

MAINE STATE COURT CASELOAD 5 Year Trend

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LAW COURT

CIVIL CASES FILED	FY'12	FY'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16
General Civil	177	182	161	151	150
Worker's Comp	46	9	12	13	12
Child Protective	38	45	64	66	89
Family/Divorce	94	83	93	97	103
Protection: Abuse/Harassment	39	36	25	35	27
80B/80C	25	26	29	27	28
Probate	15	12	14	23	27
Violations Bureau/Traffic Infractions	1	2	3	4	8
PUC	6	2	0	5	0
<i>SJC - single justice bail review</i>	6	0	4	2	1
<i>SJC - Bar Admit Time enlarge</i>	4	0	1	2	0
<i>SJC - Bar - discipline/admission</i>	18	21	25	12	29
<i>SJC - Orig juris statutory/constitut.</i>	8	2	0	5	3
<i>SJC - Judicial Discipline</i>	0	0	0	1	1
SJC SUBTOTAL	36	23	30	22	34

TOTAL CIVIL - FILINGS	477	420	431	443	478
<i>% change from previous year</i>	3.9%	-11.9%	2.6%	2.8%	7.9%

CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Criminal	116	102	93	111	100
Criminal- Discretionary	42	36	41	29	36
Sentence Review Panel	40	44	42	42	38
TOTAL CRIMINAL - FILINGS	198	182	176	182	174
<i>% change from previous year</i>	-14.3%	-8.1%	-3.3%	3.4%	-4.4%

TOTAL -- ALL	675	602	607	625	652
<i>% change from previous year</i>	-2.2%	-10.8%	0.8%	3.0%	4.3%

COLOR KEY:

LAW COURT
TRIAL COURTS (District & Superior)
SUPERIOR COURT
DISTRICT COURT
UNIFIED CRIMINAL DOCKET
VIOLATIONS BUREAU

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TRIAL COURTS

CRIMINAL CASES FILED	FY'12	FY'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16
DISTRICT COURT Criminal (1)	31,190	30,347	24,924	20,974	0
DISTRICT COURT PROBATION VIOLATIONS	391	391	329	269	138
DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL TOTAL	31,581	30,738	25,253	21,243	138
SUPERIOR COURT Criminal (1)	8,973	8,837	8,201	7,449	0
SUPERIOR COURT PROBATION VIOLATIONS	2,604	2,222	2,426	2,412	2,254
SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL TOTAL	11,577	11,059	10,627	9,861	2,254
Androscoggin Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	-	4,546
Aroostook Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	-	2,483
Cumberland Unified Criminal Docket (2)	8,556	8,857	8,298	8,189	8,431
Franklin Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	389	1,104	1,214	1,269
Hancock Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	1,190	1,665	1,763
Kennebec Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	1,280	4,941
Knox Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	348	1,471
Lincoln Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	261	974
Oxford Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	-	2,061
Somerset Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	569	1,945	1,731	1,794
Penobscot Unified Criminal Docket (2)	5,078	4,924	4,700	5,296	6,343
Piscataquis Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	158	547	510	504
Sagadahoc Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	1,200	1,001	1,131
Waldo Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	271	1,138
Washington Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	-	1,170
York Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	-	7,647
UCD Probation Revocations	669	714	949	1,164	1,704
UNIFIED CRIMINAL DOCKETS TOTAL	14,303	15,611	19,933	22,930	49,370
TOTAL CRIMINAL	57,461	57,408	55,813	54,034	51,762
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-2.2%</i>	<i>-0.1%</i>	<i>-2.8%</i>	<i>-3.2%</i>	<i>-4.2%</i>

(1) Figures for both District and Superior Court Criminal include cases that were originally filed in District Court and then transferred to Superior Court. As of 7/1/15 (FY'16), new criminal cases are no longer filed in District and Superior Courts. All new criminal cases are processed in county-specific Unified Criminal Dockets (UCDs).

(2) Unified Criminal Dockets (UCDs) eliminate duplicative new case processing and the need to transfer from one level of trial court (District) to another (Superior). Case processing for Unified Criminal Dockets began as follows: Cumberland CD (1/2/09), Penobscot CD (1/4/10), Franklin CD (3/18/13), Somerset CD (3/27/13), Piscataquis CD (4/1/13), Sagadahoc CD (7/1/13), Hancock CD (9/3/13), Kennebec CD (4/1/15), Lincoln CD (4/1/15), Knox CD (4/1/15), Waldo CD (4/1/15), York CD (7/1/15), Androscoggin CD (7/1/15), Oxford CD (7/1/15), Washington CD (7/1/15), and Aroostook CD (7/1/15).

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<i>Personal Injury Tort (DC)</i>	56	68	68	52	48
<i>Personal Injury Tort (SC)</i>	820	754	735	750	853
<i>Non-Personal Injury Tort (DC)</i>	78	54	65	41	66
<i>Non-Personal Injury Tort (SC)</i>	83	102	85	76	76
<i>Contract (DC)</i>	6,829	5,292	4,498	3,408	3,647
<i>Contract (SC)</i>	473	410	420	484	476
<i>Declaratory/Equitable Relief (DC)</i>	20	25	27	33	76
<i>Declaratory/Equitable Relief (SC)</i>	122	138	139	133	203
<i>Constitutional/Civil Rights (DC)</i>	1	0	2	3	1
<i>Constitutional/Civil Rights (SC)</i>	91	75	82	89	86
<i>Statutory Actions (DC)</i>	28	21	18	210	21
<i>Statutory Actions (SC)</i>	99	77	113	127	102
<i>Contempt (DC)</i>	0	1	1	0	2
<i>Contempt (SC)</i>	52	28	38	25	47
<i>General/Misc. Civil (DC)</i>	363	363	406	319	501
<i>General/Misc. Civil (SC)</i>	507	406	433	358	333
<i>Title Actions (DC)</i>	19	26	23	35	68
<i>Title Actions (SC)</i>	41	46	51	66	97
<i>Foreclosure (DC)</i>	3,047	3,335	3,497	981	1,751
<i>Foreclosure (SC)</i>	1,403	1,114	1,197	695	924
<i>Trespass (DC)</i>	3	4	1	5	3
<i>Trespass (SC)</i>	18	9	10	16	10
<i>Misc. Real Estate (DC)</i>	104	105	90	78	85
<i>Misc. Real Estate (SC)</i>	141	160	134	145	210
<i>80B/80C Appeals (SC)</i>	195	180	219	215	234
<i>Other Civil Appeals (SC)</i>	95	119	113	89	80
<i>Administrative (DC)</i>	418	399	379	178	120
<i>Money Judgments (DC)</i>	4,040	4,172	3,026	2,487	1,888
<i>Small Claims (DC)</i>	14,755	10,619	9,600	11,270	10,106
<i>Forcible Entry (eviction) (DC)</i>	5,339	5,701	6,083	6,186	5,836
DISTRICT COURT Civil	35,100	30,185	27,784	25,286	24,219
SUPERIOR COURT Civil	4,140	3,618	3,769	3,268	3,731
TOTAL CIVIL CASES FILED:	39,240	33,803	31,553	28,554	27,950
<i>% change from previous year</i>	-5.4%	-13.9%	-6.7%	-9.5%	-2.1%

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DISTRICT COURT FAMILY DIVISION:	FY'12	FY'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16
Divorce with Children	3,054	2,912	2,693	2,654	2,535
Divorce without Children	3,240	3,205	3,119	2,990	3,082
Paternity/Parent Rights	2,380	2,224	2,056	1,999	1,907
Other Family Matters	389	363	353	341	362
Post-Judgment Family Motions	6,520	6,437	6,474	6,058	5,933
Child Protective (1)	825	907	983	1,002	877
Juvenile	3,142	2,841	2,420	2,128	1,798
Protection From Abuse	6,250	5,864	5,629	5,557	5,461
TOTAL FAMILY:	25,800	24,753	23,727	22,729	21,955
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>0.3%</i>	<i>-4.1%</i>	<i>-4.1%</i>	<i>-4.2%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>

(1) Statewide Child Protective case filings include only original new case filings. Child Protective cases transferred between courts are not counted as filings in statewide total. Individual court figures DO include Child Protective cases received/filed by transfer. Therefore, total of individual courts will not equal statewide total for Child Protective cases.

OTHER CASES:					
Mental Health (MH) (DC)	1,029	921	929	897	893
Protection From Harassment (DC)	4,097	2,931	2,356	2,525	2,552
Civil Violations (UCD)	2,910	2,827	4,425	4,848	10,348
Civil Violations (DC)	10,068	9,275	7,414	5,902	0
ALL CIVIL VIOLATIONS	12,978	12,102	11,839	10,750	10,348
TOTAL OTHER CASES:	18,104	15,954	15,124	14,172	13,793
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-1.4%</i>	<i>-11.9%</i>	<i>-5.2%</i>	<i>-6.3%</i>	<i>-2.7%</i>

TOTAL SUPERIOR COURT	15,717	14,677	14,396	13,129	5,985
TOTAL DISTRICT COURT	107,675	98,803	87,463	78,582	49,757
TOTAL UCD (includes UCD Civil Violations)	17,213	18,438	24,358	27,778	59,718
TOTAL Trial Courts	140,605	131,918	126,217	119,489	115,460
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-2.6%</i>	<i>-6.2%</i>	<i>-4.3%</i>	<i>-5.3%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>

JUDICIAL BRANCH VIOLATIONS BUREAU:					
Traffic Infractions	101,914	105,558	103,116	97,031	88,870
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-12.5%</i>	<i>3.6%</i>	<i>-2.3%</i>	<i>-5.9%</i>	<i>-8.4%</i>

TOTAL, Trial Courts & VB	242,519	237,476	229,333	216,520	204,330
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-7.0%</i>	<i>-2.1%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>	<i>-5.6%</i>	<i>-5.6%</i>

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