

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - December 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	4,135	4,678	13.1%	4,915
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,057	2,589	2,992	15.6%	3,527
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	571	683	19.6%	749
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	933	440	369	-16.1%	590
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	41	35	-14.6%	52
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	64	35	31	-11.4%	65
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	99	116	17.2%	140
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	47	9	66	633.3%	55
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	98	82	109	32.9%	89
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	21	35	20	-42.9%	25
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	43	28	32	14.3%	40
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	67	68	1.5%	65
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	640	472	563	19.3%	618
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	608	352	398	13.1%	437
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	108	58	108	86.2%	110
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	106	59	57	-3.4%	70
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	120	120	0.0%	124
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	744	546	664	21.6%	693
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	697	695	703	1.2%	712
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	122	106	116	9.4%	136
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	122	113	145	28.3%	139

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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	1,180	1,484	25.8%	1,248
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	6	64	51	-20.3%	51
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	181	360	490	36.1%	419
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	306	471	609	29.3%	573
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	84.0%	85.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	31	30	34	13.3%	28
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	513	533	535	0.4%	526
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	22	23	14	-39.1%	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	80	67	-16.3%	115
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	95	377	296.8%	130
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	50.0%	72.6%	57.0%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	12	6	-50.0%	8
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	5	6	20.0%	5
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	8	1	-87.5%	6
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	11	175.0%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	5	11	120.0%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	9	7	-22.2%	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.							