

Housing Court Department, Fiscal Year 2016 Statistics

OVERVIEW OF TRENDS

Divisional Case Entries by Fiscal Year and Division:¹

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 16	10,090	6,659	9,207	7,920	7,655	41,531
FY 15	10,815	7,197	8,870	8,229	7,377	42,488
FY 14	10,969	6,618	9,262	8,529	7,227	42,605
FY 13	10,784	6,615	8,946	8,909	7,103	42,357
FY 12	9,652	6,634	9,170	9,615	7,677	42,748

Percent Change in Divisional Case Entries by Fiscal Year and Division, FY15 – FY16:¹

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 15	10,815	7,197	8,870	8,229	7,377	42,488
FY 16	10,090	6,659	9,207	7,920	7,655	41,531
Percent Change	-6.70%	-7.5%	+3.8%	-3.8%	+3.8%	-2.3%

Percent Change in Divisional Case Entries by Fiscal Year and Division, FY14 – FY15:¹

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 14	10,969	6,618	9,262	8,529	7,227	42,605
FY 15	10,815	7,197	8,870	8,229	7,377	42,488
Percent Change	-1.4%	+8.7%	-4.2%	-3.5%	+2.1%	-0.3%

¹ Figures exclude Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) case entries.

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Case Entries by Case Type and Fiscal Year:

CASE TYPE	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16
Criminal	1,306	1,301	1,483	1,115	1,254
Civil	4,661	4,413	4,647	4,780	4,893
Probable Cause	3,143	2,898	3,089	2,741	3,072
Small Claims	2,067	1,991	1,566	1,493	1,265
Summary Process	27,075	27,380	28,232	28,062	27,487
Supplementary Process	99	95	134	97	90
Search Warrants/ Utility Warrants	2,457	1,911	1,374	1,668	1,131
Tickets	1,940	2,368	2,080	2,532	2,339
Subtotal	42,748	42,357	42,605	42,488	41,531
ADR	21,286	21,798	21,849	22,448	21,243
Total	64,034	64,155	64,454	64,936	62,774

Summary Process Entries by Fiscal Year and Division:

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 16	5,251	5,466	6,091	5,337	5,342	27,487
FY 15	5,578	5,724	6,038	5,257	5,465	28,062
FY 14	5,502	5,278	6,245	5,742	5,465	28,232
FY 13	5,555	5,162	5,838	5,496	5,329	27,380
FY 12	5,240	4,969	5,878	5,509	5,479	27,075

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Percent Change in Summary Process Entries by Fiscal Year and Division, FY15 to FY16:

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 15	5,578	5,724	6,038	5,257	5,465	28,062
FY 16	5,251	5,466	6,091	5,337	5,342	27,487
Percent Change	-5.9%	-4.5%	+0.9%	+1.5%	-2.3%	-2.0%

Percent Change in Summary Process Entries by Fiscal Year and Division, FY14 to FY15:

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 14	5,502	5,278	6,245	5,742	5,465	28,232
FY 15	5,578	5,724	6,038	5,257	5,465	28,062
Percent Change	+1.4%	+8.5%	-3.3%	-8.4%	EVEN	-0.6%

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Code Enforcement - Probable Cause and Ticket Entries by Fiscal Year and Division:

FISCAL YEAR	BOSTON	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	WESTERN	WORCESTER	TOTALS
FY 16						
Probable Cause	1,157	344	856	142	573	3,072
Tickets	1,679	103	443	79	35	2,339
Total	2,836	447	1,299	221	608	5,411
FY 15						
Probable Cause	1,195	431	662	123	330	2,741
Tickets	2,065	85	286	39	57	2,532
Total	3,260	516	948	162	387	5,273
FY 14						
Probable Cause	1,532	539	591	168	259	3,089
Tickets	1,467	39	512	37	25	2,080
Total	2,999	578	1,103	205	284	5,169