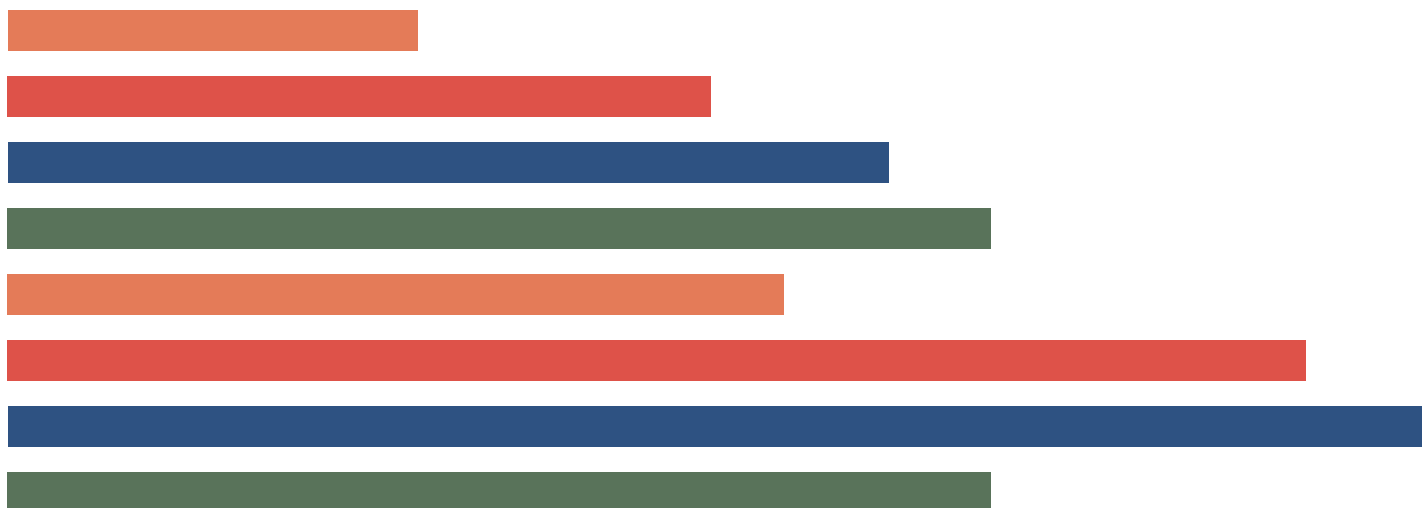


2024

Court of Common Pleas
Caseload Statistics for

Schuylkill County



We are pleased to provide you with a copy of the 2024 County Caseload Display pages. They can also be viewed on the AOPC webpage at www.pacourts.us in the *News & Statistics* section under *Research & Statistics*.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 717.231.3300.

Sincerely,

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Sasanka Adikari, Ph.D.
Data Scientist
Department of Research and Statistics

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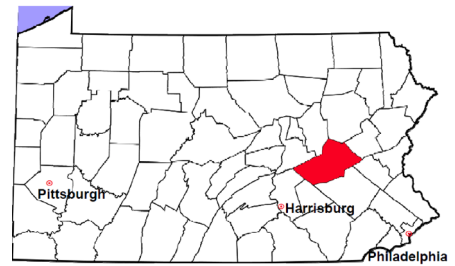
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2024 Criminal No. of Cases

Cases Pending 1/1/2024 1,007

New Cases Filed in 2024 1,626

Reopened Cases 124

Cases Available for Processing 2,757

Processed by:

Withdrawn/Dismissed	131	6.8%
Diversionsary Disposition*	335	17.4%
Guilty Plea	1,152	59.9%
Non-Jury Trial	15	0.8%
Jury Trial	33	1.7%
Inactive	232	12.1%
Other	26	1.4%
Total Cases Processed	1,924	100.0%

Cases Pending 12/31/2024 833

Cases Awaiting Sentencing 17

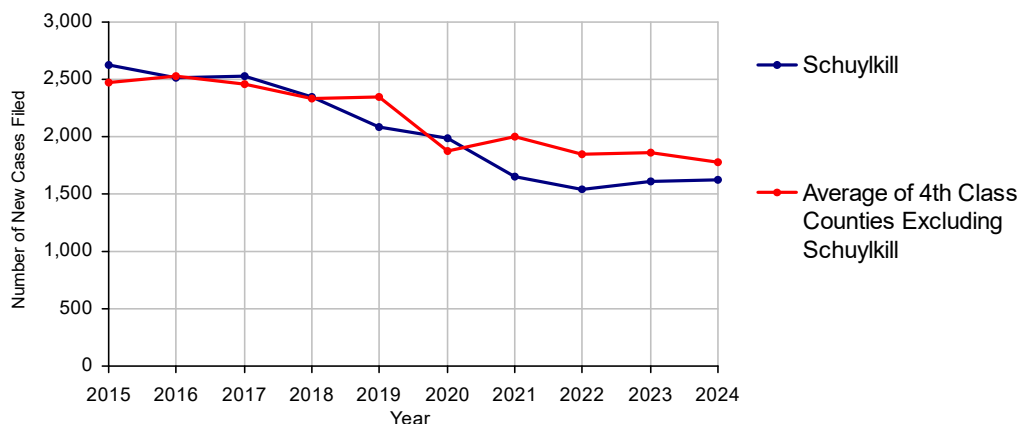
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* Includes other diversionary programs such as Veterans Court.

Age of Pending Cases as of 12/31/2024

0-60 Days	242	29.1%
61-120 Days	246	29.5%
121-180 Days	142	17.0%
181-240 Days	49	5.9%
241-300 Days	54	6.5%
301-360 Days	28	3.4%
Over 360 Days	72	8.6%
Total	833	100.0%

Criminal New Cases, 2015-2024



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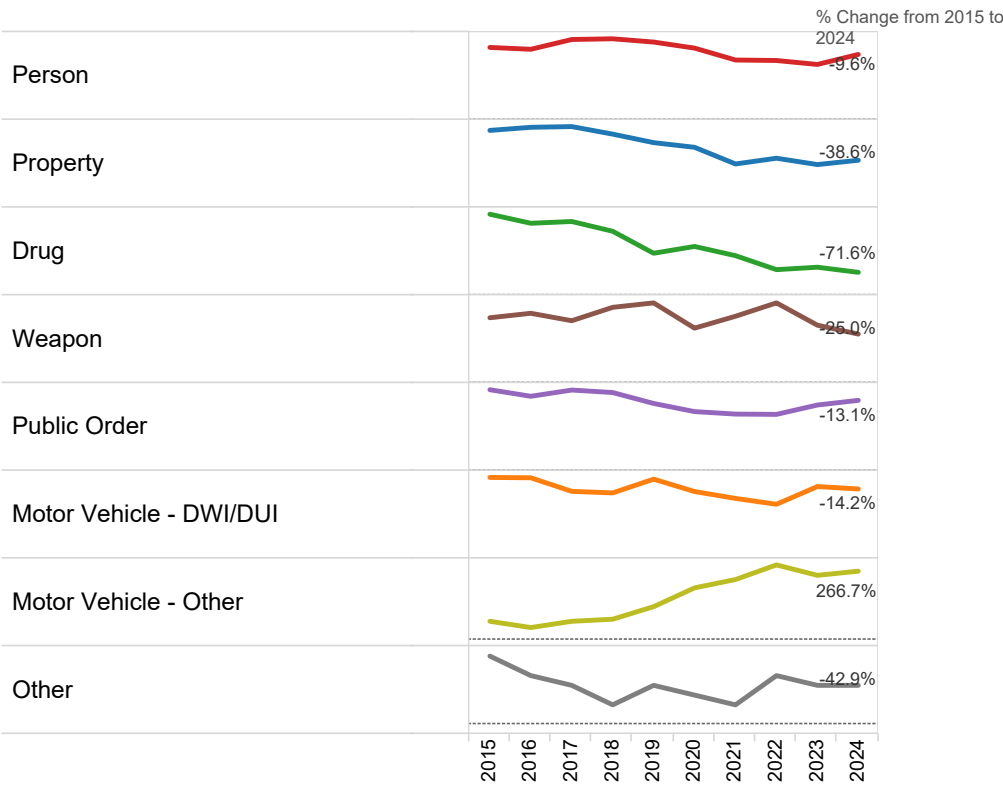


2024 Criminal - New Cases by Offense Type

Case Type	Felony	Misdemeanor	Summary	Total	
Person	124	156	1	281	17.3%
Property	204	192	0	396	24.4%
Drug	56	192	0	248	15.3%
Weapon	21	12	0	33	2.0%
Public Order	77	147	2	226	13.9%
Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI	16	389	0	405	24.9%
Motor Vehicle - Other	1	31	1	33	2.0%
Other	4	0	0	4	0.2%
Total	503	1,119	4	1,626	100.0%
	30.9%	68.8%	0.2%	100.0%	

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Criminal New Cases by Offense Type, 2015-2024

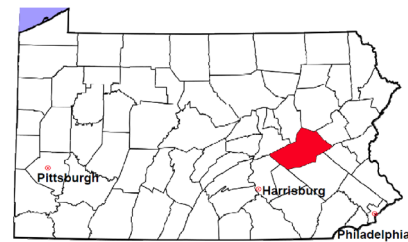


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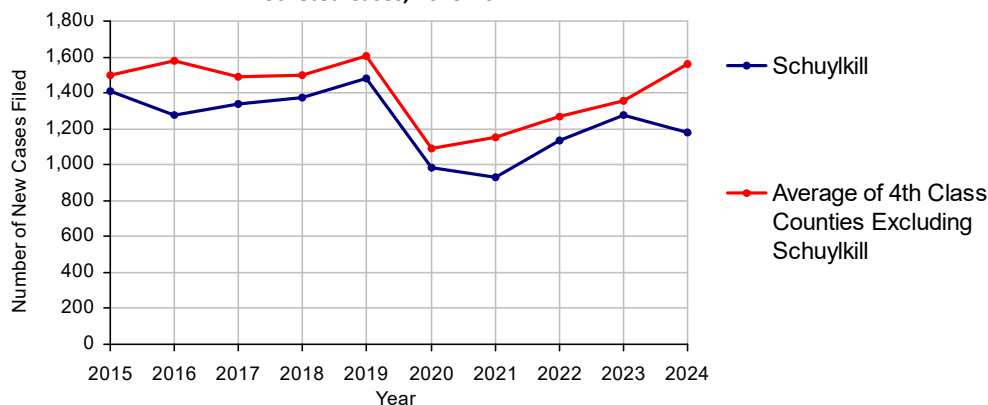


2024 Civil	Civil Action	Other	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2024	948	534	1,482
Docketed Cases	818	357	1,175
Arbitration Appeals	1	0	1
Transferred In	1	0	1
Returned to Active	2	1	3
Cases Available for Processing	1,770	892	2,662
Processed By:			
Default Judgments	158	40	198
Cases Decided by Arbitration Board	10	0	10
Dispositive Motions	21	24	45
Settlements	101	58	159
Moved to Inactive Status	2	0	2
Transferred/Withdrawn	5	7	12
Dismissed/Discontinued	127	77	204
Administrative Purge	17	12	29
Other	21	80	101
Jury Trial	1	1	2
Non-Jury Trial	1	0	1
Total Cases Processed	464	299	763
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	1,306	593	1,899

Age of Pending Cases as of 12/31/2024 (Civil Action Only)

0-6 months	412	31.5%
7-12 months	298	22.8%
13-18 months	189	14.5%
19-24 months	113	8.7%
25-30 months	116	8.9%
31-36 months	75	5.7%
37-42 months	47	3.6%
43-48 months	15	1.1%
49-54 months	5	0.4%
55-60 months	3	0.2%
61-66 months	5	0.4%
67-72 months	2	0.2%
Over 72 months	26	2.0%
Total	1,306	100.0%

Docketed Cases, 2015-2024

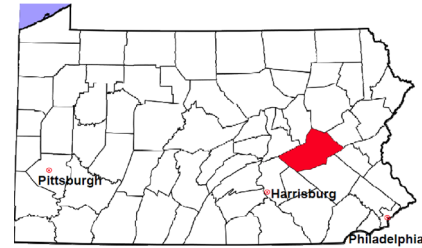


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2024 Civil - Docketed Cases Listed by Case Type

TORT 158 13.4%

(does not include mass tort)

Intentional	7
Malicious Prosecution	2
Motor Vehicle	82
Nuisance	1
Premise Liability	16
Product Liability	0
Slander/Libel/Defamation	2
Other	48

MASS TORT 2 0.2%

Asbestos	0
Tobacco	0
Toxic Tort - DES	0
Toxic Tort - Implant	0
Toxic Waste	0
Other	2

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY 9 0.8%

Dental	1
Legal	0
Medical Malpractice	8
Other	0

CONTRACT 623 53.0%

(does not include judgments)

Buyer Plaintiff	7
Debt Collection: Credit Card	361
Debt Collection: Other	214
Employment Dispute: Discrimination	0
Employment Dispute: Other	1
Other	40

Of the Docketed Cases:

Pro Se Filings: 17 1.4% Class Action Suits: 1 0.1% MDJ Appeals: 48 4.1%

*Civil Other

REAL PROPERTY 276 23.5%

Ejectment*	33
Eminent Domain/Condemnation*	2
Ground Rent	1
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	25
Mortgage Foreclosure:	
Residential*	167
Commercial*	2
Partition of Real Property*	7
Quiet Title*	11
Other*	28

CIVIL APPEALS 63 5.4%

- Administrative Agencies

Board of Assessment*	13
Board of Elections*	0
Dept. of Transportation*	35
Zoning Board*	2
Statutory Appeal - Other*	1
Other*	12

MISCELLANEOUS 44 3.7%

Common Law/	
Statutory Arbitration*	0
Declaratory Judgment*	4
Mandamus*	1
Non-Domestic Relations	
Restraining Order*	2
Quo Warranto*	1
Replevin*	10
Other*	26

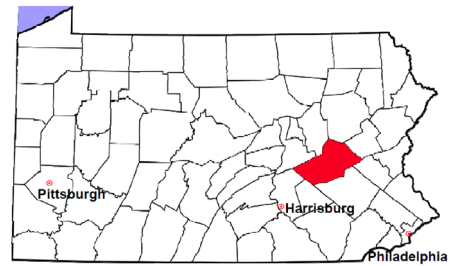
TOTAL DOCKETED CASES: 1,175 100.0%

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2024 Protection From Abuse

**No. of
Petitions**

Cases Pending 1/1/2024

70

New Cases Filed in 2024

463

Of these, Petitions Requesting Temporary Orders: 463 (100.0%)

Temporary Orders DENIED: 73 (15.8%), Temporary Orders GRANTED: 390 (84.2%)

Cases Available for Processing

533

Processed By:

Temporary Order DENIED After Ex Parte Hearing and No Evidentiary Hearing Scheduled	73	14.2%
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Temporary Order DISMISSED After Evidentiary Hearing and No Final Order Entered	0	
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Final Order DENIED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge or a Judicial Officer	39	7.6%
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Final Order GRANTED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge or a Judicial Officer	135	26.3%
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Plaintiff Did Not Appear For Evidentiary Hearing	105	20.5%
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Final Order by STIPULATION OR AGREEMENT Between the Parties	57	11.1%
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Petition WITHDRAWN by Plaintiff	64	12.5%
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TRANSFERRED to Another Jurisdiction	0	
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Other	40	7.8%
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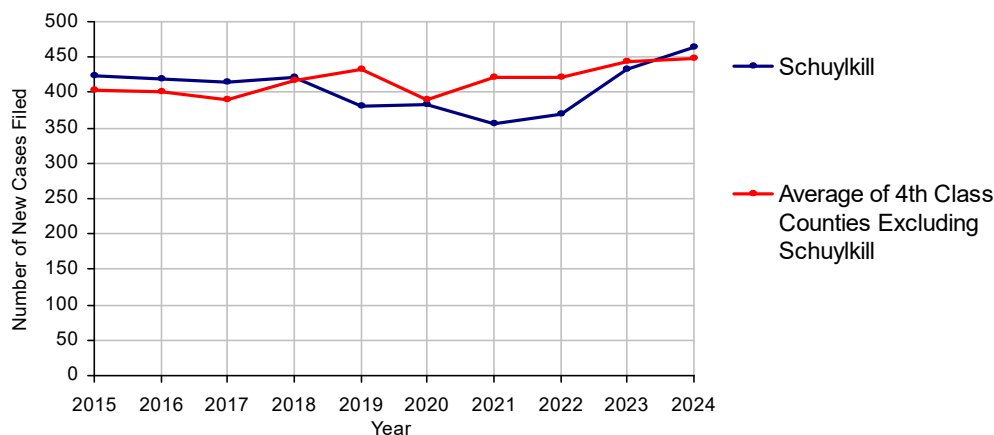
Cases Processed

513 100.0%

Cases Pending 12/31/2024

20

PFA New Cases Filed, 2015-2024

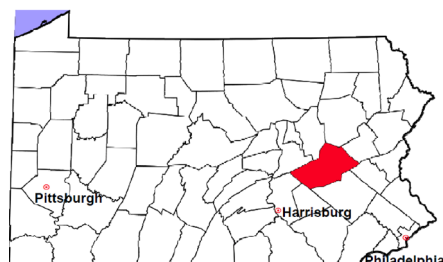


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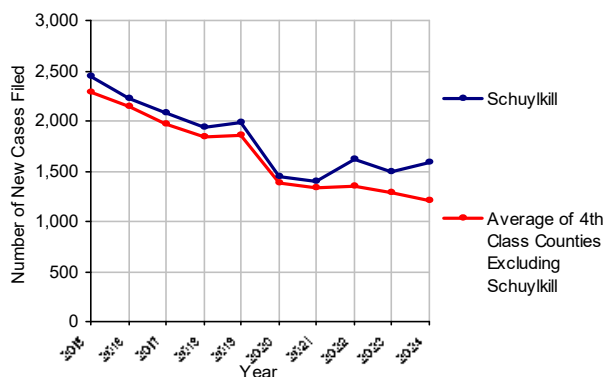
2024 Spousal & Child Support	No. of Petitions
Cases Pending 1/1/2024	329
New Cases Filed in 2024	1,585
Dockets Transferred In (+)	18
Dockets Transferred Out (-)	30
Cases Available for Processing	1,902
Processed By:	
Judge	0
Intake Officer	1,673 95.9%
Hearing Officer	70 4.0%
Other	1 0.1%
Cases Processed	1,744 100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	158

Data provided by PACSES

2024 Paternity	No. of Cases
Acknowledgements Filed:	
Non-Domestic Relations Section	186 86.1%
During Conference	25 11.6%
Non-Stipulated (post genetic test)	2 0.9%
Pre-Trial Conference	3 1.4%
Total	216 100.0%
Established:	
Stipulated by Genetic Tests	25 26.3%
Default - Father Failed to Appear	9 9.5%
Adjudication by Court Proceeding	0
Out of State	61 64.2%
Total	95 100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	53

Data provided by PACSES

Spousal & Child Support New Cases Filed, 2015-2024



DEFINITIONS:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FILED:

NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS SECTION: The voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity by the alleged father.

DURING CONFERENCE: The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial (PE-010) at the initial child support conference.

NON-STIPULATED (POST GENETIC TEST): The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial after genetic tests were conducted and resulted in the alleged father being determined to be the biological father.

PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE: The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial at the pre-trial conference.

ESTABLISHED:

STIPULATED BY GENETIC TESTS: The alleged father requested genetic tests and signed a stipulation that if the test results had a 99% or higher probability of paternity then the alleged father would be stipulated as the biological father of the child.

DEFAULT - FATHER FAILED TO APPEAR: The alleged father failed to appear after being served for either a support conference, hearing, or genetic test and a default paternity order was entered by the court.

ADJUDICATION BY COURT PROCEEDING: The alleged father was determined to be the biological father of the child through a court proceeding.

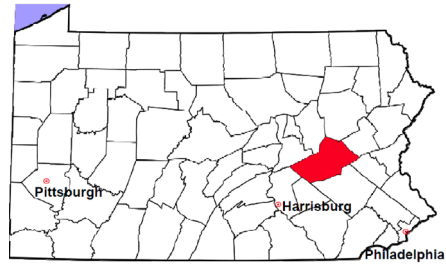
OUT OF STATE: Paternity was established in another state, "Out of state only".

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2024 Custody/Partial Custody/Visitation

No. of
Petitions

Cases Pending 1/1/2024

584

New Cases Filed in 2024

428

Cases Available for Processing

1,012

Processed By:

Judge

138

39.1%

Non-Judicial Officer

189

53.5%

Administrative Review/Purge

0

Other

26

7.4%

Cases Processed

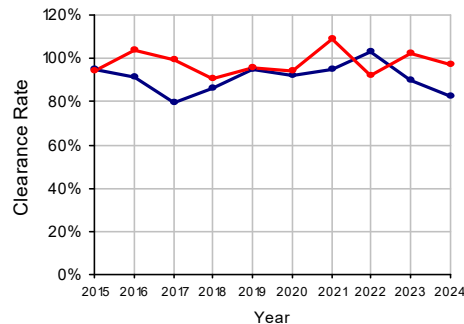
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100.0%

Cases Pending 12/31/2024

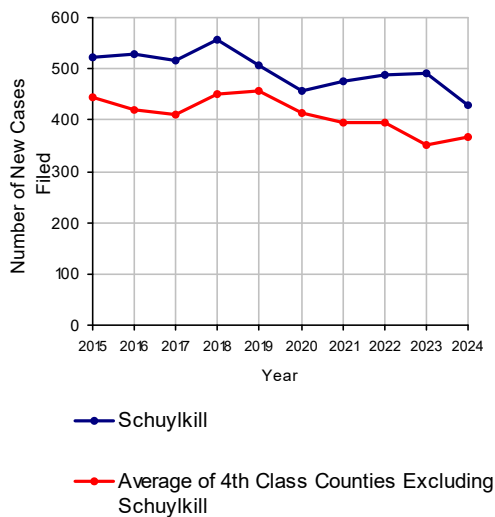
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Clearance Rate, 2015-2024

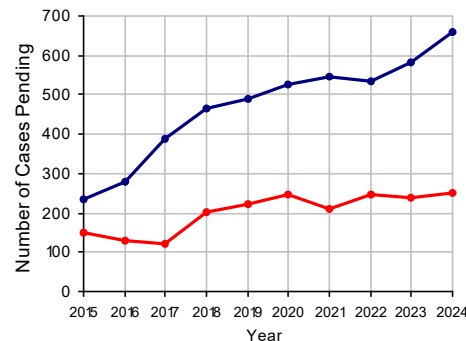


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Custody/Partial Custody/Visitation New Cases Filed, 2015-2024



Cases Pending at the End of Year, 2015-2024

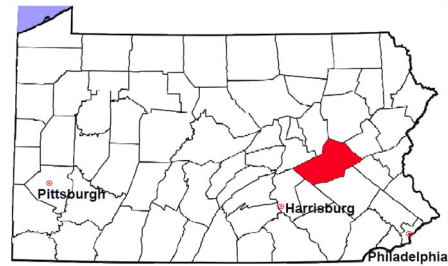


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2024 Divorce

No. of Petitions

Cases Pending 1/1/2024

628

New Cases Filed in 2024

375

Cases Available for Processing

1,003

Processed By:

Contested Before a Judge

1

0.3%

Contested Before a Non-Judicial Officer

15

4.5%

Uncontested

246

74.1%

Administrative Review/Purge

49

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Other

21

6.3%

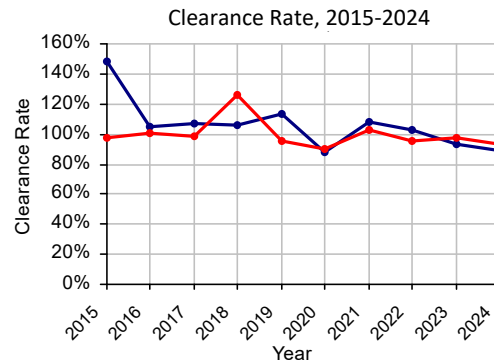
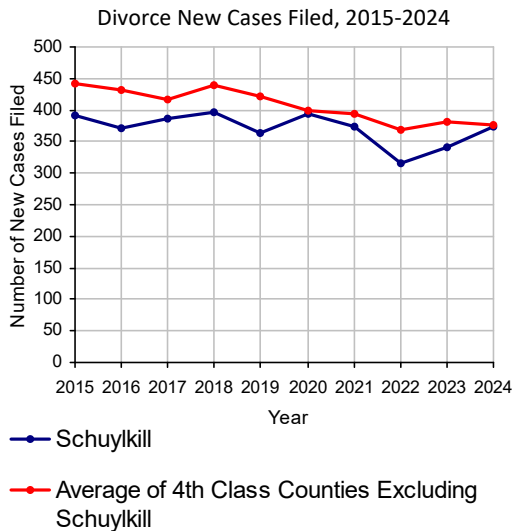
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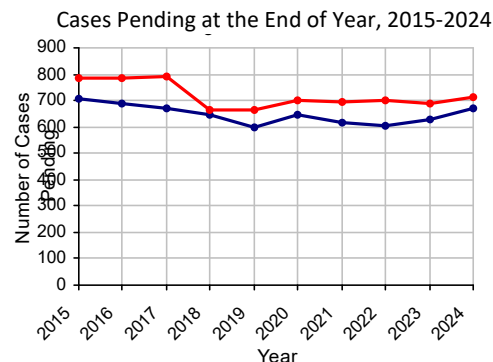
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Cases Pending 12/31/2024

671



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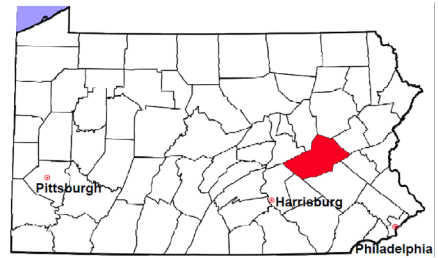


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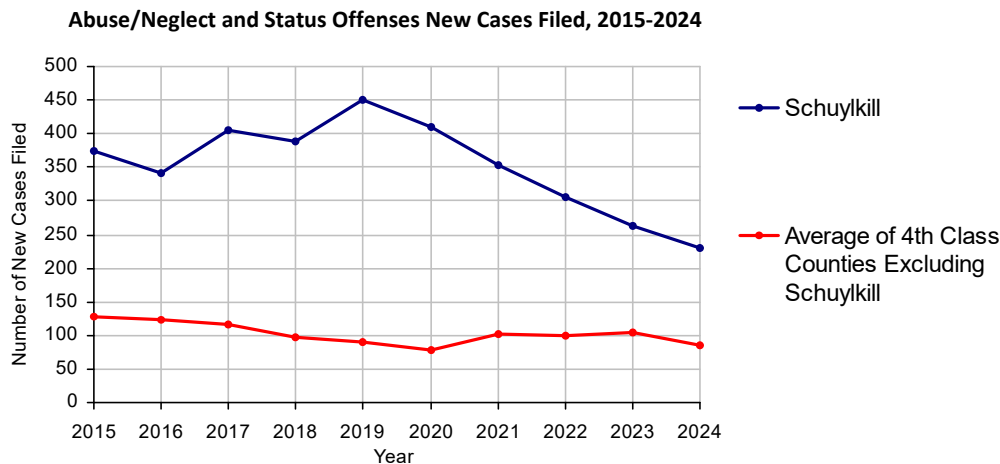
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2024 Juvenile Dependency - Petitions Pending Adjudication

	Abuse/ Neglect	Status Offenses	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2024	30	0	30
New Petitions Filed in 2024	228	2	230
Other	116	0	116
Total Petitions Available for Processing	374	2	376
Processed by:			
Adjudicated Dependent			
Judge	209	0	209
Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0	0	0
Adjudicated NOT Dependent			
Judge	140	2	142
Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0	0	0
Withdrawn/Transferred	2	0	2
Dismissed/Other	0	0	0
Total Petitions Processed	351	2	353
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	23	0	23

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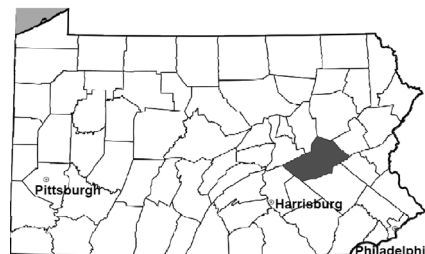


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2024 Juvenile Dependency - Adjudicated Dependent Inventory

	Abuse/ Neglect	Status Offenses	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2024	485	0	485
New Adjudicated Dependent Cases	209	0	209
Other	2	0	2
Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases	696	0	696

Court Supervision Terminated:

Family Reunification	15	5.8%	0	15	5.8%
Adoption	29	11.3%	0	29	11.3%
Placement with a Relative/Guardian	199	77.4%	0	199	77.4%
Aged Out	8	3.1%	0	8	3.1%
Other Permanency Outcomes*	1	0.4%	0	1	0.4%
Other**	5	1.9%	0	5	1.9%

Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases Terminated	257	100.0%	0	100.0%	257	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	439		0		439	

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

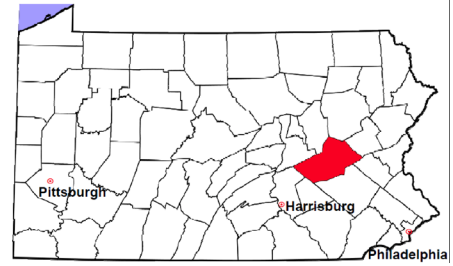
** Other includes cases where court supervision is terminated due to transfer out of jurisdiction, withdrawal and administrative closure.

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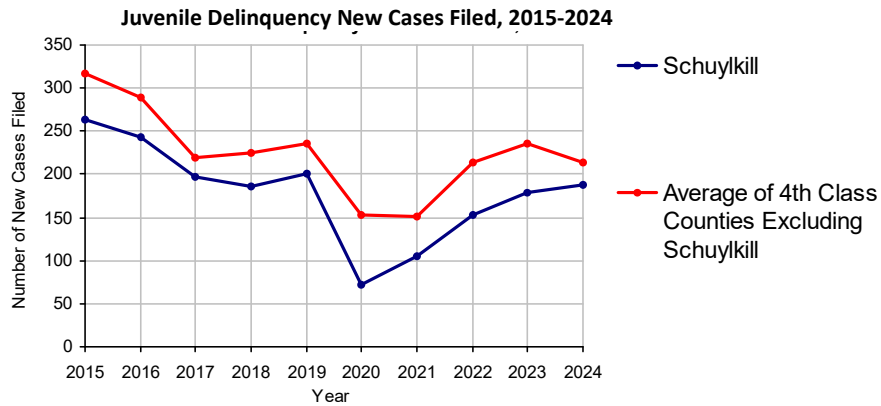
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2024 Juvenile Delinquency - Cases Pending Disposition

Begin Pending	53
New Cases	187
Consent Decree Revoked	5
Informal Adjustment Program Revoked	5
Alternative Program Revoked	0
Warrant Returned	2
Other	14
Total Cases Available for Disposition	266
Warrant Issued	2
Disposed by:	
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Judge	61
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0
Consent Decree Entered	41
Informal Adjustment Program Entered	76
Warned and Counseled (Pre-Petition)	5
Dismissed/Withdrawn/Transferred	25
Transferred to Criminal Court	0
Other	10
Total Cases Disposed	218
End Pending	46

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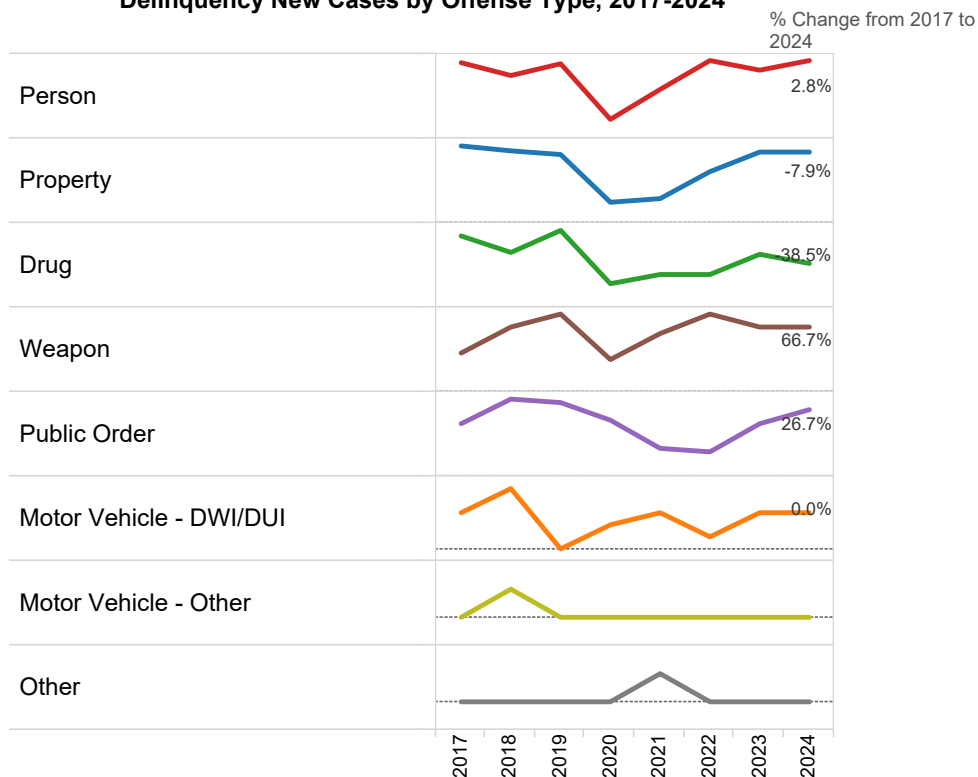


2024 Delinquency - New Cases by Offense Type

Case Type	Felony	Misdemeanor	Summary	Total	
Person	16	57	0	73	39.0%
Property	20	38	0	58	31.0%
Drug	1	23	0	24	12.8%
Weapon	0	10	0	10	5.3%
Public Order	2	17	0	19	10.2%
Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI	0	3	0	3	1.6%
Motor Vehicle - Other	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Other	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	39	148	0	187	100.0%
	20.9%	79.1%	0.0%	100.0%	

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Delinquency New Cases by Offense Type, 2017-2024

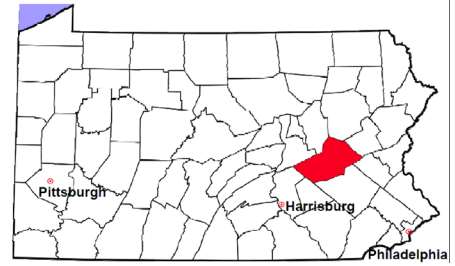


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2024 Juvenile Delinquency - Formal Dispositions

Begin Pending	113
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Judge	61
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0
Warrant Returned	6
Other	2
Total Adjudicated Delinquent Cases	182
Warrant Issued	9
Court Supervision Terminated:	
Conditions Satisfied	35
Compelling Reasons	0
Reached Age 21	7
Transferred to Another Juvenile Court	0
Other	3
Total Adjudicated Delinquent Cases Terminated	45
End Pending	128

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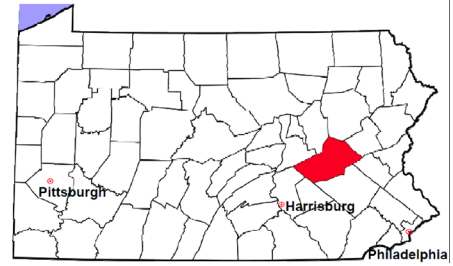
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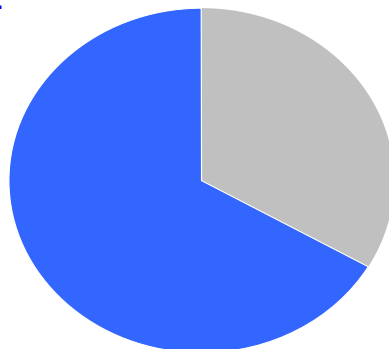
2024 Juvenile Delinquency - Informal Dispositions

Pending Consent Decrees	33
Pending Informal Adjustments	37
New Consent Decrees	41
New Informal Adjustments	76
Warrant Returned	1
Other	5
Cases Informally Disposed	193
Warrant Issued	0
Terminated by:	
Consent Decree Completed	28
Informal Adjustment Completed	65
Consent Decree Revoked	5
Informal Adjustment Program Revoked	5
Other	5
Total Informally Disposed Cases Terminated	108
End Pending	85

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Informal Dispositions: **67%**



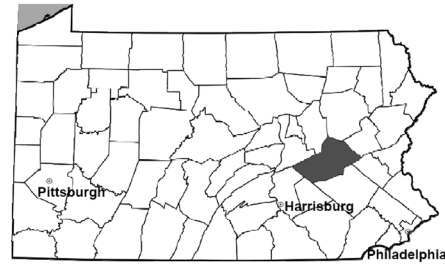
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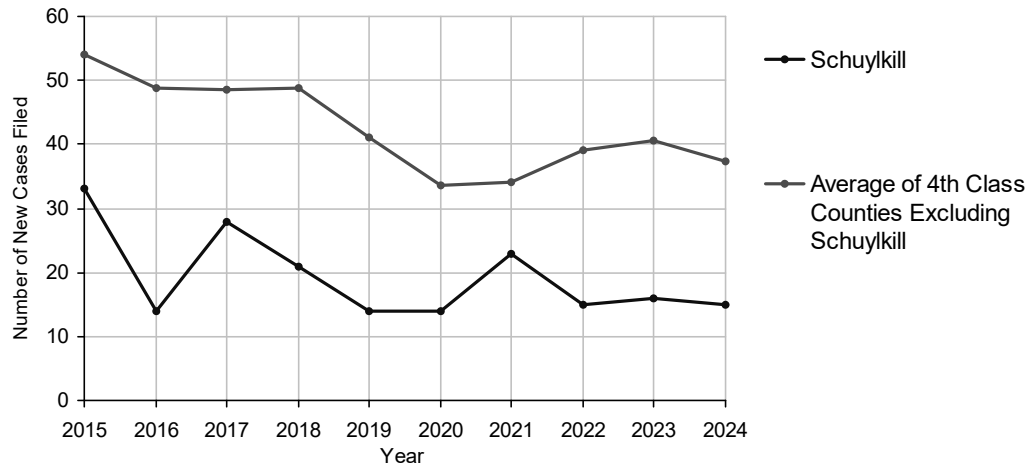
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2024 Accounts	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2024	6	
New Cases Filed in 2024	15	
Cases Available for Processing	21	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	0	
Contested before a Non-Judicial Officer	0	
Uncontested	7	43.8%
Other	9	56.3%
Cases Processed	16	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2024	5	

Accounts New Cases Filed, 2015-2024

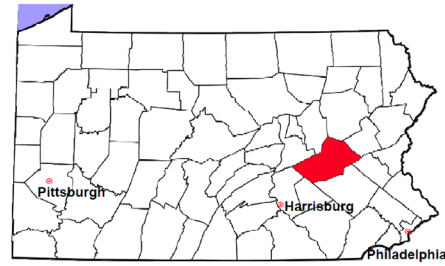


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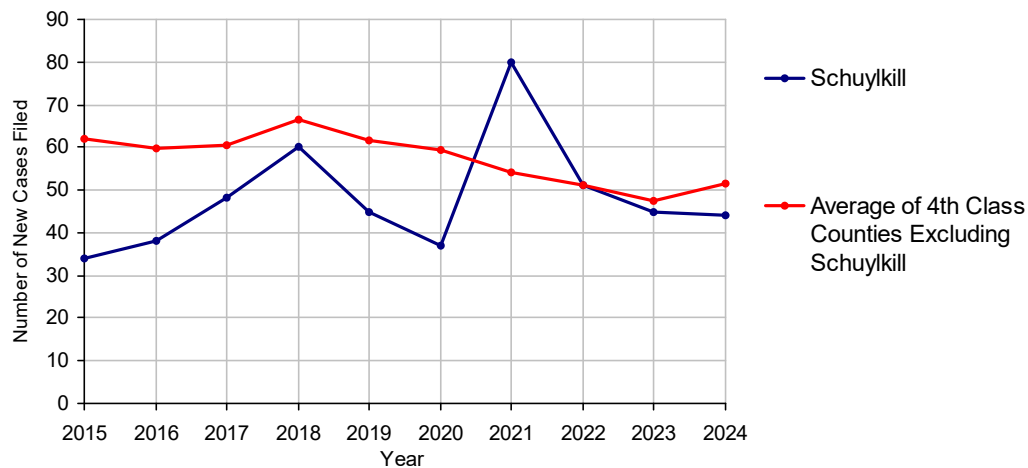
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No. of Common Pleas Court Judgeships: 6



2024 Adoptions			No. of Cases
Cases Pending 1/1/2024			11
New Cases Filed in 2024			44
Cases Available for Processing			55
Processed By:			
Contested before a Judge	Granted		0
	Denied		0
Uncontested	Granted	36	76.6%
	Denied	5	10.6%
Other		6	12.8%
Cases Processed			47 100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2024			8

Adoptions New Cases Filed, 2015-2024

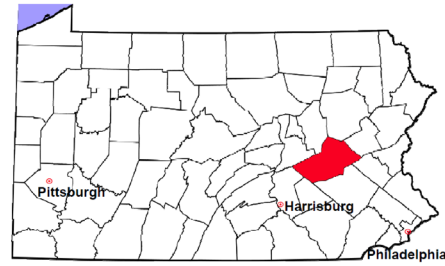


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2024 Relinquishments/Terminations

**No. of
Cases**

Cases Pending 1/1/2024

23

New Cases Filed in 2024

107

Cases Available for Processing

130

Processed By:

Contested before a Judge

5 6.3%

Uncontested

65 81.3%

Other

10 12.5%

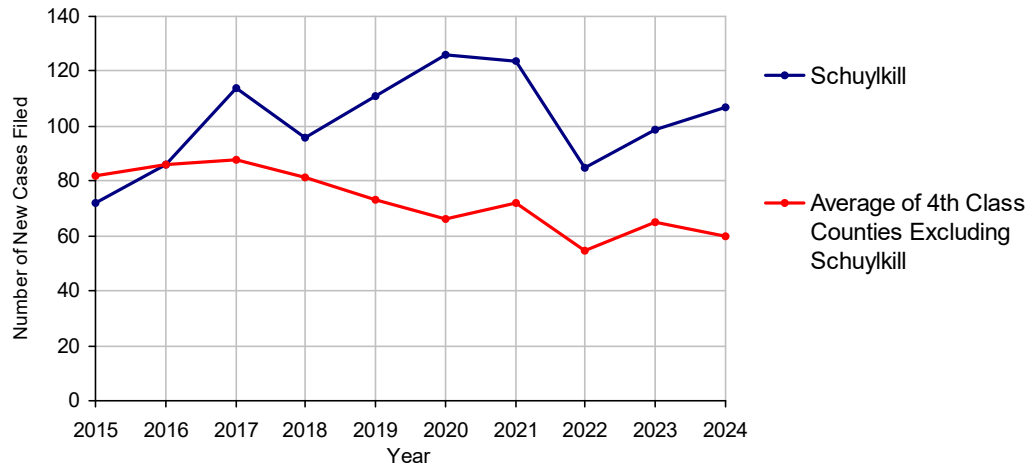
Cases Processed

80 100.0%

Cases Pending 12/31/2024

50

Relinquishments/Terminations New Cases Filed, 2015-2024

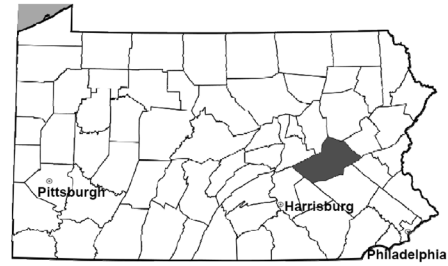


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2024 Appointment of Guardians

**No. of
Cases**

Cases Pending 1/1/2024

4

New Cases Filed in 2024

38

Cases Available for Processing

42

Processed By:

Contested before a Judge

0

Uncontested

32

82.1%

Other

7

17.9%

Cases Processed

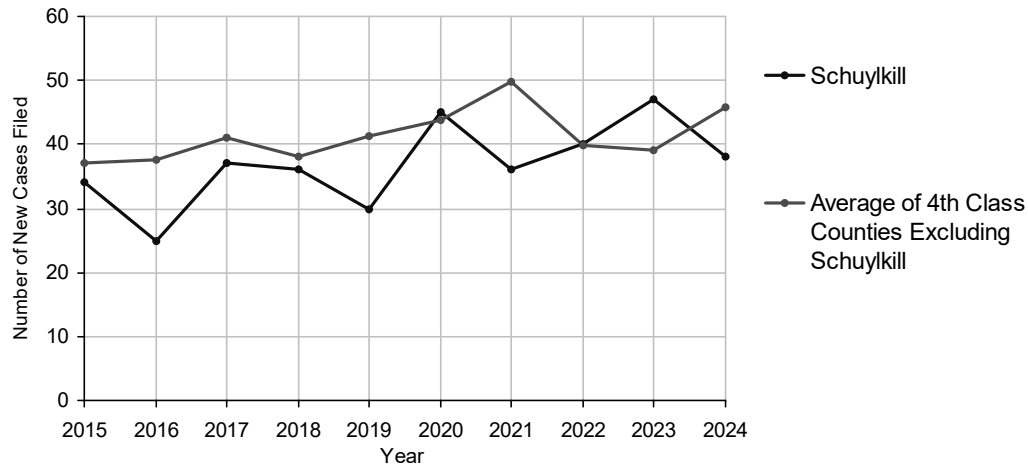
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100.0%

Cases Pending 12/31/2024

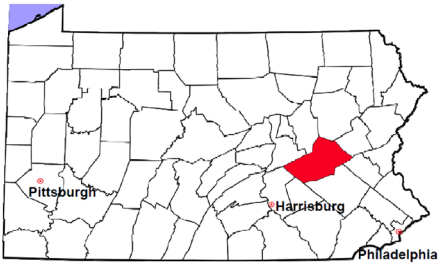
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Appointment of Guardians New Cases Filed, 2015-2024



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2024 Jury Yield and Utilization

Jury Yield

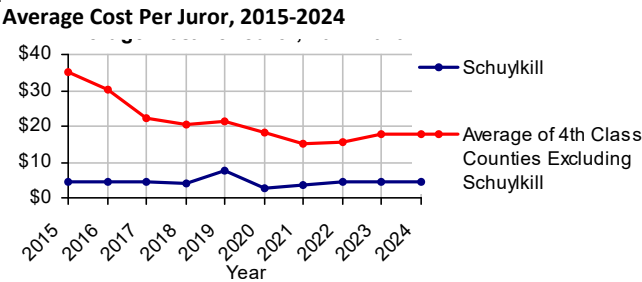
Qualification Questionnaires/Summonses Mailed:	20,744	A		
Returned Undeliverable:	2,091	B	10.1%	Of Qualification Questionnaires/ Summonses Mailed
Not Responded to:	6,121	C	29.5%	
the Number of Prospective Jurors:				
Disqualified:	2,774	D	13.4%	
Exempted:	1,748	E	8.4%	
Excused:	3,273	F	15.8%	
Deferred to New Term:	646	G	3.1%	
Deferred from Previous Term:	838	H	4.0%	
Total Number of Qualified Jurors Available for Service:	4,929	I	23.8%	
I=A-B-C-D-E-F-G+H				

Jury Utilization

the Number of Jurors:				
Reporting for Service:	3,069	62.3%	Of Jurors Qualified and Available	
Told Not to Report for Service:	20	0.4%		
Sent to Courtroom for Jury Selection (Voir Dire):	3,794	123.6%	Of Jurors Reporting for Service	
Impaneled or Sworn (jurors/alternates):	1,064	34.7%		
Removed for Cause/Hardship:	746			
Removed by Peremptory Challenge:	564			
Number of Jury Trials Started:	53			
Pool Days:	16			
Zero Panel Days	1	6.3%	(Of Pool Days)	

Jury Costs

Total Annual Budget for Juror Operations:	\$94,376.00	J
Average Cost Per Juror:	\$4.55	K
K=J/A		



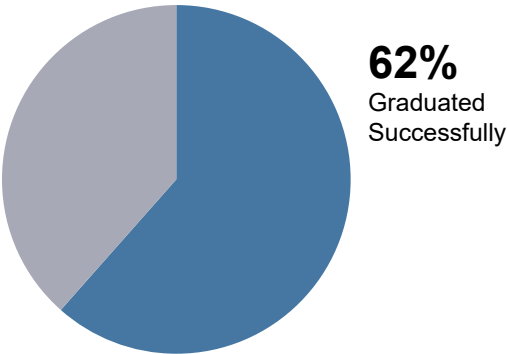
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2024 Treatment Courts

13 Discharges

20 Admissions

Of All Court Participants Discharged:



Adult Drug Court

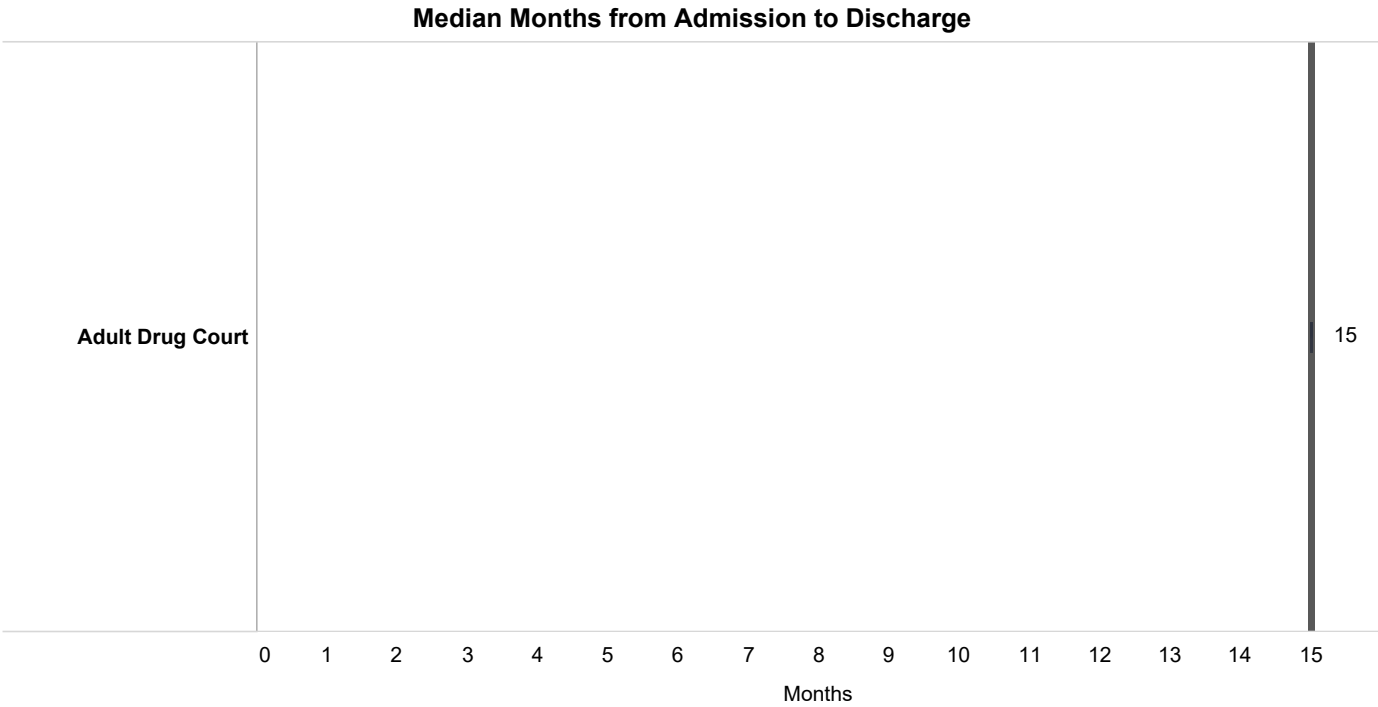


Discharge Reason

	Successfully Completed	Unsuccessful /Non-Compliant	Unsuccessful /Absconded	Total Discharges
Adult Drug Court	8 (61.5%)	2 (15.4%)	3 (23.1%)	13 (100.0%)

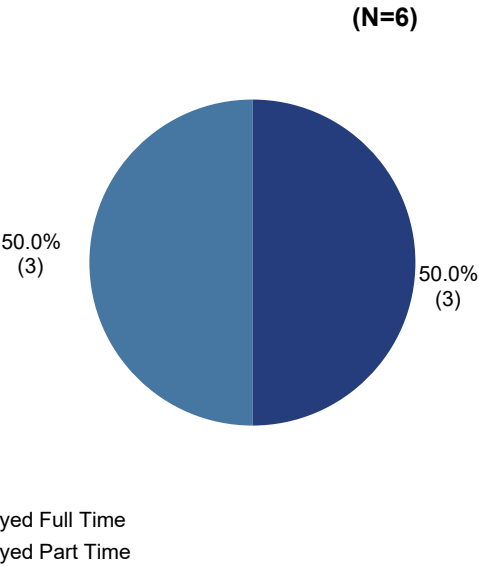
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2024 Treatment Courts



Among successful graduates, there was a increase in employment.

50% of the employed successful graduates were employed full time:



15% (2) of all participants have improved in education level at discharge.

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