

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - April 2014	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	62,804				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,234	5,083	5,203	2.4%	4,944
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,057	4,599	5,385	17.1%	3,682
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	10,543				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	879	785	807	2.8%	765
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	933	927	750	-19.1%	637
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	59	46	82	78.3%	59
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	64	94	79	-16.0%	67
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	149	161	170	5.6%	141
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	47	64	99	54.7%	57
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	98	89	78	-12.4%	83
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	21	33	37	12.1%	34
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	43	37	53	43.2%	44
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	7,674				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,296				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	63	63	0.0%	64
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	640	684	702	2.6%	618
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	608	564	551	-2.3%	375
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	108	129	130	0.8%	112
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	106	100	129	29.0%	59
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	8,922				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,461				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	126	126	0.0%	125
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	744	809	790	-2.3%	716
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	697	736	785	6.7%	693
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	122	124	160	29.0%	135
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	122	140	146	4.3%	136

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml						
Mental Health hearings *	Annually	Varies	18,987				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *	Annually	Varies	1,055				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	Monthly	Varies	1,058	1,042	1,225	17.6%	1,139
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	6	47	60	27.7%	28
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	181	413	416	0.7%	350
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	306	518	573	10.6%	499
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	89.0%	87.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	31	16	21	31.3%	22
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	513	520	523	0.6%	518
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	22	11	22	100.0%	19
Providing Mediation Services							
Office of Dispute Settlement	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml						
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,404				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	234				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	112	152	156	2.6%	133
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	134	125	-6.7%	130
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	50.0%	44.0%	55.2%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	6	11	83.3%	6
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	3	5	66.7%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	1	6	500.0%	5
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	2	7	250.0%	5
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	12	200.0%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	2	6	200.0%	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>							