

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURTS

Narrative Summary

Justice Courts experienced a decrease in total filings (including transfers in) in FY 2010, from 939,722 to 912,510. This is a decrease of 2.9% total filings. Beginning in FY 1996, Justice Courts reported Non-Criminal Local Ordinances as a separate category. Many of these were reported as part of other categories in the previous years, but their numbers are not comparatively large.

Traffic filings (criminal and civil), which accounted for 61.0% of the total filings in Justice Courts, went from 557,775 to 556,360, a 0.3% decrease from FY 2009 to FY 2010. Non-Traffic criminal filings (misdemeanors and felonies) decreased 9.8%, from 131,227 last year to 118,398 in FY 2010. Civil filings decreased from 248,564 in FY 2009 to 236,176 this year, a decrease of 5.0%.

Petitions for orders of protection relating to domestic violence increased this year by 5.6%, from 8,956 in FY 2009 to 9,460. In FY 2010, petitions for injunctions against harassment decreased 10.8%, from 9,040 in FY 2009 to 8,064 in FY 2010.

Total dispositions (including transfers out) decreased by 2.5%, from 977,277 last year to 952,844 in FY 2010. Criminal and civil traffic dispositions together decreased by 0.2%, from 589,409 to 588,510. Criminal dispositions (misdemeanors and felonies) decreased by 9.4%, from 137,104 in FY 2009 to 124,215 in FY 2010. Civil dispositions decreased by 3.8%, from 248,044 to 238,523.

Total end of year pending cases decreased from 656,860 in FY 2009 to 642,612 in FY 2010, a decrease of 2.2%.

NOTE: Some of the FY 2009 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
(Justice of the Peace Courts)

CR TRAF	Criminal Traffic
CV TRAF	Civil Traffic
DISP	Dispositions
DUL	Driving Under the Influence
Forcible Det.	Forcible Detainer
FTA	Failure-to-Appear
Hear Offcr	Hearing Officer
Inj Harassment	Injunction Against Harassment
Misd	Misdemeanor
NC	Non Criminal
Non-Cr Ord	Non-Criminal Local Ordinances
Ord Protection	Order of Protection
Small Clm	Small Claims (Civil)
Stat Corr	Statistical Correction
Trans In	Transfers In
Trans Out	Transfers Out

JUSTICE COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2010

STATEWIDE TOTAL

ALL CASES ON FILE							
CASE TYPE	PENDING 7/1/2009	CASES FILED			TOTAL ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2009	
		ORIGINAL FILINGS	TRANSFER IN	TOTAL FILED		PENDING 7/1/2008	TOTAL FILED
DUI	31,548	22,575	569	23,144	54,692	30,817	25,652
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	3,847	3,917	13	3,930	7,777	4,379	4,377
OTHER TRAFFIC	89,886	90,483	421	90,904	180,790	96,415	106,055
TOTAL CR TRAF	125,281	116,975	1,003	117,978	243,259	131,611	136,084
TOTAL CV TRAF	123,196	438,058	324	438,382	561,578	141,665	421,691
MISDEMEANOR	149,232	76,409	329	76,738	225,970	150,488	82,274
MISDEMEANOR FTA	29,908	7,783	9	7,792	37,700	28,258	8,788
TRAFFIC FTA	84,396	13,213	9	13,222	97,618	81,722	17,329
TOTAL MISD	263,536	97,405	347	97,752	361,288	260,468	108,391
TOTAL FELONY	20,187	20,638	8	20,646	40,833	20,798	22,836
SMALL CLAIMS	25,322	26,624	73	26,697	52,019	34,183	26,835
FORCIBLE DETAINER	5,191	81,916	130	82,046	87,237	5,497	96,226
OTHER CIVIL	92,873	126,400	1,033	127,433	220,306	84,351	125,503
TOTAL CIVIL	123,386	234,940	1,236	236,176	359,562	124,031	248,564
NC PARKING	803	834		834	1,637	744	1,284
NC NON-PARKING	471	742		742	1,213	1,067	872
TOTAL NON-CR ORD	1,274	1,576		1,576	2,850	1,811	2,156
TOTAL	656,860	909,592	2,918	912,510	1,569,370	680,384	939,722
ORD PROTECTION				9,460			8,956
INJ HARASSMENT				8,064			9,040

TRIALS COMMENCED						
CASE TYPE	NON-JURY	JURY	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2009		
				NON-JURY	JURY	TOTAL
CRIMINAL TRAFFIC	762	212	974	1,105	188	1,293
MISDEMEANOR	1,654	24	1,678	2,026	54	2,080
CIVIL	4,482	71	4,553	5,308	42	5,350
TOTAL	6,898	307	7,205	8,439	284	8,723

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS - END-OF-YEAR					
TRAFFIC	6/30/2010	6/30/2009	CRIMINAL	6/30/2010	6/30/2009
DUI	19,003	17,826			
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	2,203	2,046	FELONY	12,406	12,272
OTHER TRAFFIC	88,550	85,422	MISDEMEANOR	79,757	76,031
SUBTOTAL	109,756	105,294	SUBTOTAL	92,163	88,303
TOTAL ALL WARRANTS				201,919	193,597

JUSTICE COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2010

STATEWIDE TOTAL (CONTINUED)

ALL CASES TERMINATED							FISCAL YEAR 2009	
CASE TYPE	CASES TERMINATED			STAT CORR	PENDING 6/30/2010		TOTAL TERM	PENDING 6/30/2009
	TERMIN-ATIONS	TRANSFER OUT	TOTAL TERM					
DUI	23,493	605	24,098	674	31,268		24,337	31,548
SERIOUS TRAFFIC	3,858	21	3,879	26	3,924		4,252	3,847
OTHER TRAFFIC	95,186	453	95,639	-769	84,382		108,310	89,886
TOTAL CR TRAF	122,537	1,079	123,616	-69	119,574		136,899	125,281
TOTAL CV TRAF[1]	464,480	414	464,894	16,278	112,962		452,510	123,196
MISDEMEANOR	80,837	1,422	82,259	10,636	154,347		91,428	149,232
MISDEMEANOR FTA	6,250	11	6,261	-183	31,256		7,224	29,908
TRAFFIC FTA	12,517	14	12,531	386	85,473		14,384	84,396
TOTAL MISD	99,604	1,447	101,051	10,839	271,076		113,036	263,536
TOTAL FELONY	18,822	4,342	23,164	1,168	18,837		24,068	20,187
SMALL CLAIMS	28,683	113	28,796	-702	22,521		35,210	25,322
FORCIBLE DETAINER	81,954	153	82,107	-38	5,092		97,004	5,191
OTHER CIVIL	126,570	1,050	127,620	-1,388	91,298		115,830	92,873
TOTAL CIVIL	237,207	1,316	238,523	-2,128	118,911		248,044	123,386
NC PARKING	808		808	-1	828		1,226	803
NC NON-PARKING	788		788	-1	424		1,494	471
TOTAL NON-CR ORD	1,596		1,596	-2	1,252		2,720	1,274
TOTAL	944,246	8,598	952,844	26,086	642,612		977,277	656,860
	ISSUED	DENIED						
ORD PROTECTION	8,352	807	9,159				8,391	
INJ HARASSMENT	6,786	978	7,764				8,464	

[1] TERMINATIONS INCLUDE DEFAULT JUDGMENTS.

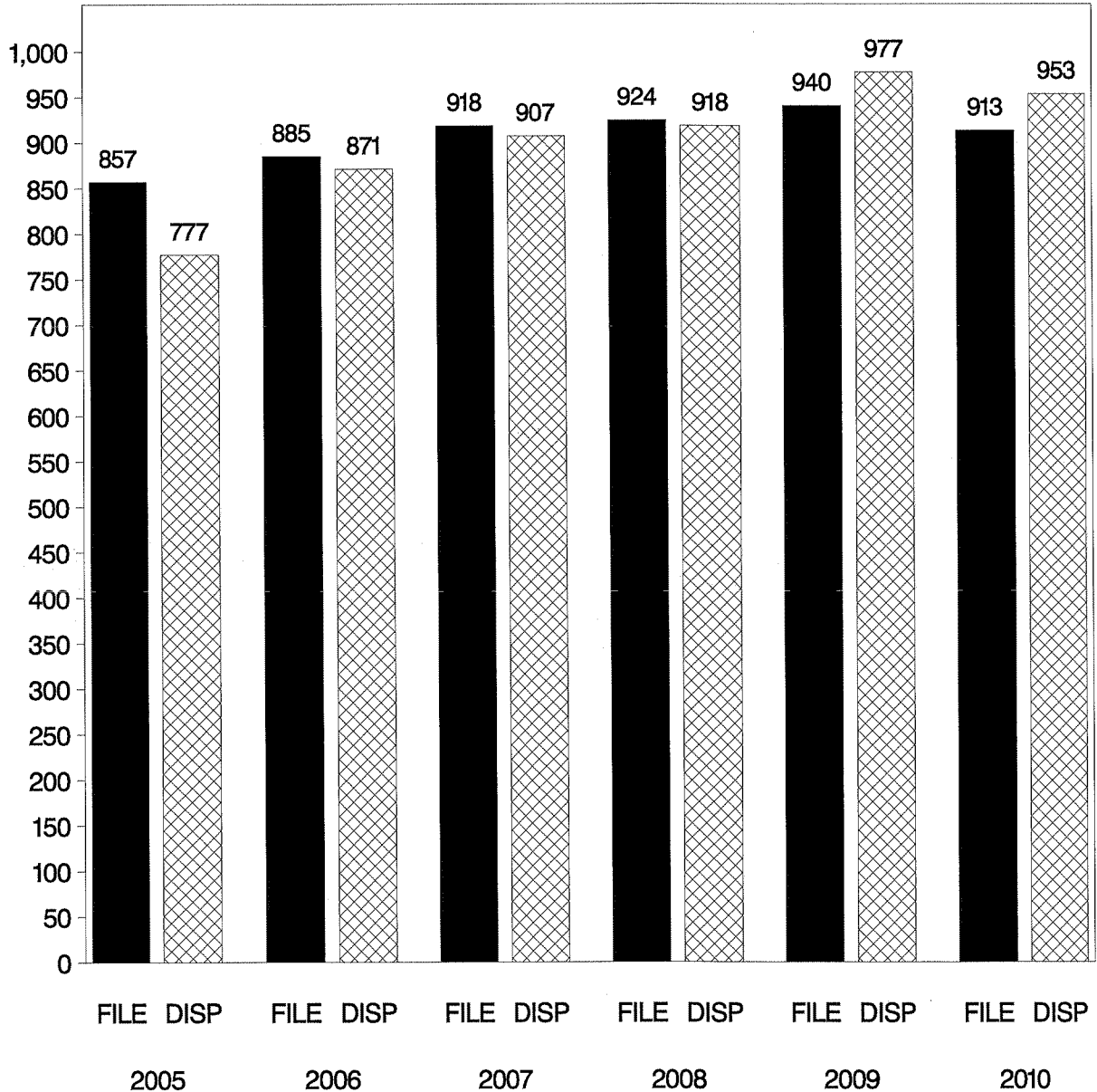
OTHER PROCEEDINGS		
	FY 2010	FY 2009
SMALL CLAIMS HEARINGS/DEFAULTS	4,944	5,177
SMALL CLAIMS HEARINGS (W/HEARING OFFICER)	726	731
CIVIL TRAFFIC HEARINGS	50,481	45,865
FELONY PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	448	814
INITIAL APPEARANCES	61,269	65,022
ORDER OF PROTECTION REVIEW HEARINGS	1,784	1,651
INJUNCTION AGAINST HARASSMENT REVIEW HEARINGS	1,430	1,640
PEACE BOND COMPLAINTS	0	1
FUGITIVE COMPLAINTS	751	802
JUVENILE HEARINGS	748	826
SEARCH WARRANTS ISSUED	3,931	3,604

JUSTICE COURT

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2005 – 2010

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED

THOUSANDS

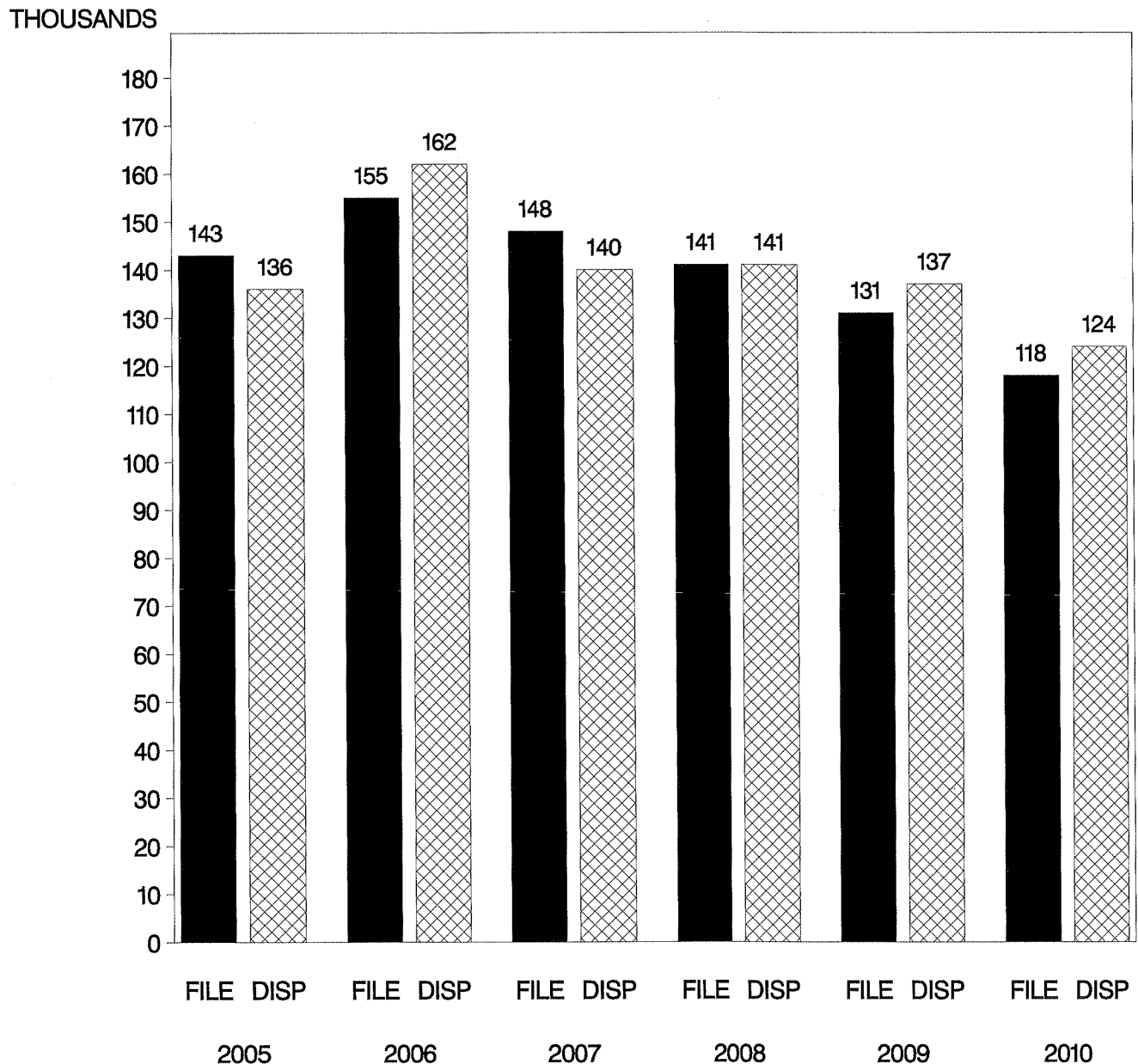


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CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2005–2010

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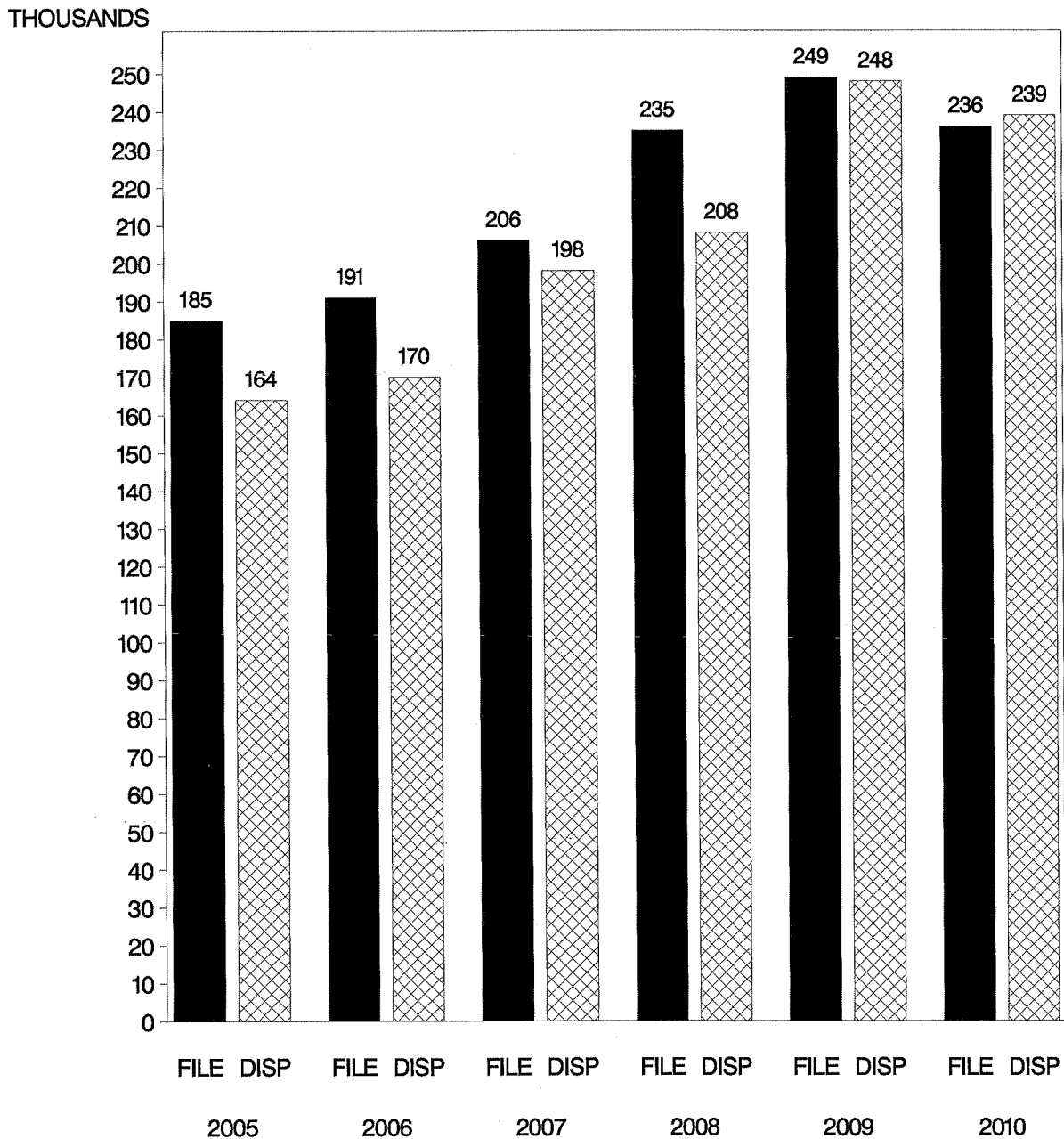


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CIVIL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2005–2010

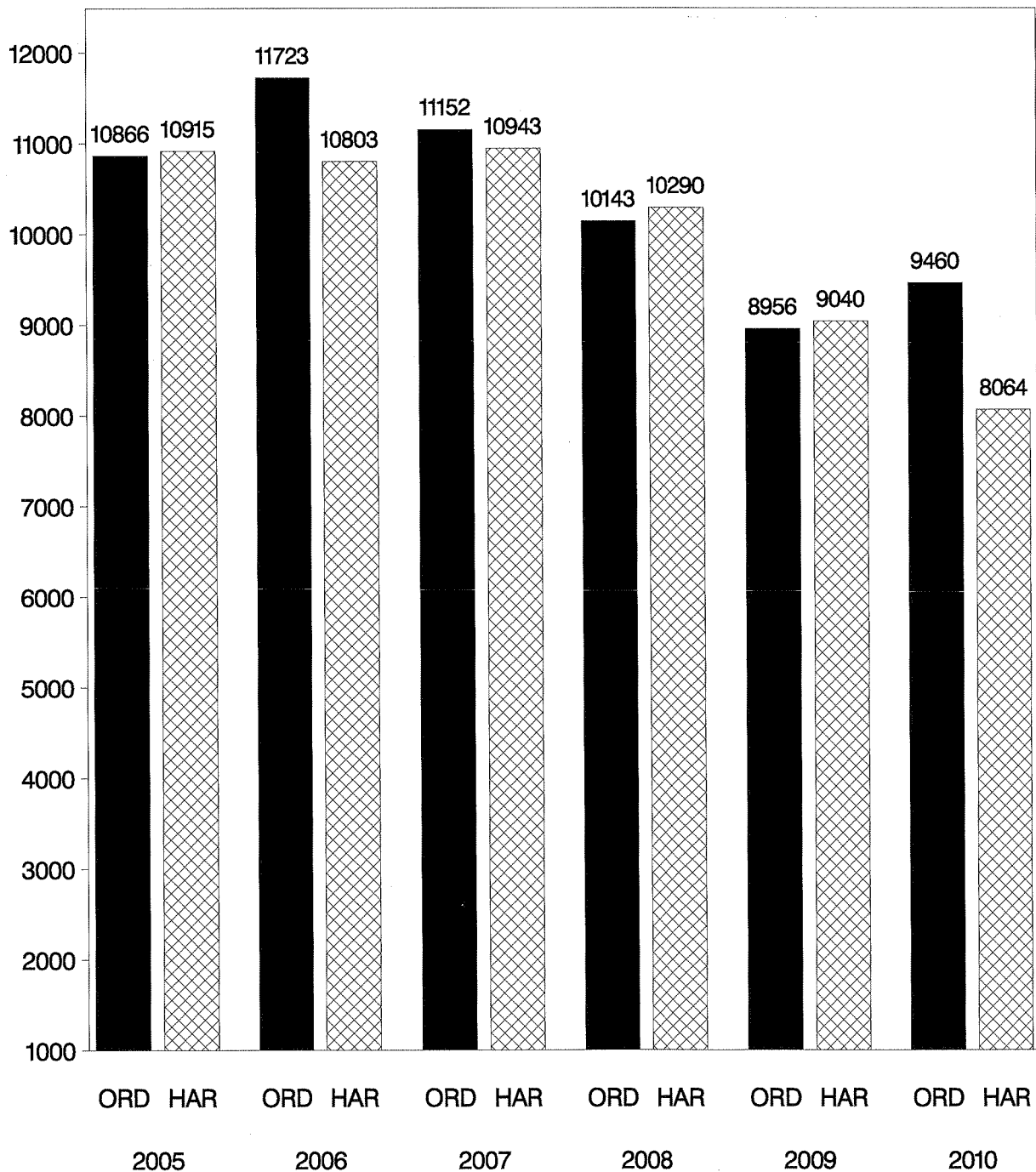
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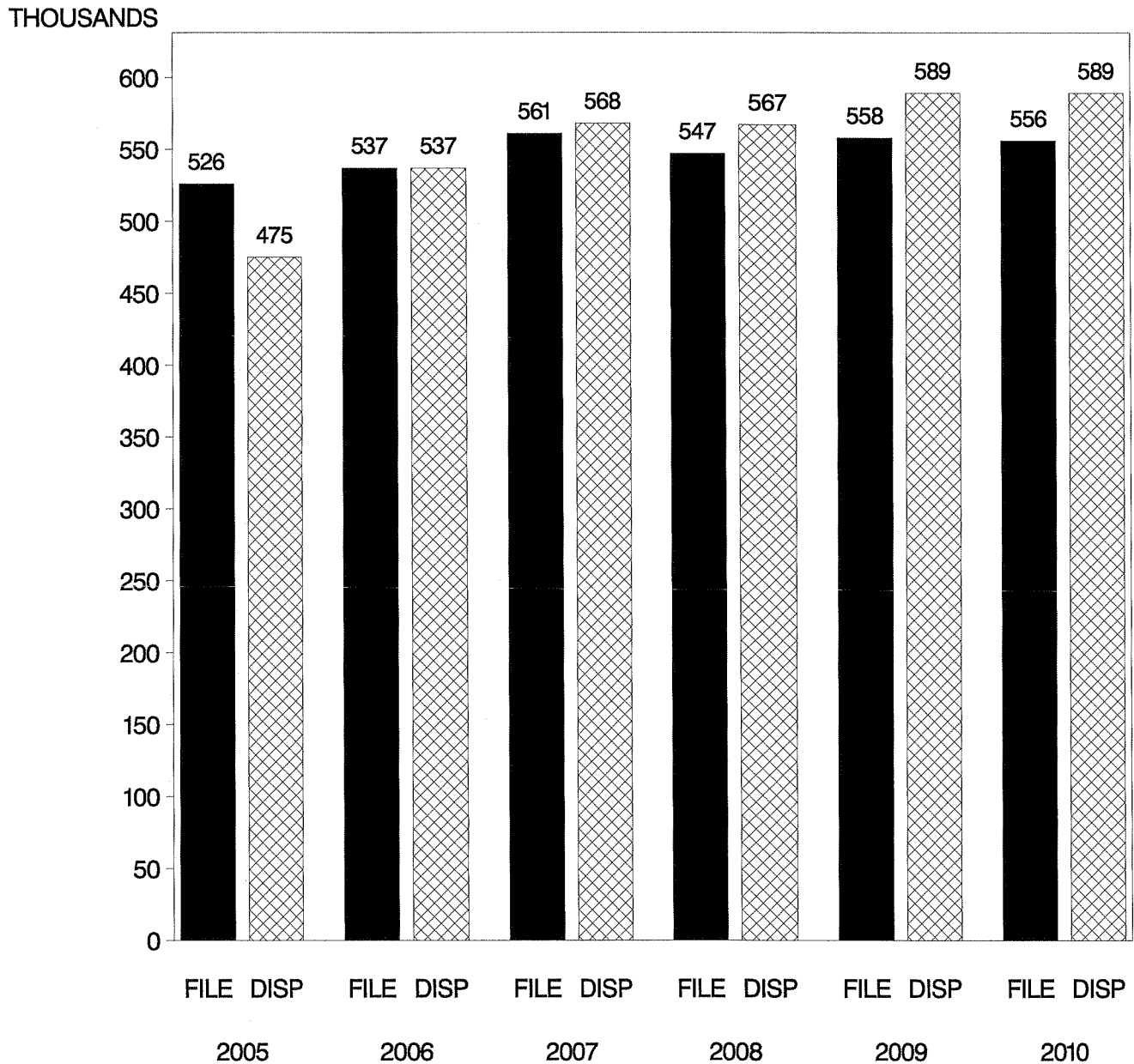
ORDER OF PROTECTION – HARASSMENT, FY 2005 – 2010 PETITIONS FILED



JUSTICE COURT

TRAFFIC CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2005–2010

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED



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D.P.S. PHOTO ENFORCEMENT FILINGS and TERMINATIONS IN JUSTICE COURTS
FISCAL YEAR 2010

County	Court ID#	Justice Court	Photo Cases Filed	Photo Cases Terminated
COCHISE	201	BISBEE	133	83
COCHISE	203	BENSON(#3)	208	214
COCHISE	204	WILLCOX	140	84
COCHISE	205	SIERRA VISTA	262	193
COCHISE	206	BOWIE	22	14
COCONINO	301	FLAGSTAFF	1,108	713
COCONINO	302	WILLIAMS	91	62
GILA	403	GLOBE REGIONAL	47	47
GRAHAM	501	SAFFORD	58	40
LA PAZ	1504	QUARTZSITE(#4)	322	246
LA PAZ	1506	PARKER	15	9
MARICOPA	701	DOWNTOWN	46,629	68,708
MARICOPA	702	ARCADIA BILTMORE	70,835	82,714
MARICOPA	703	ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN	26,788	24,808
MARICOPA	704	SAN MARCOS	1,788	1,750
MARICOPA	705	EAST MESA	383	372
MARICOPA	706	IRONWOOD	1,790	1,677
MARICOPA	707	MANISTEE	0	54
MARICOPA	708	DREAMY DRAW	360	416
MARICOPA	709	MOON VALLEY	7,269	7,271
MARICOPA	710	ARROWHEAD	16,170	10,567
MARICOPA	711	MCDOWELL MOUNTAIN	1,132	1,628
MARICOPA	712	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	40,137	32,840
MARICOPA	713	UNIVERSITY LAKES	1,180	872
MARICOPA	714	AGUA FRIA	29,049	32,123
MARICOPA	715	WEST MESA	1,973	671
MARICOPA	716	WEST MCDOWELL	113,628	104,688
MARICOPA	717	HASSAYAMPA	2,474	659
MARICOPA	718	ENCANTO	12,905	12,893
MARICOPA	719	MARYVALE	15,808	15,173
MARICOPA	720	SAN TAN	836	5,520
MARICOPA	721	NORTH MESA	532	526
MARICOPA	723	KYRENE	1,593	1,005
MARICOPA	724	NORTH VALLEY	14,146	13,579
MARICOPA	725	DESERT RIDGE	1,593	2,608
MARICOPA	726	HIGHLAND	23,615	18,427
MOHAVE	801	KINGMAN/CERBAT CONSOLIDATED	3,521	2,706
MOHAVE	802	BULLHEAD CITY	619	640
MOHAVE	804	LAKE HAVASU	187	313
NAVAJO	901	HOLBROOK	124	52
NAVAJO	903	SNOWFLAKE	124	99
NAVAJO	905	SHOW LOW	26	17
PIMA	1003	AJO	0	5
PIMA	1007	GREEN VALLEY(#7)	316	446
PINAL	1102	CASA GRANDE(#2)	84	84
PINAL	1103	ELOY(#3)	5,440	3,912
PINAL	1106	SUPERIOR-KEARNY	41	42
PINAL	1107	APACHE JUNCTION(#7)	170	172
YAVAPAI	1301	MAYER	1,373	1,327
YAVAPAI	1302	VERDE VALLEY	796	628
YAVAPAI	1304	SELIGMAN	17	4
YAVAPAI	1307	YARNELL	56	81
YUMA	1401	YUMA(#1)	2,254	1,865
YUMA	1402	SOMERTON(#2)	2	14
TOTALS			450,169	455,661

Note: Maricopa County data provided by Justice Court Administration. All other data obtained through the A.O.C.'s AZTEC data warehouse.