

Office of the Public Defender							
Performance Indicators - October 2013	Frequency	Desired Trend	Target	Prior	Current	% Change	12-Month Average
Providing Appropriate Effective Legal Counsel							
Trial Services to Indigents	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/trial_about_our_services.shtml						
Adult criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	62,007				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,167	5,303	5,338	0.7%	5,052
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,064	4,234	3,378	-20.2%	3,719
Adult criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	150	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	11,437				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	953	739	918	24.2%	814
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	934	784	545	-30.5%	731
Juvenile criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	200	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Post-conviction relief - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	63	40	90	125.0%	59
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	57	80	58	-27.5%	64
Appellate Services to Indigents	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_appellate.shtml						
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions or sentences filed in Appellate Division of New Jersey Superior Court ***	Monthly	Varies	159	86	186	116.3%	148
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	63	52	75	44.2%	52
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	90	81	93	14.8%	98
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	38	21	23	9.5%	31
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	47	31	61	96.8%	44
Office of Parental Representation	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_opr.shtml						
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	6,801				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,266				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	64	65	1.6%	61
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	567	644	659	2.3%	610
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	576	481	231	-52.0%	356
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	106	108	125	15.7%	103
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	108	59	38	-35.6%	56
Office of Law Guardian	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_lawguardian.shtml						
Children subject to Civil Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	7,546				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,148				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	124	128	3.2%	126
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	629	738	821	11.2%	701
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	637	595	796	33.8%	673
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	96	111	148	33.3%	124
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	98	120	152	26.7%	141

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml						
Mental Health hearings *	Annually	Varies	17,580				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *	Annually	Varies	1,034				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	Monthly	Varies	958	1,056	1,248	18.2%	1,113
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	10	23	31	34.8%	14
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	170	216	426	97.2%	211
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	292	481	555	15.4%	385
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	80.0%	83.0%	89.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	35	30	35	16.7%	29
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	510	518	519	0.2%	513
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Quarterly	Varies	66	67	n/a	n/a	n/a
Providing Mediation Services							
Office of Dispute Settlement	http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml						
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,104				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	184				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	87	105	105	0.0%	132
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	111	134	20.7%	95
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	47.0%	46.8%	50.7%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	6	5	-16.7%	5
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	4	3	-25.0%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	5	2	-60.0%	5
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	9	6	6	0.0%	5
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	8	5	12	140.0%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	7	4	5	25.0%	5
<p>* This performance indicator is updated on a fiscal year basis in the 3rd quarter.</p> <p>** The number of cases closed only reflect those cases actually closed in OPD's Case Management System.</p> <p>*** The number of appeals filed do not reflect those new appeals waiting to be filed.</p>							