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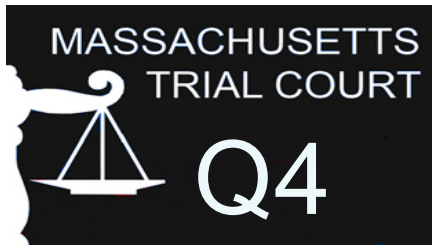
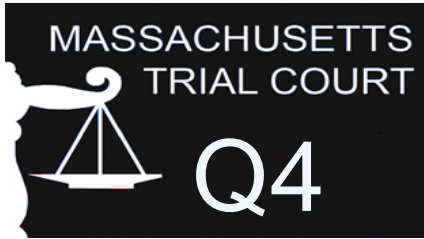


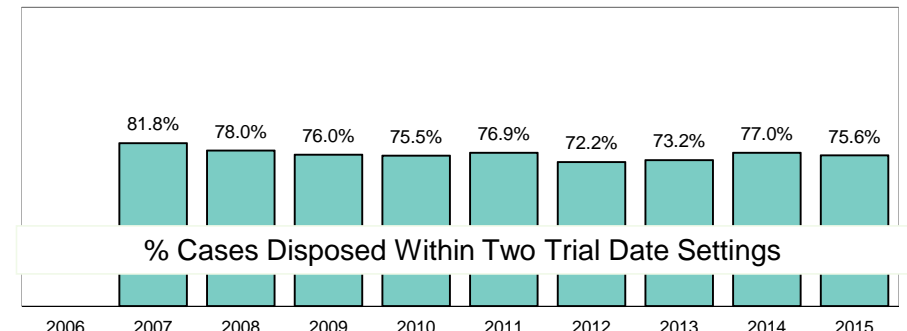
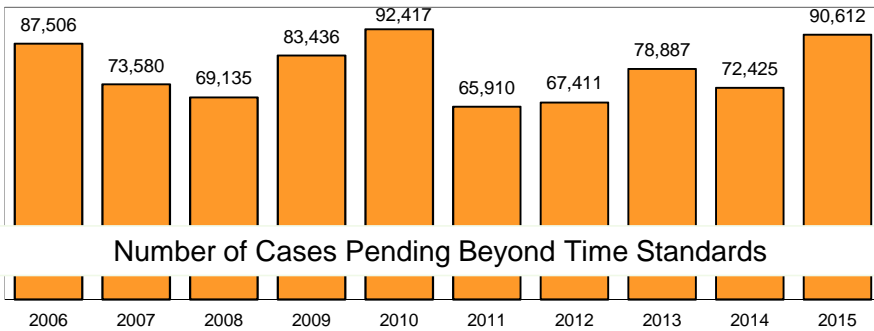
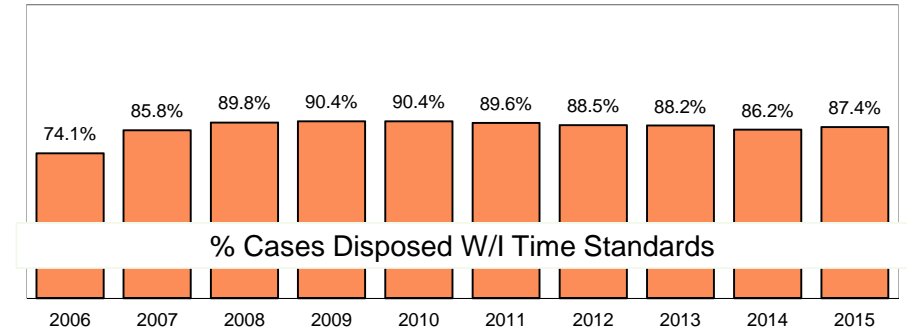
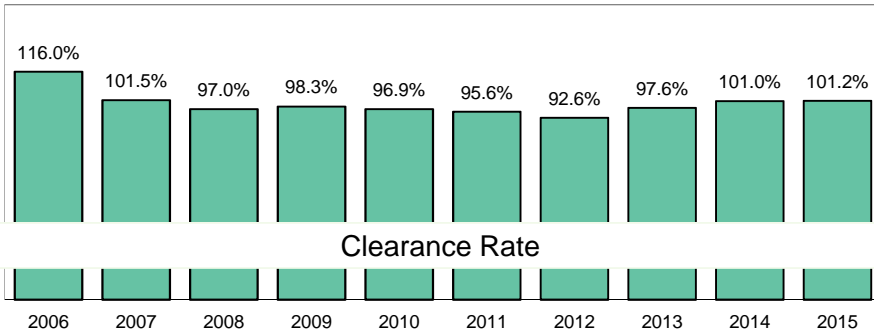
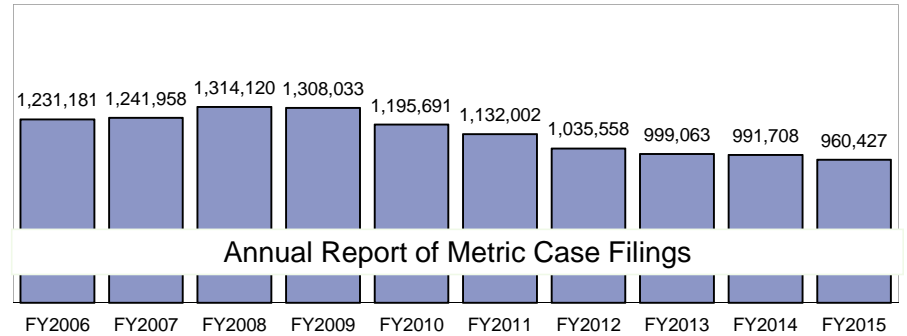
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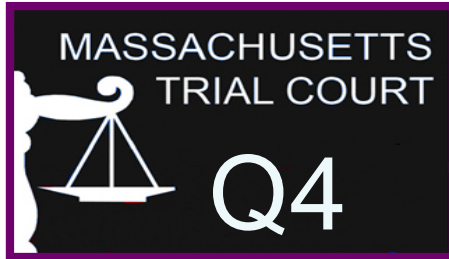


Case Flow Metrics

**SUMMARY OF
TRIAL COURT FILINGS
(FY2006 THROUGH FY2015)
TRIAL COURT CASE FLOW METRICS
(CY2006 THROUGH CY2015 YTD)**



Figures for CY2012 through CY2014 exclude Juvenile Court and figures for CY2015 Q4 excludes Boston Municipal Court Central division. Pending beyond time standards figures for CY2015 Q3 excludes Superior Court. Figures for Trial Date Certainty excludes Juvenile Court (CY2012 – CY2015) and Superior Court (CY2015). Figures exclude criminal cases in District courts, Barnstable and Brockton.



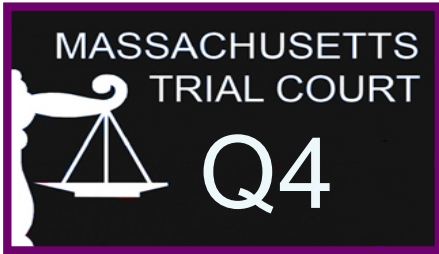
Metrics Case Filings

(Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

By Department:	Case Filings			Case Filings YTD			% All Filings
	Q3	Q4	% Change	2014 YTD	2015 YTD	% Change	2015 YTD
Boston Municipal Court	15,194	10,777	-29.1%	62,674	56,284	-10.2%	11.9%
District Court	69,550	61,301	-11.9%	279,155	259,515	-7.0%	54.8%
Housing Court	11,458	10,608	-7.4%	42,806	41,822	-2.3%	8.8%
Juvenile Court	8,158	9,879	21.1%		18,037		3.8%
Land Court	4,131	4,046	-2.1%	11,423	15,361	34.5%	3.2%
Probate & Family Court	15,438	14,736	-4.5%	60,532	61,227	1.1%	12.9%
Superior Court	5,844	5,847	0.1%	24,737	21,632	-12.6%	4.6%
Total	129,773	117,194	-9.7%	481,327	473,878	-1.5%	100.0%

By Case Type:	Case Filings			Case Filings YTD			% All Filings
	Q3	Q4	% Change	2014 YTD	2015 YTD	% Change	2015 YTD
Civil	55,068	48,748	-11.5%	212,261	203,378	-4.2%	42.9%
Criminal	56,641	49,451	-12.7%	228,776	212,901	-6.9%	44.9%
Domestic Relations	9,757	9,286	-4.8%	37,969	38,319	0.9%	8.1%
Juvenile	7,565	9,169	21.2%		16,734		3.5%
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	742	540	-27.2%	2,321	2,546	9.7%	0.5%
Total	129,773	117,194	-9.7%	481,327	473,878	-1.5%	100.0%

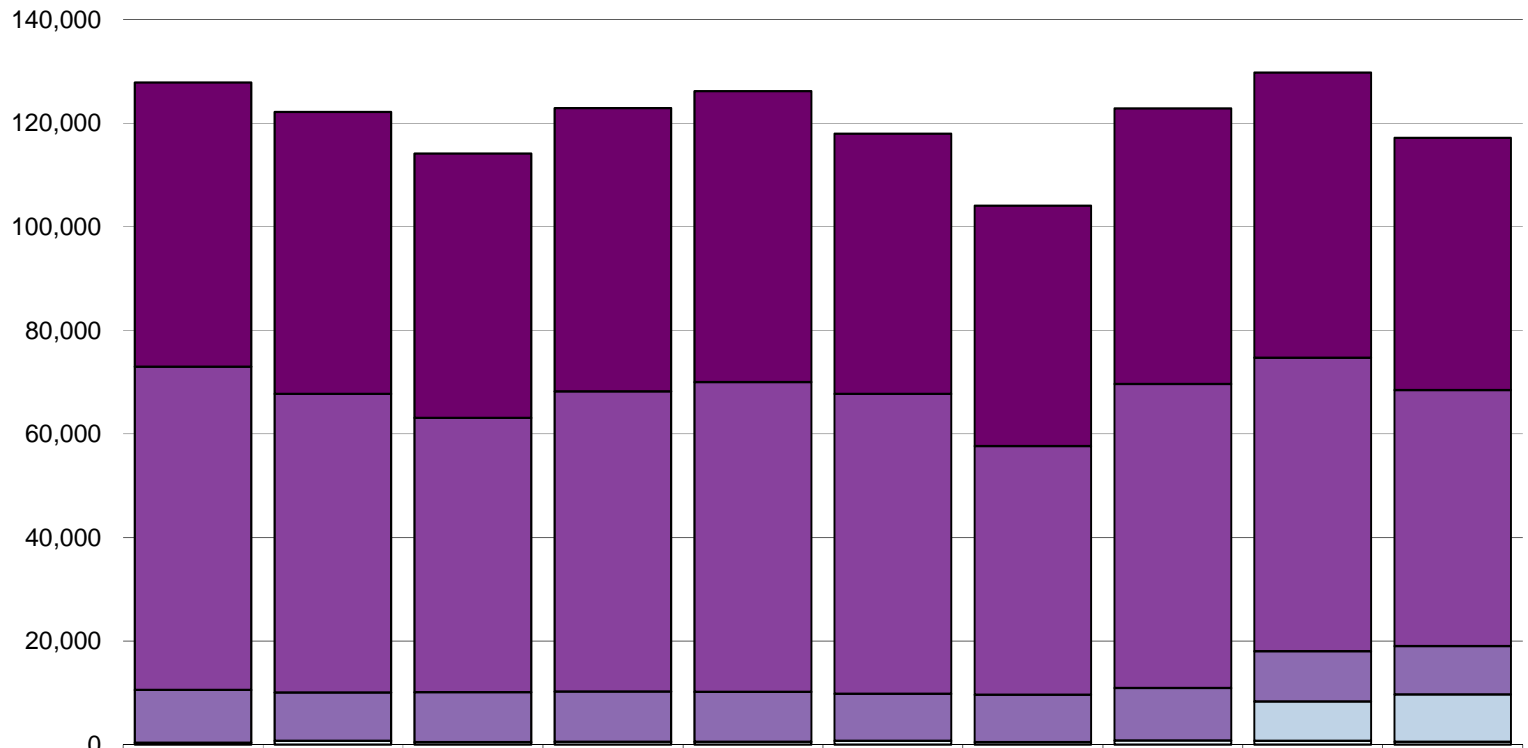
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Metrics Case Filings by Case Type

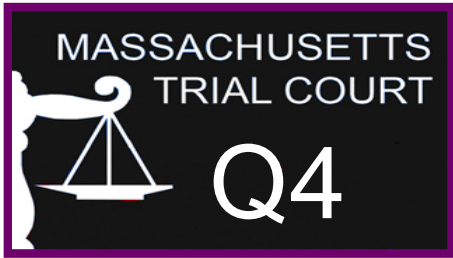
(Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

Last 10 Quarters



	2013 Q3	2013 Q4	2014 Q1	2014 Q2	2014 Q3	2014 Q4	2015 Q1	2015 Q2	2015 Q3	2015 Q4
■ Civil	54,879	54,481	51,054	54,727	56,205	50,275	46,397	53,165	55,068	48,748
■ Criminal	62,434	57,639	53,005	57,991	59,860	57,920	48,072	58,737	56,641	49,451
■ Domestic Relations	10,191	9,378	9,617	9,685	9,614	9,053	9,098	10,178	9,757	9,286
□ Juvenile									7,565	9,169
□ Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	345	712	488	534	548	751	505	759	742	540
Total	127,849	122,210	114,164	122,937	126,227	117,999	104,072	122,839	129,773	117,194

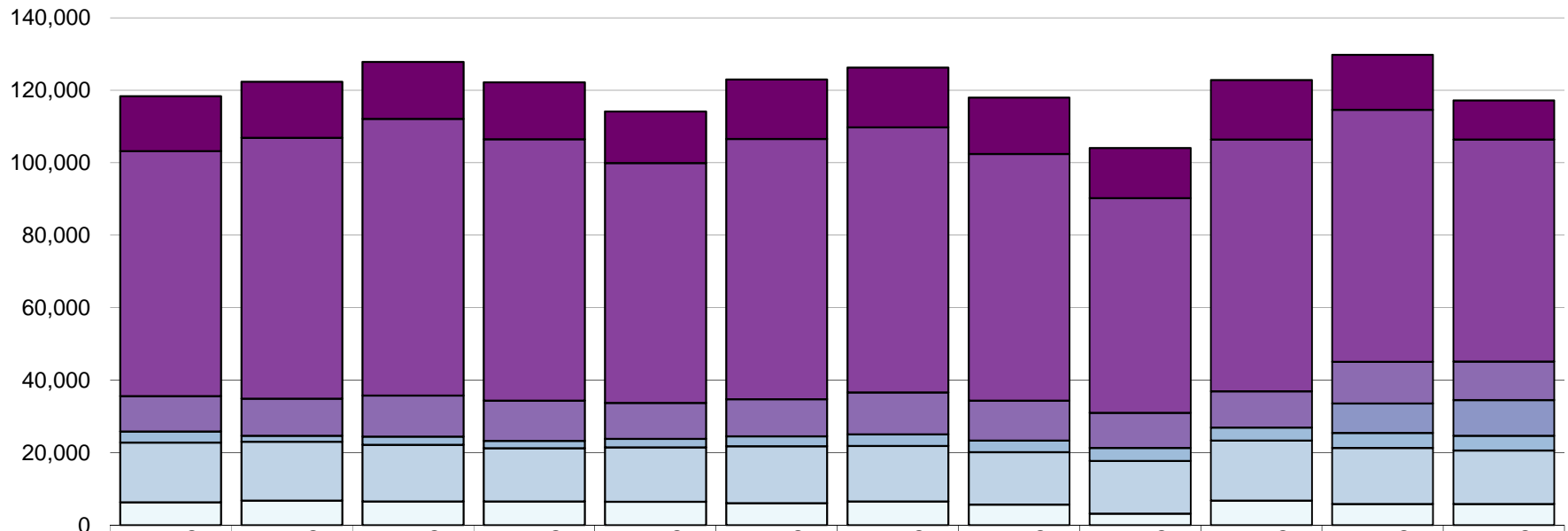
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Metrics Case Filings By Department

(Quarterly Metrics Reporting System)

Last 12 Quarters



	2013 Q1	2013 Q2	2013 Q3	2013 Q4	2014 Q1	2014 Q2	2014 Q3	2014 Q4	2015 Q1	2015 Q2	2015 Q3	2015 Q4
■ Boston Municipal Court	15,156	15,509	15,764	15,760	14,262	16,402	16,425	15,585	13,855	16,458	15,194	10,777
■ District Court	67,577	71,981	76,300	72,132	66,189	71,775	73,156	68,035	59,240	69,424	69,550	61,301
■ Housing Court	9,779	10,212	11,340	11,094	9,930	10,240	11,626	11,010	9,701	10,055	11,458	10,608
■ Juvenile Court											8,158	9,879
■ Land Court	3,026	1,617	2,315	1,976	2,332	2,710	3,139	3,242	3,587	3,597	4,131	4,046
■ Probate & Family Court	16,559	16,254	15,594	14,740	15,006	15,759	15,310	14,457	14,528	16,525	15,438	14,736
■ Superior Court	6,266	6,786	6,536	6,508	6,445	6,051	6,571	5,670	3,161	6,780	5,844	5,847
Total	118,363	122,359	127,849	122,210	114,164	122,937	126,227	117,999	104,072	122,839	129,773	117,194

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Clearance Rate

By Department:	Q3			Q4			YTD		
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate
Boston Municipal Court	15,194	14,038	92.4%	10,777	10,967	101.8%	56,284	57,576	102.3%
District Court	69,550	67,457	97.0%	61,301	61,770	100.8%	259,515	259,891	100.1%
Housing Court	11,458	11,193	97.7%	10,608	10,767	101.5%	41,822	42,480	101.6%
Juvenile Court	8,158	8,512	104.3%	9,879	8,735	88.4%	18,037	17,247	95.6%
Land Court	4,131	4,561	110.4%	4,046	3,247	80.3%	15,361	31,086	202.4%
Probate & Family Court	15,438	14,279	92.5%	14,736	14,186	96.3%	61,227	55,456	90.6%
Superior Court	5,844	5,693	97.4%	5,847	4,313	73.8%	21,632	15,787	73.0%
Total	129,773	125,733	96.9%	117,194	113,985	97.3%	473,878	479,523	101.2%

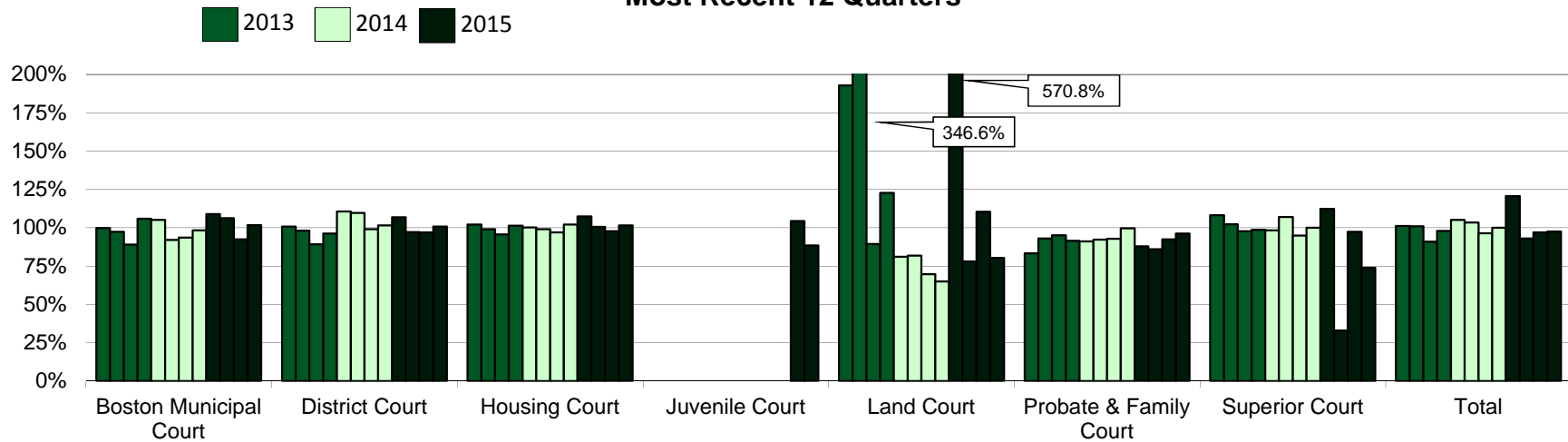
By Case Type:	Q3			Q4			YTD		
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate
Civil	55,068	53,961	98.0%	48,748	46,980	96.4%	203,378	213,468	105.0%
Criminal	56,641	54,019	95.4%	49,451	49,773	100.7%	212,901	213,544	100.3%
Domestic Relations	9,757	9,043	92.7%	9,286	9,007	97.0%	38,319	34,374	89.7%
Juvenile	7,565	7,879	104.2%	9,169	7,954	86.7%	16,734	15,833	94.6%
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	742	831	112.0%	540	271	50.2%	2,546	2,304	90.5%
Total	129,773	125,733	96.9%	117,194	113,985	97.3%	473,878	479,523	101.2%

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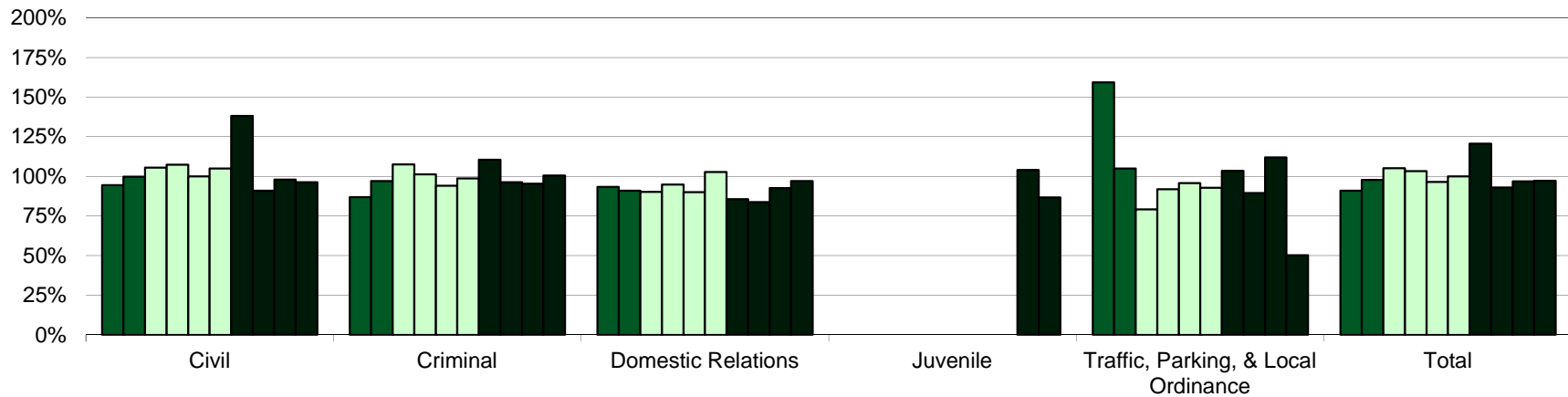


Clearance Rate

**Clearance Rate by Court Department
Most Recent 12 Quarters**



**Clearance Rate by Case Type
Most Recent 10 Quarters**





Time to Disposition

By Department:	Q3			Q4			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	14,038	12,637	90.0%	10,967	10,148	92.5%	57,576	51,701	89.8%
District Court	64,676	59,024	91.3%	61,770	56,449	91.4%	251,981	229,904	91.2%
Housing Court	11,193	9,984	89.2%	10,767	9,968	92.6%	42,480	37,746	88.9%
Juvenile Court	5,043	3,167	62.8%	5,144	2,982	58.0%	10,187	6,149	60.4%
Land Court	822	495	60.2%	723	425	58.8%	3,082	1,899	61.6%
Probate & Family Court	14,279	8,752	61.3%	14,186	12,051	84.9%	55,456	43,577	78.6%
Superior Court	5,539	3,500	63.2%	4,188	3,126	74.6%	15,300	10,286	67.2%
Total	115,590	97,559	84.4%	107,745	95,149	88.3%	436,062	381,262	87.4%

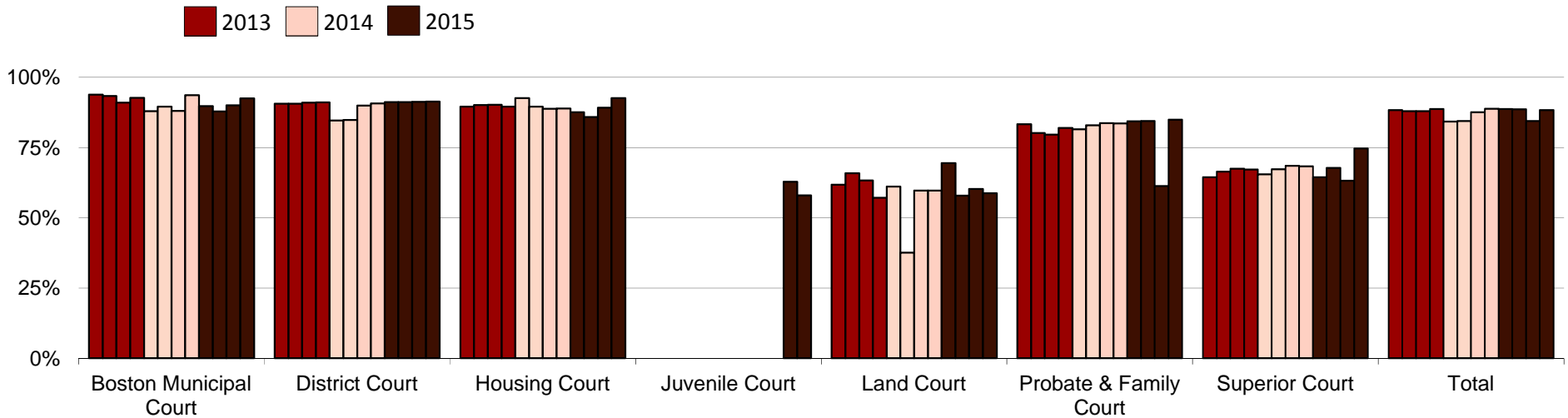
By Case Type:	Q3			Q4			YTD		
	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS	Disposed Cases	Disposed Within TS	% Disposed WI TS
Civil	50,168	46,220	92.1%	44,438	41,822	92.1%	185,315	172,374	93.0%
Criminal	51,138	44,539	87.1%	49,666	43,465	87.1%	205,296	178,665	87.0%
Domestic Relations	9,043	3,963	43.8%	9,007	7,379	43.8%	34,374	24,442	71.1%
Juvenile	4,410	2,642	59.9%	4,363	2,359	54.1%	8,773	5,001	57.0%
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	831	195	23.5%	271	124	23.5%	2,304	780	33.9%
Total	115,590	97,559	84.4%	107,745	95,149	88.3%	436,062	381,262	87.4%

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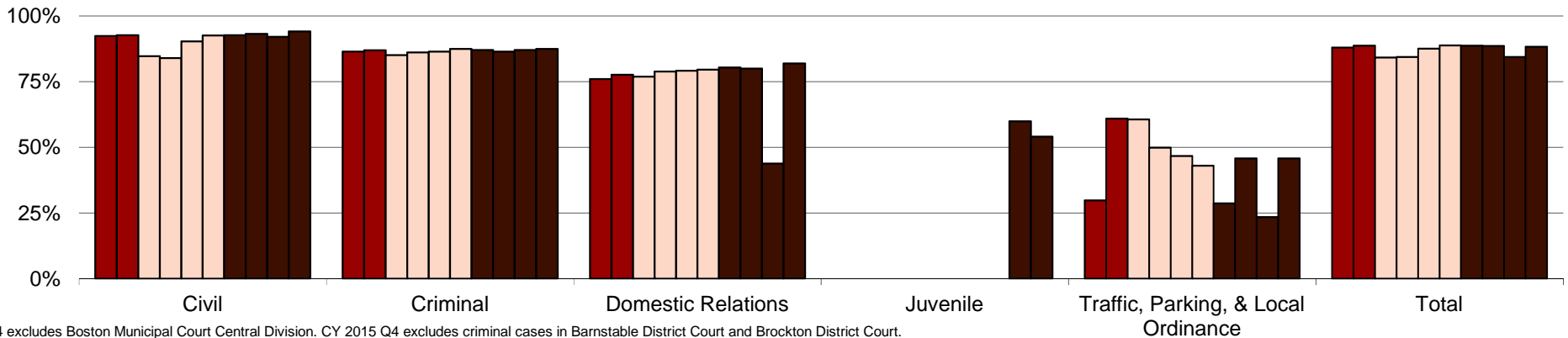


Time to Disposition

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



**% Cases Disposed Within Time Standards by Case Type
Most Recent 10 Quarters**



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Cases Pending Beyond

By Department:	Pending			Pending Beyond TS			Pending Beyond Rate		
	Q3	Q4	Change	Q3	Q4	Change	Q3	Q4	Change
Boston Municipal Court	14,713	14,036	-4.6%	1,715	1,333	-22.3%	11.7%	9.5%	-2.2%
District Court	86,157	83,094	-3.6%	10,522	11,558	9.8%	12.2%	13.9%	1.7%
Housing Court	4,014	4,707	17.3%	1,330	1,908	43.5%	33.1%	40.5%	7.4%
Juvenile Court	16,251	16,991		6,108	6,588	7.9%	37.6%	38.8%	1.2%
Land Court	13,211	13,069	-1.1%	10,376	10,459	0.8%	78.5%	80.0%	1.5%
Probate & Family Court	74,877	77,762	3.9%	49,290	51,931	5.4%	65.8%	66.8%	1.0%
Superior Court	38,530	40,268	4.5%		6,835			17.0%	
Total*	247,753	249,927	0.9%	79,341	90,612	14.2%		36.3%	

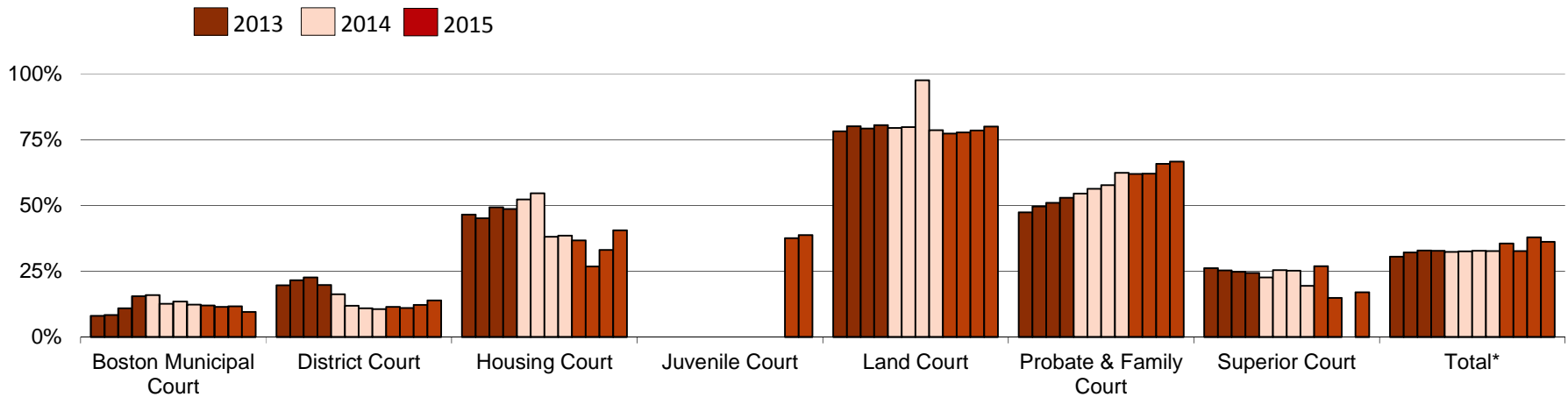
By Case Type**:	Pending			Pending Beyond TS			Pending Beyond Rate		
	Q3	Q4	Change	Q3	Q4	Change	Q3	Q4	Change
Civil	88,140	125,107	41.9%	50,621	59,026	16.6%	57.4%	47.2%	-10.3%
Criminal	74,683	77,123	3.3%	8,096	10,162	25.5%	10.8%	13.2%	2.3%
Domestic Relations	29,853	31,930	7.0%	14,472	15,418	6.5%	48.5%	48.3%	-0.2%
Juvenile		15,167			5,635			37.2%	
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	296	600	102.7%	44	371	743.2%	14.9%	61.8%	47.0%
Total	192,972	249,927	29.5%	73,233	90,612	23.7%	37.9%	36.3%	-1.7%

*CY 2015 Q3 total excludes Superior Court. **Figures for the 2015 Q3 Case Type chart excludes departments with partial reporting (Superior Court and Juvenile Court). CY 2015 Q4 excludes Boston Municipal Court Central Division. CY 2015 Q4 excludes criminal cases in Barnstable District Court and Brockton and District Court.

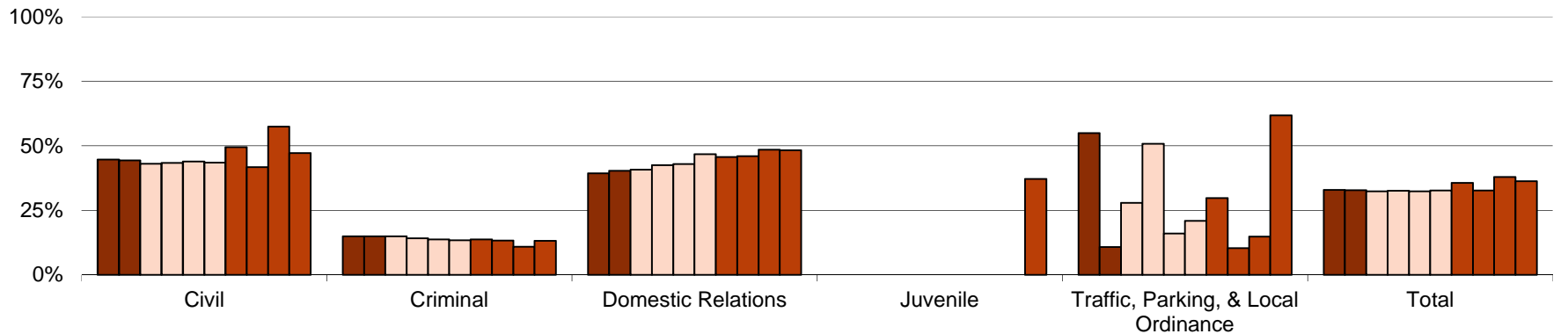


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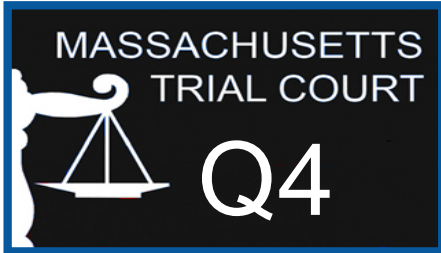
**Percent of Pending Cases Beyond Time Standards by Court Department
Most Recent 12 Quarters**



**Percent of Pending Cases Beyond Time Standards by Case Type
Most Recent 10 Quarters****



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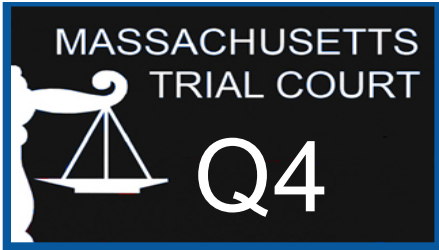


Trial Date Certainty

By Department:	Q3			Q4			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	180	142	78.9%	137	102	74.5%	732	576	78.7%
District Court	1,470	1,044	71.0%	2,152	1,542	71.7%	6,809	4,793	70.4%
Housing Court	411	341	83.0%	406	348	85.7%	1,611	1,333	82.7%
Juvenile Court									
Land Court	19	19	100.0%	8	8	100.0%	45	41	91.1%
Probate & Family Court	258	252	97.7%	339	331	97.6%	1,248	1,228	98.7%
Superior Court									
Total	2,721	2,018	74.2%	3,042	2,331	76.6%	10,445	7,971	76.3%

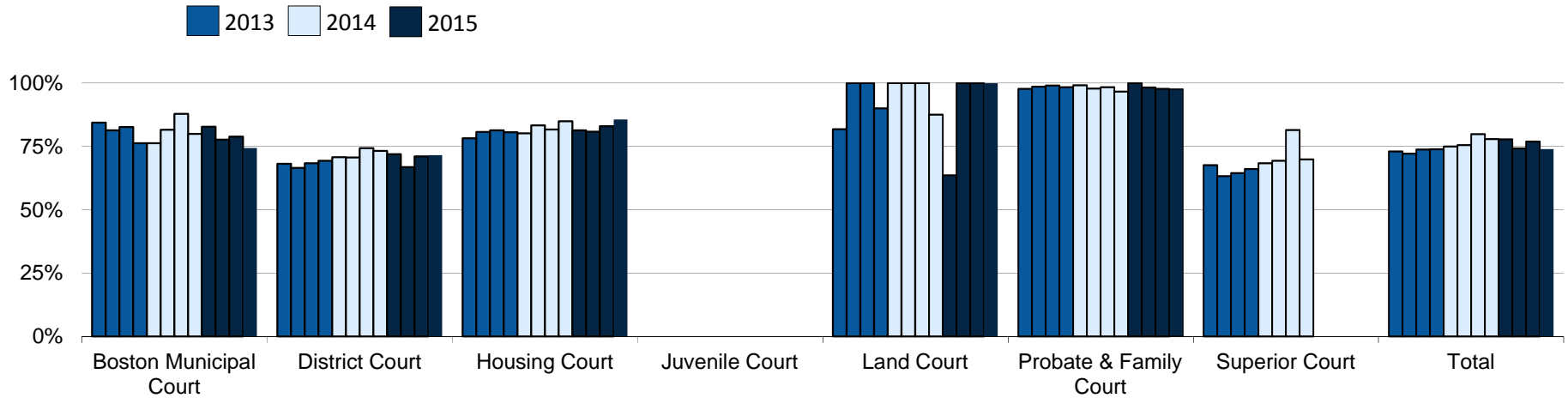
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	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates	Disposed by Trial	Disposed W/I 2 Dates	%Disposed W/I 2 Dates
Civil	101	77	76.2%	278	174	62.6%	781	542	69.4%
Criminal	1,573	1,133	72.0%	2,019	1,478	73.2%	6,970	4,993	71.6%
Domestic Relations									
Juvenile									
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance									
Total	1,931	1,318	68.3%	2,297	1,652	71.9%	7,751	5,535	71.4%

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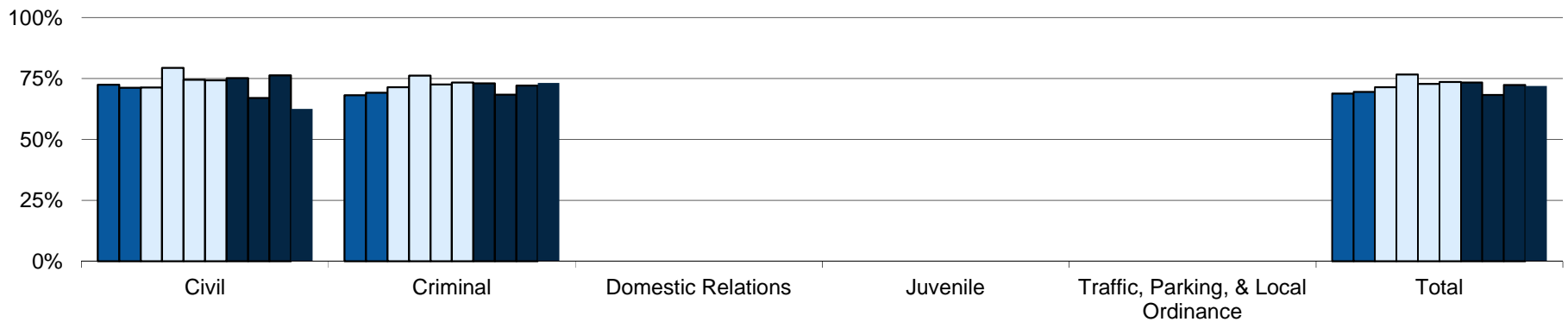


Trial Date Certainty

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 10 Quarters



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