

Table 1: Pennsylvania Medical Malpractice Case Filings

% Change from

Number of Filings

2000-2002

Average to

	2000-2002 Average	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2015
Adams	5	8	2	0	1	3	3	2	1	1	2	3	1	1	-80.0
Allegheny	396	272	297	324	301	262	275	263	326	293	281	296	278	245	-38.1
Armstrong	4	2	3	3	3	2	4	1	2	2	8	4	4	4	--
Beaver	23	17	14	15	12	10	11	15	16	14	21	21	12	26	13.0
Bedford	2	5	0	0	4	0	0	3	2	4	5	1	0	3	50.0
Berks	36	12	13	14	27	23	24	37	30	22	26	24	25	27	-25.0
Blair	25	21	24	4	10	13	11	17	15	20	20	15	15	18	-28.0
Bradford	7	6	10	2	4	5	7	8	7	1	5	6	7	5	-28.6
Bucks	52	3	43	62	51	66	58	55	56	30	55	59	56	72	38.5
Butler	26	16	15	13	8	7	6	7	11	16	7	15	18	10	-61.5
Cambria	28	32	11	6	11	10	5	8	15	20	12	17	24	11	-60.7
Cameron/Elk	4	2	2	4	1	3	2	3	3	2	5	3	3	6	50.0
Carbon	5	12	4	2	9	6	8	4	8	5	3	5	1	1	-80.0
Centre	14	10	7	6	10	5	14	5	10	7	6	12	15	10	-28.6
Chester	39	39	35	41	32	34	40	20	32	24	37	31	35	27	-30.8
Clarion	3	5	3	7	1	5	3	0	0	0	1	4	3	2	-33.3
Clearfield	9	4	5	7	12	4	6	4	1	7	9	1	9	5	-44.4
Clinton	2	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-100.0
Columbia/Montour	14	30	15	14	19	26	33	23	25	25	17	16	18	13	-7.1
Crawford	3	2	5	2	5	0	6	1	5	7	5	4	9	3	--
Cumberland	22	27	12	3	2	2	1	4	9	27	20	23	13	14	-36.4
Dauphin	79	43	41	44	39	51	46	41	40	51	33	35	41	47	-40.5
Delaware	72	36	75	62	66	34	38	22	51	59	47	52	44	57	-20.8
Erie	54	44	34	34	40	36	24	21	49	37	34	46	33	29	-46.3
Fayette	18	13	11	13	7	12	7	12	10	9	14	11	19	13	-27.8
Forest/Warren	4	2	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	1	4	2	3	7	75.0
Franklin/Fulton	13	9	4	1	5	5	2	7	6	12	7	10	6	11	-15.4
Greene	1	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	2	2	100.0
Huntingdon	7	5	2	0	3	2	0	0	0	4	3	4	2	4	-42.9
Indiana	2	4	3	3	3	0	7	1	2	5	3	4	3	4	100.0
Jefferson	4	4	6	3	5	3	2	5	2	5	1	4	5	2	-50.0
Juniata/Perry	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	--
Lackawanna	65	34	31	35	35	30	36	33	37	36	30	27	22	47	-27.7
Lancaster	7	5	31	31	40	34	13	17	12	26	35	34	27	40	471.4
Lawrence	4	4	17	13	20	14	11	12	18	17	7	5	8	7	75.0
Lebanon	9	7	7	0	3	4	5	4	6	11	3	4	8	4	-55.6
Lehigh	72	101	93	78	70	62	62	63	38	38	58	50	47	36	-50.0

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Luzerne	34	38	79	36	41	46	54	48	37	48	30	49	50	47	38.2
Lycoming	18	15	18	9	5	4	5	7	3	9	8	7	6	4	-77.8
McKean	4	0	3	1	4	1	2	5	3	0	3	2	7	6	50.0
Mercer	43	41	31	30	21	20	25	16	19	17	5	14	14	12	-72.1
Mifflin	3	4	1	1	1	3	2	3	1	3	3	0	0	9	200.0
Monroe	11	5	3	7	5	7	5	12	2	20	6	16	9	16	45.5
Montgomery	22	14	102	104	95	103	81	102	66	100	95	94	89	116	427.3
Northampton	73	47	41	12	2	2	3	18	15	23	26	14	13	14	-80.8
Northumberland	9	4	6	2	2	2	6	6	1	4	1	5	7	7	-22.2
Philadelphia	1,204	577	559	540	569	586	553	491	381	418	389	382	382	381	-68.4
Pike	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	--
Potter	3	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	0	2	-33.3
Schuylkill	29	13	12	9	11	5	12	11	13	15	14	14	23	10	-65.5
Snyder/Union	7	6	2	2	1	4	3	6	5	1	1	4	6	2	-71.4
Somerset	8	8	5	8	3	8	3	6	8	4	6	7	5	3	-62.5
Sullivan/Wyoming	4	2	3	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	-100.0
Susquehanna	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	6	4	0	1	--
Tioga	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	-100.0
Venango	8	5	3	4	3	2	4	2	3	1	1	0	4	4	-50.0
Washington	7	4	21	29	26	25	21	21	31	39	21	31	19	30	328.6
Wayne	3	3	7	7	4	0	5	4	5	6	0	2	3	1	-66.7
Westmoreland	62	49	26	35	27	18	19	12	14	107	52	37	27	29	-53.2
York	48	33	15	20	15	23	23	39	31	16	16	23	31	22	-54.2
State Total	2,733	1,712	1,819	1,711	1,702	1,640	1,602	1,532	1,490	1,675	1,510	1,560	1,512	1,530	-44.0

Notes:

- ▶ A filing refers to the commencement of a civil action by complaint or praecipe for writ of summons. To avoid double-counting, adjustments were made to the filing figures for cases transferred from one judicial district to another pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. 1006(a)(1).
- ▶ "Percent Change from 2000-2002 Average" was computed as follows:
The 2015 Filings were subtracted from the 2000-2002 Average. The difference was then divided by the 2000-2002 Average.
The resulting proportion was multiplied by 100 to convert it to a percentage.
- ▶ Liability actions brought against dental professionals may be included in some county counts.