

**Massachusetts Trial Courts  
Summary of Case Filings by Type: FY2011 to FY2015**

	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
<b>All Case Types</b>	1,132,002	1,035,558	999,063	991,708	960,418
<b>Criminal Matters</b>					
Criminal	235,874	236,217	233,614	233,143	219,740
Criminal Show Cause Hearings	102,625	84,670	78,940	90,963	81,057
Criminal Warrants	5,834	6,572	6,828	8,928	8,158
Sub-Total	344,333	327,459	319,382	333,034	308,955
<b>Civil - Regular</b>	123,447	104,379	90,511	84,767	79,993
<b>Civil - Specialized Matters</b>					
Small Claims	94,858	101,975	99,726	103,004	106,071
Supplementary Proceedings	37,777	28,387	20,987	16,970	16,679
Summary Process	39,056	41,559	40,871	41,812	40,946
Restraining Orders	46,931	46,141	44,153	42,907	31,155
Harassment Orders	1,304	1,888	1,441	1,467	12,505
Mental Health	10,692	12,717	12,534	13,069	13,903
CMVI Appeals	12,208	9,763	12,960	12,862	12,969
Administrative Warrants	10,857	15,729	15,916	10,743	13,395
Other Specialized Civil	1,028	2,115	2,716	3,521	3,602
Sub-Total	254,711	260,274	251,304	246,355	251,225
<b>CMVI Hearings</b>	197,443	151,073	148,264	132,192	130,254
<b>Other Hearings</b>					
Show Cause Hearings (Applications)	9,643	7,135	9,347	14,206	15,042
Non-MV Infraction Civil Hearings	17,425	4,529	5,475	4,951	5,232
Sub-Total	27,068	11,664	14,822	19,157	20,274
<b>Juvenile Matters</b>					
Juvenile Delinquency	20,194	17,612	7,800	10,055	10,362
Youthful Offender	274	333	84	151	216
CRA/CHINS Applications	7,266	6,973	5,624	5,843	6,160
Care & Protection Petitions	2,636	2,470	2,669	3,663	3,384
Sub-Total	30,370	27,388	16,177	19,712	20,122
<b>Probate</b>	47,946	40,076	47,006	48,593	42,942
<b>Guardianship</b>	4,699	10,897	11,920	11,174	13,229
<b>Child Welfare and Adoption</b>	2,293	2,157	2,194	2,894	2,621
<b>Domestic Relations</b>					
Paternity	20,164	20,459	19,101	17,560	16,650
Divorce	26,165	26,313	26,736	24,918	23,954
Modification/Contempt	51,052	51,661	50,191	50,079	49,271
Other Domestic Relations	1,280	759	442	398	0
Sub-Total	98,661	99,192	96,470	92,955	89,875
<b>Appeals</b>	1,031	999	1,013	875	928

**Juvenile:** Due to the conversion from Juris to Masscourts, FY2012 figures for Essex and Norfolk Counties were not reported for CHINS petitions, *Permanency Hearings*, *Show Cause Hearings*, and *Jury Cases*. In FY2013, the reporting unit for juvenile delinquency and youthful offender cases was changed from charges to cases.

**Probate & Family:** From 2005 to FY2011, *Probate* included *guardianship-incapacitated* case types. Beginning in FY2012, *Guardianship* includes all guardianship case types. Prior to FY2012, *Guardianship* included guardianship-minor case types, only.

**Child Welfare and Adoption** includes: *Child welfare* cases in the Probate and Family Court and *young adult permanency hearings* and *adoption* cases in the Juvenile Court.

**Restraining Orders:** From FY2011 to FY2014 this category included *harrasment orders* in the District Court.