

## COURT ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY

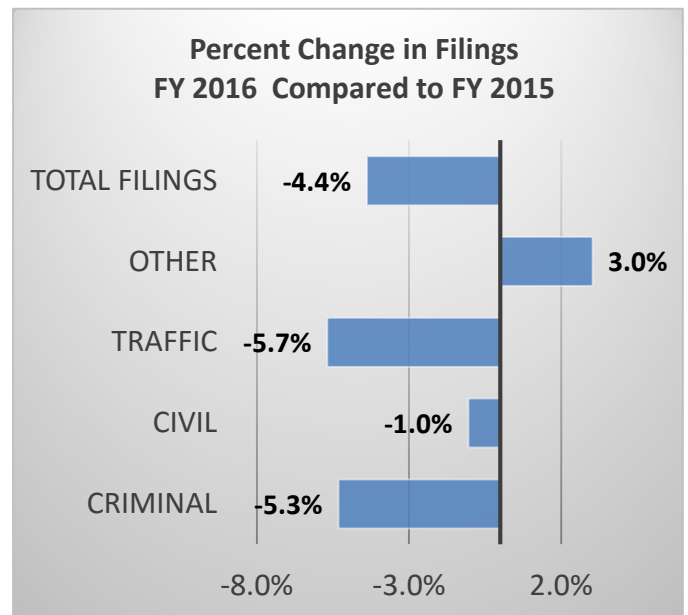
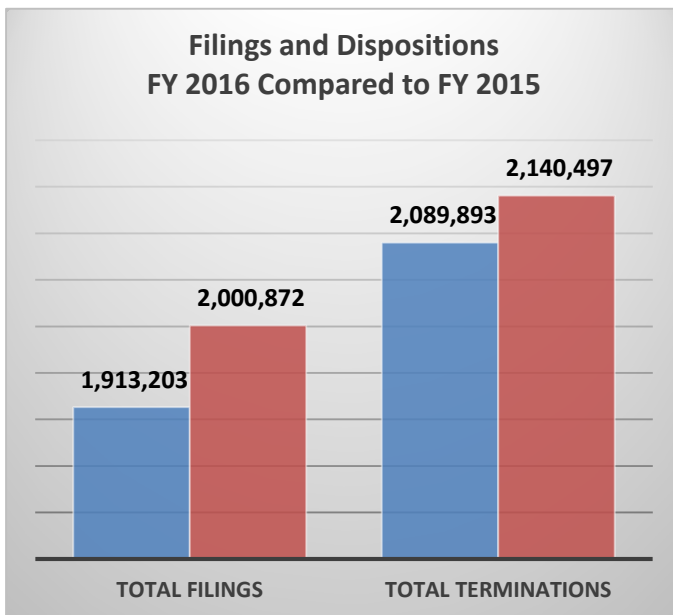
### Narrative Summary

Total case filings statewide decreased by 4.4%, from 2,000,872 in FY 2015 to 1,913,203 in FY 2016. Criminal filings decreased by 5.3%, from 391,506 during FY 2015 to 370,686 during FY 2016. Criminal and civil traffic filings decreased by 67,055 filings, or 5.7% from FY 2015 to FY 2016. Civil filings decreased from 314,139 in FY 2015 to 310,841 in FY 2016, down 1.0%. The category for “Other” filings which includes various appellate cases, local non-criminal violations in the limited jurisdiction courts and other miscellaneous filings, increased by 3.0%. Filings in the Municipal Courts decreased by 90,902 filings, or 8.3%, while filings in the Justice Courts were flat during the same period. In Superior Court, filings decreased by a lesser margin, with 2,069 fewer filings in FY 2016 compared to FY 2015, a decrease of 1.1%.

Total case dispositions (including transfers out) decreased by 2.4%, from 2,140,497 in FY 2015 to 2,089,896 in FY 2016. Overall, criminal and traffic dispositions decreased over the fiscal year, while civil and “other” dispositions increased.

Statewide, non-jury and jury trials decreased from FY 2015 to FY 2016, down 3.8% and 9.1%, respectively. Jury trials decreased from 2,176 to 1,979, while non-jury trials decreased from 13,729 to 13,202. The majority of trials held during FY 2016 were non-jury trials in limited jurisdiction courts (55.7%). Non-Jury trials account for 87.0% of the total trials statewide, while jury trials account for the remaining 13.0%.

Petitions for orders of protection decreased 0.9% from FY 2015 to FY 2016, while petitions for injunctions against harassment decreased 2.1% during the same period. Of the total protective orders filed during FY 2016, 84.7% of orders of protection, and 75.4% of injunctions against harassment were issued.



Some of the FY 2015 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 2016

STATEWIDE TOTALS

CATEGORIES	SUPREME COURT	COURT OF APPEALS	SUPERIOR COURT	JUSTICE COURTS	MUNICIPAL COURTS	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2015 TOTAL [1]
<b>CASE FILINGS:</b>							
CRIMINAL[2]	14	1,235	51,599	122,238	195,600	370,686	391,503
CIVIL[3]	5	1,043	117,440	192,353		310,841	314,139
TRAFFIC[4]				399,678	713,023	1,112,701	1,179,756
OTHER[5]	1,019	1,337	20,536	509	95,574	118,975	115,474
TOTAL	1,038	3,615	189,575	714,778	1,004,197	1,913,203	2,000,872
<b>CASE DISPOSITIONS:</b>							
CRIMINAL[2]	11	1,217	49,133	148,526	243,330	442,217	458,376
CIVIL[3]	4	1,071	117,304	204,358		322,737	322,377
TRAFFIC[4]				410,804	780,675	1,191,479	1,249,744
OTHER[5]	1,042	1,329	19,469	539	111,081	133,460	110,000
TOTAL	1,057	3,617	185,906	764,227	1,135,086	2,089,893	2,140,497
<b>TRIALS[6]:</b>							
JURY			1,243	295	441	1,979	2,176
NON-JURY			4,752	5,871	2,579	13,202	13,729
TOTAL			5,995	6,166	3,020	15,181	15,905
POST-CONVICTION RELIEF PETITIONS FILED			2,089			2,089	2,014
POST-CONV RELIEF PETITIONS DISPOSED			1,678			1,678	1,705
ORDER OF PROTECTION PETITIONS FILED			12,569	9,102	13,238	34,909	35,209
ORDERS OF PROTECTION ISSUED			10,868	7,954	10,761	29,583	29,714
EMERGENCY ORDERS OF PROTECTION ISSUED			95			95	79
INJ AGAINST HARASSMENT PETITIONS FILED			3,579	6,254	6,747	16,580	16,928
INJUNCTIONS AGAINST HARASSMENT ISSUED			3,064	4,899	4,539	12,502	12,642

- [1] SOME FIGURES DIFFER FROM THOSE IN THE FY 2015 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 2016**

County ID#	County	Ranked Order	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Terminated
7	MARICOPA	1	120,464	114,879
10	PIMA	2	26,647	26,073
11	PINAL	3	9,711	9,556
13	YAVAPAI	4	6,205	6,228
8	MOHAVE	5	5,868	6,418
14	YUMA	6	4,889	5,848
2	COCHISE	7	3,308	3,200
3	COCONINO	8	3,060	3,048
9	NAVAJO	9	2,571	2,827
4	GILA	10	1,679	2,466
5	GRAHAM	11	1,203	1,236
12	SANTA CRUZ	12	1,194	1,254
1	APACHE	13	1,021	930
15	LA PAZ	14	586	612
6	GREENLEE	15	314	383

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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	114,608	118,763
PINAL	1107	APACHE JUNCTION(#7)	2	18,315	23,770
MARICOPA	721	NORTH MESA	3	17,712	16,386
MARICOPA	715	WEST MESA	4	16,677	15,921
COCONINO	301	FLAGSTAFF	5	16,614	21,442
MOHAVE	801	KINGMAN/CERBAT CONSOLIDATED	6	16,525	17,194
MARICOPA	723	KYRENE	7	16,197	15,201
MARICOPA	703	WHITE TANK	8	16,129	15,102
MARICOPA	727	COUNTRY MEADOWS	9	15,959	14,156
MARICOPA	701	DOWNTOWN	10	15,321	15,112
MARICOPA	718	ENCANTO	11	14,633	14,182
MARICOPA	709	MOON VALLEY	12	14,137	13,279
MARICOPA	725	DESERT RIDGE	13	14,080	13,548
MARICOPA	704	SAN MARCOS	14	13,216	13,085
MARICOPA	713	UNIVERSITY LAKES	15	13,145	13,135
COCHISE	205	SIERRA VISTA(#5)	16	12,995	14,788
MARICOPA	720	SAN TAN	17	12,993	12,871
MARICOPA	710	ARROWHEAD	18	12,857	11,971
MARICOPA	716	WEST MCDOWELL	19	12,677	11,851
MARICOPA	714	AGUA FRIA	20	11,908	12,150
PINAL	1102	CASA GRANDE(#2)	21	11,870	13,162
MARICOPA	707	MANISTEE	22	11,860	13,103
YUMA	1401	YUMA(#1)	23	11,842	14,680
MARICOPA	717	HASSAYAMPA	24	11,164	11,517
MARICOPA	724	NORTH VALLEY	25	10,519	10,786
SANTA CRUZ	1201	NOGALES(#1)	26	10,405	11,477
YAVAPAI	1303	PRESCOTT	27	10,334	8,447
MARICOPA	705	EAST MESA	28	10,006	9,690
MARICOPA	712	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	29	9,933	10,410
YAVAPAI	1302	VERDE VALLEY (CAMP VERDE)	30	9,401	9,260
MARICOPA	719	MARYVALE	31	8,588	8,368
MARICOPA	702	ARCADIA BILTMORE	32	8,538	8,290
MARICOPA	726	HIGHLAND	33	8,064	8,306
MARICOPA	708	DREAMY DRAW	34	7,325	7,477
NAVAJO	903	SNOWFLAKE(#3)	35	7,038	7,744
YAVAPAI	1301	MAYER	36	7,038	8,240
MOHAVE	802	BULLHEAD CITY	37	6,757	5,031
COCHISE	203	BENSON(#3)	38	6,700	7,643
NAVAJO	901	HOLBROOK(#1)	39	6,598	11,423
COCHISE	204	WILLCOX(#4)	40	6,174	6,726
MARICOPA	711	MCDOWELL MOUNTAIN	41	6,169	6,609
LA PAZ	1504	QUARTZSITE(#4)	42	5,932	6,804
MARICOPA	706	IRONWOOD	43	5,786	5,268

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MOHAVE	804	LAKE HAVASU	44	5,388	6,100
COCONINO	302	WILLIAMS	45	5,216	5,294
NAVAJO	902	WINSLOW(#2)	46	5,193	6,544
COCHISE	202	DOUGLAS(#2)	47	5,001	5,646
COCHISE	206	BOWIE(#6)	48	4,983	5,249
GILA	404	PAYSON	49	4,974	5,365
PINAL	1103	ELOY(#3)	50	4,863	5,914
YAVAPAI	1304	SELIGMAN	51	4,837	5,118
GILA	403	GLOBE REGIONAL	52	4,780	4,606
APACHE	101	ROUND VALLEY (SPRINGVILLE)	53	4,760	5,073
MOHAVE	803	NORTH CANYON	54	4,634	5,144
APACHE	103	PUERCO (SANDERS)	55	4,465	6,099
NAVAJO	905	SHOW LOW(#5)	56	4,261	6,514
PINAL	1108	MARICOPA(#8)	57	4,161	6,719
GRAHAM	501	SAFFORD(#1)	58	4,116	4,238
YAVAPAI	1307	YARNELL	59	3,935	4,134
LA PAZ	1505	SALOME(#5)	60	3,829	3,886
NAVAJO	907	PINETOP/LAKESIDE(#7)	61	3,776	4,267
COCHISE	201	BISBEE(#1)	62	3,681	4,315
COCONINO	305	PAGE	63	3,619	3,609
PIMA	1007	GREEN VALLEY(#7)	64	2,962	3,767
YUMA	1403	WELLTON(#3)	65	2,723	3,635
YUMA	1402	SOMERTON(#2)	66	2,591	14,193
PINAL	1101	FLORENCE(#1)	67	2,463	3,588
LA PAZ	1506	PARKER(#3)	68	2,395	2,512
PIMA	1003	AJO(#3)	69	2,155	2,007
PINAL	1105	ORACLE(#5)	70	2,013	2,427
GRAHAM	502	PIMA (GRAHAM COUNTY #2)	71	2,002	2,237
COCONINO	303	FREDONIA	72	1,851	2,000
APACHE	102	ST. JOHNS	73	1,441	1,585
PINAL	1106	SUPERIOR(#6)	74	1,432	1,541
GREENLEE	601	CLIFTON(#1)	75	1,388	1,806
GREENLEE	602	DUNCAN(#2)	76	1,280	1,487
SANTA CRUZ	1202	EAST SANTA CRUZ(#2) (SONOITA)	77	1,182	1,277
APACHE	104	TEEC NOS POS (CHINLE)	78	763	819
PINAL	1104	MAMMOTH(#4)	79	548	734
NAVAJO	908	KAYENTA(#4)	80	375	330
YAVAPAI	1306	BAGDAD	81	3	80

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MARICOPA	741	PHOENIX	1	156,933	176,433
PIMA	1041	TUCSON	2	152,271	190,424
MARICOPA	745	MESA	3	103,164	109,280
MARICOPA	751	SCOTTSDALE	4	100,920	102,264
MARICOPA	753	TEMPE	5	68,237	69,355
MARICOPA	765	PARADISE VALLEY	6	54,719	52,980
MARICOPA	747	GLENDALE	7	41,516	45,679
MARICOPA	759	EL MIRAGE	8	36,695	45,493
MARICOPA	766	GILBERT	9	31,473	30,721
MARICOPA	748	CHANDLER	10	29,589	31,643
GILA	447	STAR VALLEY	11	21,045	24,035
COCONINO	341	FLAGSTAFF	12	16,267	18,738
YUMA	1441	YUMA	13	12,717	16,760
MARICOPA	750	PEORIA	14	11,522	14,548
MARICOPA	761	SURPRISE	15	10,735	13,101
PINAL	1142	CASA GRANDE	16	10,333	11,465
MARICOPA	760	AVONDALE	17	9,182	11,365
PIMA	1044	MARANA	18	7,878	9,299
MOHAVE	842	BULLHEAD CITY	19	7,733	8,414
MARICOPA	762	GOODYEAR	20	7,511	8,883
MOHAVE	844	LAKE HAVASU	21	7,484	7,925
YAVAPAI	1347	PRESCOTT VALLEY	22	7,316	9,189
MARICOPA	743	BUCKEYE	23	7,146	8,543
PINAL	1149	APACHE JUNCTION	24	6,854	7,057
YAVAPAI	1343	PRESCOTT	25	6,727	5,300
PIMA	1045	ORO VALLEY	26	4,856	4,987
SANTA CRUZ	1241	NOGALES	27	4,816	21,502
YUMA	1447	SAN LUIS	28	4,727	5,325
PINAL	1144	MARICOPA	29	4,542	5,728
MOHAVE	841	KINGMAN	30	3,697	3,681
MARICOPA	754	TOLLESON	31	3,381	5,027
SANTA CRUZ	1242	PATAGONIA	32	3,312	3,426
COCONINO	345	PAGE	33	2,530	2,704
YAVAPAI	1342	COTTONWOOD	34	2,389	2,557
PIMA	1042	SOUTH TUCSON	35	2,350	2,707
PIMA	1046	SAHUARITA	36	2,111	2,184
PINAL	1148	COOLIDGE	37	2,045	2,395
COCHISE	242	DOUGLAS	38	1,950	2,265
YAVAPAI	1346	SEDONA	39	1,946	2,317
YAVAPAI	1353	CHINO VALLEY	40	1,889	2,172
YUMA	1442	SOMERTON	41	1,840	2,069
YAVAPAI	1354	CAMP VERDE	42	1,810	1,902
PINAL	1143	ELOY	43	1,802	2,445

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MARICOPA	757	WICKENBURG	44	1,687	2,403
PINAL	1141	FLORENCE	45	1,656	1,868
MARICOPA	742	FOUNTAIN HILLS	46	1,549	1,760
GILA	444	PAYSON	47	1,379	1,703
LA PAZ	1546	PARKER	48	1,368	1,374
MARICOPA	767	CAREFREE/CAVE CREEK	49	1,272	1,346
GRAHAM	541	SAFFORD	50	1,211	1,706
NAVAJO	945	SHOW LOW	51	1,119	1,649
GILA	443	GLOBE	52	1,028	1,359
COCHISE	248	HUACHUCA CITY	53	938	987
MARICOPA	746	GILA BEND	54	877	935
YAVAPAI	1349	JEROME	55	782	794
NAVAJO	949	PINETOP/LAKESIDE	56	722	807
YAVAPAI	1355	DEWEY-HUMBOLDT	57	710	830
MARICOPA	764	GUADALUPE	58	688	1,028
YAVAPAI	1348	CLARKDALE	59	678	628
GRAHAM	546	THATCHER	60	670	890
APACHE	141	SPRINGERVILLE	61	651	692
COCONINO	342	WILLIAMS	62	646	731
APACHE	142	ST. JOHNS	63	631	549
COCHISE	247	TOMBSTONE	64	611	544
MARICOPA	763	YOUNGTOWN	65	584	698
MARICOPA	769	LITCHFIELD PARK	66	573	609
LA PAZ	1541	QUARTZSITE	67	552	654
NAVAJO	942	WINSLOW	68	537	782
APACHE	145	EAGAR	69	466	503
GREENLEE	641	CLIFTON	70	446	383
NAVAJO	941	HOLBROOK	71	432	534
COCONINO	343	FREDONIA	72	253	201
YUMA	1443	WELLTON	73	239	295
PINAL	1140	SUPERIOR	74	234	242
GILA	441	MIAMI	75	212	213
GRAHAM	542	PIMA	76	204	280
MOHAVE	845	COLORADO CITY	77	203	287
GILA	446	WINKELMAN	78	131	136
COCHISE	245	SIERRA VISTA	79	88	156
PINAL	1145	MAMMOTH	80	86	112
GILA	442	HAYDEN	81	72	63
PINAL	1147	KEARNY	82	52	68

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