

# **2009 Statistics**

## **Appeals Pending, Filed and Concluded**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>
Appeals Pending 01/01/2009	6813	2352	4461
New Appeals Filed in 2009	8169	3302	4867
Appeals Concluded in 2009	8321	3403	4918
Appeals Pending 01/01/2010	6661	2251	4410

## Appeals by County of Origin

Adams	39	Lackawanna	130
Allegheny	785	Lancaster	220
Armstrong	27	Lawrence	50
Beaver	47	Lebanon	99
Bedford	37	Lehigh	223
Berks	281	Luzerne	195
Blair	72	Lycoming	94
Bradford	46	McKean	13
Bucks	244	Mercer	38
Butler	76	Mifflin	19
Cambria	58	Monroe	98
Cameron	3	Montgomery	302
Carbon	32	Montour	7
Centre	82	Northampton	121
Chester	204	Northumberland	30
Clarion	29	Perry	25
Clearfield	52	Philadelphia	2068
Clinton	31	Pike	60
Columbia	23	Potter	11
Crawford	67	Schuylkill	87
Cumberland	90	Snyder	22
Dauphin	252	Somerset	33
Delaware	342	Sullivan	3
Elk	9	Susquehanna	16
Erie	259	Tioga	13
Fayette	99	Union	21
Forest	5	Venango	71
Franklin	57	Warren	11
Fulton	14	Washington	151
Greene	28	Wayne	62
Huntingdon	14	Westmoreland	112
Indiana	38	Wyoming	18
Jefferson	29	York	268
Juniata	7	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8169</b>

## Appeals by Type of Case

Adoption	43	Involuntary Deviate Sexual Conduct	83
Aggravated Assault	354	Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights	198
Aggravated Indecent Assault	43	Mechanic's Lien	23
Arbitration	31	Medical Malpractice	47
Arson	25	Mortgage Foreclosure	83
Assumpsit	93	Motor Vehicle Accident	42
Attempted Murder	42	Motor Vehicle Violation	21
Burglary	188	Murder	193
Child Support	152	Murder 1	166
Children's Fast Track	60	Murder 2	28
Civil Action Law	927	Murder 3	68
Confession of Judgement	30	Possession of Firearms	54
Contract	92	Possession with Intend to Deliver	331
Controlled Substance	548	Premises Liability - Slip/Fall	27
Corruption of Minors	48	Protection from Abuse	64
Criminal	217	Rape	202
Criminal Attempt	110	Receiving Stolen Property	39
Criminal Conspiracy	129	Recklessly Endanger Another Person	27
Criminal Contempt	24	Robbery	333
Criminal Trespass	23	Simple Assault	105
Custody/Visitation	221	Spousal Support	29
Declaratory Judgment	83	Summary Offense/Conviction	92
Dependency	178	Termination of Parental Rights	115
Disorderly Conduct	40	Terroristic Threats	54
Divorce	212	Theft	130
Domestic Relations Contempt	22	Theft by Deception	0
Driving Under the Influence	253	Theft by Unlawful Taking	47
Ejectment	33	Tort	0
Endangering Welfare of Children	0	Trespass	112
Equity	89	Uniform Firearms Act	143
Escape	20	Vehicle Violation	100
Estate/Probate/Wills/Intestate	124	Violation of Probation/Parole	42
Forgery	43	*Other *Includes appeals originally	366
Habeas Corpus	0	as "other" as well as appeals originally	
Harassment	67	classified in categories with fewer than	
Homicide	158	20 appeals filed in 2009.	
Indecent Assault	83	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8169</b>

*\* Includes appeals originally classified as "other" as well as appeals originally classified in categories with fewer than 20 appeals filed in 2006.*

## Opinions Filed

	Total	Civil	Criminal
Published Opinions 2009	262	144	118
Non-Published Opinions 2009	5122	1537	3585
<b>Total 2009</b>	<b>5384</b>	<b>1681</b>	<b>3703</b>

## Dispositions by Type

	Total	Civil	Criminal
By Filed Decision	5833	1956	3877
By Order or Discontinuance	2488	1447	1041
<b>Total 2009</b>	<b>8321</b>	<b>3403</b>	<b>4918</b>

## Superior Court Treatment of Cases from Courts of Common Pleas

	Total All Cases	Percent	Cases Decided by Published Opinion	Percent	Cases Decided by Unpublished Opinion	Percent
Affirmed	4558	78.1	156	51.7	4402	79.6
Reversed	793	13.6	120	39.7	673	12.2
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	226	3.9	22	7.3	204	3.7
Quashed, Dismissed, Transferred	242	4.2	4	1.3	238	4.3
Other	14	0.2	0	0	14	0.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>5833</b>		<b>302</b>		<b>5531</b>	

## Median Number of Days to Disposition for Appeals Concluded in 2009

From Superior Court docket date for all appeals	301
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by order or discontinuance	68
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by filed decision	356
From original record filing date for appeals disposed by filed decision	269
From filing date of last brief filed	165

## Supreme Court Treatment of Superior Court Cases

### *Allocatur: Petitions Filed & Concluded in 2009*

Total Allocatur Petitions Filed In 2009 From Superior Court Decisions	2078
Number Granted	51
Number Denied	1727
Number Voided	5
Other Disposition	55
Open	1003

### *Disposition of Appeals from Superior Court Cases*

REVERSED	28
AFFIRMED	35
OTHER*	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>77</b>

*\* Includes Affirmed/Reversed, Dismissed, Improvidently Granted, Vacated and Withdrawn*

## Appeals filed, Petitions filed, Miscellaneous Docket filings, and Wiretaps

District	Appeals Filed	Petitions Files	Misc. DKT. Files	Wiretaps Files
Eastern	3756	6285	175	50
Middle	2208	2188	88	0
Western	2205	2872	120	9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8169</b>	<b>11,345</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>59</b>

## REARGUMENT/RECONSIDERATION

Petitions Filed 457

Petitions Granted 32

Percent Granted 7%