

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - October 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	5,251	5,285	0.6%	4,913
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,057	2,692	4,599	70.8%	3,624
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	650	842	29.5%	751
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	933	650	642	-1.2%	602
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	63	46	-27.0%	54
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	64	56	57	1.8%	68
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	142	189	33.1%	141
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	47	45	131	191.1%	58
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	98	115	79	-31.3%	84
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	21	20	15	-25.0%	35
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	43	30	44	46.7%	43
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	66	67	1.5%	64
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	640	620	689	11.1%	621
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	608	262	652	148.9%	433
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	108	111	135	21.6%	114
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	106	41	93	126.8%	69
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	124	123	-0.8%	124
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	744	609	728	19.5%	692
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	697	536	823	53.5%	697
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	122	139	147	5.8%	140
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	122	104	136	30.8%	135

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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	1,231	1,423	15.6%	1,190
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	6	74	11	-85.1%	45
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	181	295	443	50.2%	413
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	306	575	629	9.4%	563
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	86.0%	85.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	31	43	40	-7.0%	25
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	513	527	533	1.1%	524
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	22	21	24	14.3%	21
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	111	112	0.9%	120
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	97	112	15.5%	110
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	50.0%	49.5%	68.8%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	10	13	30.0%	7
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	6	9	50.0%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	7	6	-14.3%	7
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	11	6	-45.5%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	15	2	-86.7%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	7	75.0%	6
* This performance indicator is updated on a fiscal year basis in the 3rd quarter.							
** The number of cases closed only reflect those cases actually closed in OPD's Case Management System.							
*** The number of appeals filed do not reflect those new appeals waiting to be filed.							