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**A closer look at Protection from Abuse Orders in Pa**

HARRISBURG — More than 39,000 new protection from abuse (PFA) petitions were filed statewide in 2018 according to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts. A PFA is a civil order that protects victims of domestic violence, providing relief from abuse by an intimate partner, family or household member. Additional information about protection orders is available [here](#).

The infographic below highlights 2018 PFA data including the statewide number of PFA petitions filed over the last five years, the top 10 counties with the highest number of PFA cases and the percentages of PFA case outcomes.

A high-resolution file of the graphic is available for [download](#).



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**Editor's Note:** View county-by-county protection from abuse (PFA) data via the PFA [interactive dashboards](#).