

MAINE STATE COURT CASELOAD 5 Year Trend

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LAW COURT

CIVIL CASES FILED	FY'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16	FY'17
General Civil	182	161	151	150	134
Worker's Comp	9	12	13	12	18
Child Protective	45	64	66	89	75
Family/Divorce	83	93	97	103	103
Protection: Abuse/Harassment	36	25	35	27	17
80B/80C	26	29	27	28	24
Probate	12	14	23	27	13
Violations Bureau/Traffic Infractions	2	3	4	8	5
PUC	2	0	5	0	3
<i>SJC - single justice bail review</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>SJC - Bar Admit Time enlarge</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>SJC - Bar - discipline/admission</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>SJC - Orig juris statutory/constitut.</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>SJC - Judicial Discipline</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
SJC SUBTOTAL	23	30	22	34	38

TOTAL CIVIL - FILINGS	420	431	443	478	430
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-11.9%</i>	<i>2.6%</i>	<i>2.8%</i>	<i>7.9%</i>	<i>-10.0%</i>

CRIMINAL CASES FILED					
Criminal	102	93	111	100	85
Criminal- Discretionary	36	41	29	36	32
Sentence Review Panel	44	42	42	38	43
TOTAL CRIMINAL - FILINGS	182	176	182	174	160
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-8.1%</i>	<i>-3.3%</i>	<i>3.4%</i>	<i>-4.4%</i>	<i>-8.0%</i>

TOTAL -- ALL	602	607	625	652	590
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-10.8%</i>	<i>0.8%</i>	<i>3.0%</i>	<i>4.3%</i>	<i>-9.5%</i>

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'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16	FY'17
DISTRICT COURT Criminal (1)	30,347	24,924	20,974	0	0
DISTRICT COURT PROBATION VIOLATIONS	391	329	269	138	7
DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL TOTAL	30,738	25,253	21,243	138	7
SUPERIOR COURT Criminal (1)	8,837	8,201	7,449	0	0
SUPERIOR COURT PROBATION VIOLATIONS	2,222	2,426	2,412	2,254	601
SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL TOTAL	11,059	10,627	9,861	2,254	601
Androscoggin Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	4,546	3,970
Aroostook Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	2,483	2,299
Cumberland Unified Criminal Docket (2)	8,857	8,298	8,189	8,431	8,730
Franklin Unified Criminal Docket (2)	389	1,104	1,214	1,269	1,187
Hancock Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	1,190	1,665	1,763	1,569
Kennebec Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	1,280	4,941	4,429
Knox Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	348	1,471	1,307
Lincoln Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	261	974	866
Oxford Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	2,061	1,696
Somerset Unified Criminal Docket (2)	569	1,945	1,731	1,794	2,032
Penobscot Unified Criminal Docket (2)	4,924	4,700	5,296	6,343	5,955
Piscataquis Unified Criminal Docket (2)	158	547	510	504	459
Sagadahoc Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	1,200	1,001	1,131	1,122
Waldo Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	271	1,138	967
Washington Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	1,170	1,033
York Unified Criminal Docket (2)	-	-	-	7,647	7,630
UCD Probation Revocations	714	949	1,164	1,704	1,281
UNIFIED CRIMINAL DOCKETS TOTAL	15,611	19,933	22,930	49,370	46,532
TOTAL CRIMINAL	57,408	55,813	54,034	51,762	47,140
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-0.1%</i>	<i>-2.8%</i>	<i>-3.2%</i>	<i>-4.2%</i>	<i>-8.9%</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>	68	68	52	48	63
<i>Personal Injury Tort (SC)</i>	754	735	750	853	773
<i>Non-Personal Injury Tort (DC)</i>	54	65	41	66	45
<i>Non-Personal Injury Tort (SC)</i>	102	85	76	76	67
<i>Contract (DC)</i>	5,292	4,498	3,408	3,647	3,812
<i>Contract (SC)</i>	410	420	484	476	434
<i>Declaratory/Equitable Relief (DC)</i>	25	27	33	76	81
<i>Declaratory/Equitable Relief (SC)</i>	138	139	133	203	148
<i>Constitutional/Civil Rights (DC)</i>	0	2	3	1	1
<i>Constitutional/Civil Rights (SC)</i>	75	82	89	86	82
<i>Statutory Actions (DC)</i>	21	18	210	21	26
<i>Statutory Actions (SC)</i>	77	113	127	102	130
<i>Contempt (DC)</i>	1	1	0	2	0
<i>Contempt (SC)</i>	28	38	25	47	47
<i>General/Misc. Civil (DC)</i>	363	406	319	501	949
<i>General/Misc. Civil (SC)</i>	406	433	358	333	304
<i>Title Actions (DC)</i>	26	23	35	68	116
<i>Title Actions (SC)</i>	46	51	66	97	71
<i>Foreclosure (DC)</i>	3,335	3,497	981	1,751	1,665
<i>Foreclosure (SC)</i>	1,114	1,197	695	924	775
<i>Trespass (DC)</i>	4	1	5	3	0
<i>Trespass (SC)</i>	9	10	16	10	4
<i>Misc. Real Estate (DC)</i>	105	90	78	85	78
<i>Misc. Real Estate (SC)</i>	160	134	145	210	231
<i>80B/80C Appeals (SC)</i>	180	219	215	234	217
<i>Other Civil Appeals (SC)</i>	119	113	89	80	82
<i>Administrative (DC)</i>	399	379	178	120	262
<i>Money Judgments (DC)</i>	4,172	3,026	2,487	1,888	1,568
<i>Small Claims (DC)</i>	10,619	9,600	11,270	10,106	8,063
<i>Forcible Entry (eviction) (DC)</i>	5,701	6,083	6,186	5,836	5,781
DISTRICT COURT Civil	30,185	27,784	25,286	24,219	22,510
SUPERIOR COURT Civil	3,618	3,769	3,268	3,731	3,365
TOTAL CIVIL CASES FILED:	33,803	31,553	28,554	27,950	25,875
<i>% change from previous year</i>	-13.9%	-6.7%	-9.5%	-2.1%	-7.4%

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MAINE STATE COURT CASE FILINGS 5 Year Trend, cont.

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DISTRICT COURT FAMILY DIVISION:	FY'13	FY'14	FY'15	FY'16	FY'17
Divorce with Children	2,912	2,693	2,654	2,535	2,433
Divorce without Children	3,205	3,119	2,990	3,082	2,905
Paternity/Parent Rights	2,224	2,056	1,999	1,907	1,813
Adoptions	-	-	-	-	494
Guardianships	-	-	-	-	143
Name Changes	-	-	-	-	23
Other Family Matters	363	353	341	362	393
Post-Judgment Family Motions	6,437	6,474	6,058	5,933	6,005
Child Protective (1)	907	983	1,002	877	937
Juvenile	2,841	2,420	2,128	1,798	1,660
Protection From Abuse	5,864	5,629	5,557	5,461	5,424
TOTAL FAMILY:	24,753	23,727	22,729	21,955	22,230
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-4.1%</i>	<i>-4.1%</i>	<i>-4.2%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>	<i>1.3%</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)	921	929	897	893	885
Protection From Harassment (DC)	2,931	2,356	2,525	2,552	2,187
Civil Violations (UCD)	2,827	4,425	4,848	10,348	8,174
Civil Violations (DC)	9,275	7,414	5,902	0	0
ALL CIVIL VIOLATIONS	12,102	11,839	10,750	10,348	8,174
TOTAL OTHER CASES:	15,954	15,124	14,172	13,793	11,246
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-11.9%</i>	<i>-5.2%</i>	<i>-6.3%</i>	<i>-2.7%</i>	<i>-18.5%</i>

TOTAL SUPERIOR COURT	14,677	14,396	13,129	5,985	3,966
TOTAL DISTRICT COURT	98,803	87,463	78,582	49,757	47,819
TOTAL UCD (includes UCD Civil Violations)	18,438	24,358	27,778	59,718	54,706
TOTAL Trial Courts	131,918	126,217	119,489	115,460	106,491
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-6.2%</i>	<i>-4.3%</i>	<i>-5.3%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>	<i>-7.8%</i>

JUDICIAL BRANCH VIOLATIONS BUREAU:					
Traffic Infractions	105,558	103,116	97,031	88,870	86,036
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>3.6%</i>	<i>-2.3%</i>	<i>-5.9%</i>	<i>-8.4%</i>	<i>-3.2%</i>

TOTAL, Trial Courts & VB	237,476	229,333	216,520	204,330	192,527
<i>% change from previous year</i>	<i>-2.1%</i>	<i>-3.4%</i>	<i>-5.6%</i>	<i>-5.6%</i>	<i>-5.8%</i>

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