

COURT ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY Narrative Summary

Total filings (including transfers in) decreased by 8.8% in FY 2011, from 2,607,319 in FY 2010 to 2,377,259 in FY 2011. An additional 75,698 civil traffic state photo enforcement cases were filed during FY 2011 in Justice Courts, a decrease of 83.2% or 374,471 compared with 450,169 in FY 2010.

Criminal filings decreased from 419,903 in FY 2010 to 382,831 in FY 2011, a decrease of 8.8%. Civil filings decreased 1.0%, from 405,637 in FY 2010 to 401,545 in FY 2011. Traffic filings (applicable only in justice and municipal courts) decreased by 11.3%, from 1,632,030 last year to 1,446,908 in FY 2011.

Total dispositions (including transfers out) decreased by 6.5% from 2,777,942 in FY 2010 to 2,598,598 in FY 2011.

Orders of protection petitions increased 1.6%, from 34,324 in FY 2010 to 34,874 in FY 2011. Emergency orders of protection decreased 7.5%, from 80 last year to 74 in FY 2011. Injunctions against harassment petitions decreased 8.0%, from 20,125 in FY 2010 to 18,514 in FY 2011.

The total number of trials held in the Arizona courts decreased in FY 2011 by 2.8% from 19,132 last year to 18,594 in FY 2011. The majority (64.9%) were court trials in limited jurisdiction courts.

There were 2,331 cases filed (including 52 reopened cases) in the Arizona Tax Court during FY 2011, representing a 31.1% decrease from the 3,382 cases filed in FY 2010. Arizona Tax Court filings are reported in Superior Court category in the statewide totals.

Some of the FY 2010 figures may not correspond to figures published in last year's Data Report due to corrected information received subsequent to publication of the Report. Statistical reports received from courts are checked for mathematical accuracy, but are not audited by the Supreme Court.

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR 2011

STATEWIDE TOTALS

CATEGORIES	SUPREME COURT	COURT OF APPEALS	SUPERIOR COURT	JUSTICE COURTS	MUNICIPAL COURTS	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2010 TOTAL [1]
CASE FILINGS:							
CRIMINAL [2]	16	1,343	51,066	115,014	215,392	382,831	419,903
CIVIL [3]	3	1,066	164,292	236,184		401,545	405,637
TRAFFIC [4]				475,820	971,088	1,446,908	1,632,030
OTHER [5]	999	1,498	22,359	1,360	119,759	145,975	149,749
TOTAL	1,018	3,907	237,717	828,378	1,306,239	2,377,259	2,607,319
CASE DISPOSITIONS:							
CRIMINAL [2]	21	1,479	54,372	122,240	319,687	497,799	485,700
CIVIL [3]	6	1,153	171,006	233,983		406,148	408,375
TRAFFIC [4]				509,962	1,041,533	1,551,495	1,727,113
OTHER [5]	995	1,432	21,824	1,502	117,403	143,156	156,754
TOTAL	1,022	4,064	247,202	867,687	1,478,623	2,598,598	2,777,942
TRIALS [6]:							
JURY			1,406	298	783	2,487	2,681
NON-JURY			5,114	6,584	4,409	16,107	16,451
TOTAL			6,520	6,882	5,192	18,594	19,132
POST-CONVICTION RELIEF PETITIONS FILED			2,192			2,192	1,746
POST-CONV RELIEF PETITIONS DISPOSED			2,546			2,546	1,265
ORDER OF PROTECTION PETITIONS FILED			12,579	9,495	12,800	34,874	34,324
ORDERS OF PROTECTION ISSUED			10,553	8,217	10,227	28,997	28,919
EMERGENCY ORDERS OF PROTECTION ISSUED			74			74	80
INJ AGAINST HARASSMENT PETITIONS FILED			2,894	7,696	7,924	18,514	20,125
INJUNCTIONS AGAINST HARASSMENT ISSUED			2,398	6,296	5,142	13,836	15,304

- [1] SOME FIGURES DIFFER FROM THOSE IN THE FY 2010 DATA REPORT DUE TO CORRECTED INFORMATION RECEIVED SUBSEQUENT TO ITS PUBLICATION.
- [2] CRIMINAL DATA INCLUDE POST-CONVICTION RELIEF CASES IN THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS, BOTH MISDEMEANORS AND FELONIES IN SUPERIOR AND JUSTICE COURTS, MISDEMEANORS IN MUNICIPAL COURTS. MISDEMEANORS INCLUDE ALL FAILURE-TO-APPEAR COMPLAINTS REGARDLESS OF THE ORIGINAL CHARGE.
- [3] CIVIL DATA INCLUDE CIVIL, DOMESTIC RELATIONS, PROBATE, AND MENTAL HEALTH CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT, AND CIVIL, SMALL CLAIMS AND FORCIBLE DETAINER CASES IN JUSTICE COURTS.
- [4] TRAFFIC DATA INCLUDE BOTH CIVIL AND CRIMINAL TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS.
- [5] OTHER DATA INCLUDE PETITIONS FOR REVIEW IN THE SUPREME COURT, ALL CASES EXCEPT CRIMINAL, POST-CONVICTION RELIEF, OR CIVIL APPEALS IN THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS, JUVENILE AND ARIZONA TAX COURT CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT, AND NON-CRIMINAL LOCAL ORDINANCES IN JUSTICE AND MUNICIPAL COURTS.
- [6] TRIALS INCLUDE CRIMINAL, CIVIL, DOMESTIC RELATIONS, ARIZONA TAX COURT, AND DE NOVO TRIALS ON LIMITED JURISDICTION COURT APPEALS.

SUPERIOR COURT
RANKED BY TOTAL CASES FILED
FISCAL YEAR 2011

County ID#	County	Ranked Order	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Terminated
7	MARICOPA	1	155,148	163,977
10	PIMA	2	29,322	31,218
11	PINAL	3	12,439	12,514
13	YAVAPAI	4	7,483	7,422
8	MOHAVE	5	7,040	6,947
14	YUMA	6	6,187	5,526
2	COCHISE	7	4,007	3,363
3	COCONINO	8	3,506	4,063
9	NAVAJO	9	3,110	3,086
4	GILA	10	2,090	2,018
12	SANTA CRUZ	11	1,779	1,580
5	GRAHAM	12	1,351	1,209
1	APACHE	13	894	809
15	LA PAZ	14	691	583
6	GREENLEE	15	339	257

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JUSTICE COURTS
RANKED BY TOTAL CASES FILED
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County	Court ID#	Court Name	Ranked Order	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Terminated
PIMA	1001	PIMA CONSOLIDATED	1	141,185	149,567
MARICOPA	703	ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN	2	22,260	22,043
MARICOPA	714	AGUA FRIA	3	21,075	21,535
MARICOPA	704	SAN MARCOS	4	20,918	21,078
MARICOPA	720	SAN TAN	5	20,860	20,180
MOHAVE	801	KINGMAN/CERBAT CONSOLIDATED	6	20,760	21,125
MARICOPA	716	WEST MCDOWELL	7	18,377	20,083
MARICOPA	713	UNIVERSITY LAKES	8	17,887	17,341
MARICOPA	726	HIGHLAND	9	17,751	18,741
MARICOPA	710	ARROWHEAD	10	17,712	17,337
MARICOPA	724	NORTH VALLEY	11	17,606	16,553
MARICOPA	715	WEST MESA	12	17,604	17,026
COCONINO	301	FLAGSTAFF	13	17,250	19,632
MARICOPA	723	KYRENE	14	16,993	16,907
MARICOPA	717	HASSAYAMPA	15	16,942	20,318
YUMA	1401	YUMA(#1)	16	16,843	16,478
PINAL	1107	APACHE JUNCTION(#7)	17	15,722	14,056
MARICOPA	721	NORTH MESA	18	14,053	13,884
MARICOPA	712	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	19	13,612	14,197
MARICOPA	725	DESERT RIDGE	20	13,568	13,791
MARICOPA	718	ENCANTO	21	13,441	13,740
MARICOPA	705	EAST MESA	22	13,397	13,191
MARICOPA	701	DOWNTOWN	23	13,107	12,956
PIMA	1007	GREEN VALLEY(#7)	24	13,101	14,179
PINAL	1102	CASA GRANDE(#2)	25	13,059	13,745
COCHISE	205	SIERRA VISTA(#5)	26	12,418	14,136
MARICOPA	719	MARYVALE	27	11,950	12,085
MARICOPA	708	DREAMY DRAW	28	11,326	11,747
YAVAPAI	1303	PRESCOTT	29	10,721	10,250
MARICOPA	707	MANISTEE	30	10,578	9,823
YAVAPAI	1302	VERDE VALLEY (CAMP VERDE)	31	10,296	11,676
MARICOPA	709	MOON VALLEY	32	9,896	9,688
MOHAVE	802	BULLHEAD CITY	33	9,378	10,037
MARICOPA	702	ARCADIA BILTMORE	34	9,313	9,707
MARICOPA	711	MCDOWELL MOUNTAIN	35	9,134	8,877
YAVAPAI	1301	MAYER	36	8,911	9,878
SANTA CRUZ	1201	NOGALES(#1)	37	8,895	9,330
LA PAZ	1504	QUARTZSITE(#4)	38	8,223	9,067
NAVAJO	903	SNOWFLAKE(#3)	39	8,004	8,190
COCHISE	206	BOWIE(#6)	40	7,863	8,194
NAVAJO	901	HOLBROOK(#1)	41	7,845	9,156
GILA	403	GLOBE REGIONAL	42	7,495	9,517

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MOHAVE	804	LAKE HAVASU	43	6,871	6,573
COCHISE	202	DOUGLAS(#2)	44	6,675	8,055
PINAL	1103	ELOY(#3)	45	6,572	7,874
GILA	404	PAYSON	46	5,865	6,563
MARICOPA	706	IRONWOOD	47	4,704	4,484
COCONINO	302	WILLIAMS	48	4,670	4,959
PINAL	1108	MARICOPA(#8)	49	4,610	4,507
APACHE	103	PUERCO (SANDERS)	50	4,593	5,589
COCHISE	203	BENSON(#3)	51	4,571	5,593
COCHISE	204	WILLCOX(#4)	52	4,523	5,124
NAVAJO	902	WINSLOW(#2)	53	4,497	5,533
YUMA	1402	SOMERTON(#2)	54	4,381	3,892
NAVAJO	905	SHOW LOW(#5)	55	4,359	5,145
YUMA	1403	WELLTON(#3)	56	3,892	5,303
NAVAJO	907	PINETOP/LAKESIDE(#7)	57	3,860	4,824
COCHISE	201	BISBEE(#1)	58	3,777	3,493
MOHAVE	803	NORTH CANYON	59	3,486	3,731
LA PAZ	1505	SALOME(#5)	60	3,224	3,926
PIMA	1003	AJO(#3)	61	3,210	3,927
GRAHAM	501	SAFFORD(#1)	62	3,135	3,493
PINAL	1101	FLORENCE(#1)	63	2,876	3,727
LA PAZ	1506	PARKER(#3)	64	2,847	3,241
APACHE	101	ROUND VALLEY (SPRINGERVILLE)	65	2,807	2,915
YAVAPAI	1304	SELIGMAN	66	2,754	3,324
PINAL	1105	ORACLE(#5)	67	2,514	2,993
YAVAPAI	1307	YARNELL	68	2,455	2,736
COCONINO	305	PAGE	69	2,418	2,298
PINAL	1106	SUPERIOR(#6)	70	1,960	2,146
COCONINO	303	FREDONIA	71	1,402	1,771
GRAHAM	502	PIMA (GRAHAM COUNTY #2)	72	1,229	1,378
APACHE	104	TEEC NOS POS (CHINLE)	73	1,190	1,326
PINAL	1104	MAMMOTH(#4)	74	984	1,130
GREENLEE	602	DUNCAN(#2)	75	959	1,752
SANTA CRUZ	1202	EAST SANTA CRUZ(#2) (SONOITA)	76	896	1,001
GREENLEE	601	CLIFTON(#1)	77	798	850
APACHE	102	ST. JOHNS	78	726	680
YAVAPAI	1306	BAGDAD	79	423	427
NAVAJO	908	KAYENTA(#4)	80	336	363

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MUNICIPAL COURTS
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MARICOPA	741	PHOENIX	1	293,635	301,877
PIMA	1041	TUCSON	2	225,023	329,146
MARICOPA	745	MESA	3	138,370	144,549
MARICOPA	751	SCOTTSDALE	4	104,301	114,984
MARICOPA	753	TEMPE	5	97,554	97,845
MARICOPA	747	GLENDALE	6	39,622	47,780
MARICOPA	748	CHANDLER	7	30,769	29,472
YAVAPAI	1347	PRESCOTT VALLEY	8	25,602	23,443
MARICOPA	750	PEORIA	9	23,664	26,853
MARICOPA	766	GILBERT	10	23,309	27,593
COCONINO	341	FLAGSTAFF	11	20,648	23,100
MARICOPA	765	PARADISE VALLEY	12	20,595	24,063
GILA	447	STAR VALLEY	13	17,854	18,567
MARICOPA	761	SURPRISE	14	17,057	20,278
YUMA	1441	YUMA	15	16,408	20,750
MARICOPA	759	EL MIRAGE	16	16,119	12,657
NAVAJO	945	SHOW LOW	17	13,606	15,547
YAVAPAI	1343	PRESCOTT	18	12,172	11,862
MARICOPA	760	AVONDALE	19	11,559	13,626
SANTA CRUZ	1241	NOGALES	20	11,248	11,026
MARICOPA	762	GOODYEAR	21	9,747	11,082
MOHAVE	844	LAKE HAVASU	22	9,259	8,910
PINAL	1142	CASA GRANDE	23	8,568	8,993
PIMA	1044	MARANA	24	8,487	10,175
MOHAVE	842	BULLHEAD CITY	25	7,931	8,483
MARICOPA	743	BUCKEYE	26	7,304	7,406
PIMA	1045	ORO VALLEY	27	6,244	7,249
PINAL	1144	MARICOPA	28	5,883	5,723
PIMA	1042	SOUTH TUCSON	29	5,602	8,359
PINAL	1149	APACHE JUNCTION	30	5,275	6,076
COCHISE	242	DOUGLAS	31	4,228	4,505
YUMA	1447	SAN LUIS	32	4,224	5,336
MOHAVE	841	KINGMAN	33	4,167	4,039
MARICOPA	754	TOLLESON	34	3,745	5,267
PIMA	1046	SAHUARITA	35	3,210	4,025
PINAL	1143	ELOY	36	3,160	3,983
YAVAPAI	1346	SEDONA	37	3,068	3,444
YAVAPAI	1354	CAMP VERDE	38	2,900	2,866
GILA	443	GLOBE	39	2,764	1,710
COCONINO	345	PAGE	40	2,742	3,568
YAVAPAI	1353	CHINO VALLEY	41	2,600	2,881
MARICOPA	742	FOUNTAIN HILLS	42	2,497	2,858
YAVAPAI	1342	COTTONWOOD	43	2,308	2,143

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MARICOPA	757	WICKENBURG	44	2,240	2,775
YUMA	1442	SOMERTON	45	2,086	2,356
MARICOPA	764	GUADALUPE	46	2,012	1,809
PINAL	1148	COOLIDGE	47	1,818	1,902
GILA	444	PAYSON	48	1,765	2,200
LA PAZ	1541	QUARTZSITE	49	1,750	1,642
PINAL	1141	FLORENCE	50	1,402	1,429
GRAHAM	541	SAFFORD	51	1,373	1,585
LA PAZ	1546	PARKER	52	1,328	1,443
MARICOPA	767	CAREFREE	53	1,116	1,166
MARICOPA	768	CAVE CREEK	54	1,102	1,157
COCHISE	248	HUACHUCA CITY	55	1,031	1,171
NAVAJO	942	WINSLOW	56	1,027	1,243
MARICOPA	769	LITCHFIELD PARK	57	989	1,103
YAVAPAI	1349	JEROME	58	773	811
PINAL	1140	SUPERIOR	59	765	549
GRAHAM	546	THATCHER	60	760	767
NAVAJO	949	PINETOP/LAKESIDE	61	743	983
COCONINO	342	WILLIAMS	62	642	743
NAVAJO	941	HOLBROOK	63	636	718
APACHE	141	SPRINGERVILLE	64	587	676
APACHE	145	EAGAR	65	529	636
GREENLEE	641	CLIFTON	66	415	362
GILA	441	MIAMI	67	407	640
YUMA	1443	WELLTON	68	406	369
APACHE	142	ST. JOHNS	69	365	392
YAVAPAI	1355	DEWEY-HUMBOLDT	70	357	376
MARICOPA	746	GILA BEND	71	332	329
COCHISE	247	TOMBSTONE	72	316	452
YAVAPAI	1348	CLARKDALE	73	291	300
COCONINO	343	FREDONIA	74	281	300
MOHAVE	845	COLORADO CITY	75	278	272
MARICOPA	763	YOUNGTOWN	76	275	663
GRAHAM	542	PIMA	77	200	255
PINAL	1147	KEARNY	78	196	195
GILA	442	HAYDEN	79	177	163
GILA	446	WINKELMAN	80	172	123
PINAL	1145	MAMMOTH	81	130	199
COCHISE	245	SIERRA VISTA	82	76	110
SANTA CRUZ	1242	PATAGONIA	83	63	160

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