

Executive Office of the Trial Court Case Flow Metrics Report

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Case Flow Metrics











New Filings (Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

By Department:	N	ew Filing	S	New	/ Filings `	YTD	% All Filings
	Q4	Q1	% Change	2014 YTD	2015 YTD	% Change	2015 YTD
Boston Municipal Court	15,585	13,855	-11.1%	14,262	13,855	-2.9%	13.3%
District Court	68,035	59,240	-12.9%	66,189	59,240	-10.5%	56.9%
Housing Court	11,010	9,701	-11.9%	9,930	9,701	-2.3%	9.3%
Juvenile Court							
Land Court	3,242	3,587	10.6%	2,332	3,587	53.8%	3.4%
Probate & Family Court	14,457	14,528	0.5%	15,006	14,528	-3.2%	14.0%
Superior Court	5,670	3,161	-44.3%	6,445	3,161	-51.0%	3.0%
Total	117,999	104,072	-11.8%	114,164	104,072	-8.8%	100.0%

By Case Type:	Ne	ew Filing	S	New	/ Filings `	YTD	% All Filings
	Q4	Q1	% Change	2014 YTD	2015 YTD	% Change	2015 YTD
Civil	50,275	46,052	-8.4%	51,054	46,397	-9.1%	44.6%
Criminal	57,920	48,072	-17.0%	53,005	48,072	-9.3%	46.2%
Domestic Relations	9,053	9,098	0.5%	9,617	9,098	-5.4%	8.7%
Juvenile				0	0		0.0%
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	751	505	-32.8%	488	505	3.5%	0.5%
Total	117,999	103,727	-12.1%	114,164	104,072	-8.8%	100.0%

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New Filings By Department

(Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

Last 12 Quarters





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New Filings by Case Type

(Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

Last 9 Quarters





Clearance Rate

By Department:		Q4			Q1			YTD			
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate		
Boston Municipal Court	15,585	15,325	98.3%	13,855	15,098	109.0%	13,855	15,098	109.0%		
District Court	68,035	69,020	101.4%	59,240	63,253	106.8%	59,240	63,253	106.8%		
Housing Court	11,010	11,230	102.0%	9,701	10,410	107.3%	9,701	10,410	107.3%		
Juvenile Court											
Land Court	3,242	2,105	64.9%	3,587	20,475	570.8%	3,587	20,475	570.8%		
Probate & Family Court	14,457	14,392	99.6%	14,528	12,773	87.9%	14,528	12,773	87.9%		
Superior Court	5,670	5,664	99.9%	3,161	3,549	112.3%	3,161	3,549	112.3%		
Total	117,999	117,736	99.8%	104,072	125,558	120.6%	104,072	125,558	120.6%		

By Case Type:		Q4			Q1		YTD			
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	
Civil	50,275	50,519	100.5%	46,397	64,125	138.2%	46,397	64,125	138.2%	
Criminal	57,920	57,222	98.8%	48,072	53,120	110.5%	48,072	53,120	110.5%	
Domestic Relations	9,053	9,298	102.7%	9,098	7,790	85.6%	9,098	7,790	85.6%	
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	751	697	92.8%	505	523	103.6%	505	523	103.6%	
Total	117,999	117,736	99.8%	104,072	125,558	120.6%	104,072	125,558	120.6%	

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Clearance Rate

Clearance Rate by Court Department Most Recent 12 Quarters



Clearance Rate by Case Type Most Recent 9 Quarters





Time to Disposition

By Department:		Q4			Q1		YTD			
	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	
Boston Municipal Court	15,325	14,355	93.7%	15,097	13,556	89.8%	15,097	13,556	89.8%	
District Court	66,529	60,363	90.7%	60,719	55,343	91.1%	60,719	55,343	91.1%	
Housing Court	11,230	9,985	88.9%	10,410	9,116	87.6%	10,410	9,116	87.6%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	593	347	58.5%	772	536	69.4%	772	536	69.4%	
Probate & Family Court	14,392	12,035	83.6%	12,773	10,769	84.3%	12,773	10,769	84.3%	
Superior Court	5,488	3,747	68.3%	3,424	2,205	64.4%	3,424	2,205	64.4%	
Total	113,557	100,832	88.8%	103,195	91,525	88.7%	103,195	91,525	88.7%	

By Case Type:		Q4			Q1		YTD			
	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	
Civil	48,953	45,361	92.7%	44,391	41,160	92.7%	44,391	41,160	92.7%	
Criminal	54,609	47,769	87.5%	50,492	43,947	87.0%	50,492	43,947	87.0%	
Domestic Relations	9,298	7,402	79.6%	7,790	6,268	80.5%	7,790	6,268	80.5%	
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	697	300	43.0%	523	150	28.7%	523	150	28.7%	
Total	113,557	100,832	88.8%	103,196	91,525	88.7%	103,196	91,525	88.7%	



Time to Disposition

% Cases Disposed Within Time Standards by Court Department Most Recent 12 Quarters



% Cases Disposed Within Time Standards by Case Type Most Recent 9 Quarters





Cases Pending Beyond

By Department:		Pending		Pendi	ng Beyo	nd TS	Pending Beyond Rate			
	Q4	Q1	Change	Q4	Q1	Change	Q4	Q1	Change	
Boston Municipal Court	14,560	14,803	1.7%	1,784	1,773	-0.6%	12.3%	12.0%	-0.3%	
District Court	88,450	83,171	-6.0%	9,400	9,500	1.1%	10.6%	11.4%	0.8%	
Housing Court	5,453	4,413	-19.1%	2,104	1,621	-23.0%	38.6%	36.7%	-1.9%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	13,192	13,465	2.1%	10,385	10,416	0.3%	78.7%	77.4%	-1.4%	
Probate & Family Court	68,190	73,398	7.6%	42,596	45,505	6.8%	62.5%	62.0%	-0.5%	
Superior Court	31,715	16,170	-49.0%	6,156	4,345	-29.4%	19.4%	26.9%	7.5%	
Total	221,560	205,420	-7.3%	72,425	73,160	1.0%	32.7%	35.6%	2.9%	

By Case Type:		Pending		Pendi	ng Beyo	nd TS	Pending Beyond Rate			
	Q4	Q1	Change	Q4	Q1	Change	Q4	Q1	Change	
Civil	110,370	98,272	-11.0%	47,992	48,628	1.3%	43.5%	49.5%	6.0%	
Criminal	82,443	76,162	-7.6%	11,080	10,449	-5.7%	13.4%	13.7%	0.3%	
Domestic Relations	28,374	30,643	8.0%	13,275	13,981	5.3%	46.8%	45.6%	-1.2%	
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	373	343	-8.0%	78	102	30.8%	20.9%	29.7%	8.8%	
Total	221,560	205,420	-7.3%	72,425	73,160	1.0%	32.7%	35.6%	2.9%	



Cases Pending Beyond

Percent of Pending Cases Beyond Time Standards by Court Department Most Recent 12 Quarters



Percent of Pending Cases Beyond Time Standards by Case Type Most Recent 9 Quarters





Trial Date Certainty

By Department:	Q4				Q1		YTD			
	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	
Boston Municipal Court	200	160	80.0%	191	158	82.7%	191	158	82.7%	
District Court	1,777	1,302	73.3%	1,487	1,070	72.0%	1,487	1,070	72.0%	
Housing Court	391	332	84.9%	355	289	81.4%	355	289	81.4%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	8	7	87.5%	11	7	63.6%	11	7	63.6%	
Probate & Family Court	385	372	96.6%	300	300	100.0%	300	300	100.0%	
Superior Court	309	216	69.9%							
Total	3,070	2,389	77.8%	2,344	1,824	77.8%	2,344	1,824	77.8%	

By Case Type:	Q4				Q1		YTD			
	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	
Civil	275	204	74.2%	269	202	75.1%	269	202	75.1%	
Criminal	2,019	1,481	73.4%	1,580	1,153	73.0%	1,580	1,153	73.0%	
Domestic Relations										
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance										
Total	2,294	1,685	73.5%	1,849	1,355	73.3%	1,849	1,355	73.3%	



Trial Date Certainty

Percent of Trial Cases Disposed Within 2 Trial Date Settings by Court Department Most Recent 12 Quarters



Percent of Trial Cases Disposed Within 2 Trial Date Settings by Case Type Most Recent 9 Quarters

