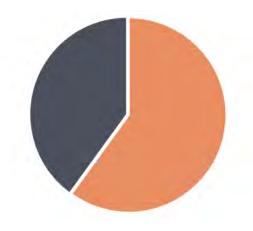
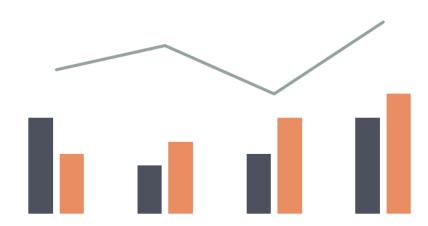
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We are pleased to provide you with a copy of the 2023 County Caseload Display pages. They can also be viewed on the AOPC webpage at www.pacourts.us in the *News & Statistics* section under *Research & Statistics*.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 717.231.3300 .

Sincerely,

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Data Scientist

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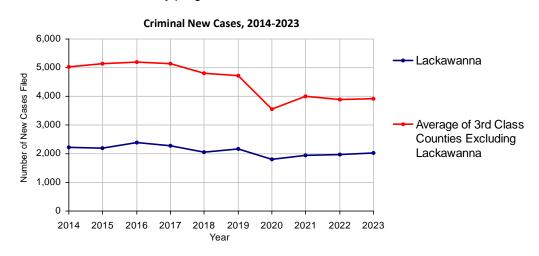


2023 Criminal	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	1,103	
New Cases Filed in 2023	2,032	
Reopened Cases	149	
Cases Available for Processing	3,284	
Processed by:		
Withdrawn/Dismissed	156	6.9%
Diversionary Disposition*	344	15.1%
Guilty Plea	1,634	71.9%
Non-Jury Trial	8	0.4%
Jury Trial	15	0.7%
Inactive	99	4.4%
Other	16	0.7%
Total Cases Processed	2,272	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	1,012	
Cases Awaiting Sentencing	482	

Age of Penals of 12/	•	es
45 01 12/	01/2020	
0-60 Days	268	26.5%
61-120 Days	246	24.3%
121-180 Days	158	15.6%
181-240 Days	110	10.9%
241-300 Days	77	7.6%
301-360 Days	45	4.4%
Over 360 Days	108	10.7%
Total	1,012	100.0%

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^{*} Includes other diversionary programs such as Veterans Court.



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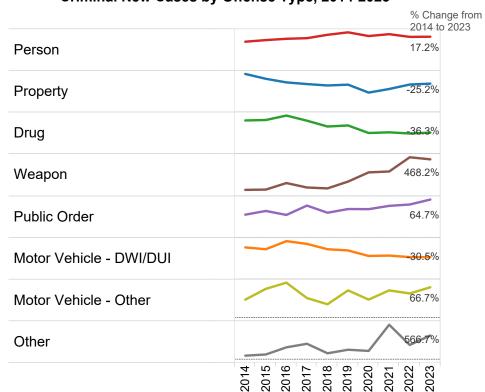


2023 Criminal - New Cases by Offense Type

Case Type	Felony	Misdemeanor	Summary	Total	
Person	216	222	6	444	21.9%
Property	250	138	4	392	19.3%
Drug	235	108	2	345	17.0%
Weapon	98	27	0	125	6.2%
Public Order	106	174	0	280	13.8%
Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI	8	397	1	406	20.0%
Motor Vehicle - Other	6	14	0	20	1.0%
Other	19	1	0	20	1.0%
Total	938	1,081	13	2,032	100.0%
	46.2%	53.2%	0.6%	100.0%	

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Criminal New Cases by Offense Type, 2014-2023



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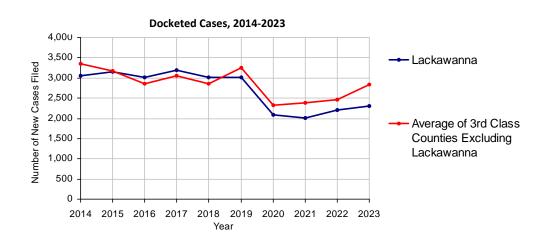
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2023 Civil	Civil Action	Other	Total			
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	4,257	4,350	8,607			
Docketed Cases	1,606	708	2,314			
Arbitration Appeals	3	5	8	A (D !!		
Transferred In	3	0	3	Age of Pendi	•	es
Returned to Active	0	0	0	as of 12/3		
Cases Available for Processing	5,869	5,063	10,932	(Civil Actio	n Only)	
_	-,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,	0-6 months	764	35.4%
Processed By:				7-12 months	391	18.1%
Default Judgments	1,161	211	1,372	13-18 months	297	13.8%
Cases Decided by Arbitration Boar	d 83	5	88	19-24 months	239	11.1%
Dispositive Motions	1	0	1	25-30 months	134	6.2%
Settlements	487	123	610	31-36 months	73	3.4%
Moved to Inactive Status	0	0	0	37-42 months	60	2.8%
Transferred/Withdrawn	26	3	29	43-48 months	48	2.2%
Dismissed/Discontinued	1,174	174	1,348	49-54 months	29	1.3%
Administrative Purge	235	0	235	55-60 months	26	1.2%
Other	540	90	630	61-66 months	25	1.2%
Jury Trial	3	0	3	67-72 months	12	0.6%
Non-Jury Trial	1	0	1	Over 72 months	60	2.8%
Total Cases Processed	3,711	606	4,317	Total	2,158	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	2,158	4,457	6,615			



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2023 Civil - Docketed Cases Listed by Case Type

TORT	471	20.4%	REAL F	PROPER	ΓΥ	519	22.4%
(does not include mass tort)			Ejectme	nt*		22	
Intentional	14		Eminent	Domain/C	Condemnation*	6	
Malicious Prosecution	0		Ground	Rent		0	
Motor Vehicle	283			d/Tenant D	ispute	129	
Nuisance	2			je Foreclos		.20	
Premise Liability	91			Residential		281	
Product Liability	8			Commercia		12	
Slander/Libel/Defamation	4			of Real P		3	
Other	69		Quiet Ti		Торону	38	
MASS TORT	4	0.2%	Other*			28	
Asbestos	1		CIVIL A	APPEALS		163	7.0%
Tobacco	0				e Agencies		
Toxic Tort - DES	0			f Assessm	•	57	
Toxic Tort - Implant	0		Board o	f Elections	*	0	
Toxic Waste	0		Dept. of	Transport	ation*	88	
Other	3		Zoning I			9	
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY				y Appeal -	Other*	4	
	59	2.5%	Other*			5	
Dental	3		MISCE	LLANEO	ıe	455	 ./
Legal	4					155	6.7%
Medical Malpractice	52		Commo		!(*	•	
Other	0			atutory Arb		0	
CONTRACT	943	40.8%		<mark>tory Judgm</mark>	ient*	14	
(does not include judgments)			Mandan		-4:	1	
Buyer Plaintiff	16			mestic Rel		4	
Debt Collection: Credit Card	484			estraining (Jrder*	1	
Debt Collection: Other	303		Quo Wa			0	
Employment Dispute: Discrimination	3		Replevir	1^		19	
Employment Dispute: Other	7		Other*			120	
Other	130			D 0 0 / ETT			400.00/
Of the Docketed Cases:			IUIAL	DOCKETE	ED CASES:	2,314	100.0%
Pro Se Filings: 162 7.0%	Class	Action Suits:	2	0.1%	MDJ Appeals:	21	2 9.2%

*Civil Other

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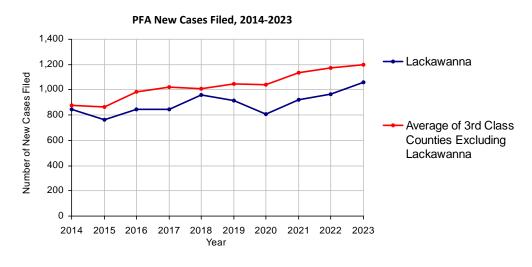
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2023 Protection From Abuse	No. of Petitions	5
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	1,942(R)
New Cases Filed in 2023	1,058	
Of these, Petitions Requesting Temporary Orders: 1,058 (100.0%)		
Temporary Orders DENIED: 163 (15.4%), Temporary Orders GRANTED: 895 (84.6%)		
Cases Available for Processing	3,000	
Processed By:		
Temporary Order DENIED After Ex Parte Hearing and No Evidentiary Hearing Scheduled	0	
Temporary Order DISMISSED After Evidentiary Hearing and No Final Order Entered	0	
Final Order DENIED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge or a Judicial Officer	67	8.0%
Final Order GRANTED After Evidentiary Hearing Before a Judge or a Judicial Officer	144	17.2%
Plaintiff Did Not Appear For Evidentiary Hearing	141	16.8%
Final Order by STIPULATION OR AGREEMENT Between the Parties	198	23.6%
Petition WITHDRAWN by Plaintiff	289	34.4%
TRANSFERRED to Another Jurisdiction	0	
Other	0	
Cases Processed	839	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	2,161	

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2023 Spousal & Child Support	No. of Petitions	3
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	891	
New Cases Filed in 2023	2,414	
Dockets Transferred In (+)	32	
Dockets Transferred Out (-)	94	
Cases Available for Processing	3,243	
Processed By:		
Judge	0	
Intake Officer	2,585	96.8%
Hearing Officer	86	3.2%
Other	0	
Cases Processed	2,671	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	572	

No. of 2023 Paternity Cases **Acknowledgements Filed:** Non-Domestic Relations Section 291 79.3% **During Conference** 41 11.2% 8.2% Non-Stipulated (post genetic test) 30 Pre-Trial Conference 5 1.4% Total 367 100.0% **Established:** 10.9% Stipulated by Genetic Tests 15 Default - Father Failed to Appear 12 8.7% Adjudication by Court Proceeding 0 Out of State 111 80.4%

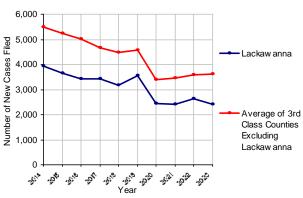
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Cases Pending 12/31/2023

Total

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Spousal & Child Support New Cases, 2014-2023



DEFINITIONS:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FILED:

NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS SECTION: The voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity by the alleged father. DURING CONFERENCE: The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial (PE-010) at the initial child support conference.

NON-STIPULATED (POST GENETIC TEST): The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial after genetic tests were conducted and resulted in the alleged father being determined to be the biological father. PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE: The alleged father signed the Acknowledgement of Paternity-Waiver of Trial at the pre-trial conference.

ESTABLISHED:

STIPULATED BY GENETIC TESTS: The alleged father requested genetic tests and signed a stipulation that if the test results had a 99% or higher probability of paternity then the alleged father would be stipulated as the biological father of the child.

DEFAULT - FATHER FAILED TO APPEAR: The alleged father failed to appear after being served for either a support conference, hearing, or genetic test and a default paternity order was entered by the court.

ADJUDICATION BY COURT PROCEEDING: The alleged father was determined to be the biological father of the child through a court proceeding.

OUT OF STATE: Paternity was established in another state, "Out of state only".

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100.0%

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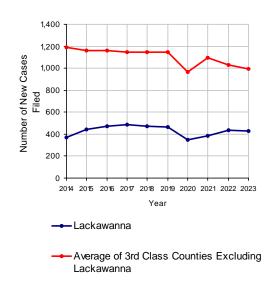
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2023 Custody/Partial Custody/Visitation	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	794	
New Cases Filed in 2023	427	
Cases Available for Processing	1,221	
Processed By:		
Judge	128	36.6%
Non-Judicial Officer	169	48.3%
Administrative Review/Purge	0	
Other	53	15.1%
Cases Processed	350	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	871	

Custody/Partial Custody/Visitation New Cases Filed, 2014-2023



Clearance Rate, 2014-2023

250%
200%
200%
150%
100%
2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023
Year

Note: Clearance Rate = Cases Processed / New Cases Filed

Cases Pending at the End of Year, 2014-2023



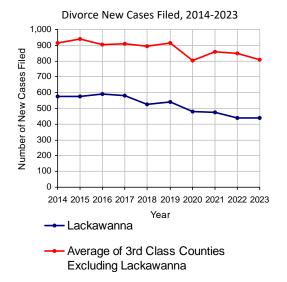
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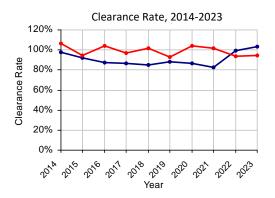
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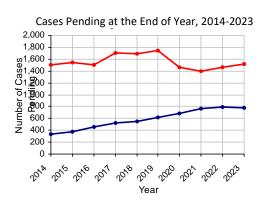
2023 Divorce	No. of Petitions	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	790	
New Cases Filed in 2023	440	
Cases Available for Processing	1,230	
Processed By:		
Contested Before a Judge	0	
Contested Before a Non-Judicial Officer	18	4.0%
Uncontested	435	96.0%
Administrative Review/Purge	0	
Other	0	
Cases Processed	453	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	777	



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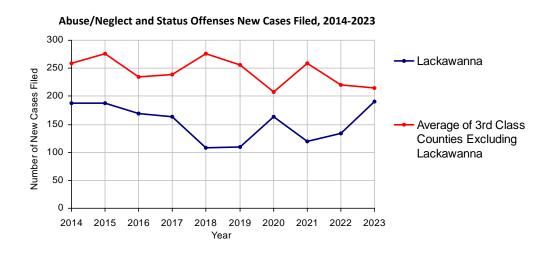
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2023 Juvenile Dependency - Petitions Pending Adjudication

	Abuse/ Neglect	Status Offenses	Total
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	6	0	6
New Petitions Filed in 2023	190	0	190
Other	43	0	43
Total Petitions Available for Processing	239	0	239
Processed by:			
Adjudicated Dependent			
Judge	213	0	213
Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0	0	0
Adjudicated NOT Dependent			
Judge	0	0	0
Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0	0	0
Withdrawn/Dismissed/Inactive	17	0	17
Other	3	0	3
Total Petitions Processed	233	0	233
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	6	0	6

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2023 Juvenile Dependency - Adjudicated Dependent Inventory

	Abuse/ Neglect		Status Offenses	5 Tota	ıl
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	219		0	219)
New Adjudicated Dependent Cases	213		0	213	3
Other	0		0	()
Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases	432		0	432	!
Court Supervision Terminated:					
Family Reunification	85	69.7%	0	85	69.7%
Adoption	20	16.4%	0	20	16.4%
Placement with a Relative/Guardian	16	13.1%	0	16	13.1%
Aged Out	0		0	C	
Other Permanency Outcomes*	1	0.8%	0	1	0.8%
Other**	0		0	C	
Total Adjudicated Dependent Cases Terminated	122	100.0%	0	100.0% 122	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	310		0	310)

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^{*} Other Permanency Outcomes include: adjudicated delinquent, death due to natural causes, emancipation, permanent living arrangement, and parent has come forward.

^{**} Other includes cases where court supervision is terminated due to transfer out of jurisdiction, withdrawal and administrative closure.

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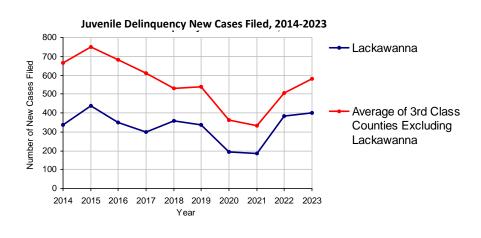
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2023 Juvenile Delinquency - Cases Pending Disposition

Begin Pending	111
New Cases	400
Consent Decree Revoked	18
Informal Adjustment Program Revoked	0
Alternative Program Revoked	0
Warrant Returned	5
Other	27
Total Cases Available for Disposition	561
Warrant Issued	5
Disposed by:	
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Judge	145
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Juvenile	
Court Hearing Officer	0
Consent Decree Entered	169
Informal Adjustment Program Entered	81
Warned and Counseled (Pre-Petition)	1
Dismissed/Withdrawn/Transferred	35
Transferred to Criminal Court	8
Other	7
Total Cases Disposed	446
End Pending	110
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2023 Delinquency - New Cases by Offense Type

Case Type	Felony	Misdemeanor	Summary	Total	
Person	24	161	0	185	46.3%
Property	37	41	0	78	19.5%
Drug	3	53	0	56	14.0%
Weapon	6	8	0	14	3.5%
Public Order	13	51	0	64	16.0%
Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI	0	1	0	1	0.3%
Motor Vehicle - Other	0	1	0	1	0.3%
Other	0	1	0	1	0.3%
Total	83	317	0	400	100.0%
	20.8%	79.3%	0.0%	100.0%	

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Delinquency New Cases by Offense Type, 2017-2023

% Change from 2017 to 2023 60.9% Person Property 75.0% Drug Weapon 77.8% Public Order Motor Vehicle - DWI/DUI -50.0% Motor Vehicle - Other 0.0% Other

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2023 Juvenile Delinquency - Formal Dispositions

Begin Pending	173
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Judge	145
Adjudicated Delinquent by a Juvenile Court Hearing Officer	0
Warrant Returned	1
Other	4
Total Adjudicated Delinquent Cases	323
Warrant Issued	8
Court Supervision Terminated:	
Conditions Satisfied	95
Compelling Reasons	22
Reached Age 21	0
Transferred to Another Juvenile Court	7
Other	1
Total Adjudicated Delinquent Cases	
Terminated	125
End Pending	190
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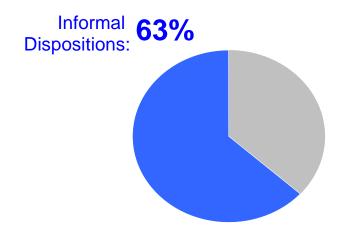
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2023 Juvenile Delinquency - Informal Dispositions

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Pending Consent Decrees	67
Pending Informal Adjustments	7
New Consent Decrees	169
New Informal Adjustments	81
Warrant Returned	0
Other	0
Cases Informally Disposed	324
Warrant Issued	1
Terminated by:	
Consent Decree Completed	131
Informal Adjustment Completed	74
Consent Decree Revoked	18
Informal Adjustment Program Revoked	0
Other	6
Total Informally Disposed Cases Terminated	229
End Pending	94
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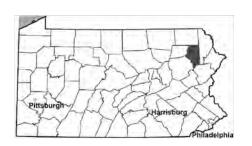


Delinquency Cases are disposed either formally, at a proceeding held before a judge or hearing officer, or informally without a proceeding. Informal dispositions include informal adjustments supervised by a juvenile probation officer; consent decrees agreed upon with the District Attorney after a petition is filed; or other prepetition process by the juvenile probation department.

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2023 Accounts		No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023		20	
New Cases Filed in 2023		12	
Cases Available for Processing		32	
Processed By:			
Contested before a Ju	ıdge	0	
Contested before a No	on-Judicial Officer	0	
Uncontested		9	100.0%
Other		0	
Cases Processed		9	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023		23	

Accounts New Cases Filed, 2014-2023 80 -- Lackawanna 70 Number of New Cases Filed 60 50 Average of 3rd Class 40 Counties Excluding Lackawanna 30 20 10 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 Year

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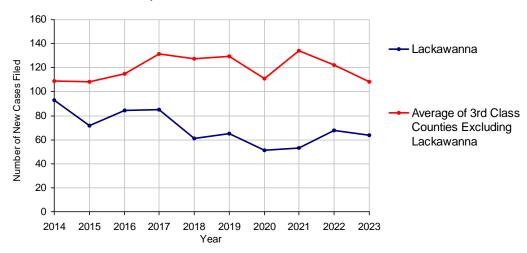
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2023 Adoptions		No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023		10	
New Cases Filed in 2023		64	
Cases Available for Processing		74	
Processed By:			
Contested before a Judge	Granted	0	
	Denied	0	
Uncontested	Granted	55	100.0%
	Denied	0	
Other		0	
Cases Processed		55	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023		19	

Adoptions New Cases Filed, 2014-2023



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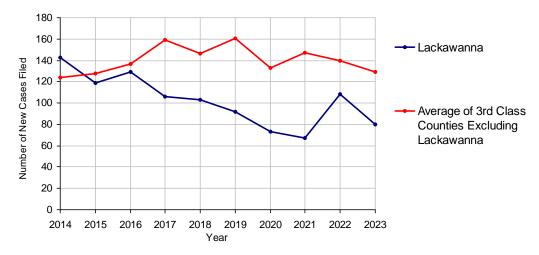
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2023 Relinquishments/Terminations	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	54	
New Cases Filed in 2023	80	
Cases Available for Processing	134	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	0	
Uncontested	67	97.1%
Other	2	2.9%
Cases Processed	69	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	65	

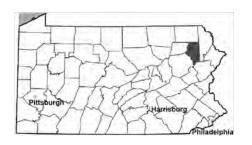
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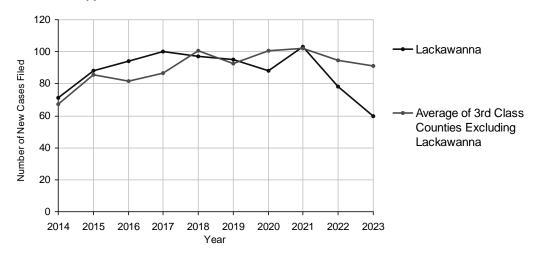
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2023 Appointment of Guardians	No. of Cases	
Cases Pending 1/1/2023	32	
New Cases Filed in 2023	60	
Cases Available for Processing	92	
Processed By:		
Contested before a Judge	1	1.9%
Uncontested	52	98.1%
Other	0	
Cases Processed	53	100.0%
Cases Pending 12/31/2023	39	

Appointment of Guardians New Cases Filed, 2014-2023



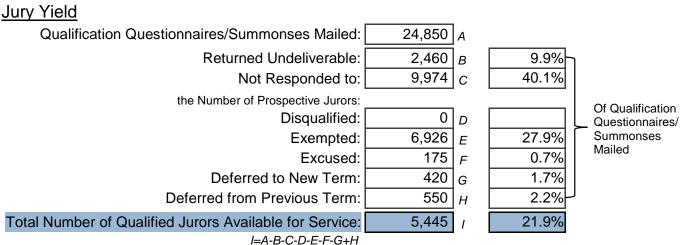
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2023 Jury Yield and Utilization



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Jury Utilization

the Number of Jurors:

Reporting for Service:	2,981
Told Not to Report for Service:	4,403
Sent to Courtroom for Jury Selection (Voir Dire):	1,205
Impaneled or Sworn (jurors/alternates):	295
Removed for Cause/Hardship:	272
Removed by Peremptory Challenge:	280

Number of Jury Trials Started: 20

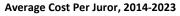
Pool Days: 27
Zero Panel Days 9

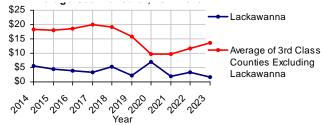
54.7%
80.9%
40.4%
9.9%
Of Jurors Qualified and Available
for Service

33.3% (Of Pool Days)

Jury Costs

Total Annual Budget for Juror Operations:	\$41,233.00	J
Average Cost Per Juror:	\$1.66	κ
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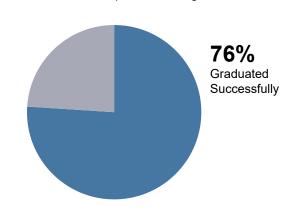


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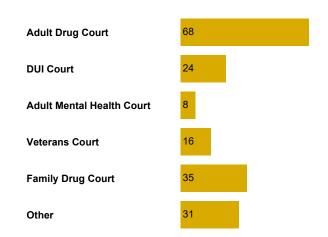
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121 Discharges

Of All Court Participants Discharged:



182 Admissions

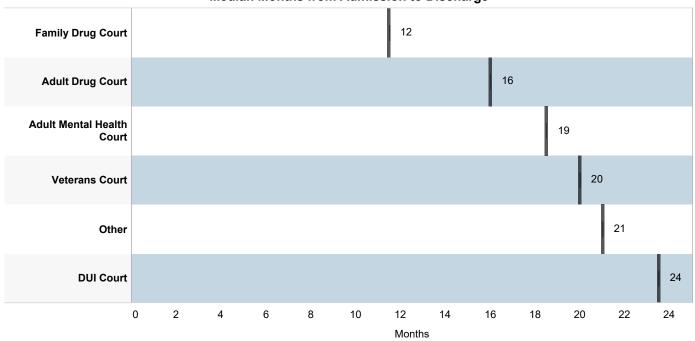


Discharge Reason

Total Discharges	Other	Unsuccessful /Absconded	Voluntarily Withdrew	Unsuccessful /Non-Compliant	Unsuccessful/New Offense	Successfully Completed	
	3 (6.0%)			4 (8.0%)	2 (4.0%)	41 (82.0%)	Adult Drug Court
18 <i>(100.0%)</i>	1 (5.6%)	1 (5.6%)				16 (88.9%)	DUI Court
14 (100.0%)		1 (7.1%)	1 (7.1%)	3 (21.4%)	2 (14.3%)	7 (50.0%)	Adult Mental Health Court
14 (100.0%)	1 (7.1%)			2 (14.3%)		11 (78.6%)	Veterans Court
	4 (40.0%)					6 (60.0%)	Family Drug Court
15 <i>(100.0%)</i>	1 (6.7%)		1 (6.7%)	1 (6.7%)	1 (6.7%)	11 (73.3%)	Other

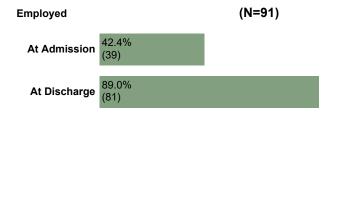
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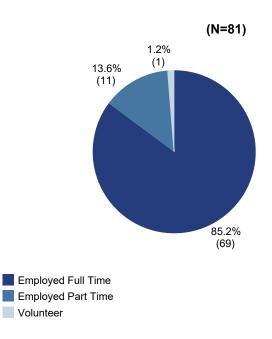


Among successful graduates, there was a 108% increase in employment.

85% of the employed successful graduates were employed full time:



8% (10) of all participants have improved in **education level** at discharge.



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