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Juvenile Offender Activity - 2019 to 2023

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Sex Crimes	FILINGS									
Robbery	Homicide	6	9	. %	7	. %	29	. %	17	. %
Assault	Sex Crimes	228	183	-19.7 %	187	2.2 %	199	6.4 %	172	-13.6 %
Theft/Burglary	Robbery	242	233	-3.7 %	103	-55.8 %	189	83.5 %	302	59.8 %
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Sentences	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 %
Community Supervision 98 52 -46.9 % 30 . % 39 30 % 55 41 %	Sentences									
	Community Supervision	98	52	-46.9 %	30	. %	39	30 %	55	41 %

¹ Percentages not shown when numbers are less than 30.

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³ A non-charge case is one opened for which no formal charges have been filed, such as for conducting one or more preliminary appearances prior to the filing of an information. If an information is subsequently filed, the case is counted as a juvenile offender case as of the date the information is filed.

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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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