

Pennsylvania Statewide Common Pleas Caseload Statistics

2012 Population Estimate: 12,763,536

No. of Common Pleas Court Judgeships: 451

2012 Criminal	No. of Cases
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	78,980 ^(R)
New Cases Filed in 2012	169,600
Reopened Cases	10,790
Cases Available for Disposition	259,370
Disposed by:	
Withdrawn/Dismissed	11,196 6.3%
ARD	31,665 18.0%
Guilty Plea	115,962 65.8%
Non-Jury Trial	3,030 1.7%
Jury Trial	2,449 1.4%
Inactive	6,769 3.8%
Other	5,247 3.0%
Total Cases Disposed	176,318 100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	83,052
Cases Awaiting Sentencing	7,306

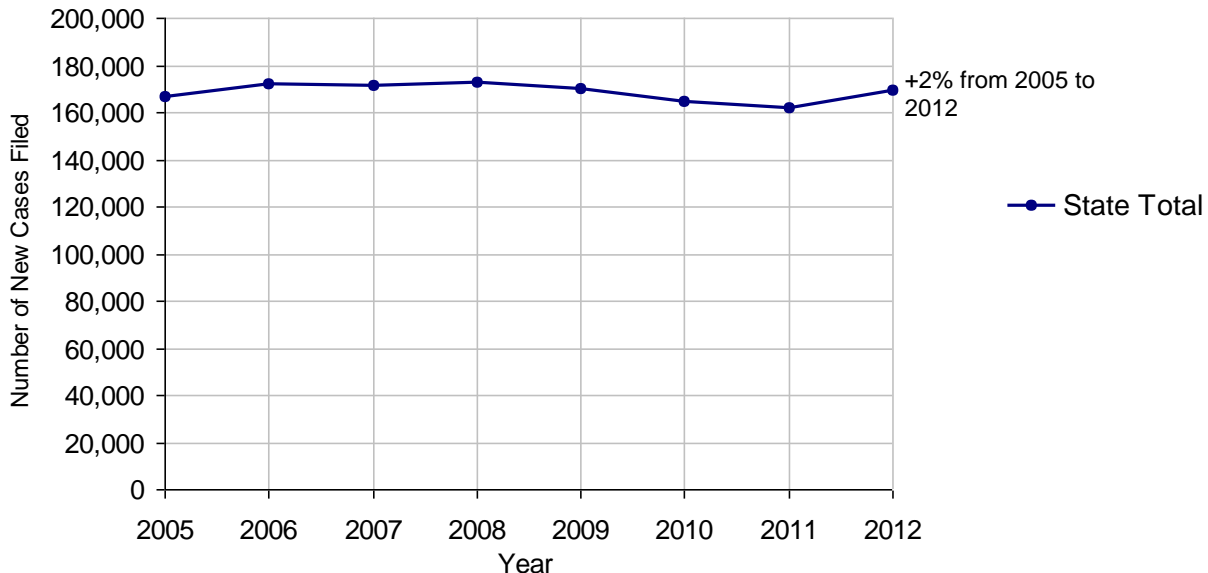


Age of Pending Cases as of 12/31/2012		
0-60 Days	26,259	31.6%
61-120 Days	19,393	23.4%
121-180 Days	11,825	14.2%
181-240 Days	7,182	8.6%
241-300 Days	4,990	6.0%
301-360 Days	3,475	4.2%
Over 360 Days	9,928	12.0%
Total	83,052	100.0%

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Criminal New Cases Filed, 2005-2012



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2012 Criminal - New Cases by Case Type



Case Type	Felony	Misdemeanor	Summary /Ungraded	Total
Person	14,755	12,396	119	27,270
Property	24,930	21,401	383	46,714
Drug	15,732	17,115	52	32,899
Weapon	2,970	691	7	3,668
Public Order	3,675	8,911	179	12,765
Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI	0	45,274	39	45,313
Motor Vehicle - Other	59	619	29	707
Other	236	25	3	264
Total	62,357	106,432	811	169,600
	36.8%	62.8%	0.5%	100.0%

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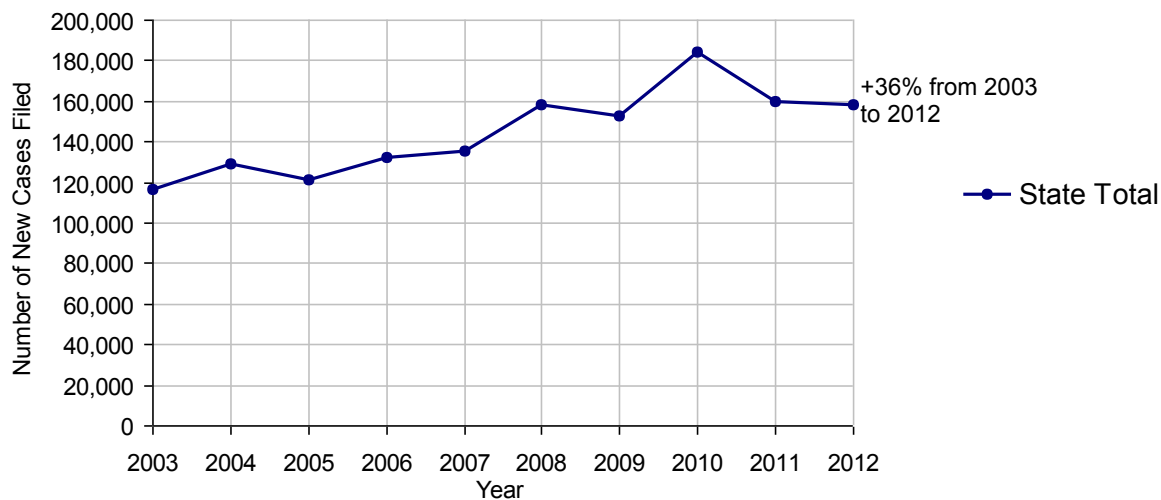
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2012 Civil	Civil Action	Other	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	161,666 ^(R)	111,899 ^(R)	273,565 ^(R)
Docketed Cases	92,392	65,556	157,948
Arbitration Appeals	2,624	147	2,771
Transferred In	805	100	905
Returned to Active	1,594	772	2,366
Cases Available for Processing	259,081	178,474	437,555
Disposed By:			
Default Judgments	21,649	22,976	44,625
Cases Decided by Arbitration Board	4,567	687	5,254
Dispositive Motions	5,594	3,230	8,824
Settlements	24,616	9,328	33,944
Moved to Inactive Status	10,935	3,466	14,401
Transferred/Withdrawn	4,405	2,096	6,501
Administrative Purge	6,141	2,709	8,850
Other	20,242	10,068	30,310
Jury Trial	897	139	1,036
Non-Jury Trial	1,220	420	1,640
Total Cases Disposed	100,266	55,119	155,385
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	158,815	123,355	282,170

Age of Pending Cases as of 12/31/2012 (Civil Action Only)		
0-6 months	39,899	25.1%
7-12 months	28,153	17.7%
13-18 months	19,348	12.2%
19-24 months	18,058	11.4%
25-30 months	18,038	11.4%
31-36 months	6,639	4.2%
37-42 months	3,697	2.3%
43-48 months	3,200	2.0%
49-54 months	2,909	1.8%
55-60 months	2,106	1.3%
61-66 months	1,617	1.0%
67-72 months	1,278	0.8%
Over 72 months	13,873	8.7%
Total	158,815	100.0%

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Docketed Cases, 2003-2012



Note: Prior to June 2010, docketed cases under the "Other" category were not reported. The inclusion of these cases starting from June 2010 may contribute to an increase in docketed cases from 2009 to 2010.

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2012 Civil - Docketed Cases Listed by Case Type

TORT	33,363	21.1%	REAL PROPERTY	45,016	28.5%
<i>(does not include mass tort)</i>					
Intentional	940		Ejectment*	3,615	
Malicious Prosecution	73		Eminent Domain/Condemnation	704	
Motor Vehicle	20,230		Ground Rent	20	
Nuisance	81		Landlord/Tenant Dispute	2,529	
Premise Liability	6,608		Mortgage Foreclosure:		
Product Liability	558		Residential*	33,305	
Slander/Libel/Defamation	1,252		Commercial*	857	
Other	3,621		Partition of Real Property*	333	
MASS TORT	1,371	0.9%	Quiet Title*	1,577	
Asbestos	569		Other*	2,076	
Tobacco	3		CIVIL APPEALS	16,550	10.5%
Toxic Tort - DES	4		<i>- Administrative Agencies</i>		
Toxic Tort - Implant	7		Board of Assessment*	9,085	
Toxic Waste	178		Board of Elections*	584	
Other	610		Dept. of Transportation*	3,283	
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY	2,140	1.4%	Zoning Board*	295	
Dental	82		Statutory Appeal - Other*	599	
Legal	242		Other*	2,704	
Medical Malpractice	1,572		MISCELLANEOUS	6,539	4.1%
Other	244		Common Law/		
CONTRACT	52,969	33.5%	Statutory Arbitration*		
<i>(does not include judgments)</i>					
Buyer Plaintiff	939		Declaratory Judgment*		
Debt Collection: Credit Card	24,304		Mandamus*		
Debt Collection: Other	14,881		Non-Domestic Relations		
Employment Dispute:			Restraining Order*		
Employment Dispute: Discriminatio	149		Quo Warranto*		
Employment Dispute: Other	425		Replevin*		
Other	12,271		Other*		
			TOTAL DOCKETED CASES:	157,948	100%

Of the Docketed Cases:

Pro Se Filings: 9,165 5.8% Class Action Suits: 164 0.1% MDJ Appeals: 8,162 5.2%

* Civil Other

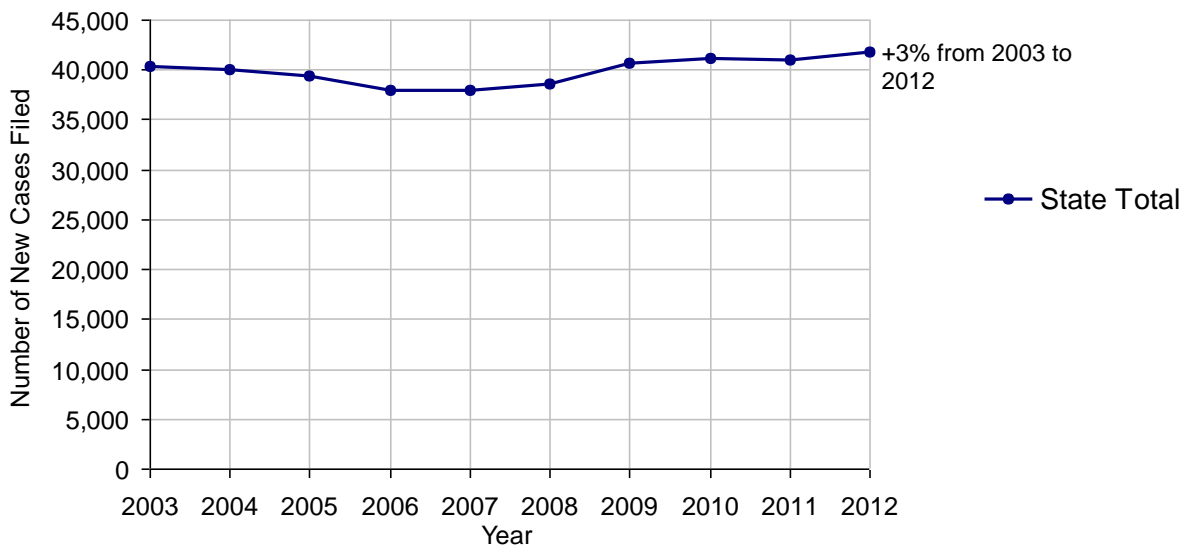
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2012 Protection From Abuse	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	3,508	
New Cases Filed in 2012	41,826	
<i>Of these, Petitions Requesting Temporary Orders: 41,797 (99.9%)</i>		
<i>Temporary Orders DENIED: 5,383 (12.9%), Temporary Orders GRANTED: 36,414 (87.1%)</i>		
Cases Available for Processing	45,334	
Processed By:		
Temporary Order DENIED After Ex Parte Hearing and No Evidentiary Hearing Scheduled	1,156	2.8%
Temporary Order DISMISSED After Evidentiary Hearing and No Final Order Entered	2,298	5.5%
Final Order DENIED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge	1,358	3.3%
Final Order GRANTED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge	6,553	15.8%
Plaintiff Did Not Appear For Evidentiary Hearing	12,315	29.7%
Final Order by STIPULATION OR AGREEMENT Between the Parties	8,469	20.4%
Petition WITHDRAWN by Plaintiff	8,588	20.7%
TRANSFERRED to Another Jurisdiction	14	<0.1%
DECEASED Party	27	0.1%
Other	707	1.7%
Cases Processed	41,485	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	3,849	

PFA New Cases Filed, 2003-2012



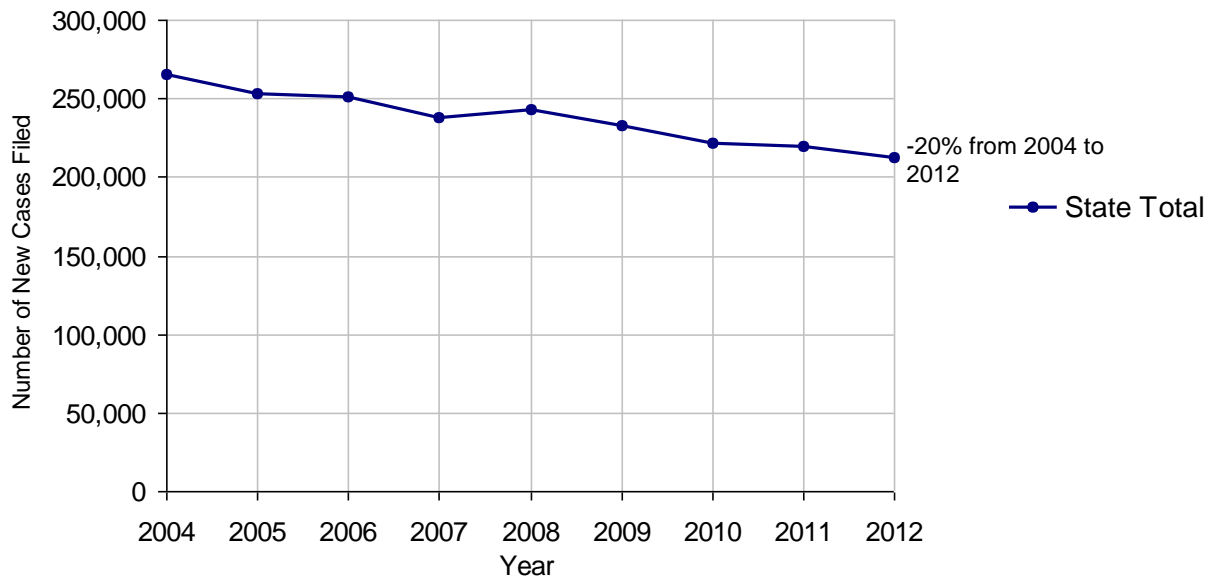
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2012 Spousal & Child Support	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	57,972	
New Cases Filed in 2012	212,345	
Dockets Transferred In (+)	2,891	
Dockets Transferred Out (-)	2,848	
Cases Available for Processing	270,360	
Processed By:		
Judge	8,116	3.8%
Intake Officer	185,288	86.8%
Hearing Officer	19,890	9.3%
Other	121	0.1%
Cases Processed	213,415	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	56,945	

Spousal & Child Support New Cases Filed, 2004-2012



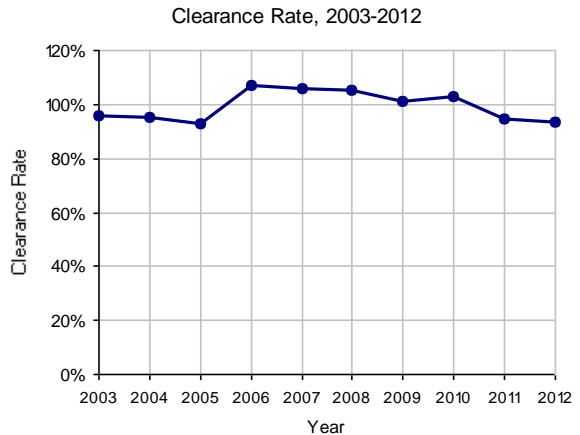
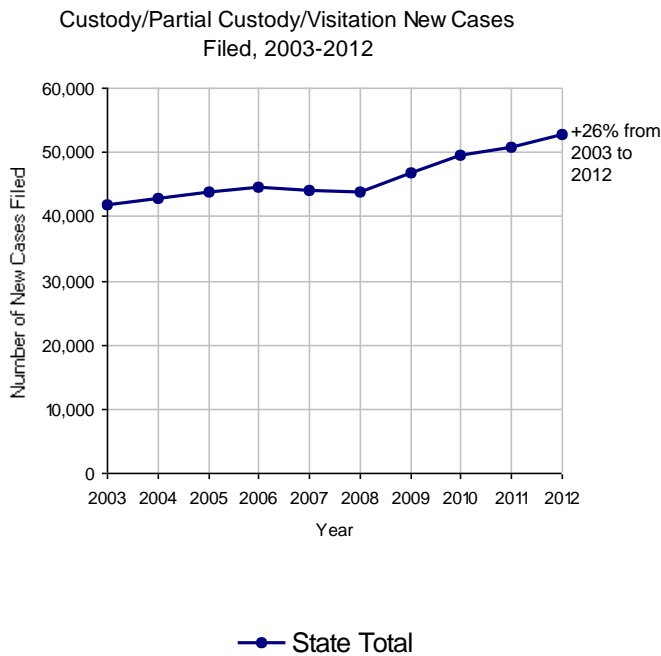
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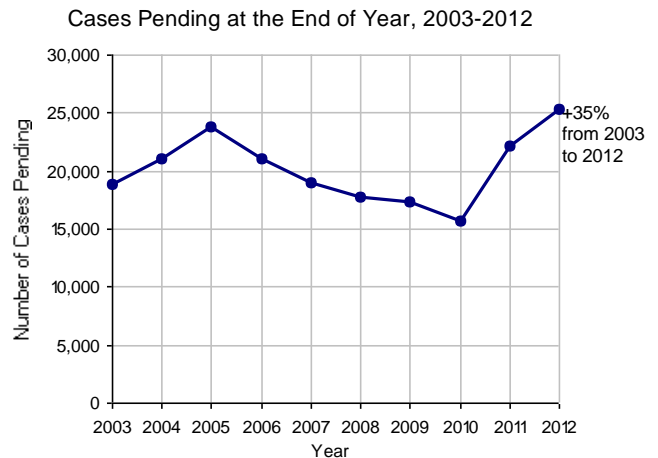
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2012 Custody/Partial Custody/Visitation	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	22,007 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012	52,692	
Cases Available for Processing	74,699	
Processed By:		
Judge	17,989	36.4%
Non-Judicial Officer	25,252	51.2%
Other	6,116	12.4%
Cases Processed	49,357 100.0%	
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	25,342	

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Note: Clearance Rate = Cases Processed / New Cases Filed



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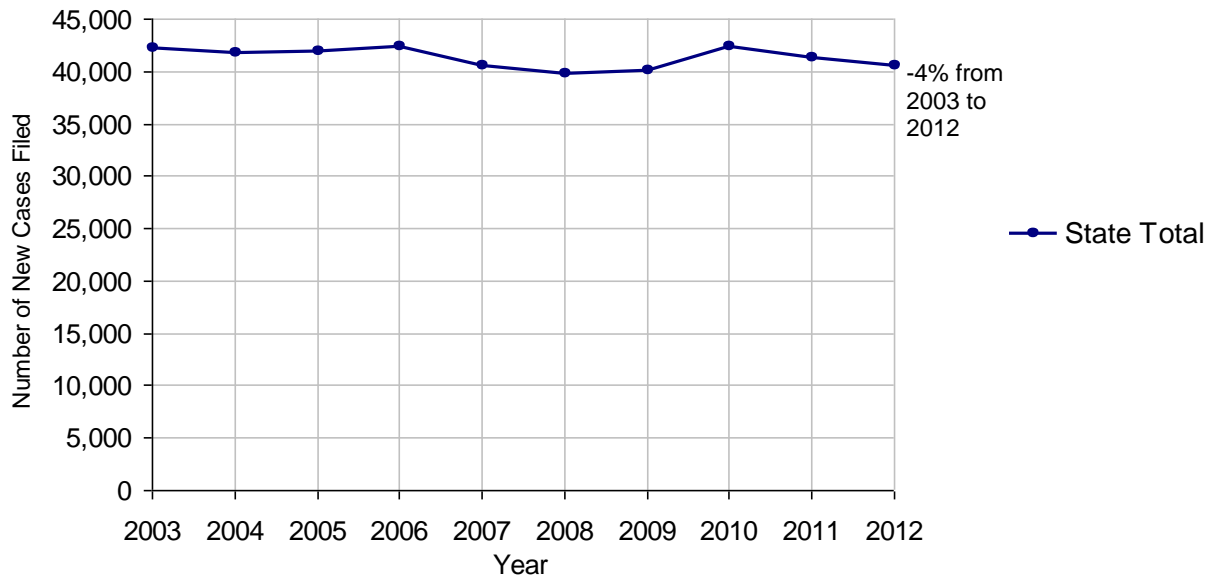
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2012 Divorce	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	76,339 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012	40,617	
Cases Available for Processing	116,956	
Processed By:		
Contested Before a Judge	3,275	7.3%
Contested Before a Master	2,629	5.9%
Uncontested	31,656	71.0%
Other	7,050	15.8%
Cases Processed	44,610	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	72,346	

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Divorce New Cases Filed, 2003-2012



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2012 Juvenile Dependency - Active Dependent Inventory



	Abuse/ Neglect	Status Offenses	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	1,514	261	1,775
New Petitions Filed in 2012	9,774	409	10,183
Other	147	6	153
Total Petitions Available for Processing	11,435	676	12,111

Processed by:

Adjudicated Dependent

Judge	5,913	200	6,113
Master	1,701	93	1,794

Adjudicated NOT Dependent

Judge	670	12	682
Master	197	7	204

Withdrawn/Dismissed/Inactive 879 33 912

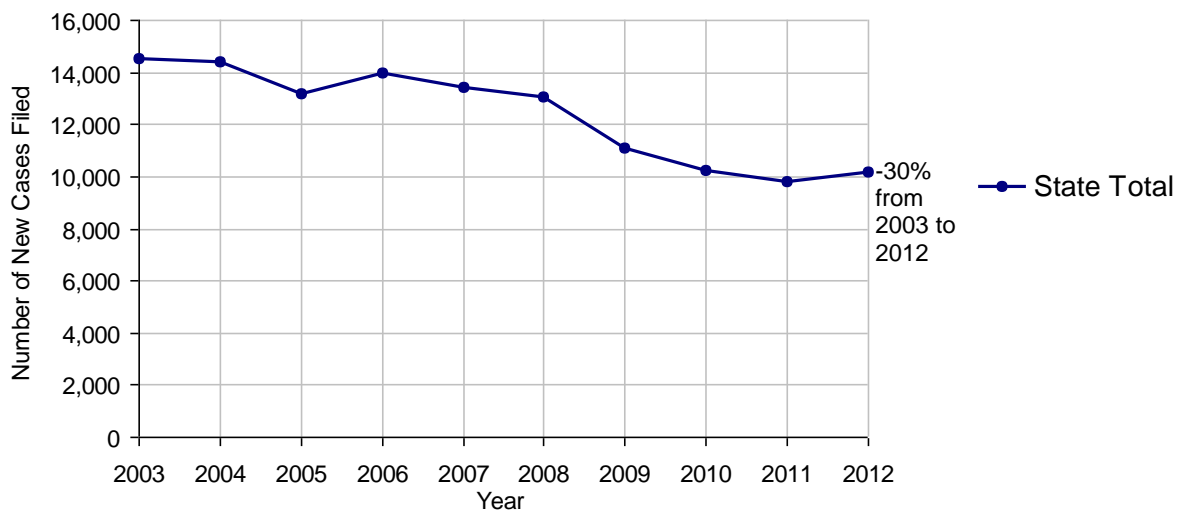
Other 503 32 535

Total Petitions Processed 9,863 377 10,240

Cases Pending 12/31/2012 1,572 299 1,871

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Abuse/Neglect and Status Offenses New Cases Filed, 2003-2012




Note: Dependency data for 2002-2010 were collected manually. Dependency data for 2011 and 2012 were provided by CPCMS.

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2012 Juvenile Dependency - Adjudicated Dependent Inventory



	Abuse/ Neglect		Status Offenses		Total	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	14,965		711		15,676	
New Adjudicated Dependent Cases	7,614		293		7,907	
Other	428		29		457	
Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases	23,007		1,033		24,040	
<u>Court Supervision Terminated:</u>						
Family Reunification	991	14.1%	101	24.8%	1,092	14.6%
Adoption	1,379	19.6%	5	1.2%	1,384	18.6%
Placement with a Relative/Guardian	2,864	40.6%	163	40.0%	3,027	40.6%
Aged Out	995	14.1%	85	20.9%	1,080	14.5%
Other Permanency Outcomes*	195	2.8%	24	5.9%	219	2.9%
Other**	626	8.9%	29	7.1%	655	8.8%
Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases Terminated	7,050	100.0%	407	100.0%	7,457	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	15,957		626		16,583	

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* Other Permanency Outcomes include: adjudicated delinquent, death due to natural causes, death due to negligence, emancipation, permanent living arrangement, and parent has come forward.

** Other includes cases where court supervision is terminated due to transfer out of jurisdiction, withdrawal and administrative closure.

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2012 Juvenile Delinquency

No. of Cases

Cases Pending 1/1/2012

12,542

New Cases Filed in 2012

31,969

Cases Available for Processing

44,511

Processed By:

Judge

13,359 41.8%

Non-Judicial Officer

11,445 35.8%

Other

7,136 22.3%

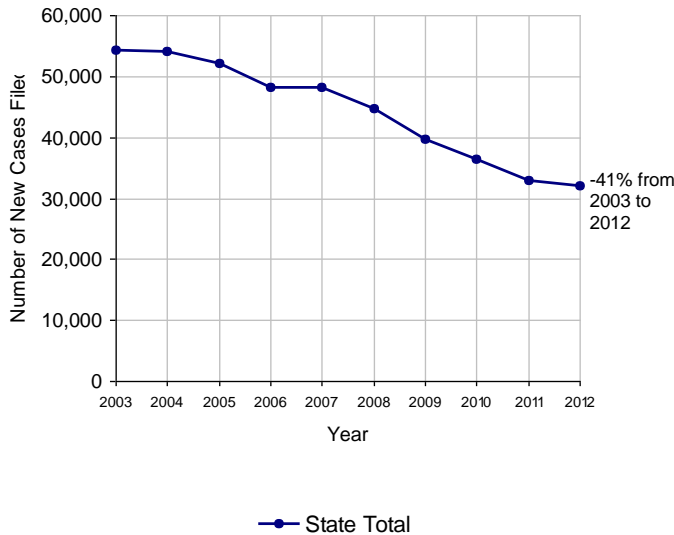
Cases Processed

31,940 100.0%

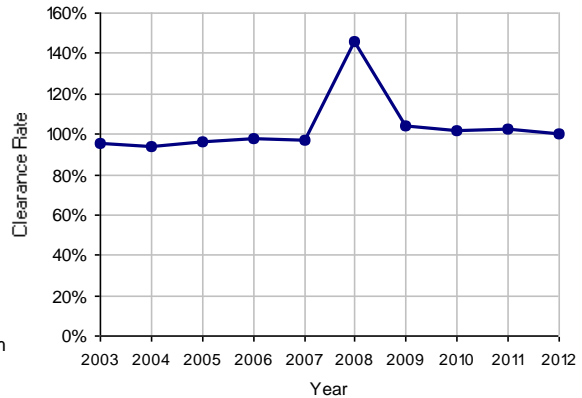
Cases Pending 12/31/2012

12,571

Juvenile Delinquency New Cases Filed, 2003-2012

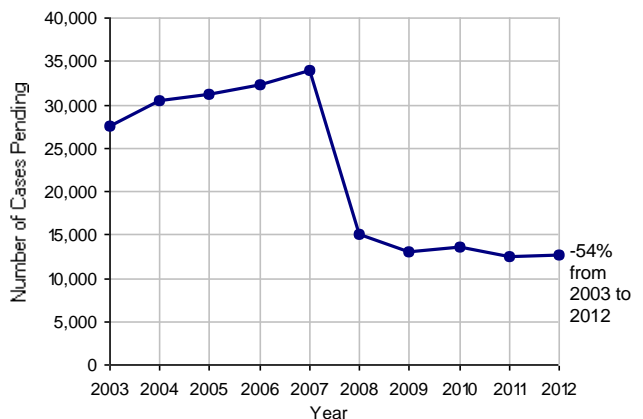


Clearance Rate, 2003-2012



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Cases Pending at the End of Year, 2003-2012



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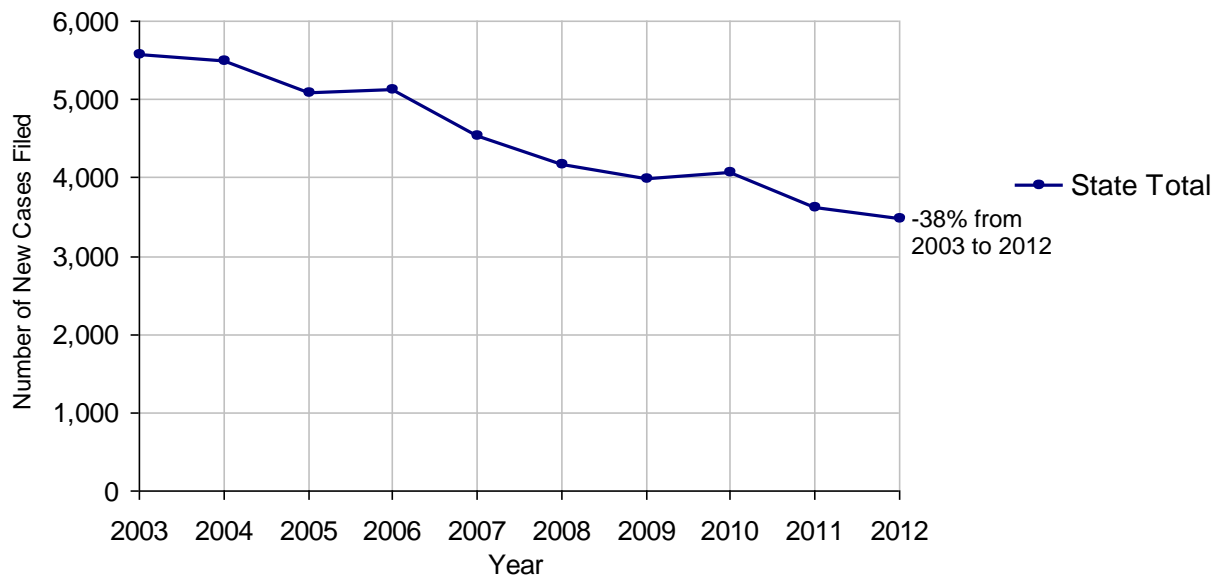
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2012 Accounts	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	1,527 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012	3,482	
Cases Available for Processing	5,009	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	309	8.8%
Contested before a Non-judicial Officer	7	0.2%
Uncontested	3,070	87.8%
Other	112	3.2%
Cases Processed	3,498	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	1,511	

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Accounts New Cases Filed, 2003-2012



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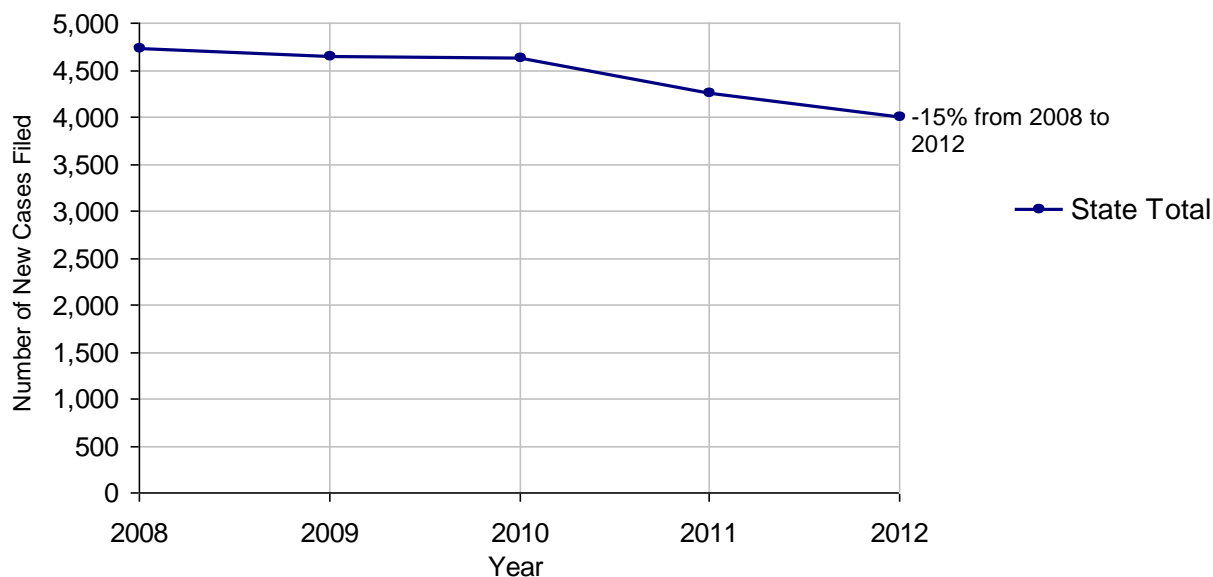
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2012 Adoptions		No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012		1,185 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012		4,000	
Cases Available for Processing		5,185	
Processed By:			
Contested before a Judge	Granted	40	1.0%
	Denied	5	0.1%
Uncontested	Granted	3,905	96.2%
	Denied	7	0.2%
Other		104	2.6%
Cases Processed		4,061	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012		1,124	

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Adoptions New Cases Filed, 2008-2012



Note: Prior to 2008, each petition was counted as one new case, regardless of the number of children listed on the petition. Starting in 2008, each child listed on a petition is counted as a separate case. Therefore, statistics since 2008 should not be compared to statistics prior to 2008.

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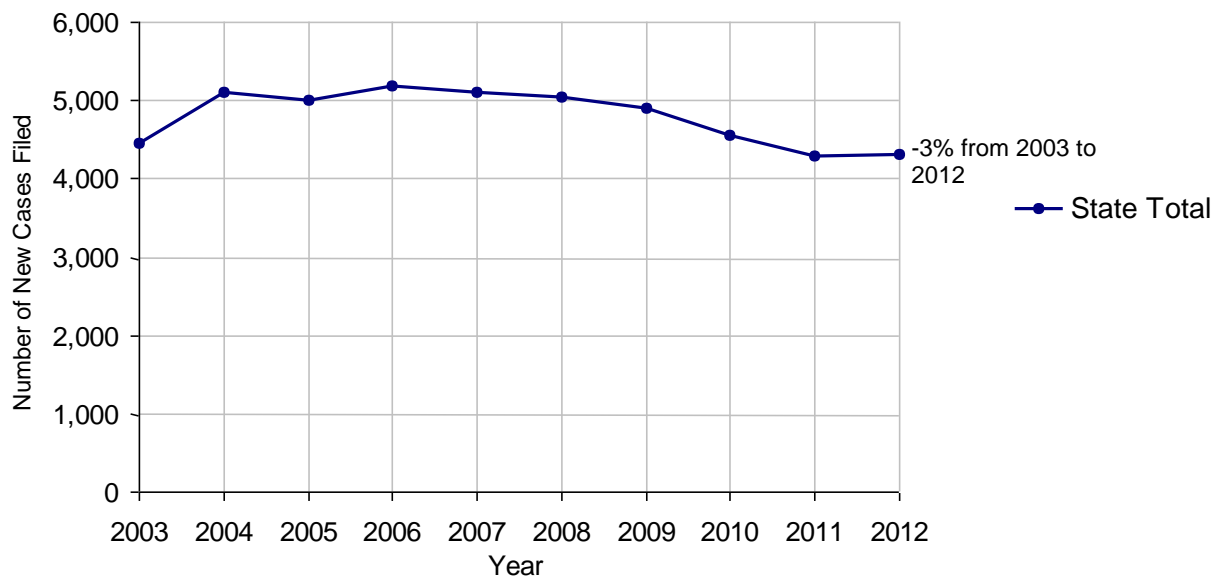
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2012 Relinquishments/Terminations	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	2,396 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012	4,315	
Cases Available for Processing	6,711	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	1,104	25.9%
Uncontested	2,822	66.1%
Other	341	8.0%
Cases Processed	4,267	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	2,444	

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Relinquishments/Terminations New Cases Filed, 2003-2012



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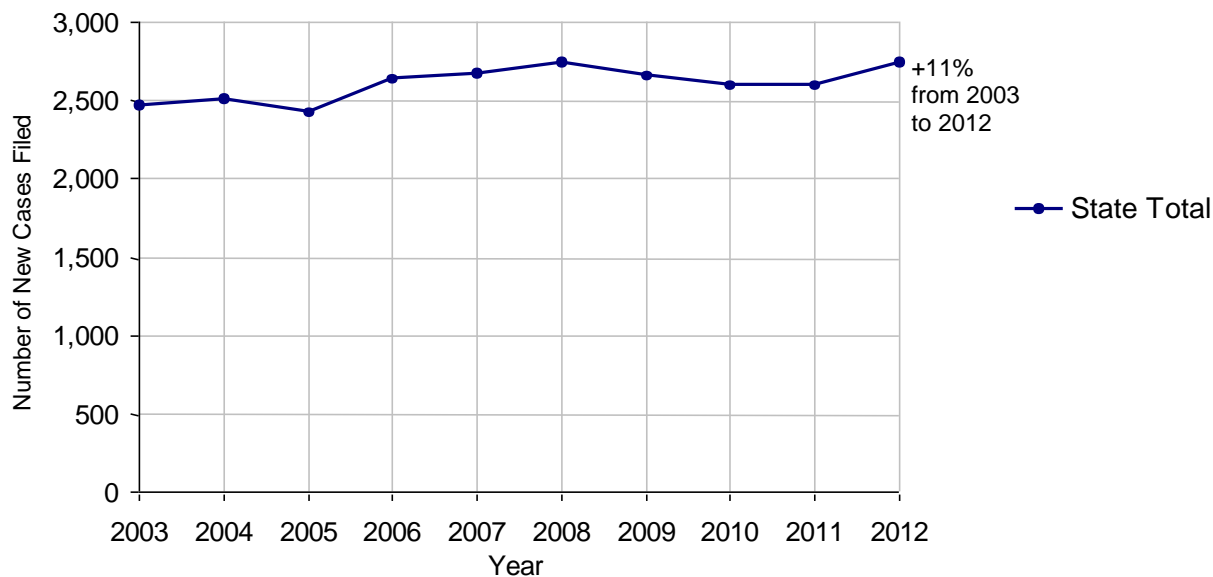
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2012 Appointment of Guardians	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2012	868 ^(R)	
New Cases Filed in 2012	2,744	
Cases Available for Processing	3,612	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	525	19.6%
Uncontested	1,847	68.9%
Other	309	11.5%
Cases Processed	2,681	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2012	931	

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Appointment of Guardians New Cases Filed, 2003-2012



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2012 Jury Yield and Utilization

Jury Yield

Qualification Questionnaires/Summonses Mailed:	1,252,146	A		
Returned Undeliverable:	117,324	B	9.4%	Of Qualification Questionnaires/Summonses Mailed
Not Responded to:	240,025	C	19.2%	
the Number of Prospective Jurors:				
Disqualified:	163,613	D	13.1%	
Exempted:	41,022	E	3.3%	
Excused:	205,178	F	16.4%	
Deferred to New Term:	99,619	G	8.0%	
Deferred from Previous Term:	66,340	H	5.3%	
Total Number of Qualified Jurors Available for Service:	451,705	I	36.1%	

$I=A-B-C-D-E-F-G+H$

Jury Utilization

the Number of Jurors:				
Reporting for Service:	246,499		54.6%	Of Jurors Qualified and Available
Told Not to Report for Service:	206,170		45.6%	
Sent to Courtroom for Jury Selection (Voir Dire):	224,594		91.1%	Of Jurors Reporting for Service
Impanelled or Sworn (jurors/alternates):	51,555		20.9%	
Removed for Cause/Hardship:	87,092			
Removed by Peremptory Challenge:	35,593			

Jury Costs

Total Annual Budget for Juror Operations:	\$12,846,784.00	J
Average Cost Per Juror:	\$10.26	K

$K=J/A$

In mid-2011, AOPC began utilizing the National Center for State Courts' Jury Managers' Toolbox for collecting jury data. In 2012, the counties began providing additional jury data which included information about the summoning practices in the counties. With this additional data, we can now see not only how many citizens come to our courthouses every day in anticipation of serving on a jury, but the number of citizens actually summonsed and the number of those summonsed who are exempt, excused or disqualified from service. With this wider view of the jury process, we can determine the efficiency with which our courts operate, and with the assistance of the Jury Managers' Toolbox find guidance in streamlining the jury summoning practices.