

STATISTICAL REPORT
RELATING TO THE CIRCUIT COURTS
OF
THE STATE OF OREGON

SECOND HALF 2009

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(Also includes January 1 through December 31 Year-End Data)

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Notes about the Statistical Reports

All reports are sorted by judicial district.

The circuit court in Multnomah also acts as the municipal court for the city of Portland. In that capacity, they received 247,386 parking citation case filings in 2009 and terminated 238,681 parking cases. These statistics on municipal court parking citation filings and terminations are not included in any of the statistical reports.

Notes about Individual Tables

Tables 1 through 4b

The circuit courts in Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Sherman, and Wheeler Counties do not have primary jurisdiction over probate cases. Probate cases in these jurisdictions are usually adjudicated in a local county court.

The circuit courts in Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman, and Wheeler Counties do not have primary jurisdiction over juvenile petition adjudications except for those involving termination of parental rights. The local county court in these jurisdictions adjudicates most of the juvenile petitions that do not involve termination of parental rights.

Felony case counts include extradition cases.

Juvenile “case” counts are based upon **petitions** filed and adjudicated.

JOIN statistics may vary slightly from OJIN statistics reported in this publication.

Table 5

Felony case counts include extradition cases.

Juvenile petitions are not counted in the age of pending cases report.

Table 6

Data reported on trials are published here for your convenience. Some courts routinely enter trials on OJIN while others may not. If you have questions about trial rates in a specific county, please contact the local trial court administrator.

Average (mean) age of cases tried is the total time from filing to trial, minus inactive time. A case is considered “inactive” when it is beyond the trial court's control to move it forward to adjudication (i.e., while a bench warrant is outstanding, during the pendency of a bankruptcy proceeding, etc.).

Felony case counts include extradition cases.

Juvenile petitions are not counted in the cases tried analysis report.

Tables 7a through 7e

The Oregon Judicial Conference set the Oregon Goals for Timely Disposition based on American Bar Association guidelines as modified for Oregon. The reports reflect cases terminated during the reporting period within specific case categories and time lines.

The percent of cases meeting each goal is cumulative. The percent meeting the 98% goal includes the count of those meeting the 90% goal; the percent meeting the 100% goal includes the count of both those in the 98% and 90% goals. The percent of cases beyond the goal is not cumulative.

The “domestic relations” category does not have a 98% goal.

The “felony” category includes felony cases only; unlike previous tables, extradition cases are not included with the felony case count.

The “summary civil” category includes small claims and forcible entry and detainer cases. Summary civil has only a 100% goal.