

Caseloads of the Courts of Washington

Juvenile Offender Activity - 2019 to 2023

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	2019	2020	% Chg (1)	2021	% Chg (1)	2022	% Chg (1)	2023	% Chg (1)
FILINGS									
Homicide	6	9	. %	7	. %	29	. %	17	. %
Sex Crimes	228	183	-19.7 %	187	2.2 %	199	6.4 %	172	-13.6 %
Robbery	242	233	-3.7 %	103	-55.8 %	189	83.5 %	302	59.8 %
Assault	505	379	-25 %	308	-18.7 %	477	54.9 %	584	22.4 %
Theft/Burglary	637	493	-22.6 %	325	-34.1 %	343	5.5 %	585	70.6 %
Motor Vehicle Theft	262	213	-18.7 %	112	-47.4 %	115	2.7 %	253	120 %
Controlled Substance	201	95	-52.7 %	33	-65.3 %	19	. %	40	110.5 %
Other Felony (2)	625	427	-31.7 %	335	-21.5 %	553	65.1 %	625	13 %
Total Felony Filings	2,706	2,032	-24.9 %	1,410	-30.6 %	1,924	36.5 %	2,578	34 %
Misdemeanor/Gross Misdemeanor (2)	3,414	2,256	-33.9 %	1,277	-43.4 %	1,560	22.2 %	2,110	35.3 %
Non-Charge Filings (3)	1,211	845	-30.2 %	549	-35 %	607	10.6 %	742	22.2 %
Total Juvenile Offender Filings	7,331	5,133	-30 %	3,236	-37 %	4,091	26.4 %	5,430	32.7 %
RESOLUTIONS
Before Trial									
Change of Venue	3	6	. %	2	. %	6	. %	1	. %
Declination of Jurisdiction	3	6	. %	2	. %	3	. %	4	. %
Deferred Prosecution	27	15	. %	8	. %	13	. %	11	. %
Dismissal	2,009	1,784	-11.2 %	1,393	-21.9 %	1,195	-14.2 %	1,490	24.7 %
Guilty Plea	3,162	2,354	-25.6 %	1,419	-39.7 %	1,554	9.5 %	2,025	30.3 %
Other (4)	687	616	-10.3 %	412	-33.1 %	517	25.5 %	473	-8.5 %
Total Pre-Trial Resolutions	5,891	4,781	-18.8 %	3,236	-32.3 %	3,288	1.6 %	4,004	21.8 %
After Trial Commencement									
Deferred Disposition	534	438	-18 %	283	-35.4 %	302	6.7 %	471	56 %
Dismissal	5	2	. %	3	. %	0	. %	8	
Guilty Plea	5	1	. %	2	. %	3	. %	2	. %
Acquitted/Not Guilty	15	6	. %	5	. %	12	. %	13	. %
Convicted	156	108	-30.8 %	84	-22.2 %	97	15.5 %	123	26.8 %
Total Post-Trial Resolutions	715	555	-22.4 %	377	-32.1 %	414	9.8 %	617	49 %
Total Resolutions	6,606	5,336	-19.2 %	3,613	-32.3 %	3,702	2.5 %	4,621	24.8 %
Sentences									
Community Supervision	98	52	-46.9 %	30	. %	39	30 %	55	41 %

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Detention	2,288	1,564	-31.6 %	956	-38.9 %	1,136	18.8 %	1,532	34.9 %
Detention/Community Supervision	31	29	. %	14	. %	17	. %	9	. %
State Commitment	351	343	-2.3 %	247	-28 %	238	-3.6 %	334	40.3 %
Local Commitment	34	28	. %	14	. %	26	. %	30	. %
Other	1,147	926	-19.3 %	548	-40.8 %	590	7.7 %	692	17.3 %
Total Sentences	3,949	2,942	-25.5 %	1,809	-38.5 %	2,046	13.1 %	2,652	29.6 %
PROCEEDINGS (9)									
Adjudicatory Hearing	274	202	-26.3 %	108	-46.5 %	142	31.5 %	101	-28.9 %
Adjudicatory and Sentence Hearing	66	62	-6.1 %	69	11.3 %	82	18.8 %	132	61 %
Preliminary Appearance	1,655	1,105	-33.2 %	719	-34.9 %	942	31 %	1,176	24.8 %
Detention Hearing	1,818	1,262	-30.6 %	752	-40.4 %	968	28.7 %	1,347	39.2 %
Declination	9	2	. %	0	. %	0		8	
Initial Arraignment	4,941	3,592	-27.3 %	2,277	-36.6 %	2,888	26.8 %	3,903	35.1 %
Other Pre-Resolution Hearing (5)	14,278	11,487	-19.5 %	9,468	-17.6 %	10,552	11.4 %	13,425	27.2 %
Guilty Plea Hearing (6)	3,635	2,675	-26.4 %	1,646	-38.5 %	1,776	7.9 %	2,371	33.5 %
Sentence Hearing	821	461	-43.8 %	348	-24.5 %	367	5.5 %	367	0 %
Review Hearing (7)	4,209	2,086	-50.4 %	1,392	-33.3 %	1,319	-5.2 %	1,697	28.7 %
Post-Resolution Hearing (8)	13,829	9,492	-31.4 %	8,436	-11.1 %	7,886	-6.5 %	9,410	19.3 %
Non-Charge Hearing (3)	2,344	1,599	-31.8 %	1,091	-31.8 %	1,188	8.9 %	1,389	16.9 %
Total Proceedings	47,879	34,025	-28.9 %	26,306	-22.7 %	28,110	6.9 %	35,326	25.7 %
Average Proceedings/Resolution	7.2	6.4		7.3		7.6		7.6	

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