

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - December 2013	Frequency	Desired Trend	Target	Prior	Current	% Change	12-Month Average
Providing Appropriate Effective Legal Counsel							
Trial Services to Indigents	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/trial_about_our_services.shtml						
Adult criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	62,007				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,167	4,326	4,465	3.2%	5,066
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,064	3,904	2,844	-27.2%	3,637
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	11,437				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	953	642	638	-0.6%	802
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	934	519	437	-15.8%	702
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	63	13	84	546.2%	62
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	57	50	57	14.0%	64
Appellate Services to Indigents	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_appellate.shtml						
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions or sentences filed in Appellate Division of New Jersey Superior Court ***	Monthly	Varies	159	131	97	-26.0%	151
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	63	52	58	11.5%	52
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	90	57	79	38.6%	92
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	38	136	29	-78.7%	38
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	47	40	46	15.0%	46
Office of Parental Representation	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_opr.shtml						
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	6,801				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,266				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	64	64	0.0%	62
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	567	513	558	8.8%	610
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	576	457	242	-47.0%	339
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	106	91	126	38.5%	108
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	108	62	42	-32.3%	55
Office of Law Guardian	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_lawguardian.shtml						
Children subject to Civil Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	7,546				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,148				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	124	123	-0.8%	125
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	629	576	623	8.2%	702
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	637	750	467	-37.7%	681
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	96	150	127	-15.3%	130
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	98	90	116	28.9%	143

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml						
Mental Health hearings *	Annually	Varies	17,580				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *	Annually	Varies	1,034				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	Monthly	Varies	958	961	1,008	4.9%	1,100
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	10	20	24	20.0%	17
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	170	400	372	-7.0%	251
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	292	478	482	0.8%	418
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	80.0%	91.0%	87.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	35	14	11	-21.4%	26
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	510	521	522	0.2%	515
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Quarterly	Varies	66	67	57	-14.9%	76
Providing Mediation Services							
Office of Dispute Settlement	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml						
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,104				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	184				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	87	101	109	7.9%	144
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	123	108	-12.2%	109
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	47.0%	61.0%	53.7%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	4	0.0%	5
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	3	3	0.0%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	8	4	-50.0%	6
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	9	4	6	50.0%	5
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	8	4	5	25.0%	5
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	7	5	6	20.0%	5
<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>							