2008 Statistics

Appeals Pending, Filed and Concluded

	Total	Civil	Criminal
Appeals Pending 01/01/2008	6287	2081	4206
New Appeals Filed in 2008	7986	3248	4738
Appeals Concluded in 2008	7460	2977	4483
Appeals Pending 01/01/2009	6813	2353	4461

Appeals by County of Origin

Adams	52	Lackawanna	100
Allegheny	829	Lancaster	207
Armstrong	34	Lawrence	48
Beaver	42	Lebanon	124
Bedford	23	Lehigh	186
Berks	249	Luzerne	166
Blair	90	Lycoming	81
Bradford	53	McKean	12
Bucks	216	Mercer	37
Butler	94	Mifflin	30
Cambria	66	Monroe	130
Cameron	4	Montgomery	298
Carbon	20	Montour	16
Centre	81	Northampton	110
Chester	207	Northumberland	38
Clarion	29	Perry	22
Clearfield	56	Philadelphia	2013
Clinton	30	Pike	53
Columbia	25	Potter	12
Crawford	63	Schuylkill	103
Cumberland	87	Snyder	13
Dauphin	269	Somerset	36
Delaware	301	Sullivan	1
Elk	9	Susquehanna	20
Erie	223	Tioga	20
Fayette	103	Union	17
Forest	5	Venango	34
Franklin	72	Warren	17
Fulton	25	Washington	89
Greene	27	Wayne	40
Huntingdon	18	Westmoreland	107
Indiana	23	Wyoming	21
Jefferson	40	York	315
Juniata	5	TOTAL	7986

Appeals by Type of Case

Indecent Assault	88	TOTAL	7986
Homicide	145		
Harassment	53		
Habeas Corpus	26		
Forgery	39	Other Criminal*	415
Estate/Probate/Wills/Intestate	115	Other Civil*	266
Escape	23	Violation of Probation/Parole	38
Equity	90	Vehicle Violation	70
Endangering Welfare of Children	20	Uniform Firearms Act	180
Ejectment	37	Trespass	154
Driving Under the Influence	246	Tort	109
Domestic Relations Contempt	41	Theft by Unlawful Taking	49
Divorce	196	Theft by Deception	20
Disorderly Conduct	29	Theft	122
Dependency	105	Terroristic Threats	37
Declaratory Judgment	48	Termination of Parental Rights	83
Custody/Visitation	230	Summary Offense/Conviction	80
Criminal Mischief	25	Simple Assault	86
Criminal Contempt	32	Robbery	309
Criminal Conspiracy	112	Recklessly Endanger Another Person	28
Criminal Attempt	80	Receiving Stolen Property	56
Criminal	100	Rape	225
Corruption of Minors	49	Quiet Title	23
Controlled Substance	561	Protection from Abuse	66
Contract	71	Premises Liability - Slip/Fall	25
Civil Contempt	80	Possession with Intend to Deliver	275
Civil Action Law	848	Possession of Firearms	30
Child Support	163	Murder 3	64
Burglary	166	Murder 2	24
Attempted Murder	31	Murder 1	137
Assumpsit	114	Murder	161
Asbestos	32	Motor Vehicle Accident	45
Arson	27	Mortgage Foreclosure	76
Arbitration	27	Megan's Law	20
Aggravated Indecent Assault	40	Medical Malpractice	48
Adoption Aggravated Assault	0 346	Involuntary Deviate Sexual Conduct Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights	158

* Includes appeals originally classified as "other" as well as appeals originally classified in categories with fewer than 20 appeals filed in 2006.

Opinions Filed

	Total	Civil	Criminal
Published Opinions 2008	297	147	150
Non-Published Opinions 2008	4410	1277	3133
Total 2008	4707	1424	3283

Dispositions by Type

	Total	Civil	Criminal
By Filed Decision	4890	1477	3413
By Order or Discontinuance	2570	1500	1070
Total 2008	7460	2977	4483

Superior Court Treatment of Cases from Courts of Common Pleas

	Total All Cases	Percent	Cases Decided by Published Opinion	Percent	Cases Decided by Unpublished Opinion	Percent
Affirmed	3885	79.4	181	59.7	3704	80.7
Reversed	663	13.6	92	30.4	571	12.4
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	147	3.0	20	6.6	127	2.8
Quashed, Dismissed, Transferred	173	3.5	9	3.0	164	3.6
Other	22	0.5	1	0.3	21	0.5
Total	4890		303		4587	

Median Number of Days to Disposition for Appeals Concluded in 2008

From Superior Court docket date for all appeals	278
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by order or discontinuance	76
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by filed decision	343
From original record filing date for appeals disposed by filed decision	258
From filing date of last brief filed	142

Supreme Court Treatment of Superior Court Cases

Allocaturs: Petitions Filed & Concluded in 2008

Total Allocatur Petitions Filed In 2008 From Superior Court Decisions	1784
Number Granted	91
Number Denied	1729
Number Voided	8
Other Disposition	24
Open	823

Disposition of Appeals from Superior Court Cases

REVERSED	10
AFFIRMED	11
OTHER*	24
TOTAL	45

* Includes Affirmed/Reversed, Dismissed, Improvidently Granted, Vacated and Withdrawn

Appeals filed, Petitions filed, Miscellaneous Docket filings, and Wiretaps

District	Appeals Filed	Petitions Files	Misc. DKT. Files	Wiretaps Files
Eastern	3574	6000	100	21
Middle	2260	2210	55	0
Western	2152	2724	128	8
Totals	7986	10934	283	29

REARGUMENT/RECONSIDERATION

- Petitions Filed 418
- Petitions Granted 35
- Percent Granted 8.3%