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## Introduction

The summary tables published in this State Trial Court Jurisdiction Guide for Statistical Reporting provide, in greatly condensed form, the information relating to completeness and comparability of state court statistics. These tables are derived from the individual court profiles in a much longer working document being used by the Court Statistics and Information Management Project to classify the caseload statistics of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

#### Background and purpose

Preparation of the jurisdiction guide was an outgrowth of the automation of the database for the State Court Caseload Statistics: Annual Report series, implemented in 1983. The coding of the various data elements required a precision which at that time did not exist. For example, where states were reporting general terms (like "civil" and "criminal"), these statistics could only be coded as "unclassified" if the Court Statistics and Information Management Project (CSIM) staff did not know exactly what types of cases were included in those categories. Data in an unclassified category are not comparable to any other data. A second problem resulted when a case category that a court system handled was unidentified. If, for example, the case category "mental health" was missing in a state's statistics and it was unknown which court(s) in the system had jurisdiction over that case type, there was no way to tell whether caseload statistics for that category were unavailable or were collapsed into a broader category. Lack of these kinds of information made it impossible to determine which data were complete and comparable.

The jurisdiction guide was undertaken to permit the accurate coding of the annual report database. Since a major research effort would be required to gather the jurisdictional information needed, the Court Statistics and Information Systems (CSIS) Committee of the Conference of State Court Administrators (COSCA) agreed that staff should at the same time ask other questions that significantly affect the comparability of caseload data. Issues such as how criminal cases are counted, the definition of a felony, how felonies are counted in the pre-indictment stage, how dollar limits in civil cases vary, and the like affect the comparability of state court statistics. The jurisdiction guide would systematically gather as much information as possible regarding completeness and comparability of state court caseload statistics.

#### Methodology

The members of the Conference of State Court Administrators, at the behest of their CSIS Committee, agreed to complete jurisdiction profiles for each court in their state. Four trial court jurisdiction guide profiles (civil, criminal, traffic/other violation, and juvenile—see Appendix A for prototypes) were devised. A set for each state court in the country was filled in for the year 1981 by CSIM staff, based on available information, and then sent to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) in each state. A contact person (or persons) in each AOC,

knowledgeable about that state's statistics, was assigned to correct and complete the profiles. When the profiles were returned to the National Center for State Courts, CSIM staff matched the 1981 statistics for each state to the jurisdiction guide profiles. Lengthy telephone conversations were held with AOC staff to reconcile differences, clarify responses, and inquire further into the reporting practices of each state.

When the contact person and CSIM staff agree that the jurisdiction profiles were correct, each State Court Administrator was asked to provide the name of a court official in each court in his state to which the profile would be sent for a field check. The field checks were completed by about half the states.

The 1981 profiles asked if any jurisdictional changes had occurred that affected the data reported for 1982 and 1983. Telephone calls were used to obtain the same information regarding changes in 1984. The summary tables produced here are based on the information contained in 482 revised 1984 profiles for 206 state and local courts in 49 of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Courts were included whether or not they provide data to the AOC; only by including the entire state court system could it be determined where all case types were being handled and whether data reported for each case type were complete.

In the process of completing the first jurisdiction guide, the questions that CSIM staff asked changed as more was learned about the mechanics of individual court operations. Assumptions about generic terms like small claims had to be revised as it became apparent that the small claims process is not uniform, but varies from state to state, permitting jury trials and lawyers in some jurisdictions but excluding them in others. Some questions remain unanswered; AOC staff in some states had more time to devote to and more interest in this effort than others. New questions were added during the compilation process, such as how reopened cases are counted.

The jurisdiction profiles are working documents and will not be published. They will, however, be revised annually before data for each nation-wide annual report in the State Court Caseload Statistics series are collected. Court systems change and reporting systems are modified. Further probing will be needed in future guides to clarify anomalies such as the fact that many jurisdictions do not count support-custody cases as separate from marriage dissolution cases but consider them a step in the processing of a dissolution case. Thus the jurisdiction profiles will be a continually evolving resource. Comments and corrections from court officials in the field will be a welcome part of the revision process and should be directed to the CSIM Project, 300 Newport Avenue, Williamsburg, Virginia, 23185.

#### Significance of the jurisdiction guide

Probably the most significant accomplishment of the jurisdiction guide is the improvement in the integrity of the annual report database. Complete data are now much more clearly identified, and all of the information collected in the jurisdiction guide is available in the

database. This will permit identification of courts with comparable jurisdictions, from which data can be extracted and analyzed, not only by CSIM project staff, but by court officials and researchers through access to the data tapes available through the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research at the University of Michigan, P.O. Box 1248, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48206.

The other major benefit is that the guide's contents make it possible for the annual report series to be brought up to date and kept current. Instead of waiting for each state to publish its annual report, which causes a two-year time lag in the production of the national Annual Report, CSIM staff can now classify raw data from the states according to the jurisdiction guide. This will permit the production of the nation-wide annual report within the year following the actual handling of the caseload by the states.

#### Learning process

The jurisdiction guide has collected an enormous amount of information about the state courts, all of which has been integrated into the annual report series database. A great deal more is known now about which jurisdictions and which data are comparable and which data are complete. CSIM staff have found the guide a demanding, but exciting learning task. Many AOC staff have also commented in the struggle to complete their jurisdiction profiles that they have been forced to examine issues and answer questions they had never before tackled. A number of the AOC contacts asked how their state compared with other states. The summary tables presented here should answer both that question and a related one expressed in phone conversations—"Doesn't everyone do it this way?"

## Table 1. State trial court jurisdictions and record requirements, 1984

#### Comments:

This table is the most general of all the tables derived from the trial court jurisdiction guide, in that it shows which courts in each state court system handle cases in the broad categories civil, criminal, traffic/other violations, and juvenile. These broad categories are used in the State Court Caseload Statistics: Annual Report series and were approved by the COSCA CSIS Committee.

Detailed tables for each of these broad categories are found in Table 2 (civil), Table 7 (criminal), Table 14 (traffic/other violations), and Table 16 (juvenile).

	General/ limited	Verbatim	Verbatim		Case catego	ories handled	
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District Court	L		Х	X	X	X	Х
Probate Court	L		X	X			
Municipal Court	L		X		. х	Χ .	
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Superior Court	G .	X		Х	х		X
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Circuit Court	G	X		Х	X	. == '	
Chancery and Probate		<del></del>			••		
Court	G	X		Х			
Court of Common Pleas	L	X		X			
		Λ.	v.	X			X
County Court	L		X				<u> </u>
Municipal Court	L	X		X	X	X	
City Court, Police Court	L		X	X	Х	X,	
ALIFORNIA			<del></del>		<del></del>	<del></del>	
Superior Court	G	X		X	x	·	X
Justice Court	L		X	Х	x	x	~-
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Municipal Court	. u	· A		^	Λ.	^	
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Water Court	G	Х		х			
County Court	L	X		Х	x	<b>X</b> ·	
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Superior Court	G ·	X		х	X		
Family Court	Ĺ	X		Х	X	X	Х
Court of Common Pleas	L.	x		X	X		
Justice of the Peace				46			
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X = Transcript requirements and jurisdiction of the court.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

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State/court	tion	required	required	Civil	Criminal	violations	Juvenile
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA							
Superior Court	G	X		Х	X	x	X
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FLORIDA Circuit Court	G	X		x	x		х
County Court	L	x		x	x	x	
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Superior Court	G	X		X	x	<b>X</b> .	X
Juvenile Court	L	X				X	X
State Court	L	•	x	· X	X .	x	
	L		X	x	X	X	
Probate Court	_						
Magistrate Court	L		Х	X	X	X	
Civil Court	L		Х	Х	Х		
Municipal Court	L		X .	X	Х		
Recorder's Court	L		Х		X	Х	
HAWAII							<del> </del>
Circuit Court	G	. X		Х	X	X	X
District Court	L	х		X	X	X	
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Probate Court	Ĺ	X		x			x
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County Court	L	Х		Х	Х	X	
Municipal Court of							
Marion County	L	* <b>X</b>		X	X	X	
Small Claims Court of							
Marion County	L		Х	Χ .	X		
City Court and Town Court	L		X	X	X	x	
IOWA							<del></del>
District Court	G	X		х	x	X,	X
TANDAG			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<del></del>
KANSAS District Court	G	X		X	<b>x</b>	, <b>X</b>	X
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Superior Court	G	X		X	X	X	
District Court	L		X (but	Х	X	X	X
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Probate Court	L	Unknown		Х			·
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Circuit Court	•	х		X	v		v
	G				X		X
District Court	L	X		X	X	X	Х
Orphans' Court	L	X		X			
MASSACHUSETTS				<del> </del>			
Trial Court of the							
Commonwealth	G	X		х	x	x	X
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MICHIGAN			:				
Circuit Court	G	X		X	X		
Court of Claims	G	X		X			
District Court	L	X		X	x	x	
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Chancery Court	G	X		X			х
County Court	L	Unknown		X	X	X ·	
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Family Court	L	Unknown		X	X		X
Municipal Court	L	Unknown			Х	X	Х
Justice Court	L	Unknown		X	X	X	
MISSOURT				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·	
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NEBRASKA			<del></del>				
District Court	Ġ	. X		X	X		
Workmen's Compensation							
Court	L	x		х			
Separate Juvenile Court	L	X		Α			X
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County Court	L	X		X	X	X	X
Municipal Court	L	X		Х	X	X	
NEVADA			<del></del>	<del></del>			
District Court	G	x		X	X		X
Justice Court	L	X		x	x	x	
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		General/						
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MEL	HAMPSHIRE							
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	District Court	L	Λ.	х	X	X	x	X
	Probate Court	L	Recorded		X	,. 	Λ	
	Probate Court	L	electron		۸			
	Municipal Court	L ·	election	X	x	x	X	
NEW	JERSEY							
	Superior Court (Law							
	Division and							
	Chancery Division)	G	X		X	X		Х
	Superior Court Law							
	Division, Special							
	Civil Part	L	X		X	X	X	<del></del>
	Municipal Court	L	Х			Х	X	
	Surrogate's Court	L	X		X		<del></del> .	
NEU	MEXICO				 			
GATE M	District Court	G	X		х	x		х
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	Magistrate Court	ь		X	Α .	Α.	X	
	Bernalillo County	•					••	
	Metropolitan Court	L		X	X	Х	X	
	Probate Court	L		X	X			
	Municipal Court	L	Х			<b></b>	X	
NEW	YORK	<del> </del>		<del></del>	 <del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	
	Supreme Court	G	X		Х	X		
	County Court	G.	X		X	х		
	Civil Court of the City							
	of New York	L	x		X			
	Criminal Court of the	7 '						
	City of New York	L	x			х	х	~~
	Family Court	r r	X		X	A		X
	District Court and City	b			•			Α .
	Court	L	X .		x		X	
						X	. 4	
	Surrogates' Court	L	X		X			
	Court of Claims	L	X		Х			
	Town Court and Village Justice Court	L		X	x	x	X	
	Sustice Court			^	Λ	Λ.		
NOR'	TH CAROLINA				 		·	
	Superior Court	G	X		X	X		
	District Court	L	X		Х	x	X	X
NOR'	ТН ДАКОТА				 			
	District Court	G	x		х	x	<b>x</b>	Х
	County Court	L	X		X	X	x	
	Municipal Court	, î	<del></del>	. <b>X</b>		x	X .	·
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	Court of Common Pleas	G	X		. Х	X	·	X
	County Court	L	X		X	X	X	
	Municipal Court	L	X		X	X	Х	
	Court of Claims Mayor's Court	L L	X	<b>x</b>	X 	<u></u>	 X	
OKL	AHOMA							
	District Court	G	X		Х	Х	Х	X
	Court of Tax Review	L	X		X		<del></del>	
	Municipal Criminal Court							
	of Record and Municipal							
	Court Not of Record	L	X	X .			X	

X = Transcript requirements and jurisdiction of the court. -- = This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 1: (continued)

	General/ limited	Verbatim	Verbatim		Case categ	ories handled	<u> </u>
State/court	juris- dic- tion	tran- script required	transcript not required	<u>Civil</u>	Criminal	Traffic/ other <u>violations</u>	Juvenile
OREGON							
Circuit Court	G	x		x	х		x
Tax Court	Ğ.	x		x			
District Court	L	X		x	х	x	
County Court	Ĺ.	••	x	x			X
Justice Court	L	Unknown	••	X	x	х	
Municipal Court	L	Unknown			X	x	
PENNSYLVANIA				<del></del>			
Court of Common Pleas	G	Х		X	х		x
District Justice Court Philadelphia Municipal	Ĺ	••	X	x	x	X	
Court	L	х		х	х	X	-
Philadelphia Traffic							
Court	L		X			х	
	r		Α			Λ.	
Pittsburgh City	_				1 44		
Magistrates Court	L.		X	<b>X</b> ·	X	X	
PUERTO RICO	_						
Superior Court	G	X		· X	X		Х
District Court	L	Х		X	Х	Х	
Municipal Judges	L		X			X	
RHODE ISLAND							
Superior Court	G	X		X	X		
District Court	L	X		X	Х	X	
Family Court	L	X		X			X
Probate Court	L	Unknown		X			
Municipal Court	L '		X			<b>X</b>	
SOUTH CAROLINA			<del></del>				
Circuit Court	G	X		Х	X	, <del></del> '	
Family Court	L	Х		X		Х	Х
Magistrate Court	L		X	X	Х	X	
Probate Court	Ĺ	х		X			~~
Municipal Court	L		x		X	<b>X</b>	
SOUTH DAKOTA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Circuit Court	G	X		X	X	x	X
TENNESSEE						<u> </u>	
Circuit Court and							
Criminal Court	G	X		x	X	X	
Law and Equity Court	Ğ	X		X			
Chancery Court	G	X		х			
General Sessions Court	L		X	X	χ	x	X
Probate Court	L	X		X			
Municipal Court	Ĺ		X		x	<b>X</b> -	
Juvenile Court	L	X .		X			x
TEXAS		<del> </del>				:	
District Court and							
Criminal District Court	G	x		X	<b>x</b>		X
	G.	Α.		•	^		Λ.
County Court at Law,							
Constitutional County							
Court, and Probate	•	**			••		
Court	L	X		X	X	X	X
Municipal Court	Ľ.		Х (8 ехсер-		X	X	<del></del> .
Justice of the Peace			tions)				
Court	L		X	X	X	X	

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Table 1: (continued)

	General/						
	limited	Verbatim	Verbatim		Case categ	ories handled	
	juris-	tran-	transcript			Traffic/	
•	dic-	script	not	1		other	
State/court	tion	required	required	Civil	<u>Criminal</u>	<u>violations</u>	Juvenile
UTAH							
District Court	G	Х		Х	X		
Circuit Court	L	Х		X	X	Х	'
Justice of the Peace							
Court	L		X	Х	Х	X	
Juvenile Court	L	Χ ,				х	X
VERMONT			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Superior Court	G	X		х			
District Court	G	X		X	х	X	X
Probate Court	L	. '	X	x	A		
Tropage Source				•			
VTRGINIA							
Circuit Court	G	X		X	* <b>X</b>	X	
District Court	L		X	X	x	X	X
WASHINGTON					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Superior Court	G	X		x	Х		X
District Court	L	Electro	nically	X	X	X	
Municipal Court	L		X		Х	X	
WEST VIRGINIA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>			
Circuit Court	G	X		х	х		x
Magistrate Court	Ĺ		X	x	x	x	
Municipal Court	L L		X		x	x	
				<del>~</del>			
WISCONSIN	_			••			17
Circuit Court	G	X		Х	X	X	X
Municipal Court	L	Electro	nically		X	X	
WYOMING							
District Court	G	X		X	X	. <del></del>	Х
County Court	L	Electro	nically	X	X	X	
Justice of the Peace							
Court	L		X	X	X	X	
Municipal Court	L		X		Х		

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## Table 2. Civil case type jurisdiction by state trial courts, 1984

Comments: The civil case type classifications used in this table are those used in the <u>State Court Caseload</u>

<u>Statistics: Annual Report series.</u> They have been chosen as a model set of data elements for caseload inventory by the <u>COSCA Court Statistics</u> and Information Systems Committee and are defined in <u>State Court Model Statistical Dictionary</u> and <u>Supplement</u>.

In the trial court jurisdiction guide, CSIM staff have ascertained from AOC staff in each state exactly what case types are handled in each court and how they should be classified into the CSIM caseload inventory.

State/court	General/ limited juris- dic- tion		Con- tract	Real prop- erty	Small claims		Mental	Fototo	Adminis- trative agency appeal		Miscel-
order, court	LIOII	1011	Crace	LIGHTS	Claims	CTOHS	Health	BSCALE	appear	appear	Talleous
ALABAMA											
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X		X			X	X .	
District Court	L	Х	X	X	Х		*				
Probate Court	L						X	Х			
(does not report data to AOC)											
ALASKA											
Superior Court	G	X	X	Х		X	X	X .	X	Х	X
District Court	L	X	X		X						
ARIZONA				<del>`                                    </del>		<del></del>			·	····	
Superior Court	G	X.	Х	X		х	х	х	X	X ·	Х
Justices of the Peace Court	Ĺ	X	X	X	Х						
ARKANSAS											
Circuit Court	G	Х	X	Х					X	X	
Chancery Court and Probate											
Court	G	Х	X	<b>X</b> -		X	X	X			
Court of Common Pleas	L		X	~-							
County Court	L			X		Х					
Municipal Court	L		(X)	(X)	Х	~~			-		
City Court, Police Court	L		Х	Х							
CALIFORNIA	<del></del>			<del> </del>	<del></del>					<del></del>	<del> </del>
Superior Court	G	X	х	x		Х	Х	х	Х	X	X
Justice Court	L	X	X	X	Х						X
Municipal Court	L	x	X	X	X						X
											••
COLORADO									<del></del>		·
District Court	G	X	X	X .		X	X	X	x	X ,	
Water Court	G			X							
County Court	L	X	X	Х	X					Х	
CONNECTICUT	·			· · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>		<del></del>		<del></del>		<del></del>
Superior Court	G	Х	X	x	х	X	Х		Х		
Probate Court	L				~_	X .	X	X	A 		X
1100acc oout	-					т,	41	45			Α
DELAWARE				<del> </del>							
Court of Chancery	G	Х	Х	X			X	Х			
Superior Court	G	Х	X.	X			X		X	X	X
Family Court	L				~~	Х					
Justice of the Peace Court	L ·	Х	X	X					'		
Court of Common Pleas	L	X	X.	X							X.
Alderman's Court	L										

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Table	2:	(continued)

Table 2: (continued)  State/court	General/ limited juris- dic- tion		Con- tract	Real prop- erty rights	Small claims		Mental health	Estate	Adminis- trative agency appeal	Trial court appeal	Miscel- laneous
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Superior Court	G	X	, <b>X</b> .	X.	<b>x</b> .	x	x	х	X		X
FLORIDA		····		<del>, , ,</del>							
Circuit Court County Court	G L	X X	X	X	x	X 	<u>x</u>	X 	<del></del>	X 	X X
GEORGIA				····		····					
Superior Court State Court	G L L	X	X X	x 	x	X		 X	X 	X 	X X
Probate Court Magistrate Court	L	(x)	(X)		x		X	Α-			
Municipal Court (does not report data to AOC)	Ĺ	X	X	-	X						
Civil Court (does not report data to AOC)	L	Х	X		X						
HAWAII	_										
Circuit Court District Court	G L	X	X X	x x	x	X 	X	X 	X 	X	X X
IDAHO								·····			
District Court	G	X	х	х	х	Х	X.	X	X	X ,	X
ILLINOIS		<del></del>		<del></del>		<del></del>		<del></del>			<del></del>
Circuit Court	G	X	x	<b>X</b> -	X	x	, <b>x</b>	X	X		x
INDIANA		******									
Superior Court and Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	x	X	х	х	X	X.	X
Probate Court	L					Х		X			X
County Court Municipal Court of Marion	L,	X	X	X	X		Х				Х
County Small Claims Court of Marion	L	X	X	<b>X</b>			X	<del></del> :		х	X
County	L				X						
City Court and Town Court	Ľ	Х	, <b>X</b> .								
IOWA					······································			·		<u>.</u>	
District Court	G	Х	<b>x</b>	X	x	<b>x</b>	X	x		X	
KANSAS District Court	G	х	х	х	х	х	x	Х.	х	х	х
KENTUCKY			<del></del>					<del></del>			
Circuit Court District Court	G L	X X	X X	X X	x	X Y	X	X X	X	x 	X
LOUISIANA		·		<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>		<del></del>		
District Court	G	X	х	X		X	X	x	وموطني	x	х
City Court and Parish Court	L	X	X	X	х						<b></b>
Family Court and Juvenile Court	L					<b>X</b> .	X				
Justice of the Peace Court (does not report data to AOC)	L				X						
MAINE TO THE										····	
Superior Court	G	X	X ·	X		Х			X	X	X
District Court Probate Court	L	X	X	X	X	X X	X				
(does not report data to AOC)	L					۸		X			

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Table 2: (continued)

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	General/										
	limited			Real		Domes-			Adminis-		
	juris-			prop-		tic			trative		
	dic-		Con-	erty	Small		Mental		agency	court	Miscel
State/court	tion	Tort	tract	rights	claims	tions	health	Estate	appeal .	appea1	laneous
*** B.*** 1.***											
MARYLAND	_										
Gircuit Court	G	X	Х	X		X	Х	X	X	X	Х
District Court	L .	Х	Х	Х	Х						Х
Orphans' Court	L							X			
(does not report data to AOC)											
MASSACHUSETTS											
Trial Court of the Commonwealth:	G	Х	X	Х	Х	X	X	X	X	X	X
Superior Court Dept.	G	Х	X	Х					х	X	
Housing Court Dept.	L			X	Х.						
District Court Dept.	L	X	X	X	Х	X ·	X				X
Boston Municipal Court Dept.	L	X	Х	X	X	X .	X			X	X
Land Court Dept.	L			X		X	,	X			X
Probate and Family Ct. Dept.	L		'			X		X.			X
	,							···	····		
MICHIGAN											
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X		X			X	X ,	X
Court of Claims	G					'			X		
District Court	L	X	X .	X	X						
Municipal Court	L.	X	Х	X	X						
Probate Court	L	~-				X	X	Х			Х
								···	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
MINNESOTA											
District Court	G	Х	X	X		X	Х	X	Х	X	Х
County Court,	L	X	X	X	X	Х	X	X		X	
Probate Court,											
Conciliation Court,											
County Municipal Court											
MISSISSIPPI No data available											:
											·
MISSOURI											
Circuit Court	G	X	Х	X	X	Х	X	X ·	X	X	Х
:											
MONTANA	*										
District Court	G	Х	X	X		Х	X	X	Х	X,	Х
Justice of the Peace Court and											
Municipal Court	L	Х	Х	X	Х						
(does not report data to AOC)											
City Court	L	Х	X	Х	X						
(does not report data to AOC)											
								·			
NEBRASKA		_ ;_									
District Court	G	Х	X	X		Х	X		X	X	X
Workmen's Compensation Court	L								X		
County Court	L	X	X	X	X	X		Х			~-
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	· X				~~		
NEVADA											
District Court	G	Х	X	X		X	Х	Х	X	X	X
Justice Court	L .	X	X	Х	Х					,	
Muricipal Court	L	X	X	X	X						
NEW HAMPSHIRE								*			<del> </del>
Superior Court	G	X	Х	X		X					
District Court	Ĺ	X	X	X	х	X					
	L					X	х	X		***	X
Probate Court											
Municipal Court	L			X	х			~-			

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Table 2: (continued)											'
	General/ limited juris-			Real prop-		Domes-			Adminis- trative	Trial	
Object of the court	dic-	m	Con-	erty			Mental		agency	court	Miscel-
State/court	tion	Tort	tract	rights	claims	tions	health	estate	appear	appeal	laneous
NEW JERSEY											
Superior Court (Law Division											
and Chancery Division)	G	X	X	X,		X	X	X			X
Law Division, Special Civil	_										
Part	L	Х	X 	Х	X 						
Surrogate's Court	L					?	7-	Х			,
(does not report data to AOC) NEW MEXICO						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					<del></del>
District Court	G	X	X	Х	~-	X	Х	Х	X	Х	X
Magistrate Court	L	X	X	X							
Bernalillo County Metropolitan											
Court	L	х	X	Х							
Probate Court	L							X			
(does not report data to AOC)	·····			·						<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
NEW YORK							Handled				
							n lower riminal				
							ourts)		1,		
Supreme Court	G	х	х	x		x					х
County Court	G	X	X	X						Х	X
Civil Court of the City of											
New York	L	X	X	X .	X						X
Family Court	L ,					Х	X(juv	) X	No. 100 .		
District Court and City Court	L	X	Х	X	X						
Surrogates Court	L				~-	Х		Х			
Court of Claims	L	Х	Х	Х							
Town Court and Village Justice Court	L '	X ,	х	x	х				<del></del>		
(does not report data to AOC) NORTH CAROLINA				<del></del>			·				
Superior Court	G	х	х	X		X	Х	х	X		Х
District Court	L.	x	X ·	X	X	X				х	
	-				-						
NORTH DAKOTA							<del></del>				
District Court	G .	Х	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
County Court	T.	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х	X			
OHIO							<del></del>	···			
Court of Common Pleas	G	х	x	х		х	X	Х	X		X
County Court	L	X	X	X	х						X
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	Х						X
Court of Claims	L								X		Х
AUT HOLL											
OKLAHOMA District Court	G	v	v	v	v		ν	v	v		v
Court of Tax Review	L	Х	X	X	X	X	X	Х.	X		Х
COULT OF TAX KEALEM	ь.								-Δ		
OREGON					<del></del>	·					
Circuit Court	G	×	X	X		X	X	x	X	X	
Tax Court	G					- <del></del> '			X		,
District Court	L	Х	<b>X</b> -	X	Х			Х			
County Court	L					X .	, <b>X</b>	X			
Justice Court	L	Х	X	X	Х						
PENNSYLVANIA					······································					<del></del>	
Court of Common Pleas	G	X	X	X	'	X	x	Х	X	X	X
District Justice Court	L	X	X	X				,			
Philadelphia Municipal Court	L	(X)	(x)	X	X		~-	~			X
Pittsburgh City Magistrates Court	L			X							

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Table 2: (continued)											
	General/										
	limited			Real		Domes-			Adminis-		
	juris-		-	prop-		tic	1		trative		w: 1
	dic-	<b>.</b>	Con-	erty			Mental		agency	court	Miscel-
State/court	tion	Tort	tract	rights	claims	tions	health	Estate	appea1	appeal	laneous
PUERTO RICO											
Superior Court	G	Х	x	х		X		х	X s	X	X
District Court	L	X	X	X		X			X		X
720-720-7											
RHODE ISLAND	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·										
Superior Court	G	X	Х	X	_				X	X	x
District Court	L	X	X	X	X		X		Х		
Family Court	L					X					
Probate Court	L							X			
(does not report data to AOC)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·										
SOUTH CAROLINA											
Circuit Court	G	Х	X	X		~-	,		X	X	
Family Court	L					X					
Magistrate Court	L	X	X	X	X	X ·					
Probate Court	L						X	X			
				<del>,</del>							
SOUTH DAKOTA											
Circuit Court	G	X	X.	X	Х	X	Х	Х	X	Х	X
MONINGORE											
TENNESSEE		37	1*			,	**		17	17	v
Circuit Court	S	Χ.	X.	X		χ	X	X	X .	X	X X
Law and Equity Court	G	x 	X X	X X		X X	X X	X X	Χ	X X	X
Chancery Court	G	X	X	X			X		X X	X	A
General Sessions Court	L	A	٨	٨	X	X		Х	Α		
(does not report data to AOC)								v			-
Probate Court	Ļ		7-					X			
(does not report data to AOC)						X	x	·	_i_		
Juvenile Court	L					Λ	Λ				
(does not report data to AOC)	<del></del>									·	
District Court	G	Х	x	X		X		X	Х		X
County Court at Law, Consti-	G	Λ		Α.		Α .			Λ .		
tutional County											
Court, and Probate Court	L	х	X	X.	X	X	X	Х	~-	X	Х.
Justice of the Peace Court	L	X	X	X	X		X				
Justice of the feace coult	-		11	A			*				
UTAH				·····							
District Court	G	X	Х	Х		Х	n	X	Х	X	Х
Circuit Court	L	X	X	X	X					700-114h	
Justice of the Peace Court	L .	x	X		X						'
VERMONT				1							
Superior Court	G	X	X	Х		Х			X	X	
District Court	G	Х	X		X	X	X	~~	<b></b>		
Probate Court	L				~-	X	X	X			X
							<u> </u>				
VIRGINIA											
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X		X	X	Х	X	X	~~
District Court	L	Х	X	X		<b>X</b>	X		X		
						·					
The state of the s											
WASHINGTON											
Superior Court	G	X	X	x		X	x	x	x	x	X
	G L	X X	X X	X	x	X X	x	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>
Superior Court District Court					x						
Superior Court District Court WEST VIRGINIA	L.	X	X		x	X	<u> </u>			** **	
Superior Court District Court					x						

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Table 2: (continued)

State/court		General/ limited juris- dic- tion	Tort	Con- tract	Real prop- erty rights			Mental health	Estate	Adminis- trative agency appeal		Miscel- laneous
WISCONSIN Circuit Court		G	x	X	x	x	<b>X</b> .	x	x	X	x	x
WYOMING	 	<del></del>			·						-	
District Court		G	Х	X	X		X.	X	X	X	X	
County Court Justice of the		L	X	X	X	X	х					
Peace Court		<b>L</b> .	x	X	Х	. <b>X</b>						<del></del>

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## Table 3. Dollar range for original civil filings in state trial courts, 1984

Comments: This table indicates a wide variation in dollar amounts in civil cases, which affects the comparability of caseloads among individual courts.

The jurisdiction guide has pointed up the difficulty of classifying civil cases in which damages are sought. Most states have one court in which there is no maximum dollar amount that can be sought, one or more courts in which the dollar amount is limited, and one or more courts that hear small claims cases. This table has been constructed to illustrate these three different situations.

The jurisdiction guide has also revealed that there is no uniformity in what states are calling small claims cases. Three state and Puerto Rico have no small claims procedure. Some states permit jury trials in small claims; some do not permit lawyers; informal summary procedures predominate but are not universal—as indicated in the table.

	General/					
	limited			Small c	laims	<del></del>
	juris-	Unlimited dollar amount Limited dollar amount				Lawyers
Name of accept	dic-	Torts, contracts, real property Torts, contracts, real prop Minimum/maximum Minimum/maximum		Jury trials	Summary	per-
Name of court	LION	Minimum/maximum Minimum/maximum	dollar	triais	procedures	mitted
ALABAMA						
Circuit Court	G	\$ 500/No maximum				
District Court	L _	\$ 500/\$5,000	\$ 500	. No	Yes	Optional
ALASKA						
Superior Court	G	0 /No maximum				
District Court	T.	0 /\$10,000	\$2,000	No -	Yes	No
DISTILL OUTE		\$15,000 aut				
ARIZONA						
Superior Court	G	\$ 500/No maximum				
Justices of the Peace Court	L .	0 /\$ 2,500	\$ 500	No	Yes	?
ARKANSAS						
Circuit Court	. G	\$ 100/No maximum				
Court of Common Pleas	T.	\$ 500/\$ 1,000 (con	tract only)			
Municipal Court	Ĺ	φ 500/ψ 1,000 (εαπ	\$ 300	No	Yes	No
City Court, Police Court	L	0 /\$ 300 (con	tract and		100	
		real	property)			<u> </u>
CALIFORNIA						
Superior Court	G	\$15,000/No maximum				
Justice Court	L.	0 /\$15,000	\$1,500	No	Yes	No
Municipal Court	L	0 /\$15,000	\$1,500	No	Yes	No
COLORADO						······································
District Court	G	0 /No maximum				
Water Court	G ,	0 /No maximum (only real property)				
County Court	L	0 /\$ 5,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	No
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	General/ limited				Small c	laims	
Name of court	juris- dic- tion	Unlimited dollar amount Torts, contracts, real property Minimum/maximum	Limited dollar amount Torts, contracts, real property Minimum/maximum	Maximum dollar	Jury trials	Summary	Law per mit
Maid of Cools			The first of the f	401201	011010	procedures	
CONNECTICUT	· G	0 /No maximum		Å1 000	N -	77	
Superior Court	G	0 /No maximum		\$1,000	No .	Yes	Yes
DELAWARE							
Court of Chancery	G	0 /No maximum					
Superior Court	Ğ	0 /No maximum					
Court of Common Pleas	L	,	\$ 1,500/\$15,000				
Justice of the Peace Court	L		0 /\$ 1,500				
Alderman's Court	L			\$1,500	No	Yes	Yes
				·		·	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		before Nov. 1, 1984:					
Superior Court	G	\$750* / No maximum		\$ 750	Yes	Yes	Yes
			risdiction below \$750 is concur	rent with s	small cl	aims)	
		after Nov. 1, 1984:					
		\$2,000/no maximum		\$2,000			
FLORIDA Circuit Court	G	\$ 5,000/ No maximum					
County Court	L	\$ 3,000/ No maximum	\$ 1,500/ \$5,000	\$1,500	Yes	Yes	Yes
County Court			\$ 1,5007 \$5,000	\$1,500	165	165	162
GEORGIA							
Superior Court	G	0 /No maximum					
State Court	L L	0 /Varies (no real prop	nerty)	Varies	No	Yes	?
Civil Court	L	o / tarres (no rear prop	0 /\$3,000-25,000	?	No	Yes	?
Magistrate Court	L		7,45,000 25,000	\$2,500	Yes	Yes	?
Municipal Court	Ĺ		0 /\$1,500-7,500 \$			Yes	?
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HAWAII							
Circuit Court	G G	\$ 1,000/No maximum					
District Court	L		0 /\$10,000	\$2,500	No	Yes	?
DISCILLO GOGIL							
TDAHO							
IDAHO District Court	G	0 /No maximum					
TDAHO	G G	0 /No maximum	0 /\$10,000	\$2,000	No	Yes	No
IDAHO District Court		0 /No maximum	0 /\$10,000	\$2,000	No	Yes	No

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INDIANA								
Superior Court and Circuit Court	G <sup>*</sup>	0 /No maximum			\$1,500	No	Yes	Yes
County Court	Ĺ			0 /\$ 5,000	\$3,000	No	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court of Marion County				0 /\$15,000	(July 1, 19			
Small Claims Court of Marion								
County	L -				\$3,000	No	Yes	Yes
City Court and Town Court	L			0 /\$500-2,500 (no				
		<del></del>		PLOP	ercy)			
IOWA District Court	G	0 /No maximum			\$2,000	No	Yes	Yes
District Court	G	O \MO MAXIMUM			\$4,000	NO	Ies	res
TANGED								
KANSAS District Court	G	0 /No maximum			\$ 500	No	Yes	No
District Court	G	U JRO MAXIMOM	- <u></u>		\$ 200	NO	169	NO
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KENTUCKY Circuit Court	G	\$ 2,500/No maximum						
District Court	L	שויייייייייייייייייייייייייייייייייייי		0 /\$ 2,500	\$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
District oodic		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· / / • · , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Ψ2,000			
LOUISIANA			<del></del>				-	
District Court	G	0 /No maximum						
City Court and Parish Court	L	y area upon a discourse		0 /\$5,000	\$1,500	No	Yes	Yes
Justice of the Peace Court	L			0 , 40,	\$1,200	No	Yes	?
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MAINE								
Superior Court	G	0 /No maximum						
District Court	L			0 /\$30,000	\$1,400	No	Yes	Yes
			<del></del>					- <u> </u>
MARYLAND								
Circuit Court	G	\$ 2,500/No maximum						_
District Court	L			0 /\$10,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	?
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MASSACHUSETTS								
Trial Court of the Commonwealth	G .	\$ 7 EOO /No marrimum						_
Superior Court Department	G	\$ 7,500 /No maximum		0/\$7,500 (only real	\$1,200	No	Yes	Yes
Housing Court Department	. L			property)	<b>\$1,200</b>	NO.	160	165
District Court Department	L			0 /\$ 7,500	\$1,200	No	Yes	Yes
Boston Municipal Court Dept.	L			0 /\$ 7,500	\$1,200	No	Yes	Yes
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MICHIGAN								
MICHIGAN Circuit Court	G	\$10,000/No maximum		The second secon				
District Court	L	\$10,000/NO MAXIMUM		0 /\$10,000	\$ 600	No	Yes	7
Municipal Court	L			0 /\$1,500	\$1,500	No	Yes	?
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Table 3: (continued)							
	General/						
	limited juris- dic-	Unlimited dollar amount Torts, contracts, real property	Limited dollar amount Torts, contracts, real property	Maximum	Small c	Summary	Lawyers per-
Name of court	tion	Minimum/maximum	Minimum/maximum	dollar	trials	procedures	mitted
MINNESOTA							
District Court	G	0 /No maximum					
County Court	L		\$ 1,000/\$15,000	\$1,250	No	Yes	?
County Municipal Court	L -		\$ 1,000/\$15,000	\$1,250	No	Yes	
Conciliation Court	L			\$1,250	No : land ti	Yes	
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MISSISSIPPI No data available							
MISSOURI					-		
Circuit Court	G	0 /No maximum					
Associates Division			0 /\$ 5,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	No
			en e				······································
MONTANA District Court	G	\$ 50 /No maximum					
Justice of the Peace Court	L	\$ 50 /NO maximum	0 /\$ 3,000	\$3,000	No	Yes	No
City Court and Municipal Court	L		0 /\$ 3,000	\$ 300	No	Yes	No No
orly dodle and manualpar dodle			0 / 0 300	<b>4</b> 300		163	NO .
NEBRASKA							
District Court	G	O /No maximum					
County Court	L		0 /\$10,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	?
Municipal Court	. <b>L</b> .		0 /\$10,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	?
NEVADA							
District Court	G	\$ 1,000 /No maximum					
Justice Court	L	*	0 /\$ 1,250	\$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court	L		0 /\$ 1,250	\$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
NEW MANDOWING							
NEW HAMPSHIRE Superior Court	G	\$ 500/No maximum					_
District Court	L	\$ 300/NO maximum	0 /\$ 5,000	\$ 500	No	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court	I.		0 /\$5,000	\$ 500	No	Yes	Yes
Manierpar Court	- 41					l-tenant,	163
				(0.12)	small c		
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NEW JERSEY							
Superior Court (Law Division an		0 /N					
Chancery Division) Superior Court Law Division,	G	0 /No maximum					
Special Civil Part	L		0 /\$ 5,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
			7 - 2,000	,			

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N	EW MEXICO									
	District Court	G	0 /No maximum							
	Magistrate Court	L.			ø	/\$ 2,000				
	Bernalillo County Metropolitan									
	Court	L			0	/\$ 5,000				
	EW YORK					<u> </u>				
-147	Supreme Court	G	\$ 6,000-							
	Supreme Godie		\$25,000/No maximum							
	County Court	G	\$25,000/NO MAXIMUM		0	/\$ 6,000-25,000				
					U	/\$ 0,000-25,000				
	Civil Court of the City of	T	•		. ^	/\$25,000	<b>#1 500</b>	V	V	
	New York	L L			0	/ 0 2 000_ 4 000	\$1,500 \$1,000	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	
	District Court and City Court		0 /2		U	/\$ 2,000-6,000	\$1,000	ies	ies	
	Court of Claims	L	0 /No maximum							
	Town Court and Village				•	14 2 222	<b>#1</b> 000	N -	27 -	
	Justice Court	L			· · · · · ·	/\$ 3,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	
N	ORTH CAROLINA									
	Superior Court	G	\$ 5,000/No maximum							
	District Court	L	\$ 5,000,110 Mail 2.00.		0	/\$ 5,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	
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. No	ORTH DAKOTA									
	District Court	G	\$ 1,000/No maximum							
	County Court	L			0	/\$10,000	\$1,500	No	Yes	
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0	HIO									
	Court of Common Pleas	G	\$ 500/No maximum							
	County Court	L			. 0	/\$ 3,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	
	Municipal Court	L			0	/\$10,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	
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	District Court	G	0 /No maximum		,		\$1,500	Yes	Yes	
. n	REGON	-		·						
-	Circuit Court	G	\$ 3,000/No maximum							
	District Court	L			Đ	/\$ 3,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	
	Justice Court	L			Ö	/\$ 2,500	\$1,000	No	Yes	
				·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			·	
P	ENNSYLVANIA									
	Court of Common Pleas	G	0 /No maximum							
	District Justice Court	Ľ			0	/\$ 4,000				
	Philadelphia Municipal Court	L					\$ 1,000	No	Yes	
	Pittsburgh City Magistrates Court	<b>L</b>			0	/No maximum (only				
						real property)				

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	General/ limited						C11 -	1-4	
Name of court	juris- dic- tion	Unlimited dollarorts, contracts,  Minimum/max	real property		ited dollar amount contracts, real property Minimum/maximum	Maximum dollar		Summary procedures	Lawyer: per- mitted
Maile of Coord		TITITUGE / IUUX			TITITING IN THE A ZUIGH	dorial	CITAIS	procedares	micrea
PUERTO RICO Superior Court District Court	G L	\$10,000/No r	naximum		0 /\$10,000				
	<del></del>								<del> </del>
RHODE ISLAND Superior Court	G	\$ 5,000/No r							
District Court	G	\$ 3,0007H0 I	IGYTHUM		\$ 1,000/\$ 5,000-10,000	\$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
SOUTH CAROLINA								-	
Circuit Court	G	0 /No t	naximum						
Magistrate Court	L.				0 /\$ 1,000 (no max in landlord-tenan		Yes	Yes	Yes
SOUTH DAKOTA									
Circuit Court	G	0 /No r	naximum			\$2,000	No	Yes	Yes
TENNESSEE									
Circuit Court and Criminal Court		\$ 50/No r							
Law and Equity Court	G G	\$ 50/No r \$ 50/No r						-	
Chancery Court General Sessions Court	L	φ 50/NO t	naximum (no t	orts)	0 /\$ 5,000-\$10,000	\$5,000	No	Yes	?
TEXAS									-
District Court County Court at Law, Consti-	G	\$ 500/No r	naximum						
tutional County Court, and Probate Court	L				\$ 200/\$ 1,000-5,000	\$ 150-	Yes	Yes	Yes
Justice of the Peace Court	L				0 /\$1,000 no max in real property	200 \$1,000	No	Yes	Yes
UTAH									
District Court	G	0 /No 1	naximum		0 (1) 0 000	+ 600	.,		
Circuit Court Justice Court	L L				0 /\$10,000 0 /\$ 750	\$ 600 \$ 600	No No	Yes Yes	Yes Yes
VERMONT								-	
Superior Court	G	\$ 200/No 1	naximum						
District Court	G				0 /\$ 5,000	\$2,000	Yes	Yes	Yes

VIRGINIA Circuit Court	<b>. G</b>	\$ 1,000/No maximum						
District Court	<b>L</b>	0 /No maximum in	condemnation	0 /\$ 7,000				
WASHINGTON					**			
Superior Court District Court	. G L	0 /No maximum		0 /\$ 7,500	\$ 500	No	Yes	Yes .
WEST VIRGINIA Circuit Court Magistrate Court	G L	\$ 300/No maximum		0 /\$ 2,000				
WISCONSIN Circuit Court	G	0 /No maximum		-	\$1,000	Yes	No	Yes
WYOMING District Court County Court and Justi	G ce of the	\$ 4,000/No maximum	-					
Peace Court	L			0 /\$7,000	\$ 750	No	Yes	Yes

## Table 4. Point at which filing and disposition are counted in civil cases for statistical reporting purposes; counting of reopened/reinstated cases, 1984

Comments: If courts are counting the filing and disposition of cases at different points, then time to disposition data and status of cases data are not comparable. In caseload inventory, states that do not count a civil case until note of issue will have a lower case count per capita than will states that begin counting civil cases at a much earlier point.

> Caseloads can also vary according to whether reopened/reinstated cases are counted as new filings. Answers to this question indicate that those courts that do count reopened filings as new cases are not including all the same categories in their count. This question will have to be explored in much further detail in future jurisdiction guide revisions to determine when and if cases are put on an i.active list, when cases are purged, and which cases are recounted if they are reopened.

This table indicates that most civil case filings are counted at the filing of the petition (or complaint), with a very few exceptions. There is much less unanimity in the dispositions (for statistical reporting purposes) point, with many courts counting a trial disposition at the time judgment is pronounced, but many others waiting until posttrial activity is completed and the judgment is formally entered.

	At fili	t which ng of p compla	eti-	other		Reopened cases cour as new fi		Point at At adjudication		Αt	tion c entry gment	of
									-	-	8	<del></del>
ALABAMA						Yes						
Circuit Court	Х							X				
District Court	Х							Х				
Probate Court	X							Unknow	n			
ALASKA						?	<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Superior Court	x							х				
District Court	X							X				
District oddie												
ARIZONA						Included :						
						"transfer	ru					
Superior Court	X										X	
Justices of the Peace Co	urt X							X				
ARKANSAS						Yes (not	ou t-			<del></del>		······································
						standing !	warrants	;)				
Circuit Court	. X					_		Х				
Chancery Court	Х										Х	
Court of Common Pleas	X										X	
County Court	X							Х			**	
Municipal Court	X							X				
								X				
City Court, Police Court	Α.							Α .				
CALIFORNIA						?			·			
Superior Court	Х							X				
Justice Court	Х							Х				
Municipal Court	X							X				
COLORADO	·	<del></del>					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·		<u></u>	<u> </u>	
District Court	х										X	
Water Court	X										X	
County Court	Х										Х	
CONNECTICUT						Yes (so	ne)			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Superior Court	X							Х				
Probate Court	X							X				
DELAWARE				·····	<del></del>	No (exc	ept for				<del></del>	
							rials)					
Court of Chancery	X					<del>-</del>					Х	
Superior Court	X										X	
Family Court	X										X	
Justice of the Peace Cou											X .	
											X	
Court of Common Pleas	X											
Alderman's Court	X										X	

Table 4: (continued)	Point at which fil	ing counted	Reopened	Point at which disposition counte				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	At filing of peti-		cases counted	At adjudi-	At entry of			
	tion of complaint	Other	as new filings No	cation	judgment			
Superior Court		At issue		х				
FLORIDA	·		Reported	1				
			separately					
Circuit Court	X			X				
County Court	Х			Х				
GEORGIA		<del> </del>	?		<u> </u>			
Superior Court	X		•		<b>X</b> ,			
State Court	x				X			
Probate Court	X				X			
Magistrate Court	Unknown			Unknown				
Municipal Court	Unknown				X			
Civil Court	Unknown				X			
1177177	<del></del>		115					
IAWAII			"Reopened prior case" reported					
Circuit Court	<b>x</b>		case reported		X			
District Court	X				X			
DAHO		······································	Yes					
District Court	X				<b>x</b>			
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LLINOIS			If new case num-					
Circuit Court			ber is assiged		v			
Gircuit Court	Х				X			
NDIANA	<del></del>	<del></del>	"Redocketed cases"					
			are reported					
Superior Court and			did reported					
Circuit Court	Х			X				
Probate Court	X				X			
County Court	X				X			
Municipal Court of				· · · · · ·				
Marion County	Х			X				
Small Claims Court of	15				17			
Marion County	X t X				X X			
City Court and Town Cour					Λ.			
EOWA		<del></del>	Yes					
District Court	X			X (jury trial)	X (bench			
					trial)			
ANSAS			Yes					
District Court	X			X				
ENTUCKY			?	<del></del>				
Circuit Court	x				х			
District Court	X				X			
Partitude obdate	*							
OUISIANA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		?					
District Court	* <b>X</b>			X				
City Court and Parish								
Court	Х			X				
Family Court and Juvenil								
Court	X			X				
Justice of the Peace Cou	rc X							
AINE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Some	:				
Superior Court	x		Sume		X			
District Court	X X				X			
Probate Court	X			Unknown	<b>A</b>			
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ARYLAND	<del></del>		Yes					
Circuit Court	X				X			
District Court Orphans' Court	X X			Unknown	Х			

Table 4: (continued)						
		at which fil		Reopened		disposition counted
		ling of peti-		cases counted	At adjudi-	At entry of
State/court NEW YORK	tion	of complaint	Other	as new filings	cation	judgment
Supreme Court			At issue	?	X	
County Court			At issue		X	
Civil Court of the City	of		AL 193de			
New York	Х				X	
Family Court	· X				X	
District Court and						
City Court	.х				<b>X</b>	
Surrogates' Court	X				X	
Court of Claims	Х				Х	
Town Court and Village Justice Court	X				X	
Justice Court					Λ '	
NORTH CAROLINA				No		
Superior Court	х				X	
District Court	х				X	
NORTH DAKOTA				?		
District Court	X					X
County Court	Х					X
OHIO				Yes		
Court of Common Pleas	х					X
County Court	Х					X
Municipal Court	X					x
Court of Claims	Х					. <b>X</b>
Mayor's Court	· X				Unknown	
OKLAHOMA		<del> </del>		?		
District Court	· x			•	X	
Court of Tax Review	x				X	
OREGON				Yes		
Circuit Court	X				X	
Tax Court	Х				, <b>X</b>	
District Court	X				X	
County Court	X				X	
Justice Court Municipal Court	X X				X X	
Municipal Court	. л				Λ.	
PENNSYLVANIA				"Reinstated cases	1	
				reported separate	ly	
Court of Common Pleas	Х				X	
District Justice Court	Х				X	
Philadelphia Municipal						
Court Pittsburgh City	Х				X	
Magistrates Court	X				X	
PUERTO RICO				?		
Superior Court	Х				X	
District Court	X				X	
RHODE ISLAND				Comm		
Superior Court	х			Some		v
District Court	X					X X
Family Court	X					X
Probate Court	X				Unknown	
SOUTH CAROLINA				Generally		
Circuit Court	χ					X
Family Court	Х					X
Magistrate Court	X					X
Probate Court	х					X
SOUTH DAKOTA				?	,	:
Circuit Court	х			•		X

Table 4: (continued)						
	Point at whi		ng counted	Reopened	Point at which	disposition counter
	At filing of tion of comp		Other	cases counted as new filing:	At adjudi- s cation	At entry of judgment
MASSACHUSETTS				Yes		<u> </u>
Trial Court of the						
Commonwealth	X				X	
MICHIGAN				No		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Circuit Court	X					X
Court of Claims	Х				Unknown	
District Court	X					X
Municipal Court	X					X X
Probate Court	Х					Α
MINNESOTA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		······································	?		
District Court	Х					Х
County Court, Probate						
Court, County Municipa	L					
Court, Conciliation	x					X
						, <b>A</b>
MISSISSIPPI no data avai	lable					
MISSOURI		<del></del>		?		
Circuit Court	X					X
ANATHOL	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<u></u>	Yes	<del></del>	<del></del>
District Court	Х			163		X
Justice of the Peace Cou						X
City Court	X					X
ND 40 4 OUT						<u></u>
NEBRASKA District Court	х			No	X	
Workmen's Compensation	Α.				, Х	
Court	х				X	
County Court	X				X	
Municipal Court	X				X	
MONADA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				<del></del>	
NEVADA District Court	v			Ио	X	
Justice Court	X X				X	
Municipal Court	X				X	
NEW HAMPSHIRE				?		
Superior Court	X					X
District Court	X					X
Probate Court	X					X
Municipal Court	X					<b>X</b>
NEW JERSEY	<del></del>			?	<del></del>	
Superior Court (Law Div-						
ision and Chancery Div	<del>-</del>					
ision)			At issue			X
Superior Court, Law Div-						•
ision, Special Civil P						X
Surrogate's Court	<b>X</b> ,					X
NEW MEXICO	<del></del>		·	"Reopened cases"		
District Court	X			reported separat	cera	x
Magistrate Court	X					X
Probate Court	Unknown				Unknown	•
Bernalillo County Metro-					2	
politan Court	<b>X</b> .					<b>X</b>

Point at which filing counted At filing of petition of complaint   Other   Cases counted as new filings   Cation   Dudgment   Cases	
At filing of petition of complaint other cases counted as new filings of cation industry.  TENNESSEE  Circuit Court and Criminal Court X Law and Equity Court X Chancery Court X Coneral Sessions Court X Juvenile Court X County Court X County Court X County Court X County Court X Justice of the Peace Court X Justice Court X Reported Separately  VERNONT Superior Court X District Court X District Court X Justice Court X Reported Separately  VERNONT Superior Court X Reported Separately	
TENNESSEE  Circuit Court and Criminal Court  Law and Equity Court  Chancery Court  County Court  Count  Cou	<del>-</del>
TENNESSEE  Circuit Court and Criminal Court  Law and Equity Court  Chancery Court  County Court  Count  Cou	
Criminal Court X Not consistent statewide Law and Equity Court X Not consistent statewide Chancery Court X Not consistent statewide General Sessions Court X Not consistent statewide Probate Court X Not consistent statewide Yound Court X Unknown Unknown  TEXAS "Other cases added" reported separately District Court X Y Not consistent statewide Yound Court X Unknown  TEXAS "Other cases added" reported separately County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X X X  UTAR ? District Court X X X  UTAR ? District Court X X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X District Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X District Court X X District Court X X District Court X X Probate Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X District Court X X District Court X X District Court X X Superior Court X X District Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X District Court X X Superior Court X Superior Court X X Super	
Law and Equity Court X Not consistent statewide Chancery Court X Not consistent statewide Chancery Court X Not consistent statewide Probate Court X Not consistent statewide Probate Court X Not consistent statewide Y X Not consistent statewide	
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General Sessions Court X Probate Court X County Court X Juvenile Court Unknown  TEXAS  "Other cases added" reported separately  District Court X County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X Justice of the Peace Court X  UTAR  District Court X Circuit Court X Justice Court X  VERMONT Superior Court X District Court X Dis	<del></del>
Probate Court X X Unknown  Juvenile Court X X Unknown  TEXAS  District Court X County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	
County Court Juvenile Court  Vinknown  TEXAS  "Other cases added" reported separately  District Court County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court Justice of the Peace Court  VX  VERMONT Superior Court Superior Court X  VIRGINIA  VIRGINIA  VINKnown Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown Vinknown Unknown VX  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Juvenile Court Unknown Unknown  TEXAS "Other cases added" reported separately  District Court X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	
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District Court X X County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X X Justice of the Peace Court X  UTAH District Court X X Circuit Court X X Justice Court X X  VERMONT Superior Court X District Court X Reported separately  Reported separately	
District Court X County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X Justice of the Peace Court X   UTAH  District Court X Circuit Court X Justice Court X   VERMONT  Superior Court X  District Court X  VERMONT  Superior Court X  VERMONT  Superior Court X  Reported separately	
County Court at Law, Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court X  Justice of the Peace Court X   UTAH  District Court X  Gircuit Court X  Justice Court X  VERMONT  Superior Court X  District Court X  Probate Court X  Reported separately	
stitutional County Court, and Probate Court X  Justice of the Peace Court X   VITAH  Pistrict Court X  Gircuit Court X  Justice Court X  VERMONT  Superior Court X  District Court X  Probate Court X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
Court, and Probate Court X  Justice of the Peace Court X   VTAH  District Court X  Circuit Court X  Justice Court X   VERMONT  Superior Court X  District Court X  Probate Court X   Reported separately	
Justice of the Peace Court X  UTAH  District Court X X X Circuit Court X X X Justice Court X X X  VERMONT  Superior Court X X District Court X X Probate Court X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
UTAH  District Court X X X Circuit Court X X X Justice Court X X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X X District Court X X X Probate Court X X X  VIRGINIA Reported separately	
District Court X X Circuit Court X X Justice Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X Probate Court X X VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
District Court X X Circuit Court X X Justice Court X X  VERMONT ? Superior Court X X District Court X X Probate Court X X VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
Circuit Court X X X  Justice Court X X X  VERMONT ?  Superior Court X X X  District Court X X X  Probate Court X X X  VIRGINIA Reported separately	
Justice Court X  VERMONT Superior Court X District Court X Probate Court X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
VERMONT  Superior Court X  District Court X  Probate Court X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
Superior Court X X District Court X X Probate Court X X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
District Court X X X Y Y X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	
District Court X X X Probate Court X X  VIRGINIA  Reported separately	
Probate Court X X  VIRGINIA Reported separately	
VIRGINIA Reported separately	
separately	
Circuit Court X X	
District Court X	
WASHINGTON Not generally	
Superior Court X X	
District Court X X	
WEST VIRGINIA Some civil	
Circuit Court X X	
Magistrate Court X X	
WISCONSIN	
Circuit Court X X	
WYOMING	
District Court X	
County Court X X	
Justice of the Peace Court X X	

Table 5. Civil case tyse in which jury trials and bench trials are used in state trial courts, 1984

Comments: The information contained in this table permits the identification of each case type where a jury trial and/or bench trial is used, as well as the case types over which each court does not have jurisdiction. This permits the identification of courts from which trial data could be reported and the kind of trial data to expect.

	General/ limited juris-	•		Real property	Small	Domestic	Mental		Adminis- trative agency	Trial court
State/court	diction	Tort	Contract		claims	relations	health	Estate		appea1
ALABAMA										
Circuit Court	G	Х	Х	x		Х			X	Χ.
District Court	L	0	0	0	Ó		·			
Probate Court	L						. 0	0	-	
ALASKA					<del></del>		······································			
Superior Court	G	Х	X	X		X	X	0	. 0	0
District Court	L	Х	Х		0					
ARIZONA			<del></del>	<del> </del>	·····	<del> </del>	<del></del>	<u></u>		
Superior Court	G	Х	Х	X		Х	Х	х	X	x
Justices of the Peace										
Court	L	X	Χ,	Х	0					
ARKANSAS		<del>-,</del>								
Circuit Court	G	X	Х	Х					Х	X
Chancery and Probate										
Court	G	0	0	0		0	0	0		
Court of Common Pleas	L		0		'					
County Court	L			0		0				
Municipal Court	L		(0)	(0)	0					
City Court, Police Court	<b>L</b> .		0	0						
CALIFORNIA					:				<del>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </del>	<del></del>
Superior Court	G ·	X	х	х		X	х	Х	x	Х
Justice Court	L	X	х	Х	0					
Municipal Court	L	X	<b>X</b>	X	0					
COLORADO				<del> </del>	<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
District Court	G	Х	х	x		Х	х	Х	0	0
Water Court	Ğ			X						
County Court	L	Х	X ·	X	0					0
								:		
CONNECTICUT	_				_	_			_	
Superior Court	G	X	X	Х	0	0	0 -		0	
Probate Court	r.					0	0	0		
DELAWARE										,
Court of Chancery	G	0	0	0			. 0	0		~~
Superior Court	G	Х	X	Х			X		0	Ю :
Family Court	L ·				<b>→</b>	0				
Justice of the Peace										
Court	L	0	0	X (rare						
Court of Common Pleas	L	0	0	0						
Alderman's Court	L				O					
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Superior Court	G '	X	X .	Х	Х	0	Х	Х	0	

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Table 5: (continued)										
	General/ limited			Real					Adminis- trative	Trial
State/court	juris- diction	Tort	Contract	property rights	Small claims	Domestic relations	Mental health	Estate	agency appeal	court appea
FLORIDA										
Circuit Court	G	х	X	X		X	: <b>X</b>	Х	0	0
County Court	L	Х	· X	X	X					
GEORGIA	<del></del>				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			<del> </del>		
Superior Court	G	Х	X	х		х			X	х
State Court	L	X	X		Х	-				
Probate Court	L			<u></u>			0	0		
Magistrate Court	L	(o)	(0)		0					
Civil Court	L	X	X		0					
Municipal Court	L	Х	X		Ö			<b>→</b>		
HAWAII				<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Circuit Court	G	х	X	x		х	х	х	х	х
District Court	L	0	0	0	. 0	- 1				
IDAHO		<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
District Court	G	х	Х	X	. <del></del>	X	Х	Х.	X	х
ILLINOIS Circuit Court	G	х	v	v	· v	v/0	v			
Circuit Court	G	Х	Х	X	X	x/o	X	0	0	
INDIANA				<del></del>		· ·			<del></del>	
Superior Court and										
Circuit Court	G	Х	Х	Х	0	X	X	Х	X	X
Probate Court	L					X		Х		
County Court	L	X	X	X	0		***			
Municipal Court of										
Marion County	L	X	Х	X			Х			X
Small Claims Court										
of Marion County	L				0	·				
City Court and Town Court	E E	X	X							
IOWA					<del> </del>	<del></del>				
District Court	G	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	'	0
KANSAS	· <del>····································</del>						: 			
District Court	G	х	X	x	0	x	х	x	X	х
										·
KENTUCKY	•								_	_
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X		X	Х	Х	0	0
District Court	L	,X	X	X	0	X		0		
LOUISIANA					<del></del>					
District Court	G .	X	Х	, <b>X</b>		0	0	0	0	0
City Court and Parish										
Court	L	0	0	0	0					
Family Court and										
Juvenile Court	L				***	0	0 :			
Justice of the Peace										
Court	L				0		<b></b> .		·	
MAINE				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			<del></del>			
Superior Court	G	X	х	x		<b>X</b>			0	0
District Court	L	0	0	0	0	. 0	0			
Probate Court	L		·			0		0	, <del></del>	

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MARYLAND

Circuit Court

District Court Orphans' Court Х

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State/court	General/ limited juris- diction		Contract	Real property rights	Small claims	Domestic relations	Mental health	Estate	Adminis- trative agency appeal	Trial court appeal
				3-8					<u> </u>	<u> </u>
MASSACHUSETTS Trial Court of the Comm	onwealth:									
Superior Court Department	G	· <b>x</b>	X	х					x	х
Housing Court Department	G			x	0		<del></del> .		-	
District Court Department	G	0	0	. 0	0	0	0		0	0
Boston Municipal Court Department	· G	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	'		0
Land Court Department	G .			x						· ·
Probate and Family Court Department	G					0		x		, <del></del> .
MICHIGAN				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·····	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·	
MICHIGAN Circuit Court	G	х	X	X		X			x	x
Court of Claims	G		A	^ 					??	
District Court	L	х	x	x	0			<b></b> -		~
Municipal Court	Ĺ	X	X	X	ō					
Probate Court	L					0	O	0		
MINNESOTA				<del></del>						
District Court County Court, Probate	G	X	X	X		X	X	X	0	0
Court County Municipa Court, Conciliation Court	L	x	x	X	0	x	х	x		х
Court	. L	Λ	^	Λ.	U			Λ.		^
MISSISSIPPI no data ava	ilable									1
MISSOURI					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>	
0:	_			X	_					
Circuit Court	G	Х	Х	Λ.	0	0	0	Х	X	X
MONTANA			X	<b>^</b>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0	0	X	X	X
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace	G	х х	x	X		х	X	x x	x x	x
MONTANA  District Court  Justice of the Peace  Court and Municipal	G	х	Х	Х						
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		 0 0					
MONTANA  District Court  Justice of the Peace  Court and Municipal  Court	G L	x	x x	x x	<b>-</b> -	x	X			
MONTANA  District Court  Justice of the Peace  Court and Municipal  Court  City Court	G L	x	x x	x x	<b>-</b> -	x	X			
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court	G L L	x x x	x x x	x x x	 0 0	x	X	x	X	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court	G L L	x x x	x x x	x x x	 0 0	x	X	x	x	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court	G L L	x x x	x x x	x x x	0 0	x	X	X	x  0 0	x
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court	G L L L L	x x x x x x x x x	x x x 	x x x	0 0	x x	x	x	x o	x
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court  NEVADA District Court	G L L L L	x	x x x x	x x x x	 0 0	x x x/o	x	x	x	x
MONTANA District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court	G L L L L	x x x x x x x x x	x x x 	x x x	0 0	x x	x	x	x	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA  District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court  NEVADA District Court Justice Court Municipal Court	G L L L L L	x	X X X X X	x x x x	 0 0	x  x  x/o	x	xxx	x 0 0 0 x	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court  NEVADA District Court Justice Court Municipal Court Municipal Court Municipal Court	G L L L L G L L	x x x x x x x x x x x x	X X X X X X	X X X X X X X O	 0 0	x x/o	x	xxx	x 0 0 0 x	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court  NEVADA District Court Justice Court Justice Court Municipal Court  NEW HAMPSHIRE Superior Court	G L L C G L L L	x	X X X X X	x x x x	0 0 0	x x/o x	x x	xxx	x 0 0 0 x	x
MONTANA  District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court  NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court County Court Municipal Court  NEVADA District Court Justice Court Municipal Court Municipal Court Municipal Court	G L L L L G L L	x	X X X X X X X	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	0 0 0	x x/o	x x	xxx	X	x

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	limited			Real					trative	Trial
	juris-			property	Small	Domestic	Mental		agency	court
State/court	diction	Tort	Contract	rights	claims	relations	health	Estate	appeal	appeal
<u>Drace/coure</u>	diction	1010	OOHETACE	11gnes	Craims	Teracrons	nearen	Docace	appear	аррсат
NEW JERSEY										
Superior Court (Law										
Division and										
Chancery Division)	G	X	Х	X		0	0	. 0		
Superior Court Law										
Division, Special										
Civil Part	G	Х	X	0	0			'		
Surrogate's Court	L					?	****	0		
NEW MEXICO								<del></del>	···	
District Court	G	X	Х	x		х	Х	х	х	X
Magistrate Court	L	Ö	Ö	0		~~				
Probate Court	L				-			0		
Bernalillo County	_							•		
Metropolitan Court	L	0	o	0						
							· ·		•	
NEW YORK										
Supreme Court	G	Х	Х	X		Х				
County Court	G	Х	Х	X						0
Civil Court of the City										
of New York	L	Х	х	X	X	<del></del>				
Family Court	L					0	0	0		
District Court and										
City Court	L	X	X	X	X	<del></del> .				
Surrogates' Court	L					. 0		Х	<del></del>	
Court of Claims	L	0	0	0						
Town Court and Village	_									
Justice Court	L	X	X	X	0			,		
NORTH CAROLINA				<del></del>			<del></del>	<del></del>		<del></del>
Superior Court	G C	X	X	х		x	Х	X	X	
District Court	L	Х	X	X	0	X				X
NORTH DAKOTA										
District Court	G	X	Х	X		Х		Х	X	X ,
County Court	L	X	Х	х	0		Х	0		
OHIO										
Court of Common Pleas	C	Х	х	х	<b>~</b> -	x/o	X	х	0	
County Court	L	X	X	X	0	A/U 	<u> </u>			
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	0			—— ·		
Court of Claims	L					<u> </u>			X	
	-								•	
OKLAHOMA										
District Court	G	Х	X	X	X	X	Х	X	Χ .	
Court of Tax Review	L	~-							0	, <del></del> .
OREGON				<del></del>						
Circuit Court	G	х	X	х	<b></b> –	0	0	, ,	· •	X
Tax Court	G	<u>~</u>							X O	Λ
District Court	L	X	X	X	0				<u> </u>	
County Court	L	A-	λ	~		0	0	0		
Justice Court	L	X	X	Х :	0					
adserce obuit	μ ,	٨	Α	Λ,	U		<b>-</b>			
PENNSYLVANIA			<del></del>			1				
Court of Common Pleas	G	X	X	X		x/o	X	Х	X	X
District Justice Court	L	0	0	0						
Philadelphia Municipal										
Court	$\cdot$ $oldsymbol{r}$	(o)	(0)	0	0			<b></b> ·		
Pittsburgh City										
Magistrates Court	L			0						

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## PURSTO RICO  Superior Court    Court   Cour	Table 5: (continued)	General/ limited juris-			Real property	Smal1	Domestic	Mental		Adminis- trative agency	Trial court
Superior Court	State/court		Tort	Contract					Estate		appeal
District Court	PUERTO RICO										
District Court	Superior Court	G	0	0	0	-	0		O	0 .	0
Superior Court					0						
Superior Court	RHODE ISLAND	·	<del></del>		1						
District Court		G	x	x	x					x	x
Family Court						· 0		٥			
Probate Court		-	-		•		n			-	
Circuit Court									0		
Circuit Court	SOUTH CAROLINA							·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Family Court			v	v	v					•	^
Magistrate Court											υ.
Probate Court											
SOUTH DAKOTA  Circuit Court  Circuit Court  Circuit Court  Criminal Court  Co											
TENNESSEE  Circuit Court and  Criminal Court  C	Probate Court	L		,	<del></del> '			0	0	· <del></del>	
TENNESSEE  Circuit Court and  Criminal Court	SOUTH DAKOTA			······································				<del>,</del>			····
Circuit Court and Criminal Court G X X X X X X X X X  Law and Equity Court G X X X X X X X X X X  Chancery Court G X X X X X X X X X  Chancery Court L 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  Probate Court L 0 0 0  Probate Court L 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Circuit Court	G C	х	Х	X	0	X	X	X	X	Х
Criminal Court	TENNESSEE		<del></del>								
Law and Equity Court	Circuit Court and										
Law and Equity Court	Criminal Court	G	Х	х	Х		x	X	x	X	Х
Chancery Court  General Sessions Court  L  O  O  O  O  O  O  O  O  O  O  O  O											
General Sessions Court L 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0											_
Probate Court		_									
District Court			-	-	-	-	=	-	-		
District Court											
District Court   G											
County Court at Law,	TEXAS		v	v			· ·		v	v	
Constitutional County Court, and Probate Court  Justice of the Peace Court  Court  L  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X		G	Α.	λ	Α .		X		: Х	X	
Justice of the Peace   Court   L   X   X   X   X   O     O	Constitutional County							:			
Court		L	Х	Х	X	x	X	Х .	х		X
District Court		_						_			
District Court G X X X X X X X O O Circuit Court L X X X X O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	Court	L	Х	Х	Х	. 0	<del></del>	0			
Circuit Court  Justice of the Peace  Court  L  O  O    VERMONT  Superior Court  G  X  X  X   Probate Court  Circuit Court  G  X  X  X   Probate Court  Circuit Court  G  X  X  X   Probate Court  Circuit	UTAH	····			:		<del></del>	<del></del>			
Justice of the Peace   Court					X		X	Х	Х,	0	0
Court	Circuit Court	L,	X	Х	X	0					
VERMONT  Superior Court	Justice of the Peace										
Superior Court G X X X X X X  District Court G X X X O X X X X  Probate Court L O O O O  VIRGINIA  Circuit Court G X X X X X/O X X X X  District Court L O O O O O O O O O  WASHINGTON  Superior Court G X X X X O X X X X  District Court G X X X X O X X X X  District Court G X X X X O X X X X X  Circuit Court G X X X X O X X X X X	Court	L	0	0		O	****				
Superior Court G X X X X X X  District Court G X X X O X X X X  Probate Court L O O O O  VIRGINIA  Circuit Court G X X X X X/O X X X X  District Court L O O O O O O O O O  WASHINGTON  Superior Court G X X X X O X X X X  District Court G X X X X O X X X X  District Court G X X X X O X X X X X  Circuit Court G X X X X O X X X X X	VERMONT	<del></del>			<del></del>			<del></del>	·		
District Court G X X 0 X X O	Superior Court	G	Х	Х	X		X			X	X
Probate Court         L           0         0         0             VIRGINIA         Circuit Court         G         X         X         X          X/O         X         X         X         X           District Court         L         O         O         O          O         O          O          O          O          O          O          O          O          O          O         X <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>0</td> <td></td> <td>х</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>						0		х			
Circuit Court G X X X X/O X X X X District Court L O O O O O O O O O									0	'	
Circuit Court G X X X X/O X X X X District Court L O O O O O O O O O	VIRCINIA								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>
District Court L O O O O O O O O O		C	v	v	v		v /o	• •	v	· <b>v</b>	•
Superior Court G X X X O X X X X District Court L X X O X C X X X X X X X X X X											
Superior Court G X X X O X X X X District Court L X X O X C X X X X X X X X X X	MA SH TNCTON	·			<del></del>	<del></del>				<del></del>	
District Court		^	v	v	v		•	v	1.r	¥.	v
Circuit Court G X X X X X X X											
Circuit Court G X X X X X X X	LECT VIDCINITA		<u> </u>		<del> </del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
		G	X ·	x	X		X	x	X	x	x
	Magistrate Court	L	X	X			A				

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type.
0 = Only bench trials are held in this case type.
X/0 = Jury trials are used in some subcategories, but not in others.
-- = This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

<sup>( ) =</sup> Small claims cases do not include one of the usual three case types: torts, contracts, and real property rights.

Unless otherwise indicated, it is assumed that small claims cases may be any of the three.

Table	5: (	continued)	

State/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Tort	Contract	Real property rights	Small claims	Domestic relations	Mental health	Estate	Adminis- trative agency appeal	Trial court appeal
WISCONSIN Circuit Court	G	х	x	X	х	x/o	x	0	x	<b>x</b> .
WYOMING					·	<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			<del></del>
District Court County Court and Justice	G	X	<b>X</b>	X	~ <del>-</del>	X	X	X	X	, <b>X</b>
of the Peace Court	L	X	X	· <b>X</b>	0	X				<del></del>

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type.

O = Only bench trials are held in this case type. X/O = Jury trials are used in some subcategories, but not in others.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

<sup>( ) =</sup> Small claims cases do not include one of the usual three case types: torts, contracts, and real property rights. Unless otherwise indicated, it is assumed that small claims cases may be any of the three.

# Table 6. Point at which a trial is counted in civil cases, 1984

Comments: In presenting trial data from state courts, those jurisdictions that are counting trials at their beginning will not have data comparable with jurisdictions that do not count trials until their completion. States, for example, that do not count trials until a decision is rendered will have a much lower trial rate than states that count at the beginning of the trial because the latter will include cases that are settled before decision. This table shows the point of counting (for statistical reporting purposes) both civil jury trials and civil bench trials.

		Jur	y trials		Bench t	rials
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At judgment, completion, decision	At opening statement, swearing of first witness, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision
ALABAMA						
Circuit Court				<b>X</b> .		x
District Court				X		X
Probate Court					Unknown	
ALASKA	······································	<del></del>	·			<del></del>
Superior Court				X		x
District Court				x		X
ARIZONA						·
Superior Court	X ,				Χ	
Justices of the Peace Cou	rt X				<b>X</b>	
ARKANSAS	<del> </del>					
Circuit Court	•	x			X	
Chancery Court					X	
Court of Common Pleas					<b>X</b>	
County Court					X	
Municipal Court					X	
City Court, Police Court					X	
CALIFORNIA				<u> </u>		
Superior Court	X				X	
Justice Court	X				X	
Municipal Court	x				X	
COLORADO					<del></del>	<del></del>
District Court		x			<b>X</b> .	
Water Court		X			X	
County Court		X			X	
CONNECTICUT						
Superior Court		X			X	
Probate Court					x	
DELAWARE						
Court of Chancery					<b>X</b>	
Superior Court		X			X	
Family Court					X	
Justice of the Peace Cour	t '				X	
Court of Common Pleas					X	
Alderman's Court					X	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA				·		
Superior Court				, <b>X</b>		X
FLORIDA		<del> </del>				
Circuit Court		Х .			X	
County Court		X			X	
		<u> </u>				

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Jury	trials		Bench	criais
		When jury	At opening statement or	At judgment,	At opening statement, swearing of first witness,	At judgment,
State/court	At jury selection	is sworn/ empaneled	swearing of first witness	completion, decision	introduction of evidence	completion, decision
GEORGIA						
Superior Court				X		X
State Court				X		X
Probate Court						X
Magistrate Court					Unknown	
Municipal Court Civil Court				X		X X
IAWAII				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Circuit Court		x			<b>X</b> .	
District Court					X	
DAHO			:		1	
District Court		X			х	
ILLINOIS						
Circuit Court				<b>X</b>		X
INDIANA				·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Superior Court and						
Circuit Court				X		х
Probate Court				X		Х
County Court				X		Х
Municipal Court of Ma	arion County			X		X
Small Claims Court of						
County						X
City Court and Town (	Court			X		X
LOWA		**************************************	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
District Court		X			x	
ANSAS						
District Court		x			X	
KENTUCKY				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1
Circuit Court		x			Not consiste	nt statewide
District Court		X			Not consiste	
OUISIANA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
District Court			<b>X</b> . :		Х	
City Court and Parish	Court				X	
Family Court and Juve					X	
Justice of the Peace	Court				<b>X</b>	
AINE						
Superior Court	X				X	
District Court					Unknown	
Probate Court					Unknown	
IARYLAND						
Circuit Court		X			X	
District Court		X			X	
Orphans' Court	Unknown					
SACHUSETTS						
Trial Court of the						
		X			X	
Commonwealth						
COMMONWEATEN  (ICHIGAN  Circuit Court		X			x	A
ICHIGAN	Unknown	X			. <b>X</b>	
MICHIGAN Circuit Court	Unknown	x x			x x	
IICHIGAN Circuit Court Court of Claims	Unknown					

	at jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of	At judgment,	Bench At opening statement, swearing of first witness,	CITALS
State/court  MINNESOTA  District Court  County Court, Probate Court,  County Municipal Court,	selection	is sworn/	statement or swearing of		statement, swearing of	· '
District Court County Court, Probate Court, County Municipal Court,			first witness	completion, decision	introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision
District Court County Court, Probate Court, County Municipal Court,						
	, ·	x x			x x	
MISSISSIPPI no data available	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
MISSOURI					<del></del>	
Circuit Court			X		<b>X</b>	
MONTANA			<del></del>			:
District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court				x X		X X
City Court				<b>X</b>		X
NEBRASKA District Court Workmen's Compensation Court	Unknown	X			x	
County Court Nunicipal Court		X X			X X	
NEVADA		<del></del>	:			
District Court Justice Court Municipal Court				X X		X X X
NEW HAMPSHIRE Superior Court District Court Probate Court Municipal Court	A trial	is counted :	at the point cri	al is requested	Trials are n Trials are n Trials are n	ot counted
NEW JERSEY		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Superior Court (Law Division and Chancery Division) Superior Court Law Division, Special Civil Part	<b>x</b>				x x	
Surrogate's Court	· •				Unknown	
NEW MEXICO District Court	<del></del>			X		х
Magistrate Court Probate Court Bernalillo County Metro-	Unknown			X		X
politan Court				X		X
NEW YORK		1				. :
Supreme Court County Court Civil Court of the City of	:			X X		X X
New York Family Court				X	Factfinding	X hearings are her than trials
District Court and City Cour Surrogates' Court Court of Claims	ī <b>t</b>			x x	Not counted	X X X
Town Court and Village Justice Court					sor counted	<b>x</b>
NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court District Court		X X		:	X X	

Table 6: (continued)		Jury	y trials		Bench t	rials
	At jury	When jury is sworn/	At opening statement or swearing of	At judgment, completion,	At opening statement, swearing of first witness, introduction	At judgment, completion,
State/court	selection	empaneled	first witness	decision	of evidence	decision
NORTH DAKOTA District Court County Court				x		X X
OHIO	·					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Court of Common Pleas County Court		X X			X X	
Municipal Court		X			X	
Court of Claims		X			X	
Mayor's Court					Unknown	
OKLAHOMA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1		·
District Court		X ,			X (when court	is called
Court of Tax Review					to order)	X
OREGON						
Circuit Court		X			X	
Tax Court District Court		X			X X	
County Court		^			X X	
Justice Court		X			X	
PENNSYLVANIA		·				·
Court of Common Pleas				X		x
District Justice Court				-		X
Philadelphia Municipal Cou Pittsburgh City Magistrate						X X
	S COULT					
PUERTO RICO						
Superior Court District Court						X X
RHODE ISLAND				••		
Superior Court District Court				X		X X
Family Court						X
Probate Court					Unknown	
SOUTH CAROLINA						
Circuit Court		trial is cour cated by atto	nted at filing o	of case if		
Family Court	2004					x
Magistrate Court				<b>X</b>		Х
Probate Court						X
SOUTH DAKOTA					·	
Circuit Court		Х			X	
TENNESSEE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		······································	<del>7 / </del>	<del></del>
Circuit Court		X			Not consisten	
Law and Equity Court Chancery Court		X X			Not consisten Not consisten	
General Sessions Court		^			Not consisten	
Probate Court					Not consisten	
Juvenile Court					Unknown	X
TEXAS			, ,		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
District Court		X			X	
County Court at Law, Const	i-					
tutional County						
Court, and Probate Court Justice of the Peace Court				X X		X X
Justice of the reace Court				, ,		A

Table 6: (continued)		Jur	y trials		Bench	trials
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At judgment, completion, decision	At opening statement, swearing of first witness, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision
UTAH						
District Court Circuit Court Justice Court		X X			X X X	
VERMONT				<del></del>	:	<del></del>
Superior Court				X		X
District Court Probate Court				х		X X
VIRGINIA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				·	
Circuit Court District Court		X			X X	
WASHINGTON					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Superior Court District Court		X X			X X	
WEST VIRGINIA Circuit Court	x	:			X (not consi statewide	
Magistrate Court	Not con	sistent state	ewide		SCALEWIGE	,
WISCONSIN Circuit Court				х		X
WYOMING						
District Court		Х			X	
County Court	_	X			X	
Justice of the Peace Cou	rt	х			X	

### Table 7. Criminal case type jurisdiction by state trial court, 1984

Comments: The criminal case type classifications used in this table are those used in the State Court Caseload Statistics: Annual Report series. They have been chosen as a model set of data elements for caseload inventory by the COSCA Court Statistics and Information Systems Committee and are defined in State Court Model Statistical Dictionary and Supplement.

One additional case type has been added to this table -- "limited felony" -- to identify that stage in case processing that takes place before the filing of the information or indictment, in contrast to "triable felony," which is the stage following the filing of the information or indictment. In two-tier trial court systems, these two stages of felony case processing generally take place in different courts. In single-tier trial courts, the limited felony stage of case processing is generally not counted.

In the trial court jurisdiction guide, CSIM staff have ascertained from AOC staff in each state exactly what case types are handled in each court and how they should be classified into the CSIM caseload

	General/ limited juris-	Triable	Límited	Misde-	DWI/	Trial	
State/court	diction	felony	felony	meanor	DUI	<u>appeal</u>	Miscellaneous
ALABAMA							
Circuit Court	G	x		X	X	х	
District Court	L		Х	X	X		
Municipal Court	L			Х	X		
(does not report da	ta to the AOC)						
ALASKA	<u> </u>				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<u></u>
Superior Court	G	X		X		х	Х
District Court	L		X	Х	x		X
ARIZONA	·		<del> </del>				
Superior Court	G	. X		х		X	Х
Justices of the							
Peace Court	L	·	Х	X	Х		'
Municipal Court	L			X	<b>X</b> ,		
ARKANSAS		<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>		
Circuit Court	G	х		X	X	x	
Municipal Court	L		х	х	X		
City Court, Police							
Court	L		*****	x	x		
CALIFORNIA						:	·
Superior Court	G	X			X	Х	
Justice Court	L		X	Х	X		
Municipal Court	L		X	X	X		
COLORADO		1					<del></del>
District Court	G	X		r some unties)		<b>X</b>	X
County Court	L	- '	x	X	X	X	· 
CONNECTICUT			<del></del>				1
Superior Court	G	X	X (no	t X unted)	, <b>X</b>		
DELAWARE	·			<del></del>			<del></del>
Superior Court	G ·	X		X	·	x	
Family Court	L			X			
Justice of the Peace	· L			<b>X</b>	X		
Court of Common Pleas Municipal Court of	L '	, <b></b>	x	X			
Wilmington	<b>L</b>		X (no	t X nted)	x		<del></del>
Alderman's Court	L			X	x	-	<del></del>

X = The court has jurisdiction over this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> The court does not have jurisdiction over this case type.

<sup>(</sup>not counted) = This court reports data to the AOC, but does not include this case category in its reported caseload inventory because the court does not count felony cases until the filing of the information or indictment.

	General/ limited					Trial	
State/court	juris- diction	Triable felony		sde- anor	DWI/	court appeal	Miscellaneou
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Superior Court	G		X (not counted)	x	<b>x</b>		x
FLORIDA		<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>					
Circuit Court	G	x	X (not counted)	x	х	X	X
County Court	Ľ	. <del></del> .	<b></b>	X	X		
GEORGIA							
Superior Court State Court	G L	, <b>X</b> =	X (not counted)	X X	X X	<u>x</u>	
Probate Court	L .		counted)	x	X		
Magistrate Court	L		X				<b></b>
(does not report dat Municipal Court	L		x	x	<del></del>		
(does not report dat Civil Court	a to the AUC.	, <del></del>	x			-	
(does not report dat Recorder's Court			x		X		
(does not report dat	a to the AOC)	·					
HAWAII Circuit Court					X		
District Court	G L	X 	X	X X	X		
IDAHO		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		······································	· <del></del>		
District Court	G	X	<b>X</b>		X	X	
ILLINOIS Circuit Court	G	X	X (not counted	x	Х	***	х
			except i Cook Cou				
INDIANA				<del></del>	<del></del>		
Superior Court and							
Circuit Court County Court	G L	x	 X	X X	X X	X	X X
Municipal Court of			•	••			••
Marion County	L		X	X	X		X
Small Claims Court of Marion County	L						x
City Court and Town		1				-	
Court	L	<b></b>		X	X		·
IOWA							
District Court	G	<b>x</b>	X (not counted)	X	<b>X</b> .	<b>x</b> .	
KANSAS				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<u></u>	
District Court	. <b>G</b>	· X	X	X	X	X	
KENTUCKY		·					
Circuit Court District Court	G L	X	x	X X	x	<b>X</b>	
LOUISIANA	<del> </del>	<del></del>			<del></del>		
District Court	G .	X	X (not counted)	<b>X</b> ,	X	Х	<b>X</b>
City Court and Parish Court, and Municipal					v		
Court	L		<del></del>	X	Х		

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(not counted) = This court reports data to the AOC, but does not include this case category in its reported caseload inventory because the court does not count felony cases until the filing of the information or indictment.

Table	7.	(continued)
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Table 7: (continued)							
	General/					m 1	
	limited juris-	Triable	Limited	Misde-	DWI/	Trial court	
State/court	diction	felony	felony	meanor	DUI	appeal	Miscellaneou
MAINE							
Superior Court	G	x		x	Х	x	Х
District Court	L		X	X	Х		
MARYLAND							
Circuit Court	G	x		x		X	X
District Court	L		(filed	here X	x	· · · · · ·	
			but a	11			
			felon	ies go			
			to Ci				
			Court	) -			
MASSACHUSETTS							
Trial Court of the							
Commonwealth:		**				1	
Superior Court Dept.	G	X	~- V	~~~	 V	. <del></del>	
Housing Court Dept.	L	X	X	X	X		
District Court Dept. Boston Municipal	L	х	X	X	<b>X</b> .	X	
Court Dept.	L	X	x	X	X	X	
Court Dept.	L	Α.		Λ.	^,	Λ.	
MICHIGAN							
Circuit Court	G	X ·	·		X	X	
District Court	L		X	X	X		
Municipal Court	L		X	X	X		
MINNESOTA							
District Court	C	Х		X		X	
County Court	L	~-	X	X	. Х		X
County Municipal Court	L		Х	X	X	<del></del>	
MISSISSIPPI no data ava	ilable						
MISSOURI							
Circuit Court	G	x	х	x	x	x	Х .
NONTHAL I			<del></del>				
MONTANA District Court	G	×		х		x	_ <u>-</u> _
Justice of the Peace	G	. А		Λ,	,	^	<del></del>
and Municipal Court	L			x	X		
(does not report dat					Α.		
City Court	L			x	x		
(does not report dat	a to the AOC)						
NEBRASKA							
District Court	G	X		X	X	x	
County Court	L	~~	x	X	X	Α.	
Municipal Court	L		X	X	X		
municipal Court	T.			^	Α.	<del></del> ,	
NEVADA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>					***************************************
District Court	G	Х		X	X	. <b>X</b>	Х
Justice Court	L		X	X	x		
Municipal Court	<b>I</b>			X	X	-	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	پينشي						
Superior Court	G ·	X				x	
District Court	L		x	x	x		
Municipal Court	L		X	x	x		
					·		

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Table 7: (continued)	General/						
	limited					Trial	
		Triable	Limited	Misde-	DIT!		
State/court	juris- diction	felony	felony	meanor	DWI/	court appeal	Miscellaneous
NEW JERSEY							
Superior Court (Law							
Division and	0	v	A			x	
Chancery Division) Superior Court, Law	G	<b>X</b>					
Division, Special							
Civil Part, Viola-							
tions Section	L		X	X.	X	<del></del>	
Municipal Court	L.		X	X	X		
NEW MEXICO							
District Court	G	X .		X		Х	
Magistrate Court	T.		X	X	, <b>X</b> , ·		'
Bernalillo County	ii.						
Metropolitan Court	L	-	X	Х	X		<del></del>
NEW YORK		<u>, ,</u>					
Supreme Court	Ġ	X			x		
County Court	G	, <b>X</b>			X	X	
Criminal Court of the							
City of New York	L		X	Х	X		
District Court and	-						
City Court	L		X	Х	x		<del></del>
Town Court and Village Justice Court	L		X	X	x		
				<b>^</b>			
NORTH CAROLINA							
Superior Court	G	X		Х		X	
District Court	L	, <del></del>	X	X	X		<del></del>
NORTH DAKOTA							·
District Court	G .	x		х		х	
County Court	L		X	Х	X .	x	
Municipal Court	L			<b></b> .	x		<del></del>
OHIO		<del></del>		<del></del>			
Court of Common Pleas	G	x					
County Court	L		х	Х	X	, <b>X</b>	
Municipal Court	L		X	X	X	X	
Mayor's Court	L	<b>↓</b> -	***	·	Х -		
(does not report dat	a to the AOC)						
OKLAHOMA	· <del></del>						
District Court	G	X	X (not	X	X	X	X
			counted	)			
OREGON	·						
Circuit Court	G	X	***			· <b>X</b>	
District Court	L	A.	x	X	х		
Justice Court	ī.		X	X	x		
Municipal Court	Ľ,			X	X		
PENNSYLVANIA		<del></del>	<del>,</del>	<del></del>	<del></del>		
Court of Common Pleas	G	x		X	X	x	
District Justice Court			. <b>X</b>	X	x		-
Philadelphia	<del>-7</del>				<del></del>		
Municipal Court	L		X	X	x	***	
Pittsburgh City							
Magistrates Court	L		Х	X	X		

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(not counted) = This court reports data to the AOC, but does not include this case category in its reported caseload inventory because the court does not count felony cases until the filing of the information or indictment.

Table	7:	(continued)
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	General/ limited juris-	Triable	Limited	Misde-	DWI/	Trial court	
State/court	diction	felony	felony	meanor	DUI	<u>appeal</u>	Miscellaneou
PUERTO RICO							
Superior Court	G	X		X		X	
District Court	L		Х	X	X		
RHODE ISLAND	:					<del></del>	
Superior Court	G	X		X	X	X	
District Court	L		x	X	Х		Anta wing
SOUTH CAROLINA		<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>	
Circuit Court	G .	X ·		X	X	X	
Maristrate Court	L		<b>X</b>	X	Х		·
Municipal Court	$\mathbf{r}$		x	X	X	<del></del> -	
SOUTH DAKOTA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				<del></del>	
Circuit Court	G	X	Х	<b>X</b> =	X	<b>X</b>	
TENNESSEE		<del></del>					
Circuit Court and	C	•	X (not	v	v	х	<u></u>
Criminal Court	G	Χ	X (not	X ted)	X	χ.	
General Sessions Court	L			X	X		
(does not report dat	a to the AOC)						
Municipal Court	L			X	Х		
(does not report dat	a to the AOC)						
TEXAS							
District Court and Criminal District							
Court	G	X		X	X		X
County Court at Law, Constitutional Count	Y						
Court	L		****	X	X	X	·
Municipal Court	L			X			
Justice of the Peace							
Court	L		(filed			<b></b> .	·
				but all			
			telon	ies go to			
			Court	nal District `			
			Court	,			
UTAH	······································						
District Court	G	X		X		<b>X</b>	
Circuit Court	L		х	Χ.,	X		
Justice of the		,					
Peace Court	${f r}$		х	. X	X		-
VERMONT				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
District Court	<b>G</b> ,	X	X	X	X		
VIRGINIA			······································				
Circuit Court	G ·	X		X	-	Х	
District Court	L		X	X	Х		X
WASHINGTON						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Superior Court	G	X				X	
District Court	L		x	x	X		
Municipal Court	L			×	X		
	T						

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Table 7: (continued)

State/court	General/ limited juris- <u>diction</u>	Triable felony	Limited felony	Misde- meanor	DWI/	Trial court appeal	Miscellaneous
WEST VIRGINIA							
Circuit Court	<b>G</b>	x		x	x	X	·
Magistrate Court	L	<b>~-</b>	X	X	х		
Municipal Court	L				Χ .	·	
(does not report	data to the AOC	)					
WISCONSIN							
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	x	X	
Municipal Court	L				Х		<b></b> ,
WYOMING		<del></del>	<del> </del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
District Court	G	X				X	
County Court	L		Х	X	X		
Justice of the							
Peace Court	L		Х	х	X		
Municipal Court	L			· ·	X		, <del></del>

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### Table 8. Felony definitions (minimum length of sentence), 1984

Comments: In an attempt to clarify how states were defining felonies, each AOC was asked to identify the minimum length of sentence that a convicted felon could receive in state prison. This table indicates that the length of the sentence is not an adequate defining characteristic to clarify what is included in the felony case category. This subject will need further exploration in subsequent revisions of the jurisdiction guide.

State	No Less than minimum* 1 year	<u>l year</u>	More than 1 year	State	No Less than minimum* 1 year	1 year	More than 1 year
ALABAMA			X	NEBRASKA	x		
ALASKA		X		NEVADA	x		
ARIZONA		X		NEW HAMPSHIRE	Unknown		
ARKANSAS		X		NEW JERSEY		X	
CALIFORNIA		X		NEW MEXICO			x
COLORADO	6 months			NEW YORK			. <b>X</b>
CONNECTICUT		x		NORTH CAROLINA		Х	
DELAWARE	x			NORTH DAKOTA			x
DISTRICT OF COLUMB	IA	х		оніо	6 months		
FLORIDA		. , <b>X</b>		OKLAHOMA			X
GEORGIA			<b>X</b> .	OREGON		х	
HAWAII			X	PENNSYLVANIA			X
IDAHO			X				(5 years)
ILLINOIS		x		PUERTO RICO	6 months		
INDIANA			<b>x</b>	RHODE ISLAND		<b>X</b>	
IOWA	x			SOUTH CAROLINA	3 months		
KANSAS		X		SOUTH DAKOTA			<b>X</b>
KENTUCKY			x	TENNESSEE		X ,	
LOUISIANA	x			TEXAS			X (2 years)
MAINE		X		UTAH			<b>X</b> :
MARYLAND	x			VERMONT	x		
MASSACHUSETTS	x			VIRGINIA			x
MICHIGAN		X		WASHINGTON			X
MINNESOTA			x	WEST VIRGINIA		x	
MISSISSIPPI no	data available			WISCONSIN			x
MISSOURI			X	WYOMING		x	
MONTANA	x						

<sup>\*</sup>In some jurisdictions, felonies are defined by statutes without specifying length of sentence.

# Table 9. Criminal case unit of count used by state trial courts, 1984

#### Comments:

Criminal caseloads are not comparable if the courts are not defining cases in similar ways. This table indicates the point at which a criminal case is counted, the way in which defendants are counted, and the contents of the charging document. Each of these affects the comparability of caseload statistics. Courts that count criminal cases at the complaint are beginning the count at a much earlier point in the process than courts that wait until the information or indictment. Those courts counting at the filing of the complaint will have a larger case count than courts that count cases at a later point in the process. Similarly, the number of defendants per case and the contents of the charging document can affect the case count. Courts, for example, that count each charge as a case will have a much larger case count than courts that count all charges relevant to a single incident as one case.

					Co	ontents of Cl	arging Doc	ıment
						Single	Single	
	General/			One or		incident	incident	
	limited	<b>.</b>	Single	more		(set # of	(unlimi-	One
	juris-		iefen-	defen-	Single	charges	ted # of	or more
Name of Court	diction		lant	dants	charge	per case)	charges)	incidents
		***				**************************************	<u> </u>	
ALABAMA								
Circuit Court	G	Indictment	Х				Х	
District Court	L.	Complaint	X				X	
Municipal Court	L,	Complaint	x		Unknov	π		
ALASKA	. <del></del>							
Superior Court	G:	Indictment		Х			x	
istrict Court	L	Complaint		X .			X	
Visitice Court	L	Complaine		•				
ARIZONA				·			<u></u>	
Superior Court	G	Information/indictment	Х					х
Justices of the Peace	-	man and a second						
Court	L	Complaint	X		X (aft	ter 1/7/84)		
Municipal Court	Ĺ	Complaint	X		X			
nanzerpaz odare	<u>-</u>		••					,
ARKANSAS								
Circuit Court	G	Information/indictment	X		Х			
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X		X			
City Court, Police Ct.	L	Complaint	X		X			
CALIFORNIA					1			
		~ ~					.,	
Superior Court	G	Information/indictment	X				X	
Justice Court	L	Complaint	X				X	
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	Х				Х	
COLORADO			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
District Court	G	First appearance for some	X					Х .
	_	counties; information for						
		cases coming up from	-					
		County Court.						
County Court	L	Complaint/summons	X					x
	· <b>-</b>	oomprarite, bummons						••
CONNECTICUT				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Superior Court	G	Information/indictment	Х				X	
DELAWARE	<del></del>		······		<del></del>			
Superior Court	G '	Information/indictment	X				x	
Family Court	L	Complaint	X				X	
Justice of the Peace Ct.		Complaint	X		X		Α.,	
	. L. L	-	X		X			
Court of Common Pleas	Tr.	Complaint	V		Λ.			
Municipal Court of			32		NP.			
Wilmington	Ľ.	Complaint	X		X			-
Alderman's Court	L	Complaint	Х		х			
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA				<del></del>		·		<del></del>
Superior Court	G.	Complaint/information/	X				x	
Superior Source	J	indictment	-					
		THE RECEIPERS						4

Table 9: (continued)

Table 9: (continued)					Co	ontents of Ci		ument
Name of Court	General/ limited juris- diction	Point of counting criminal case	Single defen- dant	One or more defen- dants	Single charge	Single incident (set 0 of charges per case)	Single incident (unlimited 0 of charges)	One or more incidents
FLORIDA		Information/indictment						
Circuit Court	G	or sworn complaint	X		(Prose	ecutor decide	s) ·	
County Court	L	Complaint	Х		X			
GEORGIA	. <del></del>	. :						·
Superior Court State Court and County	G	Indictment, accusation		х			X	
Court	L	Accusation		Х			X	
Magistrate Court	L	Complaint	X				X	
Probate Court	L	Accusation	х				X	
Municipal Court	L	No data reported						
Civil Court	L	No data reported						
Recorder's Court	L	No data reported						
HAWAII								
Circuit Court	G	Complaint/indictment	X				X (most	: seri- :harge
District Court	L	Information or complaint	<b>X</b>				X (most	seri- harge
IDAHO						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
District Court	G ·	Information	X					Х
Magistrates Division	G	Complaint	X					X
ILLINOIS Circuit Court	G	Complaint/information/in	dictment	x ,			x	
INDIANA								
Superior Court and Circuit Court	G	Information/indictment		, <b>X</b> = -				stent)
County Court	r	Information/complaint		Х			X (may	not be stent)
Municipal Court of Marion County	L	Information/complaint		Х			X (may	
City Court and Town Court	L	Information/complaint	х					X may not be con- sistent
IOWA								
District Court	G	Information/indictment	Х	,			<b>X</b>	
KANSAS District Court	G	First appearance/ information/indictment	X				X	
KENTUCKY					· <del>············</del>			
Circuit Court District Court	G L	Information/indictment Complaint	x x				x x	
LOUISIANA District Court City Court and Parish Court, and Municipal	G	Information/indictment	Varie	s	Varie	<b>S</b>		
Court and Traffic								
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Ct	L L	Information, complaint No data reported		X			Х	
JUDITED OF THE TEACH OF	- <u>-</u>	and rehoter	· · · · ·		1	·		
MAINE	Ċ	T-E	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	***************************************		:	v	
Superior Court District Court	G L	Information/indictment Information, complaint	X	, <b>X</b>			X	x
MARYLAND			······································					
01 1 1 0 1 1 1	G	Information/indictment	X				X	
Circuit Court District Court	Ĺ	Citation/information	X				χ	

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Table 9: (conclined)				C	Contents of Cha	rging Doc	ument
	General/		One	or	Single incident	Single incident	
	limited	Daine of acceptant	Single more		(set 1 of	(unlimi-	One
Name of Court	juris- diction	Point of counting criminal case	defen- defe dant dant	_	charges per case)	ted 1 of charges)	or more incidents
					•		
MASSACHUSETTS Trial Court of the Commonwealth:							
Superior Court Dept.	G	Information/indictment	Not counte	d		х	
Housing Court Dept.	Ĺ	Complaint	X	<b>-</b> .		x	
District Court Dept.	L	Complaint	X			x	
Boston Municipal Ct.	L	Complaint	x			X	
MICHIGAN				<del> </del>		······	
Circuit Court	G	Information	Х			X	
District Court	L	Complaint	Х			X	
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	Х			X	
MINNESOTA	<del></del>						<del></del>
District Court	G	Complaint	X			X	
County Court	L	Complaint	X	Х			
County Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X	X			
MISSISSIPPL	No data	available		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
MISSOURI		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·	<del></del>	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Circuit Court	G .	Complaint/information/ indictment	Not consis	tent statewi	de (depends or	prosecut	or)
MONTANA			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
District Court	G	Information/indictment	х			X	
Justice of Peace Court	•	ziiaoziiiat zati ziiazotiiati	-				
and Municipal Court	L	Complaint	Х			X	
City Court	L	Complaint	<b>X</b>			X	
NEBRASKA					(not	consiste	n E
District Court	G ·	Information/indictment	X		(	X state	
County Court	L	Information/complaint	X			X	
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X			X	
NEVADA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
District Court	G	Irformation/indictment	Varies	Varie	s, depending o	n prosecu	tor
Justice Court	L	Complaint	Varies		s, depending of		
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	Varies	Varie	s, depending	n prosecu	tor
NEW HAMPSHIRE	······································						<del></del>
Superior Court	G	Information/indictment	X	x			
District Court	L	Complaint	X	X	•		
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X	X			
NEW JERSEY	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					<del></del>	<del></del>
Superior Court (Law							
Division and							
Chancery Division)	G	Indictment/accusation	X			Х	
Superior Court (Law							
Division, Special							
Civil Part,	T	Co-plaint	v			v	
VIOLARIANA DAARIATI	L	Complaint Complaint	X X			X	
Violations Section) Municipal Court	L						
Municipal Court	L					·	
Municipal Court			Y	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· • •	<u> </u>
Municipal Court  NEW MEXICO District Court	G	Complaint	X			X	
Municipal Court			X X			X X	

Table 9: (continued)

Table 9. (Continued)					Ca	ontents of Ch	arging Doo	ument
	General/ limited		Single	One or		Single incident (set 2 of	Single incident (unlimi-	One
Name of Court	juris- diction	Point of counting criminal case	defen- dant	defen- dants	Single charge	charges per case)	ted 2 of charges)	or more incidents
NEW YORK								
Supreme Court	G	Information/indictment		х			X (may	vary
County Court Criminal Court of the	G	Information/indictment		· <b>X</b>			X (may	
City of New York District Court and	L	Issue of docket number		Х				Х
City Court Town Court and Village	L	Complaint	X				X	
Justice Court	L	Complaint	X		Х			
NORTH CAROLINA	_							
Superior Court District Court	G L	Information/indictment Complaint/summons	X			X (2 max)	Х	
NORTH DAKOTA	<del></del>						<del></del>	
District Court	G	Information/indictment	х				Х (may	vary)
County Court	L	Complaint, information	X	Varie	28			
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	<b>X</b> ,				Х	
OHIO								
Court of Common Pleas	G	Arraignment	X				X	
County Court	L	Warrant, summons	X				X	
Municipal Court	L L	Warrant, summons	X				X	
Mayor's Court	, L	No data reported			,			
OKLAHOMA District Court	G	Information/indictment		х			-	Х
OREGON								
Circuit Court	G	Complaint/indictment	X			er of charges ewide)	not consi	stent
District Court	L	Complaint/Indictment	X		ditt	0		
Justice Court	L	Complaint	X		ditt	0		
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X		Х			
PENNSYLVANIA		Information or						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Court of Common Pleas	G	docket transcript	X				Х	
District Justice Court	L	Complaint	X				х	
Phila. Municipal Court	L	Complaint	Х				X	
Pittsburgh City Magistrates Court	L	Complaint	X				X	
PUERTO RICO								
Superior Court	G	Accusation	Х		X			
District Court	L	Complaint (charge)	<b>X</b>		X			
RHODE ISLAND						<del></del>		
Superior Court	G .	Information/indictment	Х					X
District Court	r L	Complaint	Χ.		X			
SOUTH CAROLINA			······································	····				<del></del>
Circuit Court	G	Indictment	X					. X
Magistrate Court	L.	Warrant, summons	X				X	
Municipal Court	Ľ	Warrant, summons	Х				X	
SOUTH DAKOTA								
Circuit Court	G	Complaint	X				Х	
		<del></del>				<del></del>		

Table 9: (continued)

					. Co	ontents of Ch	arging Doc	ument
	General/ limited		Single			Single incident (set 3 of	Single incident (unlimi-	One
Name of Court	juris- diction	Point of counting criminal case	defen- dant	defen- dants	Single charge	charges per case)	ted 3 of charges)	or more incidents
TENNESSEE Circuit Court and								
Criminal Court	G	Information/indictment	Not c	oneigten	t statewi	de '		
General Sessions Court	L	No data reported	1102 C	.onsiscen	r aracemi	46		
Municipal Court	Ľ	No data reported						
TEXAS	·	<del></del>				<del></del>	<del></del>	
District Court and								
Criminal District Cour Constitutional County	rt G	Information/indictment	X				X	
Court	L	Complaint/information	X			(varies)		
Municipal Court	ĩ.	Complaint	X		X	(101100)		
Justice of the Peace CT.		Complaint	X		X			
UTAH			<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
District Court	G	Information		Х				X
Circuit Court	L.	Information/citation		X				x
Justice Court	L	Citation	X				X	
VERMONT	····		<del></del>		<del></del>	:		
District Court	G	First appearance	x		x			X
VIRGINIA						······································		
Circuit Court	G	Information/indictment	X		Х			
District Court	L	Warrant/summons	Х		X			
WASHINGTON								
Superior Court	G	Information		х			х	
District Court	L	Complaint/citation	. X			X (2 max)		
Municipal Court	L	Complaint/citation	X			X (2 max)	)	
WEST VIRGINIA	<del>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</del>	:	<del></del>				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Circuit Court	G	Indictment/information		X				Х
Magistrate Court	L	Warrant		X				Х
Municipal Court	L	Complaint	X		X			
WISCONSIN				<u> </u>				
Circuit Court	G	Initial appearance	X				Х	
Municipal Court	r	Complaint/citation	X		x			
WYOMING		·				:		
District Court	G	Information/indictment		X				X
County Court	L	Complaint/information		X			,	х
Justice of the Peace								
Court	L	Complaint/information		X				X
Municipal Court	L	Citation/complaint	X		Х			

Table 10. Criminal case types in which jury trials and bench trials are used in state trial courts, 1984

### Comments:

The information contained in this table permits the identification of each case type where a jury trial and/or bench trial is used, as well as the case types over which each court does not have jurisdiction. This permits the identification of courts from which trial data could be reported and the kind of trial data to expect.

State/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Triable felony	Misdemeanor	DWI/	Trial court appeal
ALABAMA					
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	X
District Court	. <b>L</b>	***	0	0	
Municipal Court	L		0	0	<del></del>
ALASKA			**************************************		
Superior Court	G	X	X		0
District Court	L		X	X	· •••
ARIZONA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Superior Court	G	Х	X		X
Justices of the					
Peace Court	L		X	X	An
Municipal Court	L	<del></del> ,	<b>X</b>	X	~-
ARKANSAS	·				
Circuit Court	$\boldsymbol{G}$	X	X	X	X
Municipal Court	L		0	0	years amon
City Court,					
Police Court	L		0	0	
CALIFORNIA			<del></del>	<del></del>	
Superior Court	G '	X	***	X	X
Justice Court	L	, <del></del> -	X	X	
Municipal Court	L	<b> </b>	X	Х	
COLORADO					
District Court	G	<b>X</b>			0
County Court	L		<b>X</b>	X	0
CONNECTICUT			<u>.                                    </u>	······································	
Superior Court	G	X	X	X	part 1994

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.

<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 10: (continued)

State/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Triable felony	Misdemeanor	DWI/ DUI	Trial court appeal
	1	<del></del>			:
DELAWARE	G	X	X	<u></u> _	X
Superior Court Family Court	L	A	0 .		^ 
Justice of the					
Peace Court	L	014 MP	0	0	
Court of Common			, 0	v	
Pleas	L		X		
Municipal Court			. <del></del>		
of Wilmington	L		0	Ó	
Alderman's Court	L		0	0	<del></del>
				``	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA					
Superior Court	G	X	X	X	
FLORIDA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Circuit Court	G	Х	$\mathbf{X}_{i}$	X	0
County Court	L		X	X	
. <u></u>					
GEORGIA		**	77	* **	
Superior Court	G	X	X	X	X
State Court	L L		X O	X O	
Probate Court	L		0	·	
Municipal Court Recorder's Court	L	-		0	
Recorder 5 Court				V	
HAWAII	······································	1		·	
Circuit Court	G .	Х	X	X	X
District Court	L		0	0	
TDAHO				<del></del>	
IDAHO District Court	G	X	X	X	X
District Court	G	Α.	, <b>A</b> .	<b>A</b> , ,	Λ
ILLINOIS	<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	
INDIANA					
Superior Court and					
Circuit Court	G	х	X	X	X
County Court	Ĺ		X	X	
Municipal Court of	_				
Marion County	, <b>T</b>		X	X	
City Court and Town				- <del>-</del>	
Court	L		X	X	X

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.
0 = Bench trials are held in this case type.
-- = This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

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Table 10: (continued)  State/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Triable felony	Misdemeanor	DWI/	Trial court appeal
IOWA					
District Court	G	X	X	X	<b>X</b>
KANSAS					
District Court	G	X	X	X	X
KENTUCKY	······································		:		
Circuit Court	G	X	X		X
District Court	L		X	X	
LOUISIANA		· · ·		<del></del>	
District Court	G	X	X	X	. <b>O</b>
City Court and					
Parish Court,					1
and Municipal					
Court and					
Traffic Court					
of New Orleans	L		0	0	
MAINE					
Superior Court	G	X	X	X	. X
District Court	L		0	0	<del>van aut</del>
MARYLAND					
Circuit Court	G	X	X		X
District Court	L		<b>0</b> .	0	
MASSACHUSETTS	<del>,</del>				
Trial Court of the					
Commonwealth:					
Superior Court	_				
Department	G	X		-	
Housing Court					
Department	L	X	X	X	
District Court	<b>.</b>	17	**	Nr.	37
Department	$\mathbf{L}_{\parallel}$	X	X	X	Х
Boston Municipal	<b>T</b>	. <b>v</b>	v	v	v
Court Dept.	L	X	X	X	X
MICHIGAN	:	·		**	-
Circuit Court	G	X	- u-	X	<b>X</b>
District Court	L	. compressive	X	X	
Municipal Court	L		X	X	

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.

<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.
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Table 10: (continued)						
Table 10. (continued)	General/					
	limited				Trial	
	juris-	Triable		DWI/	court	
State/court	diction	felony	Misdemeanor	DUI	appeal	
MINNESOTA						
District Court	G	Х	X		0	
County Court and						
County Muni-						
cipal Court	L	·	X	X		
MISSISSIPPI no data	available					
MISSOURI						
Circuit Court	G	Х	X	X	X	
Circuit Court	· · ·	Λ.,	Λ.	Α	<b>A</b>	
MONTANA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·			
District Court	G	X	X	<del></del>	X	
Justice of the						
Peace Court						
and Municipal						
Court	${f L}$		X	X		
City Court	L	·	X	Х		
NEBRASKA					1	
District Court	G	X	X	X	0	
County Court	L		X	X		
Municipal Court	L		0	0		
				·-		
NEVADA						
District Court	G	X	X	, <b>X</b>	X	
Justice Court	L		X	<b>X</b>	-	
Municipal Court	L		0	, 0		
NEW HAMPSHIRE						
Superior Court	G	X			X	
District Court	L	-	0	0		
Municipal Court	L.		0	0	<del></del>	
NEW JERSEY						
Superior Court						
(Law Division						
and Chancery						
Division)	G	Х	1 444		0	
Superior Court	<del>-</del>	~ <b>-</b>				
Law Division,				. '		
Special Civil						
Part, Viola-						
tions Costion	T .		0	0		

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Municipal Court

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<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 10: (continued)

Sta	te/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Triable felony	Misdemeanor	DWI/	Trial court appeal
NEW	MEXICO					
	District Court	G	X	X		X
	Magistrate Court	L		X	X	<del></del>
	Bernalillo County Metropolitan Ct.	L		X	X	
NEW	YORK				<u></u>	
	Supreme Court	G	X		X	-
	County Court	G	X		X	0
	Criminal Court of the City of					
	New York	L	***	X	X	
	District Court	_				
	and City Court	L	-	X	X ,	
	Town Court and					
	Village Justice Court	L ,		X	X	
	COULL	, <b>L</b>		<b>A</b>	, <b>A</b>	
NOR	TH CAROLINA	<del></del>				·
	Superior Court	G	X (re	quired)	X	sidesia sampia
X	District Court	L		0	0	
NOR	TH DAKOTA	<del></del>	·	:		
NON	District Court	G	X	X		* <b>X</b>
	County Court	L		X	X	x
	Municipal Court	L	Gines Street		0	: ****
				·		
OHI						
	Court of Common					
	Pleas	G	X		127	
	County Court	L L		X	X X	X
	Municipal Court Mayor's Court	L		X	0	X
	Mayor S Court				Ų	
OKL	AHOMA				······································	
	District Court	G	X	X	X	X
ORE	CON					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
OWN	Circuit Court	G	X		:	X
	District Court	L	<i>A</i> -	X	X	A
	Justice Court	L	· proc ====	X	X	
	Municipal Court	L		X	X	4

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.
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<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 10: (continued)

State/court	General/ limited juris- diction	Triable felony	Misdemeanor	DWI/ DUI	Trial court appeal
PENNSYLVANIA					
Court of Common					
Pleas	G	X	X	X	X
District Justice					
Court	L		0	0	: Endo Tillio
Philadelphia Munici	pal				
Court	L		0	0	-
Pittsburgh City					
Magistrates Ct.	L		0	0	
PUERTO RICO					
Superior Court	G ·	X	X	****	X
District Court	L		0	0	
RHODE ISLAND			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Superior Court	G	X	X	X	X
District Court	G		0	0	
SOUTH CAROLINA	<u> </u>				
Circuit Court	$\mathbf{G}$	X	X	X	0
Magistrate Court	L		<b>X</b>	X	
Municipal Court	<b>L</b> .	-	X	<b>X</b>	
SOUTH DAKOTA		<del></del>	·		
Circuit Court	G	<b>X</b>	X	X	X
TENNESSEE		<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Circuit Court and					
Criminal Court	G	X	X	X	X
General Sessions					
Court	L		0	0	-
Municipal Court	L		0	0	<b></b>
TEXAS				:	
District Court					
and Criminal					
District Court	G	X	X	X	-
Constitutional					
County Court	L	**************************************	X	Х	X
Municipal Court	L		X	***	-
Justices of the					
Peace Court	L		X	470 mm	

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.

<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 10: (continued)

Table 10: (continued)					
	General/				
	limited				Trial
	juris-	Triable		\IWG	court
State/court	diction	felony	Misdemeanor	DUI	<u>appeal</u>
UTAH					
District Court	G	X	X		. 0
Circuit Court	L		$\mathbf{X}_{i}$	X	
Justice of the					
Peace Court	L		0	0	
VERMONT		<del></del>		<del></del>	
District Court	G	X	X	, <b>X</b>	
VIRGINIA					
Circuit Court	G	X	X		X
District Court	L	Annalis Spring.	0	<b>O</b> .	; where deposits
WASHINGTON					, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Superior Court	G	X			X
District Court	L		X	X	
Municipal Court	L		$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}$	X	
WEST VIRGINIA				:	
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	X
Magistrate Court	L		· X	X	<del>-</del>
Municipal Court	L		mag may	<b>O</b> ,	
WISCONSIN					:
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X	opper words
Municipal Justice					
Court	L	, •••		<b>O</b> ,	
WYOMING					
District Court	G	X	-		X
County Court	L		X	X	
Justice of the					
Peace Court	L,		X	X	
Municipal Court	L			X	
					·

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held.

<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

### Table 11. Point at which disposition is counted in criminal cases, 1984

Comments: In presenting trial data for state courts, trial data from those jurisdictions that are counting trials at their beginning are not comparable with trial data from jurisdictions that do not count trials until their completion. This table shows the point of counting (for statistical reporting purposes) both criminal jury trials and criminal bench trials.

		Jury	trial		Ben	ch trial
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At verdict, completion, or decision	At opening statement, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision
ALABAMA Circuit Court District Court Municipal Court				X	Unknown	x x
ALASKA Superior Court District Court	÷			X X		X X
ARIZONA Superior Court Justices of the Peace Ct. Municipal Court	x x x				X X X	
RKANSAS  Circuit Court  Municipal Court  City Court, Police Ct.		X			X X X	
ALIFORNÍA Superior Court Justice Court Municipal Court	X X	x			X X X	
OLORADO District Court County Court		X X			x x	
ONNECTICUT Superior Court		х			X	
ELAWARE Superior Court Family Court Justice of the Peace Ct. Court of Common Pleas Municipal Court of Wilmington		x x			x x x x x	
Alderman's Court  ISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  Superior Court	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	x			x	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
LORIDA Circuit Court County Court		x x			X X	
EORGIA Superior Court State Court Probate Court Municipal Court Recorder's Court				X X	Unknown	X X X X

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Table	11.	(continue	d)

Table 11. (continued)		Jury	trial		Benc	h trial
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At verdict, completion, or decision	At opening statement, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision
HAWAII						
Circuit Court District Court		<b>X</b>			X X	
IDAHO	<u> </u>					
District Court		X			X	
ILLINOIS						
Circuit Court				Х		<b>X</b>
INDIANA	···· <del></del>					
Superior Court and Circuit Court				x		X
County Court				X		X .
Municipal Court of				x		•
Marion County City Ct. and Town				Λ		X
Court				x		x
IOWA,						
District Court		Х			X	
KANSAS						
District Court		х			X	
KENTUCKY Circuit Court		· ·				
District Court		<b>X</b> . <b>X</b>				ent statewide ent statewide
LOUISIANA			,			
District Court			X		X	
Gity Court and Parish Court, and Municipal						
Court and Traffic						
Court of New Orleans					X	
MAINE		<del></del>	:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	
Superior Court District Court	X Unknown				<b>X</b> .	
MARYLAND		·				
Circuit Court District Court		, <b>X</b>			X X	
					*	
MASSACHUSETTS Trial Court of the Commonwe	ealth:	x			<b>X</b> ,	
MICHIGAN						<del></del>
Circuit Court District Court		X			X	
District Court Municipal Court		X X			X X	
MINNESOTA						
District Court		X			<b>X</b>	
County Court, County Municipal Court		x			X	
murcipar court		<i>^</i>			Α	
MISSISSIPPI no data availab	le	-				
MISSOURI		1				
Circuit Court			X		X	

Cable 11. (continued)	Jury trial				Bench trial		
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At verdict, completion, or decision	At opening statement, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision	
ONTANA							
District Court Justice of the Peace Court and Municipal Court City Court				X X X		x x x	
EBRASKA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del> </del>				<del></del>	
District Court County Court Municipal Court		X X			X X X		
EVADA	<del> </del>						
District Court Justice Court Municipal Court				X X		X X X	
EW HAMPSHIRE							
Superior Court District Court Municipal Court	Trial is	counted at	point a jury tri	al is requested	Trials not Trials not		
EW JERSEY Superior Court (Law Division and Chancery Division) Superior Court, Special Civil Part, Violations Section Municipal Court	x				x x x		
EW MEXICO			·		<u> </u>		
District Court Magistrate Court Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court				x x		x x x	
EW YORK		·					
Supreme Court County Court Criminal Court of the				X X		X X	
City of New York District Court and				<b>X</b>		, <b>X</b>	
City Court Town Court and Village				Х		X	
Justice Court				x	•	<b>X</b>	
ORTH CAROLINA Superior Court District Court		х			X X		
ORTH DAKOTA						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
District Court County Court Municipal Court				X X		x x x	
HIO							
Court of Common Pleas County Court Municipal Court		Х Х Х			x x x		
KLAHOMA District Court	x				X (when co	urt is called	

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		Jury	trial	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bench trial			
state/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At verdict, completion, or decision	At opening statement, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision		
REGON								
Circuit Court District Court Justice Court Municipal Court		X X X X			x x x x			
ENNSYLVANIA			<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Court of Common Pleas District Justice Court Phila. Municipal Court Pittsburgh City				<b>X</b>		X X X		
Magistrates Court						x		
UERTO RICO								
Superior Court District Court				X		X		
HODE ISLAND Superior Court District Court				х		X X		
OUTH CAROLINA						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Circuit Court				<b>X</b>		x		
Magistrate Court Municipal Court				X X		X X		
OUTH DAKOTA Circuit Court		X			x	:		
ENNESSEE Circuit Court and Criminal Court General Sessions Court Municipal Court		x			Not consis Unknown Unknown	tent statewide		
EXAS								
District Court and Criminal District Court Constitutional County Court Municipal Court Justice of the Peace Ct.		<b>x</b>		X X X	x	X X X		
TAH			·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	*		
District Court Circuit Court Justice of the Peace Court		X X			X X X			
ERMONT					·			
District Court				x		<b>, X</b> - ,		
IRGINIA Circuit Court District Court		x			X X			
ASHINGTON					<u> </u>			
Superior Court District Court Municipal Court		X X X			X X X			
EST VIRGINIA Circuit Court Magistrate Court Municipal Court		stent stater			X			

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lable II. (Continued)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Jury	Bench trial					
State/court	At jury selection	When jury is sworn/ empaneled	At opening statement or swearing of first witness	At verdict, completion, or decision	At opening statement, introduction of evidence	At judgment, completion, decision		
WISCONSIN Circuit Court Municipal Court				x		X X		
WYOMING District Court County Court Justice of the Peace Court Municipal Court		X X X X			X X X X			

# Table 12. Point at which disposition is counted in criminal cases for statistical reporting purposes, 1984

Comments:

If courts are counting the disposition of cases at different points, then time-to-disposition data and status of cases data are not comparable. This is more important in caseflow data than for caseload inventory.

This table indicates that the counting of dispositions (for statistical reporting purposes) varies, with many courts counting trial dispositions at the time judgment is pronounced, but many others wait until sentencing.

State/court	At adju- dication	At entry of judgment	At sentencing	State/court	At adju- dication	At entry of judgment	At sentencing	<b>S</b>
ALABAMA				DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA				
Circuit Court	X			Superior Court	X			
District Court	X			•				
Municipal Court	Unknown			FLORIDA				
				Circuit Court	X			
ALASKA				 County Court	X.			
Superior Court			X	-				
District Court			X	GEORGIA				
	·			 Superior Court		X		
ARIZONA				 State Court		X		
Superior Court			X	Probate Court		x		
Justice of the				Municipal Court		X		
Peace Court			X	Civil Court	Unknown			
Municipal Court			X	Recorder's Court	Unknown			
-								
ARKANSAS				 HAWAII				
Circuit Court			. X	Circuit Court		X		
Municipal Court	X			District Court		X		
City Court,								
Police Court	X			IDAHO				
				District Court		X		
CALIFORNIA								
Superior Court	- X			ILLINOIS				
Justice Court	X			Circuit Court			X	
Municipal Court	X							
ranger i de la companya de la compan				INDIANA				
COLORADO				Superior Court and				
District Court			X	Circuit Court			X	
County Court			x	County Court			X	
•				Municipal Court of				
CONNECTICUT				Marion County			X	
Superior Court			X	City Ct. and Town				
				Court			X	
DELAWARE								
Superior Court		X		IOWA				
Family Court		x		District Court	X (jury	trial)	X (bench	trial)
Justice of the		•						
Peace		X		KANSAS				
Court of Common				District Court	X			
Pleas		X						
Municipal Court of				KENTUCKY	<del></del>			
		X		Circuit Court		X		
Alderman's Court		X		District Court		X		
Wilmington Alderman's Court	·	x x		 				_

LOUISIANA					NEW JERSEY					
District Court	x				Superior Court (Law					
City Court and					Division and Chancer	17				
Parish Court,					Division)	X				
					-	A.				
and Municipal Court					Superior Court Law					
and Traffic Court					Division, Special					
of New Orleans	X				Civil Part,					
					Violations Section		Х	•		
MAINE					Municipal Court		. x			
Superior Court	Х				•					
District Court	X				NEW MEXICO					
51001101 00011	•••				District Court		X			
MARYLAND				<del></del>						
					Magistrate Court		Х			
Circuit Court			X		Bernalillo County					
bistrict Court			X		Metropolitan Court		Х			
MASSACHUSETTS				<del></del>	NEW YORK					
Trial Court of the					Supreme Court	х				
Commonwealth			X		County Court	X				
OQUINOH#CATEH			43,		•	A.				
T-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1					Criminal Court of the					
MICHIGAN					City of New York	х				
Circuit Court		- <b>X</b>			District Court and					
District Court		X			City Court	X				
Municipal Court		. <b>X</b>			Town Court and Village					
•					Justice Court	x				
MINNESOTA				<del></del>						
District Court			x		NORTH CAROLINA					
County Court			X		Superior Court	X-				
County Municipal					District Court	X				
Court			X							
					NORTH DAKOTA					
MISSISSIPPI no data av	ailable				District Court				X	
					County Court				×	
MISSOURI			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Municipal Court				X	
Circuit Court	X				Municipal Court				Λ.	
Cifedit Court	•									
					OHIO					
MONTANA					Court of Common Pleas				- X	
District Court			Х		County Court				Х	
Justice of the					Municipal Court				. X	
Peace and Municipal					Mayor's Court	Unknown				
Court			x		1.0,02 0 00020	omenou.				
			X		OKLAHOMA					
City Court			Α.			**				
		<del></del>		<del></del>	District Court	X				
NEBRASKA										
District Court			X		OREGON					
County Court			Х		Circuit Court	X				
Municipal Court			Х		District Court	X				
•					Justice Court	x				
NEVADA				<del></del>	Municipal Court	X				
District Court	× ·									
	X v				PENNSYLVANIA					<del></del>
	X					•				
Justice Court					Court of Common Pleas					
Municipal Court	X									
Municipal Court	X				District Justice Court	X				
	X				District Justice Court Philadelphia Municipal	<b>X</b>				
Municipal Court NEW HAMPSHIRE	X		X			x				
Municipal Court  NEW HAMPSHIRE Superior Court	X			<u> </u>	Philadelphia Municipal Court					
Municipal Court NEW HAMPSHIRE	X		X X X		Philadelphia Municipal					

Table 12: (continued)

State/court	At adju- dication	At entry of judgment	At sentencing	State/court	At adju- dication	At entry of judgment	At sentencing
PUERTO RICO Super or Court District Court			X X	UTAM District Court Circuit Court Justice Court			x x x
RHODE ISLAND		-					
Superior Court	X			VERMONT			
District Court	X			District Court			X
SOUTH CAROLINA				 VIRGINIA			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Circuit Court			X	Circuit Court			X
Magistrate Court		X		District Court			X
Municipal Court		X					-
SOUTH DAKOTA Circuit Court	X			 WASHINGTON Superior Court District Court Municipal Court	Not cons	istent statewi X X	de
TENNESSEE							
Circuit Court and Criminal Court	X			WEST VIRGINIA Circuit Court Magistrate Court			X X
General Sessions				Municipal Court	Unknown		
Court	Unknown						
Municipal Court	Unknown			 WISCONSIN Circuit Court			x
TEXAS				Municipal Court			X
District Court and					- <del>, </del>		
Criminal District				WYOMING			
Court			X	District Court	. <b>X</b>		
Constitutional				County Court	X		
County Court			X	Justice of the			
Municipal Court			Χ	Peace Court	X		
Justice of the				Municipal Court	X		
Peace Court					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		

## Table 13. Initiation of limited and triable felony cases in state trial courts, 1984

Comments

This table was initially planned to indicate the use of felony preliminary hearings in trial courts, but in the course of collecting information on preliminary hearings from the ADCs, CSIM project staff learned that a great deal of additional information was needed to understand and compare the felony statistics being reported by state trial courts.

The first three columns in this table indicate the process used in each state to protect the defendant's rights. The fourth and fifth columns indicate the court jurisdiction and when a felony filing is counted in each court. The next four columns define whether felonies filed are triable or limited in each court. The final two columns are important for statistical aggregation because they indicate whether statistics reported by each court permit the subtraction of defendants bound over after preliminary hearing from total felony filings in the state, thus avoiding double counting of felony cases. Each of the last two columns must contain a yes for the statistics to be usable. Any state that has a no in the next to the last column is counting fewer felony cases than states that have a yes in that column.

		used to pr									
	defendar	t's rights	<u> </u>			Limit	ed/triable		<u> </u>		
		Are						Can			Are
	Are	felony					_	judge	Can		limited
	grand	prelim.					Are	in this	judge	*Are	felony
	juries	hearings	Is prelim.		At what		prelim.	court	in this	limited	manner of
	re-	re-	in lieu of		point does	Are	hearings	-	court	felony	disposition
	quired	quired	or in addi-	_	this court	felonies	held	plea in	dismiss	filings	data
	in this	in this	tion to	Juris-	count a	tried in	in this	felony	felony	reported by	reported by
Name of court	state?	state?	grand jury?	diction	felony case?	this court?	court?	case?	case?	this court?	this court?
ALABAMA	Yes	Yes	Addition								
Circuit Court				G	Indictment	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	·	
District Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	No				
					P						
ALASKA	Either	prelim	In lieu of		<del></del>				<del></del>		<del></del>
Superior Court	or gran	d jury		G	Indictment	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
ARIZONA	Either	prelim	In lieu of								
Superior Court	or gran	d jury		G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Justices of the Peace		3 ,		L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	No				
ARKANSAS	Rare	Yes	In lieu of								
Circuit Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Municipal Court				L.	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Court, Police Cou	rt			L	Complaint	No	No				
				-							
CALIFORNIA	No	Yes	In lieu of		/						
Superior Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	<del></del>	
Justice Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court				ī	Complaint	Na	Yes	7	Yes	Yes	Yes

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.

<sup>\*</sup>This question applies only to felony charges, not to charges reduced to misdemeanors.

Table 13: continued

Table 13: continued		used to pr it's rights				Limita	d/triable	falanias			
Name of court	Are grand juries re- quired in this state?	Are felony prelim. hearings required in this state?	Is prelim. in lieu of or in addi- tion to grand jury?	Juris- diction	At what point does this court count a felony case?	Are felonies tried in this court?	Are prelim. hearings held in this	undge in this court accept	Can judge in this court dismiss felony case?	*Are limited felony filings reported by this court?	Are limited felony manner of disposition data reported by this court?
COLORADO	No	Yes	(No grand jus	:y)							
District Court			-	G	Initial appear	- Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	For some	No
County Court				. L	rance; info. Complaint	ИО	Yes	Yes	Yes	counties Yes	No
CONNECTICUT	??	Yes	Addition	<del></del>		<del></del>		······································			
Superior Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
DELAWARE	Yes	Yes	In lieu of		<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>				<del></del>
Superior Court				G.	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Justice of the Peace Cou	rt			L	Complaint	No	No				
Court of Common Pleas	*			L	Complaint	No	Yes	Misden	eanor only	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court of									· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Wilmington				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	?	No	No
Alderman's Court				L	Complaint	No .	No				
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA											
Superior Court	Yes	Yes	Addition	G	Complaint/ info/indict	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
									·	<del> </del>	<del></del>
FLORIDA Circuit Court	Yes	No	In lieu of (rare)	G	Complaint/ info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court				L	Complaint	No	Rarely	No	No	No	
GEORGIA	Yes	No	In lieu of	<del></del>			<del></del>		······································		
Superior Court	4-5	. <del></del>		G ,	Indict/ accusation	Yes	Rare	Yes	Yes	· No .	
State Court				L	Accusation	No	Rare	No	Yes	No	
Probate Court				L	Accusation	No	No				
Magistrate Court				L	Complaint	No	Rare	No	Yes	No	
Municipal Court				L	Unknown	No	Unknow	n.			
Civil Court				L	Unknown	No	Unknow				
Recorder's Court				L	Unknown	No	Unknow	<b>n</b>			
HAWAII	Yes	No	In lieu of	<del></del>							
Circuit Court				G	Complaint/ indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Court				L	Info/complaint	t No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.
\*This question applies only to felony charges, not to charges reduced to misdemeanors.

IDAHO	No	Yes	No grand jury								
District Court				G	Information	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	in the second of the second	
Magistrates Division of District Court	-	-		G	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
District Court				-	Comptaint	110	ies	NO	162	163	NO
LLINOIS	No	No	In lieu of		<del></del>		<del></del>				
Circuit Court				G	Complaint/	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cook County	No
					info/indict					only	
NDIANA Superior Court and	Йо	Yes	Addition								
Circuit Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
County Court				L	Info/complaint		Yes		felonies	Yes	No
Municipal Court of											•••
Marion County				L	Info/complaint	No	Yes	Class D	felonies	Yes	No
City Ct. and Town											
Court				L	Info/complaint	No	No				
OWA	No	No	(Both rare)		<del></del>	<del></del>					
District Court	NO	NO	(BOLII Tale)	G	Info/indict	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
21001100 00010				•	2				200		
ANSAS	No	Yes	In lieu of		<del></del>						
District Court				G	Info/indict,	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
					first appearan	ce					
										,	
ENTUCKY	Yes	No	Addition		T-F-1:-3:-4	V - 2	N -	V	W		
Circuit Court District Court				G L	Info/indict Complaint	Yes No	No Yes	Yes .	Yes Yes	Yes	No
District Godec				. 1.	Complaint	110	162	•	162	162	· NO
OUISIANA	Yes	Yes	In lieu of					<del></del>			
District Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
City Court and Parish											
Court, and Municipal											
Court and Traffic											
Court of New Orleans				L	Info/complaint	No	No				
AINE	Yes	Yes	Addition							<del></del>	
Superior Court	168	162	Addicton	G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Court				r -	Info/complaint		Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No
				_		7.7	-				
IARYLAND	No	No	In lieu of								
Circuit Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Court				L .	Info/citation	No	Rare	No	Yes	No	No
										(Felonies go	
										Circuit Court	,
ASSACHUSETTS	Yes	Yes	Addition		<del></del>		<del></del>	<del></del>		<del></del>	
Trial Court of the	103	103	Mad Te Low								
Commonwealth:											
Superior Court Dept.				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not. applic.	
Housing Court Dept.				L	Complaint	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
District Court Dept.				L	Complaint	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Boston Municipal Ct. D	ept.			L	Complaint	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
TOUTOAN	N.c.	<del></del>	Y_ 12								
ICHIGAN Circuit Court	No	Yes	In lieu of	G	Information	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not. applic.	
District Court				L.	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
				~	O mp z u z ii z						

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.
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	gerengar	nt's rights Are	·			Limite	ed/triaple	Can	<u>s</u>	-	A
	Are .	felony						can judge	Can		Are limited
	grand	prelim.					Are	in this	judge	*Are	felony
	juries	hearings	Is prelim.		At what		prelim.	Court	in this	limited	manner of
	re-	re-	in lieu of		point does	Are	hearings		court	felony	disposition
	quired	quired	or in addi-		this court	felonies	held	plea in	dismiss	filings	data
	in this	in this	tion to	Juris-	count a	tried in	in this	felony	felony	reported by	reported by
Name of court	state?	state?	grand jury?	diction	felony case?	this court?		case?	case?	this court?	this court?
			8								
MINNESOTA	Yes	Yes	In lieu of								
District Court				G	Complaint	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court and											
County Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	No	No
							-	····		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
MISSISSIPPI no trial cou	rt data a	available									
MISSOURI	No	Yes	In lieu of	·	<del></del>	<del></del>			<del></del>		
Circuit Court				G	Info/indica	Yes	Yes-in	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
							Assoc	• .			
							Div.				
					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
MONTANA	No	No	(Both rare)								
District Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Justice of the Peace Ct.				L	Complaint	No	No	No	No	No	
and Municipal Court				-	0 1 1 5			M -	17 -	N	
City Court				L	Complaint	No	No	No	No	No	
NEBRASKA	No	Yes	(Grand jury r	are)							
District Court				G.	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court				L	Info/complaint	: No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Йo
Municipal Court				L -	Complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No
	·						·				
NEVADA	Yes	Yes	Addition								
District Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		.,
Justice Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	No				
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Yes	No	In lieu of								
Superior Court	163	110	In then or	G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	***	
District Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				ī.	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
								***			
NEW JERSEY	Yes	Yes	Addition								
Superior Court (Law											
Division and											
Chancery Division)				G	Indictment/	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
					accusation						
Superior Court Law Div.,											
Special Civil Part,				_		••					
Violations Section				L L	Complaint	No No	Yes	?	?	No	
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Йо	No	

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable. \*This question applies only to felony charges, not to charges reduced to misdemeanors.

NEW MEXICO	No	Yes	In lieu of								
District Court				G	Complaint	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Magistrate Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Bernalillo County											
Metropolitan Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
<u> </u>					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					<del></del>	
NEW YORK	Yes	Yes	Addition	_							
Supreme Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Criminal Court of the											
City of New York				L	Issue docket	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
					number						
District Court and											
City Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Town Court and Village											
Justice Court				L.	Complaint	Νο	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No.
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								
ORTH CAROLINA	Yes	Yes	Addition								
Superior Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Court				L	Complaint/	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
					summons						
			·····								
NORTH DAKOTA	No	Yes	In lieu of								
District Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court				L	Info/complaint	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	No				
OHIO	No	No	In lieu of	<del></del>			<del></del>	<del></del>		<del> </del>	
Court of Common Pleas	110	110	In fied or	G -	Arraignment	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	· ·	
County Court				L	Warrant/summons		Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Municipal Court	-			L	Warrant/summons		Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Municipal Coult				ь.	wattant/summons	NO.	162	•	res	les	[63
OKLAHOMA	No	Yes	Neither						<del>-,                                  </del>	<del> </del>	
District Court				G	Info/indict.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
OREGON	No	No	In lieu of								
Circuit Court				G	Complaint/	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	***	
					indictment						
District Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	?	Yes	No
Justice Court				Ĺ	Complaint	No	Yes	?	?	Yes	No
Municipal Court				L	Complaint	No	No				
			·								
PENNSYLVANIA	No	Yes	In lieu of								
Court of Common Pleas				G	Information	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
District Justice Court				L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Phila. Municipal Court				L ·	Complaint	No	Yes	No	?	Yes	No
Pittsburgh City											
Magistrates Court		-		L	Complaint	No	Yes	No	?	Yes	No
							<del></del>		·		
PUERTO RICO	No	Yes	No grand jury			. 17	7/	<b>V</b>	17		
Superior Court				G	Accusation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
District Court		. "		L	Complaint	No	Yes	?	?	Мо	No
RHODE ISLAND	Yes	No	In lieu of			·	·		<del></del>		
Superior Court	100	.,.	VI	G	Info/indict.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
				L	Complaint	No		No	No	Yes	No
District Court				1.	Compiaine	NO	No	INO	IVO	ies	(44)

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.
\*This question applies only to felony charges, not to charges reduced to misdemeanors.

	Process	used to pr	otect								
	defenuan	t's rights			_	Limite	ed/triable		3	_	
	Are grand	Are felony prelim.					Are	Can judge in this	Can judge	*Are	Are limited felony
	juries re- quired	hearings re- quired	Is prelim. in lieu of or in addi-		At what point does this court	Are felonies	hearings	court accept plea in	in this court dismiss	limited felony filings	manner of disposition data
Name of court	in this state?	in this state?	tion to grand jury?	Juris- diction	count a felony case?	tried in this court?		felony case?	felony case?	reported by this court?	reported by this court?
SOUTH CAROLINA	Yes	Yes	Addítion								
Circuit Court				G	Indictment	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Magistrate Court				L	Warrant/summor	ıs No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Municipal Court				L	Warrant/summon	s No	Yes	No	Yes	Ио	Yes
SOUTH DAKOTA	No	No	In lieu of	······································					<del></del>		
Circuit Court				G	Complaint	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, but separate	
TENNESSEE	Yes ?	No	(No felony prelims)	·							
Circuit Court and											
Criminal Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	<del></del>	
General Sessions Court				L	No data	No	Misde- meanor	No dat	a .		
							only				
Municipal Court				T .	No data	No	No	-			
TEXAS	No	No	In lieu of						<del></del>		
District Court and											
Criminal District Court County Court at Law,	<b>t</b>			G .	Info/indict	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	
Constitutional County											
Court, & Probate Ct.				L	Info/complaint	No ·	No				
Municipal Court				. <b>L</b>	Complaint	No	No	No	No		
Justice of the Peace Ct.				L	Complaint	No .	No	No	No		
UTAH	No	Yes	In lieu of	·					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
District Court				G	Information	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	-	
Circuit Court Justice of the Peace				L	Information	Ио	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Court				L	Citation	No	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes
VERMONT	No	No	(No grand jur						······································		<del></del>
District Court		" -		G	First appear- ance	Yes	- If request	Yes ed	Yes	••••	
		<del>-,</del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
VIRGINIA	Yes	Yes	Addition	G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
Circuit Court											

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.
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WASHINGTON	No	No	(No grand jury	,)							
Superior Court				G	Information	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	·	
District Court				L	Complaint/	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
					citation						
Municipal Court				L	Complaint/	No	No				
•					citation						
WEST VIRGINIA	 Yes	Yes	Addition			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>	
Circuit Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	Ио	Yes	Yes		
Magistrate Court				Ĺ	Warrant	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Magistrate Court					Wallant		1,03	110		. 103	, ,,,
WISCONSIN	No	Yes	(No grand jury	·)							
Circuit Court				G	First appear-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
					ance						
WYOMING	 No	No	In lieu of		<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>	<del>,,</del>		
District Court				G	Info/indict	Yes	No	Yes	Yes		
County Court				L	Complaint/info	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Justice of the					,						
Peace Court				L	Info/complaint	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

<sup>-- =</sup> Not applicable.
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### Table 14. Traffic/other violations handled by state trial courts, 1984

#### Comments:

The traffic/other violations case type classifications used in this table are those used in the <u>State Court Caseload Statistics: Annual Report series.</u> They have been chosen as a model set of data elements for caseload inventory by the COSCA Court Statistics and Information Systems Committee and are defined in the <u>Supplement to the State Court Model Statistical Dictionary</u>.

The broad classification "traffic/other violations" is new and resulted from a decision in 1984 by the COSCA CSIS Committee to move ordinance violations out of the criminal category and combine them with traffic violations. This decision resulted from the Committee's belief that serious criminal cases should be separated from less serious cases.

In the trial court jurisdiction guide, CSIM staff have ascertained from AOC staff in each state exactly what case types are handled in each court and how they should be classified into the CSIM caseload inventory. The guide has made it clear that a large proportion of traffic/other violations cases are handled in limited jurisdiction courts that do not report data to state administrative offices.

			Miscel-	Parking vio		
	General/ limited juris-	Moving traffic	laneous (nonmoving) traffic	Court has	Contested is included in another traf-	Ordinance
State/court	diction	violations	violations	jurisdiction	fic category	violations
ALABAMA						
District Court	L,	Χ.	X	X (not counted	) Yes	
Municipal Court (does not reported data t	L :o AOC)	X	X	<b>X</b>	Unknown	<b>X</b>
ALASKA	<del></del>	<del></del>		<del></del>		
District Court	L	x	X	X (very few counted)	Yes	<b>X</b>
ARIZONA						
Justices of the Peace Court	: L	<b>X</b> ,	X (not counted)	X (not counted	) Yes	
Municipal Court	L	<b>X</b>	X (not counted)	X (not counted	) Yes	X (not counted)
ARKANSAS						
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X (not counted		X
City Court, Police Court	Ľ	X	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
CALIFORNIA						
Justice Court	L	X	X	X	?	X
Municipal Court	L	Х	X	X	?	X
COLORADO		<del></del>			<del>-</del>	
County Court	L	×	x			
Municipal Court	I.	X	X	X (not counted	) Unknown	X
(does not reported data t	(DOA 05)			,	,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
CONNECTICUT						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Superior Court	G	Х	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
DELAWARE	····					
Family Court*	L	х	X			
Justice of the Peace		<del></del>				
Court	L	X	X			,
Municipal Court of						
Wilmington	L	X	X	X	No	X
Alderman's Court	L	Х	X	X	No	X
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA			<del></del>	<u> </u>		
Superior Court	G	X	X	X (Capitol po- lice only)	Yes	<b>x</b>

<sup>\* =</sup> Only juvenile traffic cases are handled in this court.

X = This court has jurisdiction in this case type

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

Table 14. (continued)						
	/		Miscel-	Parking viol		
	General/ limited	Moving	laneous (nonmoving)		Contested is included in	
State/court	juris- diction	traffic violations	traffic violations		another traf- fic category	Ordinance violations
LORIDA						
County Court	L	<b>X</b>	X	X (not counted)	Yes	X
EORGIA	·	<del></del>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>
Superior Court	Ğ	X	X			X
State Court Probate Court	L L	X X	X X			
Juvenile Court*	L	X	X			
Magistrate Court	Ĺ					X
(does not report data to	AOC)					
Recorder's Court (does not report data to	L AOC)	X	X	x	Unknown	X
ALLA TE			<u> </u>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
MAWAII Circuit Court	G	х	X			
District Court	L	X	X	X	No	X
				4		
DAHO	······································					
District Court	G				••	X
Magistrates Division	G	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	X (not counted)	Yes	<b>X</b> .
LLINOIS Circuit Court	G	х	X	X (in	N-	•
Circuit Court	G	•	Α	x (in Chicago	No	X
				and some		
				other cities)		
NDIANA	<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Circuit Court and						
Superior Court	G	X	X	X (not known if in caseload)	included	<del></del>
County Court	L	х	X	X X	Yes	X
Municipal Court of			A		163	
Marion County	L	X	<b>X</b>	X	Yes	X
City Court and Town Court	L	X	X	X	Yes	X
OWA		<u> </u>			:	
District Court	G <sub>,</sub>	x	x	X (not counted)	Yes	X
ANSAS				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>	
District Court	G	<b>X</b> .	X			
Municipal Court	L.	X	X	X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to	The second secon		• • •			
ENTUCKY		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	v	v /	31	
District Court	L	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b> .	X (not counted)	Yes	X
OUISIANA			ī			
City Court and Parish						
Court, and Municipal						
		V		v /	TP	
Court and Traffic		X	X	X (not counted)	Yes	X
Court of New Orleans	L					
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace		Y	γ .	x	Unknorm	Y
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Court	L	X	X	<b>X</b>	Unknown	X
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Court (does not report data to	L AOC)					
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Court	L AOC) L	x x	x x	X X	Unknown Unknown	x x
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Court (does not report data to Mayor's Court (does not report data to	L AOC) L					
Court of New Orleans Justice of the Peace Court (does not report data to Mayor's Court	L AOC) L					

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Table 14. (continued)			W. 1 1	n- 11		
	General/		Miscel- laneous	Parking vio	Contested is	
	limited	Moving	(nonmoving)		included in	
	juris-	traffic	traffic	Court has	another traf-	Ordinance
State/court	diction	violations	violations	jurisdiction	fic category	violations
MARYLAND						
District Court	L '	X	X			
MASSACHUSETTS						
Trial Court of the Commonwealth:						
District Court Dept	L	<b>x</b> .	x			х
Boston Municipal Court De		X	X			X
MICHIGAN	<del></del>					
District Court	L	х	х			<b>X</b>
Municipal Court	Ĺ	X	X			x
Probate Court*	L	X	X	<del></del>		
MINNESOTA	·····			·		
County Court and						
County Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	?	. <b>X</b>
MISSISSIPPI (No data are availa	ble)				, :	<del></del>
MISSOURI	<del></del>				·	
Circuit Court	G.	x	X	X	Yes	X (uncontested
(Municipal Department han					165	not counted)
MONTANA		<del> </del>				
Justice of the Peace						
Court and Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	Unknown	<u> </u>
(does not report data to	AOC)					
City Court	L	X	Х	X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to	AUC)					
NEBRASKA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
County Court	T.	X	X	X (not counted)		X
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
NEVADA						
Justice Court	L	X	X	X	?	100.000
Municipal Court	L	X	х	Х	?	X (not counted
NEW HAMPSHIRE			, 1			
District Court	L	X	Х	X (not counted	) Yes	X
Municipal Court	L	Х	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
NEW JERSEY						:
Superior Court Law Division						
Special Civil Part, Violations Sections	L	x	Х .	V (nationalises)	) No	· •
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X (not counted)	) No No	X X
				·		
NEW MEXICO Magistrate Court	L	<b>X</b> .	x	· ·		
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to		•		<del>15</del> ,		
Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court	L	X	X	x		x

Criminal Court of the City of New York District Court and City

Town Court and Village Justice Court

Court

X

X

Х

X

X

X

Χ

?

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Table 14. (continued)						
Table 14. (continued)			Miscel-	Parking vio	lations	
	General/		laneous		Contested is	
	limited	Moving	(uonmoving)		included in	
	juris-	traffic	traffic	Court has	another traf-	Ordinance
State/court	diction	violations	violations	jurisdiction	fic category	violations
NORTH CAROLINA						
District Court	L	X	x	X (not counted	) Yes	x
NORTH DAKOTA					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
District Court*	G	X	Х	X	?	X
County Court	L	Х	X	X (not counted	•	<b></b> ,
Municipal Court	L,	х	x	X (not counted	) Yes	X (not counted)
OHIO				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		:
County Court	L	X	X			X
Municipal Court	L	X	X ,	Y (not counted)		X
Mayor's Court	r r	X	X:	X	Unknown	<b>X</b>
(does not report data to	AUC)					
OKLAHOMA		ν'	V			v
District Court	, <b>G</b>	X	X			X
Municipal Criminal Court						
of Record and Municipal Court Not of Record	7	v	v	<b>v</b>	II m le m m n m	X
(does not report data to	VOC)	X	X	X	Unknown	<b>A</b>
(does not report data to	A00)					
OREGON						•
District Court	L	X	X		\	
Justice Court	L	X	X	X (not counted		·
Municipal Court	L.	X	х	X (not counted	) Yes	. <b>X</b>
PENNSYLVANIA						
District Justice Court	L	Х	Х	Х	Yes	X
Philadelphia Municipal Court	L	·			·	X .
Philadelphia Traffic	L					Λ, ,
Court	L	x	X	X	Yes	
Pittsburgh City	-					
Magistrates Court	L	X	X	X	?	X
PUERTO RICO						
District Court	L	х	X			X
Municipal Judges	L	Only uncon		ons handled in the	is court	X
(does not report data to	AOC)	. •				
RHODE ISLAND			<u></u>			
District Court	L	X				X
Municipal Court	L			X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to	AOC)					
SOUTH CAROLINA		<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			7
Family Court*	L	X	. X			***
Magistrate Court	L	X	X	X	Yes	X
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
SOUTH DAKOTA					,	
Circuit Court	G	X	X	X (not counted	) Yes	X
TENNESSEE	<del></del>	<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del></del>		
Circuit Court and						
Criminal Court	G ,	X	X			
(does not report data to	AOC)					
General Sessions Court	L	X	X	X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to						
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X (not counted	) Unknown	Х
(does not report data to	AOC)					

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Table 14. (continued)						
			Miscel-	Parking vio		
	General/ limited	Marrian	laneous	The state of the s	Contested is included in	
	juris-	Moving traffic	(nonmoving) traffic	Court has	another traf-	Ordinance
State/court	<u>diction</u>	violations	violations	jurisdiction	fic category	violations
TEXAS						
County Court at Law and						
Constitutional County Cou	irt L	X	X			
Municipal Court	L	X	Х	X	?	Х
Justice of the Peace Court	L	X	X	X	Yes	
UTAH						
Circuit Court	L	X	X ·	X	No	X
Justice of the Peace Court	L	X	X	X	No	X
Juvenile Court*	L	X	X	enses.		
VERMONT						
District Court	G	<b>X</b>	X			X
VIRGINIA						
Circuit Court	G	·				X
District Court	L	Х	X	X	Yes	X
WASHINGTON						
District Court	L	Х	X	X (not counted	l) Yes	
Municipal Court	L <sub>.</sub>	X	X	X	?	X
WEST VIRGINIA				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Magistrate Court	L	X	X			<del></del>
Municipal Court	L	X	X	X	Unknown	X
(does not report data to	AOC)					
WISCONSIN	<del></del>			<u></u>	·	
Circuit Court	G	. <b>X</b>	X	X	Yes	X
Municipal Justice Court	L	X	X	<b>X</b>	?	x
WYOMING						
County Court	L	Х	X	X	Yes	·
Justice of the Peace Court	L	Х	X	X	Yes	
Municipal Court	L	X	χ	X	Yes	X

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Table 15. Traffic/other violation case types in which jury trials and bench trials are used in state trial courts, 1984

Comments:

The information contained in this table permits the identification of each case type where a jury trial and/or bench trial is used, as well as the case types over which each court does not have jurisdiction. This permits the identification of courts from which trial data could be reported and the kind of trial data to expect.

State/court	Moving traffic violations	Parking violations	Miscellaneous traffic	Ordinance violations
ALABAMA				
District Court	. O	0	0.	
Municipal Court	0	0	0	0 .
Tanzo paz obaz z				
ALASKA				
District Court	0	0 .	0	X
ARIZONA		<del> </del>		
Justices of the Peace Court	$\mathbf{X}$	0	0	
Municipal Court	X	0	Ó	<b>0</b>
ARKANSAS				
Municipal Court	0	0	0	. 0
City Court, Police Court	0	0	0	0
CALIFORNIA				
Justice Court	X	0 '	X	X
Municipal Court	<b>X</b>	0	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
COLORADO				
County Court	X		X	
Municipal Court	0		0	0
CONNECTICUT			·	
Superior Court	X	0	X	0
DELAWARE				
Family Court*	0		0	<del></del>
Justice of the Peace				
Court	0		0	
Municipal Court of				
Wilmington	0	0	0	0
Alderman's Court	0	0	0	0

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>0 =</sup> Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.

<sup>\*</sup>Only juvenile traffic handled in this court.

Table 15. (continued)				
Zuoto 15. (Continued)	Moving traffic	Parking	Miscellaneous	Ordinance
State/court	violations	violations	traffic	<u>violations</u>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA				
Superior Court	X	O	X	X
FLORIDA	,			
County Court	<b>X</b>	0	. 0	X
GEORGIA			<del></del>	
Superior Court	X		X	X
State Court	X		X	
Probate Court	0		0	
Juvenile Court*	0		0	
Magistrate Court	the fee	Apple state	· conin ferro	0
Recorder's Court	0	0	0	
HAWAII			·	
Circuit Court	X		X	<del></del>
District Court	0	0	0	0
IDAHO	<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
District Court				X
Magistrates Division	X	0	X	X
ILLINOIS	<u> </u>			<u> </u>
Circuit Court	X	X	X	X
INDIANA			1	:
Circuit Court and				
Superior Court	X	0	X	-
County Court	X	X	X	Х
Municipal Court of				
Marion County	X	X	X	Х
City Court and Town Court	X	X	X	X
OWA			:	
District Court	X	0	X	X
CANSAS			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
District Court	X		X	, <del>,</del>
Municipal Court	0	0	0	, , <b>O</b>
KENTUCKY				
District Court	X	X	<b>X</b>	X

<sup>X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type.
0 = Bench trials are held in this case type.
-- = This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type.
\*Only juvenile traffic handled in this court.</sup> 

Table 15. (continued)				
State/court	Moving traffic violations	Parking violations	Miscellaneous traffic	Ordinance violations
LOUISIANA				
City Court and Parish				
Court, and Municipal				
Court and Traffic				
Court of New Orleans	Ò		. • 0	0
Justice of the Peace	v			Ü
Court	0	0	0	O
Mayor's Court	0	0	0	0
MAINE	·		<u> </u>	
Superior Court	X	-		0
District Court	0	0	0	0
MARYLAND			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<u> </u>
District Court	0		0	0
MASSACHUSETTS		<u></u>	<u> </u>	
Trial Court of the				
Commonwealth:				
District Court Dept	X		O	X
Boston Municipal Court De	ept X		X	X
MICHIGAN				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
District Court	X		0	X
Municipal Court	X		0	X
Probate Court*	0	<del></del>	0	
MINNESOTA				<del></del>
County Court and	X	0	X	X
County Municipal Court				•
MISSISSIPPI no data availab	le			·
				·
MISSOURI				
Circuit dourt	0	0	• <b>0</b>	X
MONTANA		:	·	
Justice of the Peace Court				
and Municipal Court	X	X	X	
City Court	0	0	0	. 0
NEBRASKA		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
County Court	X	0	X	X
Municipal Court	0	0	0	0

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type. O = Bench trials are held in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not have jurisdiction in this case type. \*Only juvenile traffic handled in this court.

State/court	Moving t		Parking violatio	ns	Miscel traffic	laneous		inance lations
NEVADA								
Justice Court	X		0		•	Χ .		
Municipal Court	0		0			)		0
NEW HAMPSHIRE						<del></del>	··········	
District Court	0		0			ς ,		0
Municipal Court	0		0,		. (	)		0
NEW JERSEY			······································	·				·
Superior Court Law Divisio Special Civil Part,	n,							
Violations Section	0		. 0			)		0
Municipal Court	. 0		0		(			0
NEW MEXICO	<u> </u>						<del></del>	<del></del>
Magistrate Court	X		0			X		
Municipal Court	0		, 0		. (	) .		0
Bernalillo County								
Metropolitan Court	0		, 0		•	)		-
NEW YORK							· · · · ·	<del></del>
Criminal Court of the								
City of New York	0		-			Ò		0
District Court and City								
Court	0		***			)		X
Town Court and Village								
Justice Court	0		0			ס		X
NORTH CAROLINA		<del></del>						
District Court			0			)		0
NORTH DAKOTA							<del></del>	
District Court*	0		0			0		
County Court	<b>X</b>		0			X		
DHIO					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
County Court	X					X .		X
Municipal Court	X		0			K.		X
Mayor's Court	0		0.			3		0
OKLAHOMA			<u>-</u>					
District Court	Х					X.		X
Municipal Criminal Court								
of Record and Municipal								
Court Not of Record	X		X		•	K		X

X = Jury trials and bench trials are held in this case type.
0 = Bench trials are held in this case type.
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Table 15. (continued)	Moving traffic	Parking	Miscellaneous	Ordinance
State/court	violations	violations	traffic	violations
OREGON				
District Court	0	0	0	X
Justice Court	X	?	0	
Municipal Court	X	?	0	X
PENNSYLVANIA				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
District Justice Court Philadelphia Municipal	. 0	0	0	0
Court	1			<b>0</b>
Philadelphia Traffic Court	0	0	0	
Pittsburgh City				
Magistrates Court	0	0	0	0
PUERTO RICO				
District Court	0		0	0
Municipal Judges	0	0 '	, O	0
CHODE ISLAND				
District Court	0	~~		<b>0</b>
Municipal Court		. <b>0</b> .		
SOUTH CAROLINA				
Family Court*	O X	?	0 X	· v
Magistrate Court Municipal Court	X	X	X	X
municipal coult	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b> .	<b>A</b>	<b>.</b> .
SOUTH DAKOTA				
Circuit Court	<b>X</b>	<del></del>	X	X
TENNESSEE				
Circuit Court and	<b></b>		•	
Criminal Court	X		<b>;</b>	
General Sessions Court Municipal Court	0	0	0	0
Hamicipal Court		<b></b>		<b>.</b>
TEXAS				
Constitutional County Court	X	X	X	See the
Municipal Court	X	X	<b>X</b>	X
Justice of the Peace Court	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	X	<del></del>
ITAH				
Circuit Court	X	0	X	X
Justice of the Peace Court	X	X	<b>X</b>	X
Juvenile Court*	0		<b>O</b> .	

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O = Bench trials are held in this case type.
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Table 15. (continued)  State/court		g traffic tions	Parking violations	Miscellaneous traffic	Ordinance violations
VERMONT	,				
District Court		X		X	, <b>X</b>
VIRGINIA	<del></del> -				
Circuit Court				<b></b>	X
District Court		0	0	0	0
WASHINGTON			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
District Court		X	0	X	
Municipal Court		X	0	X	X
WEST VIRGINIA			·		
Magistrate Court		X		X	
Municipal Court		0	0	0	0
WISCONSIN		<del></del>			
Circuit Court		X	X	X	X
Municipal Court		0	O	0	0
WYOMING					
County Court		X	X	X	
Justice of the Peace Court		X	X	X	
Municipal Court		X	X	X	X

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\*Only juvenile traffic handled in this court.

### Table 16. Juvenile jurisdiction in state trial courts, 1984

#### Comments:

The juvenile case type classifications in this table are those recommended by the National Juvenile Information Systems Task Force of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and adopted by the COSCA Court Statistics and Information Systems Committee. They are defined in the Supplement to the Model Statistical Dictionary.

The Task Force also recommended that caseloads of courts counting juvenile referrals be separated from the caseload of courts counting juvenile petitions. This table indicates both what each court counts as a case and when a disposition is counted for statistical purposes.

This information has been obtained by CSIM staff from the AOC in each state, along with the proper classification of each state's juvenile data into the CSIM case categories.

	At in-	At filing	Disposition At adjudi-	At dispo-	Criminal- type		Child	Miscel- laneous	juvenile jurisdiction
State/court	take or referral	of petition	cation of petition	sition of juvenile	juvenile petition	Status petition	victim petition	juvenile petition	transfers to adult courts
ALABAMA									19
Circuit Court		X	X		Х	X	Х		
District Court		<b>X</b> ,	X		X	. X	Х		
ALASKA							······································	<del></del>	18
Superior Court		Х	X		X	Х	X		
ARIZONA		<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>					18
Superior Court		X		X	X	X	X		
ARKANSAS		······································		·	.,		······································		18
County Court	X			X	X	Х	X		
CALIFORNIA		· 							18
Superior Court		X ·		X	X	Х	Х		
COLORADO			·			1			18
District Court		x		X	X	X	X	X	
(includes Denver Juvenile Court)									
CONNECTICUT				<del> </del>		<del></del>		<u></u>	16
Superior Court	X			X	X	X	X		
DELAWARE							<del></del>		18
Family Court		X		X	X	Х	X		
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	·	<del></del>							18
Superior Court	X			X	X	X	X	X	
FLORIDA					<del></del>		<del></del>		18
Circuit Court		Х	X		X	X	X	Х	
GEORGIA		<del></del>	<del></del>			<del></del>	<del>-                                    </del>		17
Superior Court and									
Juvenile Court	Х			X	X	X	Х	X	
HAWAII			<del></del>		<del> </del>			<del></del>	18
Circuit Court	X			X	X	X	X	X	
IDAHO				<del></del>	<del></del>		<del></del>	<del></del>	1.8
District Court		<b>X</b>	X		X	- X	X	'	
ILLINOIS						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			17
Circuit Court		X	- X		X	X	x	X	

X = This court has jurisdiction in this case type.

<sup>-- =</sup> This court does not report this category of juvenile case.

Table 16: (continued)

Table 16: (continued)									Age at which
State/court	Filings an At in- take or referral	At filing of petition	Disposition At adjudi- cation of petition		Criminal- type juvenile petition		Child victim petition	Miscel- laneous juvenile petition	juvenile jurisdiction transfers to adult court
INDIANA									18
Circuit Court and									
Superior Court		X	X		X	X	X	Х	
Probate Court		X	X		X	Х	Х		
IOWA	<del> </del>	·	At matur						18
District Court		X	of juven	ile	X	Х	X	X	
KANSAS	·· <del>/</del>		<del></del>				<del></del>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	18
District Court		X		. <b>X</b>	X	X	X		
KENTUCKY									18
District Court		X	x		х	х	X	<b>X</b> -	
LOUISIANA					<del></del>		·		15 (in
District Court		X	x		x	Х	х	X	capital
Family Court and								•	cases)
Juvenile Court		X	X		X	Х	Х		
City Court		Х	Х		X		Х	X	
MAINE									18
District Court		- X		X	X	<b>X</b>	X	***	
MARYLAND								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	18
Circuit Court		X		X	X	X	х	X	
District Court		X		<b>X</b>	X	, <b>X</b>	X	X	
MASSACHUSETTS  Trial Court of the Commonwealth: District Court Dept. Juvenile Court Dept.	<b>X</b>	x	X X		X X	X X	X X	 X	17
MICHIGAN									17
Probate Court	Unknow	า	Unknown		X	X	<b>X</b>	·	
MINNESOTA	<u> </u>							<del> </del>	18
District Court and County Court		X	X		x	X	X	x	
MISSISSIPPI (no data avai	1 11 1	1							
MISSISSIPPI (no data avai	liable)								
MISSOURI		-							17
Circuit Court		X	X		X	X	X	X	
MONTANA		<del></del>							18
District Court		X		X	Х	X	X		
NEBRASKA		:	<del></del>	<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		18
Separate Juvenile Court	:	<b>X</b>		Х	x	X	X	x	
County Court		X		X	<b>X</b>	X	X	X	
NEVADA		<del></del>					·		18
District Court		X		<b>X</b>	X	X	х	X	
NEW HAMPSHIRE							<del> </del>	<u> </u>	18
District Court		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>	X	X	Х	, <del></del> ,	•
NEW JERSEY				·····		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>	18
Superior Court, Chancer	·y								
Division, Family Part				x	X	X	X	x	

X = This court has jurisdiction in this case type.
-- = This court does not report this category of juvenile case.

Table 16: (continued)

State/court	take or o	counted t filing f etition	Disposition At adjudi- cation of petition		Criminal- type juvenile petition		Child victim petition	Miscel- laneous juvenile petition	Age at which juvenile jurisdiction transfers to adult courts
NEW MEXICO District Court		x		x	X	x	<b>x</b>	, ******	18
NEW YORK Family Court	:	х		X	х	х	x	X	16
NORTH CAROLINA District Court		x	At matur of juven		x	x	x	-	16
NORTH DAKOTA District Court		x		X	x	х	x	х	18
OHIO Court of Common Pleas	X (warra	nt)		Х	x	x	х	х	18
OKLAHOMA District Court (does not report data	X (case	number)	Х		х	x	х	Х	18
OREGON Circuit Court County Court		X X	At matur of juven		x x	X X	X X	 X	18
PENNSYLVANIA Court of Common Pleas	x		X		X	х	x		18
PUERTO RICO Superior Court	x		х		x	х	x		18
RHODE ISLAND Family Court	х		X		X	x	<b>x</b>	х	18
SOUTH CAROLINA Family Court		x	x		х	х	<b>x</b>	X	17
SOUTH DAKOTA Circuit Court		x	X		x	x	x	X	18
TENNESSEE  General Sessions Court Juvenile Court	X X			X X	X X	X X	X X		18
(does not report data TEXAS District Court County Court at Law,		X		x	x	х	x	, <del></del>	17
Constitutional County Court, and Probate Co		x		<b>X</b>	X	X	X	'	
UTAH Juvenile Court		x		х	Х	х	х	x	18
VERMONT District Court		x		х	x	x	x		16
VIRGINIA District Court		x		. <b>X</b>	x	X	x	х	18
WASHINGTON Superior Court		x	X (depen dency	- X (delin-		x	<b>x</b> .		18

X = This court has jurisdiction in this case type. -- = This court does not report this category of juvenile case.

Table 16: (continued)

State/court	Filings a At in- take or referral	At filing of petition	Disposition At adjudi- cation of petition	At dispo- sition of juvenile	Criminal- type juvenile petition	Status	Child victim petition	Miscel- laneous juvenile petition	Age at which juvenile jurisdiction transfers to adult courts
WEST VIRGINIA Circuit Court		X		x	x	x	x		18
WISCONSIN Circuit Court		X		x	X	x	x	х	18
WYOMING District Court		х	Х		Χ.	x	х	<del></del>	19

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## Table 17. Time standards for civil case processing in state trial courts, 1984

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					ivil case processing	
Shaha /aasah	Authority/	Penalty for non-	Filing of com-	and the second s		Hear- ing/ Disp
State/court	Source	compliance	plaint	issue ment		trial sition
ALABAMA none						
ALASKA none						
ARIZONA none						
ARKANSAS none						
CALIFORNIA none						
COLORADO						
District Court Water Court none	Statute				90 days	
County Court none						
CONNECTICUT Superior Court indiv Probate Court none	vidual Judicia	l District loc	ations hav	e guidelines		
DELAWARE none						
DIGENTAL OF COLUMNIA						
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Superior Court	Judicial	None		3 months to 1	8 months, depending	on case type
FLORIDA none	nera					
GEORGIA none						
HAWAII						
Circuit Court District Court none	Court rule	None		- 1	8 months	
				_		
IDANO	COSCA standards	None		3 months to 1	8 months, depending	on case type
ILLINOIS Circuit Court none						
INDIANA none						
IOWA none						
KANSAS						
District Court	Statute	None		From 60 to 120 d	ays, depending on ca	se type
KENTUCKY none						
LOUISIANA none						
MAINE none						
MARYLAND none						

NEW YORK

NEW MEXICO -- none

Supreme Court Court rule Yes County Court Court rule Yes Civil Court of the City of New York -- none Family Court Court rule Yes District Court and City Court -- none Surrogates' Court -- none Court of Claims -- none

Town Court and Village Justice Court -- none NORTH CAROLINA -- none

15 months 15 months

180 days

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		At
	•	Filing issue/ Under Hear-
		of com- note of advise- ing/ Dispo
Source	compliance	plaint issue ment trial sitio
Admin rulo	None	2 years
Admitit. Idle	Notic	Z years
Guidelines	None	6 to 24 months, depending on case type
Guidelínes	None	6 to 24 months, depending on case type
Guidelines	None	6 to 24 months, depending on case type
- none		
		60 days (in trespass and assumpsit)
ooure mare		oo dayo (in cicopado dad assumptic)
Court Rule		4 to 6 weeks
Court Rule		60 days
Goal	None	18 months
Court mula	Vac	. 1 minu
		1 year 6 months
		90 days
Court rule	Yes	1 year
-	None	3 months to 18 months, depending on case type
order		
		90 days
Court rule	res	90 days
Count1	Vo.	00 1
Court rule	res	90 days
		l year
Goal	No	6 months (for 80 % of cases)
	Guidelines Guidelines Guidelines Guidelines  - none Court Rule Court Rule Court Rule Court rule Admin. order Court rule	Admin. rule None  Guidelines None Guidelines None Guidelines None Court Rule Court Rule Court Rule Court rule Yes Court rule Yes Admin. order None  Court rule Yes

VIRGINIA -- none

WASHINGTON -- none

Table 17: (continued)

turid in (initialization)								
State/court	Authority/ Source	Penalty for non- compliance	Filing of com- plaint	At issue/ Under note of advise- issue ment	:		Hear- ing/ trial	Dispo- sition
WEST VIRGINIA none								
WISCONSIN Circuit Court	Bench/Bar Committee							
	recommendation	n None		6 to 18 months.	depending	on case tv	pe	

WYOMING -- none

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### Table 18. Time standards for criminal case processing in state trial courts, 1984

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In some jurisdictions, the events that appear in the heading below may not occur in this order. First appearance and arraignment may be the same event in some jurisdictions, but not in others.

	-			Po	ints in	criminal o	ase processing			
	Penalty	Filing		First	Ar-	Prelim.	Filing of			
Authority		of com-		appear-	raign-	hearing/				Dispo-
State/court source	compliance	plaint	Arrest	ance	ment	bindover	indictment		Trial	sition
ALABAMA none										
ALASKA										
Superior Court Court rul	e Dismissal					120 days				
District Court Court rul	e Dismissal					120 days				
ARIZONA										
Superior Court Court rul	e Dismissal						0 days (whichever			
Justice of the Peace Ct Court rul	e Dismissal			<del></del>	<del></del>		20 days (whicheve O days (whichever			
Subtice of the reace of court fur	e Dismissai	=			<del></del>		20 days (whichever		<del></del>	
Municipal Court Court rul	e Dismissal			-			0 days (whichever			
							20 days (whicheve			
ARKANSAS										
Circuit Court Statute	Dismissal			9 month	s or 2 t	terms of co	urt (whichever is	less)		
Municipal Court none										
City Court, Police Ct none										
CALIFORNIA										
Superior Court Statute	Dismissal						60 days			
Justice Court Statute	Dismissal			10 day	rs . ———	<del>~~~~~</del>	oo days_		<del></del>	
Subtract State States	2201120022						days			
				30 da	ys, if i		45 days if not			-
Municipal Court Statute	Dismissal	-	****			as Justice				
COLORADO										
District Court Statute										
County Court Statute	Dismissal				-		180 days			
county court statute	Dismissal Dismissal						180 days 180 days			
CONNECTICUT										

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		Penalty	Filing	<del></del>	First	ints in	Prelim.	ase processing Filing of		
State/court	Authority/	for non- compliance	of com-	Arrest	appear- ance		hearing/		Trial	Dispo- sition
		Compilation	1 2 2 1 1 2		<u>unec</u>		<u> </u>	III I C DIII CIIC	11201	312101
DELAWARE										
Superior Court	Goal	None		<b></b>		·		days		
Family Court	Goal	None		***************************************			120	days		
Justice of the Peace	Unknown									
Court of Common Pleas	Goal	None					120	days		
Municipal Court of	17-11									
Wilmington	Unknown									
Alderman's Court none										
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA										
Superior Court	Norm	None			90	daycom fo		laucmicdomannor		
Superior Court	NOTH	Notic			70	daysIt	erony, oo c	laysmisdemeanor		
FLORIDA										
Circuit Court	Court rule	Dismissal					180 da	ıys		
County Court	Court rule	Dismissal					90 day			
GEORGIA										
Superior Court	Statute	Dismissal							term; 2 terms for	
								capit	al felonies	
State Court none										
Probate Court none								•		
Magistrate Court none										
Municipal Court none										
Civil Court none										
Recorder's Court none										
HAWAII										
Circuit Court	Statute -								l year	
District Court	Internal	None						90 days		
							· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
IDAHO										
District Court	Court rule	Dismissal						6 months		
ILLINOIS										
Circuit Court	Statute	Dismissal			120 day:	, if in	custody; ]	160 days if on bail		
INDIANA										
Superior Court and	0							70 1		
Circuit Court	Court rule							70 days	<del></del>	
County Court none										
Municipal Court of Marion County none										
City Court and Town										
Court none										
Journ Hone										
IOWA										
District Court	Court rule	Dismissal							90 days	
KANSAS										
District Court	Court rule	None			<u></u>	12	0 daysfe:	lonies; 60 daysm	sdemeanors	

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KENTUCKY			
Circuit Court none			
District Court	Court Rule	None	10 days (if in custody);
			20 days (if free on bond)
			20 21,0 (22 220 21 2012)
LOUISIANA			
District Court	Court rule	None	60 daysfelony, 45 daysmisdemeanor
City Court and Parish	COULT THE	MONE	oo days-relony, 45 days-misdemeanor
Court, and Municipal			
Court and Traffic			
Court of New Orleans	Informal	None	
	goal		
MAINE none			
MARYLAND			
Circuit Court	Statute	Dismissal	180 days
District Court none	Deacacc	DISMISSAI	100 days
District Court - none			
No. of Contraction			
MASSACHUSETTS			
Trial Court of the			
Commonwealth	Court rule	Dismissal	l year
•			
MICHIGAN			
Circuit Court	Court rule	ROR	felony6 months (if incarcerated); misdemeanor30 days
District Court	Court rule	ROR	misdemeanor (if incarcerated)30 days
Municipal Court	Unknown		
MINNESOTA none			
1121/1/200111			
MISSISSIPPI no data avail	ahle		
HISSISSIFF NO GACA AVALL	abic		
MISSOURI			
Circuit Court	Court rule	None	as soon as possible after defendant requests trial
MONTANA			
District Court	Court rule		180 days
Justice of the Peace			
and Municipal Court	Court rule		180 days
City Court	Court rule		180 days
NEBRASKA			
District Court	Standards	None	6 months
County Court	Standards	None	
-			60 days in non-jury cases; 6 months in jury cases
Municipal Court	Standards	None	60 days in non-jury cases; 6 months in jury cases
NEVADA			
District Court	Court rule		90 days
Justice Court	Unknown		
Municipal Court	Unknown		

	Table	18:	(continued)
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Table 16: (continued)					_					
State/court	Authority/	Penalty for non- compliance	Filing of com- plaint	Arrest	First appear- ance	Ar-	Prelim. hearing/	ase processing Filing of information/ indictment	Trial	Dispo-
NEW HAMPSHIRE										
Superior Court	Court rule	Dismissal			60 da	• •				
Superior court	Court rate	DISHISSAL			00 da	/ S	<del></del>	120 days if incarcer	erad	
District Court	Statute	Dismissal		2	4 hours			120 days 11 Incuree.	accu.	
Municipal Court none										
NEW JERSEY										
Superior Court (Law	Supreme									
Division and	Court									
Chancery Division)	Admin. Cor	ıf.			60 day	75	<del></del>			
								120 days		
Superior Court Law	. ·									
Division, Special Civ										
Part, Violations Sect Municipal Court	None									
Municipal Court	HOHE									
NEW MEXICO										
District Court	Statute	Dismissal					6 months			
Magistrate Court	Statute	Dismissal		. ——			6 months			
Bernalillo County										
Metropolitan Court	Statute	Dismissal					6 months			
•								-		
NEW YORK										
Supreme Court	Court rule	Dismissal							6 months	
County Court	Court rule	Dismissal							6 months	
Criminal Court of the	_									
City of New York	Court rule	Dismissal							6 months	
District Court and										
City Court none										
Town Court and Village Justice Court none										
nastice court none										
NORTH CAROLINA										
Superior Court	Court rule					,	120 days			
District Court	Court rule						120 days			
NORTH DAKOTA										
District Court	Admin. rule	None						120 day	rs	
County Court none										
Municipal Court	Admin. rule	None				_		120 day	'S	
						-				
OHIO	<b>0 </b> .							6t		
Court of Common Pleas	Statute Statute							6 months	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
County Court	Statute Statute							6 months		
Municipal Court Mayor's Court	Statute							O monents		
mayor S court										

OKLAHOMA District Court	Rule	None		6 months	
Municipal Criminal		Notic		0 moters	
Court of Record an Municipal Court No					
of Record none					
OREGON none					
PENNSYLVANIA Court of Common Plea	as Court rule	Dismissal		180 days	
District Justice Cou		None	45 days	200 4870	<del></del>
Phila. Municipal Cou				120 days	
Pittsburgh City Magistrates Court	Guidelines	None	45 days		
PUERTO RICO none					
RHODE ISLAND					
Superior Court	Goal	None		180 days	
District Court	Goal	None	30 days, felony	60 days	
Municipal Court				00 44,2	
SOUTH CAROLINA					
Circuit Court	Goal	None	90 days		
Magistrate Court	Admin. order		60 days	?	
Municipal Court	Admin. order	None	60 days	3	
SOUTH DAKOTA					
Circuit Court	Informal standard	None	? 90 da	ysmisdemeanor; 180 daysfelony	?
TENNESSEE none					
TEXAS					
District Court and (		Dismissal		120 daysfelon	y, 60-90misde-
nar bistrict outre		DESMISSION		220 0070 2020	meanor
County Court at Law Constitutional Co					
Court, & Probate (	Ct. Statute		60-90 days	, depending on type of misdemeanor	
Municipal Court				60 days	
Justice of the Peace Court	<b>e</b>			60 days	
UTAH					
District Court	Statute	None		30 days	<u></u>
Circuit Court	Statute	None		30 days	
Justice of the Peace Court	Statute	None		30 days	

					Po	oints in	criminal o	ase processing			
		Penaity	Filing	.,	First	Ar-	Prelim.	Filing of			
	Authority/	for non-	of com-		appear-	raign~	hearing/	information/			Dispo-
State/court	source	compliance	plaint	Arrest	ance	ment	bindover	indictment		<u>Trial</u>	sition
VERMONT											
District Court	Goal	None					5 to 180	lays, depending	on case type		
VIRGINIA											
Circuit Court	Court rule	None			Within	n 2nd ter	та	_			
								5 π	onths		
District Court none											
WASHINGTON											
Superior Court	Court rule	Dismissal				6	0 days, i	in detention;	90 if not		
District Court	Court rule							60 days			
Municipal Court	Court rule							60 days			
										-	
WEST VIRGINIA none											
WISCONSIN					*						
Circuit Court	Statute	Release from				90 6	lavefelo	ny; 60 days, mi	sdemeanor		
Official Court	ocacuce	bond condition	ากร		·		ays TETO	17, 00 01175, 1111	. Suche and I		
WYOMING											
District Court	Court rule	None				90 days	, if in c	stody; 120 day	s if not		
County Court and								······································			
Justice of the											
Peace Court	Court rule	None				90 days	, if in co	ıstody; 120 day	s if not		
Municipal Court	Court rule	None						stody; 120 day			

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					Points in juvenile case processing							
State/court		hority/	Penalty for non- compliance	Arrest/ deten- tion	Plea hearing	Fact find- ing	Filing of pe- tition			Adjudi- cation hearing	sition	
ALABAMA none												
ALASKA none												
ARIZONA none												
ARKANSAS County Court					06 hours	·						
CALIFORNIA Superior Court					-	·	10 days	<b>)</b>				
COLORADO District Court	Sta	ıtute	Dismissal				days (delir					
CONNECTICUT Superior Court	Gui	delines f	or individual	court lo	ations	9	O days (neg	(lect)		45	days	
DELAWARE none												
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Superior Court		licial	None		·		30	days				
	'n	orm										

MAINE -- none

			Points in juvenile case processing									
State/court	Authority/	Penalty for non- compliance	Arrest/ deten- tion	Plea hearing	Fact find- ing	Filing of pe- tition		Adjudi- cation hearing	Dispo- sition hearing			
FLORIDA Circuit Court							90 days					
GEORGIA Juvenile Court	Statute			•		1	O days, if in detention	ι;				
HAWAII							60 days otherwise					
Circuit Court	Court rule					1	.5 to 90 days depending	on case t	:ype			
IDAHO none ILLINOIS												
Circuit Court	Statute	Yes					10 days (in detention) 30 days otherwise					
INDIANA none												
IOWA none												
KANSAS none												
KENTUCKY none												
LOUISIANA District Court Family Court and			12 h	ours								
Juvenile Court			_72 h	ours			60 days	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
City Court and Parish Court	Unknown											

MARYLAND					
Circuit Court	Court rule			60 days	/ 30 days
District Court	Court rule			60 days	/ 30 days
MASSACHUSETTS					
Trial Court of the					
Commonwealth:					
Juvenile Court Dept	Court rule	Dismissal	1	year (delinquency)	
MICHIGAN					
Probate Court no dat	a				
rroute odare no dat					
MINNESOTA none					
WIGOTOGTON	•				
MISSISSIPPI no data avai	lable				
MISSOURI none					
MONTANA					
District Court				180 days	
NEBRASKA none					
NEVADA					
District Court	Statute	Dismissal	24 hours		
NEW HAMPSHIRE					
District Court	Statute	Yes	Delinquency:		
			24 hours		
			21 days,	if in custody; 30 days if not	-
			CHINS:	25 3	21 days
			CHINS:	28 days	30 days
			Child victims:		
			l-7 days		
				30 days	
					30 days
NEW JERSEY					
Superior Court (Law Div	ision and				
Chancery Division)			(Complaint)	30 days	

SOUTH DAKOTA -- none

TENNESSEE -- none

Table 19: (continued)						
				Points in juvenile	case processing	
		Penalty	·	Fact Filing		Adjudi- Dispo-
State/court	Authority/	for non- compliance		find- of pe-		cation sition
Scace/court	source	Compilance	tion hearing	ing tition		hearing hearing
NEW MEXICO						
District Court	Court rule		30 days,	if in detention; 90	days otherwise	
NEW YORK						
Family Court			(90 days)	/ 180 days		
NORTH CAROLINA none						
NORTH DAKOTA						
District Court	Statute				ys, if in custody	<u>';</u>
					30 days if not	
оніо						
Court of Common Pleas	Court rule			3 to 6	months, depending	on case type
OKLAHOMA none						
OREGON none						
OREGON none						
PENNSYLVANIA none						
PUERTO RICO none						
RHODE ISLAND	•		(m. g. a.)			
Family Court	Goal	None	(Referral)	90 days	·	
SOUTH CAROLINA none						
DODAN MINUSERIE						

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WYOMING -- none

TEXAS					
District Court and Criminal District Co	aurt		2 days		
County Court at Law,	Jule		2 days		
Constitutional Count	цу.				
Court, and Probate			0 1		
Court			2 days		
UTAH none					
IVDD VOVE					
VERMONT District Court	Statute	Dismissal		47 days, i	f in detention; 70 days if not
VIRGINIA none					
WASHINGTON Superior Court				30-60 days	
tieem utpotata					
WEST VIRGINIA none					
WISCONSIN					
Circuit Court			If in custody: 10 days		
			20 days		10 days
			If not in custody:		200,0
			30 days		
					30 days

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# Appendix A

Prototypes for trial court jurisdiction guide profiles

# 1 9 8 1 NAME OF COURT Jurisdiction Court of record/not of record

Jurisdiction organization:

### CIVIL CASELOAD INVENTORY

					Does the	Does the		
					port con-	port jud	i-	
	Is this		What is the dellar range	Are	tested cases	cial res	io+	
	casetyp	e	for original	jury	separate	separate	:	
		What is the terminology this court uses for this case typ			from un- contested	from nonju-	Source/	
CSIM case classifications		in its annual report?	Minimum/maximum			dicial?	comments	
Tort case			1					(1)
Auto tort								
Professional tort Product liability tort			/	. —				
Miscellaneous tort								
Contract case			,					(2)
Real property rights case								(3)
Small claims case			. /	-				(4)
Domestic relations case			<del></del>	•			<del></del>	(5)
Marriage dissolution			<del></del>					
Support/custody case Adoption case	<del></del>		<del></del>			-		
Paternity and bastardy								
Miscellaneous								
Mental health case				-				(6)
Estate case								(7)
Probate/wills/intestate Guardianship/conserva-			<del></del>					
torship/trusteeship							AR	
Hiscellaneous estate			·					
Appeal case								(8)
Administrative agency								
Trial court			De novo On the record		From what	court(s):		
Extraordinary writ case				<del></del>				(9)
Postconviction remedy case		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						(10)
Miscellaneous civil case			/		***************************************			(m
		**************************************		<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
		CIVIL CASE HAN	NER OF DI	SPOS	ITION			
			<u> </u>	3,00	7 1 1 1 0 11			
CSIM classification		What terminology is used for in this court's annual repor		type	Source/com	mente		
Jury trial		THE CHILD COULT OF MINISTER PROPERTY.			DOGICE/CO.			(12)
Non-jury trial								(13)
Dismissed during trial			<del></del>				<del></del>	(15)
Dismissed/withdrawn/sectled								
Transferred						<del></del>		(16)
Arbitration								(18)
Other manner of disposition							<del></del>	(19)
Point at which a civil case	is count	ed as disposed						
Trial definition:		·				- <del> </del>		
Time standard for civil case	process	ing					<del></del>	
Were there any changes to the Were there any changes to the								
Contact person who completed			Phone no	inber	<del></del>		ı	

### 1 9 8 1 NAME OF COURT Jurisdiction Court of record/not of record

### CRIMINAL CASELOAD INVENTORY

When is the filing of a crim			?			(e.g	.,complain	t, indictm	ent, in	formatio	n)	
		e What term				use for	this	Are jury trials avail-				
CSIM case classifications	court?	case type	e in its	annual	report?			able?	commen	its		
Felony case		What is	the defin	ition o	f a felon	y in thi	s jurisdic	tion?				(1)
Misdemeanor case							7	·		······································		(2)
DWI/DUI	:				(Fel	ony or m	isdemeanor	?)				(3)
Appeal case												(5)
					From what De novo		):					
					On the	record						
Preliminary hearing Probable cause											<u>-</u>	(6
Evidence suppression Other motions								<del></del>				
Extraordinary writ case		:	1					<del></del>				. (7)
Postconviction remedy case												(8)
Sentence review only case								<del></del> 				(9)
Miscellaneous criminal case								· <del></del> .				(10)
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CSIM classification	<u>c :</u>			is used	for this	disposi		POSIT	ION	:s		
Jury trial								<u> </u>				(11)
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Non-jury trial	ea)											(12)
Dismissed	******						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					(13) (14) (15)
Transferred												(16) (17) (18) (19)
Other manner of disposition												(20)
Trial definition:	<del></del>									<del></del>		·
Point at which criminal case	is coun	ted as di	sposed				<u> </u>	· '				·
Does this court use grand ju	ries? _	<del></del>		1	lf so, un	der what	circumsta	nces?		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del></del>
Time standard for criminal c								······				
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Contact person who completed	the abov	ve				Pho	ne number					

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### TRAFFIC / OTHER VIOLATIONS INVENTORY

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USIM case classifications		<b>e</b>	Does this court separate contested from uncoutested cases?	Are jury trials avail- able?	Source/ convients		
Moving traffic violation	-	·		<u> </u>			(1)
Parking violation							(2)
Miscellaneous traffic							(3)
Ordinance (non-traffic) violation							(4)
T R	AFFI	C / O T H E R V I O L A T I O N S M A What terminology is used for this dispos in this court's annual report?			comments		
Jury trial	ea)						(4)
Dismissed	ea)						(5)
Dismissed Dismissed (before trial) Nolle prosequi Bound over Transferred Cuity plea (before trial) Bail forfeiture Payment of fine							(6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11) (12)
Other manner of disposition  Trial definition							(13)
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Were there any changes to the	e above	in 1982? If so, what?					
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### JUVENILE CASELOAD INVENTORY

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Criminal-type juvenile		comments/definitions	
petition			(
Status petition			(
Child victim petition			(
Miscellaneous juvenile			(.
CSIM classification	What terminology is used for this disposition typ in this court's annual report?	pe Source/comments	
Dismissed prior to fact finding	g ···	No data	(
Dismissed after fact finding be	egun		(
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Waiver/certification/transfer criminal prosecution			(
criminal prosecution Transfer to other jurisdiction	••••		(
criminal prosecution	••••		(
criminal prosecution Transfer to other jurisdiction Petition granted	••••		(
criminal prosecution Transfer to other jurisdiction Petition granted			(