

MUNICIPAL COURTS

Narrative Summary

After a five year rise in filings beginning in FY1995, Municipal Courts showed a decrease in filings for the second straight year. Total filings (including transfers in) dropped from 1,420,683 in FY 2000 to 1,394,866 in FY 2001, a decrease of 1.8%.

Traffic filings (criminal and civil), which comprise 73.1% of Municipal Court case activity, dropped 2.9% from last year, from 1,049,867 to 1,019,574. Within the traffic category, both criminal filings and civil filings decreased from FY 2000 to FY 2001. Misdemeanors (excluding criminal traffic) rose from 212,518 to 224,703 in FY 2000, an increase of 5.7%.

From FY 2000 to FY 2001, Municipal Courts experienced an increase in the number of petitions filed for injunctions against harassment and orders of protection. During FY 2001, a total of 11,442 petitions were filed for an order of protection, compared with 10,278 last year, an increase of 11.3%. Petitions for an injunctions against harassment rose from 8,302 last year to 8,533 in FY 2001, an increase of 2.8%.

Total dispositions (including transfers out) increased from 1,283,063 last year to 1,386,990 in FY 2001, an increase of 8.1%. Total traffic dispositions (criminal and civil) increased by 5.7% from 957,956 in FY 2000 to 1,012,392 in FY 2001. Misdemeanor dispositions increased sharply by 13.2%, from 195,979 in FY 2000 to 221,885 in FY 2001.

Non-criminal local ordinance case filings decreased by 4.9% from 158,298 in FY 2000 to 150,589 in FY 2001. Non-criminal local ordinances terminations showed a dramatic increase of 18.3%, from 129,128 in FY 2000 to 152,713 in FY 2001.

Finally, the total end of year pending increased slightly from 871,229 in FY 2000 to 874,261 in FY 2001, an increase of 0.34%. The largest increase was reported in civil traffic which increased from 246,379 in FY 2000 to 289,225 in FY 2001, an increase of 17.4%.

Some of the FY 2000 figures may not correspond to figures published in last year's Data Report due to corrected information received subsequent to publication of the Report.

ABBREVIATIONS
(Municipal Courts)

CR TRAF	Criminal Traffic
CV TRAF	Civil Traffic
DISP	Dispositions
D.U.I.	Driving Under the Influence
F.T.A.	Failure-to-Appear
LOCAL ORD	Non-Criminal Local Ordinances
MISD/Misd	Misdemeanor
Ord. of Protect	Order of Protection
Stat. Corr	Statistical Correction
Trans. In	Transfers In
Trans. Out	Transfers Out

MUNICIPAL COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

STATEWIDE TOTAL

ALL CASES ON FILE [1]

CASE TYPE	PENDING 7/1/2000	CASES FILED			TOTAL ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
		ORIGINAL FILINGS	TRANSFER IN	TOTAL FILED		PENDING 7/1/1999	TOTAL FILED
DUI	55,301	49,303	0	49,303	104,604	44,214	48,839
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	7,199	6,253	0	6,253	13,452	6,364	6,859
OTHER TRAFFIC	119,224	90,129	3	90,132	209,356	103,503	112,283
TOTAL CR TRAF	181,724	145,685	3	145,688	327,412	154,081	167,981
TOTAL CV TRAF	246,379	873,872	14	873,886	1,120,265	171,990	881,886
MISDEMEANOR	184,841	171,867	16	171,883	356,724	166,083	177,924
MISDEMEANOR FTA	61,554	12,697	0	12,697	74,251	61,527	13,585
TRAFFIC FTA	59,008	40,123	0	40,123	99,131	53,933	21,009
TOTAL MISD	305,403	224,687	16	224,703	530,106	281,543	212,518
NC PARKING	129,653	136,010		136,010	265,663	100,832	141,514
NC NON-PARKING	8,070	14,579		14,579	22,649	7,775	16,784
TOTAL NON-CR ORD	137,723	150,589		150,589	288,312	108,607	158,298
TOTAL	871,229	1,394,833	33	1,394,866	2,266,095	716,221	1,420,683
ORD PROTECTION				11,442			10,278
INJ HARASSMENT				8,533			8,302

TRIALS COMMENCED

CASE TYPE	NON-JURY	JURY	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2000		
				NON-JURY	JURY	TOTAL
CRIMINAL TRAFFIC	2,361	515	2,876	2,897	410	3,307
MISDEMEANOR	3,837	223	4,060	4,677	218	4,895
TOTAL	6,198	738	6,936	7,574	628	8,202

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS - END-OF-YEAR

TRAFFIC	6/30/01	6/30/00	CRIMINAL	6/30/01	6/30/00
DUI	21,298	24,582			
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	3,191	3,036			
OTHER TRAFFIC	80,858	71,204	MISDEMEANOR	123,775	104,313
SUBTOTAL	105,347	98,822			
TOTAL ALL WARRANTS				229,122	203,135

MUNICIPAL COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

STATEWIDE TOTAL (CONTINUED)

ALL CASES TERMINATED [2]							FISCAL YEAR 2000	
CASE TYPE	CASES TERMINATED			STAT CORR	PENDING 6/30/2001		TOTAL	PENDING
	TERMIN- ATIONS	TRANSFER OUT	TOTAL TERM				TERM 6/30/2000	6/30/2000
DUI	43,083	89	43,172	-4,356	57,076		36,968	55,301
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	6,102	26	6,128	-1,438	5,886		5,989	7,199
OTHER TRAFFIC	82,719	205	82,924	-22,156	104,276		93,029	119,224
TOTAL CR TRAF	131,904	320	132,224	-27,950	167,238		135,986	181,724
TOTAL CV TRAF [1]	879,829	339	880,168	49,128	289,225		821,970	246,379
MISDEMEANOR	179,504	737	180,241	-12,767	163,716		168,074	184,841
MISDEMEANOR FTA	12,430	1	12,431	-10,778	51,042		12,511	61,554
TRAFFIC FTA	29,204	9	29,213	1,407	71,325		15,394	59,008
TOTAL MISD	221,138	747	221,885	-22,138	286,083		195,979	305,403
NC PARKING	138,240		138,240	-3,351	124,072		112,760	129,653
NC NON-PARKING	14,473		14,473	-533	7,643		16,368	8,070
TOTAL NON-CR ORD	152,713		152,713	-3,884	131,715		129,128	137,723
TOTAL	1,385,584	1,406	1,386,990	-4,844	874,261		1,283,063	871,229
	ISSUED	DENIED						
ORD PROTECTION	9,807	838	10,645				6,863	
INJ HARASSMENT	6,842	1,071	7,913				5,509	

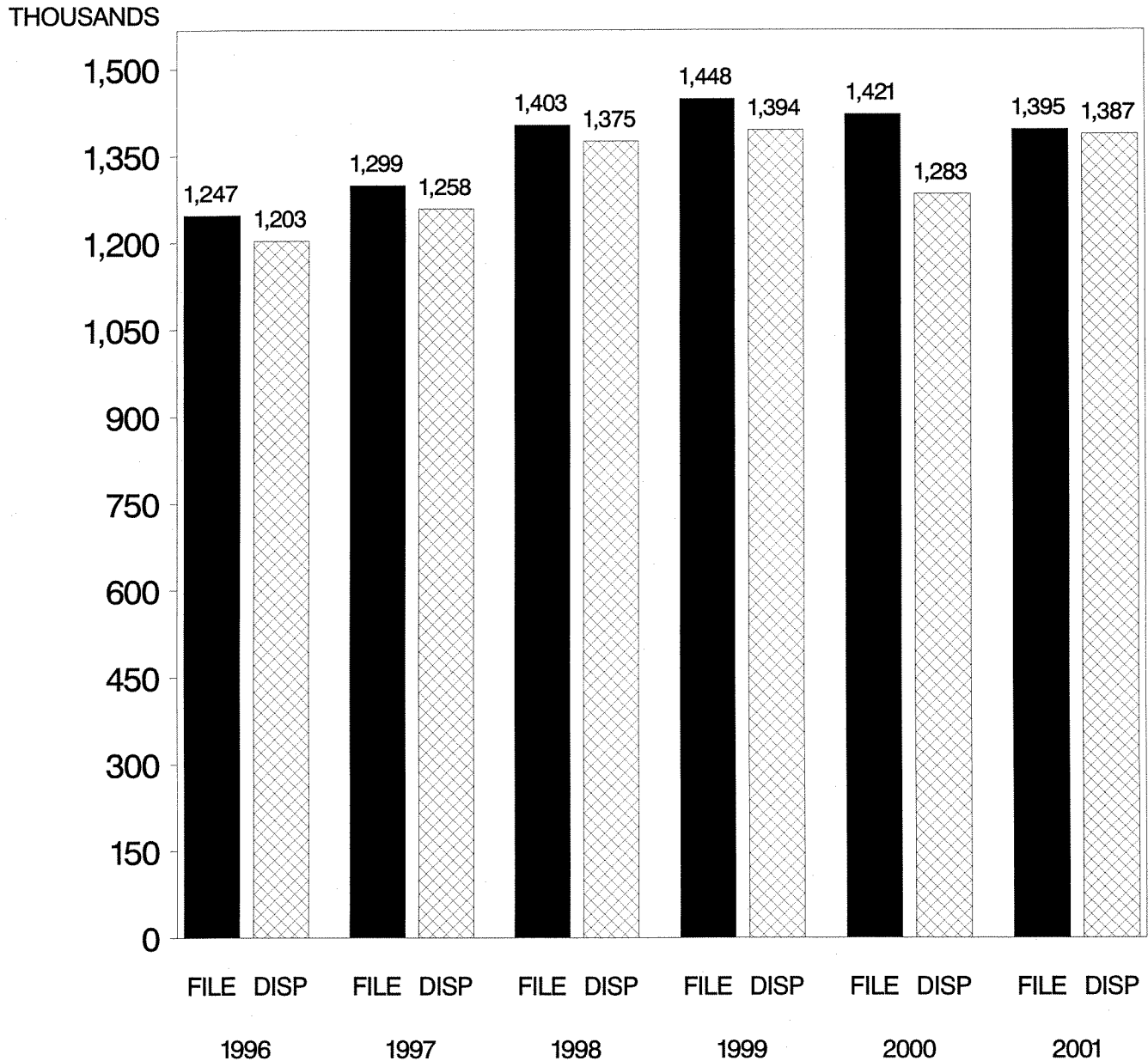
[1] TERMINATIONS INCLUDE DEFAULT JUDGMENTS.

OTHER PROCEEDINGS			
	FY 2001	FY 2000	
CIVIL TRAFFIC HEARINGS	22,969	23,519	
INITIAL APPEARANCES	26,046	28,808	
ORDER OF PROTECTION REVIEW HEARINGS	1,579	1,538	
INJUNCTION AGAINST HARASSMENT REVIEW HEARINGS	1,230	1,407	
PEACE BOND COMPLAINTS	0	0	
FUGITIVE COMPLAINTS	0	0	
JUVENILE HEARINGS	289	473	
SEARCH WARRANTS ISSUED	1,042	1,193	

MUNICIPAL COURT

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED

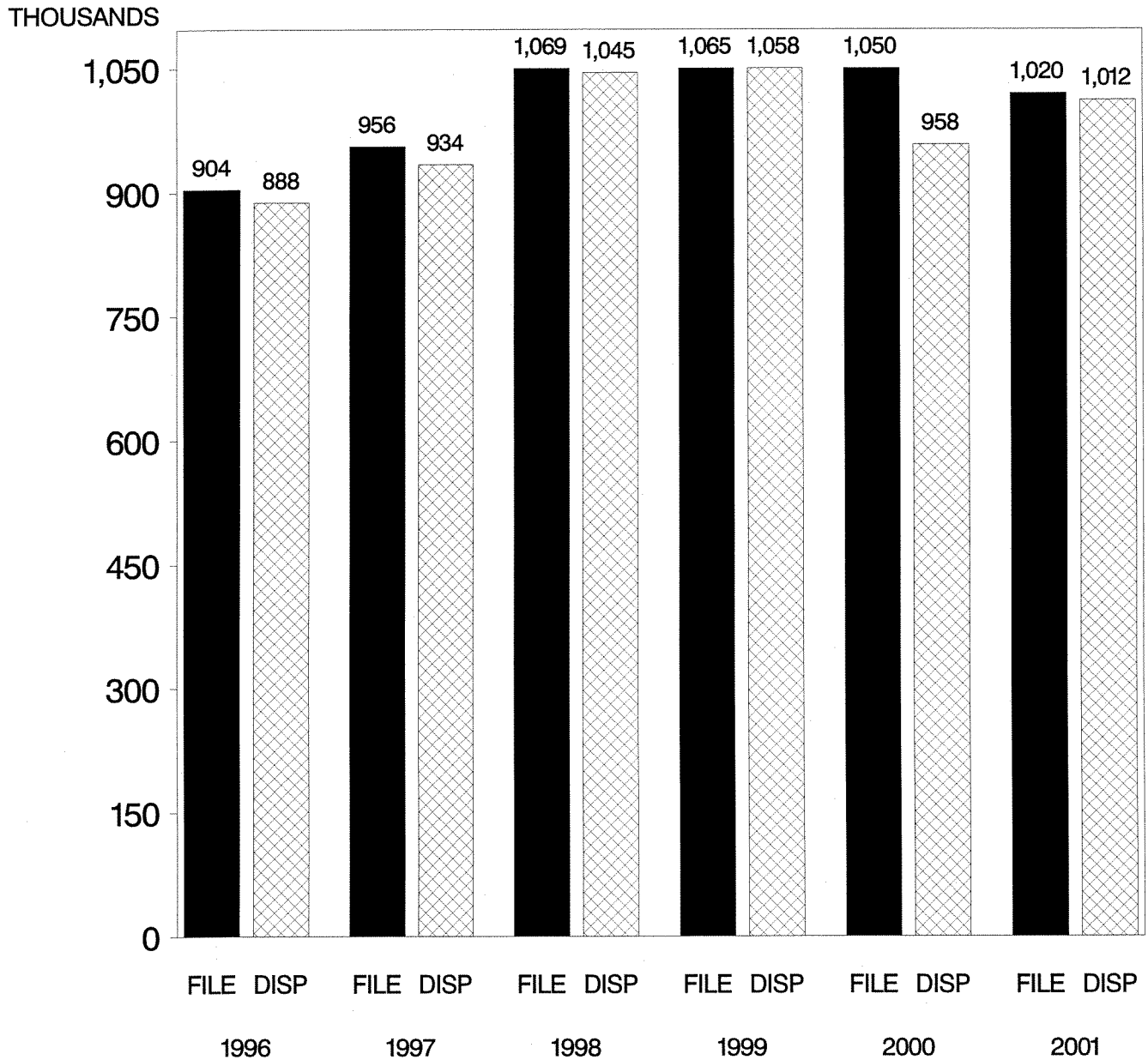


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TRAFFIC CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED

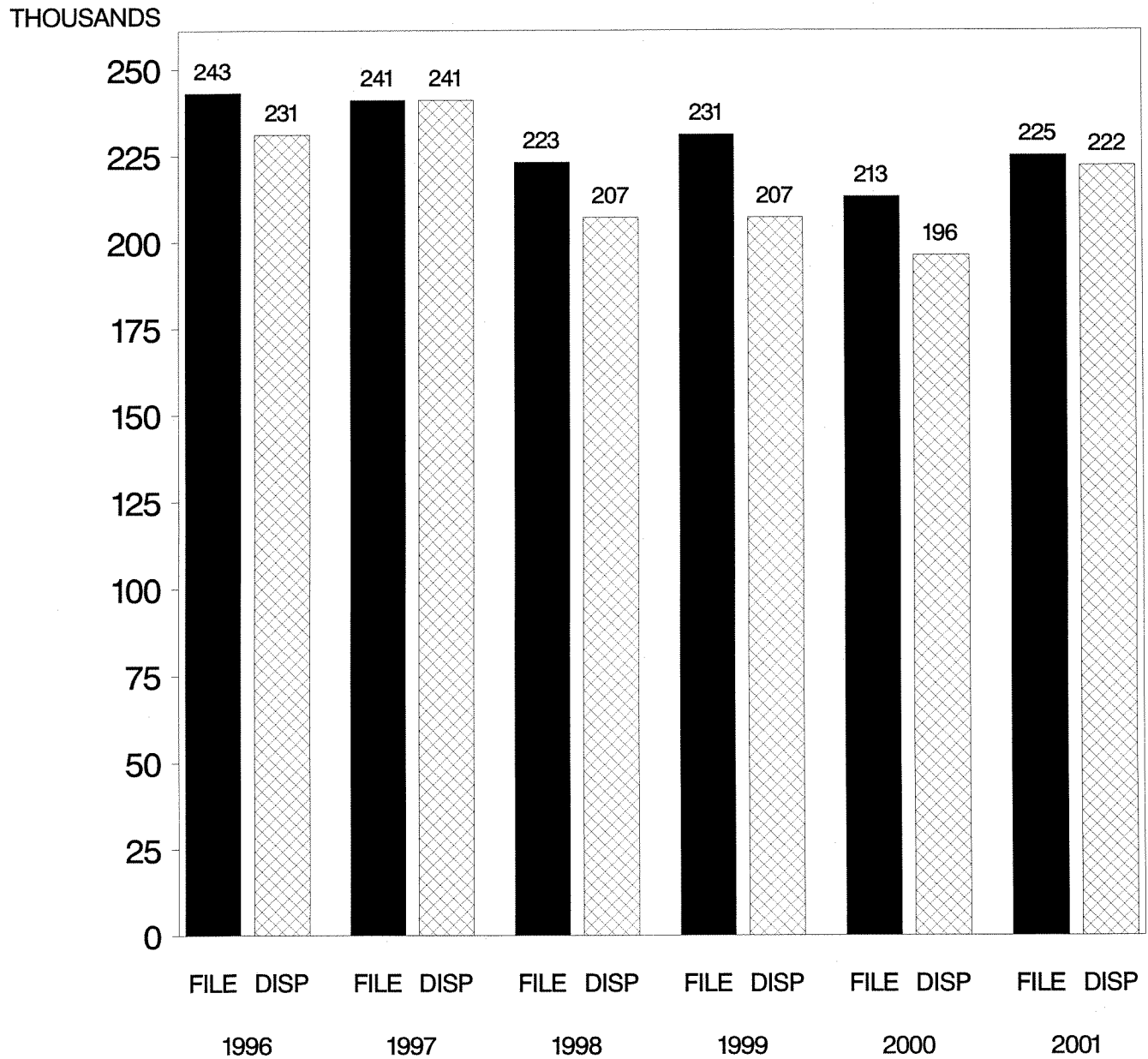


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MUNICIPAL COURT

CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED



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MUNICIPAL COURT

ORDER OF PROTECTION – HARASSMENT, FY 1996 – 2001 PETITIONS FILED

