

Office of the Public Defender		Desired					12-Month
Performance Indicators - December 2015	Frequency	Trend	Target	Prior	Current	% Change	Average
Providing Appropriate Effective Legal Counsel							
Trial Services to Indigents	http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/regions/						
Adult criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	62,408				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,171	3,996	4,448	11.3%	4,736
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,074	2,302	3,837	66.7%	3,350
Adult criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	150	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	9,324				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	777	537	602	12.1%	668
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	784	338	383	13.3%	465
Juvenile criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	200	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Post-conviction relief - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	56	54	33	-38.9%	55
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	61	23	63	173.9%	49
Appellate Services to Indigents	http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/appellate/						
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions or sentences filed in Appellate Division of New Jersey Superior Court ***	Monthly	Varies	144	96	130	35.4%	118
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	38	9	68	655.6%	58
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	89	69	78	13.0%	95
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	20	10	19	90.0%	22
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	42	18	41	127.8%	39
Office of Parental Representation	http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/opr/						
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	7,506				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,358				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	73	74	1.4%	72
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	626	472	564	19.5%	581
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	628	392	501	27.8%	399
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	113	94	107	13.8%	113
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	113	64	63	-1.6%	64
Office of Law Guardian	http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/olg/						
Children subject to Civil Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	8,574				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,620				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	119	118	-0.8%	121
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	715	513	610	18.9%	672
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	715	605	698	15.4%	693
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	135	95	181	90.5%	136
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	136	77	106	37.7%	131

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy		http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/mha/						
Mental Health hearings *		Annually	Varies	28,464				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *		Annually	Varies	1,355				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings		Monthly	Varies	1,302	1,395	1,745	25.1%	1,461
Number of outpatient commitment hearings		Monthly	Varies	71	90	135	50.0%	90
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings		Monthly	Varies	337	381	414	8.7%	369
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards		Monthly	Varies	633	471	511	8.5%	523
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained		Monthly	Varies	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%	0.0%	
Number of persons represented for other types of activities		Monthly	Varies	29	17	14	-17.6%	29
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law		Monthly	Varies	523	547	550	0.5%	543
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	26	22	13	-40.9%	23
Providing Mediation Services								
Office of Dispute Settlement		http://www.nj.gov/defender/structure/ods/						
Mediation - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	1,596				
Average mediator caseload *		Annually	Varies	266				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	124	75	79	5.3%	103
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	109	78	119	52.6%	110
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved		Monthly	Varies	54.0%	65.4%	56.3%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	9	4	4	0.0%	6
General civil court mediation - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	4	4	5	25.0%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	8	8	7	-12.5%	7
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	9	6	10	66.7%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	9	13	10	-23.1%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	5	8	5	-37.5%	7
<p>* This performance indicator is updated on a fiscal year basis in the 3rd quarter.</p> <p>** The number of cases closed only reflect those cases actually closed in OPD's Case Management System.</p> <p>*** The number of appeals filed do not reflect those new appeals waiting to be filed.</p>								