

Executive Office of the Trial Court Case Flow Metrics Report

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Case Flow Metrics













New Filings

By Department:	Ne	w Filing	S	New	/ Filings `	YTD	% All Filings	
	Q2	Q3	% Change	2012 YTD	2013 YTD	% Change	2013 YTD	
Boston Municipal Court	15,509	15,764	1.6%	44,976	46,429	3.2%	12.3%	
District Court	71,981	76,300	6.0%	222,360	215,858	-2.9%	59.7%	
Housing Court	10,212	11,340	11.0%	31,536	31,331	-0.7%	8.9%	
Juvenile Court				19,118				
Land Court	1,617	2,315	43.2%	16,722	6,958	-58.4%	1.8%	
Probate & Family Court	16,254	15,594	-4.1%	50,913	48,407	-4.9%	12.2%	
Superior Court	6,786	6,536	-3.7%	20,778	19,588	-5.7%	5.1%	
Total	122,359	127,849	4.5%	406,403	368,571	-9.3%	100.0%	

By Case Type:	N	ew Filing	S	New	/ Filings `	YTD	% All Filings	
	Q2	Q3	% Change	2012 YTD	2013 YTD	% Change	2013 YTD	
Civil	53,388	54,879	2.8%	N/A	162,111	N/A	43.6%	
Criminal	57,712	62,434	8.2%	N/A	174,435	N/A	47.2%	
Domestic Relations	10,600	10,191	-3.9%	N/A	30,514	N/A	8.7%	
Juvenile				N/A				
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	659	345	-47.6%	N/A	1,511	N/A	0.5%	
Total	122,359	127,849	4.5%	N/A	368,571	N/A	100.0%	



New Filings By Department

Last 12 Quarters





New Filings by Case Type

Last 12 Quarters

140,000																	
120,000																	
100,000															_	-	
80,000																-	-
60,000															_		
40,000																_	_
20,000																_	-
0	2010 Q4	2011 Q1	2011	Q2	2011 Q	3 20	011 Q	4	2012 Q1	2012	Q2	2012 Q	3 2012	2 Q4	2013 Q1	2013 Q2	2013 Q3
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance															507	659	345
□Juvenile																	
Domestic Relations															9,723	10,600	10,191
□ Criminal															54,289	57,712	62,434
□Civil															53,844	53,388	54,879



Clearance Rate

By Department:		Q2			Q3		YTD			
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	
Boston Municipal Court	15,509	15,084	97.3%	15,764	14,027	89.0%	46,429	44,242	95.3%	
District Court	71,981	70,616	98.1%	76,300	68,078	89.2%	215,858	206,825	95.8%	
Housing Court	10,212	10,110	99.0%	11,340	10,841	95.6%	31,331	30,932	98.7%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	1,617	5,605	346.6%	2,315	2,067	89.3%	6,958	13,507	194.1%	
Probate & Family Court	16,254	15,124	93.0%	15,594	14,822	95.0%	48,407	43,735	90.3%	
Superior Court	6,786	6,935	102.2%	6,536	6,392	97.8%	19,588	20,108	102.7%	
Total	122,359	123,474	100.9%	127,849	116,227	90.9%	368,571	359,349	97.5%	

By Case Type:		Q2			Q3		YTD			
	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	New Cases	Disposed Cases	Clearance Rate	
Civil	53,388	56,554	105.9%	54,879	51,855	94.5%	162,111	161,586	99.7%	
Criminal	57,712	56,610	98.1%	62,434	54,298	87.0%	174,435	168,033	96.3%	
Domestic Relations	10,600	9,751	92.0%	10,191	9,524	93.5%	30,514	28,173	92.3%	
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	659	559	84.8%	345	550	159.4%	1,511	1,557	103.0%	
Total	122,359	123,474	100.9%	127,849	116,227	90.9%	368,571	359,349	97.5%	



Clearance Rate

Clearance Rate by Court Department Most Recent 12 Quarters



Clearance Rate by Case Type Most Recent 12 Quarters





Time to Disposition

By Department:		Q2			Q3		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	15,084	14,081	93.4%	14,027	12,763	91.0%	44,242	41,043	92.8%	
District Court	67,900	61,524	90.6%	65,449	59,570	91.0%	198,745	180,358	90.7%	
Housing Court	10,110	9,114	90.1%	10,841	9,778	90.2%	30,932	27,831	90.0%	
Juvenile Court							0	0		
Land Court	856	564	65.9%	608	385	63.3%	2,246	1,432	63.8%	
Probate & Family Court	15,124	12,132	80.2%	14,822	11,806	79.7%	43,735	35,430	81.0%	
Superior Court	6,807	4,524	66.5%	6,229	4,201	67.4%	19,713	13,029	66.1%	
Total	115,881	101,939	88.0%	111,976	98,503	88.0%	339,613	299,123	88.1%	

By Case Type:		Q2			Q3		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	51,762	47,511	91.8%	50,366	46,554	92.4%	150,226	138,424	92.1%	
Criminal	53,809	46,510	86.4%	51,536	44,549	86.4%	159,667	138,073	86.5%	
Domestic Relations	9,751	7,500	76.9%	9,524	7,236	76.0%	28,173	21,812	77.4%	
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	559	418	74.8%	550	164	29.8%	1,557	814	52.3%	
Total	115,881	101,939	88.0%	111,976	98,503	88.0%	339,623	299,123	88.1%	



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 12 Quarters





Cases Pending Beyond Time Standards

By Department:	Pending			Pendi	ng Beyo	nd TS	Pending Beyond Rate			
	Q2	Q3	Change	Q2	Q3	Change	Q2	Q3	Change	
Boston Municipal Court	14,272	15,267	7.0%	1,186	1,674	41.1%	8.3%	11.0%	2.7%	
District Court	110,771	118,264	6.8%	23,950	26,810	11.9%	21.6%	22.7%	1.0%	
Housing Court	5,854	5,460	-6.7%	2,647	2,693	1.7%	45.2%	49.3%	4.1%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	12,863	13,026	1.3%	10,314	10,328	0.1%	80.2%	79.3%	-0.9%	
Probate & Family Court	58,210	60,263	3.5%	28,876	30,759	6.5%	49.6%	51.0%	1.4%	
Superior Court	31,003	31,211	0.7%	7,840	7,752	-1.1%	25.3%	24.8%	-0.5%	
Total	232,973	243,491	4.5%	74,813	80,016	7.0%	32.1%	32.9%	0.7%	

By Case Type:		Pending	ļ	Pendi	ng Beyo	nd TS	Pending Beyond Rate			
	Q2	Q3	Change	Q2	Q3	Change	Q2	Q3	Change	
Civil	118,419	121,527	2.6%	50,401	54,333	7.8%	42.6%	44.7%	2.1%	
Criminal	84,460	91,497	8.3%	12,488	13,662	9.4%	14.8%	14.9%	0.1%	
Domestic Relations	29,761	30,254	1.7%	11,714	11,904	1.6%	39.4%	39.3%	0.0%	
Juvenile	0	0		0	0					
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance	333	213	-36.0%	210	117	-44.3%	63.1%	54.9%	-8.1%	
Total	232,973	243,491	4.5%	74,813	80,016	7.0%	32.1%	32.9%	0.7%	



Cases Pending Beyond Time Standards

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 12 Quarters





Trial Date Certainty

By Department:		Q2			Q3		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	182	148	81.3%	138	114	82.6%	557	462	82.9%	
District Court	1,623	1,079	66.5%	1,498	1,024	68.4%	4,938	3,340	67.6%	
Housing Court	343	277	80.8%	337	274	81.3%	1,034	828	80.1%	
Juvenile Court										
Land Court	5	5	100.0%	8	8	100.0%	24	22	91.7%	
Probate & Family Court	293	289	98.6%	297	294	99.0%	853	840	98.5%	
Superior Court	376	238	63.3%	354	228	64.4%	1,106	720	65.1%	
Total	2,822	2,036	72.1%	2,632	1,942	73.8%	8,512	6,212	73.0%	

By Case Type:		Q2			Q3		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	359	258	71.9%	297	215	72.4%	1,261	972	77.1%	
Criminal	1,827	1,212	66.3%	1,701	1,159	68.1%	5,627	3,829	68.0%	
Domestic Relations										
Juvenile										
Traffic, Parking, & Local Ordinance										
Total	2,186	1,470	67.2%	1,998	1,374	68.8%	6,888	4,801	69.7%	



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 12 Quarters

