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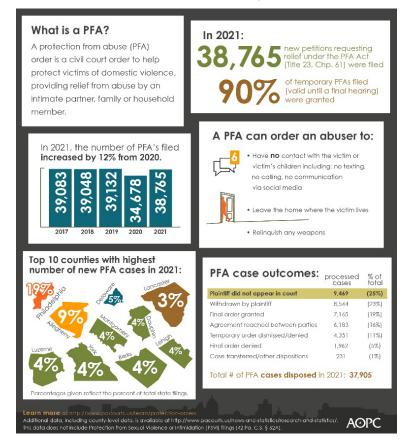
A closer look at Protection from Abuse Orders in Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG — In 2021, the number of new protection from abuse (PFA) orders filed statewide **increased by 12 percent** from 2020. A PFA is a civil court order to help protect victims of domestic violence, providing relief from abuse by an intimate partner, family or household member. Additional information about protection orders is available <u>here</u>.

The infographic below highlights 2021 PFA data including the statewide number of PFAs filed over the last five years, the top 10 counties with the highest number of PFA cases and the percentages of PFA case outcomes. A high-resolution file of the graphic is available for download at www.pacourts.us under Media Resources.

A closer look at statewide PFA filings





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Editor's Note: View county-by-county protection from abuse (PFA) data via the PFA <u>interactive</u> <u>dashboards</u>.