

Court of Appeals

2006 Annual Caseload

Report

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Court of Appeals Glossary

This glossary is included to assist in understanding the statistical tables.

Filings

Notice Of Appeal - The filing of an appeal of a trial court final judgment that is reviewable as a matter of right. Notices of appeal must be filed within 30 days of the trial court judgment. Unless otherwise prohibited by statute or court rule, a party may appeal from only trial court decisions as specified in Rules of Appellate Procedure (RAP) 2.2. Notices of appeal are categorized into criminal and civil appeals.

Personal Restraint Petition - The filing of a review to seek relief from limitations on a person's freedom due to current or imminent confinement, or other restrictions imposed by a criminal or civil trial court decision (RAP 16.4).

Discretionary Review - The filing of a review of interlocutory orders of a trial court, made prior to a final determination of the case, concerning whether errors or substantial departure from accepted and usual courses of proceedings occurred in the case. Unless otherwise prohibited by statute or court rule, a party may seek discretionary review of any act of superior court not appealable as a matter of right (RAP 2.3). **Dispositions**

The appellate court may reverse, affirm, or modify the decision being reviewed and take any other action as the merits of the case and the interest of justice may require (RAP 12.2). Each review is counted as being disposed as soon as a decision terminating review is filed with the appellate clerk.

Opinions - The statement by the court of the decision reached in regard to a cause argued before it, expounding the law as applied to the case, and detailing the reasons upon which the judgment is based.

Opinions Published - The published written opinion terminating the review.

Opinions Unpublished - The unpublished written opinion terminating the review.

Commissioners' Rulings - Rulings by commissioners which terminate review.

Motion On The Merits - Termination of a review due to the granting of a motion on the merits (RAP 18.14).

Other Rulings - Other rulings by commissioners, such as rulings on accelerated review of adult sentences or juvenile offender proceedings or granting a motion to dismiss--Anders (RAP 15.2(h)).

Dismissed - An order issued by the court dismissing the review prior to the point where case merit is determined. The commissioner or clerk may dismiss a review for failure to comply with procedures. The court, on motion of a party, may dismiss a review for want of prosecution, if the review is frivolous, moot or solely for the purpose of delay, or for failure to comply with procedures (RAP 18.9).

Transferred/Certified - The Supreme Court, to promote orderly administration of justice may, on its own initiative or on motion of a party, transfer a case from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court ("certified"). A case may be transferred from one division to another within the Court of Appeals (RAP 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, RCW 2.06.030).

Review Not Accepted - Reviews may not be accepted if they do not meet the conditions governing

the acceptance of review (RAP 2.2, 2.3, and 16.4).

Other Terminations - An order issued by the court terminating the review before an opinion is rendered. An order to terminate a review would result if, for example, a petitioner decided to withdraw the review. **Pending Cases**

Case Stayed - Those cases temporarily arrested or removed from judicial processing by order of the court.

Brief Not Filed - Those cases within the stages of perfection in which no briefs have yet been filed.

Appellant Brief Filed - Those cases within the stages of perfection in which appellant's brief has been filed, but respondent's brief is still awaited.

Respondent Brief Filed - Those cases within the stages of perfection in which both appellant's brief and respondent's brief have been filed, but case has yet to be set on the court calendar for review.

Remanded To Trial Court - Those cases whose jurisdiction have been temporarily returned to the trial court of origination.

Set For Motion On The Merits - Those cases which have progressed to the point at which all briefs were filed and served, and now qualify for setting. Because a motion on the merits has been made, these cases have been set on the Motion On The Merits calendar (RAP 18.14).

Ruling Referred To Panel - Cases which were initially assigned to a commissioner, who has ruled that they should be referred to a panel of judges for a decision.

Set For Oral Argument - Those cases which have progressed to the point at which all briefs were filed and served and have been set for a review.

Opinion/Order In Process - Those cases which have been reviewed by the court but have yet to receive a decision.

Mandated

A review is mandated by the clerk of the Court of Appeals when a written notification, when required, is sent to the trial court and all parties. The notification informs all parties of an appellate court decision terminating the review.

Time In Process Statistics --Notice Of Appeals

Filing - The date the appeal is filed in the trial court.

Statement Of Arrangements - The date of the first occurrence when the Statement Of Arrangements has either been "Received" or "Filed" in the appellate court.

Report Of Proceedings - The date of the first occurrence when the Report Of Proceedings has either been "Filed" or "Received." The latter is recorded when the report is returned from the printer. Note: For statistical purposes "Received" is only employed when "Filed" is omitted.

Appellant's Brief - The date of the last occurrence for the Appellant's Brief to either be "Filed" or "Received." The latter is recorded when the report is returned from the printer. Note: For statistical purposes "Received" is only employed when "Filed" is omitted.

Respondent's Brief - The date of the last occurrence for the Respondent's Brief to either be "Filed" or

"Received." The latter is recorded when the report is returned from the printer. Note: For statistical purposes "Received" is only employed when "Filed" is omitted.

Oral Argument - The date of the first occurrence that the oral argument received a status of "Heard."

Opinion - The date of the first occurrence of the opinion being filed.

Mandate - A written notification by the clerk of the appellate court to the trial court and to the parties of an appellate court decision terminating review.

Note that the time-in-process tables have been changed in 1997 to reflect the 75th percentile rather than the median number of days between events. The change was made for consistency with national standards.

The Court Of Appeals
Court Activity, All Divisions, 2006

	-----Appeals-----			-----Other Reviews-----			All Reviews
	Criminal	Civil	Total	Personal Restraint	Discr. Review	Total	
FILINGS							
Total Filings	1,460	1,330	2,790	993	407	1,400	4,190
RESOLUTIONS							
Opinions Published	134	230	364	11	19	30	394
Opinions Unpublished	705	427	1,132	24	17	41	1,173
Opinions	839	657	1,496	35	36	71	1,567
Dismissed	5	9	14	913	2	915	929
Transferred/Certified	3	5	8	12	1	13	21
Review Not Accepted	1	0	1	5	4	9	10
Other Terminations	1	14	15	42	2	44	59
Orders	10	28	38	972	9	981	1,019
Decided on the Merits	249	195	444	8	2	10	454
Dismissed	237	445	682	50	118	168	850
Transferred/Certified	2	1	3	0	1	1	4
Review Not Accepted	11	33	44	0	209	209	253
Other Terminations	12	10	22	12	8	20	42
Rulings	511	684	1,195	70	338	408	1,603
Total Resolved	1,360	1,369	2,729	1,077	383	1,460	4,189
PENDING AT YEAR END¹							
Cases Stayed	127	42	169	72	57	129	298
Brief Not Filed	662	553	1,215	251	93	344	1,559
Appellant Brief Filed	270	124	394	3	6	9	403
Respondent Brief Filed	371	252	623	106	16	122	745
Remanded to Trial Court	12	2	14	0	0	0	14
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	57	56	113	1	20	21	134
Ruling Referred to Panel	4	3	7	3	0	3	10
Set for Oral Argument ²	132	110	242	11	7	18	260
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,635	1,142	2,777	447	199	646	3,423
Opinion/Order in Process	180	146	326	14	15	29	355
Total Pending Decision	1,815	1,288	3,103	461	214	675	3,778
MANDATED							
Opinions	818	670	1,488	37	51	88	1,576
Orders	13	19	32	1,035	11	1,046	1,078
Rulings	488	696	1,184	60	336	396	1,580
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	24	29	53	31	11	42	95
Total Mandated	1,343	1,414	2,757	1,163	409	1,572	4,329

¹ As a result of the recent transition to the new Appellate Court Records and Data System(ACORDS-II), measurement of resolution types and the various stages of pending caseload are not comparable to measurements for prior years. Extreme caution should be used in interpreting 2003 and future activity relative to that shown for prior years.

² Set for Oral Argument counts are influenced by procedural differences among divisions in setting cases. Division III, due to hearings in multiple locations, often delays the setting of cases until there are sufficient numbers to warrant travel, but cases are usually set only six weeks out.

³ Includes completions for secondary cases, which are those consolidated with a primary case and disposed by mandate/certificate of finality entered in the primary case.

The Court Of Appeals
Court Activity, Division I, 2006

	-----Appeals-----			-----Other Reviews-----			All Reviews
	Criminal	Civil	Total	Personal Restraint	Discr. Review	Total	
FILINGS							
Total Filings	538	630	1,168	435	194	629	1,797
RESOLUTIONS							
Opinions Published	47	77	124	4	6	10	134
Opinions Unpublished	275	245	520	13	10	23	543
Opinions	322	322	644	17	16	33	677
Dismissed	2	4	6	402	2	404	410
Transferred/Certified	0	1	1	6	1	7	8
Review Not Accepted	1	0	1	0	2	2	3
Other Terminations	1	9	10	6	1	7	17
Orders	4	14	18	414	6	420	438
Decided on the Merits	46	75	121	0	1	1	122
Dismissed	108	206	314	12	71	83	397
Transferred/Certified	0	1	1	0	1	1	2
Review Not Accepted	6	19	25	0	92	92	117
Other Terminations	2	6	8	4	3	7	15
Rulings	162	307	469	16	168	184	653
Total Resolved	488	643	1,131	447	190	637	1,768
PENDING AT YEAR END¹							
Cases Stayed	80	22	102	51	2	53	155
Brief Not Filed	276	258	534	83	56	139	673
Appellant Brief Filed	106	69	175	1	5	6	181
Respondent Brief Filed	167	140	307	23	12	35	342
Remanded to Trial Court	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	10	11	21	0	8	8	29
Ruling Referred to Panel	3	2	5	3	0	3	8
Set for Oral Argument ²	35	64	99	2	5	7	106
Total Awaiting Hearing	678	566	1,244	163	88	251	1,495
Opinion/Order in Process	21	57	78	0	4	4	82
Total Pending Decision	699	623	1,322	163	92	255	1,577
MANDATED							
Opinions	322	334	656	17	14	31	687
Orders	6	8	14	503	7	510	524
Rulings	149	323	472	10	156	166	638
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	14	24	38	11	7	18	56
Total Mandated	491	689	1,180	541	184	725	1,905

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The Court Of Appeals
 Court Activity, Division II, 2006

	-----Appeals-----			-----Other Reviews-----			All Reviews
	Criminal	Civil	Total	Personal Restraint	Discr. Review	Total	
FILINGS							
Total Filings	582	436	1,018	343	96	439	1,457
RESOLUTIONS							
Opinions Published	51	96	147	1	9	10	157
Opinions Unpublished	247	106	353	0	3	3	356
Opinions	298	202	500	1	12	13	513
Dismissed	3	5	8	326	0	326	334
Transferred/Certified	3	2	5	4	0	4	9
Review Not Accepted	0	0	0	5	1	6	6
Other Terminations	0	4	4	26	0	26	30
Orders	6	11	17	361	1	362	379
Decided on the Merits	147	82	229	4	0	4	233
Dismissed	79	145	224	16	23	39	263
Transferred/Certified	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Review Not Accepted	0	2	2	0	59	59	61
Other Terminations	1	2	3	8	4	12	15
Rulings	229	231	460	28	86	114	574
Total Resolved	533	444	977	390	99	489	1,466
PENDING AT YEAR END¹							
Cases Stayed	12	10	22	7	3	10	32
Brief Not Filed	262	181	443	107	23	130	573
Appellant Brief Filed	102	35	137	0	1	1	138
Respondent Brief Filed	108	40	148	75	1	76	224
Remanded to Trial Court	6	1	7	0	0	0	7
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	8	12	20	0	1	1	21
Ruling Referred to Panel	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Set for Oral Argument ²	84	40	124	8	2	10	134
Total Awaiting Hearing	583	319	902	197	31	228	1,130
Opinion/Order in Process	88	56	144	6	9	15	159
Total Pending Decision	671	375	1,046	203	40	243	1,289
MANDATED							
Opinions	307	196	503	8	18	26	529
Orders	7	8	15	336	2	338	353
Rulings	230	225	455	24	94	118	573
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	5	5	10	17	3	20	30
Total Mandated	549	434	983	385	117	502	1,485

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The Court Of Appeals
 Court Activity, Division III, 2006

	-----Appeals-----			-----Other Reviews-----			All Reviews
	Criminal	Civil	Total	Personal Restraint	Discr. Review	Total	
FILINGS							
Total Filings	340	264	604	215	117	332	936
RESOLUTIONS							
Opinions Published	36	57	93	6	4	10	103
Opinions Unpublished	183	76	259	11	4	15	274
Opinions	219	133	352	17	8	25	377
Dismissed	0	0	0	185	0	185	185
Transferred/Certified	0	2	2	2	0	2	4
Review Not Accepted	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Other Terminations	0	1	1	10	1	11	12
Orders	0	3	3	197	2	199	202
Decided on the Merits	56	38	94	4	1	5	99
Dismissed	50	94	144	22	24	46	190
Transferred/Certified	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Review Not Accepted	5	12	17	0	58	58	75
Other Terminations	9	2	11	0	1	1	12
Rulings	120	146	266	26	84	110	376
Total Resolved	339	282	621	240	94	334	955
PENDING AT YEAR END¹							
Cases Stayed	35	10	45	14	52	66	111
Brief Not Filed	124	114	238	61	14	75	313
Appellant Brief Filed	62	20	82	2	0	2	84
Respondent Brief Filed	96	72	168	8	3	11	179
Remanded to Trial Court	5	1	6	0	0	0	6
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	39	33	72	1	11	12	84
Ruling Referred to Panel	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Set for Oral Argument ²	13	6	19	1	0	1	20
Total Awaiting Hearing	374	257	631	87	80	167	798
Opinion/Order in Process	71	33	104	8	2	10	114
Total Pending Decision	445	290	735	95	82	177	912
MANDATED							
Opinions	189	140	329	12	19	31	360
Orders	0	3	3	196	2	198	201
Rulings	109	148	257	26	86	112	369
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	5	0	5	3	1	4	9
Total Mandated	303	291	594	237	108	345	939

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The Court of Appeals
History of Filings, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Criminal Appeals	672	590	-12.2%	540	-8.5%	572	5.9%	538	-5.9%
Civil Appeals	663	743	12.1%	686	-7.7%	766	11.7%	630	-17.8%
Total Appeals	1,335	1,333	-0.1%	1,226	-8.0%	1,338	9.1%	1,168	-12.7%
Personal Restraint Petitions	341	428	25.5%	470	9.8%	464	-1.3%	435	-6.3%
Notices of Discretionary Review	195	199	2.1%	207	4.0%	201	-2.9%	194	-3.5%
Total Filings, Division I	1,871	1,960	4.8%	1,903	-2.9%	2,003	5.3%	1,797	-10.3%
DIVISION II									
Criminal Appeals	653	554	-15.2%	555	0.2%	547	-1.4%	582	6.4%
Civil Appeals	490	433	-11.6%	411	-5.1%	418	1.7%	436	4.3%
Total Appeals	1,143	987	-13.6%	966	-2.1%	965	-0.1%	1,018	5.5%
Personal Restraint Petitions	311	365	17.4%	432	18.4%	445	3.0%	343	-22.9%
Notices of Discretionary Review	114	102	-10.5%	100	-2.0%	89	-11.0%	96	7.9%
Total Filings, Division II	1,568	1,454	-7.3%	1,498	3.0%	1,499	0.1%	1,457	-2.8%
DIVISION III									
Criminal Appeals	377	360	-4.5%	400	11.1%	371	-7.3%	340	-8.4%
Civil Appeals	310	312	0.6%	291	-6.7%	337	15.8%	264	-21.7%
Total Appeals	687	672	-2.2%	691	2.8%	708	2.5%	604	-14.7%
Personal Restraint Petitions	153	214	39.9%	232	8.4%	301	29.7%	215	-28.6%
Notices of Discretionary Review	91	85	-6.6%	120	41.2%	106	-11.7%	117	10.4%
Total Filings, Division III	931	971	4.3%	1,043	7.4%	1,115	6.9%	936	-16.1%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Criminal Appeals	1,702	1,504	-11.6%	1,495	-0.6%	1,490	-0.3%	1,460	-2.0%
Civil Appeals	1,463	1,488	1.7%	1,388	-6.7%	1,521	9.6%	1,330	-12.6%
Total Appeals	3,165	2,992	-5.5%	2,883	-3.6%	3,011	4.4%	2,790	-7.3%
Personal Restraint Petitions	805	1,007	25.1%	1,134	12.6%	1,210	6.7%	993	-17.9%
Notices of Discretionary Review	400	386	-3.5%	427	10.6%	396	-7.3%	407	2.8%
Total Filings, Court of Appeals	4,370	4,385	0.3%	4,444	1.3%	4,617	3.9%	4,190	-9.2%

**The Court of Appeals
History of Resolutions, 2002-2006**

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Criminal Appeals	748	629	-15.9%	508	-19.2%	500	-1.6%	488	-2.4%
Civil Appeals	671	561	-16.4%	641	14.3%	665	3.7%	643	-3.3%
Total Appeals	1,419	1,190	-16.1%	1,149	-3.4%	1,165	1.4%	1,131	-2.9%
Personal Restraint Petitions	349	333	-4.6%	407	22.2%	526	29.2%	447	-15.0%
Notices of Discretionary Review	198	174	-12.1%	160	-8.0%	170	6.3%	190	11.8%
Total Resolutions, Division I	1,966	1,697	-13.7%	1,716	1.1%	1,861	8.4%	1,768	-5.0%
DIVISION II									
Criminal Appeals	618	633	2.4%	512	-19.1%	551	7.6%	533	-3.3%
Civil Appeals	474	423	-10.8%	402	-5.0%	390	-3.0%	444	13.8%
Total Appeals	1,092	1,056	-3.3%	914	-13.4%	941	3.0%	977	3.8%
Personal Restraint Petitions	237	322	35.9%	365	13.4%	408	11.8%	390	-4.4%
Notices of Discretionary Review	134	106	-20.9%	82	-22.6%	87	6.1%	99	13.8%
Total Resolutions, Division II	1,463	1,484	1.4%	1,361	-8.3%	1,436	5.5%	1,466	2.1%
DIVISION III									
Criminal Appeals	350	342	-2.3%	347	1.5%	349	0.6%	339	-2.9%
Civil Appeals	328	302	-7.9%	287	-5.0%	300	4.5%	282	-6.0%
Total Appeals	678	644	-5.0%	634	-1.6%	649	2.4%	621	-4.3%
Personal Restraint Petitions	154	197	27.9%	194	-1.5%	272	40.2%	240	-11.8%
Notices of Discretionary Review	90	78	-13.3%	96	23.1%	114	18.8%	94	-17.5%
Total Resolutions, Division III	922	919	-0.3%	924	0.5%	1,035	12.0%	955	-7.7%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Criminal Appeals	1,716	1,604	-6.5%	1,367	-14.8%	1,400	2.4%	1,360	-2.9%
Civil Appeals	1,473	1,286	-12.7%	1,330	3.4%	1,355	1.9%	1,369	1.0%
Total Appeals	3,189	2,890	-9.4%	2,697	-6.7%	2,755	2.2%	2,729	-0.9%
Personal Restraint Petitions	740	852	15.1%	966	13.4%	1,206	24.8%	1,077	-10.7%
Notices of Discretionary Review	422	358	-15.2%	338	-5.6%	371	9.8%	383	3.2%
Total Resolutions, Court of Appeals	4,351	4,100	-5.8%	4,001	-2.4%	4,332	8.3%	4,189	-3.3%

**The Court of Appeals
History of Pending Cases, 2002-2006**

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Criminal Appeals	728	648	-11.0%	609	-6.0%	657	7.9%	699	6.4%
Civil Appeals	576	688	19.4%	625	-9.2%	659	5.4%	623	-5.5%
Total Appeals	1,304	1,336	2.5%	1,234	-7.6%	1,316	6.6%	1,322	0.5%
Personal Restraint Petitions	173	256	48.0%	275	7.4%	174	-36.7%	163	-6.3%
Notices of Discretionary Review	103	96	-6.8%	97	1.0%	94	-3.1%	92	-2.1%
Total Pending, Division I	1,580	1,688	6.8%	1,606	-4.9%	1,584	-1.4%	1,577	-0.4%
DIVISION II									
Criminal Appeals	786	700	-10.9%	676	-3.4%	637	-5.8%	671	5.3%
Civil Appeals	398	439	10.3%	388	-11.6%	384	-1.0%	375	-2.3%
Total Appeals	1,184	1,139	-3.8%	1,064	-6.6%	1,021	-4.0%	1,046	2.4%
Personal Restraint Petitions	141	209	48.2%	231	10.5%	239	3.5%	203	-15.1%
Notices of Discretionary Review	46	39	-15.2%	52	33.3%	46	-11.5%	40	-13.0%
Total Pending, Division II	1,371	1,387	1.2%	1,347	-2.9%	1,306	-3.0%	1,289	-1.3%
DIVISION III									
Criminal Appeals	396	406	2.5%	441	8.6%	473	7.3%	445	-5.9%
Civil Appeals	297	289	-2.7%	281	-2.8%	311	10.7%	290	-6.8%
Total Appeals	693	695	0.3%	722	3.9%	784	8.6%	735	-6.3%
Personal Restraint Petitions	73	81	11.0%	105	29.6%	116	10.5%	95	-18.1%
Notices of Discretionary Review	38	49	28.9%	77	57.1%	62	-19.5%	82	32.3%
Total Pending, Division III	804	825	2.6%	904	9.6%	962	6.4%	912	-5.2%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Criminal Appeals	1,910	1,754	-8.2%	1,726	-1.6%	1,767	2.4%	1,815	2.7%
Civil Appeals	1,271	1,416	11.4%	1,294	-8.6%	1,354	4.6%	1,288	-4.9%
Total Appeals	3,181	3,170	-0.3%	3,020	-4.7%	3,121	3.3%	3,103	-0.6%
Personal Restraint Petitions	387	546	41.1%	611	11.9%	529	-13.4%	461	-12.9%
Notices of Discretionary Review	187	184	-1.6%	226	22.8%	202	-10.6%	214	5.9%
Total Pending, Court of Appeals	3,755	3,900	3.9%	3,857	-1.1%	3,852	-0.1%	3,778	-1.9%

The Court of Appeals
History of Activity, All Reviews, All Divisions, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	4,370	4,385	0.3%	4,444	1.3%	4,617	3.9%	4,190	-9.2%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	441	373	-15.4%	421	12.9%	460	9.3%	394	-14.3%
Opinions Unpublished	1,395	1,458	4.5%	1,329	-8.8%	1,287	-3.2%	1,173	-8.9%
Opinions	1,836	1,831	-0.3%	1,750	-4.4%	1,747	-0.2%	1,567	-10.3%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,072	. %	929	-13.3%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	18	. %	21	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	6	. %	10	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	51	. %	59	15.7%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,147	. %	1,019	-11.2%
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	316	. %	454	43.7%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	765	. %	850	11.1%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	4	. %	4	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	157	. %	253	61.1%
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	191	. %	42	-78.0%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,433	. %	1,603	11.9%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	5	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	2,515	2,269	-9.8%	2,251	-0.8%	2,585	14.8%	2,622	1.4%
Total Resolved	4,351	4,100	-5.8%	4,001	-2.4%	4,332	8.3%	4,189	-3.3%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	220	252	14.5%	244	-3.2%	216	-11.5%	298	38.0%
Brief Not Filed	1,756	1,574	-10.4%	1,617	2.7%	1,669	3.2%	1,559	-6.6%
Appellant Brief Filed	509	350	-31.2%	398	13.7%	443	11.3%	403	-9.0%
Respondent Brief Filed	716	1,025	43.2%	806	-21.4%	769	-4.6%	745	-3.1%
Remanded to Trial Court	22	5	. %	13	. %	10	. %	14	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	16	178	. %	159	-10.7%	162	1.9%	134	-17.3%
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	35	0	. %	4	. %	5	. %	10	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	148	198	33.8%	229	15.7%	226	-1.3%	260	15.0%
Total Awaiting Hearing	3,422	3,582	4.7%	3,470	-3.1%	3,500	0.9%	3,423	-2.2%
Opinion/Order in Process	333	318	-4.5%	387	21.7%	352	-9.0%	355	0.9%
Total Pending Decision	3,755	3,900	3.9%	3,857	-1.1%	3,852	-0.1%	3,778	-1.9%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	1,963	1,818	-7.4%	1,745	-4.0%	1,718	-1.5%	1,576	-8.3%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	770	. %	1,078	40.0%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,068	. %	1,580	47.9%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	922	. %	95	-89.7%
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	2,703	2,551	-5.6%	2,521	-1.2%	2,760	9.5%	2,753	-0.3%
Total Mandated	4,666	4,369	-6.4%	4,266	-2.4%	4,478	5.0%	4,329	-3.3%

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The Court of Appeals
History of Activity, All Reviews, Division I, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,871	1,960	4.8%	1,903	-2.9%	2,003	5.3%	1,797	-10.3%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	172	136	-20.9%	169	24.3%	167	-1.2%	134	-19.8%
Opinions Unpublished	667	684	2.5%	637	-6.9%	615	-3.5%	543	-11.7%
Opinions	839	820	-2.3%	806	-1.7%	782	-3.0%	677	-13.4%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	469	. %	410	-12.6%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	7	. %	8	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	3	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	21	. %	17	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	500	. %	438	-12.4%
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	69	. %	122	76.8%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	373	. %	397	6.4%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	2	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	59	. %	117	98.3%
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	72	. %	15	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	576	. %	653	13.4%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	1,127	877	-22.2%	910	3.8%	1,079	18.6%	1,091	1.1%
Total Resolved	1,966	1,697	-13.7%	1,716	1.1%	1,861	8.4%	1,768	-5.0%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	147	164	11.6%	153	-6.7%	134	-12.4%	155	15.7%
Brief Not Filed	728	701	-3.7%	716	2.1%	736	2.8%	673	-8.6%
Appellant Brief Filed	216	173	-19.9%	161	-6.9%	199	23.6%	181	-9.0%
Respondent Brief Filed	304	452	48.7%	335	-25.9%	326	-2.7%	342	4.9%
Remanded to Trial Court	0	0	. %	1	. %	0	. %	1	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	0	2	. %	4	. %	19	. %	29	. %
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	30	0	. %	4	. %	2	. %	8	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	58	65	12.1%	99	52.3%	108	9.1%	106	-1.9%
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,483	1,557	5.0%	1,473	-5.4%	1,524	3.5%	1,495	-1.9%
Opinion/Order in Process	97	131	35.1%	133	1.5%	60	-54.9%	82	36.7%
Total Pending Decision	1,580	1,688	6.8%	1,606	-4.9%	1,584	-1.4%	1,577	-0.4%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	985	814	-17.4%	783	-3.8%	786	0.4%	687	-12.6%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	309	. %	524	69.6%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	456	. %	638	39.9%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	361	. %	56	-84.5%
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	1,347	1,116	-17.1%	1,076	-3.6%	1,126	4.6%	1,218	8.2%
Total Mandated	2,332	1,930	-17.2%	1,859	-3.7%	1,912	2.9%	1,905	-0.4%

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The Court of Appeals
History of Activity, All Reviews, Division II, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,568	1,454	-7.3%	1,498	3.0%	1,499	0.1%	1,457	-2.8%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	141	124	-12.1%	127	2.4%	168	32.3%	157	-6.5%
Opinions Unpublished	470	454	-3.4%	421	-7.3%	393	-6.7%	356	-9.4%
Opinions	611	578	-5.4%	548	-5.2%	561	2.4%	513	-8.6%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	363	. %	334	-8.0%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	4	. %	9	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	6	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	23	. %	30	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	393	. %	379	-3.6%
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	183	. %	233	27.3%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	201	. %	263	30.8%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	2	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	49	. %	61	24.5%
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	47	. %	15	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	480	. %	574	19.6%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	852	906	6.3%	813	-10.3%	875	7.6%	953	8.9%
Total Resolved	1,463	1,484	1.4%	1,361	-8.3%	1,436	5.5%	1,466	2.1%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	42	48	14.3%	19	. %	19	. %	32	. %
Brief Not Filed	629	575	-8.6%	576	0.2%	586	1.7%	573	-2.2%
Appellant Brief Filed	179	107	-40.2%	153	43.0%	139	-9.2%	138	-0.7%
Respondent Brief Filed	265	422	59.2%	337	-20.1%	310	-8.0%	224	-27.7%
Remanded to Trial Court	16	4	. %	6	. %	5	. %	7	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	0	29	. %	30	. %	17	. %	21	. %
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	5	0	. %	0	. %	3	. %	1	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	59	67	13.6%	68	1.5%	63	-7.4%	134	112.7%
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,195	1,252	4.8%	1,189	-5.0%	1,142	-4.0%	1,130	-1.1%
Opinion/Order in Process	176	135	-23.3%	158	17.0%	164	3.8%	159	-3.0%
Total Pending Decision	1,371	1,387	1.2%	1,347	-2.9%	1,306	-3.0%	1,289	-1.3%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	595	597	0.3%	572	-4.2%	535	-6.5%	529	-1.1%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	275	. %	353	28.4%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	312	. %	573	83.7%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	403	. %	30	-92.6%
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	850	906	6.6%	946	4.4%	990	4.7%	956	-3.4%
Total Mandated	1,445	1,503	4.0%	1,518	1.0%	1,525	0.5%	1,485	-2.6%

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The Court of Appeals
History of Activity, All Reviews, Division III, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	931	971	4.3%	1,043	7.4%	1,115	6.9%	936	-16.1%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	128	113	-11.7%	125	10.6%	125	0.0%	103	-17.6%
Opinions Unpublished	258	320	24.0%	271	-15.3%	279	3.0%	274	-1.8%
Opinions	386	433	12.2%	396	-8.5%	404	2.0%	377	-6.7%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	240	. %	185	-22.9%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	7	. %	4	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	1	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	7	. %	12	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	254	. %	202	-20.5%
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	64	. %	99	54.7%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	191	. %	190	-0.5%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	49	. %	75	53.1%
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	72	. %	12	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	377	. %	376	-0.3%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	536	486	-9.3%	528	8.6%	631	19.5%	578	-8.4%
Total Resolved	922	919	-0.3%	924	0.5%	1,035	12.0%	955	-7.7%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	31	40	29.0%	72	80.0%	63	-12.5%	111	76.2%
Brief Not Filed	399	298	-25.3%	325	9.1%	347	6.8%	313	-9.8%
Appellant Brief Filed	114	70	-38.6%	84	20.0%	105	25.0%	84	-20.0%
Respondent Brief Filed	147	151	2.7%	134	-11.3%	133	-0.7%	179	34.6%
Remanded to Trial Court	6	1	. %	6	. %	5	. %	6	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	16	147	. %	125	-15.0%	126	0.8%	84	-33.3%
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	0	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %	1	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	31	66	112.9%	62	-6.1%	55	-11.3%	20	. %
Total Awaiting Hearing	744	773	3.9%	808	4.5%	834	3.2%	798	-4.3%
Opinion/Order in Process	60	52	-13.3%	96	84.6%	128	33.3%	114	-10.9%
Total Pending Decision	804	825	2.6%	904	9.6%	962	6.4%	912	-5.2%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	383	407	6.3%	390	-4.2%	397	1.8%	360	-9.3%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	186	. %	201	8.1%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	300	. %	369	23.0%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	158	. %	9	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	506	529	4.5%	499	-5.7%	644	29.1%	579	-10.1%
Total Mandated	889	936	5.3%	889	-5.0%	1,041	17.1%	939	-9.8%

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The Court of Appeals
Court Activity, All Divisions, Criminal Appeals, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,702	1,504	-11.6%	1,495	-0.6%	1,490	-0.3%	1,460	-2.0%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	159	141	-11.3%	149	5.7%	178	19.5%	134	-24.7%
Opinions Unpublished	894	926	3.6%	819	-11.6%	754	-7.9%	705	-6.5%
Opinions	1,053	1,067	1.3%	968	-9.3%	932	-3.7%	839	-10.0%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	7	. %	5	. %
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	3	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	1	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	5	. %	1	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	15	. %	10	. %
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	193	. %	249	29.0%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	196	. %	237	20.9%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	2	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	5	. %	11	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	57	. %	12	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	452	. %	511	13.1%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	663	537	-19.0%	399	-25.7%	468	17.3%	521	11.3%
Total Resolved	1,716	1,604	-6.5%	1,367	-14.8%	1,400	2.4%	1,360	-2.9%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	53	32	-39.6%	47	46.9%	55	17.0%	127	130.9%
Brief Not Filed	789	700	-11.3%	714	2.0%	759	6.3%	662	-12.8%
Appellant Brief Filed	347	229	-34.0%	258	12.7%	288	11.6%	270	-6.3%
Respondent Brief Filed	489	482	-1.4%	346	-28.2%	303	-12.4%	371	22.4%
Remanded to Trial Court	16	4	. %	8	. %	7	. %	12	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	2	68	. %	60	-11.8%	48	-20.0%	57	18.8%
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	14	0	. %	3	. %	2	. %	4	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	50	98	96.0%	107	9.2%	104	-2.8%	132	26.9%
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,760	1,613	-8.4%	1,543	-4.3%	1,566	1.5%	1,635	4.4%
Opinion/Order in Process	150	141	-6.0%	183	29.8%	201	9.8%	180	-10.4%
Total Pending Decision	1,910	1,754	-8.2%	1,726	-1.6%	1,767	2.4%	1,815	2.7%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	1,115	1,011	-9.3%	970	-4.1%	919	-5.3%	818	-11.0%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	10	. %	13	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	318	. %	488	53.5%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	159	. %	24	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	661	663	0.3%	520	-21.6%	487	-6.3%	525	7.8%
Total Mandated	1,776	1,674	-5.7%	1,490	-11.0%	1,406	-5.6%	1,343	-4.5%

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³ Includes decisions entered prior to more-specific coding (orders/rulings) adopted during 2005.

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⁵ As a result of the recent transition to the new Appellate Court Records and Data System (ACORDS-II), measurement of the various stages of pending caseload are not comparable to measurements for prior years. Extreme caution should be used in interpreting 2003 and future activity relative to that shown for prior years.

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⁸ Includes completions for secondary cases, which are those consolidated with a primary case and disposed by mandate/certificate of finality entered in the primary case.

⁹ Percentages are not reported when numbers are small (less than 30).

The Court of Appeals
Court Activity, All Divisions, Civil Appeals, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,463	1,488	1.7%	1,388	-6.7%	1,521	9.6%	1,330	-12.6%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	236	204	-13.6%	234	14.7%	240	2.6%	230	-4.2%
Opinions Unpublished	452	466	3.1%	462	-0.9%	493	6.7%	427	-13.4%
Opinions	688	670	-2.6%	696	3.9%	733	5.3%	657	-10.4%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	5	. %	9	. %
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	5	. %	5	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	0	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	14	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	14	. %	28	. %
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	119	. %	195	63.9%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	411	. %	445	8.3%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	1	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	21	. %	33	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	54	. %	10	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	607	. %	684	12.7%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	785	616	-21.5%	634	2.9%	622	-1.9%	712	14.5%
Total Resolved	1,473	1,286	-12.7%	1,330	3.4%	1,355	1.9%	1,369	1.0%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	67	45	-32.8%	51	13.3%	44	-13.7%	42	-4.5%
Brief Not Filed	593	580	-2.2%	509	-12.2%	574	12.8%	553	-3.7%
Appellant Brief Filed	143	110	-23.1%	119	8.2%	148	24.4%	124	-16.2%
Respondent Brief Filed	212	351	65.6%	263	-25.1%	286	8.7%	252	-11.9%
Remanded to Trial Court	2	0	. %	3	. %	2	. %	2	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	2	82	. %	63	-23.2%	72	14.3%	56	-22.2%
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	10	0	. %	0	. %	2	. %	3	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	82	92	12.2%	112	21.7%	97	-13.4%	110	13.4%
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,111	1,260	13.4%	1,120	-11.1%	1,225	9.4%	1,142	-6.8%
Opinion/Order in Process	160	156	-2.5%	174	11.5%	129	-25.9%	146	13.2%
Total Pending Decision	1,271	1,416	11.4%	1,294	-8.6%	1,354	4.6%	1,288	-4.9%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	739	698	-5.5%	690	-1.1%	713	3.3%	670	-6.0%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	11	. %	19	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	466	. %	696	49.4%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	203	. %	29	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	802	765	-4.6%	755	-1.3%	680	-9.9%	744	9.4%
Total Mandated	1,541	1,463	-5.1%	1,445	-1.2%	1,393	-3.6%	1,414	1.5%

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⁸ Includes completions for secondary cases, which are those consolidated with a primary case and disposed by mandate/certificate of finality entered in the primary case.

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The Court of Appeals
Court Activity, All Divisions, Total Appeals, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	3,165	2,992	-5.5%	2,883	-3.6%	3,011	4.4%	2,790	-7.3%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	395	345	-12.7%	383	11.0%	418	9.1%	364	-12.9%
Opinions Unpublished	1,346	1,392	3.4%	1,281	-8.0%	1,247	-2.7%	1,132	-9.2%
Opinions	1,741	1,737	-0.2%	1,664	-4.2%	1,665	0.1%	1,496	-10.2%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	12	. %	14	. %
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	6	. %	8	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	4	. %	1	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	7	. %	15	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	29	. %	38	. %
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	312	. %	444	42.3%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	607	. %	682	12.4%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	3	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	26	. %	44	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	111	. %	22	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,059	. %	1,195	12.8%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	1,448	1,153	-20.4%	1,033	-10.4%	1,090	5.5%	1,233	13.1%
Total Resolved	3,189	2,890	-9.4%	2,697	-6.7%	2,755	2.2%	2,729	-0.9%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	120	77	-35.8%	98	27.3%	99	1.0%	169	70.7%
Brief Not Filed	1,382	1,280	-7.4%	1,223	-4.5%	1,333	9.0%	1,215	-8.9%
Appellant Brief Filed	490	339	-30.8%	377	11.2%	436	15.6%	394	-9.6%
Respondent Brief Filed	701	833	18.8%	609	-26.9%	589	-3.3%	623	5.8%
Remanded to Trial Court	18	4	. %	11	. %	9	. %	14	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	4	150	. %	123	-18.0%	120	-2.4%	113	-5.8%
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	24	0	. %	3	. %	4	. %	7	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	132	190	43.9%	219	15.3%	201	-8.2%	242	20.4%
Total Awaiting Hearing	2,871	2,873	0.1%	2,663	-7.3%	2,791	4.8%	2,777	-0.5%
Opinion/Order in Process	310	297	-4.2%	357	20.2%	330	-7.6%	326	-1.2%
Total Pending Decision	3,181	3,170	-0.3%	3,020	-4.7%	3,121	3.3%	3,103	-0.6%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	1,854	1,709	-7.8%	1,660	-2.9%	1,632	-1.7%	1,488	-8.8%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	21	. %	32	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	784	. %	1,184	51.0%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	362	. %	53	-85.4%
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	1,463	1,428	-2.4%	1,275	-10.7%	1,167	-8.5%	1,269	8.7%
Total Mandated	3,317	3,137	-5.4%	2,935	-6.4%	2,799	-4.6%	2,757	-1.5%

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The Court of Appeals
 Court Activity, All Divisions, Personal Restraint Petitions, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	805	1,007	25.1%	1,134	12.6%	1,210	6.7%	993	-17.9%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	8	9	. %	10	. %	10	. %	11	. %
Opinions Unpublished	30	32	6.7%	34	6.3%	16	. %	24	. %
Opinions	38	41	7.9%	44	7.3%	26	. %	35	. %
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,059	. %	913	-13.8%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	9	. %	12	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	5	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	40	. %	42	5.0%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1,109	. %	972	-12.4%
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	8	. %
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	51	. %	50	-2.0%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	15	. %	12	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	68	. %	70	2.9%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	702	811	15.5%	922	13.7%	1,180	28.0%	1,042	-11.7%
Total Resolved	740	852	15.1%	966	13.4%	1,206	24.8%	1,077	-10.7%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	77	157	103.9%	125	-20.4%	81	-35.2%	72	-11.1%
Brief Not Filed	275	189	-31.3%	279	47.6%	241	-13.6%	251	4.1%
Appellant Brief Filed	6	4	. %	13	. %	4	. %	3	. %
Respondent Brief Filed	2	168	. %	175	4.2%	171	-2.3%	106	-38.0%
Remanded to Trial Court	0	1	. %	1	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	0	8	. %	4	. %	7	. %	1	. %
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	6	0	. %	1	. %	1	. %	3	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	9	4	. %	3	. %	12	. %	11	. %
Total Awaiting Hearing	375	531	41.6%	601	13.2%	518	-13.8%	447	-13.7%
Opinion/Order in Process	12	15	. %	10	. %	11	. %	14	. %
Total Pending Decision	387	546	41.1%	611	11.9%	529	-13.4%	461	-12.9%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	41	42	2.4%	37	-11.9%	42	13.5%	37	-11.9%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	743	. %	1,035	39.3%
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	54	. %	60	11.1%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	455	. %	31	-93.2%
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	802	754	-6.0%	908	20.4%	1,252	37.9%	1,126	-10.1%
Total Mandated	843	796	-5.6%	945	18.7%	1,294	36.9%	1,163	-10.1%

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The Court of Appeals
 Court Activity, All Divisions, Notices of Discretionary Review, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg ⁹	2004	% Chg ⁹	2005	% Chg ⁹	2006	% Chg ⁹
FILINGS									
Total Filings	400	386	-3.5%	427	10.6%	396	-7.3%	407	2.8%
RESOLUTIONS¹									
Opinions Published	38	19	. %	28	. %	32	. %	19	. %
Opinions Unpublished	19	34	. %	14	. %	24	. %	17	. %
Opinions	57	53	-7.0%	42	-20.8%	56	33.3%	36	-35.7%
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	2	. %
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	3	. %	1	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	4	. %
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	4	. %	2	. %
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	9	. %	9	. %
Decided on the Merits	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	2	. %	2	. %
Dismissed	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	107	. %	118	10.3%
Transferred/Certified ²	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	1	. %	1	. %
Review Not Accepted	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	131	. %	209	59.5%
Other Terminations	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	65	. %	8	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	306	. %	338	10.5%
Other Decisions Term. Review ³	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	365	305	-16.4%	296	-3.0%	315	6.4%	347	10.2%
Total Resolved	422	358	-15.2%	338	-5.6%	371	9.8%	383	3.2%
PENDING AT YEAR END⁵									
Cases Stayed	23	18	. %	21	. %	36	. %	57	58.3%
Brief Not Filed	99	105	6.1%	115	9.5%	95	-17.4%	93	-2.1%
Appellant Brief Filed	13	7	. %	8	. %	3	. %	6	. %
Respondent Brief Filed	13	24	. %	22	. %	9	. %	16	. %
Remanded to Trial Court	4	0	. %	1	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	12	20	. %	32	. %	35	9.4%	20	. %
Ruling Referred to Panel ⁶	5	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Set for Oral Argument ⁷	7	4	. %	7	. %	13	. %	7	. %
Total Awaiting Hearing	176	178	1.1%	206	15.7%	191	-7.3%	199	4.2%
Opinion/Order in Process	11	6	. %	20	. %	11	. %	15	. %
Total Pending Decision	187	184	-1.6%	226	22.8%	202	-10.6%	214	5.9%
MANDATED¹									
Opinions	68	67	-1.5%	48	-28.4%	44	-8.3%	51	15.9%
Orders	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	6	. %	11	. %
Rulings	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	230	. %	336	46.1%
Other Decisions Term. Review ⁸	N/A	N/A	. %	N/A	. %	105	. %	11	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other ⁴	438	369	-15.8%	338	-8.4%	341	0.9%	358	5.0%
Total Mandated	506	436	-13.8%	386	-11.5%	385	-0.3%	409	6.2%

¹ As a result of changes in resolution coding procedures in 2005, resolutions and mandated are now categorized by Opinions, Orders Terminating Review, and Rulings Terminating Review. Figures for these categories are reported for the first time in 2005.

² Includes both matters transferred to other divisions and those certified to the Supreme Court.

³ Includes decisions entered prior to more-specific coding (orders/rulings) adopted during 2005.

⁴ For years prior to 2005, it is not possible to distinguish the different types of resolution. Figures are broadly aggregated and shown as the sum of these resolution types.

⁵ As a result of the recent transition to the new Appellate Court Records and Data System(ACORDS-II), measurement of the various stages of pending caseload are not comparable to measurements for prior years. Extreme caution should be used in interpreting 2003 and future activity relative to that shown for prior years.

⁶ Ruling Referred to Panel status was reintroduced to ACORDS in February 2004. As a result, the trend figures are not comparable.

⁷ Set for Oral Argument counts are influenced by procedural differences among divisions in setting cases. Division III, due to hearings in multiple locations, often delays the setting of cases until there are sufficient numbers to warrant travel, but cases are usually set only six weeks out.

⁸ Includes completions for secondary cases, which are those consolidated with a primary case and disposed by mandate/certificate of finality entered in the primary case.

⁹ Percentages are not reported when numbers are small (less than 30).

The Court of Appeals

Days Between Events for Criminal Appeals PENDING OR DISPOSED OF BY OPINION -- 75th Percentile¹, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Filing - Comp. of Record	158	152	-3.5%	155	1.6%	163	5.5%	173	6.1%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	74	69	-6.8%	64	-7.2%	66	3.1%	70	6.1%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	83	85	2.4%	91	7.1%	100	9.9%	105	5.0%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	78	83	5.8%	80	-3.0%	85	6.3%	93	9.4%
App. Brief - Ready	106	102	-3.8%	96	-5.9%	101	5.2%	98	-3.0%
Ready - Opinion	217	244	12.7%	245	0.4%	231	-5.7%	220	-4.8%
Filing - Opinion, Division I ²	526	551	4.8%	537	-2.5%	525	-2.2%	557	6.1%
DIVISION II									
Filing - Comp. of Record	133	136	1.9%	132	-3.0%	138	4.9%	144	4.3%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	63	59	-6.3%	53	-10.2%	54	1.9%	57	4.6%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	71	77	8.5%	83	7.8%	88	6.0%	91	3.4%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	109	108	-0.9%	105	-2.8%	105	0.0%	101	-3.8%
App. Brief - Ready	140	131	-6.1%	114	-13.0%	109	-4.4%	109	0.0%
Ready - Opinion	283	278	-1.6%	274	-1.4%	301	9.7%	258	-14.1%
Filing - Opinion, Division II ²	639	617	-3.5%	592	-4.0%	594	0.3%	562	-5.5%
DIVISION III									
Filing - Comp. of Record	129	132	2.3%	125	-5.3%	135	8.0%	149	10.4%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	52	47	-9.6%	44	-6.4%	44	0.0%	45	2.3%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	78	84	7.7%	89	6.0%	96	7.9%	104	8.3%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	95	90	-5.8%	82	-8.4%	87	6.1%	84	-4.0%
App. Brief - Ready	150	122	-18.7%	96	-21.3%	100	4.2%	108	8.0%
Ready - Opinion	189	194	2.6%	236	21.6%	259	9.7%	259	0.0%
Filing - Opinion, Division III ²	524	532	1.5%	532	0.0%	551	3.6%	596	8.2%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Filing - Comp. of Record	144	142	-1.4%	142	0.0%	148	4.2%	157	6.1%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	67	62	-7.5%	58	-6.5%	60	3.4%	62	3.3%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	77	82	6.5%	88	7.3%	94	6.8%	98	4.3%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	95	96	1.1%	91	-5.2%	94	3.3%	94	0.0%
App. Brief - Ready	126	116	-7.9%	103	-11.2%	103	0.0%	104	1.0%
Ready - Opinion	240	238	-0.8%	253	6.3%	266	5.1%	245	-7.9%
Filing - Opinion, Court of Appeals ²	574	573	-0.2%	556	-3.0%	558	0.4%	571	2.3%

¹ Days to reach the 75th percentile for the full period (filing to opinion) do not necessarily equal the sum of the days for the event categories within that period.

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Days Between Events for Civil Appeals PENDING OR DISPOSED OF BY OPINION -- 75th Percentile¹, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Filing - Comp. of Record	112	115	3.1%	127	10.4%	127	-0.4%	129	2.0%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	68	63	-7.4%	57	-9.5%	54	-5.3%	56	3.7%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	87	92	5.7%	90	-2.2%	85	-5.6%	85	0.0%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	99	96	-2.5%	89	-7.3%	82	-8.4%	87	6.7%
App. Brief - Ready	84	81	-3.6%	80	-1.2%	76	-5.0%	76	-0.7%
Ready - Opinion	263	292	11.0%	308	5.7%	276	-10.4%	266	-3.6%
Filing - Opinion, Division I ²	510	529	3.7%	538	1.7%	511	-5.0%	508	-0.6%
DIVISION II									
Filing - Comp. of Record	112	108	-3.6%	107	-0.9%	107	0.0%	110	2.8%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	71	62	-12.7%	53	-14.5%	50	-5.7%	50	0.0%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	60	67	11.7%	71	6.0%	72	1.4%	76	5.6%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	100	90	-10.0%	87	-3.3%	90	3.4%	90	0.0%
App. Brief - Ready	76	75	-1.3%	78	4.0%	82	5.1%	74	-9.8%
Ready - Opinion	339	350	3.2%	303	-13.4%	307	1.3%	277	-9.8%
Filing - Opinion, Division II ²	570	578	1.5%	544	-5.9%	558	2.6%	519	-7.0%
DIVISION III									
Filing - Comp. of Record	112	115	2.7%	111	-3.5%	124	11.7%	145	16.9%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	59	55	-6.8%	48	-12.7%	43	-10.4%	48	11.6%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	69	78	13.0%	88	12.8%	97	10.2%	105	8.2%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	101	86	-14.9%	76	-11.6%	84	10.5%	89	6.0%
App. Brief - Ready	116	101	-12.6%	98	-3.0%	100	2.0%	110	10.0%
Ready - Opinion	204	199	-2.5%	239	20.1%	255	6.7%	258	1.2%
Filing - Opinion, Division III ²	517	496	-4.1%	508	2.4%	526	3.5%	578	9.9%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Filing - Comp. of Record	112	112	0.0%	118	5.4%	121	2.5%	126	4.1%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	67	61	-9.0%	55	-9.8%	51	-7.3%	54	5.9%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	70	77	10.0%	81	5.2%	85	4.9%	88	3.5%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	100	92	-8.0%	84	-8.7%	85	1.2%	88	3.5%
App. Brief - Ready	91	83	-8.8%	82	-1.2%	84	2.4%	84	0.0%
Ready - Opinion	270	294	8.9%	295	0.3%	280	-5.1%	269	-3.9%
Filing - Opinion, Court of Appeals ²	535	542	1.3%	534	-1.5%	525	-1.7%	526	0.2%

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Days Between Events for Total Appeals PENDING OR DISPOSED OF BY OPINION -- 75th Percentile¹, 2002-2006

	2002	2003	% Chg	2004	% Chg	2005	% Chg	2006	% Chg
DIVISION I									
Filing - Comp. of Record	145	142	-2.1%	146	2.8%	150	2.7%	159	5.7%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	73	66	-9.6%	62	-6.1%	63	1.6%	65	3.2%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	83	87	4.8%	91	4.6%	95	4.4%	98	3.2%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	87	89	2.3%	85	-4.5%	84	-1.2%	90	7.1%
App. Brief - Ready	99	96	-3.0%	91	-5.2%	92	1.1%	92	0.0%
Ready - Opinion	235	264	12.3%	281	6.4%	251	-10.7%	250	-0.4%
Filing - Opinion, Division I ²	522	539	3.3%	537	-0.4%	516	-3.9%	537	4.1%
DIVISION II									
Filing - Comp. of Record	128	128	0.0%	124	-3.1%	131	5.2%	135	3.4%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	66	60	-9.1%	53	-11.7%	52	-1.9%	55	5.8%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	69	74	7.2%	79	6.8%	84	6.3%	89	6.0%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	106	104	-1.9%	98	-5.8%	101	3.1%	97	-4.0%
App. Brief - Ready	117	112	-4.3%	103	-8.0%	98	-4.9%	99	1.0%
Ready - Opinion	302	315	4.3%	288	-8.6%	302	4.9%	270	-10.6%
Filing - Opinion, Division II ²	612	601	-1.8%	574	-4.5%	579	0.9%	547	-5.5%
DIVISION III									
Filing - Comp. of Record	122	126	3.3%	122	-3.2%	130	6.1%	148	14.3%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	55	48	-12.7%	45	-6.3%	44	-2.2%	46	4.5%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	76	84	9.9%	89	6.6%	96	7.9%	105	9.4%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	97	89	-8.2%	78	-12.4%	86	10.3%	85	-1.7%
App. Brief - Ready	134	116	-13.4%	97	-16.4%	100	3.1%	109	9.0%
Ready - Opinion	194	196	1.0%	237	20.9%	257	8.4%	258	0.4%
Filing - Opinion, Division III ²	522	525	0.7%	525	0.0%	545	3.8%	589	8.1%
COURT OF APPEALS, TOTAL									
Filing - Comp. of Record	133	133	0.0%	134	0.8%	139	3.7%	147	5.8%
Filing - Stmt. of Arrgmts.	67	62	-7.5%	57	-8.1%	58	1.8%	60	3.4%
Stmt. of Arrgmts. - Comp. of Record	76	81	6.6%	86	6.2%	91	5.8%	96	5.5%
Comp. of Record - App. Brief	97	93	-4.1%	89	-4.3%	91	2.2%	92	1.1%
App. Brief - Ready	112	104	-7.1%	96	-7.7%	96	0.0%	98	2.1%
Ready - Opinion	253	258	1.8%	272	5.4%	272	0.2%	258	-5.1%
Filing - Opinion, Court of Appeals ²	556	561	0.9%	546	-2.7%	546	0.0%	557	2.0%

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