	297	0	6
Nevada	1,704	1,661	10	1,078	548	17	8
Orange	34,418	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	2,671	(i) 2,320	(i)	(i) 1,185	(i) 1,104	(i) 4	(i) 27
Plumas	316	296	2	204	85	4	1
Riverside	15,747	12,491	187	10,052	2,083	99	70
Sacramento	9,542	11,978	0	7,161	4,781	23	13
San Benito	555	575	0	339	232	3	1
San Bernardino	35,342	33,028	1	20,406	12,154	353	114
San Diego	25,393	24,685	138	16,561	7,530	293	163
San Francisco	2,183	1,484	0	440	802	108	134
San Joaquin	6,025	5,869	31	3,903	1,906	15	14
San Luis Obispo	6,372	5,290	137	3,421	1,707	12	14
San Mateo	5,750	6,553	3	4,772	1,730	28	22
Santa Barbara	8,199	7,668	4	4,865	2,758	21	20
Santa Clara	14,658	16,436	0	10,154	6,232	0	50
Santa Cruz	3,614	3,583	20	2,245	1,233	71	14
Shasta	2,928	2,278	0	1,126	1,128	3	21

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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9a**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>398,215</b>	<b>344,952</b>	<b>3,416</b>	<b>224,993</b>	<b>112,756</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>1,782</b>
Sierra	47	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	650	487	1	304	172	6	4
Solano	4,538	3,551	0	984	2,532	9	26
Sonoma	6,810	7,318	0	3,977	3,284	8	49
Stanislaus	3,405	2,558	3	2,256	240	14	45
Sutter	1,278	1,268	14	759	486	8	1
Tehama	1,192	879	15	622	232	8	2
Trinity	265	204	0	101	100	0	3
Tulare	6,052	5,574	0	4,573	956	7	38
Tuolumne	767	864	1	688	142	25	8
Ventura	9,056	10,264	113	7,134	2,917	13	87
Yolo	2,741	2,371	95	1,074	1,160	25	17
Yuba	1,582	1,371	12	806	533	11	9

**Column Key:**

(C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(E) Other Before Trial includes transfers, dismissal, and dismissals after diversion.

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**Nontraffic Infractions—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9b**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>336,114</b>	<b>295,464</b>	<b>99,964</b>	<b>96,540</b>	<b>80,772</b>	<b>18,188</b>
Alameda	7,571	(i) 2,692	(i) 467	(i) 1,146	(i) 983	(i) 96
Alpine	27	23	14	1	1	7
Amador	37	28	8	10	7	3
Butte	2,196	2,022	441	772	684	125
Calaveras	233	211	102	64	23	22
Colusa	45	57	16	31	10	0
Contra Costa	5,124	15,398	1,361	3,319	10,213	505
Del Norte	101	106	53	19	10	24
El Dorado	719	750	528	0	156	66
Fresno	2,070	1,547	47	1,059	410	31
Glenn	123	117	37	39	31	10
Humboldt	1,866	1,414	358	360	518	178
Imperial	825	606	225	214	78	89
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	1,717	1,229	239	489	483	18
Kings	185	342	0	232	52	58
Lake	314	332	53	225	23	31
Lassen	27	18	7	6	5	0
Los Angeles	98,569	70,048	16,324	33,946	18,278	1,500
Madera	428	364	125	72	140	27
Marin	1,270	1,019	667	75	93	184
Mariposa	71	60	4	40	2	14
Mendocino	667	493	209	157	112	15
Merced	667	669	34	433	185	17
Modoc	43	37	11	13	13	0
Mono	392	315	179	25	78	33
Monterey	1,108	1,219	490	338	342	49
Napa	544	346	231	12	71	32
Nevada	695	434	180	159	62	33
Orange	15,578	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	716	(i) 527	(i)	(i) 306	(i) 172	(i) 49
Plumas	153	132	43	62	17	10
Riverside	12,137	43,095	26,982	8,698	6,737	678
Sacramento	29,855	6,750	135	5,168	1,170	277
San Benito	100	108	0	79	20	9
San Bernardino	11,058	27,542	15,580	0	8,356	3,606
San Diego	43,331	30,376	6,065	11,862	8,201	4,248
San Francisco	34,363	14,069	2,902	2,536	4,449	4,182
San Joaquin	4,263	3,062	447	1,052	1,441	122
San Luis Obispo	1,918	847	133	485	171	58
San Mateo	6,408	19,888	3,480	11,414	4,659	335
Santa Barbara	7,395	6,984	1,246	2,417	3,223	98
Santa Clara	15,608	10,971	3,970	2,073	4,480	448
Santa Cruz	10,639	17,482	14,470	2,139	616	257
Shasta	1,848	1,394	267	425	633	69

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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9b**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>336,114</b>	<b>295,464</b>	<b>99,964</b>	<b>96,540</b>	<b>80,772</b>	<b>18,188</b>
Sierra	22	(i) 14	(i)	(i)	(i) 7	(i) 7
Siskiyou	317	233	74	112	21	26
Solano	1,493	474	4	293	123	54
Sonoma	3,688	2,967	550	480	1,907	30
Stanislaus	1,728	1,664	267	908	451	38
Sutter	394	336	85	130	62	59
Tehama	241	209	18	162	17	12
Trinity	27	56	32	7	13	4
Tulare	1,101	1,144	25	804	171	144
Tuolumne	361	364	98	171	18	77
Ventura	2,980	2,371	612	1,194	484	81
Yolo	340	226	27	167	19	13
Yuba	418	283	42	140	71	30

**Column Key:**

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(E) Other Before Trial includes transfers, dismissal, and dismissals after diversion.

**Notes:**

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**Traffic Misdemeanors—Method of Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9c**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>649,379</b>	<b>499,122</b>	<b>27,389</b>	<b>356,772</b>	<b>109,125</b>	<b>4,617</b>	<b>1,219</b>
Alameda	14,919	(i) 3,887	(i) 443	(i) 2,019	(i) 1,378	(i) 35	(i) 12
Alpine	79	62	12	7	7	36	0
Amador	621	549	0	220	123	205	1
Butte	2,242	2,140	3	1,750	359	15	13
Calaveras	429	551	19	363	166	3	0
Colusa	489	1,005	472	347	186	0	0
Contra Costa	8,227	37,096	100	9,632	26,679	607	78
Del Norte	433	1,601	16	1,412	114	56	3
El Dorado	1,655	1,952	76	1,393	462	15	6
Fresno	29,945	21,061	10,918	6,663	3,434	15	31
Glenn	385	329	1	298	27	2	1
Humboldt	1,559	2,020	0	1,559	440	9	12
Imperial	2,773	2,756	0	1,115	1,625	10	6
Inyo	340	368	61	279	24	1	3
Kern	15,950	13,566	42	11,635	1,843	13	33
Kings	1,593	1,460	13	1,185	259	1	2
Lake	568	631	0	521	106	2	2
Lassen	368	990	564	232	192	0	2
Los Angeles	278,133	213,228	7,337	171,989	31,345	2,346	211
Madera	3,928	3,548	0	3,181	351	4	12
Marin	2,483	2,288	99	1,871	180	110	28
Mariposa	190	237	0	185	18	34	0
Mendocino	2,068	2,167	27	1,370	756	4	10
Merced	3,063	4,474	329	2,498	1,533	98	16
Modoc	121	121	2	95	23	1	0
Mono	393	538	198	228	111	0	1
Monterey	7,297	6,738	61	6,154	476	28	19
Napa	1,669	1,668	0	1,534	121	3	10
Nevada	1,743	2,371	545	1,314	467	42	3
Orange	45,170	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	2,982	(i) 1,977	(i)	(i) 1,695	(i) 244	(i)	(i) 38
Plumas	391	321	11	252	52	5	1
Riverside	24,928	17,249	341	14,537	2,260	27	84
Sacramento	33,128	7,006	0	5,602	1,372	26	6
San Benito	997	993	1	872	112	7	1
San Bernardino	45,461	32,910	46	22,811	9,830	133	90
San Diego	25,774	25,093	1,006	20,424	3,371	186	106
San Francisco	2,432	1,191	1	978	129	0	83
San Joaquin	18,896	15,478	3,284	7,656	4,392	141	5
San Luis Obispo	4,875	11,039	355	4,425	6,174	76	9
San Mateo	4,848	5,250	0	4,671	557	8	14
Santa Barbara	4,880	4,679	1	4,281	381	3	13
Santa Clara	11,342	11,754	0	10,061	1,658	0	35
Santa Cruz	3,221	2,901	345	2,044	411	97	4
Shasta	2,912	1,800	0	1,447	340	0	13

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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9c**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial	
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)	By Jury (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>649,379</b>	<b>499,122</b>	<b>27,389</b>	<b>356,772</b>	<b>109,125</b>	<b>4,617</b>	<b>1,219</b>
Sierra	41	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	632	512	3	432	72	0	5
Solano	2,948	2,640	3	2,030	583	9	15
Sonoma	5,651	6,397	0	5,157	1,211	5	24
Stanislaus	7,326	4,194	167	3,141	781	58	47
Sutter	1,109	1,086	146	804	131	4	1
Tehama	1,824	754	52	545	146	9	2
Trinity	314	301	1	225	69	3	3
Tulare	4,286	4,376	0	4,019	334	2	21
Tuolumne	879	905	21	732	42	106	4
Ventura	5,058	5,913	6	4,661	1,175	8	63
Yolo	3,059	2,407	259	1,699	427	6	16
Yuba	352	594	2	522	66	3	1

**Column Key:**

(C)–(G) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(E) Other Before Trial includes transfers, dismissal, and dismissals after diversion.

**Notes:**

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Table 9d

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,271,613</b>	<b>4,598,309</b>	<b>1,834,393</b>	<b>804,691</b>	<b>1,615,944</b>	<b>343,280</b>
Alameda	276,357	(i) 61,490	(i) 20,705	(i) 11,339	(i) 25,918	(i) 3,528
Alpine	1,360	1,203	1,002	1	6	194
Amador	5,100	4,756	1,252	249	2,343	912
Butte	24,099	22,381	9,769	1,126	10,850	636
Calaveras	3,229	3,238	1,057	162	1,438	581
Colusa	11,474	8,051	4,729	608	2,381	333
Contra Costa	114,532	155,570	47,816	73,206	18,312	16,236
Del Norte	5,054	8,200	3,321	1,090	2,087	1,702
El Dorado	19,917	19,359	9,213	733	7,710	1,703
Fresno	102,578	82,695	35,845	11,525	33,687	1,638
Glenn	9,917	9,206	4,875	963	2,887	481
Humboldt	17,002	19,686	13,059	1,076	4,370	1,181
Imperial	56,425	56,451	27,759	1,329	18,458	8,905
Inyo	12,609	12,731	11,002	142	115	1,472
Kern	160,734	142,356	77,880	34,729	23,591	6,156
Kings	26,420	28,230	22,256	2,894	2,226	854
Lake	4,752	5,142	1,817	272	733	2,320
Lassen	7,206	5,867	4,088	138	1,527	114
Los Angeles	1,525,273	1,623,406	561,445	332,570	661,090	68,301
Madera	13,654	13,879	7,695	120	3,641	2,423
Marin	43,062	43,797	21,657	1,434	16,660	4,046
Mariposa	1,996	1,930	167	1,532	24	207
Mendocino	12,212	11,847	7,978	856	1,822	1,191
Merced	44,677	43,382	23,270	5,901	10,923	3,288
Modoc	1,174	1,160	753	25	188	194
Mono	7,506	7,062	3,239	98	3,330	395
Monterey	53,021	54,503	38,941	1,437	11,347	2,778
Napa	12,132	12,621	7,736	88	2,057	2,740
Nevada	14,323	7,457	3,841	634	2,762	220
Orange	398,815	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	35,139	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Plumas	2,475	2,365	1,520	134	614	97
Riverside	303,123	222,710	96,389	14,545	99,113	12,663
Sacramento	171,273	155,783	66,840	59,030	19,735	10,178
San Benito	5,234	4,906	2,897	369	1,409	231
San Bernardino	250,637	228,928	78,344	42,149	83,141	25,294
San Diego	401,866	400,595	132,050	64,092	153,520	50,933
San Francisco	142,676	125,215	37,969	11,596	51,570	24,080
San Joaquin	58,868	59,506	32,292	16,570	7,481	3,163
San Luis Obispo	37,901	69,657	23,776	9,477	34,728	1,675
San Mateo	129,906	120,308	38,003	16,626	53,186	12,493
Santa Barbara	62,715	61,861	21,837	8,492	28,996	2,536
Santa Clara	195,566	194,757	84,229	13,041	68,130	29,357
Santa Cruz	30,029	31,873	13,000	4,660	12,764	1,449
Shasta	22,555	21,825	10,269	6,017	4,499	1,040

**Traffic Infractions—Method of Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 9d**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial
			Bail Forfeitures (C)	Guilty Pleas (D)	Other (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,271,613</b>	<b>4,598,309</b>	<b>1,834,393</b>	<b>804,691</b>	<b>1,615,944</b>	<b>343,280</b>
Sierra	648	(i) 524	(i) 413	(i) 5	(i) 80	(i) 26
Siskiyou	14,535	16,091	12,507	1,278	1,511	795
Solano	42,532	58,247	37,033	9,369	7,744	4,101
Sonoma	72,474	69,836	31,236	6,475	29,968	2,157
Stanislaus	45,860	43,069	13,920	11,962	14,291	2,896
Sutter	11,827	11,570	3,797	2,311	4,238	1,224
Tehama	12,605	9,215	4,824	5	3,968	418
Trinity	2,181	2,175	1,506	106	492	71
Tulare	61,633	63,999	31,215	3,486	14,224	15,074
Tuolumne	5,562	5,281	2,556	473	1,256	996
Ventura	126,163	115,786	71,049	9,443	32,505	2,789
Yolo	25,228	23,158	7,301	3,195	10,766	1,896
Yuba	13,792	11,413	3,454	3,508	3,532	919

**Column Key:**

(C)–(F) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(E) Other Before Trial includes transfers, dismissal, and dismissals after diversion.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Criminal Case Processing Time, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 10a**

COUNTY	Felonies Disposed of in Less Than 12 Months (A)	Felonies Disposed of in Less Than _ Days			Misdemeanors Disposed of in Less Than _ Days		
		30 (B)	45 (C)	90 (D)	30 (E)	90 (F)	120 (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Alameda	84%	46%	53%	69%	63%	76%	80%
Alpine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Amador	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Butte	88%	52%	65%	83%	33%	57%	64%
Calaveras	80%	45%	57%	68%	52%	72%	77%
Colusa	97%	35%	48%	79%	50%	79%	87%
Contra Costa	73%	22%	31%	55%	64%	80%	84%
Del Norte	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
El Dorado	64%	32%	42%	59%	44%	66%	71%
Fresno	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Glenn	93%	16%	24%	41%	55%	75%	83%
Humboldt	96%	36%	58%	83%	44%	75%	81%
Imperial	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inyo	71%	32%	40%	61%	20%	53%	64%
Kern	88%	38%	60%	80%	76%	88%	91%
Kings	92%	49%	66%	83%	46%	74%	80%
Lake	88%	26%	41%	72%	18%	61%	74%
Lassen	93%	41%	48%	69%	22%	35%	39%
Los Angeles	—	56%	66%	79%	69%	83%	87%
Madera	85%	15%	29%	52%	22%	67%	74%
Marin	83%	40%	51%	76%	40%	63%	73%
Mariposa	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mendocino	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Merced	83%	24%	32%	50%	24%	34%	36%
Modoc	92%	32%	39%	54%	30%	65%	76%
Mono	85%	23%	28%	48%	35%	51%	57%
Monterey	91%	23%	38%	67%	58%	80%	85%
Napa	91%	34%	53%	75%	45%	73%	79%
Nevada	83%	27%	45%	68%	45%	52%	69%
Orange	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Placer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plumas	97%	27%	41%	72%	46%	69%	75%
Riverside	90%	55%	62%	77%	74%	85%	88%
Sacramento	98%	97%	97%	98%	—	—	—
San Benito	93%	13%	26%	66%	33%	72%	80%
San Bernardino	43%	25%	36%	60%	52%	69%	73%
San Diego	—	63%	73%	90%	65%	85%	89%
San Francisco	69%	35%	46%	66%	44%	74%	80%
San Joaquin	97%	50%	59%	72%	75%	85%	88%
San Luis Obispo	89%	54%	62%	78%	69%	88%	94%
San Mateo	88%	41%	48%	68%	30%	66%	77%
Santa Barbara	73%	36%	46%	70%	90%	95%	96%
Santa Clara	57%	18%	25%	46%	62%	80%	85%
Santa Cruz	—	48%	58%	73%	62%	76%	81%
Shasta	91%	57%	69%	86%	40%	72%	80%

**Criminal Case Processing Time, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 10a**

COUNTY	Felonies Disposed of in Less Than 12 Months (A)	Felonies Disposed of in Less Than _ Days			Misdemeanors Disposed of in Less Than _ Days		
		30 (B)	45 (C)	90 (D)	30 (E)	90 (F)	120 (G)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Sierra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Siskiyou	76%	29%	43%	67%	24%	54%	64%
Solano	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sonoma	71%	36%	47%	69%	51%	80%	87%
Stanislaus	82%	48%	56%	71%	63%	79%	83%
Sutter	87%	57%	69%	83%	45%	76%	83%
Tehama	93%	35%	52%	83%	80%	93%	96%
Trinity	87%	25%	34%	53%	19%	45%	51%
Tulare	94%	41%	56%	77%	62%	80%	83%
Tuolumne	83%	43%	52%	80%	45%	80%	86%
Ventura	75%	41%	51%	69%	61%	79%	84%
Yolo	77%	31%	40%	61%	35%	62%	69%
Yuba	78%	29%	40%	64%	18%	57%	72%

**Column Key:**

- (A) This column consists only of cases in which defendants were held to answer or were certified on guilty pleas. Processing time is based on time from first appearance in limited-jurisdiction court to final disposition in unlimited-jurisdiction court.
- (B)–(D) Based on the time from filing of the initial complaint to certified plea, bindover, or dismissal at or before preliminary hearing.

**Note:**

— The court did not submit a report in this category.



**Family and Juvenile Filings, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11a**

COUNTY	Family Law			Delinquency			Dependency		
	Total (A)	Marital (B)	Petitions (C)	Total (D)	Original (E)	Subsequent (F)	Total (G)	Original (H)	Subsequent (I)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>437,800</b>	<b>160,593</b>	<b>277,207</b>	<b>62,937</b>	<b>41,530</b>	<b>21,407</b>	<b>39,040</b>	<b>32,990</b>	<b>6,050</b>
Alameda	12,644	4,862	7,782	1,525	1,133	392	554	551	3
Alpine	13	2	11	2	2	0	0	0	0
Amador	473	195	278	42	22	20	31	31	0
Butte	3,371	1,146	2,225	550	248	302	331	291	40
Calaveras	577	228	349	50	40	10	81	81	0
Colusa	168	77	91	106	42	64	22	20	2
Contra Costa	9,683	3,932	5,751	1,230	1,038	192	946	782	164
Del Norte	438	136	302	209	55	154	49	43	6
El Dorado	2,012	840	1,172	659	227	432	236	207	29
Fresno	12,344	3,888	8,456	2,621	1,549	1,072	862	744	118
Glenn	573	152	421	49	27	22	65	50	15
Humboldt	1,724	459	1,265	171	89	82	139	132	7
Imperial	4,621	671	3,950	455	270	185	223	187	36
Inyo	276	97	179	145	95	50	12	12	0
Kern	13,752	3,423	10,329	2,058	1,220	838	1,068	1,031	37
Kings	2,053	670	1,383	270	173	97	190	190	0
Lake	921	303	618	154	118	36	45	44	1
Lassen	576	187	389	70	53	17	66	65	1
Los Angeles	110,011	37,268	72,743	15,269	9,215	6,054	16,586	12,330	4,256
Madera	2,939	632	2,307	442	296	146	178	172	6
Marin	1,558	930	628	331	133	198	54	54	0
Mariposa	210	60	150	25	14	11	38	33	5
Mendocino	1,669	417	1,252	487	149	338	136	136	0
Merced	3,680	1,020	2,660	648	407	241	379	363	16
Modoc	269	65	204	26	24	2	12	12	0
Mono	101	53	48	44	44	0	11	6	5
Monterey	3,928	1,355	2,573	1,205	694	511	145	134	11
Napa	1,561	610	951	349	247	102	71	71	0
Nevada	1,014	473	541	170	129	41	85	85	0
Orange	26,519	11,995	14,524	4,958	3,419	1,539	1,518	1,509	9
Placer	4,277	1,693	2,584	537	433	104	523	482	41
Plumas	330	87	243	16	14	2	49	46	3
Riverside	28,195	9,684	18,511	4,083	2,062	2,021	2,696	2,646	50
Sacramento	23,571	6,092	17,479	1,920	1,229	691	904	893	11
San Benito	644	229	415	73	50	23	76	66	10
San Bernardino	33,660	9,338	24,322	3,642	2,969	673	2,344	2,239	105
San Diego	46,472	24,852	21,620	3,550	3,483	67	1,983	1,975	8
San Francisco	5,549	2,663	2,886	724	487	237	805	422	383
San Joaquin	8,255	2,485	5,770	917	571	346	524	519	5
San Luis Obispo	2,429	1,029	1,400	358	295	63	249	236	13
San Mateo	5,478	2,470	3,008	2,269	995	1,274	546	139	407
Santa Barbara	3,495	1,489	2,006	1,136	696	440	281	277	4
Santa Clara	11,818	5,897	5,921	1,575	1,125	450	499	498	1
Santa Cruz	2,360	1,010	1,350	577	465	112	321	253	68
Shasta	2,700	987	1,713	540	246	294	313	272	41

**Family and Juvenile Filings, by County and Case Type**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11a**

COUNTY	Family Law			Delinquency			Dependency		
	Total (A)	Marital (B)	Petitions (C)	Total (D)	Original (E)	Subsequent (F)	Total (G)	Original (H)	Subsequent (I)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>437,800</b>	<b>160,593</b>	<b>277,207</b>	<b>62,937</b>	<b>41,530</b>	<b>21,407</b>	<b>39,040</b>	<b>32,990</b>	<b>6,050</b>
Sierra	37	10	27	8	8	0	9	9	0
Siskiyou	727	199	528	70	69	1	78	78	0
Solano	6,048	1,850	4,198	652	491	161	236	231	5
Sonoma	4,485	2,051	2,434	814	662	152	305	300	5
Stanislaus	7,830	2,604	5,226	641	503	138	272	270	2
Sutter	1,445	509	936	147	119	28	91	91	0
Tehama	1,203	379	824	108	103	5	141	139	2
Trinity	277	94	183	50	34	16	54	53	1
Tulare	5,224	1,855	3,369	816	478	338	586	564	22
Tuolumne	706	242	464	73	56	17	179	83	96
Ventura	7,267	3,464	3,803	2,828	2,248	580	588	588	0
Yolo	2,277	731	1,546	379	379	0	176	176	0
Yuba	1,363	454	909	114	88	26	79	79	0

**Column Key:**

(B) Includes dissolution, legal separation, and nullity.

(C) Includes Department of Child Support Services (DCSS), domestic violence prevention, and other miscellaneous family law petitions.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Family and Juvenile Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11b**

COUNTY	Family Law			Delinquency			Dependency		
	Total (A)	Marital (B)	Petitions (C)	Total (D)	Original (E)	Subsequent (F)	Total (G)	Original (H)	Subsequent (I)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>396,392</b>	<b>138,578</b>	<b>257,814</b>	<b>55,337</b>	<b>35,593</b>	<b>19,744</b>	<b>30,636</b>	<b>28,856</b>	<b>1,780</b>
Alameda	10,108	3,532	6,576	1,804	1,290	514	697	695	2
Alpine	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0
Amador	350	172	178	50	25	25	13	13	0
Butte	2,610	943	1,667	493	240	253	291	259	32
Calaveras	444	153	291	62	49	13	79	79	0
Colusa	166	73	93	84	30	54	19	16	3
Contra Costa	3,143	460	2,683	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Del Norte	799	163	636	330	115	215	63	63	0
El Dorado	1,913	812	1,101	409	105	304	189	127	62
Fresno	18,525	4,323	14,202	2,572	1,571	1,001	52	45	7
Glenn	498	139	359	50	19	31	20	14	6
Humboldt	1,265	412	853	175	89	86	116	111	5
Imperial	4,349	680	3,669	297	192	105	186	154	32
Inyo	217	87	130	117	92	25	23	23	0
Kern	11,160	3,089	8,071	2,170	1,332	838	1,147	1,117	30
Kings	(i)	(i)	(i)	193	125	68	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	860	240	620	111	85	26	44	43	1
Lassen	528	173	355	86	66	20	57	54	3
Los Angeles	118,493	38,288	80,205	10,870	5,909	4,961	11,943	10,912	1,031
Madera	2,165	510	1,655	380	238	142	169	163	6
Marin	1,708	1,078	630	394	172	222	30	30	0
Mariposa	8	8	0	66	40	26	66	49	17
Mendocino	1,620	476	1,144	204	122	82	127	95	32
Merced	2,315	822	1,493	635	384	251	198	197	1
Modoc	279	72	207	25	23	2	9	9	0
Mono	56	28	28	94	83	11	8	4	4
Monterey	3,049	1,088	1,961	1,404	820	584	110	102	8
Napa	1,362	583	779	320	224	96	65	65	0
Nevada	730	420	310	114	87	27	50	50	0
Orange	(i) 11,673	11,673	(i)	4,811	3,064	1,747	1,539	1,527	12
Placer	3,289	1,226	2,063	497	393	104	448	413	35
Plumas	321	113	208	17	15	2	40	37	3
Riverside	34,198	10,252	23,946	3,262	2,393	869	2,599	2,570	29
Sacramento	19,144	4,441	14,703	2,172	1,332	840	1,112	1,027	85
San Benito	720	201	519	61	39	22	91	83	8
San Bernardino	33,742	8,476	25,266	3,943	3,261	682	2,337	2,218	119
San Diego	33,849	13,403	20,446	3,043	3,043	0	1,850	1,845	5
San Francisco	5,130	3,038	2,092	587	328	259	441	441	0
San Joaquin	7,548	1,886	5,662	860	481	379	356	356	0
San Luis Obispo	2,067	911	1,156	641	473	168	235	234	1
San Mateo	3,294	1,928	1,366	2,346	790	1,556	160	159	1
Santa Barbara	3,036	1,239	1,797	1,229	770	459	272	270	2
Santa Clara	11,129	4,957	6,172	1,721	1,297	424	499	499	0
Santa Cruz	1,852	993	859	572	312	260	256	215	41
Shasta	2,291	1,037	1,254	393	122	271	155	155	0

**Family and Juvenile Dispositions, by County and Case Type**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11b**

COUNTY	Family Law			Delinquency			Dependency		
	Total (A)	Marital (B)	Petitions (C)	Total (D)	Original (E)	Subsequent (F)	Total (G)	Original (H)	Subsequent (I)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>396,392</b>	<b>138,578</b>	<b>257,814</b>	<b>55,337</b>	<b>35,593</b>	<b>19,744</b>	<b>30,636</b>	<b>28,856</b>	<b>1,780</b>
Sierra	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	884	274	610	80	79	1	43	41	2
Solano	4,364	1,851	2,513	974	429	545	315	286	29
Sonoma	4,444	1,997	2,447	927	745	182	278	267	11
Stanislaus	6,916	2,227	4,689	552	434	118	215	213	2
Sutter	1,482	495	987	163	141	22	91	91	0
Tehama	823	311	512	70	69	1	87	86	1
Trinity	218	76	142	45	30	15	54	53	1
Tulare	3,976	1,822	2,154	855	492	363	526	508	18
Tuolumne	675	222	453	73	52	21	170	77	93
Ventura	7,058	3,629	3,429	1,497	1,062	435	554	554	0
Yolo	2,097	642	1,455	329	329	0	109	109	0
Yuba	1,448	432	1,016	106	89	17	33	33	0

**Column Key:**

(B) Includes dissolution, legal separation, and nullity.

(C) Includes Department of Child Support Services (DCSS), domestic violence prevention, and other miscellaneous family law petitions.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Family Law (Marital)—Method of Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11c**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial (E)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>160,593</b>	<b>138,578</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>134,637</b>	<b>1,514</b>
Alameda	4,862	3,532	13	3,265	254
Alpine	2	2	0	2	0
Amador	195	172	6	166	0
Butte	1,146	943	0	943	0
Calaveras	228	153	0	153	0
Colusa	77	73	2	69	2
Contra Costa	3,932	460	3	456	1
Del Norte	136	163	6	157	0
El Dorado	840	812	57	746	9
Fresno	3,888	4,323	203	4,120	0
Glenn	152	139	0	139	0
Humboldt	459	412	2	409	1
Imperial	671	680	9	671	0
Inyo	97	87	0	87	0
Kern	3,423	3,089	74	3,015	0
Kings	670	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	303	240	4	229	7
Lassen	187	173	0	173	0
Los Angeles	37,268	38,288	518	37,770	0
Madera	632	510	0	497	13
Marin	930	1,078	7	1,071	0
Mariposa	60	8	0	8	0
Mendocino	417	476	101	375	0
Merced	1,020	822	0	808	14
Modoc	65	72	3	67	2
Mono	53	28	0	28	0
Monterey	1,355	1,088	0	1,082	6
Napa	610	583	12	558	13
Nevada	473	420	2	418	0
Orange	11,995	11,673	0	11,673	--
Placer	1,693	1,226	5	1,221	0
Plumas	87	113	17	91	5
Riverside	9,684	10,252	375	9,868	9
Sacramento	6,092	4,441	37	4,404	0
San Benito	229	201	2	198	1
San Bernardino	9,338	8,476	301	8,127	48
San Diego	24,852	13,403	279	13,124	0
San Francisco	2,663	3,038	13	3,025	0
San Joaquin	2,485	1,886	0	1,577	309
San Luis Obispo	1,029	911	0	806	105
San Mateo	2,470	1,928	50	1,878	0
Santa Barbara	1,489	1,239	0	1,169	70
Santa Clara	5,897	4,957	1	4,922	34
Santa Cruz	1,010	993	0	993	0
Shasta	987	1,037	0	935	102

**Family Law (Marital)—Method of Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11c**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial (E)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>160,593</b>	<b>138,578</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>134,637</b>	<b>1,514</b>
Sierra	10	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	199	274	0	265	9
Solano	1,850	1,851	3	1,743	105
Sonoma	2,051	1,997	66	1,931	0
Stanislaus	2,604	2,227	94	1,940	193
Sutter	509	495	62	345	88
Tehama	379	311	0	305	6
Trinity	94	76	2	74	0
Tulare	1,855	1,822	8	1,814	0
Tuolumne	242	222	12	178	32
Ventura	3,464	3,629	0	3,629	0
Yolo	731	642	78	528	36
Yuba	454	432	0	392	40

**Column Key:**

(C)–(E) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(D) Includes before- and after-hearing dismissals, transfers, and judgments.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Family Law Petitions—Method of Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11d**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial (F)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Hearing (D)	After Hearing (E)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>277,207</b>	<b>257,814</b>	<b>19,448</b>	<b>143,358</b>	<b>94,221</b>	<b>787</b>
Alameda	7,782	6,576	747	4,487	1,329	13
Alpine	11	2	0	0	2	0
Amador	278	178	1	158	19	0
Butte	2,225	1,667	0	834	833	0
Calaveras	349	291	5	208	51	27
Colusa	91	93	3	80	10	0
Contra Costa	5,751	2,683	296	351	2,036	0
Del Norte	302	636	96	523	17	0
El Dorado	1,172	1,101	19	548	475	59
Fresno	8,456	14,202	1,067	13,135	0	0
Glenn	421	359	1	204	154	0
Humboldt	1,265	853	101	478	273	1
Imperial	3,950	3,669	57	3,594	18	0
Inyo	179	130	0	96	34	0
Kern	10,329	8,071	1,843	3,883	2,345	0
Kings	1,383	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	618	620	259	240	110	11
Lassen	389	355	0	341	14	0
Los Angeles	72,743	80,205	8,554	30,243	41,408	0
Madera	2,307	1,655	20	795	817	23
Marin	628	630	4	437	189	0
Mariposa	150	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1,252	1,144	44	1,022	78	0
Merced	2,660	1,493	0	1,325	166	2
Modoc	204	207	3	117	76	11
Mono	48	28	0	28	0	0
Monterey	2,573	1,961	25	1,367	552	17
Napa	951	779	25	498	251	5
Nevada	541	310	21	188	101	0
Orange	14,524	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	--
Placer	2,584	2,063	237	1,650	176	0
Plumas	243	208	25	98	71	14
Riverside	18,511	23,946	1,350	12,487	10,096	13
Sacramento	17,479	14,703	506	2,633	11,564	0
San Benito	415	519	22	312	184	1
San Bernardino	24,322	25,266	2,728	17,926	4,508	104
San Diego	21,620	20,446	1,011	15,018	4,417	0
San Francisco	2,886	2,092	0	2,087	5	0
San Joaquin	5,770	5,662	0	4,206	1,451	5
San Luis Obispo	1,400	1,156	0	829	325	2
San Mateo	3,008	1,366	1	1,263	102	0
Santa Barbara	2,006	1,797	2	1,182	601	12
Santa Clara	5,921	6,172	6	3,024	3,135	7
Santa Cruz	1,350	859	7	381	471	0
Shasta	1,713	1,254	0	815	438	1

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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11d**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial			After Trial (F)
			Dismissal for Delay in Prosecution (C)	Other Before Hearing (D)	After Hearing (E)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>277,207</b>	<b>257,814</b>	<b>19,448</b>	<b>143,358</b>	<b>94,221</b>	<b>787</b>
Sierra	27	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	528	610	7	545	57	1
Solano	4,198	2,513	1	1,845	640	27
Sonoma	2,434	2,447	140	1,730	576	1
Stanislaus	5,226	4,689	36	3,305	1,254	94
Sutter	936	987	17	653	45	272
Tehama	824	512	1	425	84	2
Trinity	183	142	0	55	87	0
Tulare	3,369	2,154	2	1,539	612	1
Tuolumne	464	453	11	270	151	21
Ventura	3,803	3,429	0	2,465	929	35
Yolo	1,546	1,455	139	893	418	5
Yuba	909	1,016	8	542	466	0

**Column Key:**

- (A) and (D) Includes juvenile dependency adoption cases reported on JBSIS.
- (C)–(F) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.
- (D) Includes transfers, dismissals, and judgments.

**Notes:**

- Family law petitions include Department of Child Support Services (DCSS), domestic violence prevention, and other family law cases.
- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.



**Juvenile Delinquency—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11e**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>62,937</b>	<b>55,337</b>	<b>9,550</b>	<b>45,787</b>
Alameda	1,525	1,804	516	1,288
Alpine	2	2	0	2
Amador	42	50	5	45
Butte	550	493	1	492
Calaveras	50	62	8	54
Colusa	106	84	3	81
Contra Costa	1,230	(i)	(i)	(i)
Del Norte	209	330	16	314
El Dorado	659	409	0	409
Fresno	2,621	2,572	595	1,977
Glenn	49	50	0	50
Humboldt	171	175	32	143
Imperial	455	297	122	175
Inyo	145	117	54	63
Kern	2,058	2,170	490	1,680
Kings	270	193	18	175
Lake	154	111	12	99
Lassen	70	86	9	77
Los Angeles	15,269	10,870	1,041	9,829
Madera	442	380	70	310
Marin	331	394	15	379
Mariposa	25	66	3	63
Mendocino	487	204	199	5
Merced	648	635	13	622
Modoc	26	25	7	18
Mono	44	94	25	69
Monterey	1,205	1,404	31	1,373
Napa	349	320	21	299
Nevada	170	114	41	73
Orange	4,958	4,811	5	4,806
Placer	537	497	88	409
Plumas	16	17	1	16
Riverside	4,083	3,262	847	2,415
Sacramento	1,920	2,172	398	1,774
San Benito	73	61	9	52
San Bernardino	3,642	3,943	1,119	2,824
San Diego	3,550	3,043	822	2,221
San Francisco	724	587	119	468
San Joaquin	917	860	387	473
San Luis Obispo	358	641	57	584
San Mateo	2,269	2,346	531	1,815
Santa Barbara	1,136	1,229	52	1,177
Santa Clara	1,575	1,721	522	1,199
Santa Cruz	577	572	114	458
Shasta	540	393	144	249

**Juvenile Delinquency—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11e**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>62,937</b>	<b>55,337</b>	<b>9,550</b>	<b>45,787</b>
Sierra	8	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	70	80	19	61
Solano	652	974	214	760
Sonoma	814	927	241	686
Stanislaus	641	552	57	495
Sutter	147	163	65	98
Tehama	108	70	35	35
Trinity	50	45	12	33
Tulare	816	855	90	765
Tuolumne	73	73	1	72
Ventura	2,828	1,497	198	1,299
Yolo	379	329	56	273
Yuba	114	106	0	106

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Juvenile Dependency—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>39,040</b>	<b>30,636</b>	<b>5,836</b>	<b>23,261</b>
Alameda	554	697	196	501
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	31	13	0	13
Butte	331	291	1	290
Calaveras	81	79	8	71
Colusa	22	19	4	15
Contra Costa	946	(i)	(i)	(i)
Del Norte	49	63	2	61
El Dorado	236	189	8	181
Fresno	862	52	50	2
Glenn	65	20	0	20
Humboldt	139	116	3	113
Imperial	223	186	14	172
Inyo	12	23	7	16
Kern	1,068	1,147	121	1,026
Kings	190	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	45	44	1	43
Lassen	66	57	0	57
Los Angeles	16,586	11,943	4,784	7,159
Madera	178	169	10	159
Marin	54	30	1	29
Mariposa	38	66	15	51
Mendocino	136	127	75	52
Merced	379	198	4	194
Modoc	12	9	1	8
Mono	11	8	0	8
Monterey	145	110	2	108
Napa	71	65	7	58
Nevada	85	50	2	48
Orange	1,518	1,539	0	0
Placer	523	448	65	383
Plumas	49	40	6	34
Riverside	2,696	2,599	105	2,494
Sacramento	904	1,112	7	1,105
San Benito	76	91	0	91
San Bernardino	2,344	2,337	14	2,323
San Diego	1,983	1,850	108	1,742
San Francisco	805	441	27	414
San Joaquin	524	356	0	356
San Luis Obispo	249	235	3	232
San Mateo	546	160	10	150
Santa Barbara	281	272	3	269
Santa Clara	499	499	5	494
Santa Cruz	321	256	15	241
Shasta	313	155	7	148

**Juvenile Dependency—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
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**Superior Courts**  
**Table 11f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>39,040</b>	<b>30,636</b>	<b>5,836</b>	<b>23,261</b>
Sierra	9	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	78	43	11	32
Solano	236	315	74	241
Sonoma	305	278	14	264
Stanislaus	272	215	5	210
Sutter	91	91	0	91
Tehama	141	87	0	87
Trinity	54	54	2	52
Tulare	586	526	4	522
Tuolumne	179	170	1	169
Ventura	588	554	32	522
Yolo	176	109	2	107
Yuba	79	33	0	33

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus Filings,  
by County and Case Type**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 12a**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Probate (A)	Mental Health			Appeals			Habeas Corpus Criminal (H)
		Total (B)	Mental Health (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Civil (F)	Criminal (G)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>42,781</b>	<b>19,643</b>	<b>14,549</b>	<b>5,094</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>3,506</b>	<b>8,483</b>
Alameda	1,619	932	932	0	215	97	118	251
Alpine	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	63	23	22	1	8	0	8	112
Butte	476	90	82	8	31	4	27	88
Calaveras	114	13	11	2	8	2	6	0
Colusa	31	2	0	2	8	3	5	2
Contra Costa	1,280	298	275	23	253	59	194	200
Del Norte	54	229	3	226	2	1	1	2
El Dorado	257	39	28	11	10	10	0	15
Fresno	965	362	279	83	68	19	49	381
Glenn	66	4	0	4	0	0	0	2
Humboldt	319	189	139	50	19	6	13	71
Imperial	192	72	72	0	42	22	20	156
Inyo	36	2	2	0	2	1	1	0
Kern	956	955	923	32	83	23	60	636
Kings	209	197	59	138	8	0	8	335
Lake	135	81	68	13	13	1	12	29
Lassen	64	15	14	1	11	1	10	115
Los Angeles	11,387	3,233	1,819	1,414	822	343	479	595
Madera	171	31	30	1	15	2	13	86
Marin	375	229	199	30	70	16	54	103
Mariposa	36	1	1	0	7	1	6	17
Mendocino	181	62	60	2	16	3	13	18
Merced	306	110	99	11	31	0	31	1
Modoc	41	5	5	0	0	0	0	2
Mono	12	1	1	0	15	5	10	2
Monterey	436	65	48	17	39	2	37	333
Napa	227	131	84	47	15	0	15	36
Nevada	161	36	36	0	10	4	6	23
Orange	2,489	1,215	1,215	0	458	120	338	348
Placer	367	177	177	0	44	22	22	62
Plumas	36	6	6	0	3	0	3	6
Riverside	2,268	138	118	20	420	95	325	605
Sacramento	1,382	1,593	288	1,305	264	93	171	1,020
San Benito	44	5	5	0	4	1	3	0
San Bernardino	2,225	758	332	426	456	196	260	664
San Diego	2,989	667	427	240	402	98	304	488
San Francisco	971	2,581	2,497	84	158	31	127	195
San Joaquin	789	958	958	0	76	24	52	219
San Luis Obispo	375	960	909	51	125	31	94	159
San Mateo	988	192	170	22	31	5	26	77
Santa Barbara	542	278	270	8	33	9	24	84
Santa Clara	1,875	739	616	123	213	39	174	215
Santa Cruz	311	59	11	48	37	37	0	0
Shasta	334	27	27	0	32	3	29	66

**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus Filings,  
by County and Case Type**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 12a**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Probate (A)	Mental Health			Appeals			Habeas Corpus Criminal (H)
		Total (B)	Mental Health (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Civil (F)	Criminal (G)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>42,781</b>	<b>19,643</b>	<b>14,549</b>	<b>5,094</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>3,506</b>	<b>8,483</b>
Sierra	15	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	106	3	3	0	16	1	15	11
Solano	587	173	173	0	90	21	69	270
Sonoma	846	585	506	79	48	10	38	83
Stanislaus	947	95	32	63	29	11	18	73
Sutter	170	92	59	33	6	1	5	11
Tehama	135	12	10	2	2	0	2	20
Trinity	32	3	3	0	3	0	3	3
Tulare	438	241	195	46	50	8	42	120
Tuolumne	109	18	14	4	10	0	10	43
Ventura	890	517	149	368	114	20	94	0
Yolo	236	68	12	56	58	1	57	0
Yuba	113	74	74	0	5	0	5	30

**Column Key:**

- (C) Includes most types of mental health cases, including but not limited to postcertification treatment (W&I 5300), LPS Conservatorship (W&I 5350), narcotics addict (W&I 3050/3051), commitments (PC 2966), mental competency (PC 1368), sexually violent predator (W&I 6600), juvenile (W&I 1800), mentally retarded and dangerous (W&I 6500), and W&I Code, § 4500.
- (D) Includes other mental health cases not included in (C) for JBSIS courts, and noncriminal habeas corpus reported by non-JBSIS courts.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus Dispositions,  
by County and Case Type**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 12b**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Probate (A)	Mental Health			Appeals			Habeas Corpus Criminal (H)
		Total (B)	Mental Health (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Civil (F)	Criminal (G)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>31,678</b>	<b>17,121</b>	<b>12,391</b>	<b>4,730</b>	<b>5,749</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>7,302</b>
Alameda	1,038	940	940	0	173	60	113	48
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	7	12	11	1	9	3	6	123
Butte	399	87	83	4	26	5	21	76
Calaveras	84	9	7	2	5	1	4	0
Colusa	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	1,068	199	199	0	142	0	142	138
Del Norte	31	183	1	182	4	0	4	2
El Dorado	25	45	38	7	14	8	6	31
Fresno	912	110	102	8	51	9	42	374
Glenn	58	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	282	189	151	38	15	1	14	66
Imperial	209	60	60	0	29	11	18	153
Inyo	28	3	1	2	7	1	6	9
Kern	1,072	802	770	32	181	35	146	531
Kings	(i)	143	18	125	(i)	(i)	(i)	376
Lake	126	64	56	8	12	0	12	32
Lassen	56	14	14	0	15	1	14	125
Los Angeles	10,151	3,497	2,021	1,476	1,553	562	991	0
Madera	138	14	13	1	21	1	20	63
Marin	422	162	135	27	174	21	153	95
Mariposa	68	11	11	0	6	0	6	15
Mendocino	167	61	59	2	7	0	7	12
Merced	226	48	43	5	34	11	23	1
Modoc	56	4	4	0	1	0	1	2
Mono	5	0	0	0	10	3	7	0
Monterey	326	65	47	18	24	3	21	348
Napa	211	119	76	43	36	0	36	29
Nevada	137	16	16	0	10	3	7	14
Orange	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	394	115	279	280
Placer	195	13	13	0	22	7	15	64
Plumas	43	4	4	0	1	0	1	4
Riverside	2,259	91	71	20	334	67	267	586
Sacramento	737	1,793	488	1,305	226	64	162	1,087
San Benito	39	1	1	0	3	0	3	0
San Bernardino	1,768	674	289	385	277	171	106	580
San Diego	1,921	941	721	220	984	343	641	523
San Francisco	581	2,624	2,540	84	220	49	171	117
San Joaquin	644	639	639	0	63	20	43	204
San Luis Obispo	316	936	887	49	22	22	0	162
San Mateo	416	106	89	17	39	20	19	62
Santa Barbara	452	217	211	6	31	4	27	85
Santa Clara	1,464	613	489	124	165	31	134	278
Santa Cruz	305	77	29	48	40	40	0	0
Shasta	46	9	9	0	10	0	10	64

**Probate, Mental Health, Appeals, Habeas Corpus Dispositions,  
by County and Case Type**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 12b**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Probate (A)	Mental Health			Appeals			Habeas Corpus Criminal (H)
		Total (B)	Mental Health (C)	Other (D)	Total (E)	Civil (F)	Criminal (G)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>31,678</b>	<b>17,121</b>	<b>12,391</b>	<b>4,730</b>	<b>5,749</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>7,302</b>
Sierra	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	163	6	6	0	6	0	6	15
Solano	81	103	100	3	82	14	68	262
Sonoma	780	510	447	63	32	6	26	68
Stanislaus	398	4	3	1	24	7	17	0
Sutter	159	79	46	33	7	2	5	14
Tehama	90	0	0	0	2	0	2	16
Trinity	31	8	8	0	5	0	5	0
Tulare	352	179	178	1	46	9	37	94
Tuolumne	107	18	14	4	19	0	19	43
Ventura	715	469	127	342	91	25	66	0
Yolo	183	53	9	44	41	2	39	1
Yuba	102	94	94	0	4	0	4	30

**Column Key:**

- (C) Includes most types of mental health cases, including but not limited to postcertification treatment (W&I 5300), LPS Conservatorship (W&I 5350), narcotics addict (W&I 3050/3051), commitments (PC 2966), mental competency (PC 1368), sexually violent predator (W&I 6600), juvenile (W&I 1800), mentally retarded and dangerous (W&I 6500), and W&I Code, § 4500.
- (D) Includes other mental health cases not included in (C) for JBSIS courts, and noncriminal habeas corpus reported by non-JBSIS courts.

**Notes:**

- (i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.
- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.



**Probate (Estates, Guardianships, and Conservatorships)—  
Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 12c**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissals and Transfers (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>42,781</b>	<b>31,678</b>	<b>2,706</b>	<b>12,657</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16,309</b>
Alameda	1,619	1,038	101	923	0	14
Alpine	3	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	63	7	5	0	0	2
Butte	476	399	11	9	1	378
Calaveras	114	84	6	71	0	7
Colusa	31	29	1	0	0	28
Contra Costa	1,280	1,068	249	814	0	5
Del Norte	54	31	1	30	0	0
El Dorado	257	25	21	1	0	3
Fresno	965	912	74	714	1	123
Glenn	66	58	6	4	0	48
Humboldt	319	282	22	23	0	237
Imperial	192	209	60	100	1	48
Inyo	36	28	14	14	0	0
Kern	956	1,072	12	470	0	590
Kings	209	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	135	126	16	43	0	67
Lassen	64	56	7	49	0	0
Los Angeles	11,387	10,151	248	192	0	9,711
Madera	171	138	10	17	0	111
Marin	375	422	43	367	0	12
Mariposa	36	68	0	68	0	0
Mendocino	181	167	12	150	0	5
Merced	306	226	3	178	0	45
Modoc	41	56	2	50	0	4
Mono	12	5	0	5	0	0
Monterey	436	326	18	160	0	148
Napa	227	211	9	190	0	12
Nevada	161	137	30	87	0	20
Orange	2,489	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	367	195	27	157	0	11
Plumas	36	43	7	32	0	4
Riverside	2,268	2,259	430	1,210	0	619
Sacramento	1,382	737	31	703	0	3
San Benito	44	39	7	11	0	21
San Bernardino	2,225	1,768	415	1,316	2	35
San Diego	2,989	1,921	278	1,386	0	257
San Francisco	971	581	23	0	0	558
San Joaquin	789	644	39	348	4	256
San Luis Obispo	375	316	50	0	0	266
San Mateo	988	416	10	97	0	309
Santa Barbara	542	452	33	415	0	4
Santa Clara	1,875	1,464	9	84	0	1,371
Santa Cruz	311	305	22	274	0	9
Shasta	334	46	40	5	0	1

**Probate (Estates, Guardianships, and Conservatorships)—  
Method of Disposition, by County**

**Superior Courts  
Table 12c**

Fiscal Year 2011–12

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Before Trial		After Trial	
			Dismissals and Transfers (C)	Other Before Trial (D)	By Jury (E)	By Court (F)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>42,781</b>	<b>31,678</b>	<b>2,706</b>	<b>12,657</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16,309</b>
Sierra	15	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	106	163	9	154	0	0
Solano	587	81	74	0	0	7
Sonoma	846	780	51	726	0	3
Stanislaus	947	398	32	363	0	3
Sutter	170	159	11	148	0	0
Tehama	135	90	14	76	0	0
Trinity	32	31	4	26	0	1
Tulare	438	352	8	3	0	341
Tuolumne	109	107	6	18	0	83
Ventura	890	715	54	137	0	524
Yolo	236	183	25	153	0	5
Yuba	113	102	16	86	0	0

**Column Key:**

(C)–(F) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(C) Includes other dismissals and transfers and cases dismissed for lack of prosecution.

(D) Includes summary judgments and all other judgments before trial.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Mental Health—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 12d**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>19,643</b>	<b>17,121</b>	<b>5,127</b>	<b>11,994</b>
Alameda	932	940	263	677
Alpine	1	0	0	0
Amador	23	12	0	12
Butte	90	87	7	80
Calaveras	13	9	1	8
Colusa	2	0	0	0
Contra Costa	298	199	25	174
Del Norte	229	183	164	19
El Dorado	39	45	1	44
Fresno	362	110	49	61
Glenn	4	3	0	3
Humboldt	189	189	14	175
Imperial	72	60	34	26
Inyo	2	3	1	2
Kern	955	802	36	766
Kings	197	143	136	7
Lake	81	64	9	55
Lassen	15	14	11	3
Los Angeles	3,233	3,497	1,165	2,332
Madera	31	14	2	12
Marin	229	162	53	109
Mariposa	1	11	8	3
Mendocino	62	61	31	30
Merced	110	48	7	41
Modoc	5	4	4	0
Mono	1	0	0	0
Monterey	65	65	9	56
Napa	131	119	38	81
Nevada	36	16	7	9
Orange	1,215	(i)	(i)	(i)
Placer	177	13	9	4
Plumas	6	4	1	3
Riverside	138	91	30	61
Sacramento	1,593	1,793	1,151	642
San Benito	5	1	1	0
San Bernardino	758	674	85	589
San Diego	667	941	0	941
San Francisco	2,581	2,624	416	2,208
San Joaquin	958	639	481	158
San Luis Obispo	960	936	209	727
San Mateo	192	106	16	90
Santa Barbara	278	217	40	177
Santa Clara	739	613	300	313
Santa Cruz	59	77	10	67
Shasta	27	9	2	7

**Mental Health—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 12d**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>19,643</b>	<b>17,121</b>	<b>5,127</b>	<b>11,994</b>
Sierra	1	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	3	6	1	5
Solano	173	103	25	78
Sonoma	585	510	128	382
Stanislaus	95	4	0	4
Sutter	92	79	8	71
Tehama	12	0	0	0
Trinity	3	8	0	8
Tulare	241	179	0	179
Tuolumne	18	18	1	17
Ventura	517	469	137	332
Yolo	68	53	1	52
Yuba	74	94	0	94

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

(D) After Hearing includes jury trials.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Civil and Criminal Appeals—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County Superior Courts**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12** **Table 12e**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>5,749</b>	<b>2,652</b>	<b>3,097</b>
Alameda	215	173	42	131
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	8	9	2	7
Butte	31	26	6	20
Calaveras	8	5	1	4
Colusa	8	0	0	0
Contra Costa	253	142	8	134
Del Norte	2	4	1	3
El Dorado	10	14	5	9
Fresno	68	51	1	50
Glenn	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	19	15	12	3
Imperial	42	29	14	15
Inyo	2	7	6	1
Kern	83	181	1	180
Kings	8	(i)	(i)	(i)
Lake	13	12	8	4
Lassen	11	15	15	0
Los Angeles	822	1,553	766	787
Madera	15	21	14	7
Marin	70	174	25	149
Mariposa	7	6	2	4
Mendocino	16	7	2	5
Merced	31	34	17	17
Modoc	0	1	0	1
Mono	15	10	1	9
Monterey	39	24	9	15
Napa	15	36	7	29
Nevada	10	10	4	6
Orange	458	394	203	191
Placer	44	22	0	22
Plumas	3	1	1	0
Riverside	420	334	129	205
Sacramento	264	226	98	128
San Benito	4	3	0	3
San Bernardino	456	277	129	148
San Diego	402	984	864	120
San Francisco	158	220	32	188
San Joaquin	76	63	21	42
San Luis Obispo	125	22	9	13
San Mateo	31	39	21	18
Santa Barbara	33	31	31	0
Santa Clara	213	165	44	121
Santa Cruz	37	40	8	32
Shasta	32	10	5	5

**Civil and Criminal Appeals—Stage of Case at Disposition, by County Superior Courts**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12** **Table 12e**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>5,749</b>	<b>2,652</b>	<b>3,097</b>
Sierra	0	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	16	6	3	3
Solano	90	82	4	78
Sonoma	48	32	8	24
Stanislaus	29	24	6	18
Sutter	6	7	3	4
Tehama	2	2	2	0
Trinity	3	5	4	1
Tulare	50	46	6	40
Tuolumne	10	19	6	13
Ventura	114	91	37	54
Yolo	58	41	9	32
Yuba	5	4	0	4

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

**Notes:**

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- 0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.

**Habeas Corpus Criminal —Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 12f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>8,483</b>	<b>7,302</b>	<b>6,490</b>	<b>812</b>
Alameda	251	48	48	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	112	123	2	121
Butte	88	76	75	1
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	2	0	0	0
Contra Costa	200	138	135	3
Del Norte	2	2	2	0
El Dorado	15	31	30	1
Fresno	381	374	373	1
Glenn	2	0	0	0
Humboldt	71	66	60	6
Imperial	156	153	152	1
Inyo	0	9	7	2
Kern	636	531	529	2
Kings	335	376	373	3
Lake	29	32	25	7
Lassen	115	125	125	0
Los Angeles	595	0	0	0
Madera	86	63	54	9
Marin	103	95	93	2
Mariposa	17	15	15	0
Mendocino	18	12	12	0
Merced	1	1	1	0
Modoc	2	2	2	0
Mono	2	0	0	0
Monterey	333	348	348	0
Napa	36	29	28	1
Nevada	23	14	14	0
Orange	348	280	0	280
Placer	62	64	64	0
Plumas	6	4	4	0
Riverside	605	586	579	7
Sacramento	1,020	1,087	906	181
San Benito	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	664	580	578	2
San Diego	488	523	514	9
San Francisco	195	117	117	0
San Joaquin	219	204	197	7
San Luis Obispo	159	162	162	0
San Mateo	77	62	58	4
Santa Barbara	84	85	83	2
Santa Clara	215	278	208	70
Santa Cruz	0	0	0	0
Shasta	66	64	64	0

**Habeas Corpus Criminal —Stage of Case at Disposition, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 12f**

COUNTY	Total Filings (A)	Total Dispositions (B)	Stage of Case at Disposition	
			Before Hearing (C)	After Hearing (D)
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>8,483</b>	<b>7,302</b>	<b>6,490</b>	<b>812</b>
Sierra	0	(i)	(i)	(i)
Siskiyou	11	15	15	0
Solano	270	262	206	56
Sonoma	83	68	58	10
Stanislaus	73	0	0	0
Sutter	11	14	14	0
Tehama	20	16	16	0
Trinity	3	0	0	0
Tulare	120	94	92	2
Tuolumne	43	43	23	20
Ventura	0	0	0	0
Yolo	0	1	1	0
Yuba	30	30	28	2

**Column Key:**

(C)–(D) The total of the manner of disposition categories may not add up to (B) because not all courts were able to submit complete data for all manner of disposition data elements.

**Notes:**

(i) Incomplete data; reports were submitted for less than a full year.

0 or — The court reported that no cases occurred or the court did not submit a report in this category.



**Authorized Judicial Positions and Judicial Position  
Equivalents, by County**

**Superior Courts**

**Table 13a**

**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

COUNTY	Judicial Positions as of June 30, 2012					Judicial Position Equivalents (F)
	Total (A)	Judges (B)	Subordinate Judicial Officers			
			Total (C)	Commissioners (D)	Referees (E)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>2,024.0</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>342.0</b>	<b>314.8</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>
Alameda	85.0	75	10.0	10.0		88.2
Alpine	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.1
Amador	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		3.0
Butte	14.0	12	2.0	2.0		14.7
Calaveras	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.7
Colusa	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.5
Contra Costa	47.0	39	8.0	8.0		49.4
Del Norte	3.8	3	0.8	0.8		3.2
El Dorado	9.0	8	1.0	1.0		11.1
Fresno	53.0	46	7.0	7.0		52.9
Glenn	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.6
Humboldt	8.0	7	1.0	1.0		8.4
Imperial	11.4	10	1.4	0.4	1.0	10.6
Inyo	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.7
Kern	46.0	39	7.0	6.0	1.0	42.9
Kings	9.5	8	1.5	1.5		9.7
Lake	4.8	4	0.8	0.8		5.7
Lassen	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		3.3
Los Angeles	586.3	463	123.3	109.0	14.3	596.9
Madera	10.3	10	0.3	0.3		9.8
Marin	14.5	11	3.5	3.0	0.5	14.3
Mariposa	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.5
Mendocino	8.4	8	0.4	0.4		7.5
Merced	14.0	12	2.0	2.0		13.5
Modoc	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.3
Mono	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.6
Monterey	22.2	20	2.2	2.2		21.5
Napa	8.0	6	2.0	2.0		8.3
Nevada	7.6	6	1.6	1.6		8.9
Orange	145.0	121	24.0	24.0		155.4
Placer	16.5	12	4.5	4.0	0.5	16.5
Plumas	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.7
Riverside	83.0	66	17.0	17.0		92.0
Sacramento	78.5	68	10.5	4.0	6.5	81.6
San Benito	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.8
San Bernardino	93.0	78	15.0	15.0		93.1
San Diego	154.0	130	24.0	24.0		166.8
San Francisco	65.0	52	13.0	13.0		68.5
San Joaquin	36.5	32	4.5	4.0	0.5	36.3
San Luis Obispo	15.0	12	3.0	3.0		15.9
San Mateo	33.0	26	7.0	7.0		32.7
Santa Barbara	24.0	21	3.0	3.0		24.5
Santa Clara	89.0	79	10.0	10.0		90.3
Santa Cruz	13.5	11	2.5	1.5	1.0	13.2
Shasta	13.0	11	2.0	2.0		13.6

**Authorized Judicial Positions and Judicial Position  
Equivalents, by County**  
Fiscal Year 2011–12

**Superior Courts**  
Table 13a

COUNTY	Judicial Positions as of June 30, 2012					Judicial Position Equivalents (F)
	Total (A)	Judges (B)	Subordinate Judicial Officers			
			Total (C)	Commissioners (D)	Referees (E)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>2,024.0</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>342.0</b>	<b>314.8</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>
Sierra	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.2
Siskiyou	5.0	4	1.0	1.0		5.5
Solano	24.0	21	3.0	3.0		24.4
Sonoma	24.0	21	3.0	3.0		24.6
Stanislaus	26.0	23	3.0	3.0		23.2
Sutter	5.3	5	0.3	0.3		5.6
Tehama	4.3	4	0.3	0.3		4.8
Trinity	2.3	2	0.3	0.3		2.4
Tulare	25.0	21	4.0	3.0	1.0	24.9
Tuolumne	4.8	4	0.8	0.8		4.5
Ventura	33.0	29	4.0	4.0		37.0
Yolo	13.4	11	2.4	1.4	1.0	13.0
Yuba	5.3	5	0.3	0.3		6.1

**Column Key:**

(C) Sum of (D) + (E.) Total may not match exactly because of rounding caused by fractional commissioner and referee positions.

(F) Reflects authorized judicial positions adjusted for vacancies, assistance rendered by the court, and assistance received by the court from assigned judges, temporary judges, commissioners, and referees.

**Judicial Position Equivalents, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 13b**

COUNTY	Permanent Resources as of June 30, 2012			Days in Fiscal Year 2011–12			Judicial Position Equivalents (G)
	Judges (A)	Commissioners (B)	Referees (C)	Vacancies (D)	Assistance Received (E)	Assistance Rendered (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>314.8</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>26,829</b>	<b>43,361</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>
Alameda	75	10.0		427	1,232	6	88.2
Alpine	2	0.3			4	43	2.1
Amador	2	0.3			167	4	3.0
Butte	12	2.0		397	561		14.7
Calaveras	2	0.3		84	182		2.7
Colusa	2	0.3			40		2.5
Contra Costa	39	8.0		248	852	4	49.4
Del Norte	3	0.8		372	220	1	3.2
El Dorado	8	1.0			511		11.1
Fresno	46	7.0		992	965		52.9
Glenn	2	0.3			70		2.6
Humboldt	7	1.0			111	2	8.4
Imperial	10	0.4	1.0	496	311		10.6
Inyo	2	0.3			93		2.7
Kern	39	6.0	1.0	943	175		42.9
Kings	8	1.5		372	416		9.7
Lake	4	0.8			217		5.7
Lassen	2	0.3			247		3.3
Los Angeles	463	109.0	14.3	4,188	7,228	389	596.9
Madera	10	0.3		496	368	2	9.8
Marin	11	3.0	0.5	247	190	2	14.3
Mariposa	2	0.3			54		2.5
Mendocino	8	0.4		496	289	4	7.5
Merced	12	2.0		619	488	3	13.5
Modoc	2	0.3			10	8	2.3
Mono	2	0.3			62		2.6
Monterey	20	2.2		463	305	7	21.5
Napa	6	2.0		248	321		8.3
Nevada	6	1.6			312		8.9
Orange	121	24.0		1,323	3,904	5	155.4
Placer	12	4.0	0.5	496	491		16.5
Plumas	2	0.3			106		2.7
Riverside	66	17.0		2,577	4,800		92.0
Sacramento	68	4.0	6.5	2,075	2,851		81.6
San Benito	2	0.3			120		2.8
San Bernardino	78	15.0		2,293	2,309		93.1
San Diego	130	24.0		277	3,453	1	166.8
San Francisco	52	13.0		483	1,356	2	68.5
San Joaquin	32	4.0	0.5	744	707	1	36.3
San Luis Obispo	12	3.0		108	337		15.9
San Mateo	26	7.0		453	385		32.7
Santa Barbara	21	3.0		184	315		24.5
Santa Clara	79	10.0		1,176	1,681	185	90.3
Santa Cruz	11	1.5	1.0	247	165	4	13.2
Shasta	11	2.0		432	594	13	13.6

**Judicial Position Equivalents, by County**  
**Fiscal Year 2011–12**

**Superior Courts**  
**Table 13b**

COUNTY	Permanent Resources as of June 30, 2012			Days in Fiscal Year 2011–12			Judicial Position Equivalents (G)
	Judges (A)	Commissioners (B)	Referees (C)	Vacancies (D)	Assistance Received (E)	Assistance Rendered (F)	
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>314.8</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>26,829</b>	<b>43,361</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>2,087.5</b>
Sierra	2	0.3			8	42	2.2
Siskiyou	4	1.0			122	4	5.5
Solano	21	3.0		496	606	2	24.4
Sonoma	21	3.0		248	388	2	24.6
Stanislaus	23	3.0		744	61		23.2
Sutter	5	0.3			72		5.6
Tehama	4	0.3			111	3	4.8
Trinity	2	0.3			57	35	2.4
Tulare	21	3.0	1.0	496	484	12	24.9
Tuolumne	4	0.8		248	175		4.5
Ventura	29	4.0		393	1,375		37.0
Yolo	11	1.4	1.0	248	137		13.0
Yuba	5	0.3			190		6.1

**Column Key:**

- (D) Number of working days during the fiscal year that were not utilized because of an unfilled judge position.
- (E) Assistance received from assigned judges, temporary commissioners and referees, and attorneys acting as temporary judges.
- (F) Assistance rendered to other trial courts or appellate courts.
- (G) (A) + (B) + (C) + [(- D + E - F) / 248]. There were 248 available working days in Fiscal Year 2011–12. The 50 new judgeships authorized by Assembly Bill 159, effective January 2008, are included in (A.) With the positions unfilled pending funding approval by the Legislature, they are considered vacant and counted in column (D) and therefore not counted in (G.)