

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - April 2015	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	62,408				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,171	4,745	4,986	5.1%	4,872
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,074	5,140	4,893	-4.8%	3,306
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	752	770	2.4%	732
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	784	841	620	-26.3%	533
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	79	61	-22.8%	52
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	61	61	48	-21.3%	56
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	144	146	104	-28.8%	136
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	38	71	73	2.8%	55
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	89	118	81	-31.4%	96
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	20	26	21	-19.2%	25
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	42	54	43	-20.4%	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	7,506				
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	72	71	-1.4%	67
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	626	652	643	-1.4%	594
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	628	617	539	-12.6%	423
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	113	115	100	-13.0%	107
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	113	103	97	-5.8%	67
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	8,574				
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	121	119	-1.7%	122
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	715	698	782	12.0%	671
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	715	724	729	0.7%	717
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	135	109	152	39.4%	133
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	136	162	177	9.3%	146

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml						
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	1,382	1,583	14.5%	1,329
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	71	81	87	7.4%	60
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	337	426	400	-6.1%	398
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	633	600	607	1.2%	580
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	84.0%	87.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	29	40	35	-12.5%	31
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	523	539	542	0.6%	532
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	26	29	29	0.0%	23
Providing Mediation Services							
Office of Dispute Settlement	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml						
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,596				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	266				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	124	210	107	-49.0%	112
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	109	185	95	-48.6%	137
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	54.0%	62.2%	60.0%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	6	3	-50.0%	8
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	4	3	6	100.0%	5
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	8	12	8	-33.3%	7
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	9	5	13	160.0%	8
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	9	5	-44.4%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	8	7	-12.5%	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>							