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The Cover: Mecklenburg County Courthouse, in Charlotte (North Carolina's largest city), was the newest county courthouse in the State in use in 1977. This courthouse, one of the buildings in the County's new governmental center, was completed and occupied in 1977. (Photograph: courtesy of David Franzen)

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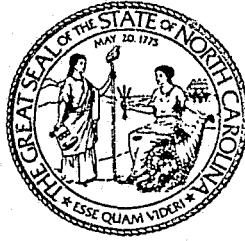
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Art. III, Sec. 2, N. C. Constitution

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*To The Honorable, The Chief Justice of
The Supreme Court of North Carolina*

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INTRODUCTION

A new system for reporting case statistics from the clerks of superior court to the Administrative Office of the Courts was explained in the Introduction to last year's Annual Report. Under that system, which was implemented on October 1, 1976, each case which is filed in a trial court is reported by individual case number, along with date of filing and other identifying information, to the Administrative Office of the Courts; and each case disposed of is similarly reported. (Juvenile petitions are not reported by case number and this is the one category of cases not included in the present statistical reporting system.)

Upon receipt of the case data in the Administrative Office of the Courts, the data is keyed to magnetic computer tape; and computer time is purchased from the State Department of Administration's Computer Center, to process the data and to produce a variety of periodic reports. Currently, these reports are produced at the end of each quarter and are cumulative throughout the calendar year, with the last quarter reports constituting the annual data for that year. Copies of these reports, for the relevant counties and judicial districts, are furnished to the clerks of superior court, superior court and district court judges, and to the district attorneys.

During 1977 a total of 1,447,758 cases of all types were reported filed in North Carolina's superior and district courts. By category, the numbers filed ranged from 10,401 civil cases in the superior courts, to 721,048 criminal cases (traffic offenses) in the State's district courts. Each of the State's 100 counties contributed a portion of these filings, ranging from a total of 1,021 in Graham to 113,354 in Mecklenburg County.

During 1977 a total of 1,391,769 civil and criminal cases were disposed of in the State's district and superior courts. In terms of category, the numbers ranged from 9,447 civil cases disposed of by the superior courts, to 696,421 criminal cases (traffic offenses) disposed of in the State's district courts. Each of the State's 100 counties contributed a portion of these case dispositions, ranging from a total of 898 in Graham County, to 103,621 in Mecklenburg County.

The combined total of case filings and case dispositions during 1977, for the entire State, was 2,839,527. This was the total number of individual case numbers (with accompanying other data elements) reported to the Administrative Office of the Courts by the 100 clerks of superior court.

For record-keeping and statistical reporting in 1977 (by individual case number) purposes, there are five major case categories at the superior court level and five at the district court level. These are listed below, with the numbers of filings and dispositions during 1977.

Superior Courts	Filings	Dispositions
Superior Court Criminal (Felony)	29,584	28,819
Superior Court Civil	10,401	9,447
Superior Court Criminal (Misdemeanor Appeals)	21,680	21,168
Special Proceedings	27,156	26,888
Estates	31,742	29,222
Totals	120,563	115,544
 District Courts		
District Court Criminal (motor vehicle offenses)	721,048	696,421
District Court Criminal (other)	361,492	347,039
General Civil	37,220	35,906
Domestic Relations	46,996	43,138
Small Claims	160,439	153,721
Totals	1,327,195	1,276,225
Grand Totals	1,447,758	1,391,769

There is a very considerable difference in the time and amount of court resources required for the various categories of cases. The largest volume, by far, is district court criminal (motor vehicle offenses). Yet, in relative terms, this category of cases required the least in time and court resource of all case categories. Sixty percent of this category (414,721 of the 696,421 motor vehicle cases) was disposed of on a plea of guilty and waiver of court appearance; and more than eighty percent of the remainder (227,579 cases out of 281,700) was disposed of within 90 days in the district courts. Furthermore, only six percent of all criminal cases tried in the district courts was appealed to the superior courts.

Although a distinct pattern of time and court resource required may emerge for a category of cases, individual cases within the category can and do vary substantially from the overall pattern. For example, an individual misdemeanor case tried in superior court on a plea of not guilty may take two or three days to try as compared with a half day or less for most such cases. A major felony case may be disposed of on a plea of guilty in less than an hour in the superior court, in contrast with a several-day pattern for most such cases. The point is, courts exist to do justice, under law, in *each* individual case — not just to process cases according to some broad category pattern. Therefore, any individual case has the possibility of proceeding along a path through the court system that may require either little or no court resource, or a great deal of the time and effort of the courts at various levels.

The question may be asked, what is the definition of a "case" for court purposes, and is, or should, there be any different definition for purposes of statistical reporting on court cases?

Under North Carolina law, a criminal case is an action by or in the name of the State against one or more defendants, charging one or more criminal offenses. Statutes as well as an extensive body of case law deal with joinder of offenses and defendants for purposes of a criminal trial. To be included or joined in a single case, different offenses must be related; and for two or more defendants to be joined in a single case for trial they must have been involved in the same act or transaction, and it must appear that the joinder will not be prejudicial to the rights of either defendant in obtaining a fair trial. Rulings on joinder or severance of defendants or offenses are within the sound discretion of the trial judge. (*State v. Alford*, 289 N.C. 372 (1976); Section 15A-926, North Carolina General Statutes)

A civil case is an action pertaining to the personal or property rights of one or more parties. Whether joinder of claims and remedies or joinder of parties is proper in a given case is a matter of law, determined by the presiding trial judge in accordance with relevant statutes and case law. (Section 1A-1, Rules 18 and 19, North Carolina General Statutes)

If a trial court has dealt with a matter as a "case" in the court, then it is in fact a "case" in that court; and any determination of procedural error in that case can only be made by an appellate court on appeal.

It necessarily follows that accurate statistical reporting of court "cases" in North Carolina is a reporting of what actually occurred in North Carolina courts. If the court in question dealt with a particular matter as a "case" in that court, then that is precisely what it was — a case — and should be so reported. In the context of court administration and in the context of counting "court cases", it is, for example, immaterial whether a given criminal case had one defendant or several defendants, involved one criminal charge or several charges, required no trial court time to process — because a guilty plea was entered and right to appearance in court was waived — or required six weeks to try before a jury. In each such instance, the court treated the matter as a case; and accurate statistical reporting of *court* cases will require precisely the same treatment.

As a final word in this Introduction, it is pertinent to emphasize a point which was made in the Introduction to last year's Annual Report: our present system of data reporting, although vastly improved since October, 1976, falls far short of being a full-fledged, up-to-date "computerized system", which is very much needed for North Carolina's courts. We still have a *manual* case data reporting system. All of the data on the close to three million case filings and dispositions in 1977 had to be entered on paper in the clerks' offices in the 100 North Carolina counties, and a great volume of paper was transmitted weekly to Raleigh.

Efforts are still going forward, with the assistance of LEAA grant funding, to develop a full-fledged EDP system for North Carolina courts. This is being done in the hope, and with the expectation, that State appropriations will be available in the future to maintain and operate a highly efficient and effective EDP system for North Carolina courts.

The Appellate Division

"The Appellate Division of the General Court of Justice shall consist of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals."

N. C. Const., Art. III, Sec. 5

THE APPELLATE DIVISION

THE SUPREME COURT

One hundred and fifty opinions were filed by the Supreme Court in 1977. Of the total, 58 were civil and 92 were criminal cases. Thirty-one percent (18 opinions) of the civil appeals were affirmed and fifty-nine percent (54 opinions) of the criminal appeals were affirmed. In the remaining cases, the Supreme Court modified or reversed the decisions from which the appeals were taken. Of the total number of appeals, 41 were decisions in which the Supreme Court granted a discretionary review, the remaining 109 were appeals as of right. As reported in the North Carolina Reports, the court disposed of 319 petitions for discretionary review and five motions to reconsider.

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice

SUSIE SHARP

Associate Justices

I. BEVERLY LAKE
JOSEPH W. BRANCH
J. FRANK HUSKINS

DAN K. MOORE
J. WILLIAM COPELAND
JAMES G. EXUM, JR.

Retired Justices

J. WILL PLESS, JR.
WILLIAM H. BOBBITT, C.J.
CARLISLE W. HIGGINS

THE COURT OF APPEALS

In 1977 the Court of Appeals disposed of 846 appeals. The Court filed 785 written opinions during the year (covering 787 appeals). Of the 785 written opinions, 484 were in criminal cases and 301 were in civil cases, including appeals from the Insurance Commissioner, the Industrial Commission and the Utilities Commission. In addition, the Court disposed of 1,169 motions and petitions in 1977.

JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

Chief Judge

WALTER E. BROCK

Judges

DAVID M. BRITT
NAOMI E. MORRIS
FRANK M. PARKER
ROBERT A. HEDRICK
EARL W. VAUGHN
ROBERT M. MARTIN

EDWARD B. CLARK
GERALD ARNOLD
BURLEY B. MITCHELL, JR.¹
JOHN WEBB²
RICHARD C. ERWIN³

Retired Judges

RAYMOND B. MALLARD, C.J.
HUGH B. CAMPBELL

¹Appointed 2 December 1977 and took office 7 December 1977.

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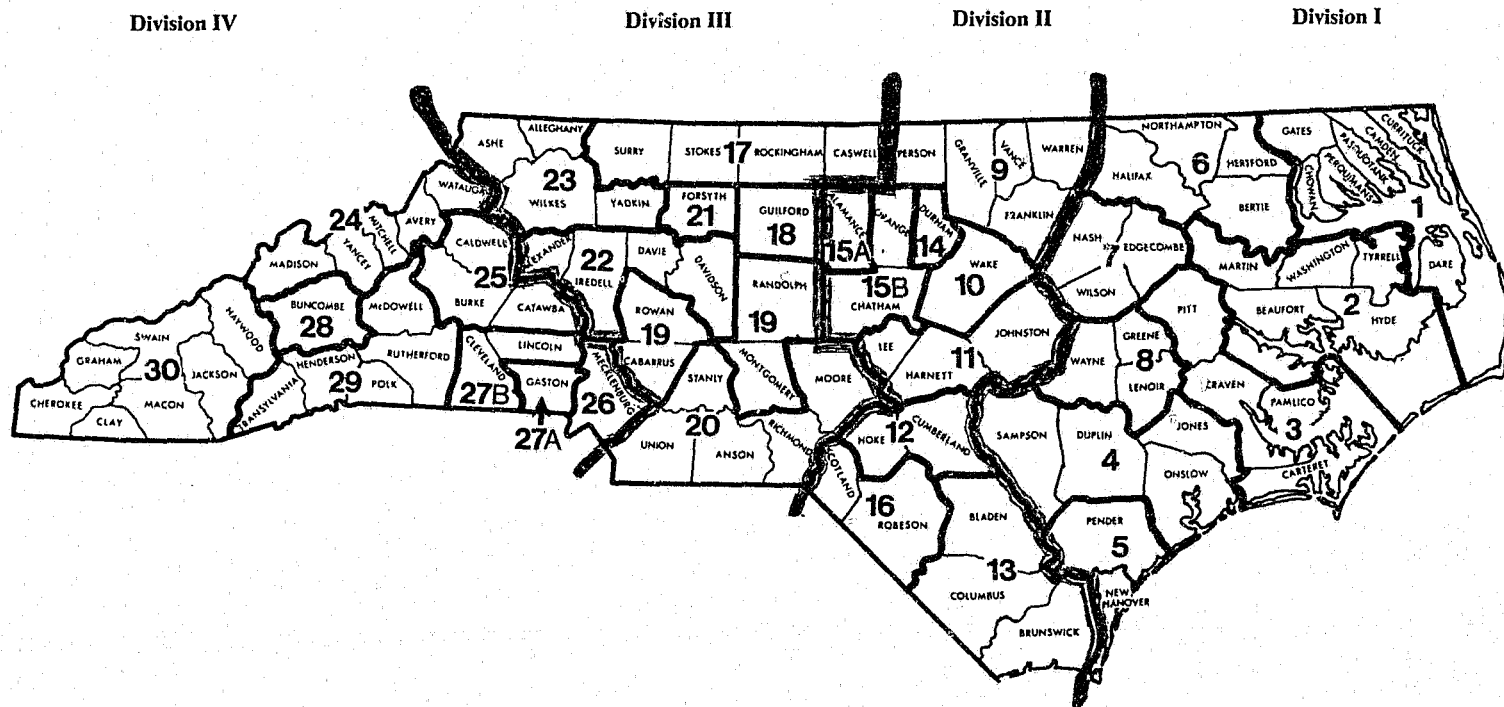
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The Superior Court Division

“The General Assembly shall, from time to time, divide the State into a convenient number of Superior Court judicial districts and shall provide for the election of one or more Superior Court Judges for each district.”

N. C. Const., Art. III, Sec. 9(1)

NORTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL DIVISIONS AND DISTRICTS



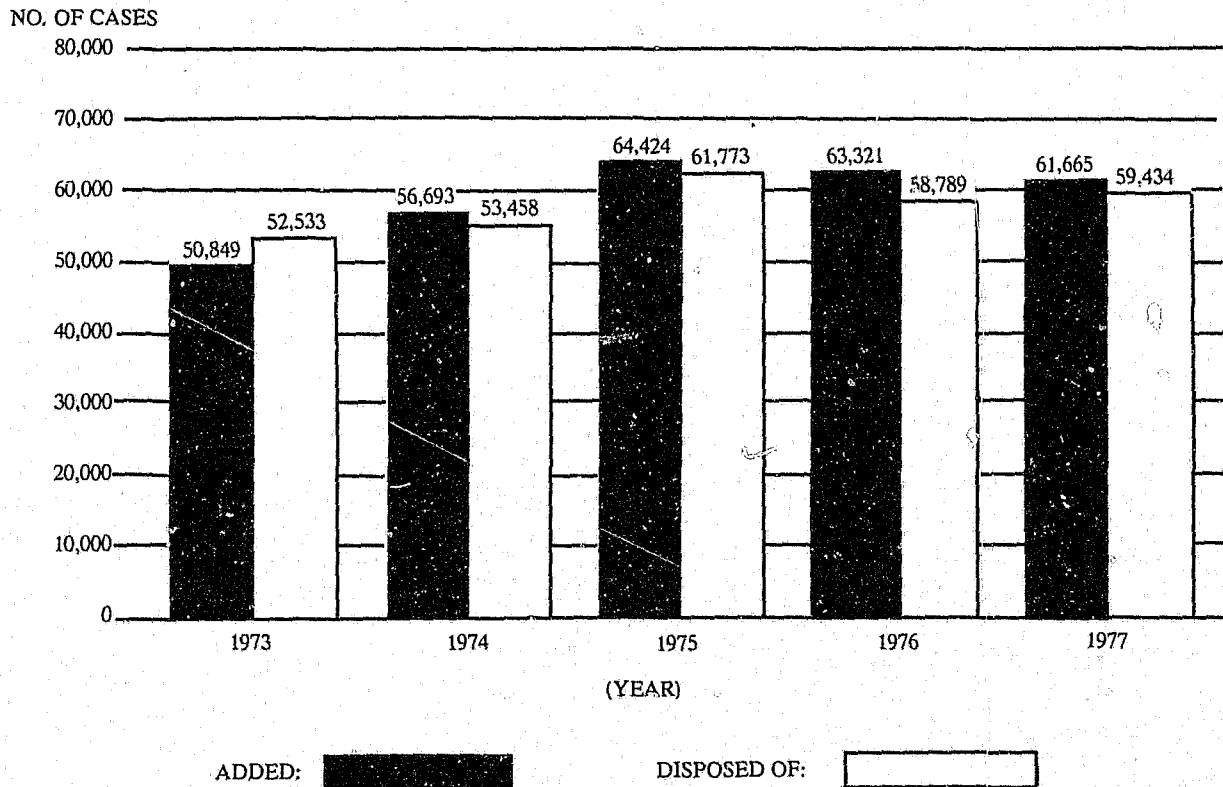
The State is divided into four judicial divisions and thirty-one judicial districts. Regular superior court judges rotate from district to district of the division in which they reside. District court judges rotate from county to county in the district in which they reside.

Note: The 27th Judicial District of Gaston, Cleveland, and Lincoln counties will be divided into 27A (Gaston) and 27B (Cleveland and Lincoln) as shown above on January 1, 1979.

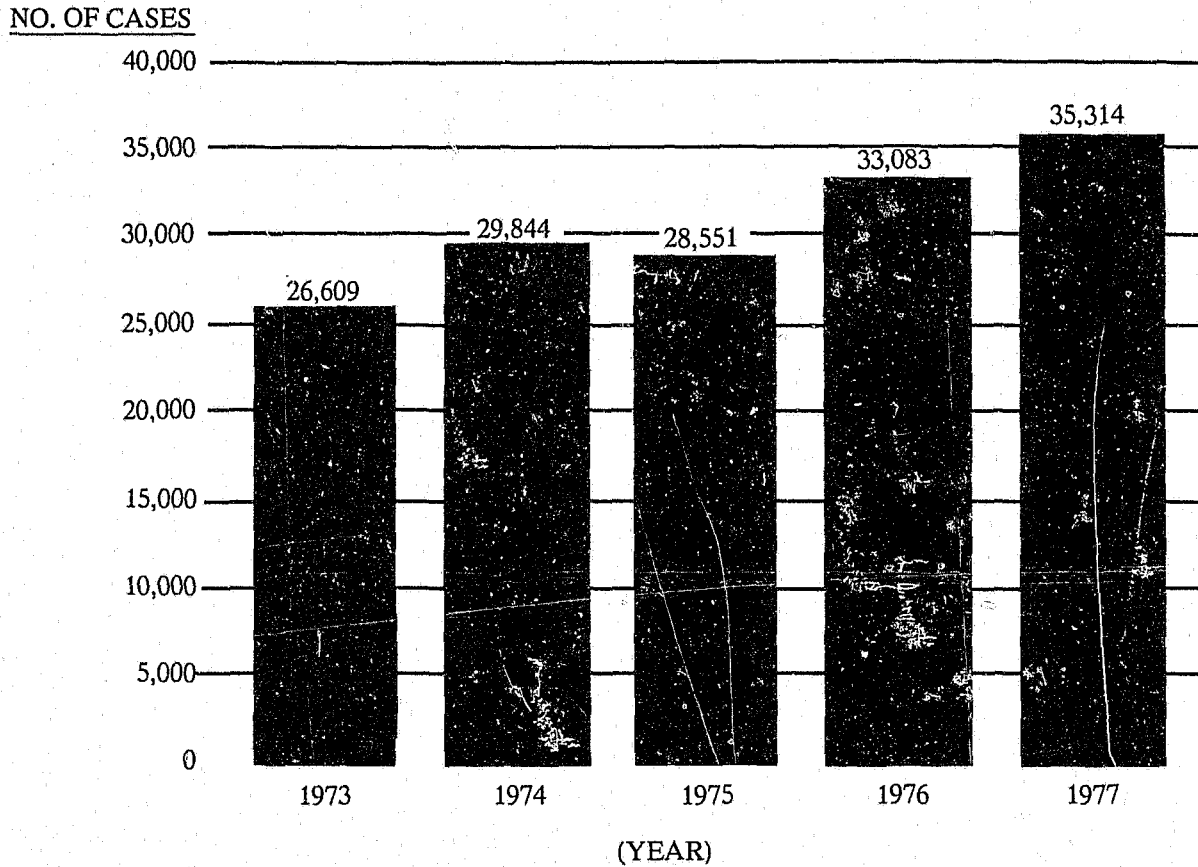
THE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

Total case activity in the superior courts during 1977, compared with total case activity during the preceding four years, is depicted in the graphs which follow. There was a slight decrease in total filings — 61,665 in 1977 as compared with 63,321 in 1976. There was, however, an increase in the total number of dispositions — 59,434 in 1977 as compared with 58,789 in 1976. The number of cases pending at the end of 1977 was 35,314, as compared with 33,083 at the end of 1976, an increase of 6.7%.

**TOTAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF
IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
(For Years, 1973-1977)**



TOTAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
(For Years, 1973-1977)



UTILIZATION OF SCHEDULED SUPERIOR COURT
(For Years, 1973-1977)

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. Days Scheduled</u>	<u>No. Days Held</u>	<u>% of Scheduled Days Held</u>
1973	9,542½	7,716	80.9%
1974	9,846	7,763½	78.8%
1975	11,525	9,143	79.3%
1976	11,268	8,897½	78.9%
1977	11,673½	9,143	78.3%

The total number of days of superior court scheduled in 1977 was 11,673½, compared with 11,268 in 1976. There was also an increase in the total number of days of court held, 9,143 in 1977 as compared with 8,897½ in 1976. For all 100 counties, the percentage of scheduled days of court held in 1977 was 78.3%, compared with 78.9% in 1976.

SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DOCKETS

The flow of civil cases through the Superior Courts is depicted in the two graphs which show the numbers of cases added and disposed of during 1977 and the four preceding years and the numbers of cases pending at the end of 1977 and the four preceding years. There were 373 fewer civil cases filed in Superior Court in 1977 than in 1976, while the number of dispositions changed slightly — 9,447 in 1977 compared to 9,391 in 1976, an increase of one-half of one percent. There was a 6.5% increase in the number of cases pending at the end of the year — 15,606 at the end of 1977, compared to 14,652 at the end of 1976. The distribution of the pending cases among the counties is illustrated in the table following the graphs, which shows a relatively stable pattern over the five-year span, as does the table on the ten counties with the largest numbers of pending cases: all ten appeared on this table in the *1976 Annual Report*.

Data on civil case activity during 1977, in each of the counties and judicial districts, is then presented in tables showing: (1) cases pending, added and disposed of; (2) the ratios of dispositions to total caseload and of pending cases to dispositions; (3) the time from filing to disposition of cases on which superior court action was completed during the year; (4) the ages of the cases pending at the end of the year; and (5) the utilization of scheduled superior court civil sessions.

The second of these tables provides an expanded format, compared with what has been published in previous annual reports, for presenting ratios of dispositions to total caseload and of pending cases to dispositions. The ratio of dispositions to caseload varies considerably among the 100 counties, ranging from 18.3% in Warren County to 65.1% in Robeson County. The Statewide ratio of dispositions to total caseload is 37.4%.

Data on elapsed time from filing to disposition of civil superior court cases is appearing for the first time in this annual report. These statistics are now available due to the revised case reporting system (implemented on October 1, 1976), which was explained in the *1976 Annual Report*. The data in this new table show that 51.6% of the Superior Court civil cases disposed of during 1977 had been pending less than one year, and 79.3% had been pending less than two years. On the surface, this would seem to indicate that civil cases move through the superior courts in a quite expeditious manner. These figures, however, must be viewed in the light of the fact that only a small portion of the civil cases filed go to jury trial: as the data on the cases disposed of in 1977 show, only 531 (5.6%) of the 9,447 cases were disposed of by jury trial and 3,343 (35.4%) by judges, leaving 59% disposed of by other means. These other means include out-of-court settlements; judgments for plaintiffs in cases where there is no answer to the complaint; non-suits taken by the plaintiff, etc. Moreover, not all cases disposed of by judges do go to trial. Among judge dispositions are cases dismissed or judgments entered on motions before there is any hearing on the facts of the substantive issues in dispute.

The table on ages of civil cases pending in the superior courts as of December 31, 1977, must be considered to obtain an accurate perspective of the flow of civil cases in the superior courts. This table shows that 8,017 cases (51.5% of the total number pending) have been pending for one year or more, and 3,825 civil cases (almost one-fourth of all pending civil cases) have been pending in the superior courts for two years or more, with 862 civil cases (5.6% of the total) pending for four years or more. By comparison, at the end of 1976 only 6,873 cases (46.8% of the total) had been pending for one year or more, and 3,042 cases (20.7%) had been pending for two years or more. Thus, the statistical picture on ages of pending cases at the end of 1977 is less favorable than it was at the end of 1976.

As indicated in the *1976 Annual Report*, in comments on the ages of civil cases pending in the superior courts, if neither of the parties involved in a civil case is interested in having the case put on the trial calendar, it will not likely be calendared. This, rather than non-availability of court resources, probably explains the numbers of long-pending civil cases. The following observation, contained in the *1976 Annual Report*, bears repeating:

"From the standpoint of an efficiently functioning court system, it can be said that there is always an underlying public interest in assuring that cases of all types are disposed of promptly, consistent with the nature of the case and the rights of the parties involved. In civil matters, it is obvious that the court system (and thus the public interest) is not well served by having any such matter carried as an open, pending case for several years simply because the parties in such a case permit or tolerate this to occur because of disinterest or inattention. At the least, such cases clutter the records and give an erroneous picture of the real workload confronting the court system."

As noted in last year's annual report, there is no official or generally recognized time standard for the disposition of civil cases in the superior courts. Perhaps, ideally, the superior courts should be able to dispose of any civil case within six months after it is filed. Or, perhaps it would be more realistic and in keeping with the developments in most civil cases to suggest that a civil case — absent unusual circumstances — should be disposed of within a year after the case is filed.

If a one-year standard were applied to the civil cases pending as of December 31, 1977, it is obvious that one would conclude that there is a substantial backlog of civil cases in our superior courts, with 51.5% of the total number pending for more than one year; applying a two-year standard would place almost 25% of the total (3,825 out of a total of 15,606) in a "backlog" status.

However, no specific conclusions are expressed at this time as to what should be an appropriate time-standard for the disposition of superior court civil cases. This is a matter which deserves the further attention of court officials, members of the practicing bar, and interested members of the public.

Finally, information is presented in this section of the annual report on estates cases and special proceedings, matters which are filed before the clerk of the superior court in each of the 100 counties. (Special proceedings before the clerks include such matters as petitions on foreclosures, involuntary commitments to mental hospitals, adoptions, condemnations of real property for public purposes, incompetency of persons to manage their personal financial affairs. The clerk's rulings are appealable to the superior court judge.)

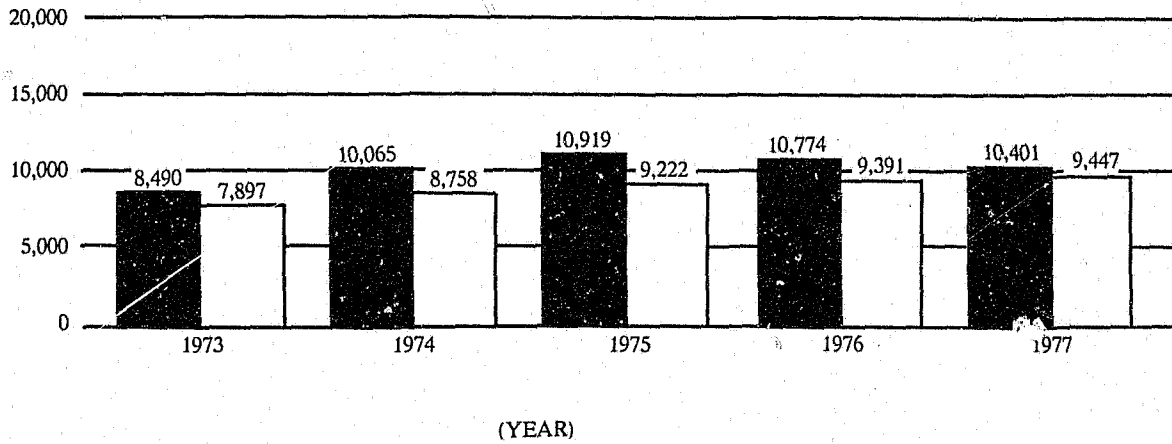
The tables on estates cases and special proceedings show the numbers of cases pending, added and disposed of during the year and the ratio of dispositions to the total caseload. During 1977, a total of 31,742 estates cases were filed, compared to a total of 27,582 filed during 1976, with a total of 29,222 disposed of during 1977 compared with 26,425 during 1976. There was a 5.8% increase in the number of estates cases pending at the end of the year — 46,150 at the end of 1977 compared to 43,630 at the end of 1976.

As for special proceedings during 1977, the total filed was 27,156, a decrease from the 28,254 filed during 1976. A total of 26,888 special proceedings were disposed of during 1977 compared with 29,468 during 1976. The number of special proceedings pending at the end of 1977 was 20,601, compared with 20,333 at the end of 1976.

CIVIL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

(For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



ADDED:



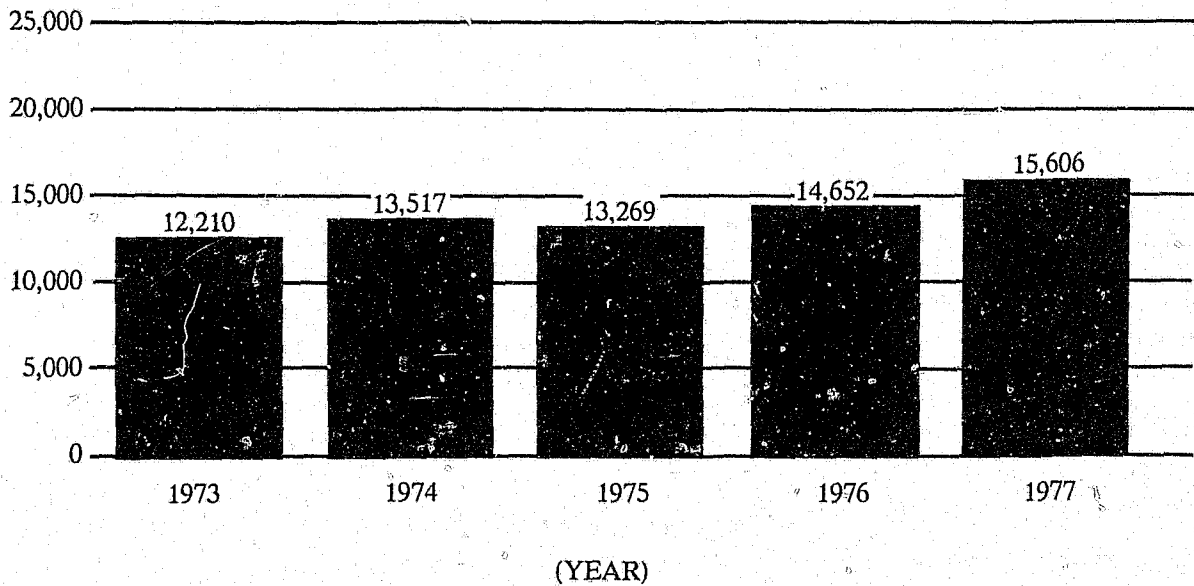
DISPOSED OF:



CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

(For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



**DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING SUPERIOR COURT
CIVIL CASES AMONG THE COUNTIES**
(For Years, 1973-1977)

Number of Cases	Less than 50	50-100	101-200	201-500	Over 500
Number of Counties & Year: 1973	41	27	19	9	4
1974	42	25	21	7	5
1975	37	30	18	9	6
1976	40	21	27	6	6
1977	36	24	28	6	6

**TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST SUPERIOR COURT
CIVIL DOCKETS PENDING AT YEAR END**

County	Pending 1/1/77	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12/31/77	Ratio (%) of Dispositions to Filings
*Mecklenburg	1,876	1,387	964	2,299	69.5%
*Wake	1,353	864	814	1,403	94.2%
*Guilford	1,082	699	619	1,162	88.6%
*Durham	952	376	446	882	118.6%
*Forsyth	716	568	482	802	84.9%
*Buncombe	597	339	353	583	104.1%
*Gaston	384	399	316	467	79.2%
*Cumberland	361	281	269	373	95.7%
*New Hanover	228	206	149	285	72.3%
*Wayne	266	170	153	283	90.0%
STATE MEAN	145	104	93	156	89.4%

*Counties that were listed in this table in the 1976 Annual Report.

**CIVIL CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF
IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS**

JANUARY 1, 1977 — DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed, 1977	Total Caseload	1977 Case Dispositions				Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				Jury	Judge	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	7	10	17	1	0	5	6	11	+ 4
Chowan	32	14	46	1	12	11	24	22	- 10
Currituck	31	15	46	0	6	21	27	19	- 12
Dare	76	55	131	0	11	25	36	95	+ 19
Gates	15	8	23	0	6	4	10	13	- 2
Pasquotank	53	36	89	0	13	32	45	44	- 9
Perquimans	13	6	19	0	4	5	9	10	- 3
District Totals	227	144	371	2	52	103	157	214	- 13
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	94	53	147	1	12	22	35	112	+ 18
Hyde	13	8	21	0	3	1	4	17	+ 4
Martin	27	33	60	2	10	14	26	34	+ 7
Tyrrell	3	7	10	0	0	2	2	8	+ 5
Washington	19	24	43	0	3	8	11	32	+ 13
District Totals	156	125	281	3	28	47	78	203	+ 47
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	130	87	217	5	21	6	93	124	- 6
Craven	177	111	288	9	58	68	135	153	- 24
Pamlico	23	15	38	0	6	7	13	25	+ 2
Pitt	153	140	293	6	36	94	136	157	+ 4
District Totals	483	353	836	20	121	236	377	459	- 24
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	48	48	96	1	9	17	27	69	+ 21
Jones	21	15	36	0	3	6	9	27	+ 6
Onslow	111	93	204	8	16	45	69	135	+ 24
Sampson	78	79	157	1	19	48	68	89	+ 11
District Totals	258	235	493	10	47	116	173	320	+ 62
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	228	206	434	9	40	100	149	285	+ 57
Pender	40	41	81	2	14	19	35	46	+ 6
District Totals	268	247	515	11	54	119	184	331	+ 63
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	50	24	74	0	7	8	15	59	+ 9
Halifax	83	58	141	0	11	35	46	95	+ 12
Hertford	35	53	88	1	8	14	23	65	+ 30
Northampton	46	21	67	0	11	17	28	39	- 7
District Totals	214	156	370	1	37	74	112	258	+ 44
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	75	54	129	6	12	22	40	89	+ 14
Nash	196	121	317	5	53	57	115	202	+ 6
Wilson	171	110	281	8	24	45	77	204	+ 33
District Totals	442	285	727	19	89	124	232	495	+ 53

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	Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed, 1977	Total Caseload	1977 Case Dispositions				Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				Jury	Judge	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	19	24	43	3	5	12	20	23	+ 4
Lenoir	158	100	258	4	23	53	80	178	+ 20
Wayne	266	170	436	1	72	80	153	283	+ 17
District Totals	443	294	737	8	100	145	253	484	+ 41
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	75	36	111	0	15	20	35	76	+ 1
Granville	58	20	78	0	11	22	33	45	- 13
Person	46	34	80	1	17	11	29	51	+ 5
Vance	122	53	175	0	17	34	51	124	+ 2
Warren	55	16	71	0	6	7	13	58	+ 3
District Totals	356	159	515	1	66	94	161	354	- 2
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	1,353	864	2,217	53	303	458	814	1,403	+ 50
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	162	67	229	4	21	45	70	159	- 3
Johnston	140	114	254	12	31	72	115	139	- 1
Lee	101	58	159	6	21	38	65	94	- 7
District Totals	403	239	642	22	73	155	250	392	- 11
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	361	281	642	7	110	152	269	373	+ 12
Hoke	8	12	20	0	2	3	5	15	+ 7
District Totals	369	293	662	7	112	155	274	388	+ 19
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	27	39	66	2	8	7	17	49	+ 22
Brunswick	143	58	201	1	27	30	58	143	0
Columbus	172	70	242	2	38	33	73	169	- 3
District Totals	342	167	509	5	73	70	148	361	+ 19
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	952	376	1,328	21	23	402	446	882	- 70
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	162	145	307	7	81	86	174	133	- 29
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	49	35	84	0	12	22	34	50	+ 1
Orange	174	94	268	4	39	39	82	186	+ 12
District Totals	223	129	352	4	51	61	116	236	+ 13
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	108	124	232	7	81	63	151	81	- 27
Scotland	22	20	42	1	6	19	26	16	- 6
District Totals	130	144	274	8	87	82	177	97	- 33

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JANUARY 1, 1977 — DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed, 1977	Total Caseload	1977 Case Dispositions				Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				Jury	Judge	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 17</u>									
Caswell	9	11	20	1	0	5	6	14	+ 5
Rockingham	131	110	241	11	34	75	120	121	- 10
Stokes	27	19	46	2	7	14	23	23	- 4
Surry	103	113	216	5	9	73	87	129	+ 26
District Totals	270	253	523	19	50	167	236	287	+ 17
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford									
Greensboro	820	557	1,377	24	138	329	491	886	+ 66
High Point	262	142	404	9	48	71	128	276	+ 14
District Totals	1,082	699	1,781	33	186	400	619	1,162	+ 80
<u>District 19</u>									
Cabarrus	141	109	250	5	26	44	75	175	+ 34
Montgomery	17	20	37	0	6	11	17	20	+ 3
Randolph	123	123	246	13	44	63	120	126	+ 3
Rowan	81	130	211	1	32	69	102	109	+ 28
District Totals	362	382	744	19	108	187	314	430	+ 68
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	69	38	107	3	13	13	29	78	+ 9
Moore	76	56	132	1	22	27	50	82	+ 6
Richmond	62	48	110	2	11	23	36	74	+ 12
Stanly	56	52	108	2	13	27	42	66	+ 10
Union	106	79	185	6	30	55	91	94	- 12
District Totals	369	273	642	14	89	145	248	394	+ 25
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	716	568	1,284	19	159	304	482	802	+ 86
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	19	28	47	1	16	12	29	18	- 1
Davidson	171	94	265	24	49	52	125	140	- 31
Davie	20	23	43	0	5	14	19	24	+ 4
Iredell	113	151	264	2	58	95	155	109	- 4
District Totals	323	296	619	27	128	173	328	291	- 32
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	19	13	32	3	5	10	18	14	- 5
Ashe	13	25	38	0	4	4	8	30	+ 17
Wilkes	82	128	210	5	36	65	106	104	+ 22
Yadkin	48	35	83	3	14	26	43	40	- 8
District Totals	162	201	363	11	59	105	175	188	+ 26
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	37	27	64	1	10	17	28	36	- 1
Madison	26	30	56	4	7	19	30	26	0
Mitchell	39	18	57	6	12	16	34	23	- 16
Watauga	77	62	139	0	23	35	58	81	+ 4
Yancey	10	17	27	1	1	12	14	13	+ 3
District Totals	189	154	343	12	53	99	164	179	- 10

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	Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed, 1977	Total Caseload	1977 Case Dispositions				Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				Jury	Judge	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	190	142	332	13	60	67	140	192	+ 2
Caldwell	176	96	272	8	67	75	150	122	- 54
Catawba	213	178	391	5	92	110	207	184	- 29
District Totals	579	416	995	26	219	252	497	498	- 81
 <u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,876	1,387	3,263	66	300	598	964	2,299	+423
 <u>District 27</u>									
Cleveland	96	89	185	2	41	59	102	83	- 13
Gaston	384	399	783	36	109	171	316	467	+ 83
Lincoln	43	59	102	3	11	34	48	54	+ 11
District Totals	523	547	1,070	41	161	264	466	604	+ 81
 <u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	597	339	936	21	159	173	353	583	- 14
 <u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	207	84	291	0	68	36	104	187	- 20
McDowell	41	28	69	1	19	10	30	39	- 2
Polk	23	19	42	0	13	6	19	23	0
Rutherford	80	56	136	12	29	35	76	60	- 20
Transylvania	48	35	83	2	20	9	31	52	+ 4
District Totals	399	222	621	15	149	96	260	361	- 38
 <u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	52	19	71	0	9	11	20	51	- 1
Clay	3	9	12	1	3	3	7	5	+ 2
Graham	15	11	26	1	6	7	14	12	- 3
Haywood	106	93	199	0	46	17	63	136	+ 30
Jackson	121	78	199	3	25	16	44	155	+ 34
Macon	90	74	164	1	19	21	41	123	+ 33
Swain	37	25	62	0	18	8	26	36	- 1
District Totals	424	309	733	6	126	83	215	518	+ 94
 STATE TOTALS	14,652	10,401	25,053	531	3,343	5,573	9,447	15,606	+954

**RATIOS OF SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DISPOSITIONS TO TOTAL CASELOAD, AND RATIOS
OF CASES PENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1977 TO CASES DISPOSED OF DURING 1977***

<u>District 1</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Camden	17	6	35.3%	11	6	183.3%	62
Chowan	46	24	52.2%	22	24	91.7%	16
Currituck	46	27	58.7%	19	27	70.4%	5
Dare	131	36	27.5%	95	36	263.9%	85
Gates	23	10	43.5%	13	10	130.0%	38
Pasquotank	89	45	50.6%	44	45	97.8%	19
Perquimans	19	9	47.4%	10	9	111.1%	26
District Totals	371	157	42.3%	214	157	136.3%	
 <u>District 2</u>							
Beaufort	147	35	23.8%	112	35	320.0%	94
Hyde	21	4	19.0%	17	4	425.0%	99
Martin	60	26	43.3%	34	26	130.8%	39
Tyrrell	10	2	20.0%	8	2	400.0%	98
Washington	43	11	25.6%	32	11	290.9%	90
District Totals	281	78	27.8%	203	78	260.3%	
 <u>District 3</u>							
Carteret	217	93	42.9%	124	93	133.3%	42
Craven	288	135	46.9%	153	135	113.3%	29
Pamlico	38	13	34.2%	25	13	192.3%	66
Pitt	293	136	46.4%	157	136	115.4%	31
District Totals	836	377	45.1%	459	377	121.8%	
 <u>District 4</u>							
Duplin	96	27	28.1%	69	27	255.6%	84
Jones	36	9	25.0%	27	9	300.0%	93
Onslow	204	69	33.8%	135	69	195.7%	67
Sampson	157	68	43.3%	89	68	130.9%	40
District Totals	493	173	35.1%	320	173	185.0%	
 <u>District 5</u>							
New Hanover	434	149	34.3%	285	149	191.3%	65
Pender	81	35	43.2%	46	35	131.4%	41
District Totals	515	184	35.7%	331	184	179.9%	
 <u>District 6</u>							
Bertie	74	15	20.3%	59	15	393.3%	97
Halifax	141	46	32.6%	95	46	206.5%	70
Hertford	88	23	26.1%	65	23	282.6%	88
Northampton	67	28	41.8%	39	28	139.3%	47
District Totals	370	112	30.3%	258	112	230.4%	

* Total caseload, reported in the first column, is the number of cases pending on January 1, 1977 plus the number filed during 1977.

The county ranking, reported in the last column, is for *both* ratios reported in this table, and each county's rank is the same for both ratios. The county ranked "1" had the highest percentage of cases disposed to total caseload and the lowest percentage of pending cases to dispositions during 1977, etc.

**RATIOS OF SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DISPOSITIONS TO TOTAL CASELOAD, AND RATIOS
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	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
<u><i>District 7</i></u>							
Edgecombe	129	40	31.0%	89	40	222.5%	73
Nash	317	115	36.3%	202	115	175.7%	59
Wilson	281	77	27.4%	204	77	264.9%	86
District Totals	727	232	31.9%	495	232	213.4%	
<u><i>District 8</i></u>							
Greene	43	20	46.5%	23	20	115.0%	30
Lenoir	258	80	31.0%	178	80	222.5%	74
Wayne	436	153	35.1%	283	153	185.0%	63
District Totals	737	253	34.3%	484	253	191.3%	
<u><i>District 9</i></u>							
Franklin	111	35	31.5%	76	35	217.1%	72
Granville	78	33	42.3%	45	33	136.4%	43
Person	80	29	36.3%	51	29	175.9%	60
Vance	175	51	29.1%	124	51	243.1%	81
Warren	71	13	18.3%	58	13	446.2%	100
District Totals	515	161	31.3%	354	161	219.9%	
<u><i>District 10</i></u>							
Wake	2,217	814	36.7%	1,403	814	172.4%	58
<u><i>District 11</i></u>							
Harnett	229	70	30.6%	159	70	227.1%	76
Johnston	254	115	45.3%	139	115	120.9%	33
Lee	159	65	40.9%	94	65	144.6%	49
District Totals	642	250	38.9%	392	250	156.8%	
<u><i>District 12</i></u>							
Cumberland	642	269	41.9%	373	269	138.7%	46
Hoke	20	5	25.0%	15	5	300.0%	92
District Totals	662	274	41.4%	388	274	141.6%	
<u><i>District 13</i></u>							
Bladen	66	17	25.8%	49	17	288.2%	89
Brunswick	201	58	28.9%	143	58	246.6%	82
Columbus	242	73	30.2%	169	73	231.5%	77
District Totals	509	148	29.0%	361	148	243.9%	
<u><i>District 14</i></u>							
Durham	1,328	446	33.6%	882	446	197.8%	68
<u><i>District 15A</i></u>							
Alamance	307	174	56.7%	133	174	76.4%	8

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	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
<u>District 15B</u>							
Chatham	84	34	40.5%	50	34	147.1%	50
Orange	268	82	30.6%	186	82	226.8%	75
District Totals	352	116	33.0%	236	116	203.4%	
<u>District 16</u>							
Robeson	232	151	65.1%	81	151	53.6%	1
Scotland	42	26	61.9%	16	26	61.5%	2
District Totals	274	177	64.6%	97	177	54.8%	
<u>District 17</u>							
Caswell	20	6	30.0%	14	6	233.3%	79
Rockingham	241	120	49.8%	121	120	100.8%	22
Stokes	46	23	50.0%	23	23	100.0%	21
Surry	216	87	40.3%	129	87	148.3%	52
District Totals	523	236	45.1%	287	236	121.6%	
<u>District 18</u>							
Guilford							
Greensboro	1,377	491	35.7%	886	491	180.4%	
High Point	404	128	31.7%	276	128	215.6%	
District Totals	1,781	619	34.8%	1,162	619	187.7%	64
<u>District 19</u>							
Cabarrus	250	75	30.0%	175	75	233.3%	78
Montgomery	37	17	45.9%	20	17	117.6%	32
Randolph	246	120	48.8%	126	120	105.0%	24
Rowan	211	102	48.3%	109	102	106.9%	25
District Totals	744	314	42.2%	430	314	136.9%	
<u>District 20</u>							
Anson	107	29	27.1%	78	29	269.0%	87
Moore	132	50	37.9%	82	50	164.0%	54
Richmond	110	36	32.7%	74	36	205.6%	69
Stanly	108	42	38.9%	66	42	157.1%	53
Union	185	91	49.2%	94	91	103.3%	23
District Totals	642	248	38.6%	394	248	158.9%	
<u>District 21</u>							
Forsyth	1,284	482	37.5%	802	482	166.4%	56
<u>District 22</u>							
Alexander	47	29	61.7%	18	29	62.1%	3
Davidson	265	125	47.2%	140	125	112.0%	27
Davie	43	19	44.2%	24	19	126.3%	35
Iredell	264	155	58.7%	109	155	70.3%	6
District Totals	619	328	48.1%	291	328	88.7%	

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	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
<u>District 23</u>							
Alleghany	32	18	56.3%	14	18	77.8%	9
Ashe	38	8	21.1%	30	8	375.0%	96
Wilkes	210	106	50.5%	104	106	98.1%	20
Yadkin	83	43	51.8%	40	43	93.0%	18
District Totals	363	175	48.2%	188	175	107.4%	
<u>District 24</u>							
Avery	64	28	43.8%	36	28	128.6%	36
Madison	56	30	53.6%	26	30	86.7%	14
Mitchell	57	34	59.6%	23	34	67.6%	4
Watauga	139	58	41.7%	81	58	139.7%	48
Yancey	27	14	51.9%	13	14	92.9%	17
District Totals	343	164	47.8%	179	164	109.1%	
<u>District 25</u>							
Burke	332	140	42.2%	192	140	137.1%	44
Caldwell	272	150	55.1%	122	150	81.3%	11
Catawba	391	207	52.9%	184	207	88.9%	15
District Totals	995	497	49.9%	498	497	100.2%	
<u>District 26</u>							
Mecklenburg	3,263	964	29.5%	2,299	964	238.5%	80
<u>District 27</u>							
Cleveland	185	102	55.1%	83	102	81.4%	12
Gaston	783	316	40.4%	467	316	147.8%	51
Lincoln	102	48	47.1%	54	48	112.5%	28
District Totals	1,070	466	43.6%	604	466	129.6%	
<u>District 28</u>							
Buncombe	936	353	37.7%	583	353	165.2%	55
<u>District 29</u>							
Henderson	291	104	35.7%	187	104	179.8%	61
McDowell	69	30	43.5%	39	30	130.0%	37
Polk	42	19	45.2%	23	19	121.1%	34
Rutherford	136	76	55.9%	60	76	78.9%	10
Transylvania	83	31	37.3%	52	31	167.7%	57
District Totals	621	260	41.9%	361	260	138.8%	
<u>District 30</u>							
Cherokee	71	20	28.2%	51	20	255.0%	83
Clay	12	7	58.3%	5	7	71.4%	7
Graham	26	14	53.8%	12	14	85.7%	13
Haywood	199	63	31.7%	136	63	215.9%	71
Jackson	199	44	22.1%	155	44	352.3%	95
Macon	164	41	25.0%	123	41	300.0%	91
Swain	62	26	41.9%	36	26	138.5%	45
District Totals	733	215	29.3%	518	215	240.9%	
STATE TOTALS	24,948	9,342	37.4%	15,606	9,342	167.1%	

**TIME FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
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	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
<u>District 1</u>											
Camden	6		4		2						
% of Total			66.7%		33.3%						
Chowan	24			2	5	4	3	1	4	5	
% of Total				8.3%	20.8%	16.7%	12.5%	4.2%	16.7%	20.8%	
Currituck	27	1	3	5	7	5	3	2	1		
% of Total		3.7%	11.1%	18.5%	25.9%	18.5%	11.1%	7.4%	3.7%		
Dare	36	5	7	3	6	4	10		1		
% of Total		13.9%	19.4%	8.3%	16.7%	11.1%	27.8%		2.8%		
Gates	10			1	3	5		1			
% of Total				10.0%	30.0%	50.0%		10.0%			
Pasquotank	45	2	9	5	7	16	6				
% of Total		4.4%	20.0%	11.1%	15.6%	35.6%	13.3%				
Perquimans	9		2	1	2	3	1				
% of Total			22.2%	11.1%	22.2%	33.3%	11.1%				
District Totals	157	8	25	17	32	37	23	4	6	5	
% of Total		5.1%	15.9%	10.8%	20.4%	23.6%	14.6%	2.5%	3.8%	3.2%	
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	35	4	4	6	11	7	2	1			
% of Total		11.4%	11.4%	17.1%	31.4%	20.0%	5.7%	2.9%			
Hyde	4	1			3						
% of Total		25.0%			75.0%						
Martin	26	1	7	2	7	4	2	2			1
% of Total		3.8%	26.9%	7.7%	26.9%	15.4%	7.7%	7.7%			3.8%
Tyrrell	2	1	1								
% of Total		50.0%	50.0%								
Washington	11	1	3	1	2	2	2				
% of Total		9.1%	27.3%	9.1%	18.2%	18.2%	18.2%				
District Totals	78	8	15	9	23	13	6	3			1
% of Total		10.3%	19.2%	11.5%	29.5%	16.7%	7.7%	3.8%			1.3%
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	93	2	8	21	20	22	16	1	3		
% of Total		2.2%	8.6%	22.6%	21.5%	23.7%	17.2%	1.1%	3.2%		
Craven	135	12	12	14	27	26	23	2	19		
% of Total		8.9%	8.9%	10.4%	20.0%	19.3%	17.0%	1.5%	14.1%		
Pamlico	13		4	1	3	1	3	1			
% of Total			30.8%	7.7%	23.1%	7.7%	23.1%	7.7%			
Pitt	136	6	27	16	32	28	21	3	3		
% of Total		4.4%	19.9%	11.8%	23.5%	20.6%	15.4%	2.2%	2.2%		
District Totals	377	20	51	52	82	77	63	7	25		
% of Total		5.3%	13.5%	13.8%	21.8%	20.4%	16.7%	1.9%	6.6%		
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	27	3	6	4	1	7	6				
% of Total		11.1%	22.2%	14.8%	3.7%	25.9%	22.2%				
Jones	9	1		2	2	4					
% of Total		11.1%		22.2%	22.2%	44.4%					
Onslow	69	4	14	14	5	19	8	4		1	
% of Total		5.8%	20.3%	20.3%	7.2%	27.5%	11.6%	5.8%		1.4%	
Sampson	68	4	22	9	6	19	4	1	3		
% of Total		5.9%	32.4%	13.2%	8.8%	27.9%	5.9%	1.5%	4.4%		
District Totals	173	12	42	29	14	49	18	5	3	1	
% of Total		6.9%	24.3%	16.8%	8.1%	28.3%	10.4%	2.9%	1.7%	0.6%	

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<u>District 5</u>											
New Hanover	149	7	31	11	26	43	21	7	2	1	
% of Total		4.7%	20.8%	7.4%	17.4%	28.9%	14.1%	4.7%	1.3%	0.7%	
Pender	35	1	2	1	7	10	7	4	3		
% of Total		2.9%	5.7%	2.9%	20.0%	28.6%	20.0%	11.4%	8.6%		
District Totals	184	8	33	12	33	53	28	11	5	1	
% of Total		4.3%	17.9%	6.5%	17.9%	28.8%	15.2%	6.0%	2.7%	0.5%	
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	15		2	3	4	6					
% of Total			13.3%	20.0%	26.7%	40.0%					
Halifax	46	1	3	7	11	9	8	2	4	1	
% of Total		2.2%	6.5%	15.2%	23.9%	19.6%	17.4%	4.3%	8.7%	2.2%	
Hertford	23	4	6	1	3	5	3	1			
% of Total		17.4%	26.1%	4.3%	13.0%	21.7%	13.0%	4.3%			
Northampton	28	2	3	1	8	3	5		6		
% of Total		7.1%	10.7%	3.6%	28.6%	10.7%	17.9%		21.4%		
District Totals	112	7	14	12	26	23	16	3	10	1	
% of Total		6.3%	12.5%	10.7%	23.2%	20.5%	14.3%	2.7%	8.9%	0.9%	
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	40	1	3	10	11	10	5				
% of Total		2.5%	7.5%	25.0%	27.5%	25.0%	12.5%				
Nash	115	5	14	18	31	27	14	6			
% of Total		4.3%	12.2%	15.7%	27.0%	23.5%	12.2%	5.2%			
Wilson	77	5	21	10	10	15	14	2			
% of Total		6.5%	27.3%	13.0%	13.0%	19.5%	18.2%	2.6%			
District Totals	232	11	38	38	52	52	33	8			
% of Total		4.7%	16.4%	16.4%	22.4%	22.4%	14.2%	3.4%			
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	20	2	3	3	1	8	2	1			
% of Total		10.0%	15.0%	15.0%	5.0%	40.0%	10.0%	5.0%			
Lenoir	80	3	9	16	22	21	9				
% of Total		3.8%	11.3%	20.0%	27.5%	26.3%	11.3%				
Wayne	153	6	28	25	35	37	19	3			
% of Total		3.9%	18.3%	16.3%	22.9%	24.2%	12.4%	2.0%			
District Totals	253	11	40	44	58	66	30	4			
% of Total		4.3%	15.8%	17.4%	22.9%	26.1%	11.9%	1.6%			
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	35	1	3	4	9	6	12				
% of Total		2.9%	8.6%	11.4%	25.7%	17.1%	34.3%				
Granville	33	1	1	3	8	6	8	3	2	1	
% of Total		3.0%	3.0%	9.1%	24.2%	18.2%	24.2%	9.1%	6.1%	3.0%	
Person	29	2	6	1	9	11					
% of Total		6.9%	20.7%	3.4%	31.0%	37.9%					
Vance	51	7	3	7	3	18	11	1	1		
% of Total		13.7%	5.9%	13.7%	5.9%	35.3%	21.6%	2.0%	2.0%		
Warren	13	1	2	1	3	3	3				
% of Total		7.7%	15.4%	7.7%	23.1%	23.1%	23.1%				
District Totals	161	12	15	16	32	44	34	4	3	1	
% of Total		7.5%	9.3%	9.9%	19.9%	27.3%	21.1%	2.5%	1.9%	0.6%	

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<u>District 10</u>											
Wake	814	37	120	103	147	174	204	24	5		
% of Total		4.5%	14.7%	12.7%	18.1%	21.4%	25.1%	2.9%	0.6%		
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett	70	4	10	5	14	17	13	5	2		
% of Total		5.7%	14.3%	7.1%	20.0%	24.3%	18.6%	7.1%	2.9%		
Johnston	115	5	24	11	15	34	25	1			
% of Total		4.3%	20.9%	9.6%	13.0%	29.6%	21.7%	0.9%			
Lee	65	2	7	6	11	10	17	12			
% of Total		3.1%	10.8%	9.2%	16.9%	15.4%	26.2%	18.5%			
District Totals	250	11	41	22	40	61	55	18	2		
% of Total		4.4%	16.4%	8.8%	16.0%	24.4%	22.0%	7.2%	0.8%		
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland	269	14	22	28	53	76	67	7	2		
% of Total		5.2%	8.2%	10.4%	19.7%	28.3%	24.9%	2.6%	0.7%		
Hoke	5	1	1	2			1				
% of Total		20.0%	20.0%	40.0%			20.0%				
District Totals	274	15	23	30	53	76	68	7	2		
% of Total		5.5%	8.4%	10.9%	19.3%	27.7%	24.8%	2.6%	0.7%		
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen	17	1	2	2	5	5	2				
% of Total		5.9%	11.8%	11.8%	29.4%	29.4%	11.8%				
Brunswick	58	3	4	11	9	21	9		1		
% of Total		5.2%	6.9%	19.0%	15.5%	36.2%	15.5%		1.7%		
Columbus	73	1	6	5	14	22	23		2		
% of Total		1.4%	8.2%	6.8%	19.2%	30.1%	31.5%		2.7%		
District Totals	148	5	12	18	28	48	34		3		
% of Total		3.4%	8.1%	12.2%	18.9%	32.4%	23.0%		2.0%		
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham	446	19	55	44	47	78	39	80	11	73	
% of Total		4.3%	12.3%	9.9%	10.5%	17.5%	8.7%	17.9%	2.5%	16.4%	
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance	174	16	26	24	47	40	18	3			
% of Total		9.2%	14.9%	13.8%	27.0%	23.0%	10.3%	1.7%			
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham	34	5	10	2	4	8	4		1		
% of Total		14.7%	29.4%	5.9%	11.8%	23.5%	11.8%		2.9%		
Orange	82	3	5	16	18	3	16	1			
% of Total		3.7%	6.1%	19.5%	22.0%	28.0%	19.5%	1.2%			
District Totals	116	8	15	18	22	31	20	1	1		
% of Total		6.9%	12.9%	15.5%	19.0%	26.7%	17.2%	0.9%	0.9%		

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<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson	151	53	5	16	35	22	17	2	1		
% of Total		35.1%	3.3%	10.6%	23.2%	14.6%	11.3%	1.3%	0.7%		
Scotland	26	11	3	1	4	6	1				
% of Total		42.3%	11.5%	3.8%	15.4%	23.1%	3.8%				
District Totals	177	64	8	17	39	28	18	2	1		
% of Total		36.2%	4.5%	9.6%	22.0%	15.8%	10.2%	1.1%	0.6%		
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	6			2	2	1	1				
% of Total				33.3%	33.3%	16.7%	16.7%				
Rockingham	120	2	14	10	33	47	13	1			
% of Total		1.7%	11.7%	8.3%	27.5%	39.2%	10.8%	0.8%			
Stokes	23	2		4		13	2	2			
% of Total		8.7%		17.4%		56.5%	8.7%	8.7%			
Surry	87	6	12	3	26	30	8	1		1	
% of Total		6.9%	13.8%	3.4%	29.9%	34.5%	9.2%	1.1%		1.1%	
District Totals	236	10	26	19	61	91	24	4		1	
% of Total		4.2%	11.0%	8.1%	25.8%	38.6%	10.2%	1.7%		0.4%	
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford											
Greensboro	489	22	76	53	92	131	100	11	3	1	
% of Total		4.5%	15.5%	10.8%	18.8%	26.8%	20.4%	2.2%	0.6%	0.2%	
High Point	130	8	26	13	22	34	21	4	2		
% of Total		6.2%	20.0%	10.0%	16.9%	26.2%	16.2%	3.1%	1.5%		
District Totals	619	30	102	66	114	165	121	15	5	1	
% of Total		4.8%	16.5%	10.7%	18.4%	26.7%	19.5%	2.4%	0.8%	0.2%	
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	75	5	13	5	14	24	13	1			
% of Total		6.7%	17.3%	6.7%	18.7%	32.0%	17.3%	1.3%			
Montgomery	17		1	4	5	1	4	2			
% of Total			5.9%	23.5%	29.4%	5.9%	23.5%	11.8%			
Randolph	120	8	25	12	20	36	14	2	3		
% of Total		6.7%	20.8%	10.0%	16.7%	30.0%	11.7%	1.7%	2.5%		
Rowan	102	8	20	14	34	21	3	2			
% of Total		7.8%	19.6%	13.7%	33.3%	20.6%	2.9%	2.0%			
District Totals	314	21	59	35	73	82	34	7	3		
% of Total		6.7%	18.8%	11.1%	23.2%	26.1%	10.8%	2.2%	1.0%		
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	29	2	1	4	5	12	4	1			
% of Total		6.9%	3.4%	13.8%	17.2%	41.4%	13.8%	3.4%			
Moore	50	1	8	4	8	21	8				
% of Total		2.0%	16.0%	8.0%	16.0%	42.0%	16.0%				
Richmond	36	1	1	7	8	14	4		1		
% of Total		2.8%	2.8%	19.4%	22.2%	38.9%	11.1%		2.3%		
Stanly	42	1	10	5	7	11			1		
% of Total		2.4%	23.8%	11.9%	16.7%	26.2%			2.4%		
Union	91	11	12	8	23	25	12				
% of Total		12.1%	13.2%	8.8%	25.3%	27.5%	13.2%				
District Totals	248	16	32	28	51	83	35	1	2		
% of Total		6.5%	12.9%	11.3%	20.6%	33.5%	14.1%	0.4%	0.8%		

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<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth % of Total	482	44 9.1%	97 20.1%	66 13.7%	87 18.0%	143 29.7%	42 8.7%	2 0.4%	1 0.2%		
<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander % of Total	29	1 3.4%	6 20.7%	6 20.7%	10 34.5%	4 13.8%	2 6.9%				
Davidson % of Total	125	3 2.4%	8 6.4%	12 9.6%	10 8.0%	59 47.2%	18 14.4%	2 1.6%	13 10.4%		
Davie % of Total	19	3 15.8%	3 15.8%	2 10.5%	4 21.1%	3 15.8%	2 10.5%	1 5.3%	1 5.3%		
Iredell % of Total	155	8 5.1%	25 16.1%	20 12.9%	51 32.9%	32 20.6%	18 11.6%	1 0.6%			
District Totals % of Total	328	15 4.6%	42 12.8%	40 12.2%	75 22.9%	98 29.9%	40 12.2%	4 1.2%	14 4.3%		
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany % of Total	18		2 11.1%	4 22.2%	4 22.2%	5 27.8%	2 11.1%	1 5.6%			
Ashe % of Total	8		1 12.5%	2 25.0%	1 12.5%	3 37.5%	1 12.5%				
Wilkes % of Total	106	5 4.7%	17 16.0%	23 21.7%	35 33.0%	22 20.8%	4 3.8%				
Yadkin % of Total	43	1 2.3%	1 2.3%	9 20.9%	8 18.6%	18 41.9%	4 9.3%	1 2.3%		1 2.3%	
District Totals % of Total	175	6 3.4%	21 12.0%	38 21.7%	48 27.4%	48 27.4%	11 6.3%	2 1.1%		1 0.6%	
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery % of Total	28	1 3.6%	9 32.1%		4 14.3%	11 39.3%	3 10.7%				
Madison % of Total	30	2 6.7%	3 10.0%		12 40.0%	10 33.3%	3 10.0%				
Mitchell % of Total	34		5 14.7%		8 23.5%	6 17.6%	14 41.2%	1 2.9%			
Watauga % of Total	58	4 6.9%	15 25.9%	8 13.8%	14 24.1%	11 19.0%	5 8.6%	1 1.7%			
Wancey % of Total	14	1 7.1%	2 14.3%	1 7.1%	6 42.9%	3 21.4%	1 7.1%				
District Totals % of Total	164	8 4.9%	34 20.7%	9 5.5%	44 26.8%	41 25.0%	26 15.9%	2 1.2%			
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke % of Total	140	6 4.3%	21 15.0%	30 21.4%	50 35.7%	25 17.9%	8 5.7%				
Caldwell % of Total	150	7 4.7%	8 5.3%	10 6.7%	33 22.0%	48 32.0%	41 27.3%	2 1.3%		1 0.7%	
Catawba % of Total	207	9 4.3%	26 12.6%	15 7.2%	24 11.6%	78 37.7%	51 24.6%	4 1.9%			
District Totals % of Total	497	22 4.4%	55 11.1%	55 11.1%	107 21.5%	151 30.4%	100 20.1%	6 1.2%		1 0.2%	

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<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg	964	52	142	93	173	341	139	17	5	2	
% of Total		5.4%	14.7%	9.6%	17.9%	35.4%	14.4%	1.8%	0.5%	0.2%	
<u>District 27</u>											
Cleveland	102	3	6	10	41	32	10				
% of Total		2.9%	5.9%	9.8%	40.2%	31.4%	9.8%				
Gaston	316	32	36	31	57	116	40	3	1		
% of Total		10.1%	11.4%	9.8%	18.0%	36.7%	12.7%	0.9%	0.3%		
Lincoln	48	6	9	12	12	9					
% of Total		12.5%	18.8%	25.0%	25.0%	18.8%					
District Totals	466	41	51	53	110	157	50	3	1		
% of Total		8.8%	10.9%	11.4%	23.6%	33.7%	10.7%	0.6%	0.2%		
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	353	14	40	30	61	128	78	2			
% of Total		4.0%	11.3%	8.5%	17.3%	36.3%	22.1%	0.6%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	104	5	9	10	20	35	12			12	1
% of Total		4.8%	8.7%	9.6%	19.2%	33.7%	11.5%			11.5%	1.0%
McDowell	30	1	3	2	8	11	5				
% of Total		3.3%	10.0%	6.7%	26.7%	36.7%	16.7%				
Polk	19	2	2	1	2	3	4		5		
% of Total		10.5%	10.5%	5.3%	10.5%	15.8%	21.1%		26.3%		
Rutherford	76	4	16	4	25	22	4		1		
% of Total		5.3%	21.1%	5.3%	32.9%	28.9%	5.3%		1.3%		
Transylvania	31	1	2	5	9	10	4				
% of Total		3.2%	6.5%	16.1%	29.0%	32.3%	12.9%				
District Totals	260	13	32	22	64	81	29		6	12	1
% of Total		5.0%	12.3%	8.5%	24.6%	31.2%	11.2%		2.3%	4.6%	0.4%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	20	2	2	2	4	6	3		1		
% of Total		10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	30.0%	15.0%		5.0%		
Clay	7		2	2		2	1				
% of Total			28.6%	28.6%		28.6%	14.3%				
Graham	14		4		2	4	2	1	1		
% of Total			28.6%		14.3%	28.6%	14.3%	7.1%	7.1%		
Haywood	63	4	7	7	13	20	11	1			
% of Total		6.3%	11.1%	11.1%	20.6%	31.7%	17.5%	1.6%			
Jackson	44	3	9	4	6	10	5	7			
% of Total		6.8%	20.5%	9.1%	13.6%	22.7%	11.4%	15.9%			
Macon	41	3	8	6	4	11	7	1	1		
% of Total		7.3%	19.5%	14.6%	9.8%	26.8%	17.1%	2.4%	2.4%		
Swain	26		6	2	3	5	5	4	1		
% of Total			23.1%	7.7%	11.5%	19.2%	19.2%	15.4%	3.8%		
District Totals	215	12	38	23	32	58	34	14	4		
% of Total		5.6%	17.7%	10.7%	14.9%	27.0%	15.8%	6.5%	1.9%		
STATE TOTALS											
% of Total	9,447	576	1,344	1,082	1,875	2,617	1,470	263	118	100	2
		6.1%	14.2%	11.5%	19.8%	27.7%	15.6%	2.8%	1.2%	1.1%	

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<u>District 1</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
Camden	11		2		3	4	1	1			
% of Total			18.2%		27.3%	36.4%	9.1%	9.1%			
Chowan	22		2	2	6	6	1	3	1	1	
% of Total			9.1%	9.1%	27.3%	27.3%	4.5%	13.6%	4.5%	4.5%	
Currituck	19	1	3	2	2	4	5		2		
% of Total		5.3%	15.8%	10.5%	10.5%	21.1%	26.3%		10.5%		
Dare	95	5	8	12	15	32	16	6	1		
% of Total		5.3%	8.4%	12.6%	15.8%	33.7%	16.8%	6.3%	1.1%		
Gates	13		2	2	3	3	2			1	
% of Total			15.4%	15.4%	23.1%	23.1%	15.4%			7.7%	
Pasquotank	44	2	6	5	9	13	9				
% of Total		4.5%	13.6%	11.4%	20.5%	29.5%	20.5%				
Perquimans	10			1	3	4	2				
% of Total				10.0%	30.0%	40.0%	20.0%				
District Totals	214	8	23	24	41	66	36	10	4	2	
% of Total		3.7%	10.7%	11.2%	19.2%	30.8%	16.8%	4.7%	1.9%	0.9%	
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	112	5	7	13	16	30	10	16	8	7	
% of Total		4.5%	6.3%	11.6%	14.3%	26.8%	8.9%	14.3%	7.1%	6.3%	
Hyde	17	1		3	3	9			1		
% of Total		5.9%		17.6%	17.6%	52.9%			5.9%		
Martin	34	4	6	5	8	7	3	1			
% of Total		11.8%	17.6%	14.7%	23.5%	20.6%	8.8%	2.9%			
Tyrrell	8	1			4	3					
% of Total		12.5%			50.0%	37.5%					
Washington	32	3	6	4	5	7	5		2		
% of Total		9.4%	18.8%	12.5%	15.6%	21.9%	15.6%		6.3%		
District Totals	203	14	19	25	36	56	18	17	11	7	
% of Total		6.9%	9.4%	12.3%	17.7%	27.6%	8.9%	8.4%	5.4%	3.4%	
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	124	5	22	8	25	39	21	3	1		
% of Total		4.0%	17.7%	6.5%	20.2%	31.5%	16.9%	2.4%	0.8%		
Craven	153	8	20	17	33	50	24		1		
% of Total		5.2%	13.1%	11.1%	21.6%	32.7%	15.7%		0.7%		
Pamlico	25	1	2	3	4	9	3		3		
% of Total		4.0%	8.0%	12.0%	16.0%	36.0%	12.0%		12.0%		
Pitt	157	13	17	20	37	45	17	3	5		
% of Total		8.3%	10.8%	12.7%	23.6%	28.7%	10.8%	1.9%	3.2%		
District Totals	459	27	61	48	99	143	65	6	10		
% of Total		5.9%	13.3%	10.5%	21.6%	31.2%	14.2%	1.3%	2.2%		
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	69	3	9	6	17	17	8		9		
% of Total		4.3%	13.0%	8.7%	24.6%	24.6%	11.6%		13.0%		
Jones	27	1	2	3	8	11	2				
% of Total		3.7%	7.4%	11.1%	29.6%	40.7%	7.4%				
Onslow	135	10	12	18	26	34	30	1	1	3	
% of Total		7.4%	8.9%	13.3%	19.3%	25.2%	22.2%	0.7%	0.7%	2.2%	
Sampson	89	3	16	13	17	28	10	2			
% of Total		3.4%	18.0%	14.6%	19.1%	31.5%	11.2%	2.2%			
District Totals	320	17	39	40	68	90	50	3	10	3	
% of Total		5.3%	12.2%	12.5%	21.3%	28.1%	15.6%	0.9%	3.1%	0.9%	

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<u>District 5</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
New Hanover	285	16	33	34	72	74	50	4	2		
% of Total		5.6%	11.6%	11.9%	25.3%	26.0%	17.5%	1.4%	0.7%		
Pender	46	1	4	21	9	2	3	3	3		
% of Total		2.2%	8.7%	45.7%	19.6%	4.3%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%		
District Totals	331	17	37	55	81	76	53	7	5		
% of Total		5.1%	11.2%	16.6%	24.5%	23.0%	16.0%	2.1%	1.5%		
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	59		2	8	11	8	12	6	6	6	
% of Total			3.4%	13.6%	18.6%	13.6%	20.3%	10.2%	10.2%	10.2%	
Halifax	95	8	9	14	15	19	19	3	5	3	
% of Total		8.4%	9.5%	14.7%	15.8%	20.0%	20.0%	3.2%	5.3%	3.2%	
Hertford	65	2	19	7	14	10	9	1	3		
% of Total		3.1%	29.2%	10.8%	21.5%	15.4%	13.8%	1.5%	4.6%		
Northampton	39	1	2	3	9	9	12	2	1		
% of Total		2.6%	5.1%	7.7%	23.1%	23.1%	30.8%	5.1%	2.6%		
District Totals	258	11	32	32	49	46	52	12	15	9	
% of Total		4.3%	12.4%	12.4%	19.0%	17.8%	20.2%	4.7%	5.8%	3.5%	
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	89	5	3	13	15	26	18	6	3		
% of Total		5.6%	3.4%	14.6%	16.9%	29.2%	20.2%	6.7%	3.4%		
Nash	202	6	20	15	44	33	47	24	12	1	
% of Total		3.0%	9.9%	7.4%	21.8%	16.3%	23.3%	11.9%	5.9%	0.5%	
Wilson	204	5	16	25	31	38	65	13	11		
% of Total		2.5%	7.8%	12.3%	15.2%	18.6%	31.9%	6.4%	5.4%		
District Totals	495	16	39	53	90	97	130	43	26	1	
% of Total		3.2%	7.9%	10.7%	18.2%	19.6%	26.3%	8.7%	5.3%	0.2%	
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	23	1	5	6	4	1	5	1			
% of Total		4.3%	21.7%	26.1%	17.4%	4.3%	21.7%	4.3%			
Lenoir	178	19	12	18	24	47	34	10	7	5	2
% of Total		10.7%	6.7%	10.1%	13.5%	26.4%	19.1%	5.6%	3.9%	2.8%	1.1%
Wayne	283	9	23	24	51	69	69	22	14	2	
% of Total		3.2%	8.1%	8.5%	18.0%	24.4%	24.4%	7.8%	4.9%	0.7%	
District Totals	484	29	40	48	79	117	108	33	21	7	2
% of Total		6.0%	8.3%	9.9%	16.3%	24.2%	22.3%	6.8%	4.3%	1.4%	0.4%
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	76	1	9	9	13	14	27	3			
% of Total		1.3%	11.8%	11.8%	17.1%	18.4%	35.5%	3.9%			
Granville	45	4	1	3	7	6	11	7	4	2	
% of Total		8.9%	2.2%	6.7%	15.6%	13.3%	24.4%	15.6%	8.9%	4.4%	
Person	51	1	1	12	10	19	6	1	1		
% of Total		2.0%	2.0%	23.5%	19.6%	37.3%	11.8%	2.0%	2.0%		
Vance	124	1	9	5	23	19	17	23	27		
% of Total		0.8%	7.3%	4.0%	18.5%	15.3%	13.7%	18.5%	21.8%		
Warren	58	1	3	2	6	7	3		36		
% of Total		1.7%	5.2%	3.4%	10.3%	12.1%	5.2%		62.1%		
District Totals	354	8	23	31	59	65	64	34	68	2	
% of Total		2.3%	6.5%	8.8%	16.7%	18.4%	18.1%	9.6%	19.2%	0.6%	
<u>District 10</u>											
Wake	1,403	66	114	183	264	382	356	31	7		
% of Total		4.7%	8.1%	13.0%	18.8%	27.2%	25.4%	2.2%	0.5%		

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<u>District 11</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
Harnett	159	5	9	10	21	52	56	4	2		
% of Total		3.1%	5.7%	6.3%	13.2%	32.7%	35.2%	2.5%	1.3%		
Johnston	139	3	16	20	35	36	23	4	2		
% of Total		2.2%	11.5%	14.4%	25.2%	25.9%	16.5%	2.9%	1.4%		
Lee	94	5	7	13	12	17	22	9	9		
% of Total		5.3%	7.4%	13.8%	12.8%	18.1%	23.4%	9.6%	9.6%		
District Totals	392	13	32	43	68	105	101	17	13		
% of Total		3.3%	8.2%	11.0%	17.3%	26.8%	25.8%	4.3%	3.3%		
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland	373	17	51	60	87	90	56	12			
% of Total		4.6%	13.7%	16.1%	23.3%	24.1%	15.0%	3.2%			
Hoke	15		4	3	2	6					
% of Total			26.7%	20.0%	13.3%	40.0%					
District Totals	388	17	55	63	89	96	56	12			
% of Total		4.4%	14.2%	16.2%	22.9%	24.7%	14.4%	3.1%			
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen	49	14	12	7	4	9	3				
% of Total		28.6%	24.5%	14.3%	8.2%	18.4%	6.1%				
Brunswick	143	2	5	17	22	43	31	17	5	1	
% of Total		1.4%	3.5%	11.9%	15.4%	30.1%	21.7%	11.9%	3.5%	0.7%	
Columbus	169	4	11	12	29	53	38	7	15		
% of Total		2.4%	6.5%	7.1%	17.2%	31.4%	22.5%	4.1%	8.9%		
District Totals	361	20	28	36	55	105	72	24	20	1	
% of Total		5.5%	7.8%	10.0%	15.2%	29.1%	19.9%	6.6%	5.5%	0.3%	
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham	882	16	34	67	164	263	298	29	11		
% of Total		1.6%	3.4%	6.8%	16.6%	27.2%	30.2%	5.7%	1.1%		
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance	133	6	16	17	33	30	25	2	1	1	2
% of Total		4.5%	12.0%	12.8%	24.8%	22.6%	18.8%	1.5%	0.8%	0.8%	1.5%
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham	50	1	3	4	13	21	5	2		1	
% of Total		2.0%	6.0%	8.0%	26.0%	42.0%	10.0%	4.0%		2.0%	
Orange	186	6	16	19	33	49	56	7			
% of Total		3.2%	8.6%	10.2%	17.7%	26.3%	30.1%	3.8%			
District Totals	236	7	19	23	46	70	61	9		1	
% of Total		3.0%	8.1%	9.7%	19.5%	29.7%	25.8%	3.8%		0.4%	
<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson	81	3	16	8	21	17	16				
% of Total		3.7%	19.8%	9.9%	25.9%	21.0%	19.8%				
Scotland	16	1	2	1		3	8		1		
% of Total		6.3%	12.5%	6.3%		18.8%	50.0%		6.3%		
District Totals	97	4	18	9	21	20	24		1		
% of Total		4.1%	18.6%	9.3%	21.6%	20.6%	24.7%		1.0%		

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<u>District 17</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
Caswell	14	2	1	2	5	3	1				
% of Total		14.3%	7.1%	14.3%	35.7%	21.4%	7.1%				
Rockingham	121	13	16	16	36	32	7	1			
% of Total		10.7%	13.2%	13.2%	29.8%	26.4%	5.8%	0.8%			
Stokes	23	1	4	6	3	6	3				
% of Total		4.3%	17.4%	26.1%	13.0%	26.1%	13.0%				
Surry	129	16	24	17	33	28	10	1			
% of Total		12.4%	18.6%	13.2%	25.6%	21.7%	7.8%	0.8%			
District Totals	287	32	45	41	77	69	21	2			
% of Total		11.1%	15.7%	14.3%	26.8%	24.0%	7.3%	0.7%			
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford											
Greensboro	886	43	66	104	196	207	220	38	9	3	
% of Total		4.9%	7.4%	11.7%	22.1%	23.4%	24.8%	4.3%	1.0%	0.3%	
High Point	276	17	28	20	40	56	77	21	14	3	
% of Total		6.2%	10.1%	7.2%	14.5%	20.3%	27.9%	7.6%	5.1%	1.1%	
District Totals	1,162	60	94	124	236	263	297	59	23	6	
% of Total		5.2%	8.1%	10.7%	20.3%	22.6%	25.6%	5.1%	2.0%	0.5%	
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	175	12	17	23	31	41	46	5			
% of Total		6.9%	9.7%	13.1%	17.7%	23.4%	26.3%	2.9%			
Montgomery	20	2	4	5	2	4	3				
% of Total		10.0%	20.0%	25.0%	10.0%	20.0%	15.0%				
Randolph	126	6	17	27	36	23	15	1	1		
% of Total		4.8%	13.5%	21.4%	28.6%	18.3%	11.9%	0.8%	0.8%		
Rowan	109	7	27	18	35	16	5	1			
% of Total		6.4%	24.8%	16.5%	32.1%	14.7%	4.6%	0.9%			
District Totals	430	27	65	73	104	84	69	7	1		
% of Total		6.3%	15.1%	17.0%	24.2%	19.5%	16.0%	1.6%	0.2%		
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	78	3	6	11	13	36	7	1	1		
% of Total		3.8%	7.7%	14.1%	16.7%	46.2%	9.0%	1.3%	1.3%		
Moore	82	7	8	12	18	20	14		2	1	
% of Total		8.5%	9.8%	14.6%	22.0%	24.4%	17.1%		2.4%	1.2%	
Richmond	74	2	10	7	20	25	10				
% of Total		2.7%	13.5%	9.5%	27.0%	33.8%	13.5%				
Stanly	66	9	9	12	9	14	13				
% of Total		13.6%	13.6%	18.2%	13.6%	21.2%	19.7%				
Union	94	2	20	10	16	32	10	3	1		
% of Total		2.1%	21.3%	10.6%	17.0%	34.0%	10.6%	3.2%	1.1%		
District Totals	394	23	53	52	76	127	54	4	4	1	
% of Total		5.8%	13.5%	13.2%	19.3%	32.2%	13.7%	1.0%	1.0%	0.3%	
<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	802	31	85	91	179	184	173	41	17		1
% of Total		3.9%	10.6%	11.3%	22.3%	22.9%	21.6%	5.1%	2.1%		0.1%

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<u>District 22</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
Alexander	18	1	5	4	4	2	1	1			
% of Total		5.6%	27.8%	22.2%	22.2%	11.1%	5.6%	5.6%			
Davidson	140	5	17	25	30	45	15	1	2		
% of Total		3.6%	12.1%	17.9%	21.4%	32.1%	10.7%	0.7%	1.4%		
Davie	24		1	7	8	4	4				
% of Total			4.2%	29.2%	33.3%	16.7%	16.7%				
Iredell	109	9	18	22	29	28	3				
% of Total		8.3%	16.5%	20.2%	26.6%	25.7%	2.8%				
District Totals	291	15	41	58	71	79	23	2	2		
% of Total		5.2%	14.1%	19.9%	24.4%	27.1%	7.9%	0.7%	0.7%		

District 23

Alleghany	14		3		7	4					
% of Total			21.4%		50.0%	28.6%					
Ashe	30	1	1	10	11	7					
% of Total		3.3%	3.3%	33.3%	36.7%	23.3%					
Wilkes	104	8	19	24	33	12	8				
% of Total		7.7%	18.3%	23.1%	31.7%	11.5%	7.7%				
Yadkin	40	3	5	4	10	16	2				
% of Total		7.5%	12.5%	10.0%	25.0%	40.0%	5.0%				
District Totals	188	12	28	38	61	39	10				
% of Total		6.4%	14.9%	20.2%	32.4%	20.7%	5.3%				

District 24

Avery	36		7	4	8	13	4				
% of Total			19.4%	11.1%	22.2%	36.1%	11.1%				
Madison	26		5	5	8	8					
% of Total			19.2%	19.2%	30.8%	30.8%					
Mitchell	23	2		2	6	5	7	1			
% of Total		8.7%		8.7%	26.1%	21.7%	30.4%	4.3%			
Watauga	81	4	8	10	15	34	8	2			
% of Total		4.9%	9.9%	12.3%	18.5%	42.0%	9.9%	2.5%			
Yancey	13		3	3	5	1	1				
% of Total			23.1%	23.1%	38.5%	7.7%	7.7%				
District Totals	179	6	23	24	42	61	20	3			
% of Total		3.4%	12.8%	13.4%	23.5%	34.1%	11.2%	1.7%			

District 25

Burke	192	9	13	50	41	74	5				
% of Total		4.7%	6.8%	26.0%	21.4%	38.5%	2.6%				
Caldwell	122	4	17	20	33	37	10		1		
% of Total		3.3%	13.9%	16.4%	27.0%	30.3%	8.2%		0.8%		
Catawba	184	15	18	37	61	34	16	2	1		
% of Total		8.2%	9.8%	20.1%	33.2%	18.5%	8.7%	1.1%	0.5%		
District Totals	498	28	48	107	135	145	31	2	2		
% of Total		5.6%	9.6%	21.5%	27.1%	29.1%	6.2%	0.4%	0.4%		

District 26

Mecklenburg	2,299	111	230	262	517	724	370	53	31	1	
% of Total		4.8%	10.0%	11.4%	22.5%	31.5%	16.1%	2.3%	1.3%		

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<u>District 27</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 6 Yrs	6 Years To 10 Yrs	10 Years To 20 Yrs	Greater Than 20 Yrs
Cleveland	83	9	17	10	25	14	7	1			
% of Total		10.8%	20.5%	12.0%	30.1%	16.9%	8.4%	1.2%			
Gaston	467	34	52	75	146	111	39	6	4		
% of Total		7.3%	11.1%	16.1%	31.3%	23.8%	8.4%	1.3%	0.9%		
Lincoln	54	5	8	12	15	12	1		1		
% of Total		9.3%	14.8%	22.2%	27.8%	22.2%	1.9%		1.9%		
District Totals	604	48	77	97	186	137	47	7	5		
% of Total		7.9%	12.7%	16.1%	30.8%	22.7%	7.8%	1.2%	0.8%		
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	583	28	50	70	133	172	125	3	2		
% of Total		4.8%	8.6%	12.0%	22.8%	29.5%	21.4%	0.5%	0.3%		
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	187	7	10	18	33	80	36	2	1		
% of Total		3.7%	5.3%	9.6%	17.6%	42.8%	19.3%	1.1%	0.5%		
McDowell	39	3	5	3	11	14	2	1			
% of Total		7.7%	12.8%	7.7%	28.2%	35.9%	5.1%	2.6%			
Polk	23	1	4	3	6	6	2		1		
% of Total		4.3%	17.4%	13.0%	26.1%	26.1%	8.7%		4.3%		
Rutherford	60	3	5	14	13	17	8				
% of Total		5.0%	8.3%	23.3%	21.7%	28.3%	13.3%				
Transylvania	52	1	7	8	13	20	3				
% of Total		1.9%	13.5%	15.4%	25.0%	38.5%	5.8%				
District Totals	361	15	31	46	76	137	51	3	2		
% of Total		4.2%	8.6%	12.7%	21.1%	38.0%	14.1%	0.8%	0.6%		
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	51	2	1	3	8	11	24	2			
% of Total		3.9%	2.0%	5.9%	15.7%	21.6%	47.1%	3.9%			
Clay	5	1	4								
% of Total		20.0%	80.0%								
Graham	12	1	2		4	1	1	3			
% of Total		8.3%	16.7%		33.3%	8.3%	8.3%	25.0%			
Haywood	136	7	10	27	33	40	14	2	3		
% of Total		5.1%	7.4%	19.9%	24.3%	29.4%	10.3%	1.5%	2.2%		
Jackson	155	1	5	29	27	53	37	2	1		
% of Total		0.6%	3.2%	18.7%	17.4%	34.2%	23.9%	1.3%	0.6%		
Macon	123	5	4	23	27	34	22	6	2		
% of Total		4.1%	3.3%	18.7%	22.0%	27.6%	17.9%	4.9%	1.6%		
Swain	36		1	10	8	5	5	2	4	1	
% of Total			2.8%	27.8%	22.2%	13.9%	13.9%	5.6%	11.1%	2.8%	
District Totals	518	17	27	92	107	144	103	17	10	1	
% of Total		3.3%	5.2%	17.8%	20.7%	27.8%	19.9%	3.3%	1.9%	0.2%	
STATE TOTALS	15,606	749	1,526	1,972	3,342	4,192	2,963	492	322	43	5
% of Total		4.8%	9.8%	12.6%	21.4%	26.9%	19.0%	3.2%	2.1%	0.3%	

UTILIZATION OF CIVIL SUPERIOR COURT TERMS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

1977 Calendar Year

<u>District 1</u>	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Camden	5	2½	2½	50.0%
Chowan	10	8	2	80.0%
Currituck	15	9	6	60.0%
Dare	15	9	6	60.0%
Gates	10	5½	4½	55.0%
Pasquotank	15	13	2	86.6%
Perquimans	10	1	9	10.0%
District Totals	80	48	32	60.0%

District 2

Beaufort	23	22	1	95.6%
Hyde	2	1½	½	75.0%
Martin	15	10	5	66.6%
Tyrrell	0	0	0	00.0%
Washington	7	3½	3½	50.0%
District Totals	47	37	10	78.7%

District 3

Carteret	40	30	10	75.0%
Craven	45½	30½	15	67.0%
Pamlico	5	4	1	80.0%
Pitt	50	31	19	62.0%
District Totals	140½	95½	45	67.9%

District 4

Duplin	20	11	9	55.0%
Jones	1½	½	1	33.3%
Onslow	50	39	11	78.0%
Sampson	25	20	5	80.0%
District Totals	96½	70½	26	73.0%

District 5

New Hanover	121	91½	29½	75.6%
Pender	20	8½	11½	42.5%
District Totals	141	100	41	70.9%

District 6

Bertie	21½	13½	8	62.7%
Halifax	25	14	11	56.0%
Hertford	15	5½	9½	36.6%
Northampton	14	10½	3½	75.0%
District Totals	75½	43½	32	57.6%

District 7

Edgecombe	30	24½	5½	81.6%
Nash	33	17½	15½	53.0%
Wilson	35	22	13	62.8%
District Totals	98	64	34	65.3%

District 8

Greene	5	3	2	60.0%
Lenoir	45	27	18	60.0%
Wayne	70	47	23	67.1%
District Totals	120	77	43	64.1%

<u>District 9</u>	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Franklin	22½	15½	7	68.8%
Granville	15	8	7	53.3%
Person	13	4	9	30.7%
Vance	15	11	4	73.3%
Warren	10	4½	5½	45.0%
District Totals	75½	43	32½	56.9%

District 10

Wake	263	210½	52½	80.0%
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District 11

Harnett	50	33½	16½	67.0%
Johnston	63	43	20	68.2%
Lee	25	17½	7½	70.0%
District Totals	138	94	44	68.1%

District 12

Cumberland	100	72½	27½	72.5%
Hoke	5	4	1	80.0%
District Totals	105	76½	28½	72.8%

District 13

Bladen	19	11	8	57.8%
Brunswick	25	16	9	64.0%
Columbus	30	19	11	63.3%
District Totals	74	46	28	62.1%

District 14

Durham	125	106½	18½	85.2%
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District 15A

Alamance	78	48½	29½	62.1%
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District 15B

Chatham	20	11½	8½	57.5%
Orange	68	60	8	88.2%
District Totals	88	71½	16½	81.3%

District 16

Robeson	44½	36½	8	82.0%
Scotland	10	6	4	60.0%
District Totals	54½	42½	12	77.9%

District 17

Caswell	8	8	0	100.0%
Rockingham	45	30½	14½	67.7%
Stokes	10	6	4	60.0%
Surry	30	26½	3½	88.3%
District Totals	93	71	22	76.3%

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1977 Calendar Year

<u>District 18</u>	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Guilford	254	200	54	78.7%

District 19

Cabarrus	46½	29	17½	62.3%
Montgomery	5	2	3	40.0%
Randolph	55	38	17	69.0%
Rowan	55	29	26	52.7%
District Totals	161½	98	63½	60.6%

District 20

Anson	20	16	4	80.0%
Moore	25	10½	14½	42.0%
Richmond	20	12½	7½	62.5%
Stanly	15	11	4	73.3%
Union	25	20	5	80.0%
District Totals	105	70	35	66.6%

District 21

Forsyth	198	179½	18½	90.6%
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District 22

Alexander	20	9	11	45.0%
Davidson	65	52	13	80.0%
Davie	10	5	5	50.0%
Iredell	43	32½	10½	75.5%
District Totals	138	98½	39½	71.3%

District 23

Alleghany	10	6	4	60.0%
Ashe	7½	5	2½	66.6%
Wilkes	47½	42	5½	88.4%
Yadkin	15	10½	4½	70.0%
District Totals	80	63½	16½	79.3%

District 24

Avery	18	9½	8½	52.7%
Madison	40	23½	16½	58.7%
Mitchell	21	13	8	61.9%
Watauga	15	13	2	86.6%
Yancey	7	4	3	57.1%
District Totals	101	63	38	62.3%

<u>District 25</u>	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
Burke	55	43	12	78.1%
Caldwell	40	31	9	77.5%
Catawba	75	52	23	69.3%
District Totals	170	126	44	74.1%

District 26

Mecklenburg	474	431½	42½	91.0%
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District 27

Cleveland	48	27½	20½	57.2%
Gaston	105	85	20	80.9%
Lincoln	20	17½	2½	87.5%
District Totals	173	130	43	75.1%

District 28

Buncombe	235	194	41	82.5%
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District 29

Henderson	40	34	6	85.0%
McDowell	20	15	5	75.0%
Polk	10	8	2	80.0%
Rutherford	27	18½	8½	68.5%
Transylvania	15	10	5	66.6%
District Totals	112	85½	26½	76.3%

District 30

Cherokee	10	8	2	80.0%
Clay	2½	1	1½	40.0%
Graham	10	4	6	40.0%
Haywood	35	28	7	80.0%
Jackson	30	17½	12½	58.3%
Macon	17½	8	9½	45.7%
Swain	20	10	10	50.0%
District Totals	125	76½	48½	61.2%

STATE TOTALS	4,219	3,161½	1,057½	74.9%
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<i><u>District 1</u></i>								
Camden	39	62	101	40	61	+ 22	39.6%	59
Chowan	133	86	219	84	135	+ 2	38.4%	66
Currituck	103	73	176	62	114	+ 11	35.2%	73
Dare	311	107	418	72	346	+ 35	17.2%	100
Gates	124	47	171	36	135	+ 11	21.1%	98
Pasquotank	186	214	400	220	180	- 6	55.0%	1
Perquimans	145	70	215	91	124	- 21	42.3%	38
District Totals	1,041	659	1,700	605	1,095	+ 54	35.6%	
<i><u>District 2</u></i>								
Beaufort	407	353	760	318	442	+ 35	41.8%	41
Hyde	45	43	88	45	43	- 2	51.1%	4
Martin	194	159	353	115	238	+ 44	32.6%	83
Tyrrell	24	13	37	17	20	- 4	45.9%	18
Washington	85	87	172	62	110	+ 25	36.0%	72
District Totals	755	655	1,410	557	853	+ 98	39.5%	
<i><u>District 3</u></i>								
Carteret	334	282	616	261	355	+ 21	42.4%	36
Craven	380	291	671	335	336	- 44	49.9%	6
Pamlico	64	47	111	44	67	+ 3	39.6%	58
Pitt	546	475	1,021	416	605	+ 59	40.7%	48
District Totals	1,324	1,095	2,419	1,056	1,363	+ 39	43.7%	
<i><u>District 4</u></i>								
Duplin	324	315	639	274	365	+ 41	42.9%	33
Jones	72	68	140	57	83	+ 11	40.7%	49
Onslow	465	207	672	184	488	+ 23	27.4%	93
Sampson	369	305	674	279	395	+ 26	41.4%	44
District Totals	1,230	895	2,125	794	1,331	+ 101	37.4%	
<i><u>District 5</u></i>								
New Hanover	904	558	1,462	527	935	+ 31	36.0%	71
Pender	117	141	258	114	144	+ 27	44.2%	26
District Totals	1,021	699	1,720	641	1,079	+ 58	37.3%	
<i><u>District 6</u></i>								
Bertie	201	140	341	106	235	+ 34	31.1%	88
Halifax	620	361	981	402	579	- 41	41.0%	46
Hertford	170	128	298	117	181	+ 11	39.3%	63
Northampton	188	134	322	133	189	+ 1	41.3%	45
District Totals	1,179	763	1,942	758	1,184	+ 5	39.0%	
<i><u>District 7</u></i>								
Edgecombe	380	302	682	300	382	+ 2	44.0%	27
Nash	469	344	813	349	464	- 5	42.9%	32
Wilson	651	380	1,031	345	686	+ 35	33.5%	78
District Totals	1,500	1,026	2,526	994	1,532	+ 32	39.4%	

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	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Total Caseload	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pend- ing Cases	% of Dispo- sitions to Caseload	County Rank By % of Dispo- sitions to Caseload
<u>District 8</u>								
Greene	104	118	222	99	123	+ 19	44.6%	25
Lenoir	353	350	703	355	348	- 5	50.5%	5
Wayne	621	481	1,102	451	651	+ 30	40.9%	47
District Totals	1,078	949	2,027	905	1,122	+ 44	44.6%	
<u>District 9</u>								
Franklin	308	167	475	177	298	- 10	37.3%	67
Granville	236	183	419	165	254	+ 18	39.4%	61
Person	201	141	342	153	189	- 12	44.7%	24
Vance	337	267	604	319	285	- 52	52.8%	3
Warren	243	176	419	180	239	- 4	43.0%	30
District Totals	1,325	934	2,259	994	1,265	- 60	44.0%	
<u>District 10</u>								
Wake	1,932	1,336	3,268	1,099	2,169	+ 237	33.6%	77
<u>District 11</u>								
Harnett	466	318	784	374	410	- 56	47.7%	12
Johnston	581	494	1,075	437	638	+ 57	40.7%	50
Lee	310	166	476	161	315	+ 5	33.8%	76
District Totals	1,357	978	2,335	972	1,363	+ 6	41.6%	
<u>District 12</u>								
Cumberland	776	583	1,359	657	702	- 74	48.3%	11
Hoke	109	103	212	62	150	+ 41	29.2%	90
District Totals	885	686	1,571	719	852	- 33	45.8%	
<u>District 13</u>								
Bladen	146	122	268	122	146	0	45.5%	21
Brunswick	131	150	281	128	153	+ 22	45.6%	20
Columbus	357	265	622	251	371	+ 14	40.4%	53
District Totals	634	537	1,171	501	670	+ 36	42.8%	
<u>District 14</u>								
Durham	1,406	815	2,221	732	1,489	+ 83	33.0%	80
<u>District 15A</u>								
Alamance	500	26	1,126	603	523	+ 23	53.6%	2
<u>District 15B</u>								
Chatham	308	195	503	213	290	- 18	42.3%	37
Orange	552	304	856	280	576	+ 24	32.7%	82
District Totals	860	499	1,359	493	866	+ 6	36.3%	
<u>District 16</u>								
Robeson	727	569	1,296	583	713	- 14	45.0%	23
Scotland	222	107	329	85	244	+ 22	25.8%	95
District Totals	949	676	1,625	668	957	+ 8	41.1%	

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<u>District 17</u>								
Caswell	118	108	226	95	131	+ 13	42.0%	39
Rockingham	601	588	1,189	390	799	+ 198	32.8%	81
Stokes	157	125	282	139	143	- 14	49.3%	7
Surry	442	332	774	325	449	+ 7	42.0%	40
District Totals	1,318	1,153	2,471	949	1,522	+ 204	38.4%	
<u>District 18</u>								
Guilford	2,429	1,663	4,092	1,623	2,469	+ 40	39.7%	57
<u>District 19</u>								
Cabarrus	631	547	1,178	505	673	+ 42	42.9%	34
Montgomery	186	129	315	145	170	- 16	46.0%	17
Randolph	494	407	901	365	536	+ 42	40.5%	51
Rowan	827	725	1,552	702	850	+ 23	45.2%	22
District Totals	2,138	1,808	3,946	1,717	2,229	+ 91	43.5%	
<u>District 20</u>								
Anson	417	158	575	155	420	+ 3	27.0%	94
Moore	467	325	792	218	574	+ 107	27.5%	92
Richmond	362	242	604	188	416	+ 54	31.1%	87
Stanly	865	292	1,157	257	900	+ 35	22.2%	97
Union	445	314	759	302	457	+ 12	39.8%	56
District Totals	2,556	1,331	3,887	1,120	2,767	+ 211	28.8%	
<u>District 21</u>								
Forsyth	1,879	1,268	3,147	1,232	1,915	+ 36	39.1%	64
<u>District 22</u>								
Alexander	81	102	183	89	94	+ 13	48.6%	10
Davidson	632	566	1,198	518	650	+ 48	43.2%	28
Davie	117	90	207	97	110	- 7	46.9%	15
Iredell	584	566	1,150	528	622	+ 38	45.9%	19
District Totals	1,414	1,324	2,738	1,232	1,506	+ 92	45.0%	
<u>District 23</u>								
Alleghany	81	89	170	73	97	+ 16	42.9%	31
Ashe	115	162	277	109	168	+ 53	39.4%	62
Wilkes	297	223	520	253	267	- 30	48.7%	9
Yadkin	240	215	455	182	273	+ 33	40.0%	55
District Totals	733	689	1,422	617	805	+ 72	43.4%	
<u>District 24</u>								
Avery	103	82	185	77	108	+ 5	41.6%	42
Madison	168	147	315	97	218	+ 50	30.8%	89
Mitchell	216	115	331	59	272	+ 56	17.8%	99
Watauga	168	104	272	93	179	+ 11	34.2%	75
Yancey	91	95	186	77	109	+ 18	41.4%	43
District Totals	746	543	1,289	403	886	+ 140	31.3%	

ESTATE CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

JANUARY 1, 1977 — DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Total Caseload	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pend- ing Cases	% of Dispo- sitions to Caseload	County Rank By % of Dispo- sitions to Caseload
<u>District 25</u>								
Burke	696	365	1,061	387	674	- 22	36.5%	68
Caldwell	436	350	786	285	501	+ 65	36.3%	69
Catawba	795	527	1,322	460	862	+ 67	34.8%	74
District Totals	1,927	1,242	3,169	1,132	2,037	+ 110	35.7%	
<u>District 26</u>								
Mecklenburg	3,153	2,329	5,482	2,111	3,371	+ 218	38.5%	65
<u>District 27</u>								
Cleveland	413	436	849	395	454	+ 41	46.5%	16
Gaston	941	726	1,667	603	1,064	+ 123	36.2%	70
Lincoln	224	242	466	219	247	+ 23	47.0%	13
District Totals	1,578	1,404	2,982	1,217	1,765	+ 187	40.8%	
<u>District 28</u>								
Buncombe	2,217	1,182	3,399	1,082	2,317	+ 100	31.8%	86
<u>District 29</u>								
Henderson	513	434	947	374	573	+ 60	39.5%	60
McDowell	175	147	322	103	219	+ 44	32.0%	85
Polk	179	146	325	140	185	+ 6	43.1%	29
Rutherford	361	331	692	280	412	+ 51	40.5%	52
Transylvania	251	141	392	131	261	+ 10	33.4%	79
District Totals	1,479	1,199	2,678	1,028	1,650	+ 171	38.4%	
<u>District 30</u>								
Cherokee	120	103	223	95	128	+ 8	42.6%	35
Clay	32	33	65	32	33	+ 1	49.2%	8
Graham	57	41	98	27	71	+ 14	27.6%	91
Haywood	358	284	642	257	385	+ 27	40.0%	34
Jackson	205	145	350	112	238	+ 33	32.0%	84
Macon	243	113	356	83	273	+ 30	23.3%	96
Swain	72	60	132	62	70	- 2	47.0%	14
District Totals	1,087	779	1,866	668	1,198	+ 111	35.8%	
STATE TOTALS	43,630	31,742	75,372	29,222	46,150	+2,520	38.8%	

**SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF
BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT**

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<u>District 1</u>	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Total Caseload	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pend- ing Cases	% of Dispo- sitions to Caseload	County Rank By % of Dispo- sitions to Caseload
Camden	17	15	32	17	15	- 2	53.1%	51
Chowan	72	39	111	49	62	- 10	44.1%	79
Currituck	37	67	104	54	50	+ 13	51.9%	56
Dare	67	78	145	68	77	+ 10	46.9%	66
Gates	44	23	67	35	32	- 12	52.2%	55
Pasquotank	76	91	167	105	62	- 14	62.9%	27
Perquimans	34	22	56	36	20	- 14	64.3%	21
District Totals	347	335	682	364	318	- 29	53.4%	
 <u>District 2</u>								
Beaufort	339	135	474	131	343	+ 4	27.6%	98
Hyde	33	42	75	52	23	- 10	69.3%	13
Martin	113	127	240	112	128	+ 15	46.7%	68
Tyrrell	16	12	28	13	15	- 1	46.4%	69
Washington	67	61	128	50	78	+ 11	39.1%	85
District Totals	568	377	945	358	587	+ 19	37.9%	
 <u>District 3</u>								
Carteret	219	159	378	179	199	- 20	47.4%	64
Craven	187	525	712	508	204	+ 17	71.3%	8
Pamlico	47	37	84	46	38	- 9	54.8%	46
Pitt	131	404	535	387	148	+ 17	72.3%	7
District Totals	584	1,125	1,709	1,120	589	+ 5	65.5%	
 <u>District 4</u>								
Duplin	419	242	661	403	258	- 161	61.0%	32
Jones	40	34	74	19	55	+ 15	25.7%	99
Onslow	302	364	666	313	353	+ 51	47.0%	65
Sampson	312	236	548	252	296	- 16	46.0%	71
District Totals	1,073	876	1,949	987	962	- 111	50.6%	
 <u>District 5</u>								
New Hanover	1,010	707	1,717	1,212	505	- 505	70.6%	10
Pender	244	128	372	130	242	- 2	34.9%	91
District Totals	1,254	835	2,089	1,342	747	- 507	64.2%	
 <u>District 6</u>								
Bertie	164	111	275	123	152	- 12	44.7%	76
Halifax	445	335	780	271	509	+ 64	34.7%	92
Hertford	105	90	195	99	96	- 9	50.8%	59
Northampton	85	99	184	82	102	+ 17	44.6%	77
District Totals	799	635	1,434	575	859	+ 60	40.1%	
 <u>District 7</u>								
Edgecombe	106	242	348	234	114	+ 8	67.2%	18
Nash	228	242	470	205	265	+ 37	43.6%	80
Wilson	358	228	586	199	387	+ 29	34.0%	94
District Totals	692	712	1,404	638	766	+ 74	45.4%	

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	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Total Caseload	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pend- ing Cases	% of Dispo- sitions to Caseload	County Rank By % of Dispo- sitions to Caseload
<u><i>District 8</i></u>								
Greene	69	77	146	86	60	- 9	58.9%	37
Lenoir	192	298	490	256	234	+ 42	52.2%	54
Wayne	270	557	827	563	264	- 6	68.1%	16
District Totals	531	932	1,463	905	558	+ 27	61.9%	
<u><i>District 9</i></u>								
Franklin	103	172	275	104	171	+ 68	37.8%	88
Granville	87	209	296	192	104	+ 17	64.9%	20
Person	194	164	358	217	141	- 53	60.6%	33
Vance	70	171	241	151	90	+ 20	62.7%	28
Warren	196	86	282	50	232	+ 36	17.7%	100
District Totals	650	802	1,452	714	738	+ 88	49.2%	
<u><i>District 10</i></u>								
Wake	584	1,048	1,632	892	740	+156	54.7%	48
<u><i>District 11</i></u>								
Harnett	337	249	586	173	413	+ 76	29.5%	96
Johnston	353	405	758	568	190	-163	74.9%	4
Lee	201	137	338	116	222	+ 21	34.3%	93
District Totals	891	791	1,682	857	825	- 66	51.0%	
<u><i>District 12</i></u>								
Cumberland	485	1,221	1,706	1,211	495	+ 10	71.0%	9
Hoke	57	86	143	82	61	+ 4	57.3%	40
District Totals	542	1,307	1,849	1,293	556	+ 14	69.9%	
<u><i>District 13</i></u>								
Bladen	119	102	221	85	136	+ 17	38.5%	86
Brunswick	155	209	364	154	210	+ 55	42.3%	82
Columbus	226	168	394	124	270	+ 44	31.5%	95
District Totals	500	479	979	363	616	+116	37.1%	
<u><i>District 14</i></u>								
Durham	582	682	1,264	529	735	+153	41.9%	84
<u><i>District 15A</i></u>								
Alamance	231	336	567	338	229	- 2	59.6%	35
<u><i>District 15B</i></u>								
Chatham	200	91	291	168	123	- 77	57.7%	39
Orange	193	500	693	424	269	+ 76	61.2%	30
District Totals	393	591	984	592	392	- 1	60.2%	
<u><i>District 16</i></u>								
Robeson	408	417	825	414	411	+ 3	50.2%	61
Scotland	96	107	203	99	104	+ 8	48.8%	63
District Totals	504	524	1,028	513	515	+ 11	49.9%	

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	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Total Caseload	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pend- ing Cases	% of Dispo- sitions to Caseload	County Rank By % of Dispo- sitions to Caseload
<u>District 17</u>								
Caswell	71	71	142	61	81	+ 10	43.0%	81
Rockingham	411	290	701	311	390	- 21	44.4%	78
Stokes	52	111	163	113	50	- 2	69.3%	14
Surry	139	267	406	260	146	+ 7	64.0%	22
District Totals	673	739	1,412	745	667	- 6	52.8%	
<u>District 18</u>								
Guilford	784	1,930	2,714	1,913	801	+ 17	70.5%	11
<u>District 19</u>								
Cabarrus	200	301	501	286	215	+ 15	57.1%	42
Montgomery	74	137	211	97	114	+ 40	46.0%	73
Randolph	285	308	593	321	272	- 13	54.1%	49
Rowan	154	793	947	728	219	+ 65	76.9%	3
District Totals	713	1,539	2,252	1,432	820	+107	63.6%	
<u>District 20</u>								
Anson	237	76	313	141	172	- 65	45.0%	75
Moore	147	234	381	194	187	+ 40	50.9%	58
Richmond	312	193	505	149	356	+ 44	29.5%	97
Stanly	220	185	405	154	251	+ 31	38.0%	87
Union	130	217	347	222	125	- 5	64.0%	23
District Totals	1,046	905	1,951	860	1,091	+ 45	44.1%	
<u>District 21</u>								
Forsyth	287	948	1,235	956	279	- 8	77.4%	2
<u>District 22</u>								
Alexander	91	102	193	136	57	- 34	70.5%	12
Davidson	207	296	503	288	215	+ 8	57.3%	41
Davie	51	99	150	76	74	+ 23	50.7%	60
Iredell	113	388	501	265	236	+123	52.9%	53
District Totals	462	885	1,347	765	582	+120	56.8%	
<u>District 23</u>								
Alleghany	29	37	66	34	32	+ 3	51.5%	57
Ashe	35	116	151	103	48	+ 13	68.2%	15
Wilkes	202	366	568	347	221	+ 19	61.1%	31
Yadkin	92	76	168	89	79	- 13	53.0%	52
District Totals	358	595	953	573	380	+ 22	60.1%	
<u>District 24</u>								
Avery	63	115	178	101	77	+ 14	56.7%	43
Madison	73	53	126	58	68	- 5	46.0%	70
Mitchell	45	57	102	43	59	+ 14	42.2%	83
Watauga	94	128	222	110	112	+ 18	49.5%	62
Yancey	32	47	79	37	42	+ 10	46.8%	6
District Totals	307	400	707	349	358	+ 51	49.4%	

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<u>District 25</u>								
Burke	234	396	630	461	169	- 65	73.2%	6
Caldwell	356	255	611	227	384	+ 28	37.2%	90
Catawba	300	404	704	443	261	- 39	62.9%	26
District Totals	890	1,055	1,945	1,131	814	- 76	58.1%	
<u>District 26</u>								
Mecklenburg	1,152	1,968	3,120	1,871	1,249	+ 97	60.0%	34
<u>District 27</u>								
Cleveland	217	310	527	390	137	- 80	74.0%	5
Gaston	808	992	1,800	1,014	786	- 22	56.3%	44
Lincoln	63	257	320	256	64	+ 1	80.0%	1
District Totals	1,088	1,559	2,647	1,660	987	-101	62.7%	
<u>District 28</u>								
Buncombe	520	780	1,300	727	573	+ 53	55.9%	45
<u>District 29</u>								
Henderson	391	247	638	349	289	-102	54.7%	47
McDowell	184	181	365	232	133	- 51	63.6%	24
Polk	21	77	98	62	36	+ 15	63.3%	25
Rutherford	145	203	348	160	188	+ 43	46.0%	72
Transylvania	64	138	202	109	93	+ 29	54.0%	50
District Totals	805	846	1,651	912	739	- 66	55.2%	
<u>District 30</u>								
Cherokee	30	63	93	63	30	0	67.7%	17
Clay	16	30	46	27	19	+ 3	58.7%	38
Graham	8	27	35	23	12	+ 4	65.7%	19
Haywood	196	191	387	241	146	- 50	62.3%	29
Jackson	113	152	265	121	144	+ 31	45.7%	74
Macon	115	109	224	84	140	+ 25	37.5%	89
Swain	45	48	93	55	38	- 7	59.1%	36
District Totals	523	620	1,143	614	529	+ 6	53.7%	
STATE TOTALS	20,333	27,156	47,489	26,888	20,601	+268	56.6%	

SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL DOCKETS

Criminal case activity in the superior courts is depicted in two following graphs which show the numbers of cases added and disposed of during the years, 1973-1977, and the numbers of cases pending at the end of each of these years. For the second year in a row the number of cases filed during the year was less than the number filed during the previous year: 51,264 cases were filed in 1977, compared to 52,547 filed during 1976, a decrease of 2.4%. The decline in criminal case filings during 1977, as compared with 1976, is explained by a reduction in the number of misdemeanor cases appealed from district courts to the superior courts during 1977. The decrease in these misdemeanor appeals to the superior courts more than off-set an approximate 2% (574 cases) increase in the number of felony filings during 1977. Dispositions of criminal cases increased slightly: 49,987 cases disposed of in 1977, compared to 49,398 during 1976. There was a significant increase in the number of cases pending at the end of the year: 19,708 on December 31, 1977, compared with 18,431 on December 31, 1976 — an increase of 6.9%.

The distribution of pending cases among the counties over the past five years along with a listing of the ten counties with the largest numbers of cases pending at the end of 1977 is shown in the following tables.

During 1977, 6% of the criminal cases tried in the district courts were appealed to the superior courts, compared with 6.5% appealed in 1976. Appeals from district courts constituted 42.3% of all superior court criminal filings during 1977, compared with 44.7% in 1976.

Information on criminal case activity, by county and judicial district, is presented in a series of tables showing: (1) felony cases pending, filed, and disposed of; (2) misdemeanor cases pending, filed and disposed of; (3) ratios of dispositions to total caseload and of pending cases to dispositions; (4) time from filing to disposition of the felony cases disposed of during 1977; (5) the ages of felony cases pending at the end of the year; (6) time from filing to disposition of misdemeanor cases disposed of during the year; (7) ages of misdemeanor cases pending at the end of the year; and (8) utilization of superior court criminal sessions.

The data in the tables relating to the time from filing to disposition and to the ages of pending cases is particularly relevant to the matter of "speedy trials" and the time standards for speedy trials which were enacted in the 1977 General Assembly. For cases filed on and after October 1, 1978, the statutes now mandate disposition within 120 days of filing, and for cases filed on and after October 1, 1980, the statutes specify disposition within 90 days of filing. Certain periods of delay are excluded, such as time required for physical or mental examination of a defendant; for other trials involving the defendant; for interlocutory appeals; for hearings on motions; for delay caused by the defendant; delay agreed to by defendant and prosecutor; and delay granted by the trial judge for good cause. If a defendant is not brought to trial within the time limits specified by statute or as otherwise prescribed by the trial judge, the criminal charge is required to be dismissed on motion of the defendant.

A total of 28,819 felony cases were disposed of by the superior courts during 1977. Of this number, 56.7% (16,323 cases) were disposed of within 90 days of filing; 78.5% (22,615 cases) within 180 days of filing; and 21.5% were disposed of more than six months after filing.

A total of 11,373 felony cases were pending in the superior courts on December 31, 1977. Of this number, 47.6% (5,421 cases) had been pending for 90 days or less; and 15.7% (1,794 cases) had been pending for one year or more.

It is obvious that a substantial number of felony cases on which action was completed during 1977 required more than 120 days for disposition, and the table on ages of pending felony cases reveals a substantial number which have been pending for more than six months, and for more than a year. The question might be asked, what conclusions can one draw from the 1977 statistics regarding the likely response of the superior courts to the 120-day standard which becomes effective October 1, 1978? No clear-cut answer can be given to this question. The speedy trial statute does not mandate the 120-day standard for all criminal cases irrespective of individual case circumstances. Clearly, many criminal cases will be delayed for good cause, as recognized by the speedy trial statute. This means that the 120-day period will be exceeded in many cases but there will still be full compliance with the provisions of the speedy trial statute. The available 1977 statistics do not tell us whether the implementation of the speedy trial statute will impose any serious strain on available court resources for the handling of criminal cases. (In any event, this would not seem to be the case insofar as judge resource is concerned as eleven additional superior court judges were authorized by the 1977 General Assembly.)

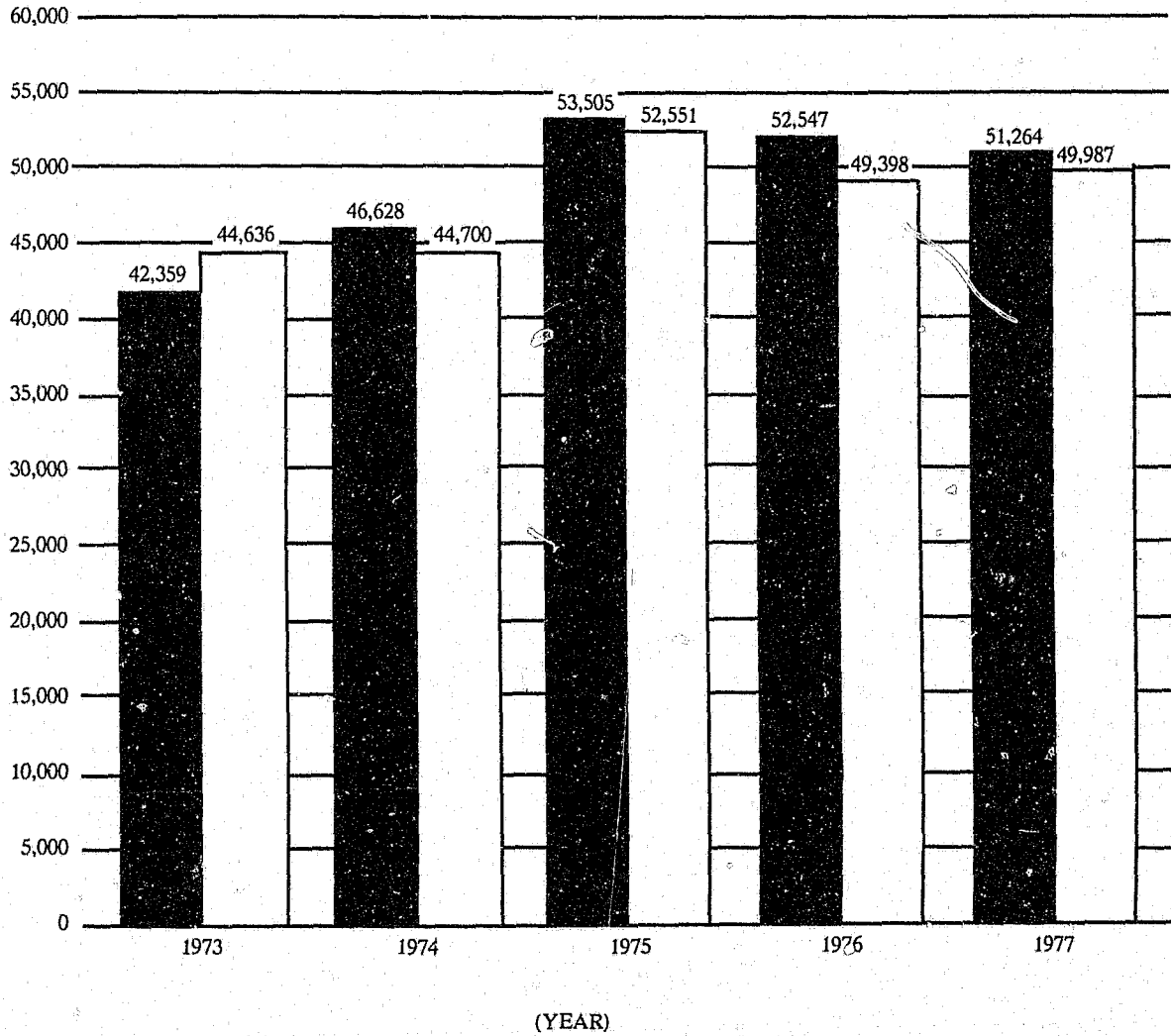
The 1977 data shows an improvement in the ages of felony cases pending at the end of the year, compared with the situation at the end of 1976: 15.7% of the cases were one year or more old at the end of 1977, whereas 18.3% were one year or more old at the end of 1976.

A similar improvement was not evident for misdemeanor cases: 13.9% of the misdemeanor cases pending at the end of 1977 were one year or more old, whereas only 12.7% of the misdemeanor cases pending at the end of 1976 were one year or more old.

CRIMINAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

(For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



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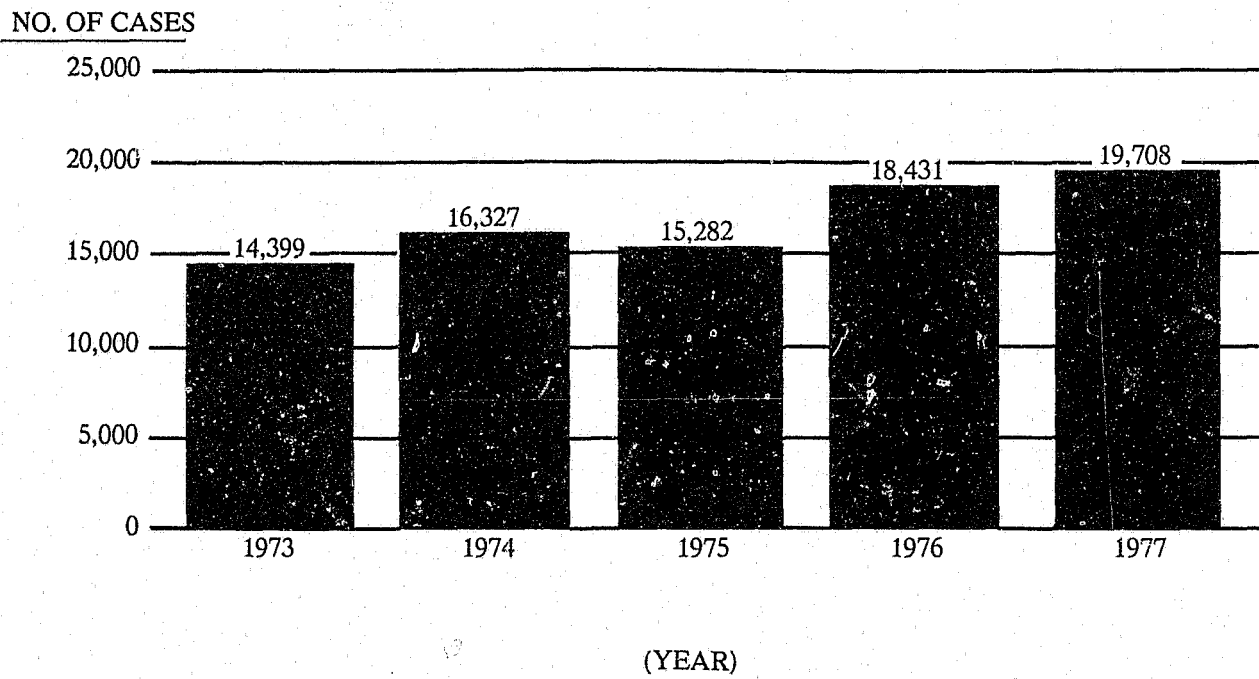


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CRIMINAL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

(For Years, 1973-1977)



**DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CRIMINAL CASES
AMONG THE COUNTIES**

(Superior Courts)

Number of Cases	Less than 50	50-100	101-200	201-500	Over 500
Number of Counties & Year: 1973	27	27	26	16	4
1974	25	27	23	18	7
1975	23	23	31	15	8
1976	23	18	31	20	8
1977	20	23	29	23	5

**TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CRIMINAL DOCKETS
PENDING AT YEAR END**

County	Pending 1/1/77	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12/31/77	Ratio (%) of Dispositions to Filings
*Guilford	1,075	3,492	2,772	1,795	79.4%
*Mecklenburg	2,123	2,998	3,507	1,614	117.0%
*Wake	687	2,778	2,159	1,306	77.7%
*Cumberland	660	1,442	1,439	663	100.0%
*Robeson	407	984	883	508	89.7%
Gaston	171	1,469	1,152	488	78.4%
New Hanover	296	1,763	1,618	441	91.8%
*Alamance	413	854	832	435	97.4%
*Catawba	590	1,207	1,375	422	113.9%
Pitt	237	1,116	942	411	84.4%
STATE MEAN	184	513	500	197	97.5%

*Counties that were listed in this table in the 1976 Annual Report.

**PERCENT OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED IN THE DISTRICT COURT WHICH WERE
APPEALED TO THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR TRIAL DE NOVO IN 1977**

Total number of cases tried in the District Court	361,664
(Includes only cases actually tried; excludes cases disposed of by waiver, preliminary hearing, dismissal or otherwise.)	
Total number of cases appealed from the District Court for trial <i>de novo</i> in the Superior Court	21,680
Percent of cases tried in the District Court which were appealed to the Superior Court for trial <i>de novo</i>	6.0%

**PERCENT OF SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL FILINGS WHICH ARE CASES
APPEALED FROM THE DISTRICT COURT FOR TRIAL DE NOVO**

Total number of cases filed in Superior Court within its original jurisdiction	29,584
Total number of cases filed in Superior Court upon appeal from District Court for trial <i>de novo</i>	21,680
Total number of cases filed in Superior Court	51,264
Percent of Superior Court filings consisting of cases appealed from District Court for trial <i>de novo</i>	42.3%

**FELONY CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS**

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	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed 1977	Total Caseload 1977	Cases Disposed of, 1977			Total Dispositions	Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				By Jury	By Plea	Other			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	5	22	27	0	12	7	19	8	+ 3
Chowan	18	72	90	9	48	21	78	12	- 6
Currituck	8	22	30	3	9	9	21	9	+ 1
Dare	13	74	87	4	33	22	59	28	+ 15
Gates	9	2	11	2	4	5	11	0	- 9
Pasquotank	21	165	186	15	94	39	148	38	+ 17
Perquimans	9	37	46	9	14	16	39	7	- 2
District Totals	83	394	477	42	214	119	375	102	+ 19
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	55	287	342	52	150	57	259	83	+ 28
Hyde	8	9	17	1	8	5	14	3	- 5
Martin	83	131	214	7	102	52	161	53	- 30
Tyrrell	0	9	9	1	4	0	5	4	+ 4
Washington	21	50	71	8	37	14	59	12	- 9
District Totals	167	486	653	69	301	128	498	155	- 12
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	105	306	411	18	89	131	238	173	+ 68
Craven	112	356	468	17	203	146	366	102	- 10
Pamlico	16	38	54	1	14	18	33	21	+ 5
Pitt	165	651	816	38	319	195	552	264	+ 99
District Totals	398	1,351	1,749	74	625	490	1,189	560	+162
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	53	57	110	25	34	20	79	31	- 22
Jones	0	14	14	1	5	2	8	6	+ 6
Onslow	138	1,232	1,370	71	577	530	1,178	192	+ 54
Sampson	57	237	294	15	174	91	280	14	- 43
District Totals	248	1,540	1,788	112	790	643	1,545	243	- 5
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	205	1,202	1,407	146	534	469	1,149	258	+ 53
Pender	57	136	193	5	68	56	129	64	+ 7
District Totals	262	1,338	1,600	151	602	525	1,278	322	+ 60
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	16	63	79	2	27	40	69	10	- 6
Halifax	62	203	265	14	101	112	227	38	- 24
Hertford	37	192	229	3	52	50	105	124	+ 87
Northampton	6	45	51	5	14	12	31	20	+ 14
District Totals	121	503	624	24	194	214	432	192	+ 71
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	85	237	322	14	164	38	216	106	+ 21
Nash	115	365	480	8	248	104	360	120	+ 5
Wilson	162	357	519	35	201	109	345	174	+ 12
District Totals	362	959	1,321	57	613	251	921	400	+ 38

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				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	15	86	101	3	38	40	81	20	+ 5
Lenoir	86	377	463	25	143	182	350	113	+ 27
Wayne	88	369	457	53	146	206	405	52	- 36
District Totals	189	832	1,021	81	327	428	836	185	- 4
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	3	49	52	2	19	18	39	13	+ 10
Granville	106	133	239	6	56	90	152	87	- 19
Person	117	166	283	21	80	131	232	51	- 66
Vance	88	268	356	30	171	140	341	15	- 73
Warren	63	114	177	2	52	56	110	67	+ 4
District Totals	377	730	1,107	61	378	435	874	233	-144
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	420	1,762	2,182	134	712	553	1,399	783	+363
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	70	113	183	17	63	55	135	48	- 22
Johnston	95	242	337	65	73	105	243	94	- 1
Lee	24	110	134	9	84	20	113	21	- 3
District Totals	189	465	654	91	220	180	491	163	- 26
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	478	855	1,333	75	332	543	950	383	- 95
Hoke	12	16	28	2	4	6	12	16	+ 4
District Totals	490	871	1,361	77	336	549	962	399	- 91
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	31	87	118	14	42	30	86	32	+ 1
Brunswick	40	139	179	18	80	45	143	36	- 4
Columbus	150	153	303	32	136	67	235	68	- 82
District Totals	221	379	600	64	258	142	464	136	- 85
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	187	918	1,105	100	467	369	936	169	- 18
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	282	479	761	71	177	196	444	317	+ 35
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	81	37	118	5	12	57	74	44	- 37
Orange	201	276	477	15	147	220	382	95	-106
District Totals	282	313	595	20	159	277	456	139	-143
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	284	657	941	42	435	118	595	346	+ 62
Scotland	164	29	193	4	70	23	97	96	- 68
District Totals	448	686	1,134	46	505	141	692	442	- 6

**FELONY CASES PENDING, ADDED, AND DISPOSED OF IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS**

JANUARY 1, 1977 -- DECEMBER 31, 1977

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				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 17</u>									
Caswell	22	75	97	10	33	12	55	42	+ 20
Rockingham	277	587	864	41	489	132	662	202	- 75
Stokes	54	98	152	17	62	5	84	68	+ 14
Surry	100	240	340	24	116	62	202	138	+ 38
District Totals	453	1,000	1,453	92	700	211	1,003	450	- 3
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford									
Greensboro	480	1,880	2,360	72	938	497	1,507	853	+373
High Point	223	493	716	31	315	135	481	235	+ 12
District Totals	703	2,373	3,076	103	1,253	632	1,988	1,088	+385
<u>District 19</u>									
Cabarrus	195	398	593	34	321	187	542	51	-144
Montgomery	35	146	181	2	60	25	87	94	+ 59
Randolph	234	239	473	27	174	122	323	150	- 84
Rowan	173	581	754	19	317	245	581	173	0
District Totals	637	1,364	2,001	82	872	579	1,533	468	-169
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	64	231	295	13	106	97	216	79	+ 15
Moore	99	330	429	31	127	124	282	147	+ 48
Richmond	80	263	343	20	135	103	258	95	+ 5
Stanly	99	169	268	32	49	86	167	101	+ 2
Union	41	325	366	22	144	139	305	61	+ 20
District Totals	383	1,318	1,701	118	561	549	1,228	473	+ 90
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	164	1,125	1,289	39	793	217	1,049	240	+ 76
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	31	12	43	2	28	9	39	4	- 27
Davidson	49	30	79	8	18	36	62	17	- 32
Davie	28	74	102	3	41	25	69	33	+ 5
Iredell	107	365	472	42	155	160	357	115	+ 8
District Totals	215	481	696	55	242	230	527	169	- 46
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	4	2	6	0	3	1	4	2	- 2
Ashe	7	72	79	1	41	6	48	31	+ 24
Wilkes	93	268	361	42	171	61	274	87	- 6
Yadkin	79	71	150	12	85	25	122	28	- 51
District Totals	183	413	596	55	300	93	448	148	- 35
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	38	78	116	2	11	24	37	79	+ 41
Madison	23	36	59	5	14	18	37	22	- 1
Mitchell	35	46	81	8	16	34	58	23	- 12
Watauga	39	55	94	11	16	26	53	41	+ 2
Yancey	7	45	52	15	16	7	38	14	+ 7
District Totals	142	260	402	41	73	109	223	179	+ 37

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	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed 1977	Total Caseload 1977	Cases Disposed of, 1977				Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	94	218	312	24	103	98	225	87	- 7
Caldwell	70	269	339	27	120	77	224	115	+ 45
Catawba	350	678	1,028	48	455	280	783	245	-105
District Totals	514	1,165	1,679	99	678	455	1,232	447	- 67
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,528	2,140	3,668	177	1,042	1,224	2,443	1,225	-303
<u>District 27</u>									
Cleveland	116	442	558	49	290	124	463	95	- 21
Gaston	106	1,038	1,144	104	436	244	784	360	+254
Lincoln	54	220	274	21	138	69	228	46	- 8
District Totals	276	1,700	1,976	174	864	437	1,475	501	+225
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	76	721	797	51	363	156	570	227	+151
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	108	260	368	24	98	87	209	159	+ 51
McDowell	65	161	226	37	42	60	139	87	+ 22
Polk	31	55	86	4	16	29	49	37	+ 6
Rutherford	165	242	407	31	92	137	260	147	- 18
Transylvania	41	92	133	13	28	33	74	59	+ 18
District Totals	410	810	1,220	109	276	346	731	489	+ 79
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	14	148	162	1	35	76	112	50	+ 36
Clay	5	25	30	3	13	8	24	6	+ 1
Graham	11	38	49	0	13	20	33	16	+ 5
Haywood	50	280	330	3	79	94	176	154	+104
Jackson	48	108	156	1	35	67	103	53	+ 5
Macon	12	71	83	0	33	21	54	29	+ 17
Swain	58	38	96	7	24	44	75	21	- 37
District Totals	198	708	906	15	232	330	577	329	+131
STATE TOTALS	10,608	29,584	40,192	2,484	15,127	11,208	28,819	11,373	+765

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<u>District 1</u>	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed 1977	Total Caseload 1977	Cases Disposed of, 1977				Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases
				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
Camden	32	47	79	7	39	20	66	13	- 19
Chowan	35	181	216	5	78	99	182	34	- 1'
Currituck	31	229	260	24	131	48	203	57	+ 26
Dare	62	266	328	22	95	140	257	71	+ 9
Gates	6	67	73	8	51	5	64	9	+ 3
Pasquotank	110	373	483	28	161	199	388	95	- 15
Perquimans	23	89	112	4	33	44	81	31	+ 8
District Totals	299	1,252	1,551	98	588	555	1,241	310	+ 11
 <u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	65	163	228	34	79	67	180	48	- 17
Hyde	17	43	60	6	15	14	35	25	+ 8
Martin	39	87	126	13	41	34	88	38	- 1
Tyrrell	16	28	44	3	13	11	27	17	+ 1
Washington	7	67	74	8	31	19	58	16	+ 9
District Totals	144	388	532	64	179	145	388	144	0
 <u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	51	159	210	16	55	65	136	74	+ 23
Craven	69	261	330	24	149	111	284	46	- 23
Pamlico	45	39	84	1	33	27	61	23	- 22
Pitt	72	465	537	28	211	151	390	147	+ 75
District Totals	237	924	1,161	69	448	354	871	290	+ 53
 <u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	10	41	51	1	22	4	27	24	+ 14
Jones	0	16	16	2	3	3	8	8	+ 8
Onslow	22	222	244	16	102	94	212	32	+ 10
Sampson	26	218	244	25	107	62	194	50	+ 24
District Totals	58	497	555	44	234	163	441	114	+ 56
 <u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	91	561	652	59	234	176	469	183	+ 92
Pender	23	116	139	14	39	37	90	49	+ 26
District Totals	114	677	791	73	273	213	559	232	+118
 <u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	22	90	112	12	25	23	60	52	+ 30
Halifax	41	141	182	3	81	64	148	34	- 7
Hertford	27	78	105	1	29	19	49	56	+ 29
Northampton	17	53	70	7	25	15	47	23	+ 6
District Totals	107	362	469	23	160	121	304	165	+ 58
 <u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	51	313	364	14	188	85	287	77	+ 26
Nash	79	534	613	9	312	134	455	158	+ 79
Wilson	89	278	367	26	146	107	279	88	- 1
District Totals	219	1,125	1,344	49	646	326	1,021	323	+104

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				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
Greene	19	62	81	5	30	31	66	15	- 4
Lenoir	61	388	449	23	142	244	409	40	- 21
Wayne	68	265	333	40	100	144	284	49	- 19
District Totals	148	715	863	68	272	419	759	104	- 44
District 9									
Franklin	273	387	660	24	225	181	430	230	- 43
Granville	127	158	285	5	63	79	147	138	+ 11
Person	185	166	351	16	126	131	273	78	-107
Vance	166	192	358	58	70	52	180	178	+ 12
Warren	39	63	102	3	35	35	73	29	- 10
District Totals	790	966	1,756	106	519	478	1,103	653	-137
District 10									
Wake	267	1,016	1,283	90	359	311	760	523	+256
District 11									
Harnett	8	39	47	8	9	15	32	15	+ 7
Johnston	17	106	123	29	29	43	101	22	+ 5
Lee	20	56	76	14	26	20	60	16	- 4
District Totals	45	201	246	51	64	78	193	53	+ 8
District 12									
Cumberland	182	587	769	42	230	217	489	280	+ 98
Hoke	21	164	185	14	58	36	108	77	+ 56
District Totals	203	751	954	56	288	253	597	357	+154
District 13									
Bladen	63	87	150	19	52	28	99	51	- 12
Brunswick	51	110	161	13	50	64	127	34	- 17
Columbus	130	214	344	46	74	131	251	93	- 37
District Totals	244	411	655	78	176	223	477	178	- 66
District 14									
Durham	29	306	335	25	96	63	184	151	+122
District 15A									
Alamance	131	375	506	51	214	123	388	118	- 13
District 15B									
Chatham	50	139	189	13	60	63	136	53	+ 3
Orange	52	123	175	7	57	72	136	39	- 13
District Totals	102	262	364	20	117	135	272	92	- 10
District 16									
Robeson	123	327	450	14	127	147	288	162	+ 39
Scotland	1	40	41	4	18	14	36	5	+ 4
District Totals	124	367	491	18	145	161	324	167	+ 43

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				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u>District 17</u>									
Caswell	25	50	75	5	23	37	65	10	- 15
Rockingham	236	461	697	12	301	266	579	118	-118
Stokes	101	121	222	21	62	61	144	78	- 23
Surry	143	371	514	18	80	190	288	226	+ 83
District Totals	505	1,003	1,508	56	466	554	1,076	432	- 73
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford									
Greensboro	215	946	1,161	26	292	286	604	557	+342
High Point	157	173	330	7	84	89	180	150	- 7
District Totals	372	1,119	1,491	33	376	375	784	707	+335
<u>District 19</u>									
Cabarrus	311	545	856	41	349	371	761	95	-216
Montgomery	91	83	174	7	66	45	118	56	- 35
Randolph	322	386	708	32	205	220	457	251	- 71
Rowan	208	400	608	33	211	246	490	118	- 90
District Totals	932	1,414	2,346	113	831	882	1,826	520	-412
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	26	123	149	6	49	62	117	32	+ 6
Moore	35	147	182	2	47	71	120	62	+ 27
Richmond	64	227	291	18	109	98	225	66	+ 2
Stanly	64	164	228	47	51	51	149	79	+ 15
Union	62	225	287	14	83	137	234	53	- 9
District Totals	251	886	1,137	87	339	419	845	292	+ 41
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	131	1,036	1,167	22	579	399	1,000	167	+ 36
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	39	202	241	4	88	80	172	69	+ 30
Davidson	150	738	888	64	279	352	695	193	+ 43
Davie	42	110	152	14	42	59	115	37	- 5
Iredell	78	327	405	44	154	149	347	58	- 20
District Totals	309	1,377	1,686	126	563	640	1,329	357	+ 48
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	23	31	54	4	18	7	29	25	+ 2
Ashe	30	65	95	1	39	17	57	38	+ 8
Wilkes	91	181	272	19	95	60	174	98	+ 7
Yadkin	25	86	111	13	21	23	57	54	+ 29
District Totals	169	363	532	37	173	107	317	215	+ 46

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				By Jury	By Plea	Other	Total Dispositions		
<u><i>District 24</i></u>									
Avery	20	27	47	3	4	9	16	31	+ 11
Madison	23	28	51	8	13	16	37	14	- 9
Mitchell	8	20	28	0	5	8	13	15	+ 7
Watauga	14	77	91	4	5	13	22	69	+ 55
Yancey	0	20	20	1	6	3	10	10	+ 10
District Totals	65	172	237	16	33	49	98	139	+ 74
<u><i>District 25</i></u>									
Burke	101	207	308	16	50	148	214	94	- 7
Caldwell	96	203	299	29	89	105	223	76	- 20
Catawba	240	529	769	40	241	311	592	177	- 63
District Totals	437	939	1,376	85	380	564	1,029	347	- 90
<u><i>District 26</i></u>									
Mecklenburg	595	858	1,453	46	588	430	1,064	389	-206
<u><i>District 27</i></u>									
Cleveland	62	217	279	28	98	117	243	36	- 26
Gaston	65	431	496	63	150	155	368	128	+ 63
Lincoln	16	110	126	16	44	25	85	41	+ 25
District Totals	143	758	901	107	292	297	696	205	+ 62
<u><i>District 28</i></u>									
Buncombe	149	416	565	68	218	208	494	71	- 78
<u><i>District 29</i></u>									
Henderson	84	82	166	6	43	29	78	88	+ 4
McDowell	37	81	118	10	23	46	79	39	+ 2
Polk	13	42	55	3	10	22	35	20	+ 7
Rutherford	142	157	299	22	65	116	203	96	- 46
Transylvania	10	44	54	16	5	9	30	24	+ 14
District Totals	286	406	692	57	146	222	425	267	+ 19
<u><i>District 30</i></u>									
Cherokee	33	36	69	4	22	21	47	22	- 11
Clay	5	11	16	0	8	2	10	6	+ 1
Graham	14	29	43	1	10	7	18	25	+ 11
Haywood	103	147	250	2	39	73	114	136	+ 33
Jackson	48	37	85	4	21	31	56	29	- 19
Macon	11	46	57	1	26	12	39	18	+ 7
Swain	4	32	36	0	16	3	19	17	+ 13
District Totals	218	338	556	12	142	149	303	253	+ 35
STATE TOTALS	7,823	21,680	29,503	1,848	9,904	9,416	21,168	8,335	+512

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<u>District 1</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Camden	106	85	80.2%	21	85	24.7%	17
Chowan	306	260	85.0%	46	260	17.7%	6
Currituck	290	224	77.2%	66	224	29.5%	29
Dare	415	316	76.1%	99	316	31.3%	33
Gates	84	75	89.3%	9	75	12.0%	2
Pasquotank	669	536	80.1%	133	536	24.8%	18
Perquimans	158	120	75.9%	38	120	31.7%	34
District Totals	2,028	1,616	79.7%	412	1,616	25.5%	
<u>District 2</u>							
Beaufort	570	439	77.0%	131	439	29.8%	30
Hyde	77	49	63.6%	28	49	57.1%	77
Martin	340	249	73.2%	91	249	36.5%	42
Tyrrell	53	32	60.4%	21	32	65.6%	83
Washington	145	117	80.7%	28	117	23.9%	15
District Totals	1,185	886	74.8%	299	886	33.7%	
<u>District 3</u>							
Carteret	621	374	60.2%	247	374	66.0%	85
Craven	798	650	81.5%	148	650	22.8%	13
Pamlico	138	94	68.1%	44	94	46.8%	60
Pitt	1,353	942	69.6%	411	942	43.6%	53
District Totals	2,910	2,060	70.8%	850	2,060	41.3%	
<u>District 4</u>							
Duplin	161	106	65.8%	55	106	51.9%	69
Jones	30	16	53.3%	14	16	87.5%	96
Onslow	1,614	1,390	86.1%	224	1,390	16.1%	5
Sampson	538	474	88.1%	64	474	13.5%	3
District Totals	2,343	1,986	84.8%	357	1,986	18.0%	
<u>District 5</u>							
New Hanover	2,059	1,618	78.6%	441	1,618	27.3%	24
Pender	332	219	66.0%	113	219	51.6%	67
District Totals	2,391	1,837	76.8%	554	1,837	30.2%	
<u>District 6</u>							
Bertie	191	129	67.5%	62	129	48.1%	61
Halifax	447	375	83.9%	72	375	19.2%	8
Hertford	334	154	46.1%	180	154	116.9%	98
Northampton	121	78	64.5%	43	78	55.1%	75
District Totals	1,093	736	67.3%	357	736	48.5%	
<u>District 7</u>							
Edgecombe	686	503	73.3%	183	503	36.4%	41
Nash	1,093	815	74.6%	278	815	34.1%	38
Wilson	886	624	70.4%	262	624	42.0%	49
District Totals	2,665	1,942	72.9%	723	1,942	37.2%	

* Total caseload, reported in the first column, is the number of cases pending on January 1, 1977 plus the number filed during 1977.

The county ranking, reported in the last column, is for *both* ratios reported in this table, and each county's rank is the same for both ratios. The county ranked "1" had the highest percentage of cases disposed to total caseload and the lowest percentage of pending cases to dispositions during 1977, etc.

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<u>District 8</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Greene	182	147	80.8%	35	147	23.8%	14
Lenoir	912	759	83.2%	153	759	20.2%	10
Wayne	790	689	87.2%	101	689	14.7%	4
District Totals	1,884	1,595	84.7%	289	1,595	18.1%	
<u>District 9</u>							
Franklin	712	469	65.9%	243	469	51.8%	68
Granville	524	299	57.1%	225	299	75.3%	89
Person	634	505	79.7%	129	505	25.5%	19
Vance	714	521	73.0%	193	521	37.0%	43
Warren	279	183	65.6%	96	183	52.5%	72
District Totals	2,863	1,977	69.1%	886	1,977	44.8%	
<u>District 10</u>							
Wake	3,465	2,159	62.3%	1,306	2,159	60.5%	80
<u>District 11</u>							
Harnett	230	167	72.6%	63	167	37.7%	44
Johnston	460	344	74.8%	116	344	33.7%	37
Lee	210	173	82.4%	37	173	21.4%	12
District Totals	900	684	76.0%	216	684	31.6%	
<u>District 12</u>							
Cumberland	2,102	1,439	68.5%	663	1,439	46.1%	58
Hoke	213	120	56.3%	93	120	77.5%	91
District Totals	2,315	1,559	67.3%	756	1,559	48.5%	
<u>District 13</u>							
Bladen	268	185	69.0%	83	185	44.9%	54
Brunswick	340	270	79.4%	70	270	25.9%	22
Columbus	647	486	75.1%	161	486	33.1%	35
District Totals	1,255	941	75.0%	314	941	33.4%	
<u>District 14</u>							
Durham	1,440	1,120	77.8%	320	1,120	28.6%	28
<u>District 15A</u>							
Alamance	1,267	832	65.7%	435	832	52.3%	71
<u>District 15B</u>							
Chatham	307	210	68.4%	97	210	46.2%	59
Orange	652	518	79.4%	134	518	25.9%	21
District Totals	959	728	75.9%	231	728	31.7%	
<u>District 16</u>							
Robeson	1,391	883	63.5%	508	883	57.5%	78
Scotland	234	133	56.8%	101	133	75.9%	90
District Totals	1,625	1,016	62.5%	609	1,016	59.9%	

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<u>District 17</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Caswell	172	120	69.8%	52	120	43.3%	52
Rockingham	1,561	1,241	79.5%	320	1,241	25.8%	20
Stokes	374	228	61.0%	146	228	64.0%	81
Surry	854	490	57.4%	364	490	74.3%	88
District Totals	2,961	2,079	70.2%	882	2,079	42.4%	
<u>District 18</u>							
Guilford							
Greensboro	3,521	2,111	60.0%	1,410	2,111	66.8%	
High Point	1,046	661	63.2%	385	661	58.2%	
District Totals	4,567	2,772	60.7%	1,795	2,772	64.8%	82
<u>District 19</u>							
Cabarrus	1,449	1,303	89.9%	146	1,303	11.2%	1
Montgomery	355	205	57.7%	150	205	73.2%	87
Randolph	1,181	780	66.0%	401	780	51.4%	65
Rowan	1,362	1,071	78.6%	291	1,071	27.2%	23
District Totals	4,347	3,359	77.3%	988	3,359	29.4%	
<u>District 20</u>							
Anson	444	333	75.0%	111	333	33.3%	36
Moore	611	402	65.8%	209	402	52.0%	70
Richmond	634	483	76.2%	151	483	31.3%	32
Stanly	496	316	63.7%	180	316	57.0%	76
Union	653	539	82.5%	114	539	21.2%	11
District Totals	2,838	2,073	73.0%	765	2,073	36.9%	
<u>District 21</u>							
Forsyth	2,456	2,049	83.4%	407	2,049	19.9%	9
<u>District 22</u>							
Alexander	284	211	74.3%	73	211	34.6%	39
Davidson	967	757	78.2%	210	757	27.7%	25
Davie	254	184	72.4%	70	184	38.0%	45
Iredell	877	704	80.3%	173	704	24.6%	16
District Totals	2,382	1,856	77.9%	526	1,856	28.3%	
<u>District 23</u>							
Alleghany	60	33	55.0%	27	33	81.8%	94
Ashe	174	105	60.3%	69	105	65.7%	84
Wilkes	633	448	70.8%	185	448	41.3%	48
Yadkin	261	179	68.6%	82	179	45.8%	56
District Totals	1,128	765	67.8%	363	765	47.5%	
<u>District 24</u>							
Avery	163	53	32.5%	110	53	207.5%	100
Madison	110	74	67.3%	36	74	48.6%	62
Mitchell	109	71	65.1%	38	71	53.5%	74
Watauga	185	75	40.5%	110	75	146.7%	99
Yancey	72	48	66.7%	24	48	50.0%	63
District Totals	639	321	50.2%	318	321	99.1%	

**RATIOS OF SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL DISPOSITIONS TO TOTAL CASELOAD, AND RATIOS
OF CASES PENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1977 TO CASES DISPOSED OF DURING 1977***

<u>District 25</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Burke	620	439	70.8%	181	439	41.2%	47
Caldwell	638	447	70.1%	191	447	42.7%	51
Catawba	1,797	1,375	76.5%	422	1,375	30.7%	31
District Totals	3,055	2,261	74.0%	794	2,261	35.1%	
 <u>District 26</u>							
Mecklenburg	5,121	3,507	68.5%	1,614	3,507	46.0%	57
 <u>District 27</u>							
Cleveland	837	706	84.3%	131	706	18.6%	7
Gaston	1,640	1,152	70.2%	488	1,152	42.4%	50
Lincoln	400	313	78.3%	87	313	27.8%	26
District Totals	2,877	2,171	75.5%	706	2,171	32.5%	
 <u>District 28</u>							
Buncombe	1,362	1,064	78.1%	298	1,064	28.0%	27
 <u>District 29</u>							
Henderson	534	287	53.7%	247	287	86.1%	95
McDowell	344	218	63.4%	126	218	57.8%	79
Polk	141	84	59.6%	57	84	67.9%	86
Rutherford	706	463	65.6%	243	463	52.5%	73
Transylvania	187	104	55.6%	83	104	79.8%	92
District Totals	1,912	1,156	60.5%	756	1,156	65.4%	
 <u>District 30</u>							
Cherokee	231	159	68.8%	72	159	45.3%	55
Clay	46	34	73.9%	12	34	35.3%	40
Graham	92	51	55.4%	41	51	80.4%	93
Haywood	580	290	50.0%	290	290	100.0%	97
Jackson	241	159	66.0%	82	159	51.6%	66
Macon	140	93	66.4%	47	93	50.5%	64
Swain	132	94	71.2%	38	94	40.4%	46
District Totals	1,462	880	60.2%	582	880	66.1%	
STATE TOTALS	69,695	49,987	71.7%	19,708	49,987	39.4%	

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Camden	19	9	1	1	4	2	2				
% of Total		47.4%	5.3%	5.3%	21.1%	10.5%	10.5%				
Chowan	78	17	27	14	10	9	1				
% of Total		21.8%	34.6%	17.9%	12.8%	11.5%	1.3%				
Currituck	21	2	4	4	5	5					1
% of Total		9.5%	19.0%	19.0%	23.8%	23.8%					4.8%
Dare	59	13	18	12	11	2	2	1			
% of Total		22.0%	30.5%	20.3%	18.6%	3.4%	3.4%	1.7%			
Gates	11	1			4	1		5			
% of Total		9.1%			36.4%	9.1%		45.5%			
Pasquotank	148	47	54	20	21	6					
% of Total		31.8%	36.5%	13.5%	14.2%	4.1%					
Perquimans	39	13	1	7	4	12		1		1	
% of Total		33.3%	2.6%	17.9%	10.3%	30.8%		2.6%		2.6%	
District Totals	375	102	105	58	59	37	5	7		1	1
% of Total		27.2%	28.0%	15.5%	15.7%	9.9%	1.3%	1.9%		0.3%	0.3%
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	259	59	93	10	74	9	14				
% of Total		22.8%	35.9%	3.9%	28.6%	3.5%	5.4%				
Hyde	14	3		2	7	2					
% of Total		21.4%		14.3%	50.0%	14.3%					
Martin	161	34	28	23	26	21	23	5	1		
% of Total		21.1%	17.4%	14.3%	16.1%	13.0%	14.3%	3.1%	0.6%		
Tyrrell	5	1		3	1						
% of Total		20.6%		60.0%	20.0%						
Washington	59	27	8	9	8	7					
% of Total		45.8%	13.6%	15.3%	13.6%	11.9%					
District Totals	498	124	129	47	116	39	37	5	1		
% of Total		24.9%	25.9%	9.4%	23.3%	7.8%	7.4%	1.0%	0.2%		
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	238	42	122	30	31	12		1			
% of Total		17.6%	51.3%	12.6%	13.0%	5.0%		0.4%			
Craven	366	86	145	34	66	35					
% of Total		23.5%	39.6%	9.3%	18.0%	9.6%					
Pamlico	33	1	12	3	5	9	3				
% of Total		3.0%	36.4%	9.1%	15.2%	27.3%	9.1%				
Pitt	552	132	108	121	95	79	7	8	2		
% of Total		23.9%	19.6%	21.9%	17.2%	14.3%	1.3%	1.4%	0.4%		
District Totals	1,189	261	387	188	197	135	10	9	2		
% of Total		22.0%	32.5%	15.8%	16.6%	11.4%	0.8%	0.8%	0.2%		
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	79	19	5	12	12	12	19				
% of Total		24.1%	6.3%	15.2%	15.2%	15.2%	24.1%				
Jones	8		4	1	3						
% of Total			50.0%	12.5%	37.5%						
Onslow	1,178	437	451	143	141	6					
% of Total		37.1%	38.3%	12.1%	12.0%	0.5%					
Sampson	280	82	77	6	98	14		3			
% of Total		29.3%	27.5%	2.1%	35.0%	5.0%		1.1%			
District Totals	1,545	538	537	162	254	32	19	3			
% of Total		34.8%	34.8%	10.5%	16.4%	2.1%	1.2%	0.2%			

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New Hanover	1,149	527	308	146	114	39	10	5			
% of Total		45.9%	26.8%	12.7%	9.9%	3.4%	0.9%	0.4%			
Pender	129	37	14	39	23	6	10				
% of Total		28.7%	10.9%	30.2%	17.8%	4.7%	7.8%				
District Totals	1,278	564	322	185	137	45	20	5			
% of Total		44.1%	25.2%	14.5%	10.7%	3.5%	1.6%	0.4%			
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	69	17	21	14	5	8	1		3		
% of Total		24.6%	30.4%	20.3%	7.2%	11.6%	1.4%		4.3%		
Halifax	227	48	53	54	52	10	10				
% of Total		21.1%	23.3%	23.8%	22.9%	4.4%	4.4%				
Hertford	105	37	15	11	22	15	5				
% of Total		35.2%	14.3%	10.5%	21.0%	14.3%	4.8%				
Northampton	31	12	6	5	6	2					
% of Total		38.7%	19.4%	16.1%	19.4%	6.5%					
District Totals	432	114	95	84	85	35	16		3		
% of Total		26.4%	22.0%	19.4%	19.7%	8.1%	3.7%		0.7%		
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	216	80	81	27	15	11	2				
% of Total		37.0%	37.5%	12.5%	6.9%	5.1%	0.9%				
Nash	360	112	117	43	42	14	6	13	13		
% of Total		31.1%	32.5%	11.9%	11.7%	3.9%	1.7%	3.6%	3.6%		
Wilson	345	137	66	39	30	18	46	5		4	
% of Total		39.7%	19.1%	11.3%	8.7%	5.2%	13.3%	1.4%		1.2%	
District Totals	921	329	264	109	87	43	54	18	13	4	
% of Total		35.7%	28.7%	11.8%	9.4%	4.7%	5.9%	2.0%	1.4%	0.4%	
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	81	20	19	3	29	9	1				
% of Total		24.7%	23.5%	3.7%	35.8%	11.1%	1.2%				
Lenoir	350	116	127	30	45	27	5				
% of Total		33.1%	36.3%	8.6%	12.9%	7.7%	1.4%				
Wayne	405	91	146	70	52	18	25	2	1		
% of Total		22.5%	36.0%	17.3%	12.8%	4.4%	6.2%	0.5%	0.2%		
District Totals	836	227	292	103	126	54	31	2	1		
% of Total		27.2%	34.9%	12.3%	15.1%	6.5%	3.7%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	39	22	5	8	3	1					
% of Total		56.4%	12.8%	20.5%	7.7%	2.6%					
Granville	152	9	3	1	64	43	11	10	3		8
% of Total		5.9%	2.0%	0.7%	42.1%	28.3%	7.2%	6.6%	2.0%		5.3%
Person	232	7	15	27	104	32	36	7			4
% of Total		3.0%	6.5%	11.6%	44.8%	13.8%	15.5%	3.0%			1.7%
Vance	341	50	55	50	59	85	36	6			
% of Total			6.8%		12.2%	47.3%	25.7%	8.1%			
Warren	110	7	7	15	36	21	11	11	2		
% of Total		6.4%	6.4%	13.6%	32.7%	19.1%	10.0%	10.0%	1.8%		
District Totals	874	95	85	101	266	182	94	34	5		12
% of Total		7.4%	5.8%	8.4%	35.6%	21.7%	12.7%	5.6%	0.8%		2.0%

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District 10

Wake	1,399	227	365	213	316	221	52	5
% of Total		16.2%	26.1%	15.2%	22.6%	15.8%	3.7%	0.4%

District 11

Harnett	135	38	20	19	27	15	8	8
% of Total		28.1%	14.8%	14.1%	20.0%	11.1%	5.9%	5.9%
Johnston	243	41	75	44	65	11		
% of Total		16.9%	30.9%	18.1%	26.7%	7.4%		
Lee	113	23	34	20	27	8	1	
% of Total		20.4%	30.1%	17.7%	23.9%	7.1%	0.9%	
District Totals	491	102	129	83	119	41	9	8
% of Total		20.8%	26.3%	16.9%	24.2%	8.4%	1.8%	1.6%

District 12

Cumberland	950	125	149	117	286	165	105	3
% of Total		13.2%	15.7%	12.3%	30.1%	17.4%	11.1%	0.3%
Hoke	12		2		4	3	1	1
% of Total			16.7%		33.3%	25.0%	8.3%	8.3%
District Totals	962	125	151	117	290	168	106	4
% of Total		13.0%	15.7%	12.2%	30.1%	17.5%	11.0%	0.4%

District 13

Bladen	86	17	6	13	18	18	10	4
% of Total		19.8%	7.0%	15.1%	20.9%	20.9%	11.6%	4.7%
Brunswick	143	6	20	37	53	18	2	1
% of Total		4.2%	14.0%	25.9%	37.1%	12.6%	1.4%	0.7%
Columbus	235	5	45	20	58	74	19	7
% of Total		2.1%	19.1%	8.5%	24.7%	31.5%	8.1%	3.0%
District Totals	464	28	71	70	129	110	31	12
% of Total		6.0%	15.3%	15.1%	27.8%	23.7%	6.7%	2.6%

District 14

Durham	936	189	187	250	168	96	45	1
% of Total		20.2%	20.0%	26.7%	17.9%	10.3%	4.8%	0.1%

District 15A

Alamance	444	48	27	61	125	95	69	11	7	1
% of Total		10.8%	6.1%	13.7%	28.2%	21.4%	15.5%	2.5%	1.6%	0.2%

District 15B

Chatham	74				1	16	33	18	6
% of Total					1.4%	21.6%	44.6%	24.3%	8.1%
Orange	382	14	69	79	92	59	31	16	22
% of Total		3.7%	18.1%	20.7%	24.1%	15.4%	8.1%	4.2%	5.8%
District Totals	456	14	69	79	93	75	64	34	28
% of Total		3.1%	15.1%	17.3%	20.4%	16.4%	14.0%	7.5%	6.1%

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Robeson	595	141	127	82	81	93	61	7	3		
% of Total		23.7%	21.3%	13.8%	13.6%	15.6%	10.3%	1.2%	0.5%		
Scotland	97	9	3	17	4	24	17	17	3	1	2
% of Total		9.3%	3.1%	17.5%	4.1%	24.7%	17.5%	17.5%	3.1%	1.0%	2.1%
District Totals	692	150	130	99	85	117	78	24	6	1	2
% of Total		21.7%	18.8%	14.3%	12.3%	16.9%	11.3%	3.5%	0.9%	0.1%	0.3%

District 17

Caswell	55	4	11	7	21	10	2				
% of Total		7.3%	20.0%	12.7%	38.2%	18.2%	3.6%				
Rockingham	662	80	118	77	234	99	51	3			
% of Total		12.1%	17.8%	11.6%	35.3%	15.0%	7.7%	0.5%			
Stokes	84		14	20	21	23	5		1		
% of Total			16.7%	23.8%	25.0%	27.4%	6.0%		1.2%		
Surry	202	2	25	15	103	53	4				
% of Total		1.0%	12.4%	7.4%	51.0%	26.2%	2.0%				
District Totals	1,003	86	168	119	379	185	62	3	1		
% of Total		8.6%	16.7%	11.9%	37.8%	18.4%	6.2%	0.3%	0.1%		

District 18

Guilford											
Greensboro	1,507	296	384	307	273	199	48				
% of Total		19.6%	25.5%	20.4%	18.1%	13.2%	3.2%				
High Point	481	53	92	64	182	71	12	7			
% of Total		11.0%	19.1%	13.3%	37.8%	14.8%	2.5%	1.5%			
District Totals	1,988	349	476	371	455	270	60	7			
% of Total		17.6%	23.9%	18.7%	22.9%	13.6%	3.0%	0.4%			

District 19

Cabarrus	542	126	122	59	85	90	40	3	2	8	7
% of Total		23.2%	22.5%	10.9%	15.7%	16.6%	7.4%	0.6%	0.4%	1.5%	1.3%
Montgomery	87	14	52	11	7	1	1		1		
% of Total		16.1%	59.8%	12.6%	8.0%	1.1%	1.1%		1.1%		
Randolph	323	40	6	10	71	136	54	6			
% of Total		12.4%	1.9%	3.1%	22.0%	42.1%	16.7%	1.9%			
Rowan	581	119	179	107	107	30	16	2	9	5	7
% of Total		20.5%	30.8%	18.4%	18.4%	5.2%	2.8%	0.3%	1.5%	0.9%	1.2%
District Totals	1,533	299	359	187	270	257	111	11	12	13	14
% of Total		19.5%	23.4%	12.2%	17.6%	16.8%	7.2%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%

District 20

Anson	216	49	27	35	55	38	7	2		3	
% of Total		22.7%	12.5%	16.2%	25.5%	17.6%	3.2%	0.9%		1.4%	
Moore	282	74	84	51	44	19	10				
% of Total		26.2%	29.8%	18.1%	15.6%	6.7%	3.5%				
Richmond	258	99	56	19	54	21	4		5		
% of Total		38.4%	21.7%	7.4%	20.9%	8.1%	1.6%		1.9%		
Stanly	167	11	44	27	33	27	10	14	1		
% of Total		6.6%	26.3%	16.2%	19.8%	16.2%	6.0%	8.4%	0.6%		
Union	305	141	66	30	47	14	6	1			
% of Total		46.2%	21.6%	9.8%	15.4%	4.6%	2.0%	0.3%			
District Totals	1,228	374	277	162	233	119	37	17	6	3	
% of Total		30.5%	22.6%	13.2%	19.0%	9.7%	3.0%	1.4%	0.5%	0.2%	

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Forsyth % of Total	1,049	281 26.8%	442 42.1%	91 8.7%	109 10.4%	112 10.7%	11 1.0%	1 0.1%	2 0.2%		
<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander % of Total	39	1 2.6%	6 15.4%		9 23.1%	7 17.9%	16 41.0%				
Davidson % of Total	62	9 14.5%	8 12.9%	7 11.3%	12 19.4%	8 12.9%	16 25.8%	2 3.2%			
Davie % of Total	69	9 13.0%	9 13.0%	16 23.2%	23 33.3%	8 11.6%	1 1.4%	2 2.9%			1 1.4%
Iredell % of Total	357	17 4.8%	101 28.3%	50 14.0%	109 30.5%	70 19.6%	10 2.8%				
District Totals % of Total	527	36 6.8%	124 23.5%	73 13.9%	153 29.0%	93 17.6%	43 8.2%	4 0.8%			0.2%
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany % of Total	4	1 25.0%		1 25.0%			2 50.0%				
Ashe % of Total	48	15 31.3%	3 6.3%	18 37.5%	7 14.6%	5 10.4%					
Wilkes % of Total	274	88 32.1%	29 10.6%	23 8.4%	79 28.8%	27 9.9%	19 6.9%	7 2.6%	2 0.7%		
Yadkin % of Total	122	2 1.6%	56 45.9%	21 17.2%	30 24.6%	13 10.7%					
District Totals % of Total	448	106 23.7%	88 19.6%	63 14.1%	116 25.9%	45 10.0%	21 4.7%	7 1.6%	2 0.4%		
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery % of Total	37	2 5.4%	5 13.5%		26 70.3%	2 5.4%	2 5.4%				
Madison % of Total	37	7 18.9%	1 2.7%	2 5.4%	9 24.3%	5 13.5%	2 5.4%	10 27.0%	1 2.7%		
Mitchell % of Total	58	1 1.7%	2 3.4%	4 6.9%	27 46.6%	17 29.3%	3 5.2%	3 5.2%		1 1.7%	
Watauga % of Total	53	2 3.8%	2 3.8%	8 15.1%	16 30.2%	24 45.3%	1 1.9%				
Yancey % of Total	38	12 31.6%	7 18.4%	9 23.7%	7 18.4%	2 5.3%	1 2.6%				
District Totals % of Total	223	24 10.8%	17 7.6%	23 10.3%	85 38.1%	50 22.4%	9 4.0%	13 5.8%	1 0.4%	1 0.4%	
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke % of Total	225	33 14.7%	29 12.9%	34 15.1%	86 38.2%	37 16.4%	1 0.4%	3 1.3%	1 0.4%	1 0.4%	
Caldwell % of Total	224	13 5.8%	61 27.2%	48 21.4%	69 30.8%	14 6.3%	7 3.1%	11 4.9%	1 0.4%		
Catawba % of Total	783	15 1.9%	71 9.1%	154 19.7%	329 42.0%	149 19.0%	62 7.9%	2 0.3%		1 0.1%	
District Totals % of Total	1,232	61 5.0%	161 13.1%	236 19.2%	484 39.3%	200 16.2%	70 5.7%	16 1.3%	2 0.2%	2 0.2%	
<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg % of Total	2,443	118 4.8%	229 9.4%	312 12.7%	610 25.0%	557 22.8%	416 17.0%	158 6.5%	15 0.6%	26 1.1%	2 0.1%

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Cleveland	463	46	177	117	93	25	5				
% of Total		9.9%	38.2%	25.3%	20.1%	5.4%	1.1%				
Gaston	784	122	244	204	170	31	9	4			
% of Total		15.6%	31.1%	26.0%	21.7%	4.0%	1.1%	0.5%			
Lincoln	228	66	73	55	15	2	7	5	2	2	1
% of Total		28.9%	32.0%	24.1%	6.6%	0.9%	3.1%	2.2%	0.9%	0.9%	0.4%
District Totals	1,475	234	494	376	278	58	21	9	2	2	1
% of Total		15.9%	33.5%	25.5%	18.8%	3.9%	1.4%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
<i>District 28</i>											
Buncombe	570	94	177	105	116	52	19	7			
% of Total		16.5%	31.1%	18.4%	20.4%	9.1%	3.3%	1.2%			
<i>District 29</i>											
Henderson	209	43	62	14	48	28	11	2	1		
% of Total		20.6%	29.7%	6.7%	23.0%	13.4%	5.3%	1.0%	0.5%		
McDowell	139	4	26	21	23	28	7	1	9	11	9
% of Total		2.9%	18.7%	15.1%	16.5%	20.1%	5.0%	0.7%	6.5%	7.9%	6.5%
Polk	49	17		4	7	2	14	4	1		
% of Total		34.7%		8.2%	14.3%	4.1%	28.6%	8.2%	2.0%		
Rutherford	160	32	33	21	71	33	36	19	7	7	1
% of Total		12.3%	12.7%	8.1%	27.3%	12.7%	13.8%	7.3%	2.7%	2.7%	0.4%
Transylvania	74	9	23	14	8	10	8	2			
% of Total		12.2%	31.1%	18.9%	10.8%	13.5%	10.8%	2.7%			
District Totals	731	105	144	74	157	101	76	28	18	18	10
% of Total		14.4%	19.7%	10.1%	21.5%	13.8%	10.4%	3.8%	2.5%	2.5%	1.4%
<i>District 30</i>											
Cherokee	112	45	6	11	34	3	13				
% of Total		40.2%	5.4%	9.8%	30.4%	2.7%	11.6%				
Clay	24	1	4	5	6	8					
% of Total		4.2%	16.7%	20.8%	25.0%	33.3%					
Graham	33	10	1	3	5	14					
% of Total		30.3%	3.0%	9.1%	15.2%	42.4%					
Haywood	176	39	10	11	85	15	15	1			
% of Total		22.2%	5.7%	6.3%	48.3%	8.5%	8.5%	0.6%			
Jackson	103	19		4	53	13	7	4	2	1	
% of Total		18.4%		3.9%	51.5%	12.6%	6.8%	3.9%	1.9%	1.0%	
Macon	54	32	7	2	6	2	3	2			
% of Total		59.3%	13.0%	3.7%	11.1%	3.7%	5.6%	3.7%			
Swain	75	4	2	1	6	29	16	6	2	2	7
% of Total		5.3%	2.7%	1.3%	8.0%	38.7%	21.3%	8.0%	2.7%	2.7%	9.3%
District Totals	577	150	30	37	195	84	54	13	4	3	7
% of Total		26.0%	5.2%	6.4%	33.8%	14.6%	9.4%	2.3%	0.7%	0.5%	1.2%
STATE TOTALS	28,819	5,554	6,531	4,238	6,292	3,708	1,750	476	136	75	59
% of Total		19.3%	22.7%	14.7%	21.8%	12.9%	6.1%	1.7%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%

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<i><u>District 1</u></i>											
Camden	66	9	13	5	19	14	5	1			
% of Total		13.6%	19.7%	7.6%	28.8%	21.2%	7.6%	1.5%			
Chowan	182	56	40	37	37	9	3				
% of Total		30.8%	22.0%	20.3%	20.3%	4.9%	1.6%				
Currituck	203	92	45	18	26	18	3	1			
% of Total		45.3%	22.2%	8.9%	12.8%	8.9%	1.5%	0.5%			
Dare	257	81	37	42	64	29	4				
% of Total		31.5%	14.4%	16.3%	24.9%	11.3%	1.6%				
Gates	64	10	17	10	24	3					
% of Total		15.6%	26.6%	15.6%	37.5%	4.7%					
Pasquotank	388	122	44	79	93	45	5				
% of Total		31.4%	11.3%	20.4%	24.0%	11.6%	1.3%				
Perquimans	81	24	24	5	16	10	2				
% of Total		29.6%	29.6%	6.2%	19.8%	12.3%	2.5%				
District Totals	1,241	394	220	196	279	128	22	2			
% of Total		31.7%	17.7%	15.8%	22.5%	10.3%	1.8%	0.2%			
<i><u>District 2</u></i>											
Beaufort	180	11	24	40	66	22	17				
% of Total		6.1%	13.3%	22.2%	36.7%	12.2%	9.4%				
Hyde	35	9	1	2	16	4	3				
% of Total		25.7%	2.9%	5.7%	45.7%	11.4%	8.6%				
Martin	88	1	17	8	26	30	6				
% of Total		1.1%	19.3%	9.1%	29.5%	34.1%	6.8%				
Tyrrell	27	3	5		7	9	3				
% of Total		11.1%	18.5%		25.9%	33.3%	11.1%				
Washington	58	13	10	5	24	5	1				
% of Total		22.4%	17.2%	8.6%	41.4%	8.6%	1.7%				
District Totals	388	37	57	55	139	70	30				
% of Total		9.5%	14.7%	14.2%	35.8%	18.0%	7.7%				
<i><u>District 3</u></i>											
Carteret	136	22	46	29	30	8	1				
% of Total		16.2%	33.8%	21.3%	22.1%	5.9%	0.7%				
Craven	284	82	112	30	31	22	6			1	
% of Total		28.9%	39.4%	10.6%	10.9%	7.7%	2.1%			0.4%	
Pamlico	61	1	7	8	30	13	2				
% of Total		1.6%	11.5%	13.1%	49.2%	21.3%	3.3%				
Pitt	300	91	128	73	68	25	4		1		
% of Total		23.3%	32.8%	18.7%	17.4%	6.4%	1.0%		0.3%		
District Totals	871	196	293	140	159	68	13		1	1	
% of Total		22.5%	33.6%	16.1%	18.3%	7.8%	1.5%		0.1%	0.1%	
<i><u>District 4</u></i>											
Duplin	27	5	3	11	6	1	1				
% of Total		18.5%	11.1%	40.7%	22.2%	3.7%	3.7%				
Jones	8	4	1		2	1					
% of Total		50.0%	12.5%		25.0%	12.5%					
Onslow	212	92	67	24	22	7					
% of Total		43.4%	31.6%	11.3%	10.4%	3.3%					
Sampson	194	97	58	15	17	6	1				
% of Total		50.0%	29.9%	7.7%	8.8%	3.1%	0.5%				
District Totals	441	198	129	50	47	15	2				
% of Total		44.9%	29.3%	11.3%	10.7%	3.4%	0.5%				

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<u>District 5</u>											
New Hanover	469	272	120	45	13	10	8		1		
% of Total		58.0%	25.6%	9.6%	2.8%	2.1%	1.7%		0.2%		
Pender	90	17	25	13	29	6					
% of Total		18.9%	27.8%	14.4%	32.2%	6.7%					
District Totals	559	289	145	58	42	16	8		1		
% of Total		51.7%	25.9%	10.4%	7.5%	2.9%	1.4%		0.2%		
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	60	25	14	6	11	4					
% of Total		41.7%	23.3%	10.0%	18.3%	6.7%					
Halifax	148	45	36	20	25	19	1	2			
% of Total		30.4%	24.3%	13.5%	16.9%	12.8%	0.7%	1.4%			
Hertford	49	3	15	6	11	13	1				
% of Total		6.1%	30.6%	12.2%	22.4%	26.5%	2.0%				
Northampton	47	5	9	10	15	5	2			1	
% of Total		10.6%	19.1%	21.3%	31.9%	10.6%	4.3%			2.1%	
District Totals	304	78	74	42	62	41	4	2		1	
% of Total		25.7%	24.3%	13.8%	20.4%	13.5%	1.3%	0.7%		0.3%	
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	287	107	95	44	32	8	1				
% of Total		37.3%	33.1%	15.3%	11.1%	2.8%	0.3%				
Nash	455	55	188	55	102	37	15	1	2		
% of Total		12.1%	41.3%	12.1%	22.4%	8.1%	3.3%	0.2%	0.4%		
Wilson	279	115	59	39	42	15	7	1		1	
% of Total		41.2%	21.1%	14.0%	15.1%	5.4%	2.5%	0.4%		0.4%	
District Totals	1,021	277	342	138	176	60	23	2	2	1	
% of Total		27.1%	33.5%	13.5%	17.2%	5.9%	2.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	66	11	9	10	23	10	3				
% of Total		16.7%	13.6%	15.2%	34.8%	15.2%	4.5%				
Lenoir	409	170	104	52	51	30	1	1			
% of Total		41.6%	25.4%	12.7%	12.5%	7.3%	0.2%	0.2%			
Wayne	284	76	80	33	58	27	9	1			
% of Total		26.8%	28.2%	11.6%	20.4%	9.5%	3.2%	0.4%			
District Totals	759	257	193	95	132	67	13	2			
% of Total		33.9%	25.4%	12.5%	17.4%	8.8%	1.7%	0.3%			
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	430	22	50	32	96	140	60	25	3	2	
% of Total		5.1%	11.6%	7.4%	22.3%	32.6%	14.0%	5.8%	0.7%	0.5%	
Granville	147	6	12	6	40	43	30	9	1		
% of Total		4.1%	8.2%	4.1%	27.2%	29.3%	20.4%	6.1%	0.7%		
Person	273	8	17	19	55	92	59	21	1	1	
% of Total		2.9%	6.2%	7.0%	20.1%	33.7%	21.6%	7.7%	0.4%	0.4%	
Vance	180	28	48	7	56	10	15	10	4	1	1
% of Total		15.6%	26.7%	3.9%	31.1%	5.6%	8.3%	5.6%	2.2%	0.6%	0.6%
Warren	73		1	15	17	18	16	6			
% of Total			1.4%	20.5%	23.3%	24.7%	21.9%	8.2%			
District Totals	1,103	64	128	79	264	303	180	71	9	4	1
% of Total		5.8%	11.6%	7.2%	23.9%	27.5%	16.3%	6.4%	0.8%	0.4%	0.1%

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<u>District 10</u>											
Wake % of Total	760	193 25.4%	189 24.9%	110 14.5%	180 23.7%	66 8.7%	22 2.9%				
<u>District 11</u>											
Farnett % of Total	32	11 34.4%	4 12.5%	4 12.5%	8 25.0%	4 12.5%		1 3.1%			
Johnston % of Total	101	29 28.7%	22 21.8%	20 19.8%	23 22.8%	6 5.9%	1 1.0%				
Lee % of Total	60	9 15.0%	13 21.7%	5 8.3%	26 43.3%	6 10.0%		1 1.7%			
District Totals % of Total	193	49 25.4%	39 20.2%	29 15.0%	57 29.5%	16 8.3%	1 0.5%	2 1.0%			
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland % of Total	489	41 8.4%	114 23.3%	96 19.6%	117 23.9%	87 17.8%	31 6.3%	3 0.6%			
Hoke % of Total	108	14 13.0%	32 29.6%	14 13.0%	37 34.3%	7 6.5%	4 3.7%				
District Totals % of Total	597	55 9.2%	146 24.5%	110 18.4%	154 25.8%	94 15.7%	35 5.9%	3 0.5%			
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen % of Total	99	4 4.0%	7 7.1%	19 19.2%	18 18.2%	23 23.2%	23 23.2%	3 3.0%	2 2.0%		
Brunswick % of Total	127		37 29.1%	20 15.7%	40 31.5%	29 22.8%		1 0.8%			
Columbus % of Total	251	26 10.4%	44 17.5%	29 11.6%	53 21.1%	37 14.7%	21 8.4%	16 6.4%	22 8.8%	2 0.8%	1 0.4%
District Totals % of Total	477	30 6.3%	88 18.4%	68 14.3%	111 23.3%	89 18.7%	44 9.2%	20 4.2%	24 5.0%	2 0.4%	1 0.2%
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham % of Total	184	49 26.6%	35 19.0%	29 15.8%	53 28.8%	15 8.2%	3 1.6%				
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance % of Total	388	67 17.3%	56 14.4%	97 25.0%	70 18.0%	66 17.0%	25 6.4%	6 1.5%		1 0.3%	
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham % of Total	136	4 2.9%	10 7.4%	12 8.8%	47 34.6%	42 30.9%	11 8.1%	9 6.6%	1 0.7%		
Orange % of Total	136	16 11.8%	27 19.9%	19 14.0%	34 25.0%	15 11.0%	22 16.2%	3 2.2%			
District Totals % of Total	272	20 7.4%	37 13.6%	31 11.4%	81 29.8%	57 21.0%	33 12.1%	12 4.4%	1 0.4%		

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<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson	288	82	49	34	45	42	32	3	1		
% of Total		28.5%	17.0%	11.8%	15.6%	14.6%	11.1%	1.0%	0.3%		
Scotland	36	3	2	10	10	10	1				
% of Total		8.3%	5.6%	27.8%	27.8%	27.8%	2.8%				
District Totals	324	85	51	44	55	52	33	3	1		
% of Total		26.2%	15.7%	13.6%	17.0%	16.1%	10.2%	0.9%	0.1%		
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	65	5	19	8	9	18	6				
% of Total		7.7%	29.2%	12.3%	13.8%	27.7%	9.2%				
Rockingham	579	101	105	64	198	98	11	2			
% of Total		17.4%	18.1%	11.1%	34.2%	16.9%	1.9%	0.3%			
Stokes	144	3	14	17	37	58	5	9			1
% of Total		2.1%	9.7%	11.8%	25.7%	40.3%	3.5%	6.3%			0.7%
Surry	288	76	10	24	91	68	17	2			
% of Total		26.4%	3.5%	8.3%	31.6%	23.6%	5.9%	0.7%			
District Totals	1,676	185	148	113	335	242	39	13			1
% of Total		17.2%	13.8%	10.5%	31.1%	22.5%	3.6%	1.2%			0.1%
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford											
Greensboro	604	136	198	129	95	31	13	2			
% of Total		22.5%	32.8%	21.4%	15.7%	5.1%	2.2%	0.3%			
High Point	180	25	40	20	58	29	8				
% of Total		13.9%	22.2%	11.1%	32.2%	16.1%	4.4%				
District Totals	784	161	238	149	153	60	21	2			
% of Total		20.5%	30.4%	19.0%	19.5%	7.7%	2.7%	0.3%			
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	761	96	157	83	182	136	61	18	7	8	13
% of Total		12.6%	20.6%	10.9%	23.9%	17.9%	8.0%	2.4%	0.9%	1.1%	1.7%
Montgomery	118	20	48	11	15	15	2			5	
% of Total		16.9%	40.7%	9.3%	12.7%	12.7%	1.7%	1.7%		4.2%	
Randolph	457	22	24	14	96	222	64	15			
% of Total		4.8%	5.3%	3.1%	21.0%	48.6%	14.0%	3.3%			
Rowan	490	57	139	86	106	48	28	13		10	3
% of Total		11.6%	28.4%	17.6%	21.6%	9.8%	5.7%	2.7%		2.0%	0.6%
District Totals	1,826	195	368	194	399	421	155	48	7	23	16
% of Total		10.7%	20.2%	10.6%	21.9%	23.1%	8.5%	2.6%	0.4%	1.3%	0.9%
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	117	14	35	26	19	20	1				2
% of Total		12.0%	29.9%	22.2%	16.2%	17.1%	0.9%				1.7%
Moore	120	27	32	17	23	21					
% of Total		22.5%	26.7%	14.2%	19.2%	17.5%					
Richmond	225	54	77	40	43	7	3				1
% of Total		24.0%	34.2%	17.8%	19.1%	3.1%	1.3%				0.4%
Stanly	149	14	32	42	44	14			2		1
% of Total		9.4%	21.5%	28.2%	29.5%	9.4%			1.3%		0.7%
Union	234	53	63	42	40	22	13				1
% of Total		22.6%	26.9%	17.9%	17.1%	9.4%	5.6%				0.4%
District Totals	845	162	239	167	169	84	17		2		5
% of Total		19.2%	28.3%	19.8%	20.0%	9.9%	2.0%		0.2%		0.6%

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<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	1,000	278	322	171	115	99	14				1
% of Total		27.8%	32.2%	17.1%	11.5%	9.9%	1.4%				0.1%
<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander	172	17	26	18	79	25	7				
% of Total		9.9%	15.1%	10.5%	45.9%	14.5%	4.1%				
Davidson	695	255	245	62	89	36	5	2	1		
% of Total		36.7%	35.3%	8.9%	12.8%	5.2%	0.7%	0.3%	0.1%		
Davie	115	22	23	24	32	13	1				
% of Total		19.1%	20.0%	20.9%	27.8%	11.3%	0.9%				
Iredell	347	11	100	96	86	46	8				
% of Total		3.2%	28.8%	27.7%	24.8%	13.3%	2.3%				
District Totals	1,329	305	394	200	286	120	21	2	1		
% of Total		23.0%	30.0%	15.1%	21.5%	9.0%	1.6%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany	29	3	5	2	9	3	5	2			
% of Total		10.3%	17.2%	6.9%	31.0%	10.3%	17.2%	6.9%			
Ashe	57	13	5	9	24	6					
% of Total		22.8%	8.8%	15.8%	42.1%	10.5%					
Wilkes	174	16	39	11	41	47	16	3	1		
% of Total		9.2%	22.4%	6.3%	23.6%	27.0%	9.2%	1.7%	0.6%		
Yadkin	57	6	12	13	22	3	1				
% of Total		10.5%	21.1%	22.8%	38.6%	5.3%	1.8%				
District Totals	317	38	61	35	96	59	22	5	1		
% of Total		12.0%	19.2%	11.0%	30.3%	18.6%	6.9%	1.6%	0.3%		
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery	16	1	1		4	8	2				
% of Total		6.3%	6.3%		25.0%	50.0%	12.5%				
Madison	37	5	6	2	13	6	4		1		
% of Total		13.5%	16.2%	5.4%	35.1%	16.2%	10.8%		2.7%		
Mitchell	13		2	4	5	2					
% of Total			15.4%	30.8%	38.5%	15.4%					
Watauga	22	4	3	3	4	4	4				
% of Total		18.2%	13.6%	13.6%	18.2%	18.2%	18.2%				
Yancey	10	1	1	2	5	1					
% of Total		10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	50.0%	10.0%					
District Totals	98	11	13	11	31	21	10		1		
% of Total		11.2%	13.3%	11.2%	31.6%	21.4%	10.2%		1.0%		
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke	214	45	42	21	59	26	6	4	4	5	2
% of Total		21.0%	19.6%	9.8%	27.6%	12.1%	2.8%	1.9%	1.9%	2.3%	0.9%
Caldwell	223	10	56	57	55	27	13	4			1
% of Total		4.5%	25.1%	25.6%	24.7%	12.1%	5.8%	1.8%			0.4%
Catawba	592	8	80	119	267	76	27	14	1		
% of Total		1.4%	13.5%	20.1%	45.1%	12.8%	4.6%	2.4%	0.2%		
District Totals	1,029	63	178	197	381	129	46	22	5	5	3
% of Total		6.1%	17.3%	19.1%	37.0%	12.5%	4.5%	2.1%	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%

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<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg % of Total	1,064	243 22.8%	93 8.7%	77 7.2%	350 32.9%	226 21.2%	59 5.5%	15 1.4%	1 0.1%		
<u>District 27</u>											
Cleveland % of Total	243	31 12.8%	78 32.1%	79 32.5%	39 16.0%	15 6.2%	1 0.4%				
Gaston % of Total	368	165 44.8%	120 32.6%	40 10.9%	36 9.8%	7 1.9%					
Lincoln % of Total	85	9 10.6%	20 23.5%	27 31.8%	18 21.2%	5 5.9%	3 3.5%	1 1.2%		1 1.2%	1 1.2%
District Totals % of Total	696	205 29.5%	218 31.3%	146 21.0%	93 13.4%	27 3.9%	4 0.6%	1 0.1%		1 0.1%	1 0.1%
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe % of Total	494	142 28.7%	126 25.5%	103 20.9%	79 16.0%	27 5.5%	14 2.8%	3 0.6%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson % of Total	78	2 2.6%	38 48.7%	5 6.4%	20 25.6%	11 14.1%	2 2.6%				
McDowell % of Total	79	3 3.8%	17 21.5%	16 20.3%	20 25.3%	11 13.9%	6 7.6%	3 3.8%	1 1.3%		2 2.5%
Polk % of Total	35	4 11.4%	6 17.1%	12 34.3%	5 14.3%	3 8.6%	5 14.3%				
Rutherford % of Total	203	8 3.9%	28 13.8%	18 8.9%	42 20.7%	66 32.5%	30 14.8%	3 1.5%	5 2.5%		3 1.5%
Transylvania % of Total	30	1 3.3%	7 23.3%	7 23.3%	12 40.0%		3 10.0%				
District Totals % of Total	425	18 4.2%	96 22.6%	58 13.6%	99 23.3%	91 21.4%	46 10.8%	6 1.4%	6 1.4%		5 1.2%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee % of Total	47	1 2.1%	3 6.4%	1 2.1%	13 27.7%	13 27.7%	15 31.9%	1 2.1%			
Clay % of Total	10			6 60.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%				
Graham % of Total	18	1 5.6%	4 22.2%	3 16.7%	3 16.7%	5 27.8%	1 5.6%	1 5.6%			
Haywood % of Total	114	13 11.4%	11 9.6%	11 9.6%	22 19.3%	32 28.1%	21 18.4%	4 3.5%			
Jackson % of Total	56	4 7.1%	2 3.6%	3 5.4%	14 25.0%	10 17.9%	14 25.0%	7 12.5%		1 1.8%	1 1.8%
Macon % of Total	39	4 10.3%	11 28.2%		17 43.6%	5 12.8%	2 5.1%				
Swain % of Total	19	5 26.3%	3 15.8%		3 15.8%	8 42.1%					
District Totals % of Total	303	28 9.2%	34 11.2%	24 7.9%	73 24.1%	74 24.4%	55 18.2%	13 4.3%		1 0.3%	1 0.3%
STATE TOTALS % of Total	21,168	4,372 20.7%	4,750 22.4%	3,016 14.2%	4,720 22.3%	2,903 13.7%	1,014 4.8%	255 1.2%	63 0.3%	40 0.2%	35 0.2%

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<u>District 1</u>											
Camden	8	7			1						
% of Total		87.5%			12.5%						
Chowan	12	2	1	1	1	3	4				
% of Total		16.7%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	25.0%	33.3%				
Currituck	9		6		1	1	1				
% of Total			66.7%		11.1%	11.1%	11.1%				
Dare	28	10	9	5		4					
% of Total		35.7%	32.1%	17.9%		14.3%					
Pasquotank	38	20	3	4	7	2		2			
% of Total		52.6%	7.9%	10.5%	18.4%	5.3%		5.3%			
Perquimans	7	4		1	2						
% of Total		57.1%		14.3%	28.6%						
District Totals	102	43	19	11	12	10	5	2			
% of Total		42.2%	18.6%	10.8%	11.8%	9.8%	4.9%	2.0%			
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	83	5	9	8	26	27	5	3			
% of Total		6.0%	10.8%	9.6%	31.3%	32.5%	6.0%	3.6%			
Hyde	3	1			2						
% of Total		33.3%			66.7%						
Martin	53	30		8	4	3	7		1		
% of Total		56.6%		15.1%	7.5%	5.7%	13.2%		1.9%		
Tyrrell	4		3		1						
% of Total			75.0%		25.0%						
Washington	12	3	3	2	3		1				
% of Total		25.0%	25.0%	16.7%	25.0%		8.3%				
District Totals	155	39	15	18	36	30	13	3	1		
% of Total		25.2%	9.7%	11.6%	23.2%	19.4%	8.4%	1.9%	0.6%		
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	173	7	17	79	34	24	11	1			
% of Total		4.0%	9.8%	45.7%	19.7%	13.9%	6.4%	0.6%			
Craven	102	36	20	11	22	12	1				
% of Total		35.3%	19.6%	10.8%	21.6%	11.8%	1.0%				
Pamlico	21		15		2	4					
% of Total			71.4%		9.5%	19.0%					
Pitt	264	81	56	72	23	21	9	1		1	
% of Total		30.7%	21.2%	27.3%	8.7%	8.0%	3.4%	0.4%		0.4%	
District Totals	560	124	108	162	81	61	21	2		1	
% of Total		22.1%	19.3%	28.9%	14.5%	10.9%	3.8%	0.4%		0.2%	
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	31	5		10	8	6	2				
% of Total		16.1%		32.3%	25.8%	19.4%	6.5%				
Jones	6	1			4	1					
% of Total		16.7%			66.7%	16.7%					
Onslow	192	84	58	10	7	9	19		5		
% of Total		43.8%	30.2%	5.2%	3.6%	4.7%	9.9%		2.6%		
Sampson	14	7		3		2	2				
% of Total		50.0%		21.4%		14.3%	14.3%				
District Totals	243	97	58	23	19	18	23		5		
% of Total		39.9%	23.9%	9.5%	7.8%	7.4%	9.5%		2.1%		

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<u>District 5</u>											
New Hanover	258	65	46	22	61	52	8		2		2
% of Total		25.2%	17.8%	8.5%	23.6%	20.2%	3.1%		0.8%		0.8%
Pender	64	4	5	12	13	24	3				3
% of Total		6.3%	7.8%	18.8%	20.3%	37.5%	4.7%				4.7%
District Totals	322	69	51	34	74	76	11		2		5
% of Total		21.4%	15.8%	10.6%	23.0%	23.6%	3.4%		0.6%		1.6%
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	10	1			1	1		6	1		
% of Total		10.0%			10.0%	10.0%		60.0%	10.0%		
Halifax	38		8	2	1	12	5	9	1		
% of Total			21.1%	5.3%	2.6%	31.6%	13.2%	23.7%	2.6%		
Hertford	124	33	30	6	18	16	15	1	5		
% of Total		26.6%	24.2%	4.8%	14.5%	12.9%	12.1%	0.8%	4.0%		
Northampton	20	6		8	3	2					1
% of Total		30.0%		40.0%	15.0%	10.0%					5.0%
District Totals	192	40	38	16	23	31	20	16	7		1
% of Total		20.8%	19.8%	8.3%	12.0%	16.1%	10.4%	8.3%	3.6%		0.5%
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	106	19	6	3	10	17	49	2			
% of Total		17.9%	5.7%	2.8%	9.4%	16.0%	46.2%	1.9%			
Nash	120	32	14	6	29	20	8	2		9	
% of Total		26.7%	11.7%	5.0%	24.2%	16.7%	6.7%	1.7%		7.5%	
Wilson	174	75	17	2	22	19	30	6		3	
% of Total		43.1%	9.8%	1.1%	12.6%	10.9%	17.2%	3.4%		1.7%	
District Totals	400	126	37	11	61	56	87	10		12	
% of Total		31.5%	9.3%	2.8%	15.3%	14.0%	21.8%	2.5%		3.0%	
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	20	7	5	5	2		1				
% of Total		35.0%	25.0%	25.0%	10.0%		5.0%				
Lenoir	113	25	68	7	6	7					
% of Total		22.1%	60.2%	6.2%	5.3%	6.2%					
Wayne	52	20	13	1	8	9	1				
% of Total		38.5%	25.0%	1.9%	15.4%	17.3%	1.9%				
District Totals	185	52	86	13	16	16	2				
% of Total		28.1%	46.5%	7.0%	8.6%	8.6%	1.1%				
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	13				4	7	2				
% of Total					30.8%	53.8%	15.4%				
Granville	37	5	15	6	25	11	11	9	1	4	
% of Total		5.7%	17.2%	6.9%	28.7%	12.6%	12.6%	10.3%	1.1%	4.6%	
Person	51	3	11	5	13	13	6				
% of Total		5.9%	21.6%	9.8%	25.5%	25.5%	11.8%				
Vance	15				1		11	2		1	
% of Total					6.7%		73.3%	13.3%		6.7%	
Warren	67	3	4	3	33	6	12	6			
% of Total		4.5%	6.0%	4.5%	49.3%	9.0%	17.9%	9.0%			
District Totals	233	11	30	14	76	37	42	17	1	5	
% of Total		4.7%	12.9%	6.0%	32.6%	15.9%	18.0%	7.3%	0.4%	2.1%	

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<u>District 10</u>											
Wake % of Total	783	225 28.7%	91 11.6%	56 7.2%	179 22.9%	171 21.8%	54 6.9%	6 0.8%		1 0.1%	
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett % of Total	48			14 29.2%	6 12.5%	7 14.6%	4 8.3%	17 35.4%			
Johnston % of Total	94	45 47.9%	16 17.0%	10 10.6%	15 16.0%	8 8.5%					
Lee % of Total	21	4 19.0%	3 14.3%		5 23.8%	4 19.0%	5 23.8%				
District Totals % of Total	163	49 30.1%	19 11.7%	24 14.7%	26 16.0%	19 11.7%	9 5.5%	17 10.4%			
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland % of Total	383	31 8.1%	54 14.1%	40 10.4%	124 32.4%	84 21.9%	43 11.2%	3 0.8%	1 0.3%		3 0.8%
Hoke % of Total	16	1 6.3%	1 6.3%			6 37.5%	6 37.5%	2 12.5%			
District Totals % of Total	399	32 8.0%	55 13.8%	40 10.0%	124 31.1%	90 22.6%	49 12.3%	5 1.3%	1 0.3%		3 0.8%
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen % of Total	32		4 12.5%	10 31.3%	14 43.8%	4 12.5%					
Brunswick % of Total	36	20 55.6%			6 16.7%	7 19.4%	3 8.3%				
Columbus % of Total	68	4 5.9%	3 4.4%	5 7.4%	15 22.1%	17 25.0%	21 30.9%		3 4.4%		
District Totals % of Total	136	24 17.6%	7 5.1%	15 11.0%	35 25.7%	28 20.6%	24 17.6%		3 2.2%		
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham % of Total	169			39 23.1%	33 19.5%	66 39.1%	23 13.6%	7 4.1%	1 0.6%		
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance % of Total	317	55 17.4%	33 10.4%	130 41.0%	29 9.1%	19 6.0%	41 12.9%	3 0.9%	6 1.9%		1 0.3%
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham % of Total	44	37 84.1%					3 6.8%	3 6.8%	1 2.3%		
Orange % of Total	95	20 21.1%	8 8.4%	7 7.4%	24 25.3%	20 21.1%	14 14.7%	1 1.1%		1 1.1%	
District Totals % of Total	139	57 41.0%	8 5.8%	7 5.0%	24 17.3%	20 14.4%	17 12.2%	4 2.9%	1 0.7%	1 0.7%	
<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson % of Total	346	36 10.4%	43 12.4%	20 5.8%	49 14.2%	118 34.1%	74 21.4%	6 1.7%			
Scotland % of Total	96					16 16.7%	59 61.5%	19 19.8%	2 2.1%		
District Totals % of Total	442	36 8.1%	43 9.7%	20 4.5%	49 11.1%	134 30.3%	133 30.1%	25 5.7%	2 0.5%		

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<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	42	17			10	2	12			1	
% of Total		40.5%			23.8%	4.8%	28.6%			2.4%	
Rockingham	202	60	34	13	17	60	17	1			
% of Total		29.7%	16.8%	6.4%	8.4%	29.7%	8.4%	0.5%			
Stokes	68	8	5	5	12	21	17				
% of Total		11.8%	7.4%	7.4%	17.6%	30.9%	25.0%				
Surry	138	15	21	17	30	37	17	1			
% of Total		10.9%	15.2%	12.3%	21.7%	26.8%	12.3%	0.7%			
District Totals	450	100	60	35	69	120	63	2		1	
% of Total		22.2%	13.3%	7.8%	15.3%	26.7%	14.0%	0.4%		0.2%	
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford											
Greensboro	853	169	103	103	137	182	113	44	1	1	
% of Total		19.8%	12.1%	12.1%	16.1%	21.3%	13.2%	5.2%	0.1%	0.1%	
High Point	235	18	23	19	42	67	32	30	4		
% of Total		7.7%	9.8%	8.1%	17.9%	28.5%	13.6%	12.8%	1.7%		
District Totals	1,088	187	126	122	179	249	145	74	5	1	
% of Total		17.2%	11.6%	11.2%	16.5%	22.9%	13.3%	6.8%	0.5%	0.1%	
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	51	11	14	2	6	12	6				
% of Total		21.6%	27.5%	3.9%	11.8%	23.5%	11.8%				
Montgomery	94	4	79		10	1					
% of Total		4.3%	84.0%		10.6%	1.1%					
Randolph	150	32	41	1	26	24	17	9			
% of Total		21.3%	27.3%	0.7%	17.3%	16.0%	11.3%	6.0%			
Rowan	173	44	44	23	29	17	12	1	1	2	
% of Total		25.4%	25.4%	13.3%	16.8%	9.8%	6.9%	0.6%	0.6%	1.2%	
District Totals	468	91	178	26	71	54	35	10	1	2	
% of Total		19.4%	38.0%	5.6%	15.2%	11.5%	7.5%	2.1%	0.2%	0.4%	
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	79	10	19	12	17	11	6	1	3		
% of Total		12.7%	24.1%	15.2%	21.5%	13.9%	7.6%	1.3%	3.8%		
Moore	147	13	31	22	34	16	23	3	2	3	
% of Total		8.8%	21.1%	15.0%	23.1%	10.9%	15.6%	2.0%	1.4%	2.0%	
Richmond	85	14	34	3	12	12	10				
% of Total		16.5%	40.0%	3.5%	14.1%	14.1%	11.8%				
Stanly	101	16	17	4	30	5	12	13	2		2
% of Total		15.8%	16.8%	4.0%	29.7%	5.0%	11.9%	12.9%	2.0%		2.0%
Union	61	12	11	6	14	13	5				
% of Total		19.7%	18.0%	9.8%	23.0%	21.3%	8.2%				
District Totals	473	65	112	47	107	57	56	17	7	3	2
% of Total		13.7%	23.7%	9.9%	22.6%	12.1%	11.8%	3.6%	1.5%	0.6%	0.4%
<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	240	124	31	30	32	14	9				
% of Total		51.7%	12.9%	12.5%	13.3%	5.8%	3.8%				

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<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander	4		3			1					
% of Total			75.0%			25.0%					
Davidson	17	1			3	1	4	6	2		
% of Total		5.9%			17.6%	5.9%	23.5%	35.3%	11.8%		
Davie	33	9	6	2		10	6				
% of Total		27.3%	18.2%	6.1%		30.3%	18.2%				
Iredell	115	33	16	1	15	31	4	11	3	1	
% of Total		28.7%	13.9%	0.9%	13.0%	27.0%	3.5%	9.6%	2.6%	0.9%	
District Totals	169	43	25	3	18	43	14	17	5	1	
% of Total		25.4%	14.8%	1.8%	10.6%	25.4%	8.3%	10.1%	3.0%	0.6%	
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany	2						2				
% of Total							100.0%				
Ashe	31	6		2	22				1		
% of Total		19.4%		6.5%	71.0%				3.2%		
Wilkes	87	10	7	7	19	28	9	5	1	1	
% of Total		11.5%	8.0%	8.0%	21.8%	32.2%	10.3%	5.7%	1.1%	1.1%	
Yadkin	28	3	2	2	10	8	3				
% of Total		10.7%	7.1%	7.1%	35.7%	28.6%	10.7%				
District Totals	148	19	9	11	51	36	14	5	2	1	
% of Total		12.8%	6.1%	7.4%	34.5%	24.3%	9.5%	3.4%	1.4%	0.7%	
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery	79	14	3	17	14	24	7				
% of Total		17.7%	3.8%	21.5%	17.7%	30.4%	8.9%				
Madison	22		1		15	1		1	2		2
% of Total			4.5%		68.2%	4.5%		4.5%	9.1%		9.1%
Mitchell	23		5		1	11	5	1			
% of Total			21.7%		4.3%	47.8%	21.7%	4.3%			
Watauga	41			2	7	17	12	3			
% of Total				4.9%	17.1%	41.5%	29.3%	7.3%			
Yancey	14				6	4		3		1	
% of Total					42.9%	28.6%		21.4%		7.1%	
District Totals	179	14	9	19	43	57	24	8	2	1	2
% of Total		7.8%	5.0%	10.6%	24.0%	31.8%	13.4%	4.5%	1.1%	0.6%	1.1%
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke	87	13	23	9	16	10	15		1		
% of Total		14.9%	26.4%	10.3%	18.4%	11.5%	17.2%		1.1%		
Caldwell	115	35	33	7	26	11		1	1		1
% of Total		30.4%	28.7%	6.1%	22.6%	9.6%		0.9%	0.9%		0.9%
Catawba	245	26	37	36	77	43	22	4			
% of Total		10.6%	15.1%	14.7%	31.4%	17.6%	9.0%	1.6%			
District Totals	447	74	93	52	119	64	37	5	2		1
% of Total		16.6%	20.8%	11.6%	26.6%	14.3%	8.3%	1.1%	0.4%		0.2%
<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg	1,225	196	123	206	204	221	137	77	32	15	14
% of Total		16.0%	10.0%	16.8%	16.7%	18.0%	11.2%	6.3%	2.6%	1.2%	1.1%

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Cleveland	95	24	31	9	8	22	1				
% of Total		25.3%	32.6%	9.5%	8.4%	23.2%	1.1%				
Gaston	360	103	61	51	79	57	4	4			1
% of Total		28.6%	16.9%	14.2%	21.9%	15.8%	1.1%	1.1%			0.3%
Lincoln	46	20	10	11	3	1		1			
% of Total		43.5%	21.7%	23.9%	6.5%	2.2%		2.2%			
District Totals	501	147	102	71	90	80	5	5			1
% of Total		29.3%	20.4%	14.2%	18.0%	16.0%	1.0%	1.0%			0.2%
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	227	77	51	37	34	21	6	1			
% of Total		33.9%	22.5%	16.3%	15.0%	9.3%	2.6%	0.4%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	159	13	5	17	10	40	23	10	13	6	22
% of Total		8.2%	3.1%	10.7%	6.3%	25.2%	14.5%	6.3%	8.2%	3.8%	13.8%
McDowell	87	10	10	5	6	42	12	2			
% of Total		11.5%	11.5%	5.7%	6.9%	48.3%	13.8%	2.3%			
Polk	37	4			18	7	7	1			
% of Total		10.8%			48.6%	18.9%	18.9%	2.7%			
Rutherford	147	17	23	35	21	22	16	5	6		2
% of Total		11.6%	15.6%	23.8%	14.3%	15.0%	10.9%	3.4%	4.1%		1.4%
Transylvania	59	2	3	4	13	20	13	2	2		
% of Total		3.4%	5.1%	6.8%	22.0%	33.9%	22.0%	3.4%	3.4%		
District Totals	489	46	41	61	68	131	71	20	21	6	24
% of Total		9.4%	8.4%	12.5%	13.9%	26.8%	14.5%	4.1%	4.3%	1.2%	4.9%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	50	21	2	1	9	10					
% of Total		42.0%	18.0%	2.0%	18.0%	20.0%					
Clay	6	3			1	1	1				
% of Total		50.0%			16.7%	16.7%	16.7%				
Graham	16			2	8	5	1				
% of Total				12.5%	50.0%	31.3%	6.3%				
Haywood	154	5		64		68	13	4			
% of Total		3.2%		41.6%		44.2%	8.4%	2.6%			
Jackson	53	2	11	1	11	23	3	2			
% of Total		3.8%	20.8%	1.9%	20.8%	43.4%	5.7%	3.8%			
Macon	29	4	4	14	2	2	3				
% of Total		13.8%	13.8%	48.3%	6.9%	6.9%	10.3%				
Swain	21	1	6			7	6	1			
% of Total		4.8%	28.6%			33.3%	28.6%	4.8%			
District Totals	329	36	30	82	31	116	27	7			
% of Total		10.9%	9.1%	24.9%	9.4%	35.3%	8.2%	2.1%			
STATE TOTALS	11,373	2,298	1,688	1,435	2,013	2,145	1,217	365	107	51	54
% of Total		20.2%	14.8%	12.6%	17.7%	18.8%	10.7%	3.2%	0.9%	0.4%	0.5%

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Camden	13	8	1	1		1	1	1			
% of Total		61.5%	7.7%	7.7%		7.7%	7.7%	7.7%			
Chowan	34	17	3	4	3	6	1				
% of Total		50.0%	8.8%	11.8%	8.8%	17.6%	2.9%				
Currituck	57	18	20	6	11	2					
% of Total		31.6%	35.1%	10.5%	19.3%	3.5%					
Dare	71	16	14	12	8	18	3				
% of Total		22.5%	19.7%	16.9%	11.3%	25.4%	4.2%				
Gates	9	2	1		4	1	1				
% of Total		22.2%	11.1%		44.4%	11.1%	11.1%				
Pasquotank	95	22	20	25	15	12	1				
% of Total		23.2%	21.1%	26.3%	15.8%	12.6%	1.1%				
Perquimans	31	9	5	7	4	6					
% of Total		29.0%	16.1%	22.6%	12.9%	19.4%					
District Totals	310	92	64	55	45	46	7	1			
% of Total		29.7%	20.6%	17.7%	14.5%	14.8%	2.3%	0.3%			
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	43	14	8	12	4	8	2				
% of Total		29.2%	16.7%	25.0%	8.3%	16.7%	4.2%				
Hyde	25	5	4	3	7	3	3				
% of Total		20.0%	16.0%	12.0%	28.0%	12.0%	12.0%				
Martin	38	16		3	3	8	6	2			
% of Total		42.1%		7.9%	7.9%	21.1%	15.8%	5.3%			
Tyrrell	17	4	5	6		2					
% of Total		23.5%	29.4%	35.3%		11.8%					
Washington	16	5	3	3	2	2	1				
% of Total		31.3%	18.8%	18.8%	12.5%	12.5%	6.3%				
District Totals	144	44	20	27	16	23	12	2			
% of Total		30.6%	13.9%	18.8%	11.1%	16.0%	8.3%	1.4%			
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	74	5	1	7	22	22	17				
% of Total		6.8%	1.4%	9.5%	29.7%	29.7%	23.0%				
Craven	46	23	14	6	1	2					
% of Total		50.0%	30.4%	13.0%	2.2%	4.3%					
Pamlico	23	3	1	3	7	3	2			4	
% of Total		13.0%	4.3%	13.0%	30.4%	13.0%	8.7%			17.4%	
Pitt	147	34	28	40	37	7		1			
% of Total		23.1%	19.0%	27.2%	25.2%	4.8%		0.7%			
District Totals	290	65	44	56	67	34	19	1		4	
% of Total		22.4%	15.2%	19.3%	23.1%	11.7%	6.6%	0.3%		1.4%	
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	24	1	3	1	18	1					
% of Total		4.2%	12.5%	4.2%	75.0%	4.2%					
Jones	8	2	4	2							
% of Total		25.0%	50.0%	25.0%							
Onslow	32	8	9	2	3	8	2				
% of Total		25.0%	28.1%	6.3%	9.4%	25.0%	6.3%				
Sampson	50	6	18	6	9	11					
% of Total		12.0%	36.0%	12.0%	18.0%	22.0%					
District Totals	114	17	34	11	30	20	2				
% of Total		14.9%	29.8%	9.6%	26.3%	17.5%	1.8%				

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<u>District 5</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
New Hanover % of Total	183	55 30.1%	27 14.8%	3 1.6%	30 16.4%	38 20.8%	14 7.7%	3 1.6%	13 7.1%		
Pender % of Total	49		11 22.4%	10 20.4%	10 20.4%	17 34.7%	1 2.0%				
District Totals % of Total	232	55 23.7%	38 16.4%	13 5.6%	40 17.2%	55 23.7%	15 6.5%	3 1.3%	13 5.6%		
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie % of Total	52	7 13.5%	30 57.7%	1 1.9%	3 5.8%	3 5.8%	2 3.8%	3 5.8%	3 5.8%		
Halifax % of Total	34		7 20.6%	8 23.5%	4 11.8%	8 23.5%	5 14.7%	2 5.9%			
Hertford % of Total	56	5 8.9%	1 1.8%	9 16.1%	12 21.4%	17 30.4%	7 12.5%	1 1.8%	4 7.1%		
Northampton % of Total	23		5 21.7%	7 30.4%	4 17.4%	2 8.7%	4 17.4%				1 4.3%
District Totals % of Total	165	12 7.3%	43 26.1%	25 15.2%	23 13.9%	30 18.2%	18 10.9%	6 3.6%	7 4.2%		1 0.6%
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe % of Total	77	7 9.1%	21 27.3%	8 10.4%	16 20.8%	21 27.3%	3 3.9%	1 1.3%			
Nash % of Total	158	29 18.4%	54 34.2%	5 3.2%	35 22.2%	23 14.6%	7 4.4%	4 2.5%	1 0.6%		
Wilson % of Total	88	35 39.8%	13 14.8%	1 1.1%	23 26.1%	9 10.2%	6 6.8%	1 1.1%			
District Totals % of Total	323	71 22.0%	88 27.2%	14 4.3%	74 22.9%	53 16.4%	16 5.0%	6 1.9%	1 0.3%		
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene % of Total	15	4 26.7%	1 6.7%	1 6.7%	3 20.0%	3 20.0%	2 13.3%	1 6.7%			
Lenoir % of Total	40	5 12.5%	25 62.5%	5 12.5%	2 5.0%	2 5.0%	1 2.5%				
Wayne % of Total	49	7 14.3%	15 30.6%	5 10.2%	8 16.3%	9 18.4%	4 8.2%	1 2.0%			
District Totals % of Total	104	16 15.4%	41 39.4%	11 10.6%	13 12.5%	14 13.5%	7 6.7%	2 1.9%			
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin % of Total	230	34 14.8%	20 8.7%	38 16.5%	48 20.9%	53 23.0%	21 9.1%	11 4.8%	5 2.2%		
Granville % of Total	138	39 28.3%	10 7.2%	14 10.1%	23 16.7%	22 15.9%	26 18.8%	4 2.9%			
Person % of Total	78	2 2.6%	22 28.2%	9 11.5%	17 21.8%	11 14.1%	16 20.5%	1 1.3%			
Vance % of Total	178	28 15.7%	38 21.3%	14 7.9%	29 16.3%	44 24.7%	19 10.7%	4 2.2%	1 0.6%	1 0.6%	
Warren % of Total	29	7 24.1%	2 6.9%	9 31.0%	5 17.2%	3 10.3%	2 6.9%	1 3.4%			
District Totals % of Total	653	110 16.8%	92 14.1%	84 12.9%	122 18.7%	133 20.4%	84 12.9%	21 3.2%	6 0.9%	1 0.2%	

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<u>District 10</u>											
Wake % of Total	523	115 22.0%	124 23.7%	98 18.7%	79 15.1%	53 10.1%	51 9.8%	1 0.2%		2 0.4%	
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett % of Total	15	4 26.7%	4 26.7%	2 13.3%		1 6.7%	3 20.0%	1 6.7%			
Johnston % of Total	22	6 27.3%	8 36.4%	4 18.2%		3 13.6%	1 4.5%				
Lee % of Total	16	7 43.8%	4 25.0%	3 18.8%	1 6.3%		1 6.3%				
District Totals % of Total	53	17 32.1%	16 30.2%	9 17.0%	1 1.9%	4 7.5%	5 9.4%	1 1.9%			
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland % of Total	280	71 25.4%	38 13.6%	61 21.8%	51 18.2%	54 19.3%	5 1.8%				
Hoke % of Total	77	7 9.1%	8 10.4%	6 7.8%	33 42.9%	18 23.4%	5 6.5%				
District Totals % of Total	357	78 21.8%	46 12.9%	67 18.8%	84 23.5%	72 20.2%	10 2.8%				
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen % of Total	51	6 11.8%	9 17.6%	11 21.6%	12 23.5%	12 23.5%	1 2.0%				
Brunswick % of Total	34	16 47.1%		9 26.5%	2 5.9%	4 11.8%	3 8.8%				
Columbus % of Total	93	16 17.2%	26 28.0%	5 5.4%	12 12.9%	17 18.3%	11 11.8%	6 6.5%			
District Totals % of Total	178	38 21.3%	35 19.7%	25 14.0%	26 14.6%	33 18.5%	15 8.4%	6 3.4%			
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham % of Total	151	9 6.0%	45 29.8%	19 12.6%	19 12.6%	58 38.4%	1 0.7%				
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance % of Total	118	13 11.0%	36 30.5%	26 22.0%	29 24.6%	11 9.3%	1 0.8%			2 1.7%	
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham % of Total	53	4 7.5%	15 28.3%	5 9.4%	14 26.4%	6 11.3%	7 13.2%	2 3.8%			
Orange % of Total	39	8 20.5%	5 12.8%	2 5.1%	8 20.5%	8 20.5%	5 12.8%	3 7.7%			
District Totals % of Total	92	12 13.0%	20 21.7%	7 7.6%	22 23.9%	14 15.2%	12 13.0%	5 5.4%			
<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson % of Total	162	17 10.5%	27 16.7%	8 4.9%	49 30.2%	37 22.8%	21 13.0%	3 1.9%			
Scotland % of Total	5		1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3 60.0%					
District Totals % of Total	167	17 10.2%	28 16.8%	9 5.4%	49 29.3%	40 24.0%	21 12.6%	3 1.8%			

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<u>District 17</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Caswell	10				5	1	2	1	1		
% of Total					50.0%	10.0%	20.0%	10.0%	10.0%		
Rockingham	118	36	14	12	25	23	6	1	1		
% of Total		30.5%	11.9%	10.2%	21.2%	19.5%	5.1%	0.8%	0.8%		
Stokes	78		13	17	20	14	13	1			
% of Total			16.7%	21.8%	25.6%	17.9%	16.7%	1.3%			
Surry	226	13	28	31	66	71	17				
% of Total		5.8%	12.4%	13.7%	29.2%	31.4%	7.5%				
District Totals	432	49	55	60	116	109	38	3	2		
% of Total		11.3%	12.7%	13.9%	26.9%	25.2%	8.8%	0.7%	0.5%		
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford											
Greensboro	557	41	45	44	195	129	70	33			
% of Total		7.4%	8.1%	7.9%	35.0%	23.2%	12.6%	5.9%			
High Point	150	8	20	2	10	30	63	12	5		
% of Total		5.3%	13.3%	1.3%	6.7%	20.0%	42.0%	8.0%	3.3%		
District Totals	707	49	65	46	205	159	133	45	5		
% of Total		6.9%	9.2%	6.5%	29.0%	22.5%	18.8%	6.4%	0.7%		
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	95	31	16	14	11	7	13			3	
% of Total		32.6%	16.8%	14.7%	11.6%	7.4%	13.7%			3.2%	
Montgomery	56	18	1		7	5	5	9	3	8	
% of Total		32.1%	1.8%		12.5%	8.9%	8.9%	16.1%	5.4%	14.3%	
Randolph	251	35	57	4	69	64	18	4			
% of Total		13.9%	22.7%	1.6%	27.5%	25.5%	7.2%	1.6%			
Rowan	118	36	22	21	15	4	11	6		1	2
% of Total		30.5%	18.6%	17.8%	12.7%	3.4%	9.3%	5.1%		0.8%	1.7%
District Totals	520	120	96	39	102	80	47	19	3	12	2
% of Total		23.1%	18.5%	7.5%	19.6%	15.4%	9.0%	3.7%	0.6%	2.3%	0.4%
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	32	7	10		8	3	2				2
% of Total		21.9%	31.3%		25.0%	9.4%	6.3%				6.3%
Moore	62	5	9	8	20	8	6	5	1		
% of Total		8.1%	14.5%	12.9%	32.3%	12.9%	9.7%	8.1%	1.6%		
Richmond	66	8	16	10	14	11	5	2			
% of Total		12.1%	24.2%	15.2%	21.2%	16.7%	7.6%	3.0%			
Stanly	79		15	3	14	20	23	2			2
% of Total			19.0%	3.8%	17.7%	25.3%	29.1%	2.5%			2.5%
Union	53	12	13	9	13	3	3				
% of Total		22.6%	24.5%	17.0%	24.5%	5.7%	5.7%				
District Totals	292	32	63	30	69	45	39	9	1		4
% of Total		11.0%	21.6%	10.3%	23.6%	15.4%	13.4%	3.1%	0.3%		1.4%
<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	167	45	33	38	40	10	1				
% of Total		26.9%	19.8%	22.8%	24.0%	6.0%	0.6%				

**AGES OF MISDEMEANOR CASES APPEALED FROM DISTRICT COURTS
AND PENDING IN SUPERIOR COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977**

<u>District 22</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Alexander % of Total	69	3 4.3%	15 21.7%	20 29.0%	9 13.0%	14 20.3%	8 11.6%				
Davidson % of Total	193	65 33.7%	21 10.9%	7 3.6%	18 9.3%	42 21.8%	32 16.6%	4 2.1%		3 1.6%	1 0.5%
Davie % of Total	37	3 8.1%	1 2.7%	10 27.0%	18 48.6%	4 10.8%	1 2.7%				
Iredell % of Total	58	7 12.1%	13 22.4%	2 3.4%	11 19.0%	19 32.8%	1 1.7%	4 6.9%			1 1.7%
District Totals % of Total	357	78 21.8%	50 14.0%	39 10.9%	56 15.7%	79 22.1%	42 11.8%	8 2.2%		3 0.8%	2 0.6%
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany % of Total	25	2 8.0%	4 16.0%		4 16.0%	7 28.0%	5 20.0%	3 12.0%			
Ashe % of Total	38	15 39.5%	3 7.9%	4 10.5%		11 28.9%		4 10.5%	1 2.6%		
Wilkes % of Total	98	15 15.3%	4 4.1%	17 17.3%	17 17.3%	27 27.6%	14 14.3%	1 1.0%	1 1.0%	2 2.0%	
Yadkin % of Total	54	8 14.8%	4 7.4%	13 24.1%	9 16.7%	11 20.4%	6 11.1%			3 5.6%	
District Totals % of Total	215	40 18.6%	15 7.0%	34 15.8%	30 14.0%	56 26.0%	25 11.6%	8 3.7%	2 0.9%	5 2.3%	
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery % of Total	31		4 12.9%	2 6.5%	11 35.5%	7 22.6%	4 12.9%	3 9.7%			
Madison % of Total	14	3 21.4%			1 7.1%	4 28.6%	2 14.3%				4 28.6%
Mitchell % of Total	15				9 60.0%	6 40.0%					
Watauga % of Total	69	28 40.6%	5 7.2%	1 1.4%	25 36.2%	4 5.8%	5 7.2%	1 1.4%			
Yancey % of Total	10	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%					
District Totals % of Total	139	33 23.7%	12 8.6%	4 2.9%	47 33.8%	24 17.3%	11 7.9%	4 2.9%			4 2.9%
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke % of Total	94	7 7.4%	22 23.4%	7 7.4%	17 18.1%	19 20.2%	15 16.0%	7 7.4%			
Caldwell % of Total	76		26 34.2%	2 2.6%	14 18.4%	12 15.8%	9 11.8%	7 9.2%	4 5.3%	1 1.3%	1 1.3%
Catawba % of Total	177	35 19.8%	20 11.3%	25 14.1%	47 26.6%	37 20.9%	11 6.2%		2 1.1%		
District Totals % of Total	347	42 12.1%	68 19.6%	34 9.8%	78 22.5%	68 19.6%	35 10.1%	14 4.0%	6 1.7%	1 0.3%	1 0.3%
<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg % of Total	389	33 8.5%	45 11.6%	39 10.0%	92 23.7%	82 21.1%	82 21.1%	10 2.6%	2 0.5%	1 0.3%	3 0.8%

**AGES OF MISDEMEANOR CASES APPEALED FROM DISTRICT COURTS
AND PENDING IN SUPERIOR COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977**

<u>District 27</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Cleveland	36	10	9	2	6	7	2				
% of Total		27.8%	25.0%	5.6%	16.7%	19.4%	5.6%				
Gaston	128	35	21	26	14	27	5				
% of Total		27.3%	16.4%	20.3%	10.9%	21.1%	3.9%				
Lincoln	41	17	6	7	7	4					
% of Total		41.5%	14.6%	17.1%	17.1%	9.8%					
District Totals	705	62	36	35	27	38	7				
% of Total		30.2%	17.6%	17.1%	13.2%	18.5%	3.4%				
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	71	12	14	4	20	18	3				
% of Total		16.9%	19.7%	5.6%	28.2%	25.4%	4.2%				
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	88	6	5	4	11	24	22	4	3	1	8
% of Total		6.8%	5.7%	4.5%	12.5%	27.3%	25.0%	4.5%	3.4%	1.1%	9.1%
McDowell	39	4	4	7	8	10	6				
% of Total		10.3%	10.3%	17.9%	20.5%	25.6%	15.4%				
Polk	20	1	2	2	10	4		1			
% of Total		5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	50.0%	20.0%		5.0%			
Rutherford	96	6	10	14	28	19	13	4	2		
% of Total		6.3%	10.4%	14.6%	29.2%	19.8%	13.5%	4.2%	2.1%		
Transylvania	24	3			3	6	2				
% of Total		12.5%			54.2%	25.0%	8.3%				
District Totals	267	20	21	27	70	63	43	9	5	1	8
% of Total		7.5%	7.9%	10.1%	26.2%	23.6%	16.1%	3.4%	1.9%	0.4%	3.0%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	22	5	2	1	2	8	4				
% of Total		22.7%	9.1%	4.5%	9.1%	36.4%	18.2%				
Clay	6			1	1	2	1	1			
% of Total				16.7%	16.7%	33.3%	16.7%	16.7%			
Graham	25	9		4	1	3	8				
% of Total		36.0%		16.0%	4.0%	12.0%	32.0%				
Haywood	136	7	36	29	3	32	24	5			
% of Total		5.1%	26.5%	21.3%	2.2%	23.5%	17.6%	3.7%			
Jackson	29	8	4	2	3	2	10				
% of Total		27.6%	13.8%	6.9%	10.3%	6.9%	34.5%				
Macon	18	2		1	4	6	5				
% of Total		11.1%		5.6%	22.2%	33.3%	27.8%				
Swain	17	4	2		4	5	2				
% of Total		23.5%	11.8%		23.5%	29.4%	11.8%				
District Totals	253	35	44	38	18	58	54	6			
% of Total		13.8%	17.4%	15.0%	7.1%	22.9%	21.3%	2.4%			
STATE TOTALS											
% of Total	8,335	1,431	1,431	1,023	1,709	1,582	856	193	53	32	25
		17.2%	17.2%	12.3%	20.5%	19.0%	10.3%	2.3%	0.6%	0.4%	0.3%

UTILIZATION OF CRIMINAL SUPERIOR COURT TERMS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

1977 Calendar Year

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>District 1</u>				
Camden	13	10	3	76.9%
Chowan	25	21½	3½	86.0%
Currituck	30	18	12	60.0%
Dare	45	34	11	75.5%
Gates	15	7	8	46.6%
Pasquotank	55	44½	10½	80.9%
Perquimans	20	13½	6½	67.5%
District Totals	203	148½	54½	73.1%

<u>District 2</u>				
Beaufort	90	73	17	81.1%
Hyde	13	8½	4½	65.3%
Martin	40	33	7	82.5%
Tyrrell	10	5½	4½	55.0%
Washington	23	15½	7½	67.3%
District Totals	176	135½	40½	76.9%

<u>District 3</u>				
Carteret	45	34	11	75.5%
Craven	92½	65½	27	70.8%
Pamlico	13	11½	1½	88.4%
Pitt	110	86½	23½	78.6%
District Totals	260½	197½	63	75.8%

<u>District 4</u>				
Duplin	55	37½	17½	68.1%
Jones	21½	9½	12	44.1%
Onslow	163	116	47	71.1%
Sampson	75	51½	23½	68.6%
District Totals	314½	214½	100	68.3%

<u>District 5</u>				
New Hanover	227	192	35	84.5%
Pender	30	26½	3½	88.3%
District Totals	257	218½	38½	85.0%

<u>District 6</u>				
Bertie	25½	19½	6	76.4%
Halifax	50	37½	12½	75.0%
Hertford	20	17	3	85.0%
Northampton	21	15½	5½	73.8%
District Totals	116½	89½	27	76.8%

<u>District 7</u>				
Edgecombe	55	38	17	69.0%
Nash	70	51	19	72.8%
Wilson	88	73	15	82.9%
District Totals	213	162	51	76.0%

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>District 8</u>				
Greene	18	9½	8½	52.7%
Lenoir	95	69	26	72.6%
Wayne	145	120	25	82.7%
District Totals	258	198½	59½	76.9%

<u>District 9</u>				
Franklin	32½	27½	5	84.6%
Granville	30	27½	2½	91.6%
Person	35	31½	3½	90.0%
Vance	53	42½	10½	80.1%
Warren	20	15½	4½	77.5%
District Totals	170½	144½	26	84.7%

<u>District 10</u>				
Wake	416	331½	84½	79.6%

<u>District 11</u>				
Harnett	55	47	8	85.4%
Johnston	80	58	22	72.5%
Lee	40	31½	8½	78.7%
District Totals	175	136½	38½	78.0%

<u>District 12</u>				
Cumberland	336	293	43	87.2%
Hoke	40	37	3	92.5%
District Totals	376	330	46	87.7%

<u>District 13</u>				
Bladen	36	25	11	69.4%
Brunsuick	48	34	14	70.8%
Columbus	70	51½	18½	73.5%
District Totals	154	110½	43½	71.7%

<u>District 14</u>				
Durham	276	225	51	81.5%

<u>District 15A</u>				
Alamance	160	132½	27½	82.8%

<u>District 15B</u>				
Chatham	30	25	5	83.3%
Orange	80	73	7	91.2%
District Totals	110	98	12	89.1%

<u>District 16</u>				
Robeson	155½	130½	25	83.9%
Scotland	30	24	6	80.0%
District Totals	185½	154½	31	83.2%

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1977 Calendar Year

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>District 17</u>				
Caswell	25	19½	5½	78.0%
Rockingham	88	82	6	93.1%
Stokes	25	23	2	92.0%
Surry	50	39½	10½	79.9%
District Totals	188	163	25	86.7%

<u>District 18</u>				
Guilford	328	278	50	84.7%

<u>District 19</u>				
Cabarrus	90	67	23	74.4%
Montgomery	35	24	11	68.5%
Randolph	75	60	15	80.0%
Rowan	103	73	30	70.8%
District Totals	303	224	79	73.9%

<u>District 20</u>				
Anson	40	32	8	80.0%
Moore	50	42	8	84.0%
Richmond	60	46	14	76.6%
Stanly	65	57	8	87.6%
Union	78	64	14	82.0%
District Totals	293	241	52	82.2%

<u>District 21</u>				
Forsyth	243	213	30	87.6%

<u>District 22</u>				
Alexander	10	8½	1½	85.0%
Davidson	70	50½	19½	72.1%
Davie	20	15½	4½	77.5%
Iredell	75	57	18	76.0%
District Totals	175	131½	43½	75.1%

<u>District 23</u>				
Alleghany	10	3½	6½	35.0%
Ashe	17½	9	8½	51.4%
Wilkes	72½	58½	14	80.6%
Yadkin	23	18	5	78.2%
District Totals	123	89	34	72.3%

	Days Scheduled	Days Held	Days Unused	% Used
<u>District 24</u>				
Avery	17	15	2	88.2%
Madison	35	28	7	80.0%
Mitchell	17	12	5	70.5%
Watauga	30	29	1	96.6%
Yancey	13	10	3	76.9%
District Totals	112	94	18	83.9%

<u>District 25</u>				
Burke	90	69½	20½	77.2%
Caldwell	108	78	30	72.2%
Catawba	158	110	48	69.6%
District Totals	356	257½	98½	72.3%

<u>District 26</u>				
Mecklenburg	638	571½	66½	89.5%

<u>District 27</u>				
Cleveland	95	75	20	78.9%
Gaston	223	198	25	88.7%
Lincoln	60	36	24	60.0%
District Totals	378	309	69	81.7%

<u>District 28</u>				
Buncombe	198	145	53	73.2%

<u>District 29</u>				
Henderson	35	35	0	100.0%
McDowell	45	40	5	88.8%
Polk	15	12	3	80.0%
Rutherford	43	39	4	90.6%
Transylvania	25	17½	7½	70.0%
District Totals	163	143½	19½	88.0%

<u>District 30</u>				
Cherokee	20	15	5	75.0%
Clay	7½	3	4½	40.0%
Graham	10	4½	5½	45.0%
Haywood	45	38	7	84.4%
Jackson	20	12½	7½	62.5%
Macon	12½	8	4½	64.0%
Swain	20	13	7	65.0%
District Totals	135	94	41	69.6%

STATE TOTALS	7,454½	5,981½	1,473	80.2%
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The District Court Division

“The General Assembly shall, from time to time, divide the State into a convenient number of local court districts and shall prescribe where the District Courts shall sit, but a District Court must sit in at least one place in each county.”

N. C. Const., Art. IV, Sec. 10

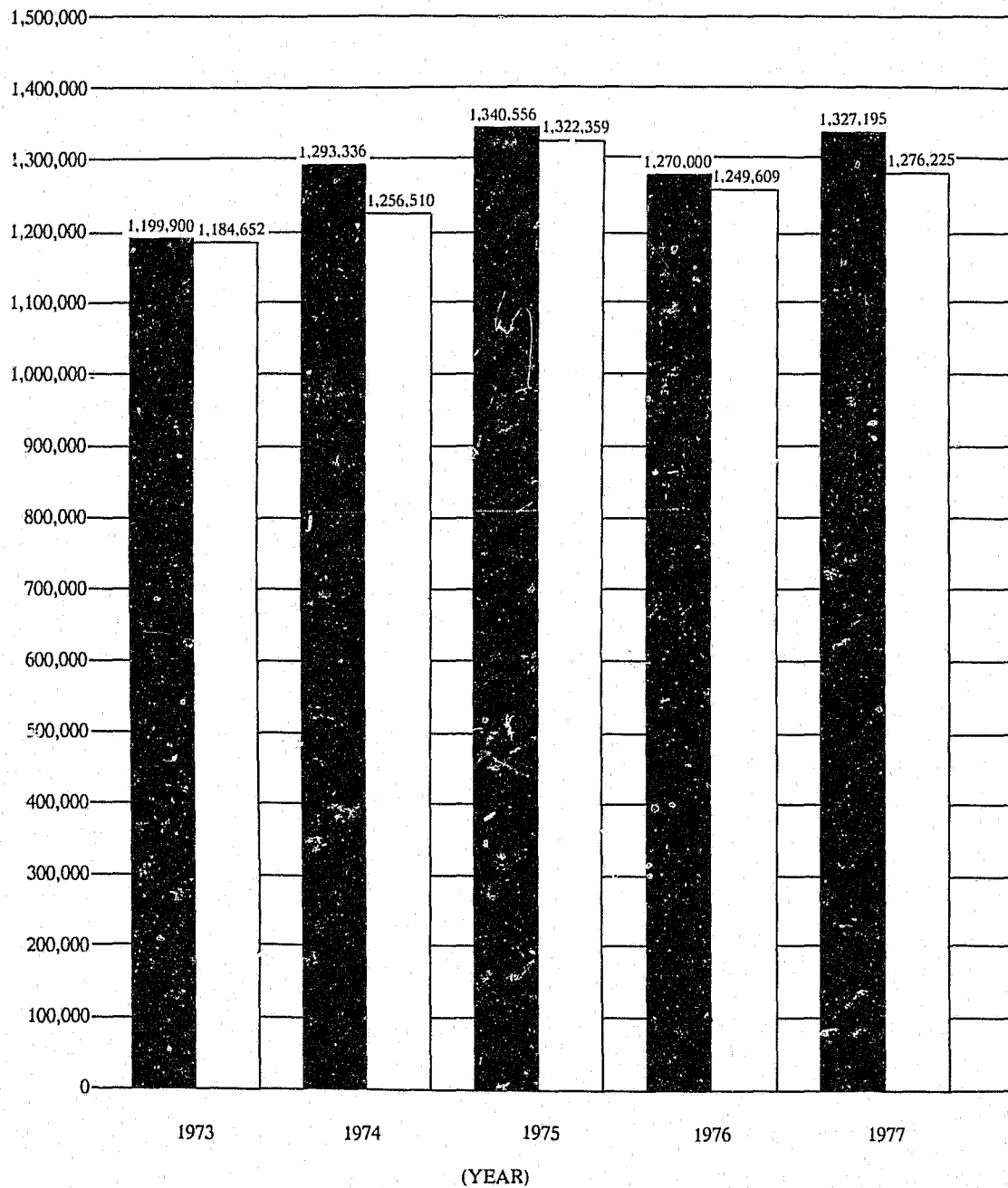
THE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

Total case activity in the district courts during 1977, compared with total case activity in the preceding four years, is depicted in the graphs which immediately follow. There was a four-and-one-half percent increase in total filings: 1,327,195 in 1977, compared to 1,270,000 in 1976. There was also an increase in dispositions: 1,276,225 in 1977, compared to 1,249,609 in 1976. The increase in dispositions was not as large as the increase in filings. Consequently, there was a significant increase in cases pending at the end of the year: 228,729 cases pending December 31, 1977, compared to 177,759 at the end of 1976. The major portion of this increase in pending cases was in the criminal case category (an increase of 39,080) whereas the increase in civil cases pending was 11,890.

Data is then presented on days of district court held (both civil and criminal), followed by data on district court civil dockets, on juvenile proceedings, and on district court criminal dockets.

TOTAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURTS **(For Years, 1973-1977)**

NO. OF CASES



ADDED:

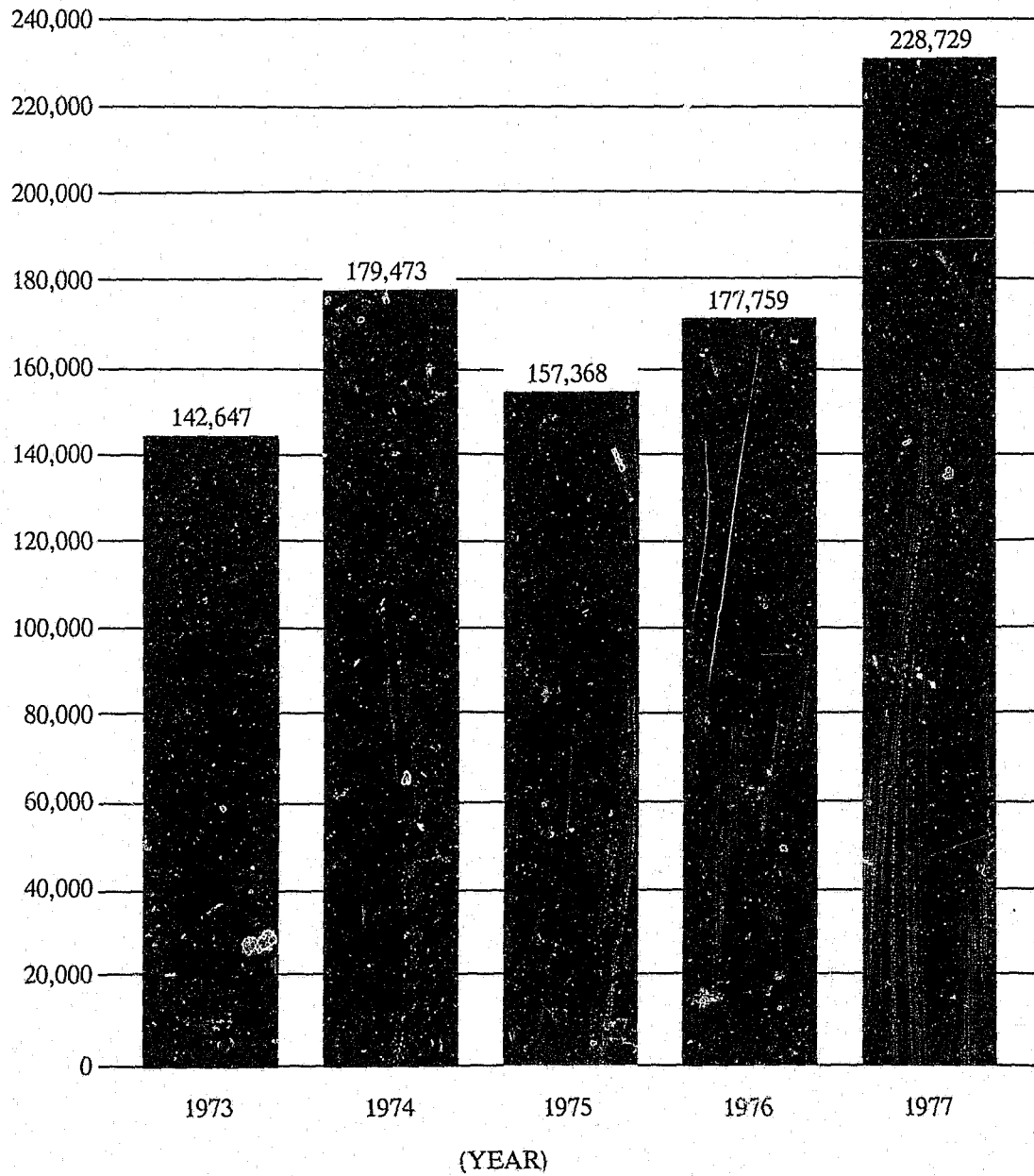


DISPOSED OF:



TOTAL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS
(For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



The tables which follow present data on total days of district court for the past five years, and data on the days of court held at each district court seat during 1977. The total number of days of district court in 1977 was 19,217½, compared with 18,593 in 1976.

**TOTAL DAYS OF DISTRICT COURT
1973-1977**

Year	Civil	Criminal	Total
1973	5,728½	10,893½	16,622
1974	6,018½	11,193	17,211½
1975	6,673½	11,979½	18,653
1976	6,670¾	11,922¼	18,593
1977	7,445	11,772½	19,217½

DAYS OF COURT HELD AT EACH SEAT OF THE DISTRICT COURT*

1977 Calendar Year

District 1 (2 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Camden—Camden	5½	17	22½
Chowan—Edenton	30	38½	68½
Currituck—Currituck	6½	25	31½
Dare—Manteo	18½	40½	59
Gates—Gatesville	2½	24	26½
Pasquotank—Elizabeth City	36	60	96
Perquimans—Hertford	2½	19½	22
District Totals	101½	224½	326

District 2 (2 Judges)

Beaufort—Washington	19	101	120
Hyde—Swan Quarter	1	14	15
Martin—Williamston	5	61½	66½
Tyrrell—Columbia	½	10½	11
Washington—Plymouth	11½	31	42½
District Totals	37	218	255

District 3 (5 Judges)

Carteret—Beaufort	46	124	170
Craven—New Bern	120½	172½	293
Pamlico—Bayboro	2½	31½	34
Pitt—Greenville	112	185½	297½
Farmville	2½	24	26½
Ayden	0	23	23
District Totals	283½	560½	844

District 4 (4 Judges)

Duplin—Kenansville	14½	70½	85
Jones—Trenton	5½	18	23½
Onslow—Jacksonville	65½	234½	300
Sampson—Clinton	28	92	120
District Totals	113½	415	528½

District 5 (3 Judges)

New Hanover—Wilmington	145½	235	380½
Pender—Burgaw	8½	54½	63
District Totals	154	289½	443½

District 6 (3 Judges)

Bertie—Windsor	7½	94½	102
Halifax—Halifax	33	86½	119½
Roanoke Rapids	1	37½	38½
Hertford—Winton	10	69½	79½
Northampton—Jackson	5½	57	62½
District Totals	57	345	402

District 7 (4 Judges)

Edgecombe—Tarboro	35½	85	120½
Rocky Mount	9½	68½	78
Nash—Nashville	44½	64½	109
Wilson—Wilson	42½	107	149½
District Totals	132	325	457

District 8 (5 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Greene—Snow Hill	14	33½	47½
Lenoir—Kinston	128½	143½	272
Wayne—Goldsboro	272	175	447
Mount Olive	0	25½	25½
District Totals	414½	377½	792

District 9 (4 Judges)

Franklin—Louisburg	21	48½	69½
Granville—Oxford	117	52½	169½
Person—Roxboro	23	42	65
Vance—Henderson	23	64½	87½
Warren—Warrenton	14	23	37
District Totals	198	230½	428½

District 10 (6 Judges)

Wake—Raleigh	370	561½	931½
Fuquay-Varina	0	12½	12½
Wendell	0	12½	12½
District Totals	370	586½	956½

District 11 (4 Judges)

Harnett—Lillington	36	82	118
Dunn	0	28	28
Johnston—Smithfield	110	85½	195½
Benson	0	35½	35½
Selma	0	49	49
Lee—Sanford	18½	124½	143
District Totals	164½	404½	569

District 12 (5 Judges)

Cumberland—Fayetteville	429	416½	845½
Hoke—Raeford	3½	54½	58
District Totals	432½	471	903½

District 13 (3 Judges)

Biaden—Elizabethtown	53½	79½	133
Brunswick—Southport	47	57½	104½
Shallotte	9	35½	44½
Columbus—Whiteville	71½	144½	216
Tabor City	0	29	29
District Totals	181	346	527

District 14 (3 Judges)

Durham—Durham	190	237½	427½
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District 15A (3 Judges)

Alamance—Graham	175½	204	379½
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DAYS OF COURT HELD AT EACH SEAT OF THE DISTRICT COURT*

1977 Calendar Year

District 15B (2 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Chatham—Pittsboro	19½	25½	45
Siler City	6½	27	33½
Orange—Hillsborough	59½	62½	122
Chapel Hill	11	72½	83½
District Totals	96½	187½	284

District 16 (4 Judges)

Robeson—Lumberton	118½	227½	346
Fairmont	0	36	36
Maxton	0	40½	40½
Pembroke	0	15½	15½
Red Springs	0	32½	32½
Rowland	0	20½	20½
Saint Pauls	0	37½	37½
Scotland—Laurinburg	77½	150	227½
District Totals	196	560	756

District 17 (4 Judges)

Castwell—Yanceyville	6½	31	37½
Rockingham—Wentworth	52	26½	78½
Reidsville	0	69	69
Eden	0	63½	63½
Madison	0	36	36
Stokes—Danbury	3	63½	66½
Surry—Dobson	24	114½	138½
District Totals	85½	404	489½

District 18 (8 Judges)

Guilford—Greensboro	519	449	968
High Point	127½	149	276½
District Totals	646½	598	1,244½

District 19 (5 Judges)

Cabarrus—Concord	61½	97	158½
Kannapolis	1	50	51
Montgomery—Troy	26½	64	90½
Randolph—Asheboro	63	98½	161½
Liberty	0	5½	5½
Rowan—Salisbury	78½	133	211½
District Totals	230½	448	678½

District 20 (4 Judges)

Anson—Wadesboro	21	63	84
Moore—Carthage	36½	41	77½
Southern Pines	0	19	19
Richmond—Rockingham	33	68½	101½
Stanly—Albemarle	38½	91½	130
Union—Monroe	41	98	139
District Totals	170	381	551

District 21 (5 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Forsyth—Winston-Salem	438½	480½	919
Kernersville	0	18½	18½
District Totals	438½	499	937½

District 22 (4 Judges)

Alexander—Taylorsville	20	28½	48½
Davidson—Lexington	114½	85½	200
Thomasville	0	69½	69½
Davie—Mocksville	17½	37½	55
Iredell—Statesville	105	111½	216½
Mooresville	0	29½	29½
District Totals	257	362	619

District 23 (2 Judges)

Alleghany—Sparta	7½	21½	29
Ashe—Jefferson	8	40	48
Wilkes—Willesboro	106	99	205
Yadkin—Yadkinville	12½	40	52½
District Totals	134	200½	334½

District 24 (2 Judges)

Avery—Newland	25	29½	54½
Madison—Marshall	23½	18	41½
Mitchell—Bakersville	23	20	43
Watauga—Boone	30	53	83
Yancey—Burnsville	22	21	43
District Totals	123½	141½	265

District 25 (5 Judges)

Burke—Morganton	52	145	197
Caldwell—Lenoir	72	131½	203½
Catawba—Newton	54½	87½	142
Hickory	73½	120½	194
District Totals	252	484½	736½

District 26 (8 Judges)

Mecklenburg—Charlotte	763½	680	1,443½
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District 27 (5 Judges)

Cleveland—Shelby	64½	150	214½
Gaston—Gastonia	195	362½	557½
Lincoln—Lincolnton	38½	83½	122
District Totals	298	596	894

District 28 (4 Judges)

Buncombe—Asheville	419	406	825
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DAYS OF COURT HELD AT EACH SEAT OF THE DISTRICT COURT*

1977 Calendar Year

District 29 (3 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Henderson—Hendersonville	62½	103	165½
McDowell—Marion	29	92½	121½
Polk—Columbus	6	43	49
Rutherford—Rutherfordton	35	74	109
Transylvania—Brevard	55½	49½	105
District Totals	188	362	550

District 30 (3 Judges)

	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
Cherokee—Murphy	7	26½	33½
Clay—Hayesville	½	8½	9
Graham—Robbinsville	9½	14	23½
Haywood—Waynesville	48	91½	139½
Canton	3	17	20
Jackson—Sylva	25	26	51
Macon—Franklin	27	21½	48½
Swain—Bryson City	22	22½	44½
District Totals	142	227½	369½

STATE TOTALS

7,445 11,772½ 19,217½

* All days of court at each seat were not necessarily held by a judge assigned to the designated judicial district. In 1977 District Court Judges held a total of 275 days of court in judicial districts other than their own. A day of court is defined as at least a two hour session before lunch and at least a two hour session after lunch. Judicial hospitalization, juvenile and domestic relations cases are counted as civil court.

DISTRICT COURT CIVIL DOCKETS

Activity relating to civil cases in the district courts is depicted, first, in the graphs which show the numbers of cases added and disposed of in 1977 and the preceding four years and the numbers of cases pending at the end of 1977 and the preceding four years. There was an 8.8% increase in case filings in 1977 — 244,655, compared to 224,810 in 1976 — and a 9.7% increase in dispositions — 232,765 in 1977, compared to 212,208 in 1976. The number of cases pending at the end of the year also increased, from 64,651 pending at the end of 1976 to 76,541 pending at the end of 1977. The distribution of these pending cases among the 100 counties is depicted in the table following the graphs, which is accompanied by the table showing the ten counties with the largest numbers of pending cases, nine of which appeared on the same table in last year's *Annual Report*.

Two tables show the numbers of cases pending, added, and disposed of, and the manner of disposition, in the 100 counties, for general civil cases, domestic relations cases (including child-support cases), and small claims cases (including both small claims cases heard by magistrates and small claims cases appealed from magistrates to the district court). A third table shows the ratios of dispositions to caseload and ratios of pending cases to dispositions for all civil cases. (The ratio of dispositions to total caseload in the district courts varies considerably among the 100 counties, ranging from 60.9% in Warren County to 90.4% in Perquimans.) A fourth table shows the time from filing to disposition for all civil cases disposed of during 1977 in the district courts. Finally, data on the ages of cases pending at the end of 1977 is presented, giving statewide totals for each of five categories of district court civil cases: general civil cases, domestic relations cases, child support cases, small claims cases assigned to magistrates, and small claims cases on appeal from magistrates.

This is the first year in which data on time from filing to disposition has been available. It reveals that a substantial majority of the district court civil cases disposed of received prompt attention in the State's district courts: of the 232,765 cases disposed of during 1977, 206,948 (88.9%) were disposed of within 180 days of filing. It should be noted, however, that this table includes all civil cases disposed of in the district court division in 1977 and does not reveal the differences between small claims cases, most of which are heard by magistrates, and the other kinds of district court civil cases, which are tried before a judge. Small claims dispositions comprised 66% of the total number of dispositions in the district court division, and 97% of the small claims dispositions were handled within 180 days of filing. Civil cases tried before district court judges accounted for 34% of the dispositions in the district court division, and only 73% of these were disposed of within 180 days.

The table on the ages of the cases pending at the end of the year, moreover, shows that only 45.8% (35,066 cases) had been pending for less than 180 days. This leaves 54.2% (41,475 cases) pending for more than six months, and 17.0% (13,010 cases) pending for two years or more, with 2.6% (1,994 cases) pending for five years or more.

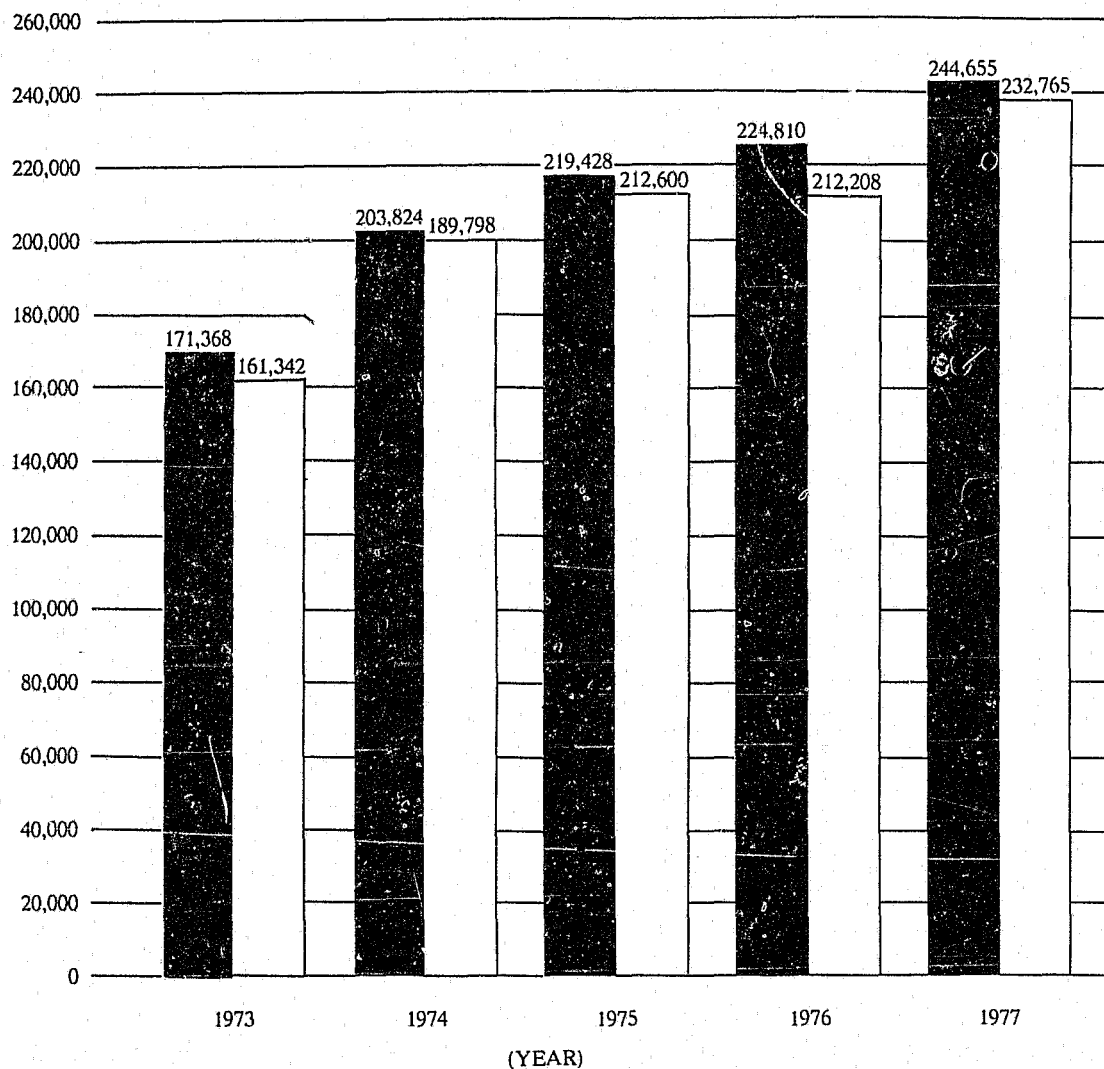
The observation on the ages of civil cases pending in the superior courts seems to be applicable to the district courts as well: if neither of the parties involved in a civil case is interested in having the case put on the trial calendar, it will not likely be calendared. This, rather than non-availability of court resources, probably explains the numbers of long-pending civil cases in the district courts. As with the superior courts, it can be said that there is always an underlying public interest in assuring that civil cases are disposed of promptly in the district courts, consistent with the nature of the case and the rights of the parties involved. In civil matters, the court system (and thus the public interest) is not well served by having civil cases carried as open, pending cases for several years in the district courts simply because the parties permit or tolerate this to occur because of disinterest or inattention. At the least, such cases clutter the district court records and give an erroneous picture of the real workload confronting the court system.

As with the superior courts, there is no official or generally recognized time standard for the disposition of civil cases in the district courts. If a one-year standard were applied to the civil cases pending as of December 31, 1977, one would conclude that there is a substantial backlog of civil cases in our district courts: 20,118 cases (26.3%) pending for more than a year. Applying a two-year standard would place 5,980 cases (7.8%) in a "backlog" status.

No specific conclusions are expressed at this time as to what should be an appropriate time standard for the disposition of district court civil cases. This is a matter which merits the further attention of court officials, members of the practicing bar, and interested members of the public.

CIVIL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURTS **(For Years, 1973-1977)**

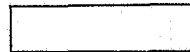
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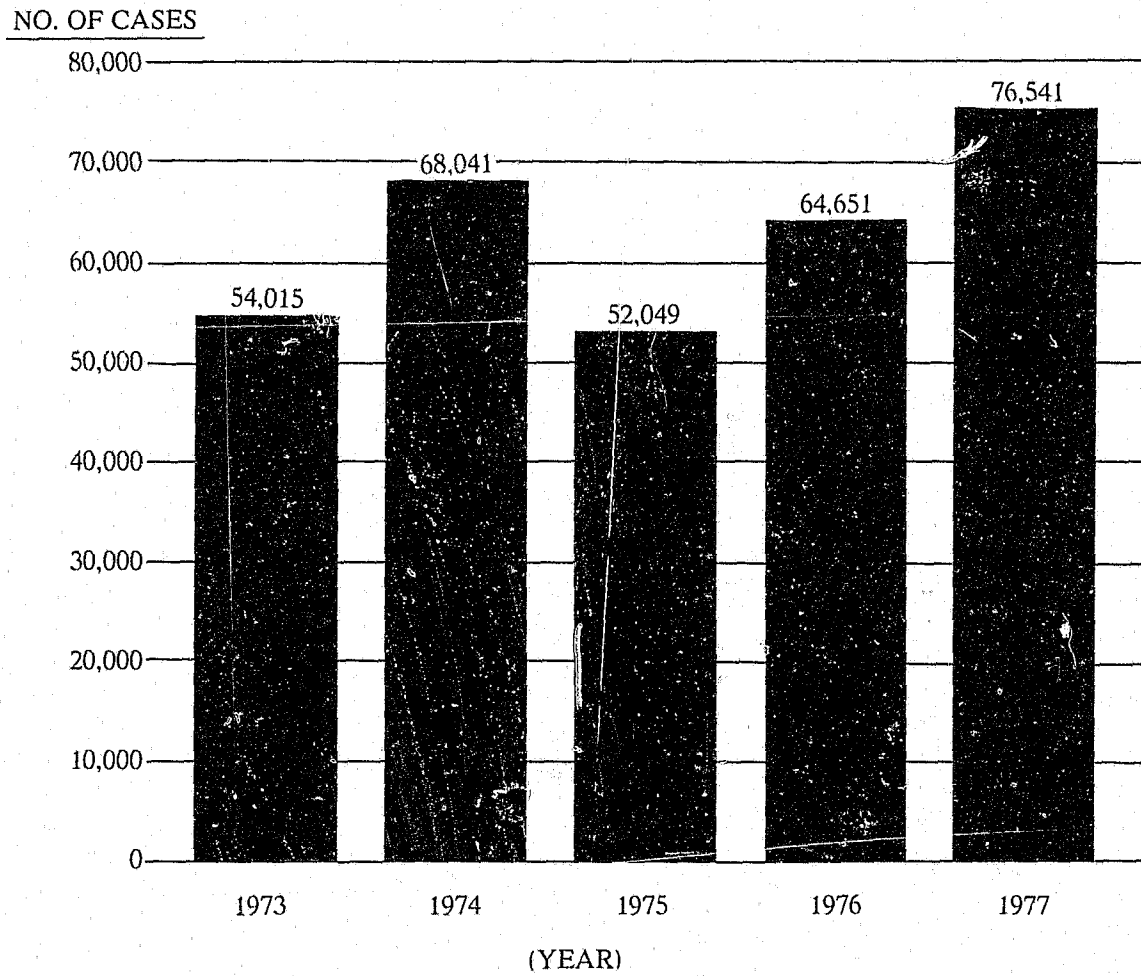
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CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS
(For Years, 1973-1977)



**DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CIVIL CASES
AMONG THE COUNTIES**

(District Courts)

Number of Cases	Less than 100	100-300	301-500	501-1,000	Over 1,000
Number of Counties & Year: 1973	26	27	17	17	13
1974	24	23	19	19	15
1975	23	26	19	18	14
1976	26	23	25	14	12
1977	18	22	24	21	15

**TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CIVIL DOCKETS
PENDING AT YEAR END**

County	Pending 1/1/77	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12/31/77	Ratio (%) of Dispositions to Filings
*Mecklenburg	10,103	26,127	22,150	14,080	84.8%
*Guilford	6,926	21,011	21,378	6,559	101.7%
*Wake	4,440	13,930	13,834	4,536	99.3%
*Durham	4,646	11,847	12,250	4,243	103.4%
*Cumberland	2,070	10,286	9,672	2,684	94.0%
*Forsyth	1,825	10,634	10,155	2,304	95.5%
*New Hanover	1,569	5,763	5,313	2,019	92.2%
*Buncombe	1,422	5,499	5,352	1,569	97.3%
*Gaston	1,704	5,015	5,184	1,535	103.4%
Pitt	1,103	3,638	3,340	1,401	91.8%
STATE MEAN	647	2,447	2,328	765	95.1%

*Counties that were listed in this table in the 1976 Annual Report.

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	General Civil				Domestic				Small Claims			
	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77
<u>District 1</u>												
Camden	9	7	8	8	5	17	15	7	2	137	129	10
Chowan	48	175	130	93	6	47	41	12	16	487	471	32
Currituck	32	50	42	40	22	51	48	25	18	246	245	19
Dare	75	66	68	73	43	80	72	51	29	242	228	43
Gates	22	54	41	35	23	24	29	18	4	292	284	12
Pasquotank	171	123	166	128	98	209	218	89	44	853	859	38
Perquimans	16	17	21	12	21	29	41	9	7	252	247	12
District Totals	373	492	476	389	218	457	464	211	120	2,509	2,463	166
<u>District 2</u>												
Beaufort	98	149	148	99	141	350	332	159	61	1,512	1,466	107
Hyde	11	19	21	9	10	35	33	12	2	96	85	13
Martin	62	73	61	74	237	195	192	240	59	984	948	95
Tyrrell	13	10	11	12	4	24	23	5	5	114	107	12
Washington	45	74	75	44	56	181	182	55	50	701	718	33
District Totals	229	325	316	238	448	785	762	471	177	3,407	3,324	260
<u>District 3</u>												
Carteret	216	191	233	174	51	323	282	92	115	907	886	136
Craven	336	519	425	430	297	771	668	400	99	1,360	1,289	170
Pamlico	30	29	22	37	30	84	70	44	12	255	251	16
Pitt	606	398	336	668	359	756	630	485	138	2,484	2,374	248
District Totals	1,188	1,137	1,016	1,309	737	1,934	1,650	1,021	364	5,006	4,800	570
<u>District 4</u>												
Duplin	107	154	142	119	107	249	217	139	92	1,477	1,276	293
Jones	35	24	38	21	32	90	84	38	19	202	181	40
Onslow	344	254	335	263	275	949	714	510	371	2,047	2,158	260
Sampson	165	242	244	163	29	315	270	74	92	2,488	2,386	194
District Totals	651	674	759	566	443	1,603	1,285	761	574	6,214	6,001	787
<u>District 5</u>												
New Hanover	930	1,270	1,139	1,061	433	1,106	947	592	206	3,387	3,227	366
Pender	61	105	93	73	38	110	103	45	21	433	386	68
District Totals	991	1,375	1,232	1,134	471	1,216	1,050	637	227	3,820	3,613	434
<u>District 6</u>												
Bertie	66	74	87	53	67	133	99	101	46	747	709	84
Halifax	203	133	227	109	230	400	426	204	117	1,518	1,420	215
Hertford	161	165	239	87	144	163	219	88	46	459	415	90
Northampton	53	121	127	47	56	84	87	53	83	710	648	145
District Totals	483	493	680	296	497	780	831	446	292	3,434	3,192	534
<u>District 7</u>												
Edgecombe	171	348	274	245	98	414	372	140	94	2,893	2,783	204
Nash	271	391	269	393	243	641	535	349	74	2,327	2,238	163
Wilson	263	498	449	312	128	376	390	114	87	2,311	2,230	168
District Totals	705	1,237	992	950	469	1,431	1,297	603	255	7,531	7,251	535

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	General Civil				Domestic				Small Claims			
	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77
<u>District 8</u>												
Greene	11	12	15	8	18	115	94	39	12	267	243	36
Lenoir	368	374	295	447	276	644	582	338	210	2,681	2,481	410
Wayne	1,098	878	1,151	825	490	816	900	406	115	2,300	2,293	122
District Totals	1,477	1,264	1,461	1,280	784	1,575	1,576	783	337	5,248	5,017	568
<u>District 9</u>												
Franklin	128	115	93	150	155	192	170	177	44	604	544	104
Granville	149	120	187	82	149	137	220	66	41	1,274	1,226	89
Person	207	129	170	166	26	181	124	83	667	774	1,336	105
Vance	388	119	262	245	291	258	313	236	75	1,618	1,564	129
Warren	163	120	115	168	99	89	93	95	35	383	333	85
District Totals	1,035	603	827	811	720	857	920	657	862	4,653	5,003	512
<u>District 10</u>												
Wake	2,544	2,740	2,904	2,380	1,270	2,582	2,446	1,406	626	8,608	8,484	750
<u>District 11</u>												
Harnett	368	609	496	481	233	463	419	277	203	1,493	1,468	228
Johnston	260	470	370	360	263	557	531	289	147	1,723	1,585	285
Lee	266	452	433	285	22	247	212	57	46	1,177	1,082	141
District Totals	894	1,531	1,299	1,126	518	1,267	1,162	623	396	4,393	4,135	654
<u>District 12</u>												
Cumberland	698	1,405	1,222	881	891	2,820	2,627	1,084	481	6,061	5,823	719
Hoke	63	140	122	81	12	160	140	32	21	521	480	62
District Totals	761	1,545	1,344	962	903	2,980	2,767	1,116	502	6,582	6,303	781
<u>District 13</u>												
Bladen	90	262	231	121	27	100	84	43	82	709	638	153
Brunswick	138	150	130	158	111	228	206	133	70	719	628	161
Columbus	379	324	265	438	149	431	345	235	159	1,516	1,498	177
District Totals	607	736	626	717	287	759	635	411	311	2,944	2,764	491
<u>District 14</u>												
Durham	2,170	1,202	1,456	1,916	1,494	1,475	1,512	1,457	982	9,170	9,282	870
<u>District 15A</u>												
Alamance	178	357	355	180	155	930	884	201	94	1,820	1,727	187
<u>District 15B</u>												
Chatham	58	108	83	83	52	245	200	97	14	1,039	1,001	52
Orange	316	416	264	468	147	426	324	249	50	1,190	1,064	176
District Totals	374	524	347	551	199	671	524	346	64	2,229	2,065	228
<u>District 16</u>												
Robeson	552	683	549	686	206	849	766	289	558	2,830	3,032	356
Scotland	79	126	85	120	123	345	297	171	67	965	945	87
District Totals	631	809	634	806	329	1,194	1,063	460	625	3,795	3,977	443

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	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77
<u>District 17</u>												
Caswell	17	53	44	26	49	119	116	52	21	545	511	55
Rockingham	178	338	344	172	232	695	574	253	132	1,738	1,741	129
Stokes	39	44	34	49	48	172	152	68	61	675	688	48
Surry	174	454	391	237	195	374	360	209	119	2,055	1,899	275
District Totals	408	889	813	484	524	1,360	1,302	582	333	5,013	4,839	507
<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	4,422	3,687	4,650	3,459	1,589	3,668	3,631	1,626	915	13,656	13,097	1,474
<u>District 19</u>												
Cabarrus	178	499	405	272	218	696	623	291	66	1,335	1,281	120
Montgomery	2	4	2	4	123	222	203	142	54	695	495	254
Randolph	138	259	245	152	165	551	541	175	97	1,164	1,159	102
Rowan	122	389	347	164	137	741	693	185	124	1,648	1,635	137
District Totals	440	1,151	999	592	643	2,210	2,060	793	341	4,842	4,579	613
<u>District 20</u>												
Anson	100	62	53	109	117	96	91	122	49	475	453	71
Moore	198	209	195	212	121	333	300	154	71	1,125	1,081	115
Richmond	189	179	109	259	365	340	390	315	175	2,327	1,728	774
Stanly	132	206	153	185	91	269	224	136	40	1,041	998	83
Union	149	203	187	165	94	293	231	156	77	1,215	1,168	124
District Totals	768	859	697	930	788	1,331	1,236	883	412	6,183	5,428	1,167
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	1,057	1,920	1,736	1,241	518	2,105	2,039	584	250	6,609	6,380	479
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	15	49	44	20	22	129	116	35	24	378	382	20
Davidson	125	376	331	170	189	889	783	295	118	1,603	1,545	176
Davie	39	133	108	64	28	62	79	11	21	347	301	67
Iredell	120	446	345	221	128	639	567	200	141	2,200	2,091	250
District Totals	299	1,004	828	475	367	1,719	1,545	541	304	4,528	4,319	513
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	32	65	52	45	20	72	70	22	10	102	103	9
Ashe	25	50	32	43	33	116	115	34	13	224	191	46
Wilkes	233	654	655	232	124	409	410	123	97	1,165	1,031	231
Yadkin	52	77	82	47	33	173	157	49	23	1,138	1,018	143
District Totals	342	846	821	367	210	770	752	228	143	2,629	2,343	429
<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	41	149	131	59	14	7	5	16	17	247	213	51
Madison	20	35	28	27	30	57	56	31	9	141	140	10
Mitchell	15	65	49	31	9	65	59	15	10	189	171	28
Watauga	247	162	194	215	23	135	103	55	41	278	253	66
Yancey	17	62	57	22	15	90	75	30	13	176	156	33
District Totals	340	473	459	354	91	354	298	147	90	1,031	933	188

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	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77	Pending 1/1/77	Filed 1977	Disposed of 1977	Pending 12/31/77
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	171	282	259	194	125	500	507	118	162	1,266	1,208	220
Caldwell	222	336	357	201	10	369	254	125	170	1,066	1,017	219
Catawba	424	674	732	366	182	768	720	230	134	1,660	1,629	165
District Totals	817	1,292	1,348	761	317	1,637	1,481	473	466	3,992	3,854	604
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	4,948	5,163	3,897	6,214	1,088	3,498	2,518	2,068	4,067	17,466	15,735	5,798
<u>District 27</u>												
Cleveland	138	320	328	130	133	787	704	216	84	1,658	1,588	154
Gaston	837	500	676	661	628	1,596	1,588	636	239	2,919	2,920	238
Lincoln	56	106	122	40	64	268	260	72	49	517	537	29
District Totals	1,031	926	1,126	831	825	2,651	2,552	924	372	5,094	5,045	421
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	563	734	721	576	390	1,380	1,271	499	469	3,385	3,360	494
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	113	211	174	150	144	399	381	162	30	556	524	62
McDowell	137	81	77	141	50	200	148	102	49	440	423	66
Polk	13	22	16	19	19	82	42	59	17	164	159	22
Rutherford	78	214	198	94	63	319	321	61	40	845	839	46
Transylvania	121	120	105	136	62	161	106	117	102	516	521	97
District Totals	462	648	570	540	338	1,161	998	501	238	2,521	2,466	293
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	23	45	49	19	12	97	87	22	33	181	165	49
Clay	5	16	17	4	7	29	27	9	8	65	60	13
Graham	12	34	27	19	9	32	33	8	10	74	67	17
Haywood	100	225	194	131	123	307	313	117	36	919	861	94
Jackson	54	122	117	59	10	43	35	18	12	389	324	77
Macon	78	96	79	95	22	86	75	33	21	304	280	45
Swain	19	46	34	31	18	62	57	23	13	195	194	14
District Totals	291	584	517	358	201	656	627	230	133	2,127	1,951	309
STATE TOTALS	31,479	37,220	35,906	32,793	17,831	46,996	43,138	21,689	15,341	160,439	153,721	22,059

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	General Civil			Domestic			Small Claims				Total Dispositions	Total Pending 12/31/77	Increase/Decrease in Pending Cases
<i>District 1</i>	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
Camden	0	5	3	0	10	5	0	2	126	1	152	25	+ 9
Chowan	1	47	82	0	26	15	0	1	460	10	642	137	+ 67
Currituck	0	6	36	0	39	9	0	3	242	0	335	84	+ 12
Dare	0	18	50	0	56	16	0	3	222	3	368	167	+ 20
Gates	0	11	30	0	23	6	0	1	153	130	354	65	+ 16
Pasquotank	0	20	146	1	188	29	1	4	840	14	1,243	255	- 58
Perquimans	0	6	15	0	31	10	0	2	167	78	309	33	- 11
District Totals	1	113	362	1	373	90	1	16	2,210	236	3,403	766	+ 55
<i>District 2</i>													
Beaufort	2	56	90	3	295	34	0	14	1,389	6	1,946	365	+ 65
Hyde	0	11	10	0	26	7	0	0	85	0	139	34	+ 11
Martin	0	24	37	0	177	15	0	3	945	0	1,201	409	+ 51
Tyrrell	0	7	4	0	11	12	0	3	95	9	141	29	+ 7
Washington	1	9	65	0	168	14	1	2	714	1	975	132	- 19
District Totals	3	107	206	3	677	82	1	22	3,228	73	4,402	969	+ 115
<i>District 3</i>													
Carteret	0	71	162	0	258	24	0	2	346	538	1,401	402	+ 20
Craven	2	120	303	3	606	59	2	35	1,241	11	2,382	1,000	+ 268
Pamlico	0	10	12	0	65	5	0	1	248	2	343	97	+ 25
Pitt	5	61	270	1	532	97	0	12	2,335	27	3,340	1,401	+ 298
District Totals	7	262	747	4	1,461	185	2	50	4,170	578	7,466	2,900	+ 611
<i>District 4</i>													
Duplin	1	60	81	0	184	33	0	2	1,212	62	1,635	551	+ 245
Jones	1	23	14	0	56	28	0	1	175	5	303	99	+ 13
Onslow	4	137	194	1	516	197	2	18	2,131	7	3,207	1,033	+ 43
Sampson	0	134	110	0	228	42	0	0	2,303	83	2,900	431	+ 145
District Totals	6	354	399	1	984	300	2	21	5,821	157	8,045	2,114	+ 446
<i>District 5</i>													
New Hanover	22	561	556	2	874	71	1	13	3,198	15	5,313	2,019	+ 450
Pender	0	32	61	0	86	17	0	2	384	0	582	186	+ 66
District Totals	22	593	617	2	960	88	1	15	3,582	15	5,895	2,205	+ 516
<i>District 6</i>													
Bertie	2	12	73	1	73	25	0	1	689	19	895	238	+ 59
Halifax	0	47	180	0	242	184	0	0	785	635	2,073	528	- 22
Hertford	1	39	199	0	148	71	0	0	413	2	873	265	- 86
Northampton	0	71	56	0	15	72	0	5	638	5	862	245	+ 53
District Totals	3	169	508	1	478	352	0	6	2,525	661	4,703	1,276	+ 4
<i>District 7</i>													
Edgecombe	1	70	203	0	308	64	0	18	2,734	31	3,429	589	+ 226
Nash	1	41	227	0	505	30	0	12	2,219	7	3,042	905	+ 317
Wilson	4	256	189	0	349	41	0	4	2,129	97	3,069	594	+ 116
District Totals	6	367	619	0	1,162	135	0	34	7,082	135	9,540	2,088	+ 659

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<u>District 8</u>	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
Greene	0	14	1	0	78	16	0	8	232	3	352	83	+ 42
Lenoir	3	114	178	1	513	68	0	7	2,426	48	3,358	1,195	+ 341
Wayne	18	477	656	4	782	114	0	1	2,290	2	4,344	1,353	- 350
District Totals	21	605	835	5	1,373	198	0	16	4,948	53	8,054	2,631	+ 33
<u>District 9</u>													
Franklin	0	36	57	0	156	14	0	1	539	4	807	431	+ 104
Granville	4	69	114	0	133	87	0	4	1,217	5	1,633	237	- 102
Person	6	52	112	0	119	5	0	0	1,271	65	1,630	354	- 546
Vance	0	193	69	0	300	13	0	5	1,550	9	2,139	610	- 144
Warren	0	94	21	0	81	12	0	0	292	41	541	348	+ 51
District Totals	10	444	373	0	789	131	0	10	4,869	124	6,750	1,980	- 637
<u>District 10</u>													
Wake	32	1,018	1,854	1	2,264	181	0	108	6,381	1,995	13,834	4,536	+ 96
<u>District 11</u>													
Harnett	1	119	376	1	364	54	0	14	1,436	18	2,383	986	+ 182
Johnston	8	86	276	2	364	165	0	2	1,561	22	2,486	934	+ 264
Lee	0	175	258	0	167	45	0	0	1,062	20	1,727	483	+ 149
District Totals	9	380	910	3	895	264	0	16	4,059	60	6,596	2,403	+ 595
<u>District 12</u>													
Cumberland	5	278	939	1	1,973	653	0	65	4,576	1,182	9,672	2,684	+ 614
Hoke	0	28	94	0	41	99	0	0	479	1	742	175	+ 79
District Totals	5	306	1,033	1	2,014	752	0	65	5,055	1,183	10,414	2,859	+ 693
<u>District 13</u>													
Bladen	3	69	159	0	69	15	0	1	631	6	953	317	+ 118
Brunswick	2	42	86	0	184	22	0	2	616	10	964	452	+ 133
Columbus	1	82	182	0	327	18	0	20	1,457	21	2,108	850	+ 163
District Totals	6	193	427	0	580	55	0	23	2,704	37	4,025	1,619	+ 414
<u>District 14</u>													
Durham	9	858	589	0	1,399	113	0	0	9,275	7	12,250	4,243	- 403
<u>District 15A</u>													
Alamance	5	141	209	0	776	108	0	12	1,342	373	2,966	568	+ 141
<u>District 15B</u>													
Chatham	1	28	54	0	190	10	0	2	997	2	1,284	232	+ 108
Orange	3	115	146	0	288	36	0	0	1,063	1	1,652	893	+ 380
District Totals	4	143	200	0	478	46	0	2	2,060	3	2,936	1,125	+ 488

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	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
<u>District 16</u>													
Robeson	2	204	343	0	708	58	0	10	2,991	31	4,347	1,331	+ 15
Scotland	2	18	65	0	253	44	0	1	919	25	1,327	378	+109
District Totals	4	222	408	0	961	102	0	11	3,910	56	5,674	1,709	+124
<u>District 17</u>													
Caswell	0	6	38	0	92	24	0	2	503	6	671	133	+ 46
Rockingham	6	37	301	1	605	68	0	24	1,662	55	2,759	554	+ 12
Stokes	2	6	26	2	117	33	0	2	685	1	874	165	+ 17
Surry	5	30	356	0	267	93	0	7	1,653	239	2,650	721	+233
District Totals	13	79	721	3	1,081	218	0	35	4,503	301	6,954	1,573	+308
<u>District 18</u>													
Guilford	23	1,216	3,411	3	3,341	287	1	78	12,998	20	21,378	6,559	-367
<u>District 19</u>													
Cabarrus	5	72	328	0	560	63	1	7	1,041	232	2,309	683	+ 221
Montgomery	0	2	0	0	122	81	0	0	495	0	700	400	+221
Randolph	1	55	189	0	484	57	0	27	1,121	11	1,945	429	+ 29
Rowan	0	105	242	0	560	133	1	10	1,621	3	2,675	486	+103
District Totals	6	234	759	0	1,726	334	2	44	4,278	246	7,629	1,998	+574
<u>District 20</u>													
Anson	0	37	16	1	82	8	1	4	442	6	597	302	+ 36
Moore	8	67	120	0	249	51	1	14	989	77	1,576	481	+ 91
Richmond	5	34	70	0	372	18	0	2	1,658	68	2,227	1,348	+ 619
Stanly	1	22	130	0	210	14	0	3	992	3	1,375	404	+ 141
Union	13	44	130	0	209	22	0	12	1,152	4	1,586	445	+ 125
District Totals	27	204	466	1	1,122	113	2	35	5,233	158	7,361	2,980	+1,012
<u>District 21</u>													
Forsyth	25	379	1,332	10	1,532	497	1	68	6,152	159	10,155	2,304	+479
<u>District 22</u>													
Alexander	3	13	28	1	99	16	0	4	377	1	542	75	+ 14
Davidson	13	74	244	1	723	59	3	4	1,510	28	2,659	641	+209
Davie	1	33	74	0	50	29	0	1	244	56	488	142	+ 54
Iredell	0	67	278	0	503	64	0	9	2,031	51	3,003	671	+282
District Totals	17	187	624	2	1,375	168	3	18	4,162	136	6,692	1,529	+559
<u>District 23</u>													
Alleghany	1	19	32	0	60	10	0	0	102	1	225	76	+ 14
Ashe	0	9	23	0	84	31	0	1	190	0	338	123	+ 52
Wilkes	7	132	516	0	359	51	0	6	702	323	2,096	586	+132
Yadkin	5	23	54	0	138	19	0	3	1,005	10	1,257	239	+131
District Totals	13	183	625	0	641	111	0	10	1,999	334	3,916	1,024	+329

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	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	Other	By Jury	By Judge	By Magistrate	Other			
<u>District 24</u>													
Avery	1	60	70	0	4	1	0	0	208	5	349	126	+ 54
Madison	1	9	18	0	37	19	0	1	129	10	224	68	+ 9
Mitchell	1	18	30	1	36	22	0	0	168	3	279	74	+ 40
Watauga	0	77	117	0	78	25	0	0	237	16	550	336	+ 25
Yancey	0	18	39	1	61	13	0	0	151	5	288	85	+ 40
District Totals	3	182	274	2	216	80	0	1	893	39	1,690	689	+168
<u>District 25</u>													
Burke	3	76	180	0	464	43	0	29	1,171	8	1,974	532	+ 74
Caldwell	3	167	187	0	216	38	1	9	994	13	1,628	545	+143
Catawba	2	283	447	0	644	76	0	6	1,610	13	3,081	761	+ 21
District Totals	8	526	814	0	1,324	157	1	44	3,775	34	6,683	1,838	+238
<u>District 26</u>													
Mecklenburg	17	672	3,208	1	2,322	195	2	90	15,584	59	22,150	14,080	+3,977
<u>District 27</u>													
Cleveland	5	114	209	2	654	48	0	9	1,540	39	2,620	500	+145
Gaston	9	282	385	1	1,507	80	1	40	2,862	17	5,184	1,535	-169
Lincoln	2	34	86	0	229	31	0	10	508	19	919	141	- 28
District Totals	16	430	680	3	2,390	159	1	59	4,910	75	8,723	2,176	- 52
<u>District 28</u>													
Buncombe	20	285	416	9	1,125	137	0	19	3,336	5	5,352	1,569	+147
<u>District 29</u>													
Henderson	0	100	74	0	354	27	0	12	490	22	1,079	374	+ 87
McDowell	1	58	18	1	139	8	0	1	417	5	648	309	+ 73
Polk	0	4	12	0	30	12	0	1	153	5	217	100	+ 51
Rutherford	0	95	103	0	313	8	0	7	819	18	1,358	201	+ 20
Transylvania	0	67	38	0	92	14	0	2	515	4	732	350	+ 65
District Totals	1	324	245	1	928	69	0	18	2,394	54	4,034	1,334	+296
<u>District 30</u>													
Cherokee	0	13	36	0	56	31	0	1	157	7	301	90	+ 22
Clay	0	2	15	0	20	7	0	0	52	8	104	26	+ 6
Graham	1	18	8	0	29	4	0	0	61	6	127	44	+ 13
Haywood	0	96	98	0	278	35	0	8	842	11	1,368	342	+ 83
Jackson	1	67	49	0	33	2	0	1	320	3	476	154	+ 78
Macon	0	19	60	0	64	11	0	2	278	0	434	173	+ 52
Swain	2	10	22	0	48	9	0	4	189	1	285	68	+ 18
District Totals	4	225	288	0	528	99	0	16	1,899	36	3,095	897	+272
STATE TOTALS	346	11,401	24,159	57	37,275	5,806	20	962	145,337	7,402	232,765	76,541	+11,890

**RATIOS OF DISTRICT COURT CIVIL DISPOSITIONS TO TOTAL CASELOAD, AND RATIOS
OF CASES PENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1977 TO CASES DISPOSED OF DURING 1977***

<u>District 1</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Camden	177	152	85.9%	25	152	16.4%	8
Chowan	779	642	82.4%	137	642	21.3%	23
Currituck	419	335	80.0%	84	335	25.1%	36
Dare	535	368	68.8%	167	368	45.4%	88
Gates	419	354	84.5%	65	354	18.4%	12
Pasquotank	1,498	1,243	83.0%	255	1,243	20.5%	21
Perquimans	342	309	90.4%	33	309	10.7%	1
District Totals	4,169	3,403	81.6%	766	3,403	22.5%	
 <u>District 2</u>							
Beaufort	2,311	1,946	84.2%	365	1,946	18.8%	13
Hyde	173	139	80.3%	34	139	24.5%	32
Martin	1,610	1,201	74.6%	409	1,201	34.1%	74
Tyrrell	170	141	82.9%	29	141	20.6%	23
Washington	1,107	975	88.1%	132	975	13.5%	2
District Totals	5,371	4,402	82.0%	969	4,402	22.0%	
 <u>District 3</u>							
Carteret	1,803	1,401	77.7%	402	1,401	28.7%	50
Craven	3,382	2,382	70.4%	1,000	2,382	42.0%	87
Pamlico	440	343	78.0%	97	343	28.3%	46
Pitt	4,741	3,340	70.4%	1,401	3,340	41.9%	86
District Totals	10,366	7,466	72.0%	2,900	7,466	38.8%	
 <u>District 4</u>							
Duplin	2,186	1,635	74.8%	551	1,635	33.7%	72
Jones	402	303	75.4%	99	303	32.7%	68
Onslow	4,240	3,207	75.6%	1,033	3,207	32.2%	66
Sampson	3,331	2,900	87.1%	431	2,900	14.9%	6
District Totals	10,159	8,045	79.2%	2,114	8,045	26.3%	
 <u>District 5</u>							
New Hanover	7,332	5,313	72.5%	2,019	5,313	38.0%	82
Pender	768	582	75.8%	186	582	32.0%	65
District Totals	8,100	5,895	72.8%	2,205	5,895	37.4%	
 <u>District 6</u>							
Bertie	1,133	895	79.0%	238	895	26.6%	39
Halifax	2,601	2,073	79.7%	528	2,073	25.5%	37
Hertford	1,138	873	76.7%	265	873	30.4%	60
Northampton	1,107	862	77.9%	245	862	28.4%	47
District Totals	5,979	4,703	78.7%	1,276	4,703	27.1%	

* Total caseload, reported in the first column, is the number of cases pending on January 1, 1977 plus the number filed during 1977.

The county ranking, reported in the last column, is for *both* ratios reported in this table, and each county's rank is the same for both ratios. The county ranked "1" had the highest percentage of cases disposed to total caseload and the lowest percentage of pending cases to dispositions during 1977, etc.

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OF CASES PENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1977 TO CASES DISPOSED OF DURING 1977***

<u>District 7</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Edgecombe	4,018	3,429	85.3%	589	3,429	17.2%	9
Nash	3,947	3,042	77.1%	905	3,042	29.8%	57
Wilson	3,663	3,069	83.8%	594	3,069	19.4%	18
District Totals	11,628	9,540	82.0%	2,088	9,540	21.9%	
<u>District 8</u>							
Greene	435	352	80.9%	83	352	23.6%	29
Lenoir	4,553	3,358	73.8%	1,195	3,358	35.6%	78
Wayne	5,697	4,344	76.3%	1,353	4,344	31.1%	64
District Totals	10,685	8,054	75.4%	2,631	8,054	32.7%	
<u>District 9</u>							
Franklin	1,238	807	65.2%	431	807	53.4%	94
Granville	1,870	1,633	87.3%	237	1,633	14.5%	4
Person	1,984	1,630	82.2%	354	1,630	21.7%	24
Vance	2,749	2,139	77.8%	610	2,139	28.5%	49
Warren	889	541	60.9%	348	541	64.3%	100
District Totals	8,730	6,750	77.3%	1,980	6,750	29.3%	
<u>District 10</u>							
Wake	18,370	13,834	75.3%	4,536	13,834	32.8%	69
<u>District 11</u>							
Harnett	3,369	2,383	70.7%	986	2,383	41.4%	85
Johnston	3,420	2,486	72.7%	934	2,486	37.6%	81
Lee	2,210	1,727	78.1%	483	1,727	28.0%	44
District Totals	8,999	6,596	73.3%	2,403	6,596	36.4%	
<u>District 12</u>							
Cumberland	12,356	9,672	78.3%	2,684	9,672	27.8%	42
Hoke	917	742	80.9%	175	742	23.6%	28
District Totals	13,273	10,414	78.5%	2,859	10,414	27.5%	
<u>District 13</u>							
Bladen	1,270	953	75.0%	317	953	33.3%	70
Brunswick	1,416	964	68.1%	452	964	46.9%	90
Columbus	2,958	2,108	71.3%	850	2,108	40.3%	84
District Totals	5,644	4,025	71.3%	1,619	4,025	40.2%	
<u>District 14</u>							
Durham	16,493	12,250	74.3%	4,243	12,250	34.6%	75
<u>District 15A</u>							
Alamance	3,534	2,966	83.9%	568	2,966	19.2%	17

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<u>District 15B</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Chatham	1,516	1,284	84.7%	232	1,284	18.1%	10
Orange	2,545	1,652	64.9%	893	1,652	54.1%	95
District Totals	4,061	2,936	72.3%	1,125	2,936	38.3%	
<u>District 16</u>							
Robeson	5,678	4,347	76.6%	1,331	4,347	30.6%	62
Scotland	1,705	1,327	77.8%	378	1,327	28.5%	48
District Totals	7,383	5,674	76.9%	1,709	5,674	30.1%	
<u>District 17</u>							
Caswell	804	671	83.5%	133	671	19.8%	19
Rockingham	3,313	2,759	83.3%	554	2,759	20.1%	20
Stokes	1,039	874	84.1%	165	874	18.9%	14
Surry	3,371	2,650	78.6%	721	2,650	27.2%	41
District Totals	8,527	6,954	81.6%	1,573	6,954	22.6%	
<u>District 18</u>							
Guilford	27,937	21,378	76.5%	6,559	21,378	30.7%	63
<u>District 19</u>							
Cabarrus	2,992	2,309	77.2%	683	2,309	29.6%	55
Montgomery	1,100	700	63.6%	400	700	57.1%	96
Randolph	2,374	1,945	81.9%	429	1,945	22.1%	25
Rowan	3,161	2,675	84.6%	486	2,675	18.2%	11
District Totals	9,627	7,629	79.2%	1,998	7,629	26.2%	
<u>District 20</u>							
Anson	899	597	66.4%	302	597	50.6%	93
Moore	2,057	1,576	76.6%	481	1,576	30.5%	61
Richmond	3,575	2,227	62.3%	1,348	2,227	60.5%	97
Stanly	1,779	1,375	77.3%	404	1,375	29.4%	53
Union	2,031	1,586	78.1%	445	1,586	28.1%	45
District Totals	10,341	7,361	71.2%	2,980	7,361	40.5%	
<u>District 21</u>							
Forsyth	12,459	10,155	81.5%	2,304	10,155	22.7%	27
<u>District 22</u>							
Alexander	617	542	87.8%	75	542	13.8%	3
Davidson	3,300	2,659	80.6%	641	2,659	24.1%	31
Davie	630	488	77.5%	142	488	29.1%	51
Iredell	3,674	3,003	81.7%	671	3,003	22.3%	26
District Totals	8,221	6,692	81.4%	1,529	6,692	22.8%	

**RATIOS OF DISTRICT COURT CIVIL DISPOSITIONS TO TOTAL CASELOAD, AND RATIOS
OF CASES PENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1977 TO CASES DISPOSED OF DURING 1977***

<u>District 23</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Alleghany	301	225	74.8%	76	225	33.8%	73
Ashe	461	338	73.3%	123	338	36.4%	80
Wilkes	2,682	2,096	78.2%	586	2,096	28.0%	43
Yadkin	1,496	1,257	84.0%	239	1,257	19.0%	15
District Totals	4,940	3,916	79.3%	1,024	3,916	26.1%	
 <u>District 24</u>							
Avery	475	349	73.5%	126	349	36.1%	79
Madison	292	224	76.7%	68	224	30.4%	59
Mitchell	353	279	79.0%	74	279	26.5%	38
Watauga	886	550	62.1%	336	550	61.1%	98
Yancey	373	288	77.2%	85	288	29.5%	54
District Totals	2,379	1,690	71.0%	689	1,690	40.8%	
 <u>District 25</u>							
Burke	2,506	1,974	78.8%	532	1,974	27.0%	40
Caldwell	2,173	1,628	74.9%	545	1,628	33.5%	71
Catawba	3,842	3,081	80.2%	761	3,081	24.7%	33
District Totals	8,521	6,683	78.4%	1,838	6,683	27.5%	
 <u>District 26</u>							
Mecklenburg	36,230	22,150	61.1%	14,080	22,150	63.6%	99
 <u>District 27</u>							
Cleveland	3,120	2,620	84.0%	500	2,620	19.1%	16
Gaston	6,719	5,184	77.2%	1,535	5,184	29.6%	56
Lincoln	1,060	919	86.7%	141	919	15.3%	7
District Totals	10,899	8,723	80.0%	2,176	8,723	24.9%	
 <u>District 28</u>							
Buncombe	6,921	5,352	77.3%	1,569	5,352	29.3%	52
 <u>District 29</u>							
Henderson	1,453	1,079	74.3%	374	1,079	34.7%	77
McDowell	957	648	67.7%	309	648	47.7%	91
Polk	317	217	68.5%	100	217	46.1%	89
Rutherford	1,559	1,358	87.1%	201	1,358	14.8%	5
Transylvania	1,082	732	67.7%	350	732	47.8%	92
District Totals	5,368	4,034	75.1%	1,334	4,034	33.1%	
 <u>District 30</u>							
Cherokee	391	301	77.0%	90	301	29.9%	58
Clay	130	104	80.0%	26	104	25.0%	35
Graham	171	127	74.3%	44	127	34.6%	76
Haywood	1,710	1,368	80.0%	342	1,368	25.0%	34
Jackson	630	476	75.6%	154	476	32.4%	67
Macon	607	434	71.5%	173	434	39.9%	83
Swain	353	285	80.7%	68	285	23.9%	30
District Totals	3,992	3,095	77.5%	897	3,095	29.0%	
STATE TOTALS	309,306	232,765	75.3%	76,541	232,765	32.9%	

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<u>District 1</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Camden	152	70	65	3	3	4	4	2		1	
% of Total		46.1%	42.8%	2.0%	2.0%	2.6%	2.6%	1.3%		0.7%	
Chowan	642	409	143	39	33	14	3		1		
% of Total		63.7%	22.3%	6.1%	5.1%	2.2%	0.5%		0.2%		
Currituck	335	178	86	19	17	19	14	2			
% of Total		53.1%	25.7%	5.7%	5.1%	5.7%	4.2%	0.6%			
Dare	368	186	54	15	46	32	19	8	5	2	1
% of Total		50.5%	14.7%	4.1%	12.5%	8.7%	5.2%	2.2%	1.4%	0.5%	0.3%
Gates	354	202	93	22	11	8	11	4	1	1	1
% of Total		57.1%	26.3%	6.2%	3.1%	2.3%	3.1%	1.1%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Pasquotank	1,243	799	190	38	75	55	57	19	5	2	3
% of Total		64.3%	15.3%	3.1%	6.0%	4.4%	4.6%	1.5%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Perquimans	309	196	59	15	13	11	7	1	3	2	2
% of Total		63.4%	19.1%	4.9%	4.2%	3.6%	2.3%	0.3%	1.0%	0.6%	0.6%
District Totals	3,403	2,040	690	151	198	143	115	36	15	8	7
% of Total		59.9%	20.3%	4.4%	5.8%	4.2%	3.4%	1.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	1,946	1,519	141	62	120	33	28	12	5	11	15
% of Total		78.1%	7.2%	3.2%	6.2%	1.7%	1.4%	0.6%	0.3%	0.6%	0.8%
Hyde	139	81	19	12	15	7	2	1	1		1
% of Total		58.3%	13.7%	8.6%	10.8%	5.0%	1.4%	0.7%	0.7%		0.7%
Martin	1,201	610	364	72	69	27	26	13	2	3	15
% of Total		50.8%	30.3%	6.0%	5.7%	2.2%	2.2%	1.1%	0.2%	0.2%	1.2%
Tyrrell	141	63	56	6	7	3	5	1			
% of Total		44.7%	39.7%	4.3%	5.0%	2.1%	3.5%	0.7%			
Washington	975	701	74	23	82	55	31	3	2		4
% of Total		71.9%	7.6%	2.4%	8.4%	5.6%	3.2%	0.3%	0.2%		0.4%
District Totals	4,402	2,974	654	175	293	125	92	30	10	14	35
% of Total		67.6%	14.9%	4.0%	6.7%	2.8%	2.1%	0.7%	0.2%	0.3%	0.8%
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	1,401	792	241	60	95	112	64	23	10	2	2
% of Total		56.5%	17.2%	4.3%	6.8%	8.0%	4.6%	1.6%	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%
Craven	2,382	1,266	515	160	246	77	55	31	13	9	10
% of Total		53.1%	21.6%	6.7%	10.3%	3.2%	2.3%	1.3%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%
Pamlico	343	253	36	13	31	4	4			1	1
% of Total		73.8%	10.5%	3.8%	9.0%	1.2%	1.2%			0.3%	0.3%
Pitt	3,340	1,917	761	222	269	69	43	18	1	2	38
% of Total		57.4%	22.8%	6.6%	8.1%	2.1%	1.3%	0.5%		0.1%	1.1%
District Totals	7,466	4,228	1,553	455	641	262	166	72	24	14	51
% of Total		56.6%	20.8%	6.1%	8.6%	3.5%	2.2%	1.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.7%
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	1,635	935	409	70	102	86	24	5	4		
% of Total		57.2%	25.0%	4.3%	6.2%	5.3%	1.5%	0.3%	0.2%		
Jones	303	191	52	12	8	5	15	10	4	4	2
% of Total		63.0%	17.2%	4.0%	2.6%	1.7%	5.0%	3.3%	1.3%	1.3%	0.7%
Onslow	3,207	1,599	617	238	172	339	201	35	4		2
% of Total		49.9%	19.2%	7.4%	5.4%	10.6%	6.3%	1.1%	0.1%		0.1%
Sampson	2,900	1,675	758	96	264	55	34	12	3	3	
% of Total		57.8%	26.1%	3.3%	9.1%	1.9%	1.2%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	
District Totals	8,045	4,400	1,836	416	546	485	274	62	15	7	4
% of Total		54.7%	22.8%	5.2%	6.8%	6.0%	3.4%	0.8%	0.2%	0.1%	

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<u>District 5</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
New Hanover	5,313	2,914	1,050	318	403	178	144	279	22	2	3
% of Total		54.8%	19.8%	6.0%	7.6%	3.4%	2.7%	5.3%	0.4%		0.1%
Pender	582	356	79	39	37	38	4	8	15	3	3
% of Total		61.2%	13.6%	6.7%	6.4%	6.5%	0.7%	1.4%	2.6%	0.5%	0.5%
District Totals	5,895	3,270	1,129	357	440	216	148	287	37	5	6
% of Total		55.5%	19.2%	6.1%	7.5%	3.7%	2.5%	4.9%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%

<u>District 6</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Bertie	895	603	128	27	93	18	9	3	6	2	6
% of Total		67.4%	14.3%	3.0%	10.4%	2.0%	1.0%	0.3%	0.7%	0.2%	0.7%
Halifax	2,073	738	813	129	86	46	74	73	42	38	34
% of Total		35.6%	39.2%	6.2%	4.1%	2.2%	3.6%	3.5%	2.0%	1.8%	1.6%
Hertford	873	180	368	37	50	61	29	14	35	43	56
% of Total		20.6%	42.2%	4.2%	5.7%	7.0%	3.3%	1.6%	4.0%	4.9%	6.4%
Northampton	862	542	194	40	27	26	10	11	5	2	5
% of Total		62.9%	22.5%	4.6%	3.1%	3.0%	1.2%	1.3%	0.6%	0.2%	0.6%
District Totals	4,703	2,063	1,503	233	256	151	122	101	88	85	101
% of Total		43.9%	32.0%	5.0%	5.4%	3.2%	2.6%	2.1%	1.9%	1.8%	2.1%

<u>District 7</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Edgecombe	3,429	2,755	376	132	70	35	29	22	6	3	1
% of Total		80.3%	11.0%	3.8%	2.0%	1.0%	0.8%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	
Nash	3,042	2,391	365	122	76	42	30	14	2		
% of Total		78.6%	12.0%	4.0%	2.5%	1.4%	1.0%	0.5%	0.1%		
Wilson	3,069	2,194	335	94	136	48	107	132	22	1	
% of Total		71.5%	10.9%	3.1%	4.4%	1.6%	3.5%	4.3%	0.7%		
District Totals	9,540	7,340	1,076	348	282	125	166	168	30	4	1
% of Total		76.9%	11.3%	3.6%	3.0%	1.3%	1.7%	1.8%	0.3%		

<u>District 8</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Greene	352	263	41	18	20	6	3		1		
% of Total		74.7%	11.6%	5.1%	5.7%	1.7%	0.9%		0.3%		
Lenoir	3,358	2,382	399	91	252	110	34	55	31	2	2
% of Total		70.9%	11.9%	2.7%	7.5%	3.3%	1.0%	1.6%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Wayne	4,344	2,429	583	183	221	115	75	215	448	58	17
% of Total		55.9%	13.4%	4.2%	5.1%	2.6%	1.7%	4.9%	10.3%	1.3%	0.4%
District Totals	8,054	5,074	1,023	292	493	231	112	270	480	60	19
% of Total		63.0%	12.7%	3.6%	6.1%	2.9%	1.4%	3.4%	6.0%	0.7%	0.2%

<u>District 9</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Franklin	807	474	152	33	42	15	23	23	11	11	23
% of Total		58.7%	18.8%	4.1%	5.2%	1.9%	2.9%	2.9%	1.4%	1.4%	2.9%
Granville	1,633	1,242	104	28	35	43	48	38	30	20	45
% of Total		76.1%	6.4%	1.7%	2.1%	2.6%	2.9%	2.3%	1.8%	1.2%	2.8%
Person	1,630	580	201	51	86	67	149	73	90	104	229
% of Total		35.6%	12.3%	3.1%	5.3%	4.1%	9.1%	4.5%	5.5%	6.4%	14.0%
Vance	2,139	1,539	200	44	34	25	12	5	3	16	261
% of Total		71.9%	9.4%	2.1%	1.6%	1.2%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.7%	12.2%
Warren	541	310	75	23	35	26	5	1	2	2	52
% of Total		57.3%	13.9%	4.3%	6.5%	4.8%	0.9%	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%	11.5%
District Totals	6,750	4,145	732	179	232	176	237	140	136	153	620
% of Total		61.4%	10.8%	2.7%	3.4%	2.6%	3.5%	2.1%	2.0%	2.3%	9.2%

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<u>District 10</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Wake	13,834	6,694	3,568	829	948	529	636	419	178	22	11
% of Total		48.4%	25.8%	6.0%	6.9%	3.8%	4.6%	3.0%	1.3%	0.2%	0.1%
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett	2,383	1,162	437	122	330	75	106	121	20	4	6
% of Total		48.8%	18.3%	5.1%	13.8%	3.1%	4.4%	5.1%	0.8%	0.2%	0.3%
Johnston	2,486	1,444	491	124	245	85	81	15	1		
% of Total		58.1%	19.8%	5.0%	9.9%	3.4%	3.3%	0.6%			
Lee	1,727	1,090	255	80	128	41	83	31	9	10	
% of Total		63.1%	14.8%	4.6%	7.4%	2.4%	4.8%	1.8%	0.5%	0.6%	
District Totals	6,596	3,696	1,183	326	703	201	270	167	30	14	6
% of Total		56.0%	17.9%	4.9%	10.7%	3.0%	4.1%	2.5%	0.5%	0.2%	0.1%
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland	9,672	4,744	1,817	761	1,465	372	466	40	6	1	
% of Total		49.0%	18.8%	7.9%	15.1%	3.8%	4.8%	0.4%	0.1%		
Hoke	742	289	346	35	43	19	8	1	1		
% of Total		38.9%	46.6%	4.7%	5.8%	2.6%	1.1%	0.1%	0.1%		
District Totals	10,414	5,033	2,163	796	1,508	391	474	41	7	1	
% of Total		48.3%	20.8%	7.6%	14.5%	3.8%	4.6%	0.4%	0.1%		
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen	953	403	287	73	72	76	26	6	1	5	4
% of Total		42.3%	30.1%	7.7%	7.6%	8.0%	2.7%	0.6%	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Brunswick	964	594	126	59	63	49	45	14	7	5	2
% of Total		61.6%	13.1%	6.1%	6.5%	5.1%	4.7%	1.5%	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%
Columbus	2,108	739	922	73	207	44	58	44	8	7	6
% of Total		35.1%	43.7%	3.5%	9.8%	2.1%	2.8%	2.1%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
District Totals	4,025	1,736	1,335	205	342	169	129	64	16	17	12
% of Total		43.1%	33.2%	5.1%	8.5%	4.2%	3.2%	1.6%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham	12,250	8,710	949	285	510	347	441	79	75	202	652
% of Total		71.1%	7.7%	2.3%	4.2%	2.8%	3.6%	0.6%	0.6%	1.6%	5.3%
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance	2,966	1,964	458	205	158	100	70	7	3		1
% of Total		66.2%	15.4%	6.9%	5.3%	3.4%	2.4%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham	1,284	848	310	45	41	29	8	2	1		
% of Total		66.0%	24.1%	3.5%	3.2%	2.3%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%		
Orange	1,652	1,022	260	77	77	61	69	69	17		
% of Total		61.9%	15.7%	4.7%	4.7%	3.7%	4.2%	4.2%	1.0%		
District Totals	2,936	1,870	570	122	118	90	77	71	18		
% of Total		63.7%	19.4%	4.16%	4.02%	3.07%	2.62%	2.42%	0.6%		

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<u>District 16</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Robeson	4,347	2,626	711	172	304	185	289	55	3		2
% of Total		60.4%	16.4%	4.0%	7.0%	4.3%	6.6%	1.3%	0.1%		
Scotland	1,327	851	292	53	104	16	11				
% of Total		64.1%	22.0%	4.0%	7.8%	1.2%	0.8%				
District Totals	5,674	3,477	1,003	225	408	201	300	55	3		2
% of Total		61.3%	17.7%	4.0%	7.2%	3.5%	5.3%	1.0%	0.1%		

<u>District 17</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Caswell	671	503	66	14	65	16	3	4			
% of Total		75.0%	9.8%	2.1%	9.7%	2.4%	0.4%	0.6%			
Rockingham	2,759	1,584	583	111	256	115	71	23	8	3	5
% of Total		57.4%	21.1%	4.0%	9.3%	4.2%	2.6%	0.8%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%
Stokes	874	576	191	37	37	14	14	3	1	1	
% of Total		65.9%	21.9%	4.2%	4.2%	1.6%	1.6%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	
Surry	2,650	1,311	596	145	429	67	50	12	7	3	30
% of Total		49.5%	22.5%	5.5%	16.2%	2.5%	1.9%	0.5%	0.3%	0.1%	1.1%
District Totals	6,954	3,974	1,436	307	787	212	138	42	16	7	35
% of Total		57.1%	20.7%	4.4%	11.3%	3.0%	2.0%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%

<u>District 18</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Guilford	21,378	12,636	2,996	1,120	1,140	1,004	424	714	1,114	142	88
% of Total		59.1%	14.0%	5.2%	5.3%	4.7%	2.0%	3.3%	5.2%	0.7%	0.4%

<u>District 19</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Cabarrus	2,309	1,205	532	157	212	133	63	4	1	1	1
% of Total		52.2%	23.0%	6.8%	9.2%	5.8%	2.7%	0.2%			
Montgomery	700	410	208	42	23	9	7	1			
% of Total		58.6%	29.7%	6.0%	3.3%	1.3%	1.0%	0.1%			
Randolph	1,945	1,007	391	96	248	111	76	12	3	1	
% of Total		51.8%	20.1%	4.9%	12.8%	5.7%	3.9%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	
Rowan	2,675	1,357	765	180	126	190	47	6	1	2	1
% of Total		50.7%	28.6%	6.7%	4.7%	7.1%	1.8%	0.2%		0.1%	
District Totals	7,629	3,979	1,896	475	609	443	193	23	5	4	2
% of Total		52.2%	24.9%	6.2%	8.0%	5.8%	2.5%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	

<u>District 20</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Anson	597	389	80	28	23	14	19	2	3	9	30
% of Total		65.2%	13.4%	4.7%	3.9%	2.3%	3.2%	0.3%	0.5%	1.5%	5.0%
Moore	1,576	1,011	174	118	120	51	36	31	24	3	8
% of Total		64.1%	11.0%	7.5%	7.6%	3.2%	2.3%	2.0%	1.5%	0.2%	0.5%
Richmond	2,227	1,426	335	83	76	42	61	21	16	55	112
% of Total		64.0%	15.0%	3.7%	3.4%	1.9%	2.7%	0.9%	0.7%	2.5%	5.0%
Stanly	1,375	955	190	64	85	67	10	3	1		
% of Total		69.5%	13.8%	4.7%	6.2%	4.9%	0.7%	0.2%	0.1%		
Union	1,586	973	277	78	142	57	47	9	2	1	
% of Total		61.3%	17.5%	4.9%	9.0%	3.6%	3.0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%	
District Totals	7,361	4,754	1,056	371	446	231	173	66	46	68	150
% of Total		64.6%	14.3%	5.0%	6.1%	3.1%	2.4%	0.9%	0.6%	0.9%	2.0%

<u>District 21</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Forsyth	10,155	6,553	1,692	519	468	367	446	90	17	1	2
% of Total		64.5%	16.7%	5.1%	4.6%	3.6%	4.4%	0.9%	0.2%		

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<u>District 22</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Alexander	542	346	112	27	26	14	16	1			
% of Total		63.8%	20.7%	5.0%	4.8%	2.6%	3.0%	0.2%			
Davidson	2,659	1,400	646	171	264	101	67	7	3		
% of Total		52.7%	24.3%	6.4%	9.9%	3.8%	2.5%	0.3%	0.1%		
Davie	488	232	137	28	54	18	12	2		5	
% of Total		47.5%	28.1%	5.7%	11.1%	3.7%	2.5%	0.4%		1.0%	
Iredell	3,003	1,830	706	182	127	115	37	4	1	1	
% of Total		60.9%	23.5%	6.1%	4.2%	3.8%	1.2%	0.1%			
District Totals	6,692	3,808	1,601	408	471	248	132	14	4	6	
% of Total		56.9%	23.9%	6.1%	7.0%	3.7%	2.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany	225	95	60	20	27	17	5			1	
% of Total		42.2%	26.7%	8.9%	12.0%	7.6%	2.2%			0.4%	
Ashe	338	177	102	11	16	15	15	1	1		
% of Total		52.4%	30.2%	3.3%	4.7%	4.4%	4.4%	0.3%	0.3%		
Wilkes	2,096	442	1,018	191	227	165	47	6			
% of Total		21.1%	48.6%	9.1%	10.8%	7.9%	2.2%	0.3%			
Yadkin	1,257	500	508	56	153	31	8	1			
% of Total		39.8%	40.4%	4.5%	12.2%	2.5%	0.6%	0.1%			
District Totals	3,916	1,214	1,688	278	423	228	75	8	1	1	
% of Total		31.0%	43.1%	7.1%	10.8%	5.8%	1.9%	0.2%			
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery	349	177	89	26	38	13	6				
% of Total		50.7%	25.5%	7.4%	10.9%	3.7%	1.7%				
Madison	224	129	23	15	26	18	12	1			
% of Total		57.6%	10.3%	6.7%	11.6%	8.0%	5.4%	0.4%			
Mitchell	279	136	89	20	22	12					
% of Total		48.7%	31.9%	7.2%	7.9%	4.3%					
Watauga	550	194	71	61	82	78	39	22	2		1
% of Total		35.3%	12.9%	11.1%	14.9%	14.2%	7.1%	4.0%	0.4%		0.2%
Yancey	288	150	71	24	31	8	4				
% of Total		52.1%	24.7%	8.3%	10.8%	2.8%	1.4%				
District Totals	1,690	786	343	146	199	129	61	23	2		1
% of Total		46.5%	20.3%	8.6%	11.8%	7.6%	3.6%	1.4%	0.1%		0.1%
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke	1,974	941	562	115	114	129	68	40	5		
% of Total		47.6%	28.5%	5.8%	5.8%	6.5%	3.4%	2.0%	0.3%		
Caldwell	1,628	826	431	77	162	87	28	12	3		2
% of Total		50.7%	26.5%	4.7%	10.0%	5.3%	1.7%	0.7%	0.2%		0.1%
Catawba	3,081	1,510	702	210	199	256	149	36	14	4	1
% of Total		49.0%	22.8%	6.8%	6.5%	8.3%	4.8%	1.2%	0.5%	0.1%	
District Totals	6,683	3,277	1,695	402	475	472	245	88	22	4	3
% of Total		49.0%	25.4%	6.0%	7.1%	7.1%	3.7%	1.3%	0.3%	0.1%	
<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg	22,150	14,328	3,785	1,333	1,238	658	445	277	63	15	8
% of Total		64.7%	17.1%	6.0%	5.6%	3.0%	2.0%	1.3%	0.3%	0.1%	

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<u>District 27</u>	Total Disposed	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr	1 Year To 2 Yrs	2 Years To 3 Yrs	3 Years To 4 Yrs	4 Years To 5 Yrs	Greater Than 5 Yrs
Cleveland	2,620	1,528	553	123	223	150	35	6	2		
% of Total		58.3%	21.1%	4.7%	8.5%	5.7%	1.3%	0.2%	0.1%		
Gaston	5,184	2,810	966	237	265	181	401	199	87	22	16
% of Total		54.2%	18.6%	4.6%	5.1%	3.5%	7.7%	3.8%	1.7%	0.4%	0.3%
Lincoln	919	491	241	40	51	62	30	3		1	
% of Total		53.4%	26.2%	4.4%	5.5%	6.7%	3.3%	0.3%		0.1%	
District Totals	8,723	4,829	1,760	400	539	393	466	208	89	23	16
% of Total		55.3%	20.2%	4.6%	6.2%	4.5%	5.3%	2.4%	1.0%	0.3%	0.2%
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	5,352	2,160	1,163	388	520	853	197	38	33		
% of Total		40.4%	21.7%	7.2%	9.7%	15.9%	3.7%	0.7%	0.6%		
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	1,079	597	167	51	69	104	81	7	1		2
% of Total		55.3%	15.5%	4.7%	6.4%	9.6%	7.5%	0.6%	0.1%		0.2%
McDowell	648	315	189	41	48	16	27	3	5	1	3
% of Total		48.6%	29.2%	6.3%	7.4%	2.5%	4.2%	0.5%	0.8%	0.2%	0.5%
Polk	217	102	53	21	25	11	3	2			
% of Total		47.0%	24.4%	9.7%	11.5%	5.1%	1.4%	0.9%			
Rutherford	1,358	886	266	46	57	53	42	5	1	1	1
% of Total		65.2%	19.6%	3.4%	4.2%	3.9%	3.1%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Transylvania	732	273	141	127	37	38	74	31	5	4	2
% of Total		37.3%	19.3%	17.3%	5.1%	5.2%	10.1%	4.2%	0.7%	0.5%	0.3%
District Totals	4,034	2,173	816	286	236	222	227	48	12	6	8
% of Total		53.9%	20.2%	7.1%	5.9%	5.5%	5.6%	1.2%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	301	112	99	34	32	11	12	1			
% of Total		37.2%	32.9%	11.3%	10.6%	3.7%	4.0%	0.3%			
Clay	104	52	28	10	8	3	3				
% of Total		50.0%	26.9%	9.6%	7.7%	2.9%	2.9%				
Graham	127	56	27	13	12	11	7				1
% of Total		44.1%	21.3%	10.2%	9.4%	8.7%	5.5%				0.8%
Haywood	1,368	839	232	75	49	64	60	29	8	8	4
% of Total		61.3%	17.0%	5.5%	3.6%	4.7%	4.4%	2.1%	0.6%	0.6%	0.3%
Jackson	476	272	95	22	34	31	15	4	1	1	1
% of Total		57.1%	20.0%	4.6%	7.1%	6.5%	3.2%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Macon	434	207	123	29	29	29	11	3	2		1
% of Total		47.7%	28.3%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	2.5%	0.7%	0.5%		0.2%
Swain	285	155	44	36	28	14	5	1		1	1
% of Total		54.4%	15.4%	12.6%	9.8%	4.9%	1.7%	0.4%		0.4%	0.4%
District Totals	3,095	1,693	648	219	192	163	113	38	11	10	8
% of Total		54.7%	20.9%	7.1%	6.2%	5.3%	3.7%	1.2%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
STATE TOTALS											
% of Total	232,765	134,878	44,000	12,251	15,819	9,565	7,164	3,746	2,600	893	1,849
		57.9%	18.9%	5.3%	6.8%	4.1%	3.1%	1.6%	1.1%	0.4%	0.8%

STATEWIDE TOTALS — CIVIL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

I. AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING BEFORE MAGISTRATES, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	20,116	6,835	2,315	1,527	2,866	2,883	1,703	1,430	557		
% of Total:		34.0%	11.5%	7.6%	14.2%	14.3%	8.5%	7.1%	2.8%		

II. AGES OF CIVIL CASES APPEALED FROM MAGISTRATES, AND PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	1,943	124	152	114	218	506	564	207	56		2
% of Total		6.4%	7.8%	5.9%	11.2%	26.0%	29.0%	10.7%	2.9%		0.1%

III. AGES OF CIVIL CHILD SUPPORT CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	2,925	235	267	266	676	893	587	1			
% of Total:		8.0%	9.1%	9.1%	23.1%	30.5%	20.1%				

IV. AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	18,764	1,841	2,157	1,352	2,826	3,485	3,338	1,729	782	350	904
% of Total:		9.8%	11.5%	7.2%	15.1%	18.6%	17.8%	9.2%	4.2%	1.9%	4.8%

V. AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	32,793	2,333	2,404	2,127	4,431	6,560	7,946	3,810	1,447	647	1,088
% of Total:		7.1%	7.3%	6.5%	13.5%	20.0%	24.2%	11.6%	4.4%	2.0%	3.3%

AGES OF ALL CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS, DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Year	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
State Totals	76,541	11,368	7,295	5,386	11,017	14,327	14,138	7,177	2,842	997	1,994
% of Total:		14.8%	9.5%	7.0%	14.4%	18.7%	18.5%	9.4%	3.7%	1.3%	2.6%

JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS

For purposes of juvenile jurisdiction of the district courts, a juvenile or "child" is defined as being, with two exceptions, one who has not reached his or her *eighteenth* birthday and "is not married, emancipated, or a member of the armed services of the United States." The exceptions are where a person has committed, or is alleged to have committed, a criminal offense, including violations of the motor vehicle laws; or has violated the conditions of probation previously ordered in a court proceeding. For these latter situations, the statutes provide that a juvenile or child is one who has not reached his or her *sixteenth* birthday.

The following table presents data, by judicial district and by county, on the number of offenses and conditions alleged in juvenile petitions and on the number of children before the courts for the first time. The second table shows, by judicial district and by county, the number of adjudicatory hearings and juvenile proceedings during 1977.

The number of children before juvenile courts for the first time totaled 11,838 in 1977, compared with 12,007 in 1976, a decrease of 1.4%. The number of adjudicatory hearings in 1977 was 23,308 compared with 22,906 in 1976, an increase of 1.8%.

The relative composition of the caseload varies little from the previous year. Of the total number of offenses and conditions alleged, delinquency accounted for 57.9%, undisciplined for 20.2%, dependency for 10.5%, and neglect for 11.4%. The total number of delinquency allegations in 1977 was 13,105, a decrease of 136 (or 1%) from the previous year. Undisciplined allegations decreased from 4,825 in 1976 to 4,567 in 1977 (a decrease of 5%). On the other hand, dependency allegations increased from 2,333 in 1976, to 2,375 in 1977 (plus 1.8%); and allegations of neglect increased from 2,358 in 1976 to 2,575 in 1977 (an increase of 9.2%).

Reporting of juvenile case data is not incorporated in the revised data reporting system, under which case filings and case dispositions are reported by individual case number as described in the Introduction to the *1976 Annual Report*. For this reason, data on the age of juvenile petitions pending as of December 31, 1977, is not available.

**OFFENSES AND CONDITIONS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS AND
NUMBER OF CHILDREN BEFORE COURT FOR FIRST TIME***

January 1, 1977 — December 31, 1977

	OFFENSES								CONDITIONS		Grand Total	Children Before Court For First Time
	Delinquent				Undisciplined			Dependent Neglected				
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Probation Violation	Total	Truancy	Other	Total				
<u>District 1</u>												
Camden	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	5	5
Chowan	0	2	16	3	21	3	2	5	2	1	29	26
Currituck	0	10	19	4	33	4	2	6	1	0	40	24
Dare	0	3	7	1	11	0	0	0	1	2	14	11
Gates	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Pasquotank	0	31	64	11	106	7	7	14	8	5	133	88
Perquimans	0	5	9	0	14	0	0	0	0	1	15	11
District Totals	0	53	117	19	189	14	13	27	13	9	238	167
<u>District 2</u>												
Beaufort	0	19	40	3	62	3	14	17	2	8	89	75
Hyde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	4
Martin	0	0	34	2	36	2	10	12	1	22	71	34
Tyrrell	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	6	6
Washington	0	21	8	1	30	0	2	2	1	0	33	16
District Totals	0	40	84	6	130	5	28	33	4	35	202	135
<u>District 3</u>												
Carteret	0	0	25	9	34	1	4	5	2	19	60	108
Craven	0	46	50	27	123	6	42	48	14	33	218	136
Pamlico	0	3	16	0	19	8	0	8	3	0	30	23
Pitt	3	60	68	29	160	18	41	59	11	22	252	133
District Totals	3	109	159	65	336	33	87	120	30	74	560	400
<u>District 4</u>												
Duplin	0	0	30	0	30	1	3	4	6	8	48	51
Jones	0	7	7	1	15	3	4	7	0	2	24	22
Onslow	0	98	73	4	175	8	30	38	4	18	235	119
Sampson	0	4	35	6	45	5	10	15	12	17	89	82
District Totals	0	109	145	11	265	17	47	64	22	45	396	274
<u>District 5</u>												
New Hanover	2	202	321	189	714	35	53	88	32	77	911	252
Pender	0	30	12	8	50	1	4	5	7	14	76	25
District Totals	2	232	333	197	764	36	57	93	39	91	987	277
<u>District 6</u>												
Bertie	0	8	10	0	18	2	7	9	0	4	31	31
Halifax	0	54	94	23	171	10	16	26	38	18	253	118
Hertford	0	2	20	6	28	3	13	16	2	7	53	40
Northampton	0	6	45	2	53	5	10	15	14	7	89	57
District Totals	0	70	169	31	270	20	46	66	54	36	426	246
<u>District 7</u>												
Edgecombe	0	114	95	28	237	6	25	31	38	57	363	195
Nash	0	56	67	23	146	11	11	22	51	35	254	125
Wilson	0	31	39	3	73	8	7	15	56	20	164	76
District Totals	0	201	201	54	456	25	43	68	145	112	781	396

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<u>District 8</u>												
Greene	0	1	18	7	26	5	4	9	2	8	45	23
Lenoir	0	13	189	46	248	8	27	35	12	30	325	131
Wayne	0	40	141	18	199	20	17	37	19	22	277	138
District Totals	0	54	348	71	473	33	48	81	33	60	647	292
<u>District 9</u>												
Franklin	0	4	9	3	16	7	9	16	20	20	72	50
Granville	0	26	39	3	68	10	8	18	2	5	93	47
Person	0	16	20	3	39	1	7	8	4	8	59	42
Vance	0	9	73	24	106	12	17	29	10	6	151	113
Warren	0	1	5	0	6	3	0	3	0	1	10	10
District Totals	0	56	146	33	235	33	41	74	36	40	385	262
<u>District 10</u>												
Wake	0	139	151	119	409	18	158	176	40	33	658	450
<u>District 11</u>												
Harnett	1	7	105	28	141	69	27	96	10	67	314	157
Johnston	5	22	65	24	116	29	30	59	28	24	227	114
Lee	0	15	88	28	131	33	18	51	78	11	271	115
District Totals	6	44	258	80	388	131	75	206	116	102	812	386
<u>District 12</u>												
Cumberland	0	136	227	83	446	21	158	179	473	232	1,330	1,124
Hoke	0	4	38	11	53	4	16	20	2	7	82	59
District Totals	0	140	265	94	499	25	174	199	475	239	1,412	1,183
<u>District 13</u>												
Bladen	0	4	32	0	36	0	6	6	1	12	55	66
Brunswick	0	14	12	0	26	10	13	23	2	39	90	90
Columbus	0	14	61	18	93	14	31	45	9	59	206	155
District Totals	0	32	105	18	155	24	50	74	12	110	351	311
<u>District 14</u>												
Durham	0	188	25	44	257	2	48	50	100	30	437	174
<u>District 15A</u>												
Alamance	0	16	83	51	150	14	19	33	25	25	233	136
<u>District 15B</u>												
Chatham	0	0	37	0	37	1	15	16	10	9	72	55
Orange	0	2	29	14	45	5	17	22	24	15	106	122
District Totals	0	2	66	14	82	6	32	38	34	24	178	177

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	Delinquent				Undisciplined			Dependent Neglected				
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Probation Violation	Total	Truancy	Other	Total				
<u>District 16</u>												
Robeson	0	105	112	71	288	63	174	237	87	78	690	232
Scotland	0	1	91	32	124	13	18	31	11	41	207	152
District Totals	0	106	203	103	412	76	192	268	98	119	897	384
<u>District 17</u>												
Caswell	0	3	5	0	8	3	5	8	1	5	22	20
Rockingham	0	4	76	22	102	28	28	56	8	67	233	133
Stokes	0	5	24	4	33	11	5	16	1	10	60	47
Surry	0	16	21	2	39	28	31	59	15	32	145	121
District Totals	0	28	126	28	182	70	69	139	25	114	460	321
<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	0	311	574	389	1,274	120	329	449	235	307	2,265	941
<u>District 19</u>												
Cabarrus	0	5	93	22	120	9	24	33	12	16	181	79
Montgomery	0	1	22	14	37	8	4	12	6	5	60	38
Randolph	0	3	40	20	63	36	20	56	6	16	141	127
Rowan	0	74	170	47	291	55	8	63	82	108	544	257
District Totals	0	83	325	103	511	108	56	164	106	145	926	501
<u>District 20</u>												
Union	0	6	75	61	142	31	17	48	37	40	267	117
Stanly	0	0	110	36	146	22	8	30	4	14	194	73
Richmond	1	14	64	32	111	7	12	19	16	14	160	99
Moore	0	63	52	34	149	15	17	32	9	17	207	73
Anson	0	11	37	21	69	10	4	14	3	11	97	43
District Totals	1	94	338	184	617	85	58	143	69	96	925	405
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	1	314	288	115	718	62	236	298	57	58	1,131	473
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	3	0	20	0	23	4	14	18	9	9	59	42
Davidson	4	24	71	39	138	25	95	120	50	75	383	187
Davie	0	4	19	0	23	0	13	13	0	8	44	28
Iredell	3	6	121	19	149	14	31	45	13	78	285	198
District Totals	10	34	231	58	333	43	153	196	72	170	771	455
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	0	4	8	1	13	3	2	5	0	1	19	17
Ashe	0	0	13	3	16	11	2	13	4	6	39	35
Wilkes	0	12	41	78	131	36	17	53	40	77	301	141
Yadkin	0	1	29	22	52	8	12	20	14	27	113	44
District Totals	0	17	91	104	212	58	33	91	58	111	472	237

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	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Probation Violation	Total	Truancy	Other	Total				
<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	0	9	4	9	22	0	21	21	2	10	55	37
Madison	0	0	0	1	1	5	3	8	2	5	16	16
Mitchell	0	0	4	0	4	1	0	1	1	2	8	9
Watauga	0	1	10	0	11	1	5	6	4	8	29	50
Yancey	0	2	4	0	6	1	11	12	2	4	24	24
District Totals	0	12	22	10	44	8	40	48	11	29	132	136
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	0	22	37	36	95	27	103	130	61	49	335	158
Caldwell	1	37	66	68	172	25	39	64	19	19	274	137
Catawba	0	84	127	22	233	32	29	61	41	34	369	180
District Totals	1	143	230	126	500	84	171	255	121	102	978	475
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	0	775	767	179	1,721	38	272	310	87	39	2,157	728
<u>District 27</u>												
Cleveland	0	5	142	15	162	24	27	51	37	16	266	166
Gaston	0	137	227	0	364	49	160	209	104	23	700	392
Lincoln	0	8	59	12	79	8	14	22	0	12	113	47
District Totals	0	150	428	27	605	81	201	282	141	51	1,079	605
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	0	129	276	105	510	33	252	285	32	67	894	366
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	0	21	43	21	85	6	34	40	18	18	161	88
McDowell	1	18	18	35	72	27	23	50	8	18	148	88
Polk	0	2	4	0	6	2	10	12	0	1	19	19
Rutherford	0	12	25	42	79	13	14	27	29	14	149	71
Transylvania	0	9	7	25	41	5	15	20	9	11	81	35
District Totals	1	62	97	123	283	53	96	149	64	62	558	301
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	0	21	9	0	30	3	10	13	8	14	65	55
Clay	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	2	7	8
Graham	0	2	6	2	10	0	1	1	0	0	11	8
Haywood	0	20	18	2	40	7	33	40	9	10	99	80
Jackson	0	3	16	0	19	5	11	16	2	6	43	43
Macon	0	0	8	0	8	0	9	9	0	2	19	20
Swain	0	0	14	0	14	2	7	9	1	6	30	30
District Totals	0	46	75	4	125	17	71	88	21	40	274	244
STATE TOTALS	25	3,789	6,726	2,565	13,105	1,372	3,195	4,567	2,375	2,575	22,622	11,838
Percent Percent	0.2%	28.9%	51.3%	19.6%	100% 57.9%	30.0%	70.0%	100% 20.2%	10.5%	11.4%	100%	

* The data in all columns but the last indicates the total number of offenses alleged to have been committed and conditions alleged to have existed during the year. This data does not indicate the actual number of children before the court, since one petition may include several offenses or conditions and more than one petition may have been filed against a child during the year.

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<u>District 1</u>													
Camden	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	5
Chowan	24	3	27	5	1	6	2	0	2	1	0	1	36
Currituck	36	6	42	6	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	50
Dare	16	16	32	1	1	2	0	1	1	5	1	6	41
Gates	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Pasquotank	80	9	89	7	3	10	9	0	9	5	0	5	113
Perquimans	7	4	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	12
District Totals	166	39	205	20	7	27	13	1	14	11	2	13	259
<u>District 2</u>													
Beaufort	55	26	81	17	5	22	0	1	1	4	6	10	114
Hyde	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	3	5
Martin	27	22	49	3	6	9	0	1	1	11	10	21	80
Tyrrell	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	6
Washington	17	2	19	2	1	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	23
District Totals	101	51	152	24	13	37	1	2	3	17	19	36	228
<u>District 3</u>													
Carteret	28	18	46	7	2	9	4	3	7	16	9	25	87
Craven	167	84	251	38	11	49	12	7	19	43	25	68	387
Pamlico	14	7	21	14	13	27	2	0	2	0	0	0	50
Pitt	106	27	133	35	10	45	10	3	13	7	6	13	204
District Totals	315	136	451	94	36	130	28	13	41	66	40	106	728
<u>District 4</u>													
Duplin	0	7	7	0	4	4	0	1	1	0	3	3	15
Jones	7	8	15	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	3	21
Onslow	93	65	158	13	28	41	4	1	5	22	10	32	236
Sampson	55	28	83	19	15	34	5	8	13	17	16	33	163
District Totals	155	108	263	34	48	82	9	10	19	40	31	71	435
<u>District 5</u>													
New Hanover	695	19	714	84	4	88	31	1	32	64	13	77	911
Pender	27	7	34	5	0	5	3	5	8	10	4	14	61
District Totals	722	26	748	89	4	93	34	6	40	74	17	91	972
<u>District 6</u>													
Bertie	2	16	18	0	9	9	0	0	0	1	3	4	31
Halifax	82	91	173	11	15	26	2	32	34	8	14	22	255
Hertford	20	38	58	6	13	19	1	2	3	2	7	9	89
Northampton	26	6	32	4	9	13	9	3	12	2	4	6	63
District Totals	130	151	281	21	46	67	12	37	49	13	28	41	438
<u>District 7</u>													
Edgecombe	209	53	262	9	6	15	38	6	44	54	3	57	378
Nash	117	15	132	16	8	24	51	2	53	24	10	34	243
Wilson	65	11	76	9	6	15	64	4	68	11	4	15	174
District Totals	391	79	470	34	20	54	153	12	165	89	17	106	795
<u>District 8</u>													
Greene	19	21	40	3	7	10	3	0	3	9	5	14	67
Lenoir	113	27	140	37	9	46	15	3	18	47	10	57	261
Wayne	199	291	490	34	43	77	28	29	57	40	29	69	693
District Totals	331	339	670	74	59	133	46	32	78	96	44	140	1,021

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<u>District 9</u>													
Franklin	17	3	20	16	2	18	23	4	27	25	2	27	92
Granville	39	9	48	17	1	18	2	2	4	4	2	6	76
Person	44	3	47	2	0	2	10	1	11	7	0	7	67
Vance	99	7	106	28	0	28	9	1	10	6	0	6	150
Warren	3	15	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	19
District Totals	202	37	239	63	3	66	44	8	52	43	4	47	404
<u>District 10</u>													
Wake	426	50	476	187	26	213	66	3	69	57	1	58	816
<u>District 11</u>													
Harnett	128	99	227	85	44	129	28	4	32	102	76	178	566
Johnston	44	87	131	23	45	68	23	70	93	25	22	47	339
Lee	63	33	96	53	13	66	64	19	83	15	2	17	262
District Totals	235	219	454	161	102	263	115	93	208	142	100	242	1,167
<u>District 12</u>													
Cumberland	416	111	527	156	44	200	26	111	137	133	47	180	1,044
Hoke	29	7	36	9	7	16	2	0	2	3	1	4	58
District Totals	445	118	563	165	51	216	28	111	139	136	48	184	1,102
<u>District 13</u>													
Bladen	34	28	62	9	13	22	1	1	2	30	8	38	124
Brunswick	5	19	24	5	19	24	0	1	1	5	16	21	70
Columbus	60	34	94	37	15	52	20	2	22	49	19	68	236
District Totals	99	81	180	51	47	98	21	4	25	84	43	127	430
<u>District 14</u>													
Durham	180	33	213	34	27	61	70	2	72	16	1	17	363
<u>District 15A</u>													
Alamance	87	13	100	45	3	48	22	6	28	19	8	27	203
<u>District 15B</u>													
Chatham	25	13	38	8	10	18	5	7	12	8	8	16	84
Orange	60	28	88	14	3	17	13	1	14	16	2	18	137
District Totals	85	41	126	22	13	35	18	8	26	24	10	34	221
<u>District 16</u>													
Robeson	219	37	256	190	7	197	48	17	65	53	9	62	580
Scotland	124	12	136	15	8	23	2	2	4	35	5	40	203
District Totals	343	49	392	205	15	220	50	19	69	88	14	102	783
<u>District 17</u>													
Caswell	5	4	9	4	0	4	2	0	2	1	1	2	17
Rockingham	90	29	119	48	16	64	12	1	13	64	9	73	269
Stokes	14	11	25	15	6	21	1	0	1	14	0	14	61
Surry	35	9	44	29	25	54	10	4	14	39	5	44	156
District Totals	144	53	197	96	47	143	25	5	30	118	15	133	503

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<u>District 18</u>													
Guilford	583	340	923	258	159	417	166	29	195	181	75	256	1,791
<u>District 19</u>													
Cabarrus	104	13	117	31	6	37	10	0	10	10	1	11	175
Montgomery	33	23	56	21	5	26	2	4	6	6	0	6	94
Randolph	38	22	60	52	10	62	3	4	7	8	2	10	139
Rowan	196	47	243	77	41	118	92	50	142	196	74	270	773
District Totals	371	105	476	181	62	243	107	58	165	220	77	297	1,181
<u>District 20</u>													
Anson	73	34	107	14	3	17	4	1	5	10	0	10	139
Moore	134	46	180	34	31	65	7	3	10	26	0	26	281
Richmond	127	62	189	18	10	28	15	0	15	17	0	17	249
Stanley	126	7	133	26	2	28	5	0	5	22	0	22	188
Union	147	104	251	32	19	51	59	26	85	67	12	79	466
District Totals	607	253	860	124	65	189	90	30	120	142	12	154	1,323
<u>District 21</u>													
Forsyth	364	114	478	184	53	237	1	0	1	0	0	0	716
<u>District 22</u>													
Alexander	7	21	28	9	11	20	5	5	10	3	3	6	64
Davidson	200	64	264	172	49	221	80	2	82	126	13	139	706
Davie	35	16	51	10	10	20	0	2	2	22	1	23	96
Iredell	145	23	168	41	12	53	19	6	25	93	45	138	384
District Totals	387	124	511	232	82	314	104	15	119	244	62	306	1,250
<u>District 23</u>													
Alleghany	12	11	23	2	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	28
Ashe	15	11	26	17	1	18	4	0	4	5	1	6	54
Wilkes	149	7	156	51	5	56	44	3	47	103	7	110	369
Yadkin	42	10	52	16	4	20	12	2	14	22	5	27	113
District Totals	218	39	257	86	12	98	60	5	65	131	13	144	564
<u>District 24</u>													
Avery	15	2	17	10	19	29	3	0	3	13	0	13	62
Madison	14	4	18	21	13	34	0	1	1	2	7	9	62
Mitchell	2	5	7	1	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	2	12
Watauga	9	2	11	6	0	6	4	0	4	7	1	8	29
Yancey	51	9	60	26	12	38	25	1	26	19	2	21	145
District Totals	91	22	113	64	45	109	33	2	35	42	11	53	310
<u>District 25</u>													
Burke	144	59	203	88	42	130	74	26	100	58	18	76	509
Caldwell	188	70	258	71	50	121	25	15	40	25	12	37	456
Catawba	162	47	209	46	10	56	34	7	41	45	7	52	358
District Totals	494	176	670	205	102	307	133	48	181	128	37	165	1,323
<u>District 26</u>													
Mecklenburg	774	357	1,131	153	72	225	134	6	140	21	3	24	1,520

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<i>District 27</i>													
Cleveland	113	59	172	42	9	51	31	3	34	13	2	15	272
Gaston	181	39	220	162	31	193	90	15	105	18	6	24	542
Lincoln	57	13	70	19	5	24	0	0	0	9	4	13	107
District Totals	351	111	462	223	45	268	121	18	139	40	12	52	921
<i>District 28</i>													
Buncombe	132	132	264	84	144	228	1	3	4	13	13	26	522
<i>District 29</i>													
Henderson	93	26	119	157	23	180	14	1	15	22	1	23	337
McDowell	87	3	90	29	12	41	10	1	11	30	0	30	172
Polk	3	4	7	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	1	1	19
Rutherford	96	11	107	10	0	10	30	3	33	14	1	15	165
Transylvania	28	4	32	11	7	18	15	2	17	18	0	18	85
District Totals	307	48	355	213	47	260	69	7	76	84	3	87	778
<i>District 30</i>													
Cherokee	28	3	31	10	3	13	7	1	8	10	5	15	67
Clay	3	3	6	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	3	11
Graham	0	7	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Haywood	1	30	31	0	18	18	1	11	12	2	4	6	67
Jackson	9	10	19	0	10	10	0	0	0	6	0	6	35
Macon	7	1	8	2	7	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	18
Swain	0	14	14	1	9	10	0	1	1	4	6	10	35
District Totals	48	68	116	15	47	62	9	13	22	26	15	41	241
STATE TOTALS	9,284	3,512	12,796	3,441	1,502	4,943	1,783	606	2,389	2,405	775	3,180	23,308
Percent	72.6%	27.4%	100%	69.6%	30.4%	100%	74.6%	25.4%	100%	75.6%	24.4%	100%	
Percent			54.9%			21.2%			10.3%			13.6%	

* This table indicates the total number of adjudicatory hearings held in each category of juvenile jurisdiction during the year. Juvenile petitions may be dismissed either for failure to prove that the child is delinquent, undisciplined, dependent or neglected or, if he is found to be so, because the child is not in need of the care, protection or discipline of the State. All cases dismissed for either of these reasons are counted in the "dismissed" column; all other cases are counted in the "retained" column.

DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL DOCKETS

In the graphs which follow, criminal case activity in the District Court Division during 1977 is compared with criminal case activity in district courts during the preceding four years. There was a 3.6% increase in the number of criminal cases filed — 1,082,540 in 1977, compared to 1,045,190 in 1976 — and a slight increase in the number disposed of: 1,043,460 in 1977, compared to 1,037,401 in 1976, which is an increase of six-tenths of one per cent. The difference between filings and dispositions accounts for a significant increase in the number of criminal cases pending at the end of the year: 152,188 cases were pending at the end of 1977, compared to 113,108 at the end of 1976, which is an increase of 34.6%.

The distribution among the 100 counties of these pending cases is shown in the following table; 44 counties had more than 1,000 criminal cases pending on December 31, 1977, compared to 28 counties in 1976. The ten counties with the largest numbers of cases pending at the end of 1977 are listed in another table; all ten appeared on the same table in the *1976 Annual Report*.

County-by-county data is presented on: (1) numbers of motor vehicle criminal cases pending, filed and disposed of during 1977; (2) numbers of non-motor vehicle criminal cases pending, filed and disposed of; (3) the ratios of criminal case dispositions to total caseload and ratios of pending criminal cases to dispositions; (4) the time from filing to disposition of the motor vehicle criminal cases disposed of; (5) the time from filing to disposition of the non-motor vehicle criminal cases disposed of; (6) the ages of motor vehicle cases pending at the end of the year; (7) the ages of non-motor vehicle cases pending at the end of the year; and (8) the numbers of motor vehicle criminal cases disposed of by waiver and the numbers of (civil) small claims cases disposed of by magistrates.

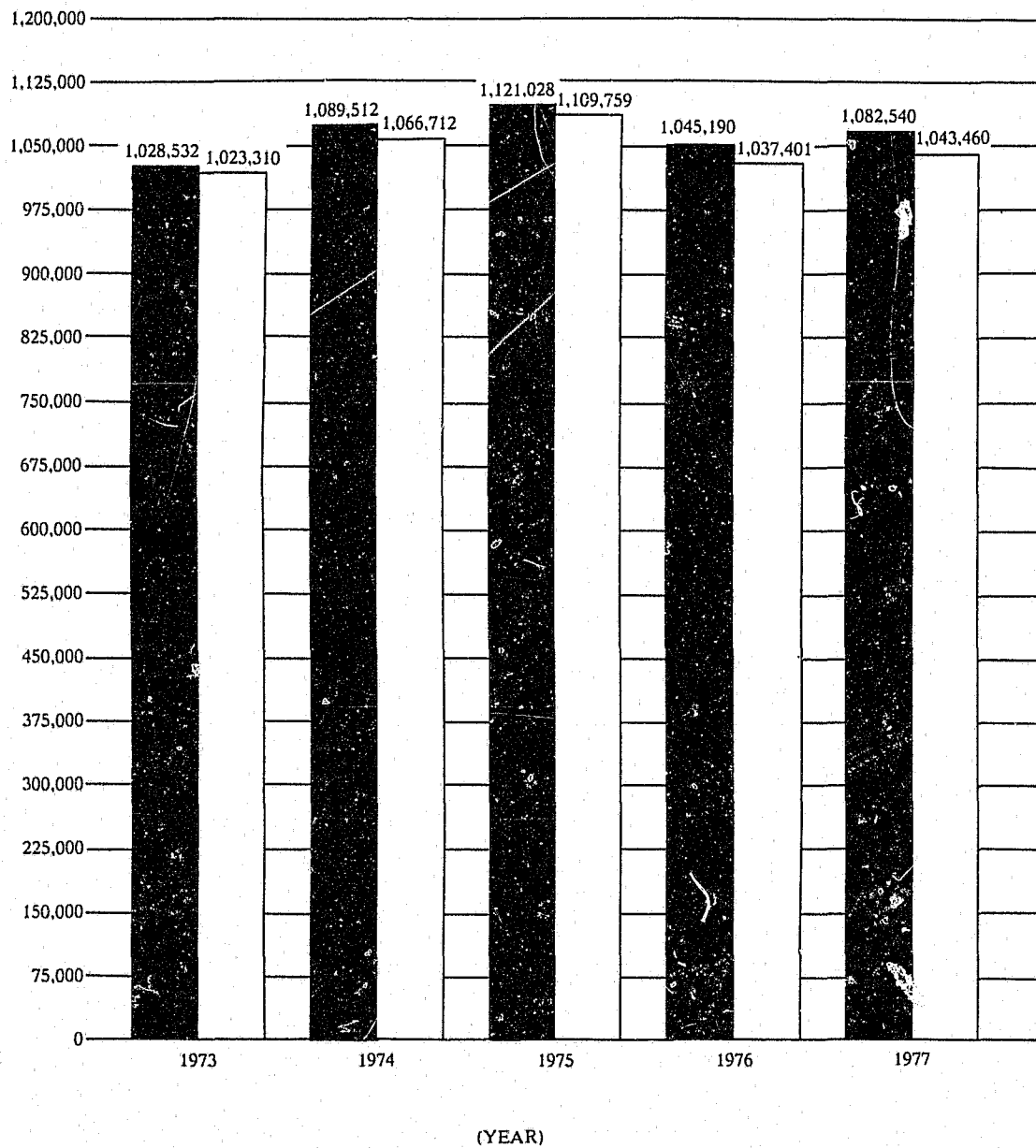
The tables showing the time from filing to disposition of the cases disposed of during 1977, new to this year's report, show that 92.2% of the motor vehicle criminal cases and 91.3% of the non-motor vehicle criminal cases were disposed of within 90 days of filing; an additional 5.1% of the motor vehicle cases disposed of and an additional 5.6% of the non-motor vehicle cases were between 91 and 180 days old at the time of disposition. These totals, however, include those criminal cases disposed of by waiver; such cases, which do not require the resources of the trial courts, are disposed of generally within 30 days of filing. Moreover, as the tables reporting criminal cases pending, added, and disposed of indicate, dispositions by waiver account for a substantial portion of the district court caseload: of the 696,421 motor vehicle cases disposed of during 1977, 414,721 cases (60% of the total) were disposed of by waiver; of the 347,039 non-motor vehicle dispositions, 36,024 cases (10%) were by waiver. Of the motor vehicle cases not disposed of by waiver, 80.8% (227,579 cases out of 281,700) were disposed of within 90 days, and 12.7% (35,834 cases) between 91 and 180 days. This leaves a total of 18,287 motor vehicle cases older than six months at the time of disposition; and 11,061 non-motor vehicle cases were older than six months at disposition.

The tables showing the ages of cases pending at the end of the year also reveal that a significant number of district court criminal cases are not disposed of expeditiously. A total of 17,971 motor vehicle cases had been pending for over 180 days as of December 31, 1977, compared to 13,830 pending for over 180 days at the end of 1976; 16,194 non-motor vehicle cases had been pending for over 180 days at the end of 1977, compared to 10,109 at the end of 1976. These figures, together with the totals of cases older than 180 days at time of disposition, show that a significant number of district court criminal cases are not disposed of within the "speedy trial" time limit of 120 days (to be applied to cases filed on or after October 1, 1978) enacted by the 1977 General Assembly. To what extent these cases would have been exempted from the 120-day standard, for excusable delay, is not known.

The comment on speedy trial standards found in the section on the superior court criminal dockets is also applicable to district court criminal cases. The statutes in question do not distinguish between criminal cases filed in superior courts and those filed in the district courts.

CRIMINAL CASES ADDED AND DISPOSED OF IN THE DISTRICT COURTS (For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



ADDED

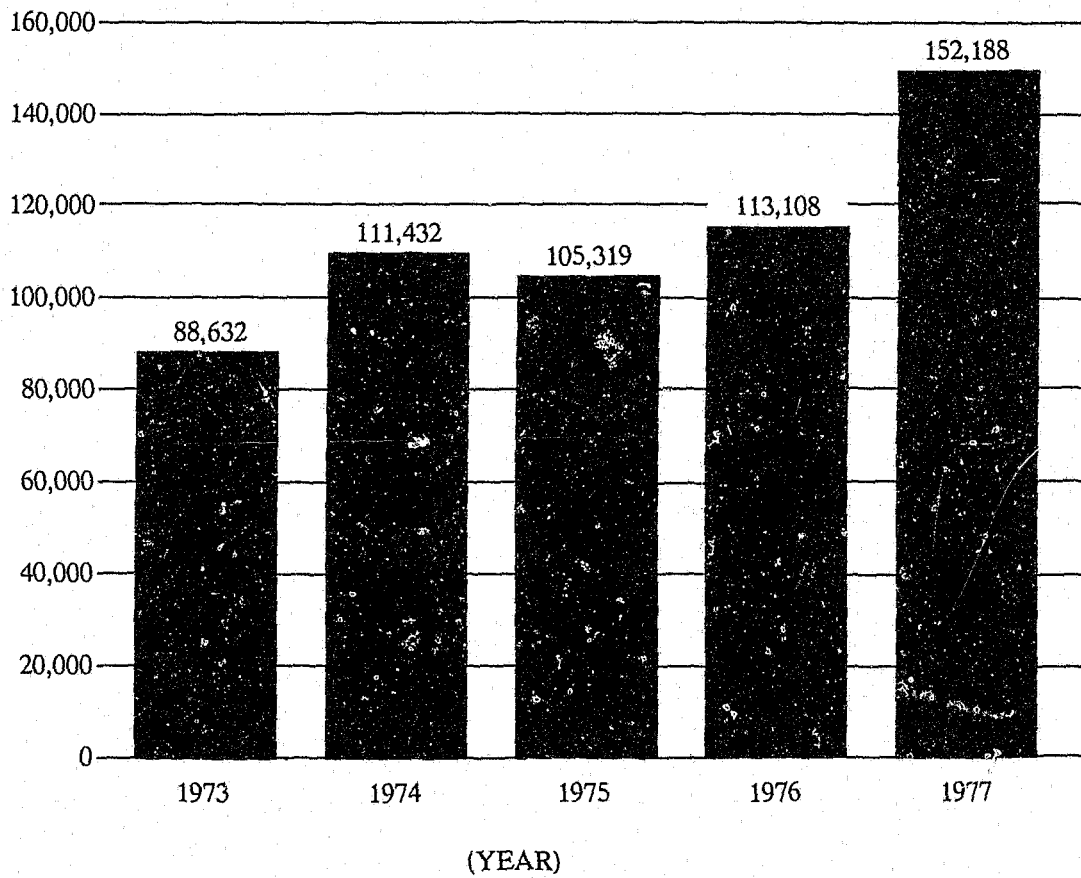


DISPOSED OF:



CRIMINAL CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS
(For Years, 1973-1977)

NO. OF CASES



**DISTRIBUTION OF PENDING CRIMINAL CASES
AMONG THE COUNTIES**

(District Courts)

Number of Cases	Less than 100	100-300	301-500	501-1,000	Over 1,000
Number of Counties & Year: 1973	11	30	14	24	21
1974	9	23	11	23	34
1975	6	23	10	25	36
1976	6	26	15	25	28
1977	3	19	16	18	44

**TEN COUNTIES WITH LARGEST CRIMINAL DOCKETS
PENDING AT YEAR END**

County	Pending 1/1/77	Filed	Disposed of	Pending 12/31/77	Ratio (%) of Dispositions to Filings
*Guilford	19,090	67,883	70,398	16,575	103.7%
*Mecklenburg	9,538	78,545	73,018	15,065	93.0%
*Durham	5,171	29,074	24,224	10,021	83.3%
*Wake	6,982	65,871	63,945	8,908	97.1%
*Forsyth	3,469	49,387	45,972	6,884	93.1%
*Cumberland	5,067	52,916	51,267	6,716	96.9%
*New Hanover	1,911	22,070	20,098	3,883	91.1%
*Gaston	2,953	29,600	28,755	3,798	97.1%
*Onslow	1,986	20,278	19,754	2,510	97.4%
*Robeson	1,872	20,137	19,518	2,491	96.9%
STATE MEAN	1,332	10,825	10,435	1,522	96.4%

*Counties that were listed in this table in the *1976 Annual Report*.

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				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise	Total Dispositions			
<u>District 1</u>												
Camden	151	1,231	1,382	73	235	803	0	134	1,245	137	-	14
Chowan	116	1,434	1,550	87	364	864	0	119	1,434	116	+	0
Currituck	128	1,989	2,117	94	410	1,154	4	281	1,943	174	+	46
Dare	190	3,317	3,507	72	638	2,083	23	390	3,206	301	+	111
Gates	69	1,454	1,523	66	213	1,022	1	58	1,360	163	+	94
Pasquotank	193	2,810	3,003	168	696	1,735	0	216	2,725	278	+	85
Perquimans	105	1,348	1,453	63	198	959	3	96	1,319	134	+	29
District Totals	952	13,583	14,535	623	2,664	8,620	31	1,294	13,232	1,303	+	351
<u>District 2</u>												
Beaufort	319	5,398	5,717	283	812	3,626	106	514	5,341	376	+	57
Hyde	23	441	464	46	113	231	0	47	437	27	+	4
Martin	398	3,536	3,934	453	936	2,020	5	260	3,674	260	-	138
Tyrrell	21	560	581	48	42	414	1	49	554	27	+	6
Washington	87	1,282	1,369	140	201	742	1	90	1,174	195	+	108
District Totals	848	11,217	12,065	970	2,104	7,033	113	960	11,180	885	+	37
<u>District 3</u>												
Carteret	418	6,305	6,723	253	1,722	3,050	42	827	5,894	829	+	411
Craven	541	9,305	9,846	525	2,353	5,359	34	614	8,885	961	+	420
Pamlico	78	859	937	71	279	425	20	84	879	58	-	20
Pitt	1,198	12,444	13,642	685	3,289	7,359	29	1,097	12,459	1,183	+	15
District Totals	2,235	28,913	31,148	1,534	7,643	16,193	125	2,622	28,117	3,031	+	796
<u>District 4</u>												
Duplin	839	5,795	6,634	111	1,648	3,166	20	854	5,799	835	-	4
Jones	82	1,398	1,480	31	368	708	0	167	1,274	206	+	124
Onslow	1,239	13,121	14,360	280	4,954	5,907	7	1,383	12,531	1,829	+	590
Sampson	830	7,419	8,249	225	2,174	4,154	9	702	7,264	985	+	155
District Totals	2,990	27,733	30,723	647	9,144	13,935	36	3,106	26,868	3,855	+	865
<u>District 5</u>												
New Hanover	977	13,134	14,111	1,468	2,194	6,648	34	1,795	12,139	1,972	+	995
Pender	409	4,540	4,949	376	983	2,418	6	518	4,301	648	+	239
District Totals	1,386	17,674	19,060	1,844	3,177	9,066	40	2,313	16,440	2,620	+	1,234
<u>District 6</u>												
Bertie	229	3,321	3,550	144	703	2,110	9	334	3,300	250	+	21
Halifax	459	6,557	7,016	222	1,141	3,889	4	1,067	6,323	693	+	234
Hertford	435	4,508	4,943	268	845	2,803	16	485	4,417	526	+	91
Northampton	112	5,169	5,281	181	876	3,174	11	819	5,061	220	+	108
District Totals	1,235	19,555	20,790	815	3,565	11,976	40	2,705	19,101	1,689	+	454
<u>District 7</u>												
Edgecombe	443	5,676	6,119	303	930	3,734	11	530	5,508	611	+	168
Nash	598	7,213	7,811	421	1,402	4,243	28	866	6,960	851	+	253
Wilson	561	6,812	7,373	248	1,215	4,182	64	868	6,577	796	+	235
District Totals	1,602	19,701	21,303	972	3,547	12,159	103	2,264	19,045	2,258	+	656

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				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise	Total Dispositions			
<u>District 8</u>												
Greene	158	1,737	1,895	64	348	1,117	7	200	1,736	159	+	1
Lenoir	659	7,537	8,196	307	1,621	4,328	38	948	7,242	954	+	295
Wayne	843	11,983	12,826	355	2,234	7,632	40	1,402	11,663	1,163	+	320
District Totals	1,660	21,257	22,917	726	4,203	13,077	85	2,550	20,641	2,276	+	616
<u>District 9</u>												
Franklin	481	3,333	3,814	286	1,080	1,775	9	343	3,493	321	-	160
Granville	307	3,969	4,276	115	963	2,346	12	452	3,888	388	+	81
Person	298	3,245	3,543	209	960	1,728	11	359	3,267	276	-	22
Vance	241	3,369	3,610	136	782	1,656	4	610	3,188	422	+	181
Warren	86	1,775	1,861	104	509	906	2	117	1,638	223	+	137
District Totals	1,413	15,691	17,104	850	4,294	8,411	38	1,881	15,474	1,630	+	217
<u>District 10</u>												
Wake	4,965	42,653	47,618	2,821	7,130	24,865	69	6,900	41,785	5,833	+	868
<u>District 11</u>												
Harnett	558	6,351	6,909	298	1,936	3,091	9	734	6,068	841	+	283
Johnston	809	8,343	9,152	544	2,393	3,805	9	1,378	8,129	1,023	+	214
Lee	299	3,396	3,695	173	778	2,068	4	312	3,335	360	+	61
District Totals	1,666	18,090	19,756	1,015	5,107	8,964	22	2,424	17,532	2,224	+	558
<u>District 12</u>												
Cumberland	3,349	33,817	37,166	1,978	7,667	17,354	22	5,700	32,721	4,445	+	1,096
Hoke	233	3,569	3,802	141	821	2,005	3	285	3,255	547	+	314
District Totals	3,582	37,386	40,968	2,119	8,488	19,359	25	5,985	35,976	4,992	+	1,410
<u>District 13</u>												
Bladen	808	5,311	6,119	138	1,575	3,005	2	779	5,499	620	-	188
Brunswick	309	3,810	4,119	347	779	2,162	3	410	3,701	418	+	109
Columbus	845	6,672	7,517	1,014	1,465	3,098	5	1,159	6,741	776	-	69
District Totals	1,962	15,793	17,755	1,499	3,819	8,265	10	2,348	15,941	1,814	-	148
<u>District 14</u>												
Durham	3,763	18,785	22,548	558	3,874	9,822	37	1,889	16,180	6,368	+	2,605
<u>District 15A</u>												
Alamance	1,031	12,295	13,326	981	3,210	6,858	76	988	12,113	1,213	+	182
<u>District 15B</u>												
Chatham	319	4,088	4,407	164	1,181	2,174	4	439	3,962	445	+	126
Orange	305	9,933	10,238	483	2,075	5,285	10	999	8,852	1,386	+	1,081
District Totals	624	14,021	14,645	647	3,256	7,459	14	1,438	12,814	1,831	+	1,207

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<u>District 16</u>												
Robeson	1,049	11,830	12,879	393	3,245	6,118	18	1,850	11,624	1,255	+	206
Scotland	472	5,336	5,808	122	1,104	3,659	2	419	5,306	502	+	30
District Totals	1,521	17,166	18,687	515	4,349	9,777	20	2,269	16,930	1,757	+	236
<u>District 17</u>												
Caswell	236	1,819	2,055	88	433	1,015	3	160	1,699	356	+	120
Rockingham	951	8,683	9,634	636	1,679	5,249	4	751	8,319	1,315	+	364
Stokes	295	2,815	3,110	436	414	1,673	3	332	2,858	252	-	43
Surry	528	6,103	6,631	230	1,320	3,244	31	976	5,801	830	+	302
District Totals	2,010	19,420	21,430	1,390	3,846	11,181	41	2,219	18,677	2,753	+	743
<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	11,503	44,938	56,441	2,431	8,547	25,712	87	9,818	46,595	9,846	-	1,657
<u>District 19</u>												
Cabarrus	929	12,459	13,388	711	1,350	8,848	13	1,116	12,038	1,350	+	421
Montgomery	37	3,800	3,837	227	582	2,314	12	331	3,466	371	+	334
Randolph	953	9,441	10,394	641	1,569	6,448	8	789	9,455	939	-	14
Rowan	1,000	10,060	11,060	688	1,471	6,946	11	955	10,071	989	-	11
District Totals	2,919	35,760	38,679	2,267	4,972	24,556	44	3,191	35,030	3,649	+	730
<u>District 20</u>												
Anson	295	4,259	4,554	191	951	2,480	24	412	4,058	496	+	201
Moore	367	5,635	6,002	148	1,492	3,128	10	575	5,353	649	+	282
Richmond	532	5,802	6,334	225	1,520	3,216	17	654	5,632	702	+	170
Stanly	594	6,220	6,814	125	1,689	3,543	19	608	5,984	830	+	236
Union	400	6,371	6,771	273	1,484	3,805	11	602	6,175	596	+	196
District Totals	2,188	28,287	30,475	962	7,136	16,172	81	2,851	27,202	3,273	+	1,085
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	2,564	36,501	39,065	2,105	5,513	23,611	61	3,006	34,296	4,769	+	2,205
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	183	1,970	2,153	96	407	1,225	13	222	1,963	190	+	7
Davidson	956	12,928	13,884	301	2,688	8,098	2	1,428	12,517	1,367	+	411
Davie	192	3,605	3,797	76	506	2,548	1	332	3,462	334	+	142
Iredell	506	8,835	9,341	331	1,832	5,559	15	773	8,510	831	+	325
District Totals	1,837	27,338	29,175	804	5,433	17,430	31	2,755	26,453	2,722	+	885
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	35	682	717	56	178	345	1	67	647	70	+	35
Ashe	185	1,787	1,972	224	501	907	4	121	1,757	215	+	30
Wilkes	731	5,827	6,558	458	1,096	3,261	16	673	5,504	1,054	+	323
Yadkin	231	2,693	2,924	220	549	1,760	4	167	2,700	224	-	7
District Totals	1,182	10,989	12,171	958	2,324	6,273	25	1,028	10,608	1,563	+	381

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<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	91	838	929	83	245	78	27	318	751	178	+	87
Madison	130	1,308	1,438	42	126	712	9	353	1,242	196	+	66
Mitchell	114	1,051	1,165	67	171	524	3	226	991	174	+	60
Watauga	327	3,737	4,064	127	699	2,223	9	433	3,491	573	+	246
Yancey	91	1,130	1,221	85	152	609	3	243	1,092	129	+	38
District Totals	753	8,064	8,817	404	1,393	4,146	51	1,573	7,567	1,250	+	497
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	605	8,934	9,539	286	1,954	4,775	18	1,406	8,439	1,100	+	495
Caldwell	556	5,963	6,519	253	1,626	3,390	7	530	5,806	713	+	157
Catawba	1,012	11,220	12,232	457	3,330	6,308	8	927	11,030	1,202	+	190
District Totals	2,173	26,117	28,290	996	6,910	14,473	33	2,863	25,275	3,015	+	842
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	5,229	52,594	57,823	1,726	9,254	29,700	65	7,815	48,560	9,263	+	4,034
<u>District 27</u>												
Cleveland	804	9,132	9,936	91	1,934	5,344	9	1,207	8,585	1,351	+	547
Gaston	1,865	16,597	18,462	609	3,593	9,468	26	2,411	16,107	2,355	+	490
Lincoln	269	4,080	4,349	104	1,066	1,989	7	693	3,859	490	+	221
District Totals	2,938	29,809	32,747	804	6,593	16,801	42	4,311	28,551	4,196	+	1,258
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	1,130	16,249	17,379	563	3,673	10,094	43	1,686	16,059	1,320	+	190
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	628	6,313	6,941	148	1,376	3,285	16	1,277	6,102	839	+	211
McDowell	326	4,476	4,802	211	863	2,637	15	470	4,196	606	+	280
Polk	165	2,133	2,298	60	298	1,258	1	390	2,007	291	+	126
Rutherford	388	3,715	4,103	232	806	2,226	8	408	3,674	429	+	41
Transylvania	231	2,302	2,533	117	374	1,539	6	170	2,206	327	+	96
District Totals	1,738	18,939	20,677	768	3,711	10,945	46	2,715	18,185	2,492	+	754
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	137	1,728	1,865	23	430	1,002	5	257	1,717	148	+	11
Clay	75	523	598	17	126	338	2	77	560	38	-	37
Graham	48	393	441	36	52	214	0	58	360	81	+	33
Haywood	376	5,134	5,510	82	1,254	2,380	41	1,059	4,816	694	+	318
Jackson	166	2,675	2,841	70	497	1,438	6	473	2,484	357	+	191
Macon	148	2,298	2,446	28	296	1,262	7	698	2,291	155	+	7
Swain	149	1,779	1,928	42	308	1,154	2	260	1,766	162	+	13
District Totals	1,099	14,530	15,629	298	2,963	7,788	63	2,882	13,994	1,535	+	536
STATE TOTALS	72,698	721,048	793,746	35,612	151,842	414,721	1,597	92,649	696,421	97,325	+	24,627

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				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise	Total Dispositions			
<i>District 1</i>												
Camden	7	112	119	10	22	0	5	74	111	8	+	1
Chowan	63	622	685	98	209	19	61	234	621	64	+	1
Currituck	50	494	544	34	200	15	18	195	462	82	+	32
Dare	110	841	951	36	355	27	50	341	809	142	+	32
Gates	17	275	292	34	99	70	21	54	278	14	-	3
Pasquotank	88	1,483	1,571	266	744	93	97	298	1,498	73	-	15
Perquimans	46	234	280	58	77	1	19	105	260	20	-	26
District Totals	381	4,061	4,442	536	1,706	225	271	1,301	4,039	403	+	22
<i>District 2</i>												
Beaufort	129	2,826	2,955	295	1,095	351	155	896	2,792	163	+	34
Hyde	24	364	388	78	176	20	9	87	370	16	-	6
Martin	115	1,990	2,105	286	781	331	121	467	1,986	119	+	4
Tyrrell	21	131	152	50	20	5	15	54	144	8	-	13
Washington	22	733	755	174	263	143	43	65	688	67	+	45
District Totals	311	6,044	6,355	883	2,335	850	343	1,569	5,980	375	+	64
<i>District 3</i>												
Carteret	265	3,801	4,066	326	1,112	189	204	1,685	3,516	550	+	285
Craven	274	3,780	4,054	476	1,416	624	290	858	3,664	390	+	116
Pamlico	44	466	510	55	218	26	36	125	460	50	+	6
Pitt	469	7,935	8,404	662	3,054	1,992	477	1,238	7,423	981	+	512
District Totals	1,052	15,982	17,034	1,519	5,800	2,831	1,007	3,906	15,063	1,971	+	919
<i>District 4</i>												
Duplin	151	2,263	2,414	87	543	491	102	673	1,896	518	+	367
Jones	96	530	626	62	220	29	6	247	564	62	-	34
Onslow	747	7,157	7,904	410	3,046	719	364	2,684	7,223	681	-	66
Sampson	350	2,824	3,174	126	935	676	161	799	2,697	477	+	127
District Totals	1,344	12,774	14,118	685	4,744	1,915	633	4,403	12,380	1,738	+	394
<i>District 5</i>												
New Hanover	934	8,936	9,870	1,125	2,903	971	813	2,147	7,959	1,911	+	977
Pender	86	1,227	1,313	132	576	10	13	427	1,158	155	+	69
District Totals	1,020	10,163	11,183	1,257	3,479	981	826	2,574	9,117	2,066	+	1,046
<i>District 6</i>												
Bertie	52	985	1,037	155	349	121	86	252	963	74	+	22
Halifax	277	3,917	4,194	476	1,434	213	246	1,465	3,834	360	+	83
Hertford	109	1,474	1,583	167	513	214	196	353	1,443	140	+	31
Northampton	48	804	852	77	326	111	38	254	806	46	-	2
District Totals	486	7,180	7,666	875	2,622	659	566	2,324	7,046	620	+	134
<i>District 7</i>												
Edgecombe	266	4,559	4,825	548	2,225	559	235	762	4,329	496	+	230
Nash	360	4,787	5,147	546	1,810	1,098	296	841	4,591	556	+	196
Wilson	324	3,859	4,183	338	1,316	498	297	1,201	3,750	433	+	109
District Totals	950	13,205	14,155	1,432	5,351	2,155	828	2,904	12,670	1,485	+	535

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<u>District 8</u>	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed	Total Caseload	Cases Disposed of, 1977						Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases	
				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise	Total Dis- positions			
Greene	64	813	877	81	259	120	97	258	815	62	—	2
Lenoir	409	5,118	5,527	605	2,392	89	337	1,640	5,063	464	+	55
Wayne	468	5,273	5,741	529	1,697	712	286	1,976	5,200	541	+	73
District Totals	941	11,204	12,145	1,215	4,348	921	720	3,874	11,078	1,067	+	126
 <u>District 9</u>												
Franklin	103	1,326	1,429	193	494	249	97	298	1,331	98	—	5
Granville	176	1,826	2,002	219	779	356	143	321	1,818	184	+	8
Person	134	1,493	1,627	243	646	129	184	301	1,503	124	—	10
Vance	192	2,704	2,896	325	764	340	28	1,154	2,611	285	+	93
Warren	150	1,065	1,215	147	488	25	111	341	1,112	103	—	47
District Totals	755	8,414	9,169	1,127	3,171	1,099	563	2,415	8,375	794	+	39
 <u>District 10</u>												
Wake	2,017	23,218	25,235	1,885	10,273	3,985	820	5,197	22,160	3,075	+	1,058
 <u>District 11</u>												
Harnett	285	3,348	3,633	369	1,257	435	91	1,085	3,237	396	+	111
Johnston	457	3,252	3,709	386	1,230	457	172	901	3,146	563	+	106
Lee	287	3,763	4,050	423	1,013	987	108	1,217	3,748	302	+	15
District Totals	1,029	10,363	11,392	1,178	3,500	1,879	371	3,203	10,131	1,261	+	232
 <u>District 12</u>												
Cumberland	1,718	19,099	20,817	1,539	5,517	2,296	109	9,085	18,546	2,271	+	553
Hoke	111	1,306	1,417	165	350	194	68	423	1,200	217	+	106
District Totals	1,829	20,405	22,234	1,704	5,867	2,490	177	9,508	19,746	2,488	+	659
 <u>District 13</u>												
Bladen	385	2,857	3,242	274	1,537	207	58	787	2,863	379	—	6
Brunswick	226	2,020	2,246	318	676	143	146	742	2,025	221	—	5
Columbus	678	3,926	4,604	351	1,878	885	83	921	4,118	486	—	192
District Totals	1,289	8,803	10,092	943	4,091	1,235	287	2,450	9,006	1,086	—	203
 <u>District 14</u>												
Durham	1,408	10,289	11,697	934	4,284	688	272	1,866	8,044	3,653	+	2,245
 <u>District 15A</u>												
Alamance	444	5,104	5,548	631	2,025	303	437	1,632	5,028	520	+	76
 <u>District 15B</u>												
Chatham	76	1,159	1,235	117	512	104	54	343	1,130	105	+	29
Orange	120	2,901	3,021	242	946	325	199	890	2,602	419	+	299
District Totals	196	4,060	4,256	359	1,458	429	253	1,233	3,732	524	+	328

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	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed	Total Caseload	Cases Disposed of, 1977					Total Dispositions	Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/Decrease in Pending Cases	
				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise				
<u>District 16</u>												
Robeson	823	8,307	9,130	747	3,493	1,074	433	2,147	7,894	1,236	+	413
Scotland	213	2,474	2,687	263	1,087	212	62	454	2,078	609	+	396
District Totals	1,036	10,781	11,817	1,010	4,580	1,286	495	2,601	9,972	1,845	+	809
<u>District 17</u>												
Caswell	97	833	930	165	280	22	59	273	799	131	+	34
Rockingham	722	4,720	5,442	917	1,477	292	310	1,798	4,794	648	-	74
Stokes	146	961	1,107	183	335	107	44	295	964	143	-	3
Surry	386	2,997	3,383	247	911	236	190	1,274	2,858	525	+	139
District Totals	1,351	9,511	10,862	1,512	3,003	657	603	3,640	9,415	1,447	+	96
<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	7,587	22,945	30,532	1,917	11,567	323	1,070	8,926	23,803	6,729	-	858
<u>District 19</u>												
Cabarrus	231	4,009	4,240	747	1,656	334	345	737	3,819	421	+	190
Montgomery	382	1,888	2,270	246	419	211	91	1,003	1,970	300	-	82
Randolph	366	2,489	2,855	494	897	406	222	589	2,608	247	-	119
Rowan	349	4,841	5,190	730	1,782	419	555	1,253	4,739	451	+	102
District Totals	1,328	13,227	14,555	2,217	4,754	1,370	1,213	3,582	13,136	1,419	+	91
<u>District 20</u>												
Anson	168	1,894	2,062	225	600	10	188	746	1,769	293	+	125
Moore	273	3,089	3,362	263	841	437	255	1,308	3,104	258	-	15
Richmond	196	2,508	2,704	278	833	245	212	778	2,346	358	+	162
Stanly	297	2,228	2,525	81	803	332	163	634	2,013	512	+	215
Union	265	3,302	3,567	397	958	433	248	1,135	3,171	396	+	131
District Totals	1,199	13,021	14,220	1,244	4,035	1,457	1,066	4,601	12,403	1,817	+	618
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	905	12,886	13,791	1,919	3,687	1,501	619	3,950	11,676	2,115	+	1,210
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	65	920	985	97	313	9	72	410	901	84	+	19
Davidson	406	5,383	5,789	730	1,704	130	146	2,383	5,093	696	+	290
Davie	67	634	701	75	186	54	36	266	617	84	+	17
Iredell	195	4,054	4,249	432	1,493	322	326	1,332	3,905	344	+	149
District Totals	733	10,991	11,724	1,334	3,696	515	580	4,391	10,516	1,208	+	475
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	32	360	392	83	100	18	27	99	327	65	+	33
Ashe	134	924	1,058	206	244	136	77	288	951	107	-	27
Wilkes	440	2,932	3,372	481	906	271	125	788	2,571	801	+	361
Yadkin	62	969	1,031	138	352	131	65	283	969	62	+	0
District Totals	668	5,185	5,853	908	1,602	556	294	1,458	4,818	1,035	+	367

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	Cases Pending 1/1/77	Cases Filed	Total Caseload	Cases Disposed of, 1977					Total Dispositions	Cases Pending 12/31/77	Increase/ Decrease in Pending Cases	
				By Judge	By Plea	By Waiver	Prelim. Hearing	Otherwise				
<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	153	1,438	1,591	65	278	5	2	1,015	1,365	226	+	73
Madison	140	530	670	45	138	2	24	320	529	141	+	1
Mitchell	48	538	586	36	180	42	25	222	505	81	+	33
Watauga	143	755	898	64	150	78	113	293	698	200	+	57
Yancey	18	440	458	47	212	5	29	103	396	62	+	44
District Totals	502	3,701	4,203	257	958	132	193	1,953	3,493	710	+	208
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	263	2,940	3,203	540	740	172	79	1,204	2,719	484	+	221
Caldwell	484	3,943	4,427	394	1,136	276	294	1,742	3,842	585	+	101
Catawba	558	7,322	7,880	593	2,366	663	463	3,102	7,187	693	+	135
District Totals	1,305	14,205	15,510	1,511	4,242	1,111	836	6,048	13,748	1,762	+	457
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	4,309	25,951	30,260	1,555	10,698	1,578	1,351	9,276	24,458	5,802	+	1,493
<u>District 27</u>												
Cleveland	607	5,388	5,995	224	1,938	373	243	2,338	5,116	879	+	272
Gaston	1,088	13,003	14,091	1,012	5,365	817	763	4,691	12,648	1,443	+	355
Lincoln	237	2,238	2,475	130	754	153	192	959	2,188	287	+	50
District Totals	1,932	20,629	22,561	1,366	8,057	1,343	1,198	7,988	19,952	2,609	+	677
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	598	10,347	10,945	620	5,238	790	655	2,751	10,054	891	+	293
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	265	3,282	3,547	306	1,452	30	225	1,127	3,140	407	+	142
McDowell	112	1,464	1,576	195	607	32	78	426	1,338	238	+	126
Polk	69	809	878	160	244	19	38	377	838	40	-	29
Rutherford	221	3,134	3,355	367	1,735	279	183	576	3,140	215	-	6
Transylvania	59	1,056	1,115	117	472	65	91	251	996	119	+	60
District Totals	726	9,745	10,471	1,145	4,510	425	615	2,757	9,452	1,019	+	293
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	88	963	1,051	26	273	41	105	503	948	103	+	15
Clay	19	190	209	14	93	3	28	46	184	25	+	6
Graham	26	342	368	41	80	2	1	172	296	72	+	46
Haywood	376	3,083	3,459	128	1,137	235	188	976	2,664	795	+	419
Jackson	74	874	948	56	332	12	32	378	810	138	+	64
Macon	90	798	888	26	317	32	55	333	763	125	+	35
Swain	106	848	954	22	306	10	31	514	883	71	-	35
District Totals	779	7,098	7,877	313	2,538	335	440	2,922	6,548	1,329	+	550
STATE TOTALS	40,410	361,492	401,902	35,991	138,219	36,024	19,602	117,203	347,039	54,863	+	14,453

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<u>District 1</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Camden	1,501	1,356	90.3%	145	1,356	10.7%	35
Chowan	2,235	2,055	91.9%	180	2,055	8.8%	15
Currituck	2,661	2,405	90.4%	256	2,405	10.6%	34
Dare	4,458	4,015	90.1%	443	4,015	11.0%	41
Gates	1,815	1,638	90.2%	177	1,638	10.8%	39
Pasquotank	4,574	4,223	92.3%	351	4,223	8.3%	9
Perquimans	1,733	1,579	91.1%	154	1,579	9.8%	24
District Totals	18,977	17,271	91.0%	1,706	17,271	9.9%	
 <u>District 2</u>							
Beaufort	8,672	8,133	93.8%	539	8,133	6.6%	4
Hyde	852	807	94.7%	45	807	5.6%	3
Martin	6,039	5,660	93.7%	379	5,660	6.7%	5
Tyrrell	733	698	95.2%	35	698	5.0%	2
Washington	2,124	1,862	87.7%	262	1,862	14.1%	72
District Totals	18,420	17,160	93.2%	1,260	17,160	7.3%	
 <u>District 3</u>							
Carteret	10,789	9,410	87.2%	1,379	9,410	14.7%	75
Craven	13,900	12,549	90.3%	1,351	12,549	10.8%	37
Pamlico	1,447	1,339	92.5%	108	1,339	8.1%	8
Pitt	22,046	19,882	90.2%	2,164	19,882	10.9%	40
District Totals	48,182	43,180	89.6%	5,002	43,180	11.6%	
 <u>District 4</u>							
Duplin	9,048	7,695	85.0%	1,353	7,695	17.6%	89
Jones	2,106	1,838	87.3%	268	1,838	14.6%	74
Onslow	22,264	19,754	88.7%	2,510	19,754	12.7%	57
Sampson	11,423	9,961	87.2%	1,462	9,961	14.7%	76
District Totals	44,841	39,248	87.5%	5,593	39,248	14.3%	
 <u>District 5</u>							
New Hanover	23,981	20,098	83.8%	3,883	20,098	19.3%	93
Pender	6,262	5,459	87.2%	803	5,459	14.7%	77
District Totals	30,243	25,557	84.5%	4,686	25,557	18.3%	
 <u>District 6</u>							
Bertie	4,587	4,263	92.9%	324	4,263	7.6%	6
Halifax	11,210	10,157	90.6%	1,053	10,157	10.4%	31
Hertford	6,526	5,860	89.8%	666	5,860	11.4%	45
Northampton	6,133	5,867	95.7%	266	5,867	4.5%	1
District Totals	28,456	26,147	91.9%	2,309	26,147	8.8%	
 <u>District 7</u>							
Edgecombe	10,944	9,837	89.9%	1,107	9,837	11.3%	44
Nash	12,958	11,551	89.1%	1,407	11,551	12.2%	54
Wilson	11,556	10,327	89.4%	1,229	10,327	11.9%	52
District Totals	35,458	31,715	89.4%	3,743	31,715	11.8%	

* Total caseload, reported in the first column, is the number of cases pending on January 1, 1977 plus the number filed during 1977.

The county ranking, reported in the last column, is for *both* ratios reported in this table, and each county's rank is the same for both ratios. The county ranked "1" had the highest percentage of cases disposed to total caseload and the lowest percentage of pending cases to dispositions during 1977, etc.

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<u>District 8</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Greene	2,772	2,551	92.0%	221	2,551	8.7%	13
Lenoir	13,723	12,305	89.7%	1,418	12,305	11.5%	46
Wayne	18,567	16,863	90.8%	1,704	16,863	10.1%	27
District Totals	35,062	31,719	90.5%	3,343	31,719	10.5%	
 <u>District 9</u>							
Franklin	5,243	4,824	92.0%	419	4,824	8.7%	14
Granville	6,278	5,706	90.9%	572	5,706	10.0%	26
Person	5,170	4,770	92.3%	400	4,770	8.4%	10
Vance	6,506	5,799	89.1%	707	5,799	12.1%	55
Warren	3,076	2,750	89.4%	326	2,750	11.9%	50
District Totals	26,273	23,849	90.8%	2,424	23,849	10.2%	
 <u>District 10</u>							
Wake	72,853	63,945	87.8%	8,908	63,945	13.9%	70
 <u>District 11</u>							
Harnett	10,542	9,305	88.3%	1,237	9,305	13.3%	64
Johnston	12,861	11,275	87.7%	1,586	11,275	14.1%	71
Lee	7,745	7,083	91.5%	662	7,083	9.3%	18
District Totals	31,148	27,663	88.8%	3,485	27,663	12.6%	
 <u>District 12</u>							
Cumberland	57,983	51,267	88.4%	6,716	51,267	13.1%	61
Hoke	5,219	4,455	85.4%	764	4,455	17.1%	88
District Totals	63,202	55,722	88.2%	7,480	55,722	13.4%	
 <u>District 13</u>							
Bladen	9,361	8,362	89.3%	999	8,362	11.9%	53
Brunswick	6,365	5,726	90.0%	639	5,726	11.2%	42
Columbus	12,121	10,859	89.7%	1,262	10,859	11.6%	47
District Totals	27,847	24,947	89.6%	2,900	24,947	11.6%	
 <u>District 14</u>							
Durham	34,245	24,224	70.7%	10,021	24,224	41.4%	100
 <u>District 15A</u>							
Alamance	18,874	17,141	90.8%	1,733	17,141	10.1%	28
 <u>District 15B</u>							
Chatham	5,642	5,092	90.3%	550	5,092	10.8%	38
Orange	13,259	11,454	86.4%	1,805	11,454	15.8%	84
District Totals	18,901	16,546	87.5%	2,355	16,546	14.2%	
 <u>District 16</u>							
Robeson	22,009	19,518	88.7%	2,491	19,518	12.8%	58
Scotland	8,495	7,384	86.9%	1,111	7,384	15.0%	81
District Totals	30,504	26,902	88.2%	3,602	26,902	13.4%	

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<u>District 17</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Caswell	2,985	2,498	83.7%	487	2,498	19.5%	94
Rockingham	15,076	13,113	87.0%	1,963	13,113	15.0%	79
Stokes	4,217	3,822	90.6%	395	3,822	10.3%	30
Surry	10,014	8,659	86.5%	1,355	8,659	15.6%	83
District Totals	32,292	28,092	87.0%	4,200	28,092	15.0%	
 <u>District 18</u>							
Guilford	86,973	70,398	80.9%	16,575	70,398	23.5%	99
 <u>District 19</u>							
Cabarrus	17,628	15,857	90.0%	1,771	15,857	11.1%	43
Montgomery	6,107	5,436	89.0%	671	5,436	12.3%	56
Randolph	13,249	12,063	91.0%	1,186	12,063	9.8%	25
Rowan	16,250	14,810	91.1%	1,440	14,810	9.7%	23
District Totals	53,234	48,166	90.5%	5,068	48,166	10.5%	
 <u>District 20</u>							
Anson	6,616	5,827	88.1%	789	5,827	13.5%	67
Moore	9,364	8,457	90.3%	907	8,457	10.7%	36
Richmond	9,038	7,978	88.3%	1,060	7,978	13.3%	63
Stanly	9,339	7,997	85.6%	1,342	7,997	16.8%	86
Union	10,338	9,346	90.4%	992	9,346	10.6%	33
District Totals	44,695	39,605	88.6%	5,090	39,605	12.9%	
 <u>District 21</u>							
Forsyth	52,856	45,972	87.0%	6,884	45,972	15.0%	78
 <u>District 22</u>							
Alexander	3,138	2,864	91.3%	274	2,864	9.6%	22
Davidson	19,673	17,610	88.1%	2,063	17,610	11.7%	49
Davie	4,498	4,080	90.7%	418	4,080	10.2%	29
Iredell	13,590	12,415	91.4%	1,175	12,415	9.5%	21
District Totals	40,899	36,969	90.4%	3,930	36,969	10.6%	
 <u>District 23</u>							
Alleghany	1,109	974	87.8%	135	974	13.9%	68
Ashe	3,030	2,708	89.4%	322	2,708	11.9%	51
Wilkes	9,930	8,075	81.3%	1,855	8,075	23.0%	97
Yadkin	3,955	3,669	92.8%	286	3,669	7.8%	7
District Totals	18,024	15,426	85.6%	2,598	15,426	16.8%	
 <u>District 24</u>							
Avery	2,520	2,116	84.0%	404	2,116	19.1%	92
Madison	2,108	1,771	84.0%	337	1,771	19.0%	91
Mitchell	1,751	1,496	85.4%	255	1,496	17.0%	87
Watauga	4,962	4,189	84.4%	773	4,189	18.5%	90
Yancey	1,679	1,488	88.6%	191	1,488	12.8%	59
District Totals	13,020	11,060	84.9%	1,960	11,060	17.7%	
 <u>District 25</u>							
Burke	12,742	11,158	87.6%	1,584	11,158	14.2%	73
Caldwell	10,946	9,648	86.5%	1,298	9,648	13.5%	65
Catawba	20,112	18,217	90.6%	1,895	18,217	10.4%	32
District Totals	43,800	39,023	89.1%	4,777	39,023	12.2%	

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<u>District 26</u>	Total Caseload	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Dis- positions to Caseload	Total Cases Pending 12/31/77	Total Dispo- sitions	% of Pending Cases to Dispositions	County Ranking on Ratios
Mecklenburg	88,083	73,018	82.9%	15,065	73,018	20.6%	96
<u>District 27</u>							
Cleveland	15,931	13,701	86.0%	2,230	13,701	16.3%	85
Gaston	32,553	28,755	88.3%	3,798	28,755	13.2%	62
Lincoln	6,824	6,047	88.6%	777	6,047	12.8%	60
District Totals	55,308	48,503	87.7%	6,805	48,503	14.0%	
<u>District 28</u>							
Buncombe	28,324	26,113	92.2%	2,211	26,113	8.5%	12
<u>District 29</u>							
Henderson	10,488	9,242	88.1%	1,246	9,242	13.5%	66
McDowell	6,378	5,534	86.8%	844	5,534	15.3%	82
Polk	3,176	2,845	89.6%	331	2,845	11.6%	48
Rutherford	7,458	6,814	91.4%	644	6,814	9.5%	20
Transylvania	3,648	3,202	87.8%	446	3,202	13.9%	69
District Totals	31,148	27,637	88.7%	3,511	27,637	12.7%	
<u>District 30</u>							
Cherokee	2,916	2,665	91.4%	251	2,665	9.4%	19
Clay	807	744	92.2%	63	744	8.5%	11
Graham	809	656	81.1%	153	656	23.3%	98
Haywood	8,969	7,480	83.4%	1,489	7,480	20.0%	95
Jackson	3,789	3,294	86.9%	495	3,294	15.0%	80
Macon	3,334	3,054	91.6%	280	3,054	9.2%	17
Swain	2,882	2,649	91.9%	233	2,649	8.8%	16
District Totals	23,506	20,542	87.4%	2,964	20,542	14.4%	
STATE TOTALS	1,195,648	1,043,460	87.3%	152,188	1,043,460	14.6%	

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<u><i>District 1</i></u>											
Camden	1,245	821	254	73	38	15	43	1			
% of Total		65.9%	20.4%	5.9%	3.1%	1.2%	3.5%	0.1%			
Chowan	1,434	992	342	42	45	9	3			1	
% of Total		69.2%	23.8%	2.9%	3.1%	0.6%	0.2%			0.1%	
Currituck	1,943	1,257	438	116	76	43	11	2			
% of Total		64.7%	22.5%	6.0%	3.9%	2.2%	0.6%	0.1%			
Dare	3,206	2,476	462	109	95	53	6	3	2		
% of Total		77.2%	14.4%	3.4%	3.0%	1.7%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%		
Gates	1,360	1,139	156	38	16	4	6	1			
% of Total		83.8%	11.5%	2.8%	1.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%			
Pasquotank	2,725	1,916	616	75	82	19	17				
% of Total		70.3%	22.6%	2.8%	3.0%	0.7%	0.6%				
Perquimans	1,319	920	290	47	41	12	8				1
% of Total		69.7%	22.0%	3.6%	3.1%	0.9%	0.6%				0.1%
District Totals	13,232	9,521	2,558	500	393	155	94	7	2	1	1
% of Total		72.0%	19.3%	3.8%	3.0%	1.2%	0.7%	0.1%			
<u><i>District 2</i></u>											
Beaufort	5,341	4,532	557	64	137	38	12	1			
% of Total		84.9%	10.4%	1.2%	2.6%	0.7%	0.2%				
Hyde	437	343	57	9	22	6					
% of Total		78.5%	13.0%	2.1%	5.0%	1.4%					
Martin	3,674	2,663	679	123	98	110	1				
% of Total		72.5%	18.5%	3.3%	2.7%	3.0%					
Tyrrell	554	456	57	5	31	5					
% of Total		82.3%	10.3%	0.9%	5.6%	0.9%					
Washington	1,174	934	169	35	17	19					
% of Total		79.6%	14.4%	3.0%	1.4%	1.6%					
District Totals	11,180	8,928	1,519	236	305	178	13	1			
% of Total		79.9%	13.6%	2.1%	2.7%	1.6%	0.1%				
<u><i>District 3</i></u>											
Carteret	5,894	4,381	1,065	194	173	37	37	6	1		
% of Total		74.3%	18.1%	3.3%	2.9%	0.6%	0.6%	0.1%			
Craven	8,885	7,285	1,022	216	167	184	8	3			
% of Total		82.0%	11.5%	2.4%	1.9%	2.1%	0.1%				
Pamlico	879	673	149	28	20	5	3		1		
% of Total		76.6%	17.0%	3.2%	2.3%	0.6%	0.3%		0.1%		
Pitt	12,459	8,607	2,548	614	588	82	17	3			
% of Total		69.1%	20.5%	4.9%	4.7%	0.7%	0.1%				
District Totals	28,117	20,946	4,784	1,052	948	308	65	12	2		
% of Total		74.5%	17.0%	3.7%	3.4%	1.1%	0.2%				
<u><i>District 4</i></u>											
Duplin	5,799	3,868	1,064	297	241	183	81	63	1	1	
% of Total		66.7%	18.3%	5.1%	4.2%	3.2%	1.4%	1.1%			
Jones	1,274	911	202	58	99	3	1				
% of Total		71.5%	15.9%	4.6%	7.8%	0.2%	0.1%				
Onslow	12,531	8,490	2,649	585	332	463	12				
% of Total		67.8%	21.1%	4.7%	2.6%	3.7%	0.1%				
Sampson	7,264	4,806	1,544	333	281	232	64	4			
% of Total		66.2%	21.3%	4.6%	3.9%	3.2%	0.9%	0.1%			
District Totals	26,868	18,075	5,459	1,273	953	881	158	67	1	1	
% of Total		67.3%	20.3%	4.7%	3.5%	3.3%	0.6%	0.2%			

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<u>District 5</u>											
New Hanover	12,139	10,003	1,527	299	257	42	10		1		
% of Total		82.4%	12.6%	2.5%	2.1%	0.3%	0.1%				
Pender	4,301	2,933	766	252	285	51	11	3			
% of Total		68.2%	17.8%	5.9%	6.6%	1.2%	0.3%	0.1%			
District Totals	16,440	12,936	2,293	551	542	93	21	3	1		
% of Total		78.7%	13.9%	3.4%	3.3%	0.6%	0.1%				
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	3,300	2,703	367	150	63	15	2				
% of Total		81.9%	11.1%	4.5%	1.9%	0.5%	0.1%				
Halifax	6,323	4,534	1,294	263	209	23					
% of Total		71.7%	20.5%	4.2%	3.3%	0.4%					
Hertford	4,417	3,440	545	189	90	66	63	8	6	4	6
% of Total		77.9%	12.3%	4.3%	2.0%	1.5%	1.4%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Northampton	5,061	3,750	931	183	185	12					
% of Total		74.1%	18.4%	3.6%	3.7%	0.2%					
District Totals	19,101	14,427	3,137	785	547	116	65	8	6	4	6
% of Total		75.5%	16.4%	4.1%	2.9%	0.6%	0.3%				
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	5,508	3,589	1,270	280	318	46	4	1			
% of Total		65.2%	23.1%	5.1%	5.8%	0.8%	0.1%				
Nash	6,960	4,159	1,630	453	635	81	2				
% of Total		59.8%	23.4%	6.5%	9.1%	1.2%					
Wilson	6,577	4,307	1,212	423	574	61					
% of Total		65.5%	18.4%	6.4%	8.7%	0.9%					
District Totals	19,045	12,055	4,112	1,156	1,527	188	6	1			
% of Total		63.3%	21.6%	6.1%	8.0%	1.0%					
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	1,736	1,286	227	81	90	46	6				
% of Total		74.1%	13.1%	4.7%	5.2%	2.6%	0.3%				
Lenoir	7,242	4,929	1,106	425	579	185	16	2			
% of Total		68.1%	15.3%	5.9%	8.0%	2.6%	0.2%				
Wayne	11,663	8,629	1,525	434	754	286	34	1			
% of Total		74.0%	13.1%	3.7%	6.5%	2.5%	0.3%				
District Totals	20,641	14,844	2,858	940	1,423	517	56	3			
% of Total		71.9%	13.8%	4.6%	6.9%	2.5%	0.3%				
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	3,493	2,453	603	152	111	114	51	9			
% of Total		70.2%	17.3%	4.4%	3.2%	3.3%	1.5%	0.3%			
Granville	3,888	2,820	634	123	268	30	8		3		2
% of Total		72.5%	16.3%	3.2%	6.9%	0.8%	0.2%		0.1%		0.1%
Person	3,267	2,327	586	118	143	50	19	24			
% of Total		71.2%	17.9%	3.6%	4.4%	1.5%	0.6%	0.7%			
Vance	3,188	2,288	592	122	137	37	9	3			
% of Total		71.8%	18.6%	3.8%	4.3%	1.2%	0.3%	0.1%			
Warren	1,638	1,288	262	46	32	5	4	1			
% of Total		78.6%	16.0%	2.8%	2.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%			
District Totals	15,474	11,176	2,677	561	691	236	91	37	3		2
% of Total		72.2%	17.3%	3.6%	4.5%	1.5%	0.6%	0.2%			

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<u>District 10</u>											
Wake	41,785	22,018	12,722	3,404	2,979	635	26				1
% of Total		52.7%	30.4%	8.1%	7.1%	1.5%	0.1%				
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett	6,068	4,249	1,102	237	319	152	9				
% of Total		70.0%	18.2%	3.9%	5.3%	2.5%	0.1%				
Johnston	8,129	5,475	1,467	447	676	46	2	5		5	6
% of Total		67.4%	18.0%	5.5%	8.3%	0.6%		0.1%		0.1%	0.1%
Lee	3,335	2,036	845	207	195	37	11	4			
% of Total		61.0%	25.3%	6.2%	5.8%	1.1%	0.3%	0.1%			
District Totals	17,532	11,760	3,414	891	1,190	235	22	9		5	6
% of Total		67.1%	19.5%	5.1%	6.8%	1.3%	0.1%	0.1%			
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland	32,721	19,582	7,507	2,094	3,036	497	5				
% of Total		59.8%	22.9%	6.4%	9.3%	1.5%					
Hoke	3,255	2,424	525	120	145	39	2				
% of Total		74.5%	16.1%	3.7%	4.5%	1.2%	0.1%				
District Totals	35,976	22,006	8,032	2,214	3,181	536	7				
% of Total		61.2%	22.3%	6.2%	8.8%	1.5%					
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen	5,499	3,554	1,130	223	205	181	161	30	13	2	
% of Total		64.6%	20.5%	4.1%	3.7%	3.3%	2.9%	0.5%	0.2%		
Brunswick	3,701	2,329	764	221	283	34	70				
% of Total		62.9%	20.6%	6.0%	7.6%	0.9%	1.9%				
Columbus	6,741	4,264	1,461	437	339	179	61				
% of Total		63.3%	21.7%	6.5%	5.0%	2.7%	0.9%				
District Totals	15,941	10,147	2,355	881	827	394	292	30	13	2	
% of Total		63.7%	21.0%	5.5%	5.2%	2.5%	1.8%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham	16,180	12,449	2,667	453	413	176	16	4	2		
% of Total		76.9%	16.5%	2.8%	2.6%	1.1%	0.1%				
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance	12,113	7,943	2,953	561	572	68	14		1	1	
% of Total		65.6%	24.4%	4.6%	4.7%	0.6%	0.1%				
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham	3,962	2,792	793	175	173	21	8				
% of Total		70.5%	20.0%	4.4%	4.4%	0.5%	0.2%				
Orange	8,852	6,515	1,347	399	369	203	12	7			
% of Total		73.6%	15.2%	4.5%	4.2%	2.3%	0.1%	0.1%			
District Totals	12,814	9,307	2,140	574	542	224	20	7			
% of Total		72.6%	16.7%	4.5%	4.2%	1.7%	0.2%	0.1%			

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<u>District 16</u>											
Robeson	11,624	8,505	1,709	501	870	34	5				
% of Total		73.2%	14.7%	4.3%	7.5%	0.3%					
Scotland	5,306	4,422	490	87	212	77	18				
% of Total		83.3%	9.2%	1.6%	4.0%	1.5%	0.3%				
District Totals	16,930	12,927	2,199	588	1,082	111	23				
% of Total		76.4%	13.0%	3.5%	6.4%	0.7%	0.1%				
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	1,699	950	489	110	118	30	2				
% of Total		55.9%	28.8%	6.5%	6.9%	1.8%	0.1%				
Rockingham	8,319	5,095	1,912	447	618	220	25	2			
% of Total		61.2%	23.0%	5.4%	7.4%	2.6%	0.3%				
Stokes	2,858	1,904	530	147	248	25	4				
% of Total		66.6%	18.5%	5.1%	8.7%	0.9%	0.1%				
Surry	5,801	3,954	1,035	297	417	85	11	1	1		
% of Total		68.2%	17.8%	5.1%	7.2%	1.5%	0.2%				
District Totals	18,677	11,903	3,966	1,001	1,401	360	42	3	1		
% of Total		63.7%	21.2%	5.4%	7.5%	1.9%	0.2%				
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford	46,595	21,502	12,628	3,123	3,022	825	2,115	1,582	1,294	247	257
% of Total		46.1%	27.0%	6.7%	6.5%	1.8%	4.5%	3.4%	2.8%	0.5%	0.6%
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	12,038	7,838	2,950	520	443	253	30	4			
% of Total		65.1%	24.5%	4.3%	3.7%	2.1%	0.2%				
Montgomery	3,466	2,755	459	113	82	51	6				
% of Total		79.5%	13.2%	3.3%	2.4%	1.5%	0.2%				
Randolph	9,455	6,118	2,126	437	432	214	109	7	3	3	6
% of Total		64.7%	22.5%	4.6%	4.6%	2.3%	1.2%	0.1%			0.1%
Rowan	10,071	6,428	2,426	550	526	116	17	3	2	1	2
% of Total		63.8%	24.1%	5.5%	5.2%	1.2%	0.2%				
District Totals	35,030	23,139	7,961	1,620	1,483	634	162	14	5	4	8
% of Total		66.1%	22.7%	4.6%	4.2%	1.8%	0.5%				
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	4,058	2,923	663	201	202	53	16				
% of Total		72.0%	16.3%	5.0%	5.0%	1.3%	0.4%				
Moore	5,353	3,864	857	258	278	79	15	2			
% of Total		72.2%	16.0%	4.8%	5.2%	1.5%	0.3%				
Richmond	5,632	3,873	1,024	262	436	33	3	1			
% of Total		68.8%	18.2%	4.7%	7.7%	0.6%	0.1%				
Stanly	5,984	4,386	968	210	203	72	32	31	18	11	53
% of Total		73.3%	16.2%	3.5%	3.4%	1.2%	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%	0.9%
Union	6,175	4,963	693	163	308	31	6	7	4		
% of Total		80.4%	11.2%	2.6%	5.0%	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%		
District Totals	27,202	20,009	4,205	1,094	1,427	268	72	41	22	11	53
% of Total		73.6%	15.5%	4.0%	5.2%	1.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%		0.2%

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<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	34,296	28,233	5,096	682	216	46	22	1			
% of Total		82.3%	14.9%	2.0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%				
<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander	1,963	1,364	489	45	41	24					
% of Total		69.5%	24.9%	2.3%	2.1%	1.2%					
Davidson	12,517	8,863	2,442	597	467	137	9	2			
% of Total		70.8%	19.5%	4.8%	3.7%	1.1%	0.1%				
Davie	3,463	2,689	536	123	82	31	2				
% of Total		77.6%	15.5%	3.6%	2.4%	0.9%	0.1%				
Iredell	8,510	5,912	1,921	365	274	35	3				
% of Total		69.5%	22.6%	4.3%	3.2%	0.4%					
District Totals	26,453	18,828	5,388	1,130	864	227	14	2			
% of Total		71.2%	20.4%	4.3%	3.3%	0.9%	0.1%				
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany	647	506	96	18	27						
% of Total		78.2%	14.8%	2.8%	4.2%						
Ashe	1,757	1,128	406	117	47	11	18	15	11	4	
% of Total		64.2%	23.1%	6.7%	2.7%	0.6%	1.0%	0.9%	0.6%	0.2%	
Wilkes	5,504	3,763	1,000	229	248	29	112	115	8		
% of Total		68.4%	18.2%	4.2%	4.5%	0.5%	2.0%	2.1%	0.1%		
Yadkin	2,700	2,037	422	107	95	27	11	1			
% of Total		75.4%	15.6%	4.0%	3.5%	1.0%	0.4%				
District Totals	10,608	7,434	1,924	471	417	67	141	131	19	4	
% of Total		70.1%	18.1%	4.4%	3.9%	0.6%	1.3%	1.2%	0.2%		
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery	751	362	220	109	44	15	1				
% of Total		48.2%	29.3%	14.5%	5.9%	2.0%	0.1%				
Madison	1,242	681	261	70	186	41	2	1			
% of Total		54.8%	21.0%	5.6%	15.0%	3.3%	0.2%	0.1%			
Mitchell	991	705	162	57	48	17	2				
% of Total		71.1%	16.3%	5.8%	4.8%	1.7%	0.2%				
Watauga	3,491	2,232	789	180	189	76	22	3			
% of Total		63.9%	22.7%	5.2%	5.4%	2.2%	0.6%	0.1%			
Yancey	1,092	764	239	45	34	6	4				
% of Total		70.0%	21.9%	4.1%	3.1%	0.5%	0.4%				
District Totals	7,567	4,744	1,671	461	501	155	31	4			
% of Total		62.7%	22.1%	6.1%	6.6%	2.1%	0.4%	0.1%			
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke	8,439	6,034	1,476	430	398	59	41	1			
% of Total		71.5%	17.5%	5.1%	4.7%	0.7%	0.5%				
Caldwell	5,806	4,284	887	289	181	79	58	27	1		
% of Total		73.8%	15.3%	5.0%	3.1%	1.4%	1.0%	0.5%			
Catawba	11,030	7,628	2,096	571	658	77					
% of Total		69.2%	19.0%	5.2%	6.0%	0.7%					
District Totals	25,275	17,946	4,459	1,290	1,237	215	99	28	1		
% of Total		71.0%	17.6%	5.1%	4.9%	0.9%	0.4%	0.1%			

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<u>District 26</u>											
Mecklenburg	48,560	29,655	12,536	3,179	2,808	338	29	11		3	1
% of Total		61.1%	25.8%	6.5%	5.8%	0.7%	0.1%				
<u>District 27</u>											
Cleveland	8,585	5,240	1,852	448	750	283	10	2			
% of Total		61.0%	21.6%	5.2%	8.7%	3.3%	0.1%				
Gaston	16,107	9,709	3,771	962	949	629	83	4			
% of Total		60.3%	23.4%	6.0%	5.9%	3.9%	0.5%				
Lincoln	3,859	2,618	736	226	235	36	8				
% of Total		67.8%	19.1%	5.9%	6.1%	0.9%	0.2%				
District Totals	28,551	17,567	6,359	1,636	1,934	948	101	6			
% of Total		61.5%	22.3%	5.7%	6.8%	3.3%	0.4%				
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	16,059	12,431	2,389	371	240	331	286	9	2		
% of Total		77.4%	14.9%	2.3%	1.5%	2.1%	1.8%	0.1%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	6,102	3,388	1,376	317	769	200	20	15	14	3	
% of Total		55.5%	22.5%	5.2%	12.6%	3.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%		
McDowell	4,196	2,794	866	202	303	27	4				
% of Total		66.6%	20.6%	4.8%	7.2%	0.6%	0.1%				
Polk	2,007	1,260	372	71	207	62	24	8	3		
% of Total		62.8%	18.5%	3.5%	10.3%	3.1%	1.2%	0.4%	0.1%		
Rutherford	3,674	2,415	793	172	239	39	11	5			
% of Total		65.7%	21.6%	4.7%	6.5%	1.1%	0.3%	0.1%			
Transylvania	2,206	1,300	616	136	97	54	3				
% of Total		58.9%	27.9%	6.2%	4.4%	2.4%	0.1%				
District Totals	18,185	11,157	4,023	898	1,615	382	62	28	17	3	
% of Total		61.4%	22.1%	4.9%	8.9%	2.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	1,717	1,245	298	88	76	9	1				
% of Total		72.5%	17.4%	5.1%	4.4%	0.5%	0.1%				
Clay	560	384	115	30	13	5	6	7			
% of Total		68.6%	20.5%	5.4%	2.3%	0.9%	1.1%	1.3%			
Graham	360	250	75	15	7	9	4				
% of Total		69.4%	20.8%	4.2%	1.9%	2.5%	1.1%				
Haywood	4,816	3,454	544	437	308	70	3				
% of Total		71.7%	11.3%	9.1%	6.4%	1.5%	0.1%				
Jackson	2,484	2,025	322	75	50	10	2				
% of Total		81.5%	13.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.4%	0.1%				
Macon	2,291	1,800	319	71	42	17	9	26	1		
% of Total		78.6%	13.9%	3.1%	2.1%	0.7%	0.4%	1.1%			
Swain	1,766	1,302	323	55	52	22	9	3			
% of Total		73.7%	18.3%	3.1%	2.9%	1.2%	0.5%	0.2%			
District Totals	13,994	10,450	1,996	771	554	142	34	36	1		
% of Total		74.7%	14.3%	5.5%	4.0%	1.0%	0.2%	0.3%			
<u>STATE TOTALS</u>											
% of Total	696,421	466,473	141,480	34,347	35,834	9,989	4,199	2,085	1,393	286	335
		67.0%	20.3%	4.9%	5.1%	1.4%	0.6%	0.3%	0.2%		

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Camden	111	89	8	9	4		1				
% of Total		80.2%	7.2%	8.1%	3.6%		0.9%				
Chowan	621	457	116	14	9	13	5	1	1		5
% of Total		73.6%	18.7%	2.3%	1.4%	2.1%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%		0.8%
Currituck	462	317	92	16	21	10	6				
% of Total		68.6%	19.9%	3.5%	4.5%	2.2%	1.3%				
Dare	809	549	134	36	54	15	13	3	4		1
% of Total		67.9%	16.6%	4.4%	6.7%	1.9%	1.6%	0.4%	0.5%		0.1%
Gates	278	247	15	3				7	4		2
% of Total		88.8%	5.4%	1.1%				2.5%	1.4%		0.7%
Pasquotank	1,498	1,124	289	38	31	12	4				
% of Total		75.0%	19.3%	2.5%	2.1%	0.8%	0.3%				
Perquimans	260	172	50	12	7	2	10		2	2	3
% of Total		66.2%	19.2%	4.6%	2.7%	0.8%	3.8%		0.8%	0.8%	1.2%
District Totals	4,039	2,955	704	128	126	52	39	11	11	2	11
% of Total		73.2%	17.4%	3.2%	3.1%	1.3%	1.0%	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	2,792	2,545	144	20	32	22	14	10	4	1	
% of Total		91.2%	5.2%	0.7%	1.1%	0.8%	0.5%	0.4%	0.1%		
Hyde	370	304	46	4	12	4					
% of Total		82.2%	12.4%	1.1%	3.2%	1.1%					
Martin	1,986	1,656	179	63	47	36	4			1	
% of Total		83.4%	9.0%	3.2%	2.4%	1.8%	0.2%			0.1%	
Tyrrell	144	109	19	3	13						
% of Total		75.7%	13.2%	2.1%	9.0%						
Washington	688	610	58	8	5	7					
% of Total		88.7%	8.4%	1.2%	0.7%	1.0%					
District Totals	5,980	5,224	446	98	109	69	18	10	4	2	
% of Total		87.4%	7.5%	1.6%	1.8%	1.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	3,516	2,477	729	148	107	31	22	2			
% of Total		70.4%	20.7%	4.2%	3.0%	0.9%	0.6%	0.1%			
Craven	3,664	2,818	512	154	125	50	4	1			
% of Total		76.9%	14.0%	4.2%	3.4%	1.4%	0.1%				
Pamlico	460	318	72	34	20	13	3				
% of Total		69.1%	15.7%	7.4%	4.3%	2.8%	0.7%				
Pitt	7,423	5,292	1,374	359	315	58	18	4	3		
% of Total		71.3%	18.5%	4.8%	4.2%	0.8%	0.2%	0.1%			
District Totals	15,063	10,905	2,687	695	567	152	47	7	3		
% of Total		72.4%	17.8%	4.6%	3.8%	1.0%	0.3%				
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	1,896	1,361	300	113	106	16					
% of Total		71.8%	15.8%	6.0%	5.6%	0.8%					
Jones	564	306	153	62	31	9	2	1			
% of Total		54.3%	27.1%	11.0%	5.5%	1.6%	0.4%	0.2%			
Onslow	7,223	4,203	1,952	639	372	55	2				
% of Total		58.2%	27.0%	8.8%	5.2%	0.8%					
Sampson	2,697	1,490	708	256	194	38	10	1			
% of Total		55.2%	26.3%	9.5%	7.2%	1.4%	0.4%				
District Totals	12,380	7,360	3,113	1,070	703	118	14	2			
% of Total		59.5%	25.1%	8.6%	5.7%	1.0%	0.1%				

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<u>District 5</u>											
New Hanover	7,959	5,903	1,317	413	233	80	8	5			
% of Total		74.2%	16.5%	5.2%	2.9%	1.0%	0.1%	0.1%			
Pender	1,158	855	166	55	59	10	13				
% of Total		73.8%	14.3%	4.7%	5.1%	0.9%	1.1%				
District Totals	9,117	6,758	1,483	468	292	90	21	5			
% of Total		74.1%	16.3%	5.1%	3.2%	1.0%	0.2%	0.1%			
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	963	806	117	27	10	3					
% of Total		83.7%	12.1%	2.8%	1.0%	0.3%					
Halifax	3,834	2,767	809	148	87	22	1				
% of Total		72.2%	21.1%	3.9%	2.3%	0.6%					
Hertford	1,443	1,083	215	77	43	20	3	1		1	
% of Total		75.1%	14.9%	5.3%	3.0%	1.4%	0.2%	0.1%		0.1%	
Northampton	806	607	127	40	22	7	1	2			
% of Total		75.3%	15.8%	5.0%	2.7%	0.9%	0.1%	0.2%			
District Totals	7,046	5,263	1,268	292	162	52	5	3		1	
% of Total		74.7%	18.0%	4.1%	2.3%	0.7%	0.1%				
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	4,329	3,098	786	239	176	28	2				
% of Total		71.6%	18.2%	5.5%	4.1%	0.6%					
Nash	4,591	3,008	855	363	321	34	10				
% of Total		65.5%	18.6%	7.9%	7.0%	0.7%	0.2%				
Wilson	3,750	2,587	619	227	203	91	21	2			
% of Total		69.0%	16.5%	6.1%	5.4%	2.4%	0.6%	0.1%			
District Totals	12,670	8,693	2,260	829	700	153	33	2			
% of Total		68.6%	17.8%	6.5%	5.5%	1.2%	0.3%				
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	815	576	100	51	57	30		1			
% of Total		70.7%	12.3%	6.3%	7.0%	3.7%		0.1%			
Lenoir	5,063	3,224	950	390	384	102	13				
% of Total		63.7%	18.8%	7.7%	7.6%	2.0%	0.3%				
Wayne	5,200	3,385	1,027	352	313	88	35				
% of Total		65.1%	19.8%	6.8%	6.0%	1.7%	0.7%				
District Totals	11,078	7,185	2,077	793	754	220	48	1			
% of Total		64.9%	18.7%	7.2%	6.8%	2.0%	0.4%				
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	1,331	1,027	177	50	34	22	16	2	1	1	1
% of Total		77.2%	13.3%	3.8%	2.6%	1.7%	1.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Granville	1,818	1,412	204	48	46	43	33	14	7	6	5
% of Total		77.7%	11.2%	2.6%	2.5%	2.4%	1.8%	0.8%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
Person	1,503	1,126	218	52	68	10	17	11	1		
% of Total		74.9%	14.5%	3.5%	4.5%	0.7%	1.1%	0.7%	0.1%		
Vance	2,611	2,048	348	76	117	18	4				
% of Total		78.4%	13.3%	2.9%	4.5%	0.7%	0.2%				
Warren	1,112	841	129	22	29	13	53	11	2	3	9
% of Total		75.6%	11.6%	2.0%	2.6%	1.2%	4.8%	1.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.8%
District Totals	8,375	6,454	1,076	248	294	106	123	38	11	10	15
% of Total		77.1%	12.8%	3.0%	3.5%	1.3%	1.5%	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%

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Wake	22,160	13,232	4,826	1,981	1,654	419	33	11	3	1	
% of Total		59.7%	21.8%	8.9%	7.5%	1.9%	0.1%				
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett	3,237	2,100	664	187	206	53	3	7	2	1	14
% of Total		64.9%	20.5%	5.8%	6.4%	1.6%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%		0.4%
Johnston	3,146	1,945	561	168	283	167	15	4			3
% of Total		61.8%	17.8%	5.3%	9.0%	5.3%	0.5%	0.1%			0.1%
Lee	3,748	2,661	687	204	175	21					
% of Total		71.0%	18.3%	5.4%	4.7%	0.6%					
District Totals	10,131	6,706	1,912	559	664	241	18	11	2	1	17
% of Total		66.2%	18.9%	5.5%	6.6%	2.4%	0.2%	0.1%			0.2%
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland	18,546	12,009	3,519	1,211	1,318	355	130	3			1
% of Total		64.8%	19.0%	6.5%	7.1%	1.9%	0.7%				
Hoke	1,200	738	253	114	80	12	2	1			
% of Total		61.5%	21.1%	9.5%	6.7%	1.0%	0.2%	0.1%			
District Totals	19,746	12,747	3,772	1,325	1,398	367	132	4			1
% of Total		64.6%	19.1%	6.7%	7.1%	1.9%	0.7%				
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen	2,863	1,944	501	132	126	22	37	74	25	2	
% of Total		67.9%	17.5%	4.6%	4.4%	0.8%	1.3%	2.6%	0.9%	0.1%	
Brunswick	2,025	1,260	409	149	133	32	38	2	2		
% of Total		62.2%	20.2%	7.4%	6.6%	1.6%	1.9%	0.1%	0.1%		
Columbus	4,118	2,656	786	276	280	90	15	9	6		
% of Total		64.5%	19.1%	6.7%	6.8%	2.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%		
District Totals	9,006	5,860	1,696	557	539	144	90	85	33	2	
% of Total		65.1%	18.8%	6.2%	6.0%	1.6%	1.0%	0.9%	0.4%		
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham	8,044	6,162	1,077	366	323	105	7	2	2		
% of Total		76.6%	13.4%	4.5%	4.0%	1.3%	0.1%				
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance	5,028	3,370	1,073	291	213	73	8				
% of Total		67.0%	21.3%	5.8%	4.2%	1.5%	0.2%				
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham	1,130	853	196	42	36	1	1	1			
% of Total		75.5%	17.3%	3.7%	3.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%			
Orange	2,602	1,877	345	103	207	60	10				
% of Total		72.1%	13.3%	4.0%	8.0%	2.3%	0.4%				
District Totals	3,732	2,730	541	145	243	61	11	1			
% of Total		73.2%	14.5%	3.9%	6.5%	1.6%	0.3%				

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Robeson	7,894	5,127	1,363	352	1,016	29	7				
% of Total		64.9%	17.3%	4.5%	12.9%	0.4%	0.1%				
Scotland	2,078	1,653	257	66	70	28	3	1			
% of Total		79.5%	12.4%	3.2%	3.4%	1.3%	0.1%				
District Totals	9,972	6,780	1,620	418	1,086	57	10	1			
% of Total		68.0%	16.2%	4.2%	10.9%	0.6%	0.1%				
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	799	482	165	58	64	23	7				
% of Total		60.3%	20.7%	7.3%	8.0%	2.9%	0.9%				
Rockingham	4,794	2,666	1,028	406	439	206	37	12			
% of Total		55.6%	21.4%	8.5%	9.2%	4.3%	0.8%	0.3%			
Stokes	964	562	193	87	72	26	23	1			
% of Total		58.3%	20.0%	9.0%	7.5%	2.7%	2.4%	0.1%			
Surry	2,858	1,586	660	229	295	67	20	1			
% of Total		55.5%	23.1%	8.0%	10.3%	2.3%	0.7%				
District Totals	9,415	5,296	2,046	780	870	322	87	14			
% of Total		56.3%	21.7%	8.3%	9.2%	3.4%	0.9%	0.1%			
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford	23,803	10,802	4,364	2,175	2,545	1,000	425	816	755	275	646
% of Total		45.8%	18.2%	9.1%	10.6%	4.2%	1.8%	3.4%	3.1%	1.1%	2.7%
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	3,819	2,698	771	163	124	57	3	3			
% of Total		70.6%	20.2%	4.3%	3.2%	1.5%	0.1%	0.1%			
Montgomery	1,970	1,436	319	62	40	40	33	12	12	15	1
% of Total		72.9%	16.2%	3.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.8%	0.1%
Randolph	2,608	1,731	520	143	127	62	24	1			
% of Total		66.4%	19.9%	5.5%	4.9%	2.4%	0.9%				
Rowan	4,739	3,717	678	135	107	57	24	12	2	5	2
% of Total		78.4%	14.3%	2.8%	2.3%	1.2%	0.5%	0.3%		0.1%	
District Totals	13,136	9,582	2,288	503	398	216	84	28	14	20	3
% of Total		72.9%	17.4%	3.8%	3.0%	1.6%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	1,769	1,052	453	119	126	11	7		1		
% of Total		59.5%	25.6%	6.7%	7.1%	0.6%	0.4%		0.1%		
Moore	3,104	1,827	781	288	159	27	3	14	5		
% of Total		58.9%	25.2%	9.3%	5.1%	0.9%	0.1%	0.5%	0.2%		
Richmond	2,346	1,659	426	124	86	36	5	6	4		
% of Total		70.7%	18.2%	5.3%	3.7%	1.5%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%		
Stanly	2,013	1,435	275	81	38	24	51	22	16	17	54
% of Total		71.3%	13.7%	4.0%	1.9%	1.2%	2.5%	1.1%	0.8%	0.8%	2.7%
Union	3,171	2,463	445	96	86	36	31	12	2		
% of Total		77.7%	14.0%	3.0%	2.7%	1.1%	1.0%	0.4%	0.1%		
District Totals	12,403	8,436	2,380	708	495	134	97	54	28	17	54
% of Total		68.0%	19.2%	5.7%	4.0%	1.1%	0.8%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%

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<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	11,676	8,949	2,062	390	237	32	3	1	1	1	
% of Total		76.6%	17.7%	3.3%	2.0%	0.3%					
<u>District 22</u>											
Alexander	901	695	107	36	38	24	1				
% of Total		77.1%	11.9%	4.0%	4.2%	2.7%	0.1%				
Davidson	5,093	3,528	953	258	289	43	9	13			
% of Total		69.3%	18.7%	5.1%	5.7%	0.8%	0.2%	0.3%			
Davie	617	438	109	35	27	6	2				
% of Total		71.0%	17.7%	5.7%	4.4%	1.0%	0.3%				
Iredell	3,905	2,795	760	199	118	27	3				
% of Total		71.7%	19.5%	5.1%	3.0%	0.7%	0.1%				
District Totals	10,516	7,459	1,929	528	472	100	15	13			
% of Total		70.9%	18.3%	5.0%	4.5%	1.0%	0.1%	0.1%			
<u>District 23</u>											
Alleghany	327	275	34	6	8	1	3				
% of Total		84.1%	10.4%	1.8%	2.4%	0.3%	0.9%				
Ashe	951	652	141	24	86	16	29	1			2
% of Total		68.6%	14.8%	2.5%	9.0%	1.7%	3.0%	0.1%			0.2%
Wilkes	2,571	1,856	384	114	98	11	54	54			
% of Total		72.2%	14.9%	4.4%	3.8%	0.4%	2.1%	2.1%			
Yadkin	969	763	132	38	25	11					
% of Total		78.7%	13.6%	3.9%	2.6%	1.1%					
District Totals	4,818	3,546	691	182	217	39	86	55			2
% of Total		73.6%	14.3%	3.8%	4.5%	0.8%	1.8%	1.1%			
<u>District 24</u>											
Avery	1,365	732	362	117	98	55	1				
% of Total		53.6%	26.5%	8.6%	7.2%	4.0%	0.1%				
Madison	529	234	125	55	77	25	7	3	1	1	1
% of Total		44.2%	23.6%	10.4%	14.6%	4.7%	1.7%	0.6%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Mitchell	505	338	121	23	15	8					
% of Total		66.9%	24.0%	4.6%	3.0%	1.6%					
Watauga	698	320	232	81	29	22	13		1		
% of Total		45.8%	33.2%	11.6%	4.2%	3.2%	1.9%		0.1%		
Yancey	396	303	76	10	7						
% of Total		76.5%	19.2%	2.5%	1.8%						
District Totals	3,493	1,927	916	286	226	110	21	3	2	1	1
% of Total		55.2%	26.2%	8.2%	6.5%	3.2%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%		
<u>District 25</u>											
Burke	2,719	1,811	489	168	189	39	23				
% of Total		66.6%	18.0%	6.2%	7.0%	1.4%	0.8%				
Caldwell	3,842	2,572	657	244	187	56	52	62	6	3	3
% of Total		66.9%	17.1%	6.4%	4.9%	1.5%	1.4%	1.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Catawba	7,187	5,121	1,202	404	359	94	7				
% of Total		71.3%	16.7%	5.6%	5.0%	1.3%	0.1%				
District Totals	13,748	9,504	2,348	816	735	189	82	62	6	3	3
% of Total		69.1%	17.1%	5.9%	5.3%	1.4%	0.6%	0.5%			

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Mecklenburg	24,458	15,405	5,708	2,007	992	228	67	27	15	6	3
% of Total		63.0%	23.3%	8.2%	4.1%	0.9%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%		
<u>District 27</u>											
Cleveland	5,116	2,677	1,210	550	467	172	26	9	3	2	
% of Total		52.3%	23.7%	10.8%	9.1%	3.4%	0.5%	0.2%	0.1%		
Gaston	12,648	8,488	2,544	750	546	193	99	9			19
% of Total		67.1%	20.1%	5.9%	4.3%	1.5%	0.8%	0.1%			0.2%
Lincoln	2,188	1,160	635	196	156	37	3	1			
% of Total		53.0%	29.0%	9.0%	7.1%	1.7%	0.1%				
District Totals	19,952	12,325	4,389	1,496	1,169	402	128	19	3	2	19
% of Total		61.8%	22.0%	7.5%	5.9%	2.0%	0.6%	0.1%			0.1%
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	10,054	7,777	1,496	319	173	167	90	24	7	1	
% of Total		77.4%	14.9%	3.2%	1.7%	1.7%	0.9%	0.2%	0.1%		
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	3,140	2,151	559	180	139	30	44	17	16	3	1
% of Total		68.5%	17.8%	5.7%	4.4%	1.0%	1.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.1%	
McDowell	1,338	815	310	90	88	32	1	2			
% of Total		60.9%	23.2%	6.7%	6.6%	2.4%	0.1%	0.1%			
Polk	838	443	214	98	56	20	3	1	2	1	
% of Total		52.9%	25.5%	11.7%	6.7%	2.4%	0.4%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	
Rutherford	3,140	2,526	415	85	81	19	9	2	2	1	
% of Total		80.4%	13.2%	2.7%	2.6%	0.6%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%		
Transylvania	996	694	150	83	61	8					
% of Total		69.7%	15.1%	8.3%	6.1%	0.8%					
District Totals	9,452	6,629	1,648	536	425	109	57	22	20	5	1
% of Total		70.1%	17.4%	5.7%	4.5%	1.2%	0.6%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	948	595	204	90	50	9					
% of Total		62.8%	21.5%	9.5%	5.3%	0.9%					
Clay	184	125	35	10	10	2	1	1			
% of Total		67.9%	19.0%	5.4%	5.4%	1.1%	0.5%	0.5%			
Graham	296	198	67	8	10	11	2				
% of Total		66.9%	22.6%	2.7%	3.4%	3.7%	0.7%				
Haywood	2,664	1,768	418	157	179	103	38	1			
% of Total		66.4%	15.7%	5.9%	6.7%	3.9%	1.4%				
Jackson	810	589	125	51	32	3	8	2			
% of Total		72.7%	15.4%	6.3%	4.0%	0.4%	1.0%	0.2%			
Macon	763	487	166	56	27	4	5	18			
% of Total		63.8%	21.8%	7.3%	3.5%	0.5%	0.7%	2.4%			
Swain	883	581	142	51	60	23	11	14		1	
% of Total		65.8%	16.1%	5.8%	6.8%	2.6%	1.2%	1.6%		0.1%	
District Totals	6,548	4,343	1,157	423	368	155	65	36		1	
% of Total		66.3%	17.7%	6.5%	5.6%	2.4%	1.0%	0.5%			
STATE TOTALS	347,039	230,364	65,053	21,412	19,149	5,682	1,964	1,368	920	351	776
% of Total		66.4%	18.7%	6.2%	5.5%	1.6%	0.6%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%

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Camden	137	41	47	8	18	15	8				
% of Total		29.9%	34.3%	5.8%	13.1%	10.9%	5.8%				
Chowan	116	69	24	14	7						2
% of Total		59.5%	20.7%	12.1%	6.0%						1.7%
Currituck	174	84	17	14	49	9	1				
% of Total		48.3%	9.8%	8.0%	28.2%	5.2%	0.6%				
Dare	301	99	30	32	78	51	7	3		1	
% of Total		32.9%	10.0%	10.6%	25.9%	16.9%	2.3%	1.0%		0.3%	
Gates	163	72	17	6	26	28	11	3			
% of Total		44.2%	10.4%	3.7%	16.0%	17.2%	6.7%	1.8%			
Pasquotank	278	154	69	8	33	12	2				
% of Total		55.4%	24.8%	2.9%	11.9%	4.3%	0.7%				
Perquimans	134	83	16	6	14	8	4				3
% of Total		61.9%	11.9%	4.5%	10.4%	6.0%	3.0%				2.2%
District Totals	1,303	602	220	88	225	123	33	6		1	5
% of Total		46.2%	16.9%	6.8%	17.3%	9.4%	2.5%	0.5%		0.1%	0.4%
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	376	212	44	22	66	10	10	8	4		
% of Total		56.4%	11.7%	5.9%	17.6%	2.7%	2.7%	2.1%	1.1%		
Hyde	27	16	6	3	1		1				
% of Total		59.3%	22.2%	11.1%	3.7%		3.7%				
Martin	260	99	59	22	50	26	4				
% of Total		38.1%	22.7%	8.5%	19.2%	10.0%	1.5%				
Tyrrell	27	11	5	5	3	3					
% of Total		40.7%	18.5%	18.5%	11.1%	11.1%					
Washington	195	133	26	9	23	4					
% of Total		68.2%	13.3%	4.6%	11.8%	2.1%					
District Totals	885	471	140	61	143	43	15	8	4		
% of Total		53.2%	15.8%	6.9%	16.2%	4.9%	1.7%	0.9%	0.5%		
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	829	235	117	68	186	138	75	5	3	1	1
% of Total		28.3%	14.1%	8.2%	22.4%	16.6%	9.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%
Craven	961	429	151	39	149	118	42	30	3		
% of Total		44.6%	15.7%	4.1%	15.5%	12.3%	4.4%	3.1%	0.3%		
Pamlico	58	27	17	3	5	4	1	1			
% of Total		46.6%	29.3%	5.2%	8.6%	6.9%	1.7%	1.7%			
Pitt	1,183	639	209	128	125	76	5	1			
% of Total		54.0%	17.7%	10.8%	10.6%	6.4%	0.4%	0.1%			
District Totals	3,031	1,330	494	238	465	336	123	37	6	1	1
% of Total		43.9%	16.3%	7.9%	15.3%	11.1%	4.1%	1.2%	0.2%		
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	835	289	120	94	149	133	35	11	2	1	1
% of Total		34.6%	14.4%	11.3%	17.8%	15.9%	4.2%	1.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Jones	206	98	29	21	42	16					
% of Total		47.6%	14.1%	10.2%	20.4%	7.8%					
Onslow	1,829	636	352	167	315	202	156	1			
% of Total		34.8%	19.2%	9.1%	17.2%	11.0%	8.5%	0.1%			
Sampson	985	433	187	81	142	119	9	11	3		
% of Total		44.0%	19.0%	8.2%	14.4%	12.1%	0.9%	1.1%	0.3%		
District Totals	3,855	1,456	688	363	648	470	200	23	5	1	1
% of Total		37.8%	17.8%	9.4%	16.8%	12.2%	5.2%	0.6%	0.1%		

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New Hanover	1,972	627	319	140	235	319	254	24	53		1
% of Total		31.8%	16.2%	7.1%	11.9%	16.2%	12.9%	1.2%	2.7%		0.1%
Pender	648	323	101	56	91	38	28	7	4		
% of Total		49.8%	15.6%	8.6%	14.0%	5.9%	4.3%	1.1%	0.6%		
District Totals	2,620	950	420	196	326	357	282	31	57		1
% of Total		36.3%	16.0%	7.5%	12.4%	13.6%	10.8%	1.2%	2.2%		
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie	250	157	50	15	15	13					
% of Total		62.8%	20.0%	6.0%	6.0%	5.2%					
Halifax	693	491	112	45	27	16	2				
% of Total		70.9%	16.2%	6.5%	3.9%	2.3%	0.3%				
Hertford	526	239	98	45	73	65	5				1
% of Total		45.4%	18.6%	8.6%	13.9%	12.4%	1.0%				0.2%
Northampton	220	37	88	38	39	16	2				
% of Total		16.8%	40.0%	17.3%	17.7%	7.3%	0.9%				
District Totals	1,689	924	348	143	154	110	9				1
% of Total		54.7%	20.6%	8.5%	9.1%	6.5%	0.5%				0.1%
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe	611	327	137	48	61	24	9	4	1		
% of Total		53.5%	22.4%	7.9%	10.0%	3.9%	1.5%	0.7%	0.2%		
Nash	851	398	199	110	98	38	4	3	1		
% of Total		46.8%	23.4%	12.9%	11.5%	4.5%	0.5%	0.4%	0.1%		
Wilson	796	381	156	71	123	54	9	1			1
% of Total		47.9%	19.6%	8.9%	15.5%	6.8%	1.1%	0.1%			0.1%
District Totals	2,258	1,106	492	229	282	116	22	8	2		1
% of Total		49.0%	21.8%	10.1%	12.5%	5.1%	1.0%	0.4%	0.1%		
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene	159	59	37	20	24	17	2				
% of Total		37.1%	23.3%	12.6%	15.1%	10.7%	1.3%				
Lenoir	954	598	143	72	101	36	4				
% of Total		62.7%	15.0%	7.5%	10.6%	3.8%	0.4%				
Wayne	1,163	602	224	93	161	70	12	1			
% of Total		51.8%	19.3%	8.0%	13.8%	6.0%	1.0%	0.1%			
District Totals	2,276	1,259	404	185	286	123	18	1			
% of Total		55.3%	17.8%	8.1%	12.6%	5.4%	0.8%				
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin	321	164	53	17	55	21	11				
% of Total		51.1%	16.5%	5.3%	17.1%	6.5%	3.4%				
Granville	388	139	61	35	120	27	3	1	1		1
% of Total		35.8%	15.7%	9.0%	30.9%	7.0%	0.8%	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%
Person	276	144	51	31	33	7	10				
% of Total		52.2%	18.5%	11.2%	12.0%	2.5%	3.6%				
Vance	422	187	100	33	44	54	4				
% of Total		44.3%	23.7%	7.8%	10.4%	12.8%	0.9%				
Warren	223	87	45	17	35	22	12	4	1		
% of Total		39.0%	20.2%	7.6%	15.7%	9.9%	5.4%	1.8%	0.4%		
District Totals	1,630	721	310	133	287	131	40	5	2		1
% of Total		44.2%	19.0%	8.2%	17.6%	8.0%	2.5%	0.3%	0.1%		0.1%

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<u>District 10</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Wake % of Total	5,833	2,638 45.2%	1,664 28.5%	568 9.7%	699 12.0%	216 3.7%	38 0.7%	5 0.1%	5 0.1%		
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett % of Total	841	480 57.1%	115 13.7%	86 10.2%	107 12.7%	49 5.8%	3 0.4%	1 0.1%			
Johnston % of Total	1,023	504 49.3%	228 22.3%	134 13.1%	127 12.4%	23 2.2%	3 0.3%	2 0.2%			2 0.2%
Lee % of Total	360	181 50.3%	59 16.4%	44 12.2%	43 11.9%	13 3.6%	18 5.0%		2 0.6%		
District Totals % of Total	2,224	1,165 52.4%	402 18.1%	264 11.9%	277 12.5%	85 3.8%	24 1.1%	3 0.1%	2 0.1%		2 0.1%
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland % of Total	4,445	1,751 39.4%	1,052 23.7%	577 13.0%	794 17.9%	263 5.9%	8 0.2%				
Hoke % of Total	547	268 49.0%	128 23.4%	62 11.3%	45 8.2%	34 6.2%	9 1.6%	1 0.2%			
District Totals % of Total	4,992	2,019 40.4%	1,180 23.6%	639 12.8%	839 16.8%	297 5.9%	17 0.3%	1			
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen % of Total	620	303 48.9%	90 14.5%	47 7.6%	108 17.4%	33 5.3%	14 2.3%	13 2.1%	5 0.8%	6 1.0%	1 0.2%
Brunswick % of Total	418	213 51.0%	67 16.0%	67 16.0%	61 14.6%	8 1.9%	2 0.5%				
Columbus % of Total	776	271 34.9%	173 22.3%	87 11.2%	96 12.4%	91 11.7%	58 7.5%				
District Totals % of Total	1,814	787 43.4%	330 18.2%	201 11.1%	265 14.6%	132 7.3%	74 4.1%	13 0.7%	5 0.3%	6 0.3%	1 0.1%
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham % of Total	6,368	1,323 20.8%	822 12.9%	475 7.5%	801 12.6%	594 9.3%	87 1.4%	398 6.3%	347 5.4%	273 4.3%	1,248 19.6%
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance % of Total	1,213	665 54.8%	270 22.3%	86 7.1%	93 7.7%	51 4.2%	36 3.0%	11 0.9%			1 0.1%
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham % of Total	445	206 46.3%	131 29.4%	46 10.3%	52 11.7%	6 1.3%	1 0.2%	3 0.7%			
Orange % of Total	1,386	579 41.8%	232 16.7%	121 8.7%	264 19.0%	171 12.3%	11 0.8%	6 0.4%	2 0.1%		
District Totals % of Total	1,831	785 42.9%	363 19.8%	167 9.1%	316 17.3%	177 9.7%	12 0.7%	9 0.5%	2 0.1%		

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<u>District 16</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Robeson % of Total	1,255	594 47.3%	234 18.6%	171 13.6%	136 10.8%	108 8.6%	12 1.0%				
Scotland % of Total	502	203 40.4%	70 13.9%	35 7.0%	85 16.9%	71 14.1%	37 7.4%	1 0.2%			
District Totals % of Total	1,757	797 45.4%	304 17.3%	206 11.7%	221 12.6%	179 10.2%	49 2.8%	1 0.1%			
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell % of Total	356	146 41.0%	79 22.2%	60 16.9%	51 14.3%	17 4.8%	2 0.6%	1 0.3%			
Rockingham % of Total	1,315	498 37.9%	229 17.4%	124 9.4%	302 23.0%	137 10.4%	25 1.9%				
Stokes % of Total	252	118 46.8%	47 18.7%	19 7.5%	35 13.9%	32 12.7%	1 0.4%				
Surry % of Total	830	358 43.1%	136 16.4%	94 11.3%	143 17.2%	83 10.0%	16 1.9%				
District Totals % of Total	2,753	1,120 40.7%	491 17.8%	297 10.8%	531 19.3%	269 9.8%	44 1.6%	1			
<u>District 18</u>											
Guliford % of Total	9,846	2,739 27.8%	1,380 14.0%	718 7.3%	1,173 11.9%	1,751 17.8%	661 6.7%	683 6.9%	495 5.0%	78 0.8%	168 1.7%
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus % of Total	1,350	636 47.1%	353 26.1%	129 9.6%	155 11.5%	48 3.6%	28 2.1%	1 0.1%			
Montgomery % of Total	371	243 65.5%	47 12.7%	28 7.5%	32 8.6%	19 5.1%	2 0.5%				
Randolph % of Total	939	492 52.4%	218 23.2%	98 10.4%	87 9.3%	26 2.8%	2 0.2%	4 0.4%	5 0.5%	2 0.2%	5 0.5%
Rowan % of Total	989	511 51.7%	149 15.1%	76 7.7%	143 14.5%	60 6.1%	49 5.0%				1 0.1%
District Totals % of Total	3,649	1,882 51.6%	767 21.0%	331 9.1%	417 11.4%	153 4.2%	81 2.2%	5 0.1%	5 0.1%	2 0.1%	6 0.2%
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson % of Total	496	178 35.9%	72 14.5%	59 11.9%	102 20.6%	77 15.5%	8 1.6%				
Moore % of Total	649	259 39.9%	153 23.6%	81 12.5%	87 13.4%	55 8.5%	9 1.4%	5 0.8%			
Richmond % of Total	702	232 33.0%	141 20.1%	131 18.7%	120 17.1%	35 5.0%	5 0.7%		27 3.8%	2 0.3%	9 1.3%
Stanly % of Total	830	340 41.0%	118 14.2%	68 8.2%	140 16.9%	115 13.9%	38 4.6%	1 0.1%		1 0.1%	9 1.1%
Union % of Total	596	262 44.0%	103 17.3%	59 9.9%	99 16.6%	41 6.9%	11 1.8%	9 1.5%	6 1.0%	5 0.8%	1 0.2%
District Totals % of Total	3,273	1,271 38.8%	587 17.9%	398 12.2%	548 16.7%	323 9.9%	71 2.2%	15 0.5%	33 1.0%	8 0.2%	19 0.6%
<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth % of Total	4,769	2,018 42.3%	423 8.9%	253 5.3%	575 12.1%	774 16.2%	726 15.2%				

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Alexander	190	132	31	10	9	8					
% of Total		69.5%	16.3%	5.3%	4.7%	4.2%					
Davidson	1,367	763	209	73	145	165	11		1		
% of Total		55.8%	15.3%	5.3%	10.6%	12.1%	0.8%		0.1%		
Davie	334	161	29	33	73	37		1			
% of Total		48.2%	8.7%	9.9%	21.9%	11.1%		0.3%			
Iredell	831	459	114	72	108	58	20				
% of Total		55.2%	13.7%	8.7%	13.0%	7.0%	2.4%				
District Totals	2,722	1,515	383	188	335	268	31	1	1		
% of Total		52.7%	14.5%	8.0%	12.9%	10.7%	1.0%				

District 23

Alleghany	70	29	3	11	12	12	3				
% of Total		41.4%	4.3%	15.7%	17.1%	17.1%	4.3%				
Ashe	215	94	36	11	46	23	4		1		
% of Total		43.7%	16.7%	5.1%	21.4%	10.7%	1.9%		0.5%		
Wilkes	1,054	359	185	118	134	145	107	4	2		
% of Total		34.1%	17.6%	11.2%	12.7%	13.8%	10.2%	0.4%	0.2%		
Yadkin	224	112	39	24	36	11	2				
% of Total		50.0%	17.4%	10.7%	16.1%	4.9%	0.9%				
District Totals	1,563	594	263	164	228	191	116	4	3		
% of Total		38.0%	16.8%	10.5%	14.6%	12.2%	7.4%	0.3%	0.2%		

District 24

Avery	178	34	13	15	50	41	24	1			
% of Total		19.1%	7.3%	8.4%	28.1%	23.0%	13.5%	0.6%			
Madison	196	63	22	37	50	17	5	2			
% of Total		32.1%	11.2%	18.9%	25.5%	8.7%	2.6%	1.0%			
Mitchell	174	80	16	6	27	37	8				
% of Total		46.0%	9.2%	3.4%	15.5%	21.3%	4.6%				
Watauga	573	196	86	58	131	38	39	14	4	3	4
% of Total		34.2%	15.0%	10.1%	22.9%	6.6%	6.8%	2.4%	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%
Yancey	129	54	28	11	19	17					
% of Total		41.9%	21.7%	8.5%	14.7%	13.2%					
District Totals	1,250	427	165	127	277	150	76	17	4	3	4
% of Total		34.2%	13.2%	10.2%	22.2%	12.0%	6.1%	1.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%

District 25

Burke	1,100	540	214	113	135	87	8	3			
% of Total		49.1%	19.5%	10.3%	12.3%	7.9%	0.7%	0.3%			
Caldwell	713	294	106	54	117	119	23				
% of Total		41.2%	14.9%	7.6%	16.4%	16.7%	3.2%				
Catawba	1,202	687	236	112	112	38	17				
% of Total		57.2%	19.6%	9.3%	9.3%	3.2%	1.4%				
District Totals	3,015	1,521	556	279	361	244	48	3			
% of Total		50.4%	18.4%	9.3%	12.1%	8.1%	1.6%	0.1%			

District 26

Mecklenburg	9,263	4,098	1,307	813	1,053	1,288	432	158	44	41	29
% of Total		44.2%	14.1%	8.8%	11.4%	13.9%	4.7%	1.7%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%

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Cleveland	1,351	540	231	94	313	145	21	4	3		
% of Total		40.0%	17.1%	7.0%	23.2%	10.7%	1.6%	0.3%	0.2%		
Gaston	2,355	846	478	232	470	239	81	8	1		
% of Total		35.9%	20.3%	9.9%	20.0%	10.1%	3.4%	0.3%			
Lincoln	490	209	124	62	57	29	8	1			
% of Total		42.7%	25.3%	12.7%	11.6%	5.9%	1.6%	0.2%			
District Totals	4,196	1,595	833	388	840	413	110	13	4		
% of Total		38.0%	19.9%	9.2%	20.0%	9.8%	2.6%	0.3%	0.1%		
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	1,320	717	169	123	223	75	11	2			
% of Total		54.3%	12.8%	9.3%	16.9%	5.7%	0.8%	0.2%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	839	369	120	119	166	58	5		2		
% of Total		44.0%	14.3%	14.2%	19.8%	6.9%	0.6%		0.2%		
McDowell	606	243	82	65	107	91	14	4			
% of Total		40.1%	13.5%	10.7%	17.7%	15.0%	2.3%	0.7%			
Polk	291	141	64	22	49	15					
% of Total		48.5%	22.0%	7.6%	16.8%	5.2%					
Rutherford	429	223	52	40	50	17	4	40	2		1
% of Total		52.0%	12.1%	9.3%	11.7%	4.0%	0.9%	9.3%	0.5%		0.2%
Transylvania	327	130	46	34	50	58	9				
% of Total		39.8%	14.1%	10.4%	15.3%	17.7%	2.8%				
District Totals	2,492	1,106	364	280	422	239	32	44	4		1
% of Total		44.4%	14.6%	11.2%	16.9%	9.6%	1.3%	1.8%	0.2%		
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	148	75	21	9	28	11	4				
% of Total		50.7%	14.2%	6.1%	18.9%	7.4%	2.7%				
Clay	38	9	2	3	7	11	6				
% of Total		23.7%	5.3%	7.9%	18.4%	28.9%	15.8%				
Graham	81	23	11	6	12	18	11				
% of Total		28.4%	13.6%	7.4%	14.8%	22.2%	13.6%				
Haywood	694	135	116	48	231	120	40	4			
% of Total		19.5%	16.7%	6.9%	33.3%	17.3%	5.8%	0.6%			
Jackson	357	112	65	31	81	59	9				
% of Total		31.4%	18.2%	8.7%	22.7%	16.5%	2.5%				
Macon	155	48	32	15	27	24	5	3	1		
% of Total		31.0%	20.6%	9.7%	17.4%	15.5%	3.2%	1.9%	0.6%		
Swain	162	76	29	20	28	6	3				
% of Total		46.9%	17.9%	12.3%	17.3%	3.7%	1.9%				
District Totals	1,635	478	276	132	414	249	78	7	1		
% of Total		29.2%	16.9%	8.1%	25.3%	15.2%	4.8%	0.4%	0.1%		
STATE TOTALS	97,325	40,079	16,815	8,733	13,727	9,927	3,596	1,513	1,031	414	1,490
% of Total:		41.2%	17.3%	9.0%	14.1%	10.2%	3.7%	1.6%	1.1%	0.4%	1.5%

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<u>District 1</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Camden	8	4	1	1	1	1					
% of Total		50.0%	12.5%	12.5%	12.5%	12.5%					
Chowan	54	27	9	1	7		6	6			8
% of Total		42.2%	14.1%	1.6%	10.9%		9.4%	9.4%			12.5%
Currituck	82	9	3	17	35	5	12	1			
% of Total		11.0%	3.7%	20.7%	42.7%	6.1%	14.6%	1.2%			
Dare	142	30	20	1	19	50	19	2	1		
% of Total		21.1%	14.1%	0.7%	13.4%	35.2%	13.4%	1.4%	0.7%		
Gates	14	7	4			1		1	1		
% of Total		50.0%	28.6%			7.1%		7.1%	7.1%		
Pasquotank	73	33	26	6	5	3					
% of Total		45.2%	35.6%	8.2%	6.8%	4.1%					
Perquimans	20	7	1			4	3	1	1	1	2
% of Total		35.0%	5.0%			20.0%	15.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%
District Totals	403	117	64	26	67	64	40	11	3	1	10
% of Total		29.0%	15.9%	6.5%	16.6%	15.9%	9.9%	2.7%	0.7%	0.2%	2.5%
<u>District 2</u>											
Beaufort	163	69	14	5	10	27	23	10	5		
% of Total		42.3%	8.6%	3.1%	6.1%	16.6%	14.1%	6.1%	3.1%		
Hyde	18	10	1		4	2	1				
% of Total		55.6%	5.6%		22.2%	11.1%	5.6%				
Martin	119	30	13	19	25	23	7	1		1	
% of Total		25.2%	10.9%	16.0%	21.0%	19.3%	5.9%	0.8%		0.8%	
Tyrrell	8		4	1	2			1			
% of Total			50.0%	12.5%	25.0%			12.5%			
Washington	67	34	12	10	8	3					
% of Total		50.7%	17.9%	14.9%	11.9%	4.5%					
District Totals	375	143	44	35	49	55	31	12	5	1	
% of Total		38.1%	11.7%	9.3%	13.1%	14.7%	8.3%	3.2%	1.3%	0.3%	
<u>District 3</u>											
Carteret	550	106	53	53	150	119	42	17	5	5	
% of Total		19.3%	9.6%	9.6%	27.3%	21.6%	7.6%	3.1%	0.9%	0.9%	
Craven	390	147	101	22	52	33	12	16	4	3	
% of Total		37.7%	25.9%	5.6%	13.3%	8.5%	3.1%	4.1%	1.0%	0.8%	
Pamlico	50	21	13		2	14					
% of Total		42.0%	26.0%		4.0%	28.0%					
Pitt	981	396	308	79	110	65	18	5			
% of Total		40.4%	31.4%	8.1%	11.2%	6.6%	1.8%	0.5%			
District Totals	1,971	670	475	154	314	231	72	38	9	8	
% of Total		34.0%	24.1%	7.8%	15.9%	11.7%	3.7%	1.9%	0.5%	0.4%	
<u>District 4</u>											
Duplin	518	121	94	57	117	117	12				
% of Total		23.4%	18.1%	11.0%	22.6%	22.6%	2.3%				
Jones	62	30	15	3	9	4	1				
% of Total		48.4%	24.2%	4.8%	14.5%	6.5%	1.6%				
Onslow	681	248	184	82	120	38	9				
% of Total		36.4%	27.0%	12.0%	17.6%	5.6%	1.3%				
Sampson	477	140	71	45	83	87	34	10	4	1	2
% of Total		29.4%	14.9%	9.4%	17.4%	18.2%	7.1%	2.1%	0.8%	0.2%	0.4%
District Totals	1,738	539	364	187	329	246	56	10	4	1	2
% of Total		31.0%	20.9%	10.8%	18.9%	14.2%	3.2%	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%

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New Hanover % of Total	1,911	299 15.6%	352 18.4%	201 10.5%	381 19.9%	353 18.5%	226 11.8%	54 2.8%	44 2.3%	1 0.1%	
Pender % of Total	155	53 34.2%	14 9.0%	11 7.1%	34 21.9%	31 20.0%	7 4.5%	5 3.2%			
District Totals % of Total	2,066	352 17.0%	366 17.7%	212 10.3%	415 20.1%	384 18.6%	233 11.3%	59 2.9%	44 2.1%	1	
<u>District 6</u>											
Bertie % of Total	74	40 54.1%	7 9.5%	3 4.1%		24 32.4%					
Halifax % of Total	360	174 48.3%	102 28.3%	19 5.3%	32 8.9%	29 8.1%	3 0.8%	1 0.3%			
Hertford % of Total	140	47 33.6%	22 15.7%	28 20.0%	18 12.9%	15 10.7%	7 5.0%	1 0.7%	2 1.4%		
Northampton % of Total	46	20 43.5%	6 13.0%	1 2.2%	8 17.4%	10 21.7%	1 2.2%				
District Totals % of Total	620	281 45.3%	137 22.1%	51 8.2%	58 9.4%	78 12.6%	11 1.8%	2 0.3%	2 0.3%		
<u>District 7</u>											
Edgecombe % of Total	496	274 55.2%	77 15.5%	36 7.3%	67 13.5%	29 5.8%	10 2.0%	3 0.6%			
Nash % of Total	556	262 47.1%	120 21.6%	46 8.3%	69 12.4%	40 7.2%	10 1.8%	2 0.4%	6 1.1%		1 0.2%
Wilson % of Total	433	156 36.0%	99 22.9%	38 8.8%	82 18.9%	30 6.9%	18 4.2%	5 1.2%			5 1.2%
District Totals % of Total	1,485	692 46.6%	296 19.9%	120 8.1%	218 14.7%	99 6.7%	38 2.6%	10 0.7%	6 0.4%		6 0.4%
<u>District 8</u>											
Greene % of Total	62	29 46.8%	11 17.7%	3 4.8%	13 21.0%	5 8.1%	1 1.6%				
Lenoir % of Total	464	225 48.5%	104 22.4%	45 9.7%	63 13.6%	24 5.2%	3 0.6%				
Wayne % of Total	541	253 46.8%	120 22.2%	38 7.0%	65 12.0%	58 10.7%	7 1.3%				
District Totals % of Total	1,067	507 47.5%	235 22.0%	86 8.1%	141 13.2%	87 8.2%	11 1.0%				
<u>District 9</u>											
Franklin % of Total	98	51 52.0%	8 8.2%	7 7.1%	11 11.2%	12 12.2%	6 6.1%	2 2.0%	1 1.0%		
Granville % of Total	184	72 39.1%	26 14.1%	7 3.8%	28 15.2%	26 14.1%	7 3.8%	2 1.1%	10 5.4%	2 1.1%	4 2.2%
Person % of Total	124	51 41.1%	21 16.9%	11 8.9%	12 9.7%	18 14.5%	7 5.6%	3 2.4%		1 0.8%	
Vance % of Total	285	101 35.4%	32 11.2%	24 8.4%	46 16.1%	61 21.4%	20 7.0%	1 0.4%			
Warren % of Total	103	26 25.2%	15 14.6%	5 4.9%	24 23.3%	11 10.7%	18 17.5%	4 3.9%			
District Totals % of Total	794	301 37.9%	102 12.8%	54 6.8%	121 15.2%	128 16.1%	58 7.3%	12 1.5%	11 1.4%	3 0.4%	4 0.5%

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<u>District 10</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Wake % of Total	3,075	1,159 37.7%	711 23.1%	417 13.6%	437 14.2%	249 8.1%	93 3.0%	5 0.2%	4 0.1%		
<u>District 11</u>											
Harnett % of Total	396	184 46.5%	42 10.6%	27 6.8%	100 25.3%	37 9.3%	6 1.5%				
Johnston % of Total	563	168 29.8%	150 26.6%	55 9.8%	87 15.5%	62 11.0%	31 5.5%	8 1.4%			2 0.4%
Lee % of Total	302	144 47.7%	36 11.9%	22 7.3%	52 17.2%	47 15.6%	1 0.3%				
District Totals % of Total	1,261	496 39.3%	228 18.1%	104 8.2%	239 19.0%	146 11.6%	38 3.0%	8 0.6%			2 0.2%
<u>District 12</u>											
Cumberland % of Total	2,271	736 32.4%	530 23.3%	316 13.9%	450 19.8%	230 10.1%	9 0.4%				
Hoke % of Total	217	80 36.9%	21 9.7%	31 14.3%	43 19.8%	33 15.2%	9 4.1%				
District Totals % of Total	2,488	816 32.8%	551 22.1%	347 13.9%	493 19.8%	263 10.6%	18 0.7%				
<u>District 13</u>											
Bladen % of Total	379	139 36.7%	66 17.4%	26 6.9%	56 14.8%	53 14.0%	6 1.6%	7 1.8%	11 2.9%	10 2.6%	5 1.3%
Brunswick % of Total	221	119 53.8%	38 17.2%	36 16.3%	23 10.4%	4 1.8%	1 0.5%				
Columbus % of Total	486	148 30.5%	54 11.1%	20 4.1%	79 16.3%	117 24.1%	63 13.0%	2 0.4%	2 0.4%	1 0.2%	
District Totals % of Total	1,086	406 37.4%	158 14.5%	82 7.6%	158 14.5%	174 16.0%	70 6.4%	9 0.8%	13 1.2%	11 1.0%	5 0.5%
<u>District 14</u>											
Durham % of Total	3,653	731 20.0%	608 16.6%	290 7.9%	528 14.5%	650 17.8%	289 7.9%	46 1.3%	117 3.2%	68 1.9%	326 8.9%
<u>District 15A</u>											
Alamance % of Total	520	215 41.3%	78 15.0%	49 9.4%	51 9.8%	52 10.0%	34 6.5%	28 5.4%		11 2.1%	2 0.4%
<u>District 15B</u>											
Chatham % of Total	105	52 49.5%	17 16.2%	9 8.6%	22 21.0%	2 1.9%	2 1.9%	1 1.0%			
Orange % of Total	419	137 32.7%	87 20.8%	37 8.8%	43 10.3%	84 20.0%	29 6.9%	2 0.5%			
District Totals % of Total	524	189 36.1%	104 19.8%	46 8.8%	65 12.4%	86 16.4%	31 5.9%	3 0.6%			

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<u>District 16</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Robeson	1,236	540	286	127	161	96	26				
% of Total		43.7%	23.1%	10.3%	13.0%	7.8%	2.1%				
Scotland	609	111	62	39	124	189	81	3			
% of Total		18.2%	10.2%	6.4%	20.4%	31.0%	13.3%	0.5%			
District Totals	1,845	651	348	166	285	285	107	3			
% of Total		35.3%	18.9%	9.0%	15.4%	15.4%	5.8%	0.2%			
<u>District 17</u>											
Caswell	131	56	31	10	22	8	3		1		
% of Total		42.7%	23.7%	7.6%	16.8%	6.1%	2.3%		0.8%		
Rockingham	648	225	119	96	126	64	16	2			
% of Total		34.7%	18.4%	14.8%	19.4%	9.9%	2.5%	0.3%			
Stokes	143	59	36	7	19	20	2				
% of Total		41.3%	25.2%	4.9%	13.3%	14.0%	1.4%				
Surry	525	177	102	54	115	62	12	3			
% of Total		33.7%	19.4%	10.3%	21.9%	11.8%	2.3%	0.6%			
District Totals	1,447	517	288	167	282	154	33	5	1		
% of Total		35.7%	19.9%	11.5%	19.5%	10.6%	2.3%	0.3%	0.1%		
<u>District 18</u>											
Guilford	6,729	1,147	841	451	865	1,324	1,556	199	120	53	173
% of Total		17.0%	12.5%	6.7%	12.9%	19.7%	23.1%	3.0%	1.8%	0.8%	2.6%
<u>District 19</u>											
Cabarrus	421	205	119	22	40	15	19	1			
% of Total		48.7%	28.3%	5.2%	9.5%	3.6%	4.5%	0.2%			
Montgomery	300	79	48	20	61	48	24	8	12		
% of Total		26.3%	16.0%	6.7%	20.3%	16.0%	8.0%	2.7%	4.0%		
Randolph	247	99	45	9	17	10	17	20	13	11	6
% of Total		40.1%	18.2%	3.6%	6.9%	4.0%	6.9%	8.1%	5.3%	4.5%	2.4%
Rowan	451	186	105	24	55	47	21	11	1	1	
% of Total		41.2%	23.3%	5.3%	12.2%	10.4%	4.7%	2.4%	0.2%	0.2%	
District Totals	1,419	569	317	75	173	120	81	40	26	12	6
% of Total		40.1%	22.3%	5.3%	12.2%	8.5%	5.7%	2.8%	1.8%	0.8%	0.4%
<u>District 20</u>											
Anson	293	122	45	36	60	19	10	1			
% of Total		41.6%	15.4%	12.3%	20.5%	6.5%	3.4%	0.3%			
Moore	258	124	47	33	21	28		5			
% of Total		48.1%	18.2%	12.8%	8.1%	10.9%		1.9%			
Richmond	358	122	66	26	75	36	28	4	1		
% of Total		34.1%	18.4%	7.3%	20.9%	10.1%	7.8%	1.1%	0.3%		
Stanly	512	142	59	36	110	128	34	1			2
% of Total		27.7%	11.5%	7.0%	21.5%	25.0%	6.6%	0.2%			0.4%
Union	396	197	49	25	59	34	10	19	3		
% of Total		49.7%	12.4%	6.3%	14.9%	8.6%	2.5%	4.8%	0.8%		
District Totals	1,817	707	266	156	325	245	82	30	4		2
% of Total		38.9%	14.6%	8.6%	17.9%	13.5%	4.5%	1.7%	0.2%		0.1%
<u>District 21</u>											
Forsyth	2,115	552	236	117	387	571	246	4	1		1
% of Total		26.1%	11.2%	5.5%	18.3%	27.0%	11.6%	0.2%			

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<u>District 22</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Alexander % of Total	84	60 71.4%	9 10.7%	4 4.8%	8 9.5%	1 1.2%	2 2.4%				
Davidson % of Total	696	224 32.2%	82 11.8%	55 7.9%	115 16.5%	169 24.3%	42 6.0%		6 0.9%		3 0.4%
Davie % of Total	84	42 50.0%	21 25.0%	3 3.6%	8 9.5%	8 9.5%		2 2.4%			
Iredell % of Total	344	158 45.9%	75 21.8%	20 5.8%	28 8.1%	57 16.6%	5 1.5%		1 0.3%		
District Totals % of Total	1,208	484 40.1%	187 15.5%	82 6.8%	159 13.2%	235 19.5%	49 4.1%	2 0.2%	7 0.6%		3 0.2%

District 23

Alleghany % of Total	65	16 24.6%	9 13.8%	5 7.7%	9 13.8%	11 16.9%	13 20.0%	1 1.5%	1 1.5%		
Ashe % of Total	107	42 39.3%	11 10.3%	3 2.8%	16 15.0%	10 9.3%	12 11.2%	5 4.7%	7 6.5%	1 0.9%	
Wilkes % of Total	801	138 17.2%	66 8.2%	129 16.1%	150 18.7%	226 28.2%	91 11.4%	1 0.1%			
Yadkin % of Total	62	30 48.4%	21 33.9%	1 1.6%	5 8.1%	4 6.5%	1 1.6%				
District Totals % of Total	1,035	226 21.8%	107 10.3%	138 13.3%	180 17.4%	251 24.3%	117 11.3%	7 0.7%	8 0.8%	1 0.1%	

District 24

Avery % of Total	226	64 28.3%	57 25.2%	25 11.1%	52 23.0%	15 6.6%	13 5.8%				
Madison % of Total	141	48 34.0%	8 5.7%	9 6.4%	21 14.9%	23 16.3%	15 10.6%	8 5.7%	6 4.3%	1 0.7%	2 1.4%
Mitchell % of Total	81	37 45.7%	10 12.3%	5 6.2%	4 4.9%	9 11.1%	13 16.0%	3 3.7%			
Watauga % of Total	200	34 17.0%	29 14.5%	13 6.5%	22 11.0%	39 19.5%	30 15.0%	18 9.0%	8 4.0%	3 1.5%	4 2.0%
Yancey % of Total	62	26 41.9%	12 19.4%		16 25.8%	7 11.3%	1 1.6%				
District Totals % of Total	710	209 29.4%	116 16.3%	52 7.3%	115 16.2%	93 13.1%	72 10.1%	29 4.1%	14 2.0%	4 0.6%	6 0.8%

District 25

Burke % of Total	484	98 20.2%	79 16.3%	58 12.0%	109 22.5%	113 23.3%	18 3.7%	6 1.2%	3 0.6%		
Caldwell % of Total	585	133 22.7%	112 19.1%	39 6.7%	112 19.1%	167 28.5%	16 2.7%	3 0.5%	3 0.5%		
Catawba % of Total	693	257 37.1%	165 23.8%	52 7.5%	112 16.2%	87 12.6%	20 2.9%				
District Totals % of Total	1,762	488 27.8%	356 20.2%	149 8.5%	333 18.9%	367 20.8%	54 3.1%	9 0.5%	6 0.3%		

District 26

Mecklenburg % of Total	5,802	1,162 20.0%	648 11.2%	333 5.7%	633 10.9%	1,121 19.3%	846 14.6%	477 8.2%	266 4.6%	178 3.1%	138 2.4%
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<u>District 27</u>	Total Pending	Less Than 30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	91-180 Days	181 Days To 1 Yr.	1 Year To 2 Yrs.	2 Years To 3 Yrs.	3 Years To 4 Yrs.	4 Years To 5 Yrs.	Greater Than 5 Yrs.
Cleveland	879	219	95	70	232	212	44	4	3		
% of Total		24.9%	10.8%	8.0%	26.4%	24.1%	5.0%	0.5%	0.3%		
Gaston	1,443	593	327	108	163	133	77	33	7		2
% of Total		41.1%	22.7%	7.5%	11.3%	9.2%	5.3%	2.3%	0.5%		0.1%
Lincoln	287	110	51	22	53	41	10				
% of Total		38.3%	17.8%	7.7%	18.5%	14.3%	3.5%				
District Totals	2,609	922	473	200	448	386	131	37	10		2
% of Total		35.3%	18.1%	7.7%	17.2%	14.8%	5.0%	1.4%	0.4%		0.1%
<u>District 28</u>											
Buncombe	891	467	122	66	137	79	19	1			
% of Total		52.4%	13.7%	7.4%	15.4%	8.9%	2.1%	0.1%			
<u>District 29</u>											
Henderson	407	140	66	52	80	59	7	2	1		
% of Total		34.4%	16.2%	12.8%	19.7%	14.5%	1.7%	0.5%	0.2%		
McDowell	238	56	28	23	61	58	7	4	1		
% of Total		23.5%	11.8%	9.7%	25.6%	24.4%	2.9%	1.7%	0.4%		
Polk	40	11	11	2	5	11					
% of Total		27.5%	27.5%	5.0%	12.5%	27.5%					
Rutherford	215	91	30	7	20	25	25	13	3		1
% of Total		42.3%	14.0%	3.3%	9.3%	11.6%	11.6%	6.0%	1.4%		0.5%
Transylvania	119	47	13	14	33	10	2				
% of Total		39.5%	10.9%	11.8%	27.7%	8.4%	1.7%				
District Totals	1,019	345	148	98	199	163	41	19	5		1
% of Total		33.9%	14.5%	9.6%	19.5%	16.0%	4.0%	1.9%	0.5%		0.1%
<u>District 30</u>											
Cherokee	103	57	13	6	17	7	3				
% of Total		55.3%	12.6%	5.8%	16.5%	6.8%	2.9%				
Clay	25	9	1	3	5	7					
% of Total		36.0%	4.0%	12.0%	20.0%	28.0%					
Graham	72	12	9	7	23	17	4				
% of Total		16.7%	12.5%	9.7%	31.9%	23.6%	5.6%				
Haywood	795	129	94	74	217	131	131	17	2		
% of Total		16.2%	11.8%	9.3%	27.3%	16.5%	16.5%	2.1%	0.3%		
Jackson	138	28	20	4	48	30	7	1			
% of Total		20.3%	14.5%	2.9%	34.8%	21.7%	5.1%	0.7%			
Macon	125	28	16	23	15	21	20	2			
% of Total		22.4%	12.8%	18.4%	12.0%	16.8%	16.0%	1.6%			
Swain	71	19	11	17	16	5	3				
% of Total		26.8%	15.5%	23.9%	22.5%	7.0%	4.2%				
District Totals	1,329	282	164	134	341	218	163	20	2		
% of Total		21.2%	12.3%	10.1%	25.7%	16.4%	12.6%	1.5%	0.2%		
STATE TOTALS	54,863	16,342	9,138	4,644	8,545	8,604	4,725	1,135	688	353	689
% of Total		29.8%	16.7%	8.5%	15.6%	15.7%	8.6%	2.1%	1.3%	0.6%	1.3%

DISTRICT COURT ACTIVITY IN MOTOR VEHICLE AND SMALL CLAIM CASES*

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	Motor Vehicle Cases			Small Claim Cases		
	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed Of By Waiver	Per Cent Disposed Of By Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed Of By Magistrate	Per Cent Disposed Of By Magistrate
<i><u>District 1</u></i>						
Camden	1,231	803	65.2%	137	126	92.0%
Chowan	1,434	864	60.3%	487	460	94.5%
Currituck	1,989	1,154	58.0%	246	242	98.4%
Dare	3,317	2,083	62.8%	242	222	91.7%
Gates	1,454	1,022	70.3%	292	153	52.4%
Pasquotank	2,810	1,735	61.7%	853	840	98.5%
Perquimans	1,348	959	71.1%	252	167	66.3%
District Totals	13,583	8,620	63.5%	2,509	2,210	88.1%
<i><u>District 2</u></i>						
Beaufort	5,398	3,626	67.2%	1,512	1,389	91.9%
Hyde	441	231	52.4%	96	85	88.5%
Martin	3,536	2,020	57.1%	984	945	96.0%
Tyrrell	560	414	73.9%	114	95	83.3%
Washington	1,282	742	57.9%	701	714	101.9%
District Totals	11,217	7,033	62.7%	3,407	3,228	94.7%
<i><u>District 3</u></i>						
Carteret	6,305	3,050	48.4%	907	346	38.1%
Craven	9,305	5,359	57.6%	1,360	1,241	91.3%
Pamlico	859	425	49.5%	255	248	97.3%
Pitt	12,444	7,359	59.1%	2,484	2,335	94.0%
District Totals	28,913	16,193	56.0%	5,006	4,170	83.3%
<i><u>District 4</u></i>						
Duplin	5,795	3,166	54.6%	1,477	1,212	82.1%
Jones	1,398	708	50.6%	202	175	86.6%
Onslow	13,121	5,907	45.0%	2,047	2,131	104.1%
Sampson	7,419	4,154	56.0%	2,488	2,303	92.6%
District Totals	27,733	13,935	50.2%	6,214	5,821	93.7%
<i><u>District 5</u></i>						
New Hanover	13,134	6,648	50.6%	3,387	3,198	94.4%
Pender	4,540	2,418	53.3%	433	384	88.7%
District Totals	17,674	9,066	51.3%	3,820	3,582	93.8%
<i><u>District 6</u></i>						
Bertie	3,321	2,110	63.5%	747	689	92.2%
Halifax	6,557	3,889	59.3%	1,518	785	51.7%
Hertford	4,508	2,803	62.2%	459	413	90.0%
Northampton	5,169	3,174	61.4%	710	638	89.9%
District Totals	19,555	11,976	61.2%	3,434	2,525	73.5%
<i><u>District 7</u></i>						
Edgecombe	5,676	3,734	65.8%	2,893	2,734	94.5%
Nash	7,213	4,243	58.8%	2,327	2,219	95.4%
Wilson	6,812	4,182	61.4%	2,311	2,129	92.1%
District Totals	19,701	12,159	61.7%	7,531	7,082	94.0%

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DISTRICT COURT ACTIVITY IN MOTOR VEHICLE AND SMALL CLAIM CASES*

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	Motor Vehicle Cases			Small Claim Cases		
	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed Of By Waiver	Per Cent Disposed Of By Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed Of By Magistrate	Per Cent Disposed Of By Magistrate
<u>District 8</u>						
Greene	1,737	1,117	64.3%	267	232	86.9%
Lenoir	7,537	4,328	57.4%	2,681	2,426	90.5%
Wayne	11,983	7,632	63.7%	2,300	2,290	99.6%
District Totals	21,257	13,077	61.5%	5,248	4,948	94.3%
<u>District 9</u>						
Franklin	3,333	1,775	53.3%	604	539	89.2%
Granville	3,969	2,346	59.1%	1,274	1,217	95.5%
Person	3,245	1,728	53.3%	774	1,271	164.2%
Vance	3,369	1,656	49.2%	1,618	1,550	95.8%
Warren	1,775	906	51.0%	383	292	76.2%
District Totals	15,691	8,411	53.6%	4,653	4,869	104.6%
<u>District 10</u>						
Wake	42,653	24,865	58.3%	8,608	6,381	74.1%
<u>District 11</u>						
Harnett	6,351	3,091	48.7%	1,493	1,436	96.2%
Johnston	8,343	3,805	45.6%	1,723	1,561	90.6%
Lee	3,396	2,068	60.9%	1,177	1,062	90.2%
District Totals	18,090	8,964	49.6%	4,393	4,059	92.4%
<u>District 12</u>						
Cumberland	33,817	17,354	51.3%	6,061	4,576	75.5%
Hoke	3,569	2,005	56.2%	521	479	91.9%
District Totals	37,386	19,359	51.8%	6,582	5,055	76.8%
<u>District 13</u>						
Bladen	5,311	3,005	56.6%	709	631	89.0%
Brunswick	3,810	2,162	56.7%	719	616	85.7%
Columbus	6,672	3,098	46.4%	1,516	1,457	96.1%
District Totals	15,793	8,265	52.3%	2,944	2,704	91.8%
<u>District 14</u>						
Durham	18,785	9,822	52.3%	9,170	9,275	101.1%
<u>District 15A</u>						
Alamance	12,295	6,858	55.8%	1,820	1,342	73.7%
<u>District 15B</u>						
Chatham	4,088	2,174	53.2%	1,039	997	96.0%
Orange	9,933	5,285	53.2%	1,190	1,063	89.3%
District Totals	14,021	7,459	53.2%	2,229	2,060	92.4%
<u>District 16</u>						
Robeson	11,830	6,118	51.7%	2,830	2,991	105.7%
Scotland	5,336	3,659	68.6%	965	919	95.2%
District Totals	17,166	9,777	57.0%	3,795	3,910	103.0%

DISTRICT COURT ACTIVITY IN MOTOR VEHICLE AND SMALL CLAIM CASES*

JANUARY 1, 1977 – DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Motor Vehicle Cases			Small Claim Cases		
	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed Of By Waiver	Per Cent Disposed Of By Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed Of By Magistrate	Per Cent Disposed Of By Magistrate
<u>District 17</u>						
Caswell	1,819	1,015	55.8%	545	503	92.3%
Rockingham	8,683	5,249	60.5%	1,738	1,662	95.6%
Stokes	2,815	1,673	59.4%	675	685	101.5%
Surry	6,103	3,244	53.2%	2,055	1,653	80.4%
District Totals	19,420	11,181	57.6%	5,013	4,503	89.8%
<u>District 18</u>						
Guilford	44,938	25,712	57.2%	13,656	12,998	95.2%
<u>District 19</u>						
Cabarrus	12,459	8,848	71.0%	1,335	1,041	78.0%
Montgomery	3,800	2,314	60.9%	695	495	71.2%
Randolph	9,441	6,448	68.3%	1,164	1,121	96.3%
Rowan	10,060	6,946	69.0%	1,648	1,621	98.4%
District Totals	35,760	24,556	68.7%	4,842	4,278	88.4%
<u>District 20</u>						
Anson	4,259	2,480	58.2%	475	442	93.1%
Moore	5,635	3,128	55.5%	1,125	989	87.9%
Richmond	5,802	3,216	55.4%	2,327	1,658	71.3%
Stanly	6,220	3,543	57.0%	1,041	992	95.3%
Union	6,371	3,805	59.7%	1,215	1,152	94.8%
District Totals	28,287	16,172	57.2%	6,183	5,233	84.6%
<u>District 21</u>						
Forsyth	36,501	23,611	64.7%	6,609	6,152	93.1%
<u>District 22</u>						
Alexander	1,970	1,225	62.2%	378	377	99.7%
Davidson	12,928	8,098	62.6%	1,603	1,510	94.2%
Davie	3,605	2,548	70.7%	347	244	70.3%
Iredell	8,835	5,559	62.9%	2,200	2,031	92.3%
District Totals	27,338	17,430	63.8%	4,528	4,162	91.9%
<u>District 23</u>						
Alleghany	682	345	50.6%	102	102	100.0%
Ashe	1,787	907	50.8%	224	190	84.8%
Wilkes	5,827	3,261	56.0%	1,165	702	60.3%
Yadkin	2,693	1,760	65.4%	1,138	1,005	88.3%
District Totals	10,989	6,273	57.1%	2,629	1,999	76.0%
<u>District 24</u>						
Avery	838	78	9.3%	247	208	84.2%
Madison	1,308	712	54.4%	141	129	91.5%
Mitchell	1,051	524	49.9%	189	168	88.9%
Watauga	3,737	2,223	59.5%	278	237	85.3%
Yancey	1,130	609	53.9%	176	151	85.8%
District Totals	8,064	4,146	51.4%	1,031	893	86.6%

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	Motor Vehicle Cases			Small Claim Cases		
	Motor Vehicle Cases Filed	Motor Vehicle Cases Disposed Of By Waiver	Per Cent Disposed Of By Waiver	Small Claims Filed	Disposed Of By Magistrate	Per Cent Disposed Of By Magistrate
<u>District 25</u>						
Burke	8,934	4,775	53.4%	1,266	1,171	92.5%
Caldwell	5,963	3,390	56.9%	1,066	994	93.2%
Catawba	11,220	6,308	56.2%	1,660	1,610	97.0%
District Totals	26,117	14,473	55.4%	3,992	3,775	94.6%
<u>District 26</u>						
Mecklenburg	52,594	29,700	56.5%	17,466	15,584	89.2%
<u>District 27</u>						
Cleveland	9,132	5,344	58.5%	1,658	1,540	92.9%
Gaston	16,597	9,468	57.0%	2,919	2,862	98.0%
Lincoln	4,080	1,989	48.8%	517	508	98.3%
District Totals	29,809	16,801	56.4%	5,094	4,910	96.4%
<u>District 28</u>						
Buncombe	16,249	10,094	62.1%	3,385	3,336	98.6%
<u>District 29</u>						
Henderson	6,313	3,285	52.0%	556	490	88.1%
McDowell	4,476	2,637	58.9%	440	417	94.8%
Polk	2,133	1,258	59.0%	164	153	93.3%
Rutherford	3,715	2,226	59.9%	845	819	96.9%
Transylvania	2,302	1,539	66.9%	516	515	99.8%
District Totals	18,939	10,945	57.8%	2,521	2,394	95.0%
<u>District 30</u>						
Cherokee	1,728	1,002	58.0%	181	157	86.7%
Clay	523	338	64.6%	65	52	80.0%
Graham	393	214	54.5%	74	61	82.4%
Haywood	5,134	2,380	46.4%	919	842	91.6%
Jackson	2,675	1,438	53.8%	389	320	82.3%
Macon	2,298	1,262	54.9%	304	278	91.4%
Swain	1,779	1,154	64.9%	195	189	96.9%
District Totals	14,530	7,788	53.6%	2,127	1,899	89.3%
STATE TOTALS	721,048	414,721	57.5%	160,439	145,337	90.6%

*For some counties the percent of cases disposed of "by waiver" or "by magistrate" may exceed one hundred percent because cases pending on January 1, 1977 are not included in the "filed" column.

Organizational, Administrative, Fiscal And Directory Information

"The General Assembly shall provide for an administrative office of the courts to carry out the provisions of this Article."

N. C. Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 15

THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

North Carolina's court system is a structure of three tiers known collectively as the General Court of Justice. The three levels correspond to a division of judicial labor within the unified court system to accommodate these essential functions: review of cases (Appellate Division); trial of major cases (Superior Court Division); and trial of the large volume of minor cases (District Court Division).

Appellate Division

Supreme Court. At the apex of the judicial structure is the seven-member Supreme Court, which sits in Raleigh to review procedural questions and interpretations of the law arising from the lower courts. The court's caseload consists of lower court actions involving the death penalty or life imprisonment, substantial constitutional questions, dissent at the Court of Appeals level, utilities rate-making decisions, or the exercise of the Supreme Court's own discretionary review. Supreme Court justices are elected by popular vote for eight-year terms.

Court of Appeals. The 12-judge intermediate Court of Appeals sits in panels of three in Raleigh and hears the great volume of appeals originating in the State court system. Court of Appeals judges are elected for terms of eight years.

Superior Court Division

At least two sessions of superior court must be held annually in each county of the state; the 100 counties comprise 31 judicial districts. As of December 31, 1977, there are 59 regular and eight special superior court judges. North Carolina carries the rotation of its trial judges to a greater degree than any other state. A regular superior court judge is required to rotate through the judicial districts within his geographic quarter of the state, holding court for at least six months in each district; he holds court in the district of his residence for only one half-year term every three years. Regular judges are elected for eight-year terms. Special judges are appointed by the governor for four-year terms and may be assigned to hold court in any county in the state.

The superior court is a trial court of general jurisdiction and is the "proper" court for civil cases involving more than \$5,000 in controversy. The criminal jurisdiction of the superior court extends to all felonies and some misdemeanors, including misdemeanor charges that are closely connected with felony charges as well as misdemeanor convictions at the district court level which are appealed for a new trial in superior court.

District Court Division

This level of the trial court in North Carolina has limited jurisdiction, extending to misdemeanors, and is the proper court for civil cases involving \$5,000 or less. The major portion of all cases filed in the State's courts is disposed of in the district court division.

District Court Judges. There are 124 district court judges as of December 31, 1977, elected to four-year terms. District court judges hold court in rotation among the counties in their district. The 31 districts at this level of court correspond to the superior court judicial districts.

For civil cases involving \$5,000 or less, the district court is the proper division for trial, which can include a jury. In criminal matters, the district court's jurisdiction extends to all misdemeanors and to preliminary hearings on felony charges; trial of misdemeanors is without a jury. This court division also has jurisdiction of proceedings involving juveniles.

Magistrates. There are more than 500 magistrates as of December 31, 1977. Magistrates are nominated in each county by the clerk of superior court, appointed by the senior resident superior court judge, and work under the supervision of the chief district court judge. Magistrates are officers of the district court, paid by the state, and in many cases work part-time. Their civil jurisdiction includes small claims involving \$500 or less. In criminal matters, the magistrate tries worthless check cases involving \$50 or less, accepts guilty pleas in cases involving no more than a \$50 fine or a 30 day jail sentence, issues warrants, and conducts first appearance hearings.

Other Key Officials

District Attorneys. The state is divided into prosecutorial districts that correspond with the judicial districts except in the case of the 27th Judicial District, which is divided into prosecutorial Districts 27A (Gaston County) and 27B (Cleveland and Lincoln Counties). A district attorney is elected to a four-year term for each of the 32 districts. The responsibility of the district attorney and his assistants is to represent the state in criminal and certain juvenile matters. The district attorney is responsible for the calendaring of criminal cases.

Public Defenders. As of December 31, 1977, there are five public defenders in North Carolina (serving Judicial Districts 12, 18, 26, 27, and 28) who provide legal representation for persons determined to be indigent. In unusual circumstances, such as the existence of a conflict of interests, an indigent in one of these districts may be represented by private counsel, appointed by the court and paid a fee for his legal services by the State; in the other 26 districts this assigned private counsel system is the only one employed. The public defender for the 28th district is appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from recommendations by the district bar; for the other districts, the appointment is by the governor from recommendations of the district bar. Their terms are four years. Each public defender is by statute provided one full-time assistant; additional full-time or part-time assistants may be authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

A person is determined to be indigent if he is found "financially unable to secure legal representation." He is entitled to State-paid legal representation in: any proceeding which may result in (or which seeks relief from) confinement, a fine of \$500 or more, or extradition to another state; a proceeding alleging mental illness or incapacity which may result in hospitalization, sterilization, or the loss of certain property rights; and juvenile proceedings which may result in confinement, transfer to superior court for a felony trial, or a transfer of custody upon a finding of neglect.

Clerks of Superior Court. The clerk of superior court maintains a system of records for both the district and superior courts. Thus, there is one trial court clerk in each county, elected for a four-year term. The clerk is also judge of probate and special proceedings. He is authorized to issue warrants and accept trial waivers in traffic cases.

Juvenile Court Counselors. There are from four to twenty-four juvenile court counselors in each judicial district of the state. As part of their "intake" responsibilities, the counselors screen complaints regarding children to determine whether petitions should be filed in juvenile court or some other means should be used to solve the problem. The counselors also exercise probation responsibility for juveniles assigned to counseling within the community, and they provide aftercare supervision for children conditionally released from training schools.

THE JUDICIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

A Judicial Planning Committee for North Carolina was appointed by the Supreme Court of North Carolina in September, 1977, pursuant to Section 203(c) of the Federal Crime Control Act of 1976 and Section 143B-339 of the North Carolina General Statutes (as amended in 1977). Under the Federal legislation, State judicial planning committees are given a special role in planning for judicial departments under the LEAA program, and specifically in the allocation of LEAA funds to judicial department projects. In addition, the Federal legislation encourages State judicial planning committees to examine, assess and recommend measures for the improvement of State court systems regardless of the sources of funding. The State statute is similarly broad in the scope of responsibility assigned to the North Carolina Judicial Planning Committee.

A staff person was employed in December, 1977, with LEAA funding, to be part of the Research and Planning Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts and to give primary emphasis to the work of the Judicial Planning Committee, along with other staff of the Research and Planning Division. Staff work on behalf of the Committee began during the final weeks of 1977. It is expected that the first work of the North Carolina Judicial Planning Committee will be development and approval of the State's Judicial Plan for purposes of the LEAA program for the fiscal year 1978-79.

Members of the North Carolina Judicial Planning Committee are:

J. Frank Huskins, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina (*Chairman*)

Naomi E. Morris, Judge of the Court of Appeals of North Carolina

Bert M. Montague, Director of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts

Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., Judge of Superior Court

Thomas D. Cooper, Jr., Judge of District Court

**Frank R. Brown, District Attorney

Wallace C. Harrelson, Public Defender

Mrs. Rachel Joyner, Clerk of Superior Court

C. E. Baker, Magistrate

The President of the North Carolina State Bar, Inc. (*Ex officio*)

The President of the North Carolina Bar Association (*Ex officio*)

Willis P. Whichard, Chairman, N.C. Senate Committee on State Government

Edward S. Holmes, Chairman, N.C. House Committee on Appropriations

**Appointed Judge of Superior Court in January, 1978

THE NORTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL COUNCIL IN 1977

The Judicial Council submitted twelve bills for consideration by the 1977 General Assembly. Of these twelve bills, eleven were submitted by the Council to the Governor and the General Assembly with the Council's recommendation that they be passed. The twelfth bill, proposing new sentencing procedures in capital cases, was submitted without any recommendation on the part of the Council as to whether the death penalty should be retained or abolished. The Council felt that this question was a policy matter for determination by the General Assembly and, therefore, a matter which was beyond the scope of the Council's function. The Council did submit the bill as one which it believed to be constitutionally acceptable under the most recent United States Supreme Court decisions dealing with the death penalty.

Of the eleven bills recommended to the General Assembly for passage, eight were passed and ratified. The eight proposals included: (1) a bill adding a new section, numbered G.S. 14-225.1, to Chapter 14, Article 30 (Obstructing Justice) of the General Statutes, prohibiting picketing and demonstrations near courthouses when the picketing is for the purpose of influencing jurors or court officers; (2) a bill amending G.S. 1-84 to provide for removal of a civil cause to any adjacent county if the same is necessary to insure a fair trial and further amending G.S. 1-84 to delete all reference to criminal actions; (3) a bill amending G.S. 7A-66, relating to the removal of District Attorneys, so as to clarify the authority of a Superior Court Judge to dismiss a frivolous removal petition without conducting a hearing and to expand the time in which the court has to act from 15 to 30 days; (4) a bill amending Article 8 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes, commonly known as the Habitual Offender Act, by repealing it in its entirety; (5) a bill amending G.S. 15A-1002, relating to the determination of a criminal defendant's incapacity to proceed, so as to protect the confidentiality of the medical report and assure the physician-patient privilege; (6) a bill amending G.S. 15-223, the expunction statute for offenders under the age of 18 at the time of conviction, so as to exclude traffic offenses from its purview; (7) a bill adding a new section to the General Statutes, numbered G.S. 15-144.1, statutorily defining the essentials of a bill of indictment for rape; and (8) a bill amending G.S. 15A-1002(a) so as to require specificity in the motion questioning the capacity of a defendant to proceed. Each of these eight bills passed the General Assembly either exactly or substantially as recommended by the Judicial Council.

Three other recommendations of the Council passed one house of the General Assembly, but did not pass the other before adjournment. These three recommendations are expected to receive further consideration during the 1978 short session of the General Assembly. These three recommendations include: (1) a proposal to provide counsel for indigent parties in proceedings for termination of parental rights under G.S. 7A-288; (2) a proposal to remove the authority of a judge under G.S. 14-269.1 to order a confiscated weapon turned over to a law enforcement agency for use by that agency; and (3) a proposal to amend G.S. 15A-1002, dealing with the question of capacity of a defendant to proceed, so as to provide that judges would have the option of referring the matter to a local panel of psychiatrists and lawyers for study.

The Council's proposal for sentencing procedures in capital cases was based on a draft initially prepared by the Attorney General's office. Following extended consideration in both House and Senate Judiciary Committees, the General Assembly reenacted the death penalty for first degree murder and adopted substantially the proposal of the Judicial Council for sentencing procedures in these capital cases.

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION IN 1977

The Judicial Standards Commission was established by the General Assembly pursuant to a constitutional amendment approved by the voters at the general election in November, 1972. The membership consists of a Court of Appeals judge, a superior court judge, and a district court judge, each appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; two members of the State Bar, elected by the State Bar Council; and two citizens who are not judges nor members of the State Bar, appointed by the Governor. The Court of Appeals judge serves as chairman of the Commission.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may censure or remove any justice or judge for willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute. Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may remove any justice or judge for mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his duties, which is, or is likely to become, permanent.

During 1977, the Judicial Standards Commission met on the following dates:

February 18, 1977	August 19, 1977
March 25, 1977	September 30, 1977
April 15, 1977	November 10-11, 1977
May 6, 1977	November 18, 1977
June 24, 1977	

A complaint or other information against a judge, whether filed with the Commission or by action of the Commission on its own motion, is denominated by the Commission as an "Inquiry Concerning a Judge." There were fifty-seven "Inquiries Concerning a Judge" during 1977 including three inquiries carried over from 1976 and seven pending at the end of 1977.

Twenty-eight of these inquiries were determined by the Judicial Standards Commission to involve subject matter not within the jurisdiction of the Commission.

Ten inquiries were determined by the Commission to involve subject matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission, but which did not warrant any further proceeding by the Commission.

Twelve inquiries were determined by the Commission to require preliminary investigation. In three of these inquiries the investigation was completed and the Commission determined that no further action was justified.

There was one inquiry in which the investigation was completed and a formal hearing was conducted, and a recommendation of censure was filed with the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

There were four inquiries in which the investigation was completed, but two of the subject judges resigned and two retired and the Commission elected to discontinue further proceedings at that time.

There were four inquiries in which the investigation was completed and which await final determination by the Commission.

There were seven inquiries at the end of 1977 which were awaiting initial action by the Commission.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY IN 1977

Superior Court Judges

Six training sessions for Superior Court Judges or Superior Court appointees were conducted in 1977: (1) Spring Continuing Education Seminar, April 22-24 in Southern Pines, attended by 31 judges; (2) Annual North Carolina Superior Court Judges Summer Seminar, June 13-15 in Asheville, attended by 52 judges; (3) Fall Continuing Education Conference, held October 28-30 in Charlotte, attended by 38 judges; and (4) three orientation sessions, held December 2-3, 10, and 16-17, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 13 new judges and appointees.

District Court Judges

Two training sessions: (1) Summer Seminar of the N.C. Association of District Court Judges, June 12-15 in Asheville, attended by 90 judges; and (2) North Carolina District Court Judges' Seminar, December 2-3, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 66 judges.

District Attorneys

Five training sessions: (1) two Spring Conferences for prosecutors, March 8-11 and March 22-26, Center for Continuing Education, Boone, attended by 17 district attorneys, 90 assistant district attorneys, and 1 administrative assistant; (2) North Carolina District Attorneys Association Summer Conference, June 12-15 in Atlantic Beach, attended by 21 district attorneys and 87 assistant district attorneys; (3) North Carolina District Attorneys Association Fall Conference, October 27-29, McKimmon Extension Education Center, NCSU, Raleigh, attended by 18 district attorneys and 63 assistant district attorneys; and (4) practical skills course for new prosecutors, October 11-14, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 27 new assistant district attorneys.

Public Defenders

Two training sessions: (1) North Carolina Public Defenders' Summer Conference June 10-11 in Atlantic Beach, attended by 5 public defenders and 18 assistant public defenders; and (2) Public Defenders' Fall Conference, held October 13-14, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by three public defenders and 25 assistant public defenders.

Clerks of Superior Court

Five training sessions: (1) Annual Conference of the Association of Clerks of Superior Court of North Carolina, July 27-30 in Fayetteville, attended by 76 clerks; (2) three mini-computer operation training programs, May 16-18, May 23-24, and May 25-27 in Greensboro, Winston Salem, and Greenville, respectively, attended by 53 assistant and deputy clerks; and (3) Annual Conference of the Association of Assistant and Deputy Clerks of the Superior Court of North Carolina, July 20-23 in Greensboro, attended by 200 assistant and deputy clerks.

Magistrates

Fourteen training sessions: (1) basic training school for newly appointed magistrates, February 21-25, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 25 new magistrates; (2) basic training school for newly appointed magistrates, March 21-25, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 30 new magistrates; (3) Spring meeting of the North Carolina Magistrates Association, May 8-10 in Kinston, attended by 60 magistrates; (4) magistrates' refresher course, May 23-25, McDowell Technical Institute, Marion, attended by 30 magistrates; (5) magistrates' refresher course, May 26-27, McDowell Technical Institute, Marion, attended by 17 magistrates; (6) magistrates' refresher course, June 16-17, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by seven magistrates; (7) magistrates' refresher course, June 20-22, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 32 magistrates; (8) magistrates' refresher course, June 23-24, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 19 magistrates; (9) magistrates' refresher course, July 25-27, Criminal Justice Academy, Salemburg, attended by 35 magistrates; (10) magistrates' refresher course, July 28-29, Criminal Justice Academy, Salemburg, attended by 25 magistrates; (11) basic training school for newly appointed magistrates, August 1-5, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 17 new magistrates; (12) magistrates' refresher course, September 26-28, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 46 magistrates; (13) magistrates' refresher course, September 29-30, Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, attended by 18 magistrates; and (14) North Carolina Magistrates Association Fall Conference, October 31-November 2 in Hickory, attended by 50 magistrates.

Court Reporters

Two training sessions: (1) Winter seminar, February 18-20 in Research Triangle Park, attended by 30 full-time court reporters; and (2) Fall seminar, September 30-October 2 in Raleigh, attended by 28 full-time court reporters.

Juvenile Services Division Personnel

Forty training sessions: (1) two regional counseling techniques special interest sessions, January 3-5 and 5-7 in Statesville and Cary, attended by 48 court counselors; (2) four regional working with families special interest sessions, January 6-7, 20-21, 27-28, and February 3-4 in Hickory, Kinston, Asheboro, and Morganton, attended by 78 court counselors; (3) group counseling special interest session, January 10-12 in Greensboro, attended by 20 court counselors; (4) three regional reality therapy special interest sessions, January 12-14, 19-21, and 26-28 in Greenville, Asheboro, and Hickory, attended by 66 court counselors; (5) core training for chief court counselors, February 7-9, Quail Roost Conference Center, Rougemont, attended by 34 chief court counselors and supervisory personnel; (6) orientation session for new counselors, March 16-17 in Raleigh, attended by 22 new counselors; (7) two secretarial training sessions on self awareness and communication, held April 6-7 and 13-14 in Boone and Wrightsville Beach, attended by 50 secretaries; (8) two regional counseling techniques special interest courses, April 27-29 and May 18-20 in Lexington and New Bern, attended by 41 court counselors; (9) group counseling special interest course, May 4-7, Quail Roost Conference Center, Rougemont, attended by 18 court counselors; (10) three regional reality therapy special interest sessions, May 4-6, 18-20, and 25-27 in Rougemont, Greensboro, and Boone, attended by 60 counselors; (11) statewide conference for juvenile court counselors and district court judges, May 10-12 in Greensboro, attended by 288 court counselors and judges; (12) four regional working with families special interest courses, May 19-20, May 26-27, June 2-3, and June 9-10 in Boone, Wilmington, Greensboro, and Boone, attended by 64 counselors; (13) two family crisis and juvenile diversion special interest sessions, August 22-23 and 29-30 in Salisbury and Rocky Mount, attended by 69 counselors; (14) five regional juvenile delinquency issues special interest courses, August 24-25, August 30-31, September 1-2, September 6-7, and September 8-9 in Charlotte, Hickory, Winston Salem, Fayetteville, and New Bern, attended by 82 court counselors; (15) core training for supervisory court counselors, September 14-16 in Charlotte, attended by nine supervisors; (16) core training for intake counselors, September 21-23, Quail Roost Conference Center, Rougemont, attended by 48 intake counselors; (17) orientation session for new counselors, September 28-30 in Raleigh, attended by 15 new counselors; (18) four regional core training sessions for court counselor I's, II's, III's, and Trainees, October 26-28, November 2-4, November 15-17, and November 30-December 2 in Asheville, Rougemont, Kinston, and Winston Salem, attended by 195 court counselors and trainees; and (19) core training for chief court counselors, November 8-10, Quail Roost Conference Center, Rougemont, attended by 34 chief court counselors and supervisory personnel. In addition, tuition and registration fees were paid for 67 juvenile services division personnel to attend college courses, educational workshops, and educational conferences.

Out-of-State Education

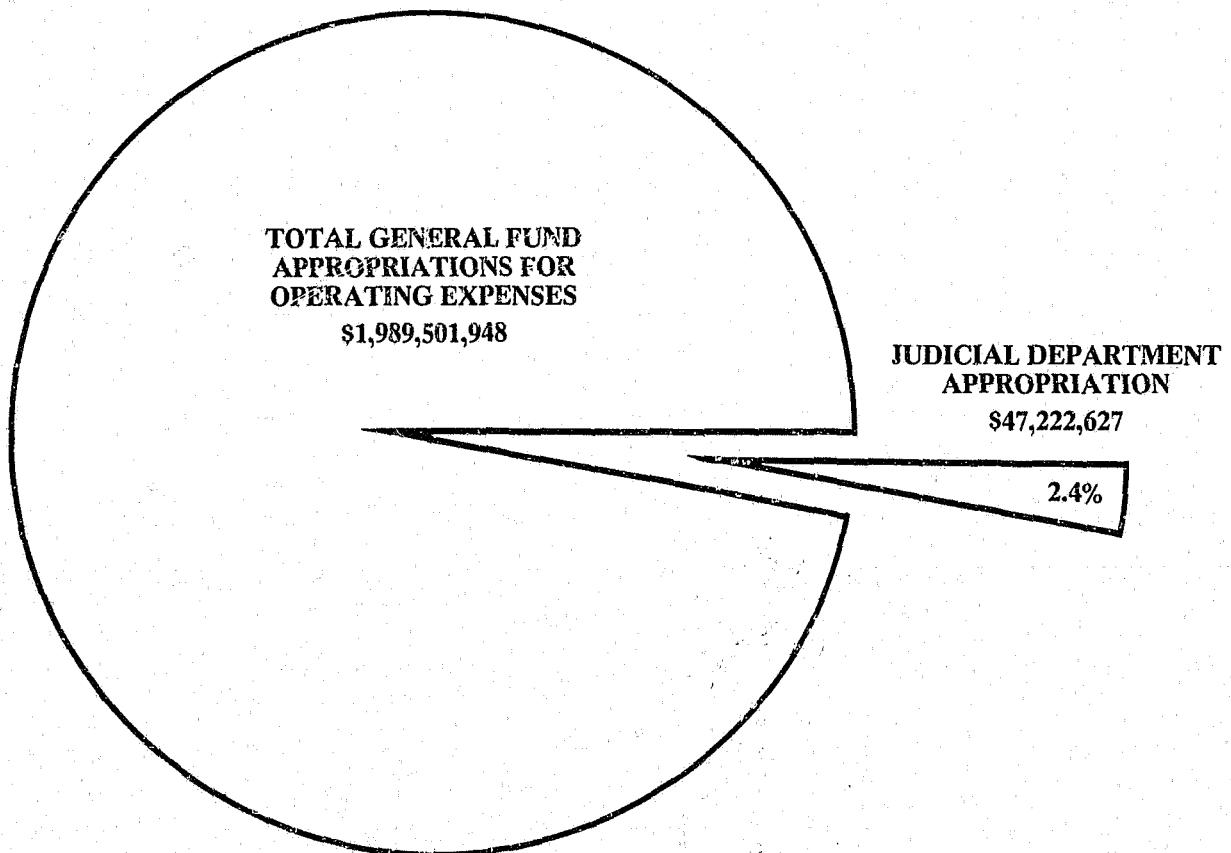
Sixty-two persons from all parts of the judicial system participated in courses or conferences of professionally-related study outside North Carolina in 1977.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND

(For Fiscal Year, July 1, 1976 — June 30, 1977)

Appropriations from the State's General Fund for *operating expenses* for all departments and agencies of state government, including the Judicial Department, totalled \$1,989,501,948 for the 1976-77 fiscal year. (Appropriations from the Highway Fund and appropriations from the General Fund for capital improvements are not included in this total.)

The appropriation from the General Fund for operating expenses of the Judicial Department for fiscal year 1976-77 was \$47,222,627, or 2.4% of the total General Fund appropriations for operating expenses of all state departments and agencies.

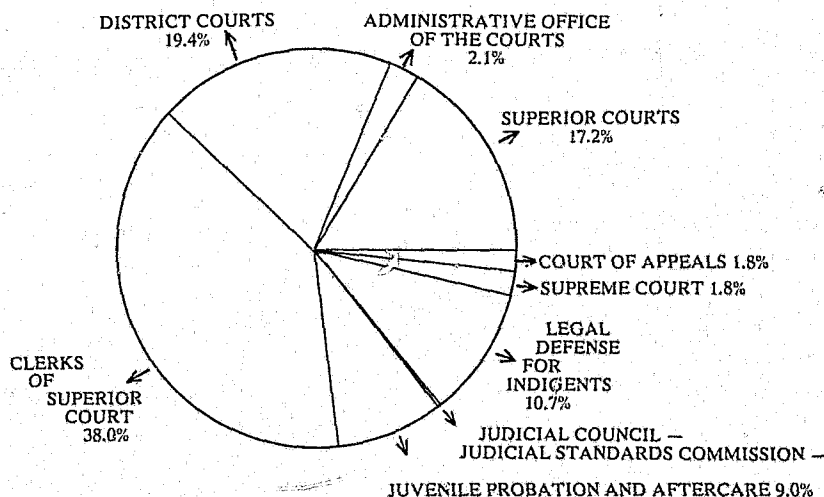


JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

(For Fiscal Year July 1, 1976 — June 30, 1977)

General Fund expenditures, rounded to the nearest dollar, for operating expenses of the Judicial Department during the 1976-77 fiscal year totalled \$45,568,888, divided among the major budget classifications as shown below. Expenditures for LEAA-funded projects in the Judicial Department totalled \$1,374,796, for a grand total of \$46,943,684 in Judicial Department expenditures.

	Amount	Percentage of Total
Supreme Court	\$ 824,445	1.8%
Court of Appeals	813,646	1.8%
Superior Courts (This classification includes judges, district attorneys, assistant district attorneys, court reporters as well as staff personnel.)	7,848,844	17.2%
District Courts (This classification includes judges, magistrates, and court reporters.)	8,837,180	19.4%
Clerks of Superior Court (This classification includes all 100 clerks and their staffs, juror fees, witness fees, and support services such as supplies, postage, telephone expense, office equip- ment for all local Judicial Department personnel.)	17,303,159	38.0%
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare	4,094,540	9.0%
Indigent Legal Defense Counsel Fees (\$3,604,992) Public Defenders (\$947,481) Special Counsel in mental hospitals (\$115,224) Support services (transcripts, records, briefs) (\$201,935)	4,869,632	10.7%
Administrative Office of the Courts	968,608	2.1%
Judicial Standards Commission	6,066	—
Judicial Council	2,768	—
Sub-total (General Fund Appropriations)	\$45,568,888	100.0%
LEAA-Funded Projects	1,374,796	
Grand Total	\$46,943,684	



COST AND CASE DATA IN REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENTS

(For Fiscal Year, July 1, 1976 -- June 30, 1977)

The State provides legal counsel for indigent persons in a variety of actions and proceedings, as specified in the North Carolina General Statutes, Section 7A-450 *et seq.* These include criminal proceedings, judicial hospitalization proceedings, juvenile proceedings that may result in commitment to an institution or transfer to superior court for trial as an adult. Legal representation for indigents may be by assignment of private counsel, by assignment of special public counsel (involving mental hospital commitments), or by assignment of a public defender.

Five of North Carolina's judicial districts have an office of public defender: the 12th, 18th, 26th, 27th, and 28th districts. The other 26 judicial districts utilize only assignment of private counsel. Private counsel is also assigned in the five districts which have a public defender in the event of a conflict of interests involving the public defender's office and the indigent and in the event of unusual circumstances when, in the opinion of the court, the proper administration of justice requires the assignment of private counsel rather than the public defender in those cases.

In addition, the State provides a full-time Special Counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings before a district court judge. Under State law, each patient committed to a mental hospital is entitled to a judicial hearing (before a district court judge) within 90 days after the initial commitment, a further hearing within 180 days after the initial commitment, and thereafter a hearing once each year during the continuance of an involuntary commitment.

The cost of the entire program of indigent representation, rounded to the nearest dollar, was \$4,869,632 in the 1976-77 fiscal year, compared to \$4,844,746 in the 1975-76 fiscal year, an increase of one-half of one percent. The total amount expended for representation of indigents was 10.7% of total Judicial Department expenditures in the 1976-77 fiscal year.

Payments for assigned counsel in criminal cases accounted for 94.0% of total expenditures for assigned counsel, commitment cases payments accounted for 2.9%, and juvenile case payments for 3.1%.

Following is a summary of case and cost data for representation of indigents, for the fiscal year, July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977.

	Number of Cases	Total Cost	Average Cost Per Case
Assigned private counsel in criminal cases	21,701	\$3,389,193	\$156.18
Assigned private counsel in juvenile cases	1,916	112,030	58.47
Assigned private counsel in commitment cases	2,583	103,770	40.17
Totals	26,200	\$3,604,993	\$137.60
Public Defender Offices			
12th District	1,570	\$ 175,489	\$111.78
18th District	2,608	237,265	90.98
26th District	3,158	236,590	74.92
27th District	1,360	179,315	131.85
28th District	1,435	118,821	82.80
Totals	10,131	\$ 947,480	\$ 93.52
Special Counsel at Mental Hospitals	10,669**	\$ 115,224	\$ 10.80
Transcripts, records and briefs		\$ 200,210	
Expert witness fees		\$ 1,725	
Grand Total		\$4,869,632	

** Number of commitment or recommitment hearings for patients at mental hospitals in which the special counsels represented patients.

As previously noted, private counsel may be utilized to represent indigents in those districts which have a public defender. Following is a comparison of case and cost data of the public defender with that of assigned private counsel in the five districts which have a public defender.

	<u>Public Defender</u>			<u>Assigned Private Counsel</u>		
	<u>Number of Cases</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Average Case Cost</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Average Case Cost</u>
12th District	1,570	\$175,489	\$111.78	242	\$ 59,473	\$245.76
18th District	2,608	237,265	90.98	205	60,028	292.82
26th District	3,158	236,590	74.92	1,702	229,897	135.07
27th District	1,360	179,315	131.85	89	25,575	287.36
28th District	1,435	118,821	82.80	53	8,776	165.58
Totals	10,131	\$947,480	\$ 93.52	2,291	\$383,749	\$167.50

The total cost of providing special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings, was \$115,224 for the Fiscal Year, 1976-77. There were a total of 10,669 hearings *during the fiscal year*, for an average cost per hearing of \$10.80.

Following is a summary of hearing data for *calendar year*, 1977, for each of the State's mental hospitals. There was a significant increase in the number of hearings: a total of 11,256 in 1977, compared with a total of 6,413 during calendar year, 1976, an increase of 75.5%.

<u>Hospital</u>	<u>Number of 90-Day Hearings</u>		<u>Number of 180-Day Recommitment Hearings</u>		<u>Number of 1-Year Recommitment Hearings</u>		<u>Hospital Totals</u>
	<u>Com-mitted</u>	<u>Dis-charged</u>	<u>Recom-mitted</u>	<u>Dis-charged</u>	<u>Recom-mitted</u>	<u>Dis-charged</u>	
Broughton	558	2,578	130	144	247	115	3,772
Cherry	1,523	934	181	33	386	12	3,069
Dorothea Dix	514	757	141	36	422	25	1,895
John Umstead	823	1,233	181	47	230	6	2,520
Totals	3,418	5,502	633	260	1,285	158	11,256

Total Number of Commitment and Recommitment Hearings:

90-Day Hearings	8,920
180-Day Recommitment Hearings	893
1-Year Recommitment Hearings	1,443
Total	11,256

Total Number of Hearings Resulting in Order of Commitment or Recommitment	5,336
Total Number of Hearings Resulting in Order of Discharge	5,920
Total	11,256

The following table compares the number of assigned private counsel cases and expenditures in each county for Fiscal Years, 1975-76 and 1976-77. The total number of cases dropped from 30,234 in 1975-76 to 26,200 in 1976-77, a decrease of 13.3%; and total expenditures for assigned private counsel dropped from \$3,786,773 in 1975-76 to \$3,604,992 in 1976-77, a decrease of 4.8%.

ASSIGNED COUNSEL — NUMBER OF CASES AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

<u>District 1</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>		<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>
	1975-76	1976-77		1975-76	1976-77	
Camden	17	17	0.0%	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,477	- 9.1%
Chowan	88	53	-37.5%	11,964	9,338	-21.9%
Currituck	55	55	0.0%	7,799	9,002	+15.4%
Dare	86	55	-36.0%	13,913	7,116	-48.9%
Gates	26	21	-19.2%	3,293	3,152	- 4.3%
Pasquotank	172	130	-24.4%	23,271	15,960	-31.4%
Perquimans	48	45	- 6.3%	8,630	6,751	-21.8%
District Totals	492	378	-23.2%	\$ 70,494	\$ 52,796	-25.1%
 <u>District 2</u>						
Beaufort	229	147	-35.8%	\$ 31,088	\$ 28,577	- 8.1%
Hyde	16	5	-68.8%	1,382	1,098	-20.5%
Martin	166	92	-44.6%	24,958	13,307	-46.7%
Tyrrell	18	13	-27.8%	1,680	2,199	+30.9%
Washington	68	40	-41.2%	8,464	4,611	-45.3%
District Totals	497	297	-40.2%	\$ 67,572	\$ 49,792	-26.3%
 <u>District 3</u>						
Carteret	343	291	-15.2%	\$ 35,365	\$ 31,431	-11.1%
Craven	437	315	-27.9%	54,325	39,484	-27.3%
Pamlico	40	38	- 5.0%	3,882	4,716	+21.5%
Pitt	814	561	-31.1%	102,910	81,854	-20.5%
District Totals	1,634	1,205	-26.3%	\$ 196,482	\$ 157,485	-19.8%
 <u>District 4</u>						
Duplin	299	190	-36.5%	\$ 32,250	\$ 25,227	-21.8%
Jones	76	40	-47.4%	8,544	3,725	-56.4%
Onslow	763	744	- 2.3%	97,990	102,552	+ 4.7%
Sampson	260	304	+16.9%	25,158	42,830	+70.2%
District Totals	1,318	1,278	- 3.0%	\$ 163,942	\$ 174,334	+ 6.3%
 <u>District 5</u>						
New Hanover	599	521	-13.0%	\$ 109,416	\$ 115,511	+ 5.6%
Pender	103	63	-38.8%	18,390	13,965	-24.1%
District Totals	702	584	-16.8%	\$ 127,806	\$ 129,476	+ 1.3%
 <u>District 6</u>						
Bertie	156	122	-21.8%	\$ 13,550	\$ 11,266	-16.9%
Halifax	343	334	- 2.6%	32,656	42,053	+28.8%
Hertford	188	106	-43.6%	18,760	15,116	-19.4%
Northampton	102	53	-48.0%	9,319	10,406	+11.7%
District Totals	789	615	-22.1%	\$ 74,285	\$ 78,841	+ 6.1%
 <u>District 7</u>						
Edgecombe	495	372	-24.8%	\$ 53,417	\$ 49,709	- 6.9%
Nash	408	258	-36.8%	49,286	37,842	-23.2%
Wilson	395	309	-21.8%	56,217	45,590	-18.9%
District Totals	1,298	939	-27.7%	\$ 158,920	\$ 133,141	-16.2%
 <u>District 8</u>						
Greene	62	71	+14.5%	\$ 14,671	\$ 7,621	-48.1%
Lenoir	332	415	+25.0%	42,773	60,709	+41.9%
Wayne	422	540	+28.0%	72,860	79,392	+ 9.0%
District Totals	816	1,026	+25.7%	\$ 130,304	\$ 147,722	+13.4%

ASSIGNED COUNSEL — NUMBER OF CASES AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	Number of Cases		% Increase or Decrease	Expenditures		% Increase or Decrease
	1975-76	1976-77		1975-76	1976-77	
<u>District 9</u>						
Franklin	175	168	- 4.2%	\$ 26,313	\$ 19,492	-25.9%
Granville	197	285	+44.7%	18,782	33,410	+77.9%
Person	160	237	+48.1%	21,792	26,953	+23.7%
Vance	329	429	+30.4%	36,810	43,953	+19.4%
Warren	121	120	- 0.8%	15,372	16,887	+ 9.9%
District Totals	982	1,239	+26.2%	\$ 119,069	\$ 140,695	+18.2%
<u>District 10</u>						
Wake	2,097	1,711	-18.4%	\$ 265,245	\$ 216,073	-18.5%
<u>District 11</u>						
Harnett	183	150	-18.0%	\$ 20,976	\$ 19,331	- 7.8%
Johnston	456	402	-11.8%	43,658	37,194	-14.8%
Lee	157	151	- 3.8%	16,703	19,661	+17.7%
District Totals	796	703	-11.7%	\$ 81,337	\$ 76,186	- 6.3%
<u>District 12</u>						
Cumberland	286	231	-19.2%	\$ 59,818	\$ 56,633	- 5.3%
Hoke	13	11	-15.4%	5,130	2,840	-44.6%
District Totals	299	242	-19.1%	\$ 64,948	\$ 59,473	- 8.4%
<u>District 13</u>						
Bladen	153	221	+44.4%	\$ 20,195	\$ 27,769	+37.5%
Brunswick	181	163	- 9.9%	25,088	25,535	+ 1.8%
Columbus	271	308	+13.7%	34,475	44,944	+30.4%
District Totals	605	692	+14.4%	\$ 79,758	\$ 98,248	+23.2%
<u>District 14</u>						
Durham	1,689	1,430	-15.3%	\$ 206,782	\$ 205,939	- 0.4%
<u>District 15A</u>						
Alamance	539	502	- 6.9%	\$ 83,494	\$ 93,450	+11.9%
<u>District 15B</u>						
Chatham	98	72	-26.5%	\$ 14,629	\$ 13,150	-10.1%
Orange	429	526	+22.6%	55,991	76,861	+37.3%
District Totals	527	598	+13.5%	\$ 70,620	\$ 90,011	+27.5%
<u>District 16</u>						
Robeson	531	598	+12.6%	\$ 79,508	\$ 85,039	+ 7.0%
Scotland	207	175	-15.5%	28,607	23,638	-17.4%
District Totals	738	773	+ 4.7%	\$ 108,155	\$ 108,677	+ 0.5%
<u>District 17</u>						
Caswell	148	92	-37.8%	\$ 16,319	\$ 12,581	-22.9%
Rockingham	563	451	-19.9%	69,036	56,291	-18.5%
Stokes	90	116	+28.9%	8,273	21,073	+154.7%
Surry	476	337	-29.2%	57,193	39,924	-30.2%
District Totals	1,277	996	-22.0%	\$ 150,821	\$ 129,869	-13.9%

ASSIGNED COUNSEL — NUMBER OF CASES AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	Number of Cases		% Increase or Decrease	Expenditures		% Increase or Decrease
	1975-76	1976-77		1975-76	1976-77	
<u>District 18</u>						
Guilford	158	205	+29.7%	\$ 37,365	\$ 60,028	+60.7%
<u>District 19</u>						
Cabarrus	625	474	-24.2%	\$ 64,395	\$ 58,547	- 9.1%
Montgomery	234	185	-20.9%	29,642	29,123	- 1.8%
Randolph	333	284	-14.7%	31,474	38,666	+22.9%
Rowan	702	798	+13.7%	62,814	64,206	+ 2.2%
District Totals	1,894	1,741	- 8.1%	\$ 188,325	\$ 190,542	+ 1.2%
<u>District 20</u>						
Anson	203	167	-17.7%	\$ 20,313	\$ 20,270	- 0.2%
Moore	260	255	- 1.9%	26,065	30,324	+16.3%
Richmond	316	301	- 4.7%	34,919	36,423	+ 4.3%
Stanly	300	238	-20.7%	29,281	34,606	+18.2%
Union	346	292	-15.6%	38,196	35,662	- 6.6%
District Totals	1,425	1,253	-12.1%	\$ 148,774	\$ 157,285	+ 5.7%
<u>District 21</u>						
Forsyth	1,584	1,742	+10.0%	\$ 200,753	\$ 217,114	8.1%
<u>District 22</u>						
Alexander	153	105	-31.4%	\$ 14,369	\$ 13,310	- 7.4%
Davidson	466	370	-20.6%	51,601	57,013	+10.5%
Davie	110	75	-31.8%	10,301	8,005	-22.3%
Iredell	492	311	-36.8%	52,648	41,246	-21.7%
District Totals	1,221	861	-29.5%	\$ 128,919	\$ 119,574	- 7.2%
<u>District 23</u>						
Alleghany	41	44	+ 7.3%	\$ 2,465	\$ 4,031	+63.5%
Ashe	72	79	+ 9.7%	7,057	11,778	+66.9%
Wilkes	306	182	-40.5%	32,184	24,772	-23.0%
Yadkin	88	68	-22.7%	7,279	8,882	+22.0%
District Totals	507	373	-26.4%	\$ 48,985	\$ 49,463	+ 1.0%
<u>District 24</u>						
Avery	115	79	-31.3%	\$ 15,044	\$ 9,726	-35.3%
Madison	69	54	-21.7%	12,065	8,038	-33.4%
Mitchell	45	40	-11.1%	3,484	3,278	- 5.9%
Watauga	147	86	-41.5%	17,440	14,378	-17.6%
Yancey	53	41	-22.6%	3,599	4,451	+23.7%
District Totals	429	300	-30.1%	\$ 51,632	\$ 39,871	-22.8%
<u>District 25</u>						
Burke	441	493	+11.8%	\$ 64,839	\$ 75,210	+16.0%
Caldwell	374	333	-11.0%	55,030	44,112	-19.8%
Catawba	562	636	+13.2%	74,791	89,869	+20.2%
District Totals	1,377	1,462	+ 6.2%	\$ 194,630	\$ 209,191	+ 7.5%
<u>District 26</u>						
Mecklenburg	2,023	1,702	-15.9%	\$ 280,774	\$ 229,897	-18.1%

ASSIGNED COUNSEL — NUMBER OF CASES AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	Number of Cases		% Increase or Decrease	Expenditures		% Increase or Decrease
	1975-76	1976-77		1975-76	1976-77	
<u>District 27</u>						
Cleveland	132	24	-81.8%	\$ 19,704	\$ 9,952	-49.5%
Gaston	420	48	-88.6%	59,265	9,947	-83.2%
Lincoln	66	17	-74.2%	19,217	5,676	-70.5%
District Totals	618	89	-85.6%	\$ 98,186	\$ 25,575	-74.0%
 <u>District 28</u>						
Buncombe	75	54	-28.0%	\$ 11,784	\$ 8,776	-25.5%
 <u>District 29</u>						
Henderson	304	251	-17.4%	\$ 24,849	\$ 25,977	+ 4.5%
McDowell	292	212	-27.4%	28,221	34,509	+22.3%
Polk	70	49	-30.0%	5,717	6,928	+21.2%
Rutherford	324	171	-47.2%	31,008	18,522	-40.3%
Transylvania	122	82	-32.8%	8,908	10,246	+15.0%
District Totals	1,112	765	-31.2%	\$ 98,703	\$ 96,182	- 2.6%
 <u>District 30</u>						
Cherokee	104	50	-51.9%	\$ 14,707	\$ 8,637	-41.3%
Clay	27	13	-51.9%	3,497	1,800	-48.5%
Graham	37	25	-32.4%	4,287	2,493	-41.8%
Haywood	277	195	-29.6%	30,407	23,430	-22.9%
Jackson	76	73	- 3.9%	15,308	14,025	- 8.4%
Macon	59	30	-49.2%	4,458	3,390	-24.0%
Swain	56	59	+ 5.4%	5,266	5,511	+ 4.7%
District Totals	636	445	-30.0%	\$ 77,930	\$ 59,286	-23.9%
 STATE TOTALS	30,234	26,200	-13.3%	\$3,786,773	\$3,604,992	- 4.8%

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS

(For Fiscal Year, July 1, 1976 — June 30, 1977)

During the 1976-77 fiscal year the Judicial Department had receipts from court operations totalling \$41,036,161.09 and payments on indigent fee judgments totalling \$214,775.31. This compares with \$39,267,105.89 in court operations receipts and payments on indigent fee judgments of \$183,805.02 during the 1975-76 fiscal year. The categories of receipts and the governmental units to which the funds were distributed are shown below.

Superior and District Court Fees (State)	\$17,937,556.43
Supreme Court Fees (State)	14,625.21
Courts of Appeals Fees (State)	18,536.45
Sale of appellate reports (State)	112,458.68
Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund (State)	2,182,391.41
**Payments on Indigent Fee Judgments (State)	<u>214,775.31</u>

Total State Receipts

\$20,480,343.49

Facilities Fees (Counties)	\$ 3,238,572.23
Officer Fees (Counties)	1,261,991.22
Jail Fees (Counties)	463,010.34
Fines and Forfeitures (Counties)	<u>15,013,062.36</u>

Total County Receipts

19,976,636.15

Facilities Fees (Municipalities)	\$ 161,312.79
Officer Fees (Municipalities)	604,272.47
Jail Fees (Municipalities)	<u>28,371.50</u>

Total Municipal Receipts

793,956.76

TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS

\$41,250,936.40

Of the total of all Judicial Department receipts, 48.4% was distributed to the counties, 44.4% to the State General Fund, 5.3% to the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund, and 1.9% to municipalities. The following table shows the amount of fees distributed to each county and to municipalities within each county.

**When private counsel or the public defender is assigned to represent an indigent, the trial court sets the money value for services rendered and enters judgment against the defendant for such amount.

**AMOUNTS OF FEES, FINES AND FORFEITURES COLLECTED
AND DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES
(Fiscal Year 1976-77)**

County	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities*			Total
	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	
Alamance	\$ 54,406.80	\$ 19,213.00	\$ 3,771.00	\$ 226,784.65	\$ -0-	\$ 13,061.00	\$ -0-	\$ 317,236.45
Alexander	8,905.00	4,695.00	1,598.00	36,936.00	-0-	138.00	-0-	52,272.00
Alleghany	3,402.00	1,304.00	844.00	11,861.00	-0-	90.00	-0-	17,501.00
Anson	15,720.00	7,466.00	2,012.00	67,108.00	-0-	1,620.00	-0-	93,926.00
Ashe	7,602.00	4,990.00	728.00	32,319.00	-0-	68.00	-0-	45,707.00
Avery	6,936.00	4,680.00	1,317.00	40,567.10	-0-	60.00	-0-	53,560.10
Beaufort	28,407.00	15,986.00	2,500.60	117,273.30	-0-	3,937.00	-0-	168,103.90
Bertie	13,733.00	9,766.00	1,940.00	69,590.00	-0-	638.00	10.00	95,677.00
Bladen	23,030.00	15,141.86	5,865.00	116,304.50	2,133.00	1,196.00	-0-	163,670.36
Brunswick	13,642.00	6,413.00	3,285.00	82,160.65	3,344.00	906.00	-0-	109,750.65
Buncombe	85,168.00	43,132.50	16,404.40	385,813.28	-0-	18,783.00	-0-	549,301.18
Burke	35,645.00	12,928.00	2,398.00	181,248.64	-0-	3,980.00	-0-	236,199.64
Cabarrus	54,642.80	29,385.81	6,457.50	190,482.81	-0-	3,688.00	-0-	284,656.92
Caldwell	30,365.00	10,940.00	6,033.00	143,825.85	-0-	3,528.00	66.00	194,757.85
Camden	4,885.00	2,642.00	320.00	31,165.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	39,012.00
Carteret	27,401.00	12,332.00	1,342.00	185,058.70	-0-	3,718.00	-0-	229,851.70
Caswell	9,646.00	6,405.00	1,209.00	41,979.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	59,239.00
Catawba	28,732.00	15,862.00	7,322.00	241,322.08	29,061.00	12,428.00	4,214.00	338,941.08
Chatham	13,907.00	11,270.00	2,872.00	87,546.30	5,918.00	1,718.00	671.00	123,902.30
Cherokee	6,924.00	3,646.00	3,336.00	60,760.50	-0-	550.00	176.00	75,392.50
Chowan	9,680.00	4,201.00	815.00	47,240.75	-0-	1,609.00	-0-	63,545.75
Clay	2,365.00	1,500.00	1,185.00	27,020.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	32,070.00
Cleveland	41,055.50	14,658.00	9,322.00	175,467.67	-0-	5,802.00	300.00	247,205.17
Columbus	31,783.00	21,449.29	9,178.00	188,011.95	3,103.00	4,576.00	570.00	258,671.24
Craven	42,129.10	13,421.80	6,986.00	212,619.61	-0-	7,734.00	-0-	282,890.51
Cumberland	135,236.00	48,246.20	26,453.00	827,137.04	-0-	22,482.00	-0-	1,059,554.24
Currituck	7,401.00	4,525.25	220.00	45,549.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	57,695.25
Dare	13,500.00	5,076.00	1,391.00	116,073.32	-0-	2,702.00	-0-	138,742.32
Davidson	41,366.05	22,049.00	6,935.00	222,152.90	8,537.00	4,438.00	-0-	305,477.95
Davie	13,273.00	6,866.00	1,099.00	57,020.00	-0-	592.00	-0-	78,850.00
Duplin	27,729.50	11,437.00	1,331.00	148,076.78	-0-	2,172.00	1,414.00	192,160.28
Durham	111,767.64	27,341.00	6,798.00	285,879.00	-0-	30,909.00	-0-	462,694.64
Edgecombe	27,225.00	19,380.00	8,049.00	153,598.00	10,435.00	6,234.00	1,458.00	226,379.00
Forsyth	159,135.50	27,239.25	14,697.00	523,994.91	3,036.00	53,529.35	-0-	781,632.01
Franklin	21,824.05	10,208.00	2,616.00	115,157.35	-0-	924.00	245.00	150,974.40
Gaston	81,296.00	41,981.00	19,136.00	376,870.34	-0-	14,095.00	45.00	533,423.34
Gates	5,447.00	3,182.00	470.00	33,007.29	-0-	6.00	-0-	42,112.29
Graham	2,718.00	1,580.00	570.00	16,901.00	-0-	52.00	-0-	21,821.00
Granville	19,991.00	7,910.00	2,452.00	85,489.00	-0-	2,037.00	434.00	118,313.00
Greene	7,751.00	4,514.00	1,212.00	42,372.81	-0-	94.00	-0-	55,943.81
Guilford	226,681.41	31,737.45	27,242.72	639,328.85	-0-	70,998.62	-0-	995,989.05
Halifax	23,227.00	15,285.00	5,158.99	165,457.00	4,699.00	4,010.00	1,565.00	219,401.99
Harnett	24,448.00	11,642.00	2,472.00	123,469.71	7,501.00	3,778.00	2,815.00	176,125.71
Haywood	19,666.00	10,826.00	2,321.00	188,390.54	1,338.00	2,345.00	50.00	224,936.54
Henderson	25,357.00	12,585.78	5,337.00	123,585.93	-0-	1,172.00	-0-	168,037.71
Hertford	17,069.00	10,257.01	2,664.00	83,782.75	-0-	1,184.00	66.00	115,022.76
Hoke	12,810.00	6,555.00	2,629.00	71,290.19	-0-	316.00	-0-	93,600.19
Hyde	2,975.00	1,936.00	270.00	14,700.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	19,881.00
Iredell	35,717.00	14,612.48	3,890.00	198,541.18	6,344.00	4,904.00	874.00	264,882.66
Jackson	9,800.00	5,892.70	2,320.00	74,848.20	-0-	-0-	-0-	92,860.90
Johnston	29,925.00	16,842.00	7,835.00	174,030.35	7,286.00	4,252.00	1,596.00	241,766.35

*Indicates amounts distributed to one or more municipalities within each county.

**AMOUNTS OF FEES, FINES AND FORFEITURES COLLECTED
AND DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES
(Fiscal Year 1976-77)**

County	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities*			Total
	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	
Jones	\$ 5,140.00	\$ 2,694.00	\$ 701.00	\$ 24,863.95	\$ -0-	\$ 302.00	\$ -0-	\$ 33,700.95
Lee	23,242.00	11,057.17	7,146.61	76,143.20	-0-	5,339.00	-0-	122,927.98
Lenoir	40,484.00	10,432.00	7,947.00	187,708.16	-0-	7,772.40	-0-	254,343.56
Lincoln	15,767.00	9,381.07	902.00	69,885.01	-0-	698.00	-0-	96,633.08
Macon	8,234.00	5,076.54	843.00	83,194.25	-0-	302.00	-0-	97,649.79
Madison	4,228.00	2,654.00	1,525.00	18,909.00	-0-	84.00	-0-	27,400.00
Martin	19,208.00	9,798.00	847.75	100,948.05	-0-	2,350.00	-0-	133,151.80
McDowell	18,016.00	10,798.00	3,805.00	112,129.35	-0-	676.00	-0-	145,424.35
Mecklenburg	257,933.00	34,556.00	-0-	843,302.89	-0-	57,102.50	-0-	1,192,894.39
Mitchell	4,802.00	2,733.00	1,530.00	21,744.00	-0-	236.00	-0-	31,045.00
Montgomery	17,552.75	11,571.66	4,329.00	62,981.02	-0-	891.00	-0-	97,325.43
Moore	20,162.00	14,453.00	2,907.00	111,923.95	5,121.00	3,178.00	732.00	158,476.95
Nash	25,491.00	18,263.66	5,041.00	197,069.20	4,769.00	6,708.00	2,351.00	259,692.86
New Hanover	69,051.00	14,172.00	10,858.00	292,288.12	-0-	15,582.00	255.00	402,206.12
Northampton	15,463.00	9,745.00	2,766.00	77,022.00	-0-	628.00	-0-	105,624.00
Onslow	58,585.00	23,977.23	24,013.88	496,308.05	-0-	8,850.00	-0-	611,734.16
Orange	23,440.00	12,438.34	2,940.45	139,724.08	12,056.00	9,598.00	364.00	200,560.87
Pamlico	5,577.00	3,455.76	995.00	32,181.09	-0-	6.00	-0-	42,214.85
Pasquotank	17,146.00	5,713.00	1,247.00	102,596.00	-0-	3,167.00	-0-	129,869.00
Pender	15,745.50	8,504.00	4,596.00	101,692.70	-0-	1,192.00	-0-	131,730.20
Perquimans	5,780.00	3,060.00	496.00	35,775.00	-0-	286.00	-0-	45,397.00
Person	15,689.00	5,444.00	1,615.00	74,542.50	354.00	2,230.00	-0-	99,874.50
Pitt	55,378.00	18,023.00	6,756.00	292,449.21	8,624.00	14,864.00	2,224.00	398,318.21
Polk	6,834.00	4,392.67	2,669.00	59,163.91	-0-	216.00	-0-	73,275.58
Randolph	40,047.00	28,610.97	4,004.50	151,822.19	1,949.00	3,710.00	-0-	230,143.66
Richmond	27,151.00	13,106.00	3,764.00	132,910.40	-0-	2,422.00	-0-	179,353.40
Robeson	49,551.40	28,675.00	11,585.00	382,368.49	17,270.29	8,807.00	2,431.00	500,688.18
Rockingham	32,266.08	16,401.40	2,609.68	162,607.88	13,224.50	8,983.60	1,331.00	237,424.14
Rowan	48,083.00	24,506.09	5,490.00	207,129.05	-0-	7,339.00	-0-	292,547.14
Rutherford	21,684.50	7,947.00	5,375.02	126,538.75	-0-	1,685.00	-0-	162,630.27
Sampson	33,414.00	19,146.00	5,290.00	151,754.56	-0-	2,918.00	75.00	212,597.56
Scotland	25,264.00	12,084.00	5,835.00	121,190.50	-0-	3,423.00	-0-	167,796.50
Stanly	27,123.00	9,228.00	4,586.00	118,789.52	-0-	3,092.00	-0-	162,818.52
Stokes	15,248.00	8,623.50	2,474.50	65,157.10	-0-	600.00	-0-	92,103.10
Surry	31,466.50	21,237.03	3,255.00	147,400.10	819.00	3,472.00	1,058.50	208,708.13
Swain	7,381.00	3,790.00	2,740.00	48,378.75	-0-	428.00	-0-	62,717.75
Transylvania	11,144.00	7,351.77	1,349.00	38,107.00	-0-	886.00	-0-	58,837.77
Tyrrell	3,271.00	2,048.00	94.00	16,757.53	-0-	-0-	-0-	22,170.53
Union	29,984.00	18,994.17	3,873.65	136,885.00	-0-	1,854.00	-0-	191,590.82
Vance	21,248.00	6,419.00	2,779.00	86,545.63	-0-	2,506.00	-0-	119,497.63
Wake	196,117.15	35,056.38	19,332.09	678,529.26	3,131.00	68,297.00	891.00	1,001,353.88
Warren	8,137.00	4,185.00	1,142.50	26,360.15	-0-	504.00	-0-	40,328.65
Washington	8,531.00	4,732.00	603.00	45,662.06	-0-	474.00	-0-	60,002.06
Watauga	12,269.00	7,596.00	2,624.50	82,237.00	-0-	644.00	-0-	105,370.50
Wayne	49,553.00	15,491.00	4,619.00	212,287.70	1,260.00	8,381.00	75.00	291,666.70
Wilkes	30,772.00	13,995.00	5,729.00	110,371.01	-0-	244.00	-0-	161,111.01
Wilson	37,605.00	17,084.43	6,887.00	153,172.38	-0-	7,335.00	15.00	222,098.81
Yadkin	13,960.00	6,438.50	3,236.00	57,989.88	-0-	620.00	-0-	82,244.38
Yancey	5,505.00	3,717.50	2,047.00	30,396.00	-0-	336.00	-0-	42,001.50
TOTALS	\$3,238,572.23	\$1,261,991.22	\$463,010.34	\$15,013,062.36	\$161,312.79	\$604,272.47	\$28,371.50	\$20,770,592.91

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DIRECTORIES

(As of December 31, 1977)

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Appointed by Chief Justice Susie Sharp

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE I. BEVERLY LAKE, Wake Forest, *Chairman*
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE HENRY A. McKINNON, Lumberton
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE LACY THORNBURG, Webster
CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE J. MILTON READ, JR., Durham
DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM GRIFFIN, JR., Williamston
DISTRICT ATTORNEY JAMES E. ROBERTS, Concord

Appointed by Court of Appeals Chief Judge Walter E. Brock

COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE EARL W. VAUGHN, Raleigh

Appointed by Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

GERALD W. HAYES, JR., Dunn
ROBERT C. HUNTER, Marion

Appointed by Lieutenant Governor James C. Green

SENATOR JULIAN R. ALLSBROOK, Roanoke Rapids
SENATOR LUTHER J. BRITT, JR., Lumberton

Appointed by Speaker of the House Carl J. Stewart, Jr.

REPRESENTATIVE J. PARKS HELMS, Charlotte
REPRESENTATIVE JAMES F. MORGAN, High Point

Appointed by Attorney General Rufus L. Edmisten

R. BRUCE WHITE, JR., Deputy Attorney General, Raleigh

Appointed by the State Bar Council

W. MARION ALLEN, Elkin
LEON CORBETT, Burgaw
ANN H. PHILLIPS, Asheville
RALPH H. RAMSEY, JR., Brevard

FRANKLIN E. FREEMAN, JR., Assistant Director of the Administrative
Office of the Courts, *Executive Secretary*

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

Appointed by Chief Justice Susie Sharp

COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE EDWARD B. CLARK, Raleigh, *Chairman*
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE GEORGE M. FOUNTAIN, Tarboro
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE C. WALTER ALLEN, Asheville

Appointed by Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

MRS. GEORGE L. HUNDLEY, Thomasville
MARVIN B. KOONCE, JR., Raleigh

Appointed by the State Bar Council

EMERSON T. SANDERS, Burlington
ROBERT G. SANDERS, Charlotte

TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

Superior Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
1	J. Herbert Small	Elizabeth City
2	Elbert S. Peel, Jr.	Williamston
3	Robert D. Rouse, Jr. David Reid, Jr.	Farmville Greenville
4	Henry L. Stevens, III James R. Strickland	Kenansville Jacksonville
5	Bradford Tillery Joshua S. James	Wilmington Maple Hill
6	(Vacant) ¹	
7	George M. Fountain (Vacant) ²	Tarboro
8	Albert W. Cowper Robert M. Bruce	Kinston Mount Olive
9	Hamilton H. Hobgood	Louisburg
10	James H. Pou Bailey Robert L. Farmer A. Pilston Godwin, Jr. Edwin S. Preston, Jr.	Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh
11	Harry E. Canaday	Benson
12	E. Maurice Braswell Coy E. Brewer, Jr. D. B. Herring, Jr.	Fayetteville Fayetteville Fayetteville
13	Giles R. Clark	Elizabethtown
14	Thomas H. Lee Anthony Brannon John C. Martin	Durham Bahama Durham
15A	D. Marsh McLelland	Burlington
15B	F. Gordon Battle	Chapel Hill

* In districts with more than one judge, the senior resident judge is listed first.

¹Judge Perry Martin of Rich Square resigned this seat effective November 13, 1977; Richard B. Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids was appointed to succeed him effective February 10, 1978.

²Judge John Webb of Wilson resigned this seat (upon his appointment to the N.C. Court of Appeals) effective December 21, 1977; Franklin R. Brown of Tarboro was appointed to succeed him effective January 27, 1978.

TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

Superior Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
16	Henry A. McKinnon, Jr.	Lumberton
17	James M. Long	Yanceyville
18	Walter E. Crissman W. Douglas Albright Charles T. Kivett	High Point Greensboro Greensboro
19	Thomas W. Seay, Jr. James C. Davis Hal Hammer Walker	Spencer Concord Asheboro
20	John D. McConnell F. Fetzer Mills	Southern Pines Wadesboro
21	Harvey A. Lupton William Z. Wood	Winston Salem Winston Salem
22	Robert A. Collier, Jr.	Statesville
23	Julius A. Rousseau, Jr.	North Wilkesboro
24	Ronald Howell	Marshall
25	Sam J. Ervin, III Forrest A. Ferrell	Morganton Hickory
26	Fred H. Hasty Kenneth A. Griffin William T. Grist Clifton E. Johnson Frank W. Snepp, Jr.	Charlotte Charlotte Charlotte Charlotte Charlotte
27	John R. Friday Robert E. Gaines Robert W. Kirby	Lincolnton Gastonia Cherryville
28	Harry C. Martin Robert D. Lewis	Asheville Asheville
29	J. W. Jackson	Hendersonville
30	Lacy H. Thornburg	Webster

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TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(As of December 31, 1977)

Special Judges, Superior Court

Judge

James M. Baley, Jr.
Ronald Barbee
Robert R. Browning
Robert L. Gavin
William Thomas Graham
David I. Smith
Donald L. Smith
Ralph A. Walker

Residence

Asheville
Greensboro
Greenville
Pinehurst
Winston Salem
Burlington
Raleigh
Greensboro

Retired Judges, Superior Court

Judge

W.E. Anglin
Frank M. Armstrong
Walter J. Bone
Francis O. Clarkson
Walter W. Cahoon
P. C. Froneberger
Robert M. Gambill
W. K. McLean
Joseph W. Parker
George B. Patton
F. Donald Phillips

Residence

Burnsville
Troy
Nashville
Charlotte
Elizabeth City
Gastonia
North Wilkesboro
Asheville
Windsor
Franklin
Rockingham

Conference of Superior Court Judges

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J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City
Robert R. Browning, Greenville
John D. McConnell, Southern Pines
Frank W. Snepp, Jr., Charlotte

TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

District Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
1	John T. Chaffin Grafton G. Beaman	Elizabeth City Elizabeth City
2	Hallett S. Ward Charles H. Manning	Washington Williamston
3	Charles H. Whedbee E. Burt Aycock, Jr. Herbert O. Phillips, III Norris C. Reed, Jr. Robert D. Wheeler	Greenville Greenville Morehead City New Bern Grifton
4	Kenneth W. Turner Evan A. Erwin, III Walter P. Henderson Stephen M. Williamson	Rose Hill Jacksonville Trenton Kenansville
5	Gilbert H. Burnett Napoleon B. Barefoot John M. Walker	Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington
6	Joseph D. Blythe Nicholas Long Robert E. Williford	Harrellsville Roanoke Rapids Lewiston
7	George Britt Allen W. Harrell Tom H. Matthews Ben H. Neville	Tarboro Wilson Rocky Mount Whitakers
8	J. Patrick Exum Kenneth R. Ellis Herbert W. Hardy Arnold O. Jones W. Milton Nowell	Kinston Fremont Maury Goldsboro Goldsboro
9	Claude W. Allen, Jr. Ben U. Allen Linwood T. Peoples Charles W. Wilkinson	Oxford Henderson Henderson Oxford
10	George F. Bason Henry V. Barnette, Jr. Stafford G. Bullock George R. Greene John Hill Parker Samuel Pretlow Winborne	Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh Raleigh

*The Chief District Judge is listed first.

TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

District Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
11	Robert B. Morgan, Sr. Woodrow Hill W. Pope Lyon Elton C. Pridgen	Lillington Dunn Smithfield Smithfield
12	Derb S. Carter Joseph E. Dupree Charles Lee Guy George Stuhl (Vacant) ¹	Fayetteville Raeford Fayetteville Fayetteville
13	Frank T. Grady J. Wilton Hunt, Sr. William E. Wood	Elizabethtown Chadbourn Whiteville
14	J. Milton Read, Jr. Samuel F. Gantt William G. Pearson, II	Durham Durham Durham
15A	Jasper B. Allen, Jr. Thomas D. Cooper, Jr. William S. Harris, Jr.	Burlington Burlington Graham
15B	Stanley Peele Donald Paschal	Chapel Hill Siler City
16	Samuel E. Britt B. Craig Ellis John S. Gardner Charles G. McLean	Lumberton Laurinburg Lumberton Lumberton
17	Leonard H. Van Noppen Foy Clark Frank Freeman Peter M. McHugh	Danbury Mount Airy Dobson Reidsville
18	Edward K. Washington Elreta M. Alexander Robert L. Cecil B. Gordon Gentry John B. Hatfield, Jr. James Samuel Pfaff Joseph A. Williams John F. Yeattes, Jr.	Greensboro Greensboro High Point Greensboro Greensboro Greensboro Greensboro

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¹Judge Coy E. Brewer, Jr., of Fayetteville, resigned this seat (upon his appointment to the Superior Court bench) effective November 30, 1977; Sol G. Cherry, of Fayetteville, was appointed to succeed him effective January 11, 1978.

TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

District Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
19	Robert L. Warren	Concord
	L. Frank Faggart	Kannapolis
	Adam C. Grant, Jr.	Concord
	L. T. Hammond, Jr.	Asheboro
	Frank M. Montgomery	Salisbury
20	Donald R. Huffman	Wadesboro
	Edward E. Crutchfield	Albemarle
	Kenneth W. Honeycutt	Monroe
	Walter M. Lampley	Rockingham
21	Abner Alexander	Winston Salem
	William H. Freeman	Winston Salem
	James A. Harrill, Jr.	Winston Salem
	R. Kason Keiger	Winston Salem
	Gary B. Tash	Winston Salem
22	Lester P. Martin, Jr.	Mocksville
	Preston Cornelius	Troutman
	Robert W. Johnson	Statesville
	Hubert E. Olive, Jr.	Lexington
23	Ralph Davis	North Wilkesboro
	Samuel L. Osborne	Wilkesboro
24	J. Ray Braswell	Newland
	Robert Howard Lacey	Newland
25	Livingston Vernon	Morganton
	Joseph P. Edens, Jr.	Hickory
	Bill J. Martin	Hickory
	Leslie O. Noble, Jr.	Hickory
	Samuel McD. Tate	Morganton
26	Chase B. Saunders	Charlotte
	P.B. Beachum, Jr.	Charlotte
	Walter H. Bennet, Jr.	Charlotte
	Larry Thomas Black	Charlotte
	L. Stanley Brown	Charlotte
	Ruby L. Cantrell	Charlotte
	William G. Jones	Charlotte
	James E. Lanning	Charlotte

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TRIAL JUDGES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

(as of December 31, 1977)

District Court Division*

District	Judge	Residence
27	Lewis Bulwinkle	Gastonia
	Berlin H. Carpenter, Jr.	Gastonia
	Arnold Max Harris	Ellenboro
	James Ralph Phillips	Gastonia
	Donald E. Ramseur	Gastonia
28	Cary W. Allen	Asheville
	James O. Israel, Jr.	Candler
	Gary A. Sluder	Asheville
	William Marion Styles	Black Mountain
29	Robert T. Gash	Brevard
	Zoro J. Guice, Jr.	Hendersonville
	Hollis M. Owens, Jr.	Rutherfordton
30	Robert J. Leatherwood, III	Bryson City
	J. Charles McDarris	Waynesville
	John J. Snow, Jr.	Murphy

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Conference of Chief District Court Judges

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Additional Executive	J. B. Allen, Jr., Burlington
Committee Members	Robert J. Leatherwood, III, Bryson City

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND ASSISTANTS

(As of December 31, 1977)

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