

Office of the Public Defender		Desired					12-Month
Performance Indicators - November 2015	Frequency	Trend	Target	Prior	Current	% Change	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	62,408				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,171	4,729	3,996	-15.5%	4,756
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,074	3,185	2,302	-27.7%	3,288
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	9,324				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	777	680	537	-21.0%	675
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	784	415	338	-18.6%	464
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	56	54	54	0.0%	55
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	61	38	23	-39.5%	46
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	144	96	96	0.0%	117
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	38	87	9	-89.7%	58
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	89	88	69	-21.6%	97
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	20	26	10	-61.5%	22
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	42	46	18	-60.9%	38
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	7,506				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,358				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	72	73	1.4%	71
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	626	591	472	-20.1%	581
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	628	419	392	-6.4%	391
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	113	109	94	-13.8%	113
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	113	61	64	4.9%	63
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	8,574				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,620				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	119	119	0.0%	121
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	715	651	513	-21.2%	677
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	715	703	605	-13.9%	693
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	135	160	95	-40.6%	568
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	136	100	77	-23.0%	582

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml						
Mental Health hearings *		Annually	Varies	28,464				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *		Annually	Varies	1,355				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings		Monthly	Varies	1,302	1,622	1,395	-14.0%	1,439
Number of outpatient commitment hearings		Monthly	Varies	71	122	90	-26.2%	83
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings		Monthly	Varies	337	416	381	-8.4%	375
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards		Monthly	Varies	633	495	471	-4.8%	531
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained		Monthly	Varies	86.0%	84.0%	86.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities		Monthly	Varies	29	28	17	-39.3%	29
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law		Monthly	Varies	523	547	547	0.0%	542
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	26	19	22	15.8%	23
Providing Mediation Services								
Office of Dispute Settlement		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml						
Mediation - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	1,596				
Average mediator caseload *		Annually	Varies	266				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	124	107	75	-29.9%	102
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	109	86	78	-9.3%	131
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved		Monthly	Varies	54.0%	57.0%	65.4%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	9	8	4	-50.0%	7
General civil court mediation - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	4	6	4	-33.3%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	8	5	8	60.0%	7
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	9	9	6	-33.3%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	9	8	13	62.5%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases		Monthly	Varies	5	6	8	33.3%	7
<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>								