

Massachusetts Probate and Family Court Cases Filed FY 2005-FY 2012									
CASE TYPE	FY 2005 Filings	FY 2006 Filings	FY 2007 Filings	FY 2008 Filings	FY 2009 Filings	FY 2010 Filings	FY 2011 Filings	FY 2012 Filings	
Admin & Prob. of Will	22,316	21,716	21,536	20,977	20,351	23,318	23,427	20,851	
Trusteeship	818	426	405	460	399	249	281	277	
All Guardianship*	9,182	9,367	9,381	9,311	8,755	7,391	9,776	10,255	
Conservatorship	117	112	136	113	181	2,448	1,719	1,505	
Accounts and Dist.	15,312	15,733	14,982	14,855	14,268	13,606	13,135	12,263	
All other	5,496	4,846	4,801	4,565	4,899	1,669	1,315	966	
All Probate Estates and Guardianship	53,241	52,200	51,241	50,281	48,853	48,681	49,653	46,117	
Equity	1,188	1,315	1,168	1,290	1,194	965	1,032	976	
Change of Name	2,705	2,856	3,126	3,205	3,023	3,128	3,170	3,238	
Proxy Guardianships	12	8	12	12	9	0			
ALL "PROBATE"	57,146	56,379	55,547	54,788	53,079	52,774	53,855	50,331	
All CHILD WELFARE	2,100	1,822	1,992	1,966	1,847	1,552	1,598	1,438	
Paternity Complaints	17,494	19,510	20,147	22,025	23,850	19,589	19,863	20,164	
Contempt	8,046	8,621	8,613	8,047	-----	-----	-----		
Modification	11,043	12,313	13,452	15,048	-----	-----	-----		
ALL PATERNITY	36,583	40,444	42,212	45,120	-----	-----	-----		
Divorce	19,524	20,484	21,146	21,067	21,232	23,863	23,896	24,048	
Sep Sup	1,692	1,671	1,732	1,846	1,883	2,314	2,269	2,265	
Contempt	13,031	13,522	13,974	13,366	-----	-----	-----		
Modification	12,883	13,357	13,723	14,655	-----	-----	-----		
ALL DIVORCE	47,130	49,034	50,575	50,934	-----	-----	-----		
ALL MODIFICATION**	23,926	25,670	27,175	29,703	33,687	29,627	30,749	31,697	
All CONTEMPT**	21,077	22,143	22,587	21,413	22,199	21,081	20,303	19,964	
Protection From Abuse	5,323	4,853	4,564	4,505	4,318	4,453	3,988	3,997	
Minors/w/o Delay	661	772	871	851	860	902	826	711	
All Other Dom. Rel.	1,269	1,292	1,420	1,431	1,570	101	454	48	
Total Probate, Equity, and Change of Name	57,146	56,379	55,547	54,788	53,079	52,774	53,855	50,331	
Percentage Probate	38.0%	36.5%	35.3%	34.3%	32.3%	33.8%	34.1%	32.5%	
Total Child Welfare, and "Family"	93,066	98,217	101,634	104,807	111,446	103,482	103,946	104,332	
Percentage "Family"	62.0%	63.5%	64.7%	65.7%	67.7%	66.2%	65.9%	67.5%	
Total All	150,212	154,596	157,181	159,595	164,525	156,256	157,801	154,663	
**FY 11 Guardianship cases have been restated									
*Summary of Contempt and Modification for years prior to FY 09 for comparative purposes.									