# **2011 Statistics**

## **Appeals Pending, Filed and Concluded**

	Total	Civil	Criminal
Appeals Pending 01/01/2011	5,850	1,883	3,967
New Appeals Filed in 2011	7,675	3,133	4,542
Appeals Concluded in 2011	7,939	3,270	4,669
Appeals Pending 01/01/2012	5,586	1,746	3,840

# **Appeals by County of Origin**

Adams	53	Lackawanna	122
Allegheny	774	Lancaster	205
Armstrong	23	Lawrence	50
Beaver	36	Lebanon	93
Bedford	22	Lehigh	214
Berks	239	Luzerne	195
Blair	72	Lycoming	89
Bradford	78	McKean	25
Bucks	230	Mercer	41
Butler	98	Mifflin	19
Cambria	50	Monroe	99
Cameron	2	Montgomery	311
Carbon	27	Montour	5
Centre	118	Northampton	122
Chester	222	Northumberland	46
Clarion	15	Perry	28
Clearfield	47	Philadelphia	1,743
Clinton	19	Pike	54
Columbia	31	Potter	16
Crawford	46	Schuylkill	94
Cumberland	114	Snyder	17
Dauphin	253	Somerset	24
Delaware	332	Sullivan	0
Elk	8	Susquehanna	22
Erie	201	Tioga	18
Fayette	101	Union	22
Forest	2	Venango	36
Franklin	93	Warren	24
Fulton	8	Washington	90
Greene	29	Wayne	24
Huntingdon	32	Westmoreland	106
Indiana	22	Wyoming	17
Jefferson	55	York	249
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# **Appeals by Type of Case**

Adoption	26	Medical Malpractice	41
Aggravated Assault	328	Megan's Law	33
Aggravated Indecent Assault	48	Mortgage Foreclosure	93
Arbitration	28	Motor Vehicle Accident	44
Asbestos	26	Murder	120
Assumpsit	105	Murder 1	232
Attempted Murder	44	Murder 2	47
Burglary	168	Murder 3	115
Child Support	82	Possession of Firearms	79
Children's Fast Track	29	Possession with Intent to Deliver	354
Civil Action Law	731	Premises Liability - Slip/Fall	37
Civil Contempt	22	Products Liability	21
Confession of Judgment	51	Protection from Abuse	71
Contract	109	Quiet Title	27
Controlled Substance	388	Rape	171
Corruption of Minors	49	Receiving Stolen Property	83
Criminal	139	Recklessly Endangering Another Person	30
Criminal Attempt	86	Robbery	302
Criminal Conspiracy	88	Simple Assault	106
Criminal Trespass	29	Spousal Support	38
Custody/Visitation	206	Summary Offense/Conviction	63
Declaratory Judgment	38	Termination of Parental Rights	176
Dependency	147	Terroristic Threats	42
Disorderly Conduct	38	Theft	101
Divorce	201	Theft by Deception	24
Driving Under the Influence	248	Theft by Unlawful Taking	57
Ejectment	26	Trespass	125
Endangering Welfare of Children	24	Uniform Firearms Act	105
Equity	74	Vehicle Violation	51
Estate/Probate/Wills/Intestate	99	Violation of Probation/Parole	35
Forgery	43	Other Civil*	56
Harassment	40	Other Criminal*	428
Homicide	128		
Indecent Assault	73	* Includes appeals originally classified as	
Involuntary Deviate Sexual Conduct	100	other" as well as appeals originally classified in categories with fewer than 20	
Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights	287	appeals filed in 2011.	
Landlord/Tenant	20		
		TOTAL	7,675

#### **Opinions Filed**

	Total	Civil	Criminal
Published Opinions 2011	278	137	141
Non-Published Opinions 2011	4,879	1,600	3,279
Total 2011	5,157	1,737	3,420

#### **Dispositions by Type**

	Total	Civil	Criminal
By Filed Decision	5,609	1,908	3,701
By Order or Discontinuance	2,330	1,362	968
Total 2011	7,939	3,270	4,669

### Superior Court Treatment of Cases from Courts of Common Pleas in 2011

	Cases Decided by Published Opinion	Percent	Cases Decided by Unpublished Opinion	Percent	Total All Cases	Percent
Affirmed	183	57.4	4,259	80.5	4442	79.2
Reversed	98	30.7	629	11.9	727	13.0
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	26	8.2	189	3.6	215	3.8
Quashed, Dismissed, Transferred	12	3.8	212	4.0	224	4.0
Other	0	0	1	0.0	1	0.0
Total	319		5,290		5,609	

### Median Number of Days to Disposition for Appeals Concluded in 2011

From Superior Court docket date for all appeals	265
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by order or discontinuance	68
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by filed decision	311
From original record filing date for appeals disposed by filed decision	228
From filing date of last brief filed	118

#### **Supreme Court Treatment of Superior Court Cases**

Allocaturs: Petitions Filed & Concluded in 2011

Total Allocatur Petitions Filed In 2011 From Superior Court Decisions	2,078
Number Granted	53
Number Denied	2,136
Number Voided	6
Other Disposition	103
Open	908

#### Disposition of Appeals from Superior Court Cases

REVERSED	21
AFFIRMED	18
OTHER*	25
TOTAL	64

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Affirmed/Reversed, Dismissed, Improvidently Granted, Vacated and Withdrawn

## **Appeals, Petitions and Wiretaps Filed, by District**

	Total	East	Middle	West
Appeals Filed	7,675	3,376	2,284	2,015
Petitions Filed	12,171	6,329	2,630	3,212
Misc. Docket Filed	377	164	91	122
Wiretaps	85	85	0	0

## **Reargument / Reconsideration Petitions Filed and Granted**

Petitions Filed	506
Petitions Granted	38
Percent Granted	7.5%