DALLAS COUNTY MANAGEMENT REPORT

FY2022 VOLUME II:

JUDICIAL SYSTEM WORKLOAD AND EFFICIENCY MEASURES

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INTRODUCTION

Dallas County is committed to implementing objective performance measurements across its various functions. This report provides a comparative analysis of the costs and workloads associated with the County's courts. While financial management serves as a key performance indicator, it is only one of several metrics used to assess judicial efficiency. Therefore, this report should be viewed as an informative resource rather than a definitive measure of overall court performance.

The report is structured into chapters dedicated to specific court categories, with a concluding section that includes miscellaneous court-related statistics. Each chapter presents both current and prior-year data for comparative analysis.

The data presented in this report is sourced from multiple internal entities within Dallas County that monitor financial and judicial activities, including the County Auditor's Office and the Office of Court Administration. Each section provides insights into court expenditures and detailed caseload metrics, including case filings, dispositions, and pending cases. Additionally, in some sections, distinctions between the use of court-appointed attorneys and public defenders are highlighted. Financial and workload trends are compared to FY2021 data to contextualize any observed increases or decreases.

It is important to recognize that performance measurement involves assessing multiple facets of an organization's operations. While financial management is a crucial component, it should not be regarded as the sole determinant of a court's overall effectiveness. This report is intended as a supplementary analytical tool rather than a comprehensive evaluation of judicial performance.

Criminal District Courts

Section 2

Criminal District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

Total costs associated with the Criminal District Courts include operating and visiting judge expenses, indigent defense expenses, and jail costs, as well as court revenue.

Operating and visiting judge expenses and revenue are derived from the Oracle financial accounting system for the County.

Indigent defense expenses are court-appointed attorney costs and the salary and benefits of public defender attorneys or investigators assigned to each court. If a public defender is reassigned, added, or deleted during the year, the cost impact will be revised. Costs associated with indigent defense in capital murder cases are subtracted, since these cases are infrequent and could distort the comparative results.

Jail costs are calculated by multiplying the average daily pending jail number for each court by the cost to house an inmate, totaling $67.20 (FY2022), and the number of days that are included in the reporting period. Indirect costs related to the operations, maintenance, or management of the jail are not included in the jail cost calculation.

The average Jail Population for FY2022 was 5,806 in comparison to FY2021 where it was 5,579. While the average number of Bookins for FY2022 was 4,089, in comparison to FY2021 where it was 4,021.

Cases filed, pending, and disposed are derived from Odyssey's Case Index Report. Cost per disposition is derived by calculating the total cost minus revenue collected, divided by the total number of dispositions.

Criminal District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Highlights

The Criminal District Courts have experienced increased costs and case activity as a result of lessened COVID-19 restrictions on court operations.

Court #2 had the highest operating expense with $563,956, while the Court #4 had the lowest operating expense with $367,355 (Table 2.1).

The average court appointed attorney expense for FY2022 was $498,256, per Table 2.2. The average Public Defender expense for FY2022 was $293,306 as noted in Table 2.3.

The average cases filed for FY2022 was 1,706. The average cases disposed for FY2022 was 592. While the average cases pending for FY2022 was 244 (Table 2.6).

Effective January 1, 2022, Senate Bill 7 requires criminal court families to adopt uniform standards for determining indigence. In instances where the percentage is greater than 100%, there is likely a monthly decrease in filings, resulting in more cases from the previous month that require an appointment.

Criminal District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Criminal District Courts

Criminal District Court #1 - Hon. Tina Yoo Clinton
Criminal District Court #2 - Hon. Nancy Kennedy
Criminal District Court #3 - Hon. Audra Riley
Criminal District Court #4 - Hon. Dominique Collins
Criminal District Court #5 - Hon. Carter Thompson
Criminal District Court #6 - Hon. Nancy Mulder
Criminal District Court #7 - Hon. Chika Anyiam
194th Criminal District Court - Hon. Ernest White
195th Criminal District Court - Hon. Hector Garza
203rd Criminal District Court - Hon. Raquel 'Rocky' Jones
204th Criminal District Court - Hon. Tammy Kemp
265th Criminal District Court - Hon. Jennifer Bennett
282nd Criminal District Court - Hon. Amber Givens
283rd Criminal District Court - Hon. Lela Lawrence Mays
291st Criminal District Court - Hon. Stephanie Mitchell Huff
292nd Criminal District Court - Hon. Brandon Birmingham
363rd Criminal District Court - Hon. Tracy Holmes

Felony Specialty Courts

Judge Audra Riley - Achieve, Inspire, Motivate (AIM)
Judge Raquel ‘Rocky’ Jones - Achieving True Liberty and Success (ATLAS)
Judge Jennifer Bennett - Dual Diagnosis Center Aftercare (DDCA)
Judge Hector Garza - Diversion and Expedited Rehabilitation and Treatment (DIVERT)
Judge Brandon Birmingham - Felony Domestic Violence Court
Judge Tracy Holmes - Felony DWI Court
Judge Ernest White - Intensive Intervention Program (IIP)
Judge Robert Francis - Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facilities (SAFPF)
Judge Kristin Wade - Stabilization, Engagement, Transition (SET)
Judges Lela Lawrence Mays and La'Donna Harlan - Successful Treatment of Addiction through Collaboration (STAC)
Judge Nancy Kennedy - Strengthening, Transition, And Recovery (STAR)
Judge Dominique Collins - Veterans Treatment Court

Criminal District Courts

Expense Summary

Total Costs and Revenues by Court

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Visiting Judge Expenses	Indigent Defense Expenses	Jail Costs	Total Costs	Revenues
1	Clinton	$426,861	$1,050	$688,793	$4,807,488	$5,924,192	$69,704
2	Kennedy	$563,956	$404	$1,077,290	$5,296,004	$6,937,654	$81,686
3	Riley	$399,434	$1,084	$726,210	$3,887,688	$5,014,416	$56,090
4	Collins	$367,355	$0	$771,487	$4,355,764	$5,494,606	$68,918
5	Thompson	$427,689	$0	$978,965	$4,128,880	$5,535,534	$27,382
6	Howard	$503,596	$0	$800,491	$4,204,508	$5,508,595	$64,622
7	Anyiam	$424,816	$1,073	$646,735	$4,243,344	$5,315,968	$77,282
194th	White	$500,102	$0	$1,000,310	$4,390,512	$5,890,924	$56,941
195th	Garza	$472,127	$228	$800,680	$4,331,236	$5,604,271	$60,424
203rd	Jones	$516,804	$156	$774,579	$4,361,896	$5,653,435	$70,454
204th	Kemp	$407,296	$1,729	$539,968	$3,930,612	$4,879,605	$104,148
265th	Bennett	$577,381	$0	$691,157	$4,870,852	$6,139,390	$79,366
282nd	Givens	$374,548	$538	$546,670	$4,198,376	$5,120,132	$66,303
283rd	Mays	$467,871	$725	$744,477	$4,308,752	$5,521,825	$85,418
291st	Mitchell Huff	$493,189	$0	$786,076	$4,427,304	$5,706,569	$86,654
292nd	Birmigham	$510,823	$0	$1,102,862	$4,758,432	$6,372,117	$68,398
363rd	Holmes	$400,582	$278	$779,807	$3,638,320	$4,818,987	$43,404
Total		$7,834,430	$7,265	$13,456,555	$74,139,968	$95,438,218	$1,167,194
Average		$460,849	$427	$791,562	$4,361,175	$5,614,013	$68,658

Table 2.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Criminal District Courts

Indigent Defense Expenses

Total Indigent Defense Cost per Court

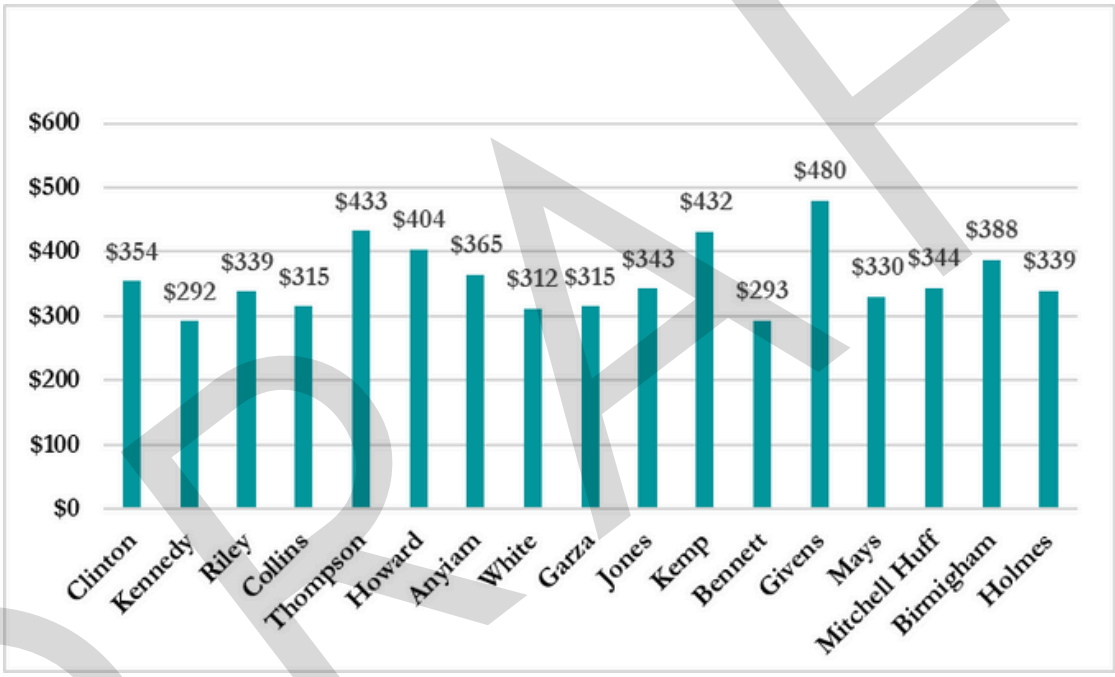

Chart 2.1- ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Public Defender Statsbook and Dallas Attorney Caseload Report from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.*

Notes on Methodology:

The total cost per court was calculated by dividing the Indigent Defense (public defender and court-appointed attorneys) expenses by the Indigent Defense cases.

Criminal District Courts

Indigent Defense Expenses

Court-Appointed Attorney Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from FY21
1st	Clinton	$416,342	$530,820	27%
2nd	Kennedy	$318,229	$434,618	37%
3rd	Riley	$258,640	$375,103	45%
4th	Collins	$330,387	$452,582	37%
5th	Thompson	$459,864	$627,858	37%
6th	Howard	$392,727	$614,306	56%
7th	Anyiam	$377,053	$488,762	30%
194th	White	$448,535	$520,489	16%
195th	Garza	$327,092	$480,350	47%
203rd	Jones	$289,590	$458,633	58%
204th	Kemp	$419,741	$539,968	29%
265th	Bennett	$366,794	$375,211	2%
282nd	Givens	$365,933	$546,670	49%
283rd	Mays	$439,256	$462,853	5%
291st	Huff	$386,712	$443,513	15%
292nd	Birmingham	$526,556	$631,585	20%
363rd	Holmes	$391,250	$487,036	24%
Total		$6,514,701	$8,470,357	30%
Average		$383,218	$498,256	30%

Table 2.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

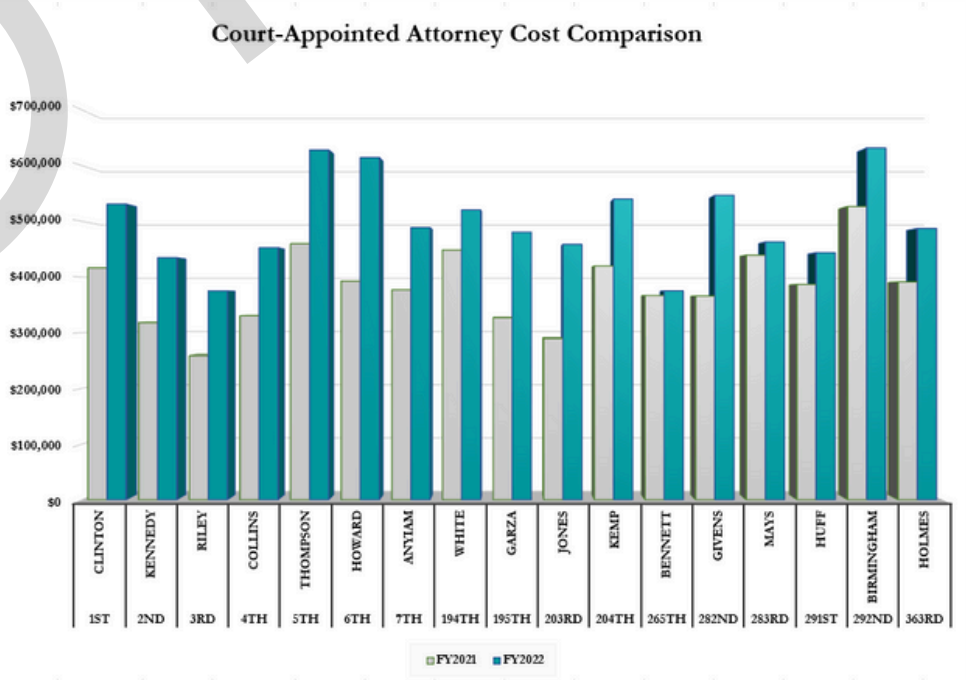

Chart 2.2 -*Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Criminal District Courts

Indigent Defense Expenses

Public Defender Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from FY21
1st	Clinton	$153,273	$157,973	3%
2nd	Kennedy	$623,539	$642,672	3%
3rd	Riley	$339,393	$351,107	3%
4th	Collins	$309,414	$318,905	3%
5th	Thompson	$339,393	$351,107	3%
6th	Mulder	$179,734	$186,185	4%
7th	Anyiam	$153,274	$157,973	3%
194th	White	$465,539	$479,821	3%
195th	Garza	$310,794	$320,330	3%
203rd	Jones	$306,547	$315,946	3%
204th	Kemp	$0	$0	0%
265th	Bennett	$306,547	$315,946	3%
282nd	Givens	$0	$0	0%
283rd	Mays	$284,092	$281,624	-1%
291st	Huff	$316,937	$342,563	8%
292nd	Birmingham	$289,811	$471,277	63%
363rd	Holmes	$306,547	$292,771	-4%
Total		$4,684,834	$4,986,198	6%
Average		$275,578	$293,306	6%

Table 2.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

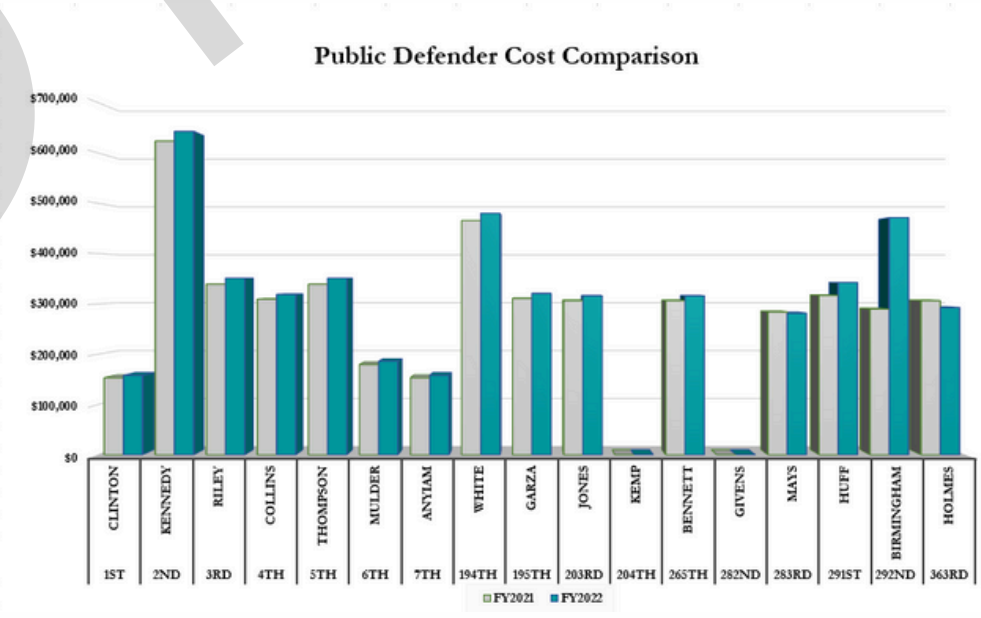

Chart 2.3 -*Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Criminal District Courts

Jail Costs

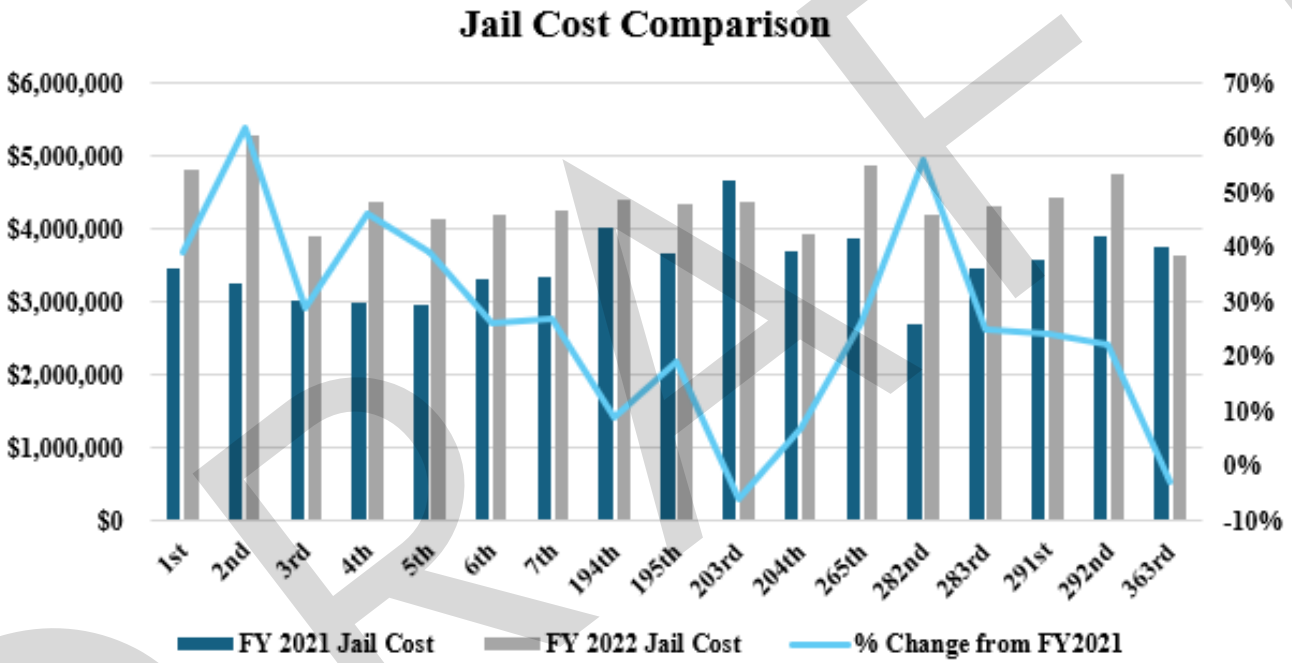

Chart 2.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Criminal District Courts

Jail Population and Bookins

Jail Population		
Month	FY2021	FY2022
Oct	5,580	5,863
Nov	5,415	5,597
Dec	5,503	5,417
Jan	5,592	5,541
Feb	5,690	5,648
Mar	5,668	5,552
Apr	5,550	5,633
May	5,400	5,847
Jun	5,471	5,986
Jul	5,512	6,048
Aug	5,710	6,288
Sep	5,856	6,247
Total	66,947	69,667
Average	5,579	5,806

Table 2.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Jail Population Packet-Dallas County Criminal Justice Department.*

Jail Bookins		
Month	FY2021	FY2022
Oct	4,053	3,994
Nov	3,781	3,696
Dec	3,652	3,726
Jan	3,843	3,797
Feb	3,196	3,442
Mar	4,576	4,248
Apr	4,203	4,172
May	4,116	4,255
Jun	4,255	4,148
Jul	4,303	4,297
Aug	4,202	4,747
Sep	4,077	4,546
Total	48,257	49,068
Average	4,021	4,089

Table 2.5 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Jail Population Packet-Dallas County Criminal Justice Department.*

Criminal District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, Pending

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Court	Judge	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
1	Clinton	1,682	631	150
2	Kennedy	1,730	614	184
3	Lewis/Riley	1,601	568	331
4	Collins	1,806	578	218
5	Thompson	1,698	652	321
6	Howard	1,770	527	207
7	Anyiam	1,678	537	273
194th	White	1,782	665	326
195th	Garza	1,616	596	232
203rd	Jones	1,760	537	291
204th	Kemp	1,695	608	254
265th	Bennett	1,670	741	221
282nd	Givens	1,629	517	196
283rd	Mays	1,678	595	268
291st	Huff	1,788	654	234
292nd	Birmingham	1,751	585	225
363rd	Holmes	1,665	459	214
Total		28,999	10,064	4,145
Average		1,706	592	244

Table 2.6 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

Criminal District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, Pending

Cost per Disposition

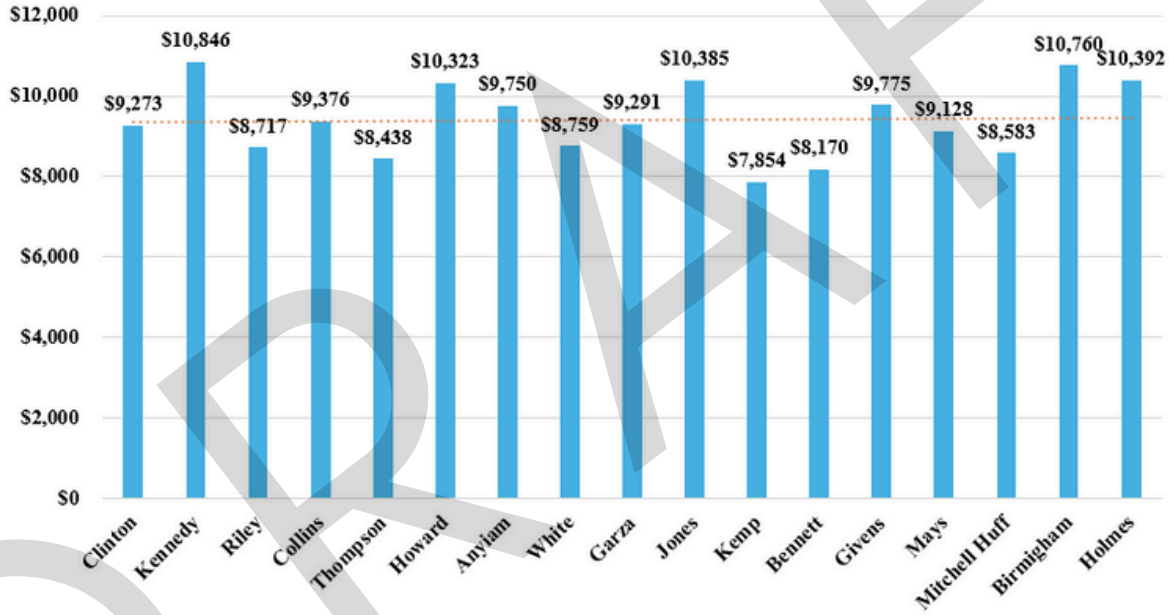

Chart 2.5 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Notes on Methodology:
The Cost per Disposition is calculated by taking the total expenses divided by Dispositions.

Civil District Courts

Section 3

Civil District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

Total expenses associated with the Civil District Courts were calculated by adding salaries, benefits, and all operating expenses, including costs for visiting judges where applicable. Operating expenses were pulled from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports. Unlike other courts, the Civil District Courts do not rely on county funded court-appointed attorneys.

Cases filed, pending, and disposed are derived from Odyssey's Case Index Report. Cost per disposition is derived by calculating the total cost minus revenue collected, divided by the total number of dispositions.

Highlights

The 134th Civil District Court had the highest operating expenses at $367,184 (Table 3.1) and the 101st Civil District Court had the lowest operating expenses at $271,407 (Table 3.1).

The 192nd Civil District Court had the highest number of dispositions (Table 3.2) at 1,432. The 191st Civil District Court had the lowest number of dispositions at 1,082.

The 44th Civil District Court had the highest amount of cases filed at 1,496. While the 162nd court had the lowest amount of cases filed (Table 3.2).

The 298th Civil District Court had the highest amount of cases pending at 18,234. The 14th court had the lowest amount of cases pending at 11,056 (Table 3.2).

Civil District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Civil District Courts

14th Civil District Court - Hon. Eric V. Moye
44th Civil District Court - Hon. Ashley Wysocki
68th Civil District Court - Hon. Martin Hoffman
95th Civil District Court - Hon. Monica Purdy
101st Civil District Court - Hon. Staci Williams
116th Civil District Court - Hon. Tonya Parker
134th Civil District Court - Hon. Dale Tillery
160th Civil District Court - Hon. Aiesha Redmond
162nd Civil District Court - Hon. Maricela Moore
191st Civil District Court - Hon. Gena Slaughter
192nd Civil District Court - Hon. Kristina Williams
193rd Civil District Court - Hon. Bridgett N. Whitmore
298th Civil District Court - Hon. Emily G. Tobolowsky

Civil District Courts

Expense Summary

Total Expenditures

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses/Visiting Judges	Dispositions	Cost per Disposition
14th	Moye	$327,848	1,392	$236
44th	Wysocki	$359,229	1,278	$281
68th	Hoffman	$294,696	1,269	$232
95th	Purdy	$343,549	1,348	$268
101st	Williams	$271,407	1,293	$210
116th	Parker	$326,334	1,376	$237
134th	Tillery	$367,184	1,265	$290
160th	Redmond	$296,562	1,426	$208
162nd	Moore	$317,251	1,314	$241
191st	Slaughter	$317,817	1,082	$294
192nd	Williams	$287,559	1,432	$201
193rd	Whitmore	$284,625	1,320	$216
298th	Tobolowsky	$328,340	1,228	$267
Total		$4,122,399	$17,023	$3,181
Average		$317,108	$1,309	$245

*Please note that the 95th Civil District Court is the only court that had visiting judge expenses in FY2022.

Table 3.1 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports and EBS Financial System.*

Civil District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Court	Judge	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
14th	Moye	1,320	1,392	11,056
44th	Wysocki	1,496	1,278	12,588
68th	Hoffman	1,323	1,269	15,019
95th	Purdy	1,510	1,348	14,163
101st	Williams	1,343	1,293	16,810
116th	Parker	1,335	1,376	13,250
134th	Tillery	1,348	1,265	13,771
160th	Redmond	1,343	1,426	12,616
162nd	Moore	1,294	1,314	14,731
191st	Slaughter	1,315	1,082	16,101
192nd	Williams	1,341	1,432	12,186
193rd	Whitmore	1,339	1,320	13,691
298th	Tobowsky	1,315	1,228	18,234
Total		17,622	17,023	184,216
Average		1,356	1,309	14,170

Table 3.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is obtained from the Office of Court Administration and Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

Civil District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

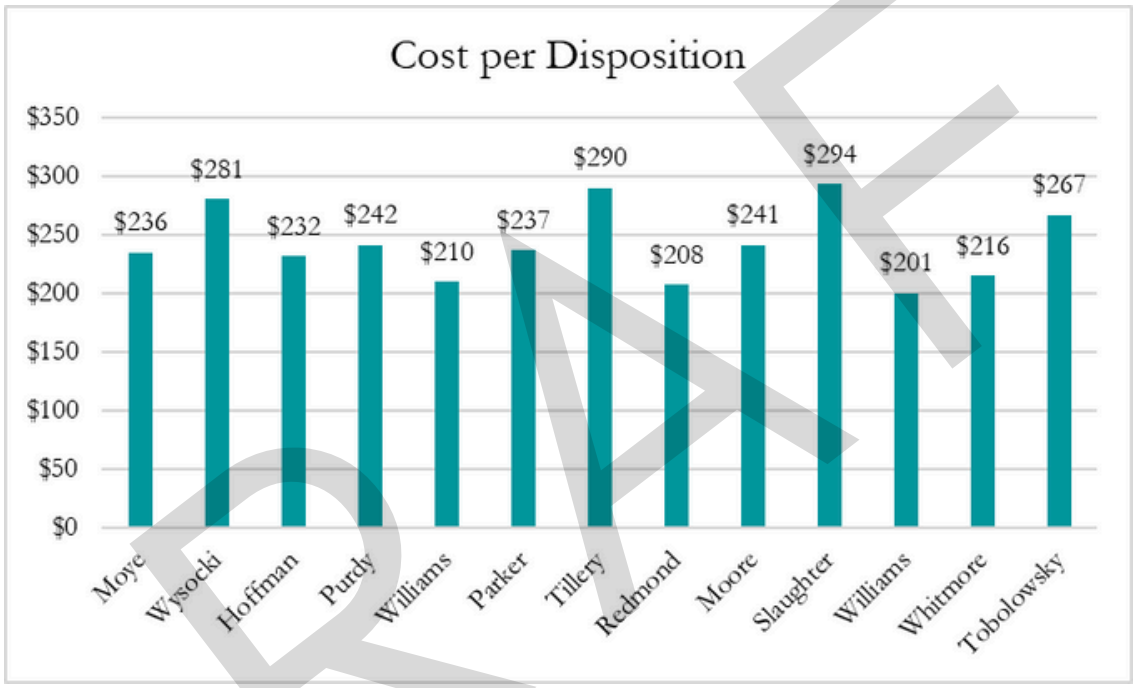

Chart 3.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is obtained from the Office of Court Administration and Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

Notes on Methodology:
The cost per disposition is calculated by taking the total expenses divided by the number of dispositions per court.

Family District Courts

Section 4

Family District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

Costs associated with the Family District Courts include operating, indigent defense, visiting judges, and contempt fines. Operating expenses are captured through budgeting reports produced by the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports. Indigent defense costs are shown as either court-appointed attorneys (CAA) or public defenders assigned to each court. CAA costs are obtained through the aforementioned monthly audit reports. Public defender (PD) costs are calculated based on the salary and benefits of the Public Defender assigned to each court. Contempt fines are provided through financial reports through Oracle.

Cost per disposition is derived by calculating the difference between total costs (operating expenses, Visiting Judges, CAA, and PD) then dividing by the total number of dispositions.

The number of cases filed, disposed, and pending come from the Office of Court Administration reports that are obtained through the 301st Family District Court, Court Coordinator.

Highlights

The total amount of contempt fines collected for the Family District Courts during FY2022 was $350. For FY2022, the 256th Family District Court was the only court that collected contempt fines (Table 4.1).

During FY2022, the 301st Family District Court disposed of 4,465 cases (Table 4.5), the most of the Family District courts.

Payments to private attorneys in child welfare cases totaled $2,978,149 for FY2022 (Table 4.4). This represents a decrease of 9% from the FY2021 total. These payments also include expenses for the two Juvenile courts (see Section 5).

Filings in the Family District Courts during FY2022 were 28,715. Dispositions for FY2022 were 28,604. While the cases pending for FY2022 were 227,047 (Table 4.5).

Family District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Family District Courts

254th Family District Court - Hon. Kimberly Brown
255th Family District Court - Hon. Kim Cooks
256th Family District Court - Hon. David Lopez/Mike Lee
301st Family District Court - Hon. Mary Brown
302nd Family District Court - Hon. Sandra Jackson
303rd Family District Court - Hon. Rhonda Hunter
330th Family District Court - Hon. Andrea D. Plumlee

Family District Courts

Expense Summary

Expenses

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Indigent Defense Expenses	Visiting Judges	Contempt Fines	Total Costs
254th	Brown	$465,080	$263,641	$372	$0	$729,093
255th	Cooks	$442,280	$112,832	$0	$0	$555,112
256th	Lopez/Lee	$524,698	$242,992	$0	$350	$767,690
301st	Brown	$537,252	$327,620	$0	$0	$864,872
302nd	Jackson	$488,218	$336,037	$0	$0	$824,255
303rd	Hunter	$528,485	$281,635	$606	$0	$810,726
330th	Plumlee	$515,144	$83,593	$0	$0	$598,737
Total		$3,501,157	$1,648,349	$978	$350	$5,150,484
Average		$500,165	$235,478	$140	$50	$735,783

Table 4.1 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Family District Courts

Indigent Defense Expenses

Court-Appointed Attorney Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from FY21
254th	Brown	$92,399	$92,362	0%
255th	Cooks	$114,668	$112,832	-2%
256th	Lopez/Lee	$70,352	$85,020	21%
301st	Brown	$116,331	$169,647	46%
302nd	Jackson	$110,842	$118,458	7%
303rd	Hunter	$110,358	$130,041	18%
330th	Plumlee	$97,671	$83,593	-14%
Total		$712,621	$791,952	75%
Average		$101,803	$113,136	11%

Table 4.2 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Public Defender Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from FY21
254th	Brown	$170,878	$171,279	0%
255th	Cooks	$0	$0	0%
256th	Lopez/Lee	$159,105	$157,973	-1%
301st	Brown	$159,105	$157,973	-1%
302nd	Jackson	$211,678	$217,578	3%
303rd	Hunter	$153,626	$151,594	-1%
330th	Plumlee	$0	$0	0%
Total		$854,392	$856,397	0%
Average		$122,056	$122,342	0%

Table 4.3- ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Family District Courts

Child Welfare Attorney Expenses

Child Welfare Attorney Expenses

Month	2021	2022	Change from 2021
Oct	$273,131	$309,772	13%
Nov	$277,174	$264,277	-5%
Dec	$280,960	$171,005	-39%
Jan	$236,856	$307,386	30%
Feb	$200,376	$291,992	46%
Mar	$291,487	$240,908	-17%
Apr	$214,178	$235,400	10%
May	$273,160	$260,688	-5%
Jun	$288,494	$125,982	-56%
Jul	$272,560	$267,620	-2%
Aug	$362,656	$348,264	-4%
Sep	$299,827	$154,854	-48%
Totals	$3,270,859	$2,978,149	-9%
Averages	$272,572	$248,179	-9%

Table 4.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Family District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Court	Judge	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
254th	Brown	4,003	4,236	27,585
255th	Cooks	4,102	3,885	38,423
256th	Lopez/Lee	4,109	4,128	36,114
301st	Brown	4,136	4,465	24,382
302nd	Jackson	4,049	3,940	38,230
303rd	Hunter	4,092	3,622	36,987
330th	Plumlee	4,224	4,328	25,326
Total		28,715	28,604	227,047
Average		4,102	4,086	32,435

Table 4.5 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is obtained from the Office of Court Administration and Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

Cost per Disposition

Chart 4.1- ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Notes on Methodology:

The Cost per Disposition is calculated by taking the total expenses divided by Dispositions.

Juvenile District Courts

Section 5

Juvenile District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

The Juvenile Courts hear both child welfare and juvenile delinquency cases and are composed of the 304th and 305th Courts. The operating expenses of these courts include the costs of each court's associate judge and use of public defender expenses. In addition, each court may retain staff from Dallas Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) to work with children who are in the court process due to an abuse and/or neglect case. Costs of CASA representation are included in the operating expense category.

Operating expenses, child welfare attorney expenses, delinquency attorney expenses, and public defender costs are captured through budgeting reports produced monthly by the County Auditor's Office and supplemented by general ledger reports maintained within the County's financial recording system - Oracle. Monthly attorney payments are provided by the District Clerk Juvenile Collections Manager.

The number of cases filed, disposed, and pending, comes from the Odyssey legal tracking system.

Highlights

Table 5.1 summarizes total costs for the Juvenile Courts. In FY2022, payments to outside attorneys in child welfare cases were $1,848,963. In FY2022, Juvenile delinquency attorney payments totaled $566,478 (Table 5.2)

The total revenue including, any fines and fees collected for FY2022 was $184,229, in comparison to FY2021 which was $209,891. These revenues experienced a decrease of 12% (Table 5.5).

The average cases filed for FY2022 was 140, the average cases disposed was 99, and the average cases pending was 2,401 (Table 5.6).

*The 304th Court had one vacancy in 2021. The courts moved down to two public defenders each in 2022.

Juvenile District Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Juvenile District Courts

304th Juvenile District Court - Hon. Andrea Martin

305th Juvenile District Court - Hon. Cheryl Lee Shannon

Juvenile District Courts

Expense Summary

Expenses

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Child Welfare Attorney Expenses	Delinquency Attorney Expenses	Public Defender Expenses	Visiting Judge	Total Expenses
304th*	Martin	$777,274	$906,159	$349,765	$673,083	$0	$2,706,280
305th	Shannon	$762,072	$942,805	$216,713	$646,741	$0	$2,568,331
Total		$1,539,346	$1,848,963	$566,478	$1,319,825	$0	$5,274,612
Average		$769,673	$924,482	$283,239	$659,912	$0	$2,637,306

Table 5.1 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

***The 304th Court had one vacancy in 2021. The courts moved down to two public defenders each in 2022.**

Juvenile District Courts

Child Welfare Attorney Expenses

Child Welfare Attorney Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
304th*	Martin	$1,138,884	$906,159	-20%
305th	Shannon	$1,151,869	$942,805	-18%
Total		$2,290,753	$1,848,963	-19%
Average		$1,145,377	$924,482	-19%

Table 5.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

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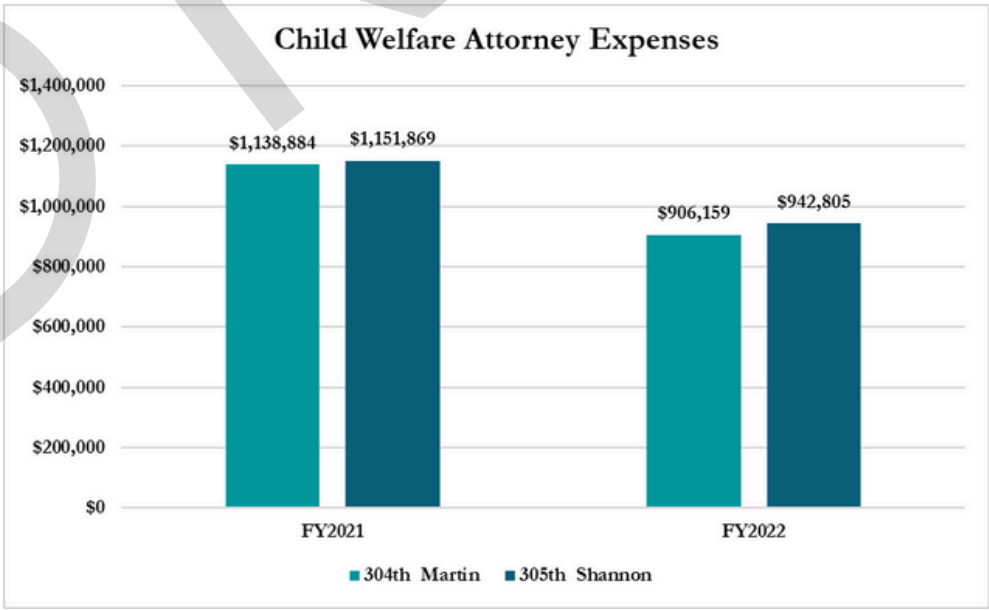

Chart 5.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Juvenile District Courts

Juvenile Delinquency Attorney Expenses

Juvenile Delinquency Attorney Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
304th*	Martin	$371,547	$349,765	-6%
305th	Shannon	$292,582	$216,713	-26%
Total		$664,129	$566,478	-15%
Average		$332,065	$283,239	-15%

Table 5.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

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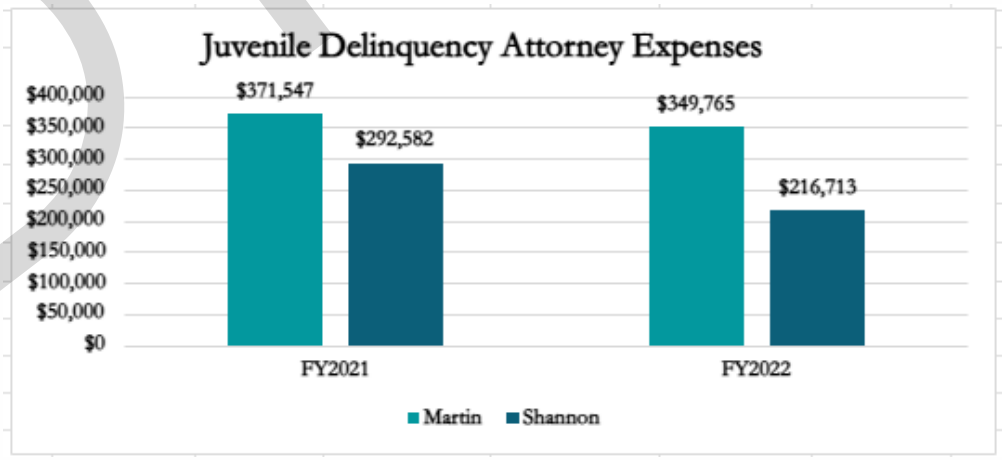

Chart 5.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Juvenile District Courts

Public Defender Expenses

Public Defender Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
304th*	Martin	$506,400	$673,083	33%
305th	Shannon	$627,484	$646,741	3%
Total		$1,133,884	$1,319,825	16%
Average		$566,942	$659,912	16%

Table 5.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

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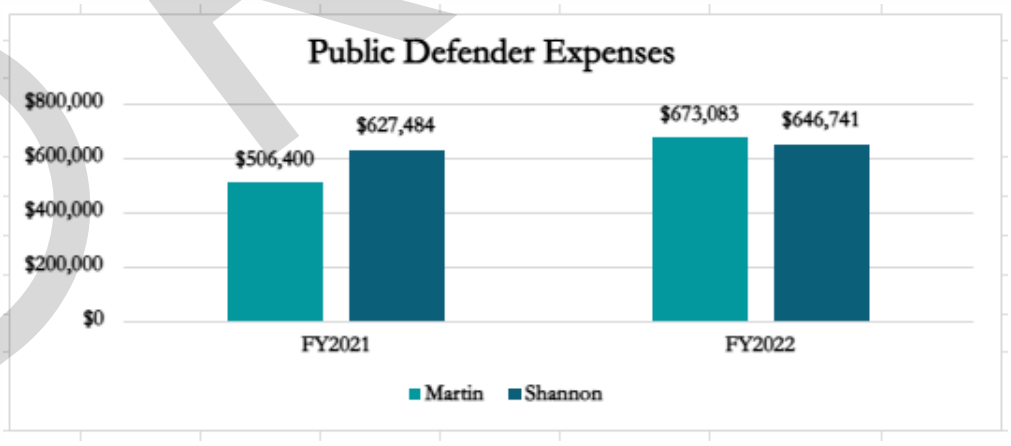


Chart 5.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Juvenile District Courts

Revenue

Fines & Fees Collected

Month	FY2021	FY2022	Change from FY2021
Oct	$17,508	$11,217	-36%
Nov	$9,102	$12,970	42%
Dec	$14,765	$18,203	23%
Jan	$17,553	$16,754	-5%
Feb	$17,171	$13,265	-23%
Mar	$25,366	$25,283	0%
Apr	$20,517	$23,124	13%
May	$16,371	$15,923	-3%
Jun	$19,871	$13,537	-32%
Jul	$17,141	$12,683	-26%
Aug	$18,421	$11,817	-36%
Sep	$16,105	$9,454	-41%
Totals	$209,891	$184,229	-12%
Averages	$17,491	$15,352	-12%

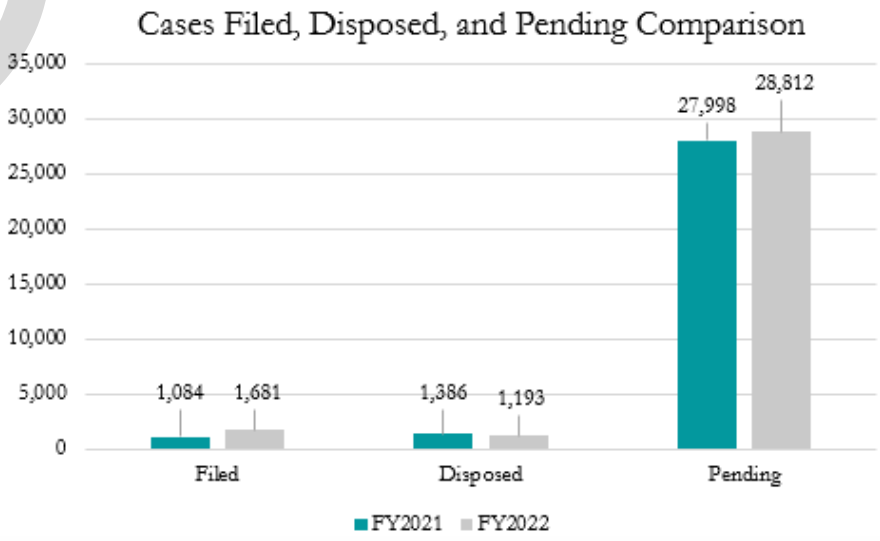
Table 5.5- ***Source/Explanation:*** *Information obtained from the District Clerk Juvenile Collections Division.*

Juvenile District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

	FY2021			FY2022		
Month	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
Oct	82	103	2,621	137	98	2,227
Nov	65	83	2,595	133	88	2,265
Dec	82	159	2,432	123	62	2,332
Jan	70	99	2,372	123	96	2,362
Feb	67	57	2,370	109	101	2,365
Mar	105	175	2,301	159	111	2,409
Apr	103	122	2,274	180	81	2,487
May	108	137	2,250	157	116	2,515
Jun	108	134	2,221	149	98	2,552
Jul	88	101	2,201	129	101	2,562
Aug	82	128	2,161	136	109	2,435
Sep	12	88	2,200	146	132	2,301
Total	1,084	1,386	27,998	1,681	1,193	28,812
Average	90	116	2,333	140	99	2,401

Table 5.6 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *All monthly reports detailing fines, fees, and costs assessed are collected by district clerk and prepared in a monthly report.*



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Juvenile District Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Cost per Disposition

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
304th*	Martin	$2,004	$1,820	-9%
305th	Shannon	$2,002	$1,726	-14%
Total		$4,006	$3,546	-11%
Average		$2,003	$1,773	-11%

Table 5.8 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

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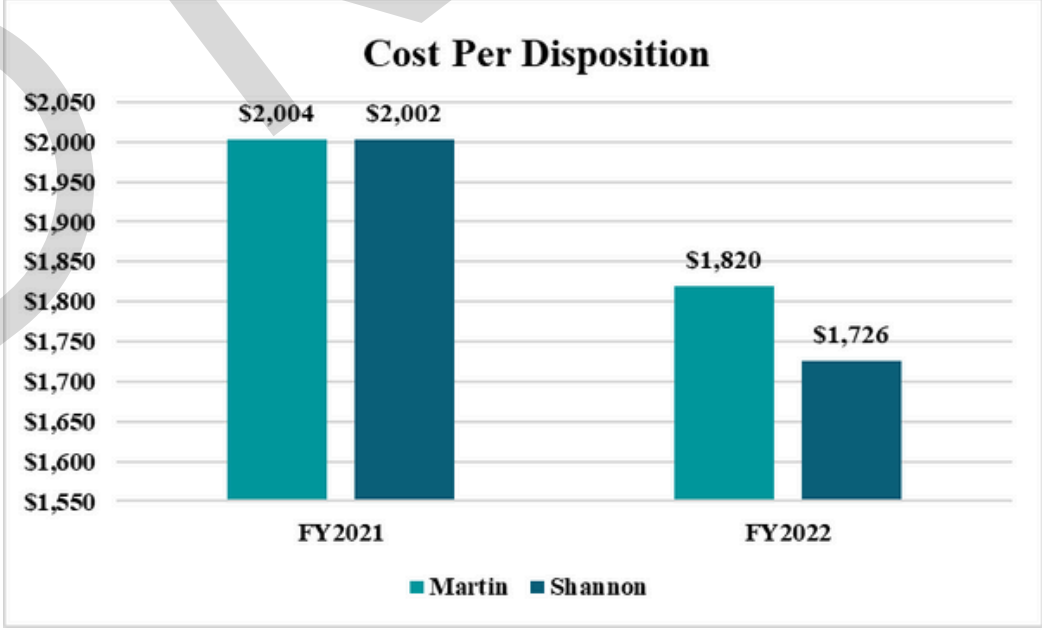

Chart 5.5 - *Source/Explanation:* *This expense information is obtained from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

County Criminal Courts

Section 6

County Criminal Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

County Criminal Courts #10 and #11 exclusively hear family violence cases and are not given other types of misdemeanor cases. The expenses (table 6.1) presented for each court do not include the cost of the Criminal Court Magistrate or the Collections Department, since these costs are the same for each court. However, the costs of visiting judges and court appointed attorneys are separated from operating expenses. The cost of court appointed attorneys is combined with the costs of public defenders in a column labeled "Total Indigent Defense".

Operating expenses, indigent defense costs, and CAA costs are captured through budgeting reports produced monthly by the County Auditor's Office and supplemented by general ledger reports maintained within the County's financial recording system - Oracle. Please note that court appointed interpreter costs are separated from court operating costs. The number of cases filed, pending, and disposed are obtained through the Odyssey legal tracking system.

Disposition data for the County Criminal Court judges does not include dismissals. A dismissal occurs without the assessment of fines or fees, at the discretion of the District Attorney, with the approval of the Judge. Therefore, it is not used as a measure of judicial activity, nor is it appropriate to include dismissals in calculating revenue per disposition. Dismissals are not an indicator of judicial activity, however, these dismissals are included in the County Criminal Court aggregate data page in order to reconcile filings and dispositions as they affect the pending caseload. It should be noted that disposition data includes jury activities, trials by court, pleas, probation revocation and ODLS.

Judges have the discretion to determine how a defendant will satisfy the fines and fees assessed, either through direct cash payment, community service or by serving time in the County jail. The Collection of fines, fees, and bond forfeitures are reported to the County Clerk.

County Criminal Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Highlights

The total for operating costs was $6,705,937. Revenue for the courts equaled $3,042,857 as calculated in table 6.1.

- Table 6.2 shows the total amount of public defender expenses for FY2022, which was $6,445,370.
- Tables 6.4 and 6.5 is inclusive of the cumulative fines, fees, and bond forfeiture revenue collected monthly. FY2022 yielded a total of $3,042,857.
- Table 6.6 shows the total cases filed, disposed, and pending. For FY2022, the filings totaled 24,200. As shown in table 6.6, there were 37,914 dispositions for all County Criminal Courts in FY2022.

It should be noted that in previous years, data was formulated and presented as year-to-date. Since the FY2021 management report, data has been broken down monthly and by each court, with the presiding judge listed.

The Family Violence courts have a higher cost per case assigned to the Public Defender due to a lower number of dispositions. The lower number of dispositions is a result of case dismissals or diversion efforts, such as a 26-week-long batterer's intervention program (BIP) for defendants. In addition, the District Attorney receives an automatic four-day pass on the case in order to contact the victims of the case, in addition to the ten days that it takes to get the clients to the Family Court. Lastly, the victims in family violence cases are offered counseling services and are advised of the process of pursuing a trial. These factors may delay the time frame for which a family violence case is disposed. Due to these delays, the Public Defender is assigned less cases.

County Criminal Courts

Methodology and Highlights

County Criminal Courts

County Criminal Court #1 - Hon. Dan Patterson
County Criminal Court #2 - Hon. Julia A. Hayes
County Criminal Court #3 - Hon. Audrey Moorehead
County Criminal Court #4 - Hon. Nancy Mulder
County Criminal Court #5 - Hon. Lisa Green
County Criminal Court #6 - Hon. Angela King
County Criminal Court #7 - Hon. Remeko Edwards
County Criminal Court #8 - Hon. Carmen P. White
County Criminal Court #9 - Hon. Peggy H. Hoffman
County Criminal Court #10 - Hon. Etta Mullin
County Criminal Court #11 - Hon. Shequitta Kelly
County Criminal Court of Appeals - Hon. Kristin Wade
County Criminal Court of Appeals #2 - Hon. Pamela Luther

County Criminal Courts

Expense Summary

Total Costs and Revenues by Court

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Visiting Judges	Total Indigent Expenses	Total Expenses	Revenues
1	Patterson	$599,485	$0	$254,791	$855,455	$291,064
2	Hayes	$555,567	$0	$289,124	$845,848	$245,819
3	Moorehead	$402,874	$8,792	$328,806	$751,597	$248,739
4	Mulder	$540,524	$0	$386,465	$929,959	$189,972
5	Green	$528,488	$2,736	$253,050	$784,916	$196,834
6	King	$604,951	$66,530	$328,347	$1,001,215	$241,689
7	Edwards	$512,695	$1,570	$288,882	$803,910	$254,095
8	White	$587,463	$49,383	$411,518	$1,050,002	$157,664
9	Hoffman	$504,251	$1,547	$374,248	$880,736	$311,582
10	Mullin	$430,137	$11,970	$277,166	$721,261	$105,140
11	Kelly	$523,174	$342	$438,807	$965,206	$109,372
Court of Appeals	Wade	$390,968	$10,057	$1,240	$403,890	$425,174
Court of Appeals #2	Luther	$525,359	$20,724	$438,070	$984,737	$265,713
Total		$6,705,937	$173,651	$4,070,515	$10,978,732	$3,042,857
Average		$515,841	$13,358	$313,117	$844,518	$234,066

Table 6.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports and EBS Financial System.*

County Criminal Courts

Expense Summary

Total Costs and Revenues by Court

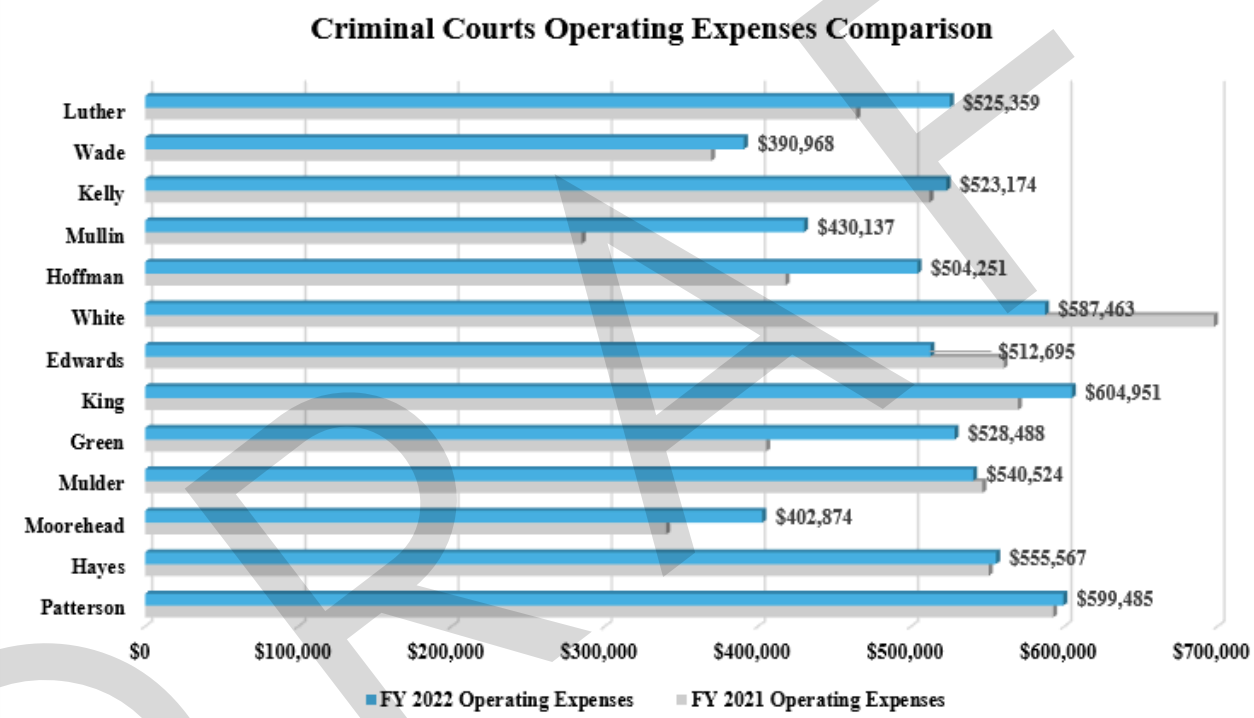

Chart 6.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

County Criminal Courts

Indigent Defense Expenses

Public Defender Expenses

Court	Judge	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from FY21
1	Patterson	$213,272	$216,314	1%
2	Hayes	$142,600	$127,545	-11%
3	Moorehead	$234,624	$236,044	1%
4	Mulder	$167,648	$99,938	-40%
5	Green	$137,384	$120,412	-12%
6	King	$236,880	$134,799	-43%
7	Edwards	$168,096	$114,803	-32%
8	White	$145,860	$112,247	-23%
9	Hoffman	$145,750	$240,303	65%
10	Mullin	$0	$0	0%
11	Kelly	$149,720	$127,545	-15%
Court of Appeals	Wade	$0	$0	0%
Court of Appeals #2	Luther	$114,954	$247,291	115%
Total		$1,856,788	$6,445,370	1%
Average		$366,994	$495,798	1%

Table 6.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

County Criminal Courts

Indigent Defense Cost Comparison

Public Defender Costs Comparison

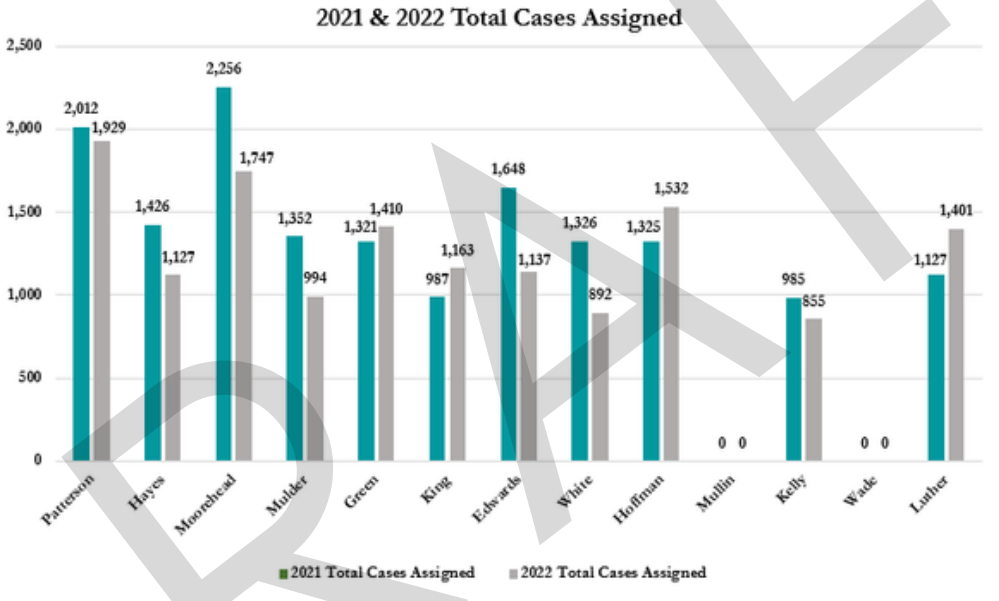

Chart 6.2 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports, Public Defender Statsbook, and Courts Assignment List.*

Court	Judge	Public Defenders Assigned
1	Patterson	3
2	Hayes	2
3	Moorehead	3
4	Mulder	2
5	Green	2
6	King	2
7	Edwards	2
8	White	2
9	Hoffman	2
10	Mullin	0
11	Kelly	2
Court of Appeals	Wade	0
Court of Appeals #2	Luther	2
Total		24
Average		2

Table 6.3 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports, Public Defender Statsbook, and Courts Assignment List.*

County Criminal Courts

Indigent Defense Cost Comparison

Public Defender Costs Comparison

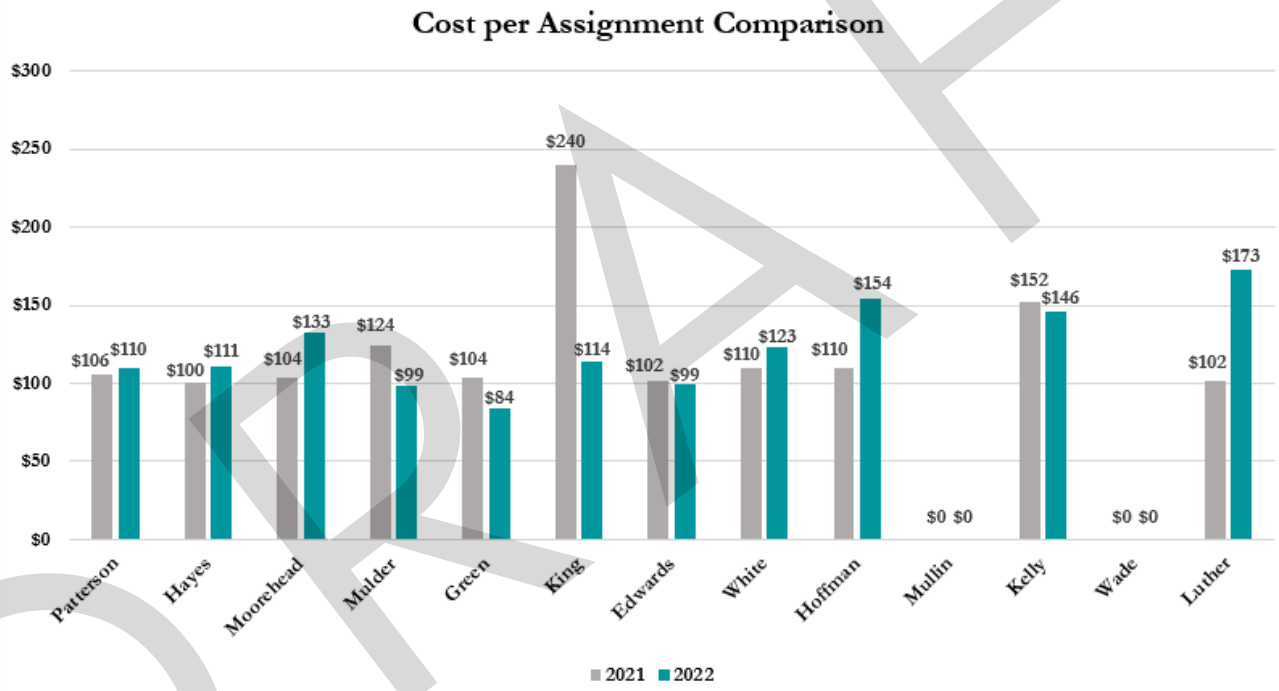

Chart 6.3- ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports, Public Defender Statsbook, and Courts Assignment List*

County Criminal Courts

Revenue

Total Revenue Collections

Court	Judge	FY 2021 Bond Forfeiture	FY 2021 Fines and Fees	FY 2021 Total Revenue
1	Patterson	$12,800	$181,626	$194,426
2	Hayes	$1,500	$158,787	$160,287
3	Moorhead	$1,500	$177,305	$178,805
4	Mulder	$12,220	$616,502	$628,722
5	Green	$2,139	$198,654	$200,793
6	King	$8,695	$118,095	$126,790
7	Edwards	$5,667	$160,414	$166,081
8	White	$3,056	$115,173	$118,229
9	Hoffman	$11,973	$263,288	$275,261
10	Mullin	$17,056	$155,566	$172,622
11	Kelly	$4,500	$65,856	$70,356
Court of Appeals	Wade	$0	$616,502	$616,502
Court of Appeals 2	Luther	$9,306	$289,443	$298,749
Total		$90,412	$3,117,211	$3,207,623
Average		$9,306	$289,443	$298,749

Table 6.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Collections information provided by the DocumentDirect report R6465.Revenue collections could be impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic*

Court	Judge	FY 2022 Bond Forfeiture	FY 2022 Fines and Fees	FY 2022 Total Revenue
1	Patterson	$101,828	$189,235	$291,064
2	Hayes	$368	$245,451	$245,819
3	Moorhead	$19,208	$229,531	$248,739
4	Mulder	$77,435	$112,537	$189,972
5	Green	$7,306	$189,528	$196,834
6	King	$39,183	$202,506	$241,689
7	Edwards	$67,109	$186,986	$254,095
8	White	$30,171	$127,493	$157,664
9	Hoffman	$62,800	$248,782	$311,582
10	Mullin	$13,515	$91,625	$105,140
11	Kelly	$34,735	$74,637	$109,372
Court of Appeals	Wade	$513	$424,661	$425,174
Court of Appeals 2	Luther	$36,195	$229,518	$265,713
Total		$490,366	$2,552,490	$3,042,857
Average		$37,720	$196,345	$234,066

Table 6.5 - *Source/Explanation:* *Collections information provided by the DocumentDirect report R6465. Revenue collections could be impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic*

County Criminal Courts

Cases Filed, Pending, and Disposed

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Court	Judge	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
1	Patterson	1,795	2,698	494
2	Hayes	1,614	2,460	183
3	Moorehead	1,780	3,030	186
4	Mulder	1,733	2,675	164
5	Green	1,803	2,388	123
6	King	1,781	2,879	298
7	Edwards	1,739	2,618	136
8	White	1,702	2,491	100
9	Hoffman	1,709	3,074	196
10	Mullin	1,700	2,833	63
11	Kelly	1,752	2,875	19
Court of Appeals	Wade	3,332	4,713	4
Court of Appeals 2	Luther	1,760	3,180	153
Total		24,200	37,914	2,119
Average		1,862	2,916	163

Table 6.6 - *Source/Explanation:* *Cases filed, disposed, and pending are derived from Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

County Courts at Law

Section 7

County Courts at Law

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

Operating costs associated with the five County Courts at Law are mostly attributed to salaries and benefits to support staff. Total costs for the County Courts at Law are calculated using all costs associated with salaries and benefits, along with all operating expenses, including any visiting judges, if applicable.

Data about the caseload for each of the courts was pulled from the Office of Court Administration reports that are obtained through the Dallas County Clerk's office.

Highlights

The County Courts at Law had an average cost per disposition of $397 during FY2022, a decrease of $127 as compared to the FY2021 average of $524 (Table 7.1).

County Court at Law #4 had the highest cost per disposition at $432 and County Court at Law #2 had the lowest at $340 (Table 7.1).

The total expenses for FY2022 were $2,568,354. The average total expense was $513,671 for FY2022 (Table 7.1).

There was an increase in the number of cases disposed from FY2021 to FY2022, with 1,482 more cases being disposed in FY2022 (Chart 7.2). The data for FY2022 broken down by month as collected the County Clerk Odyssey Report compared to years past where the number is calculated year-to-date. Despite this increase in cases that were disposed, dispositions are about 12 percent lower than dispositions pre-COVID in FY2019.

County Courts at Law

Methodology and Highlights

County Courts at Law

County Court at Law #1 - Hon. D'Metria Benson
County Court at Law #2 - Hon. Melissa J. Bellan
County Court at Law #3 - Hon. Sally Montgomery
County Court at Law #4 - Hon. Paula Rosales
County Court at Law #5 - Hon. Mark B. Greenberg / Juan Renteria

County Courts at Law

Expense Summary

Court by Court Comparison of Total Expenses and Dispositions

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Visiting Judges	Total Expenses	Dispostions	FY 2022 Cost per Dispositon	FY2021 Cost per Disposition
1	Benson	$541,723	$0	$541,723	1,344	$403	$520
2	Bellan	$465,556	$0	$465,556	1,369	$340	$451
3	Montgomery	$496,026	$0	$496,026	1,176	$422	$633
4	Rosales	$577,056	$0	$577,056	1,335	$432	$560
5	reenberg/Rente	$487,592	$400	$487,992	1,255	$389	$457
	Totals	$2,567,955	$400	$2,568,354	6,479	$1,986	$2,621
	Average	$513,591	$80	$513,671	1,296	$397	$524

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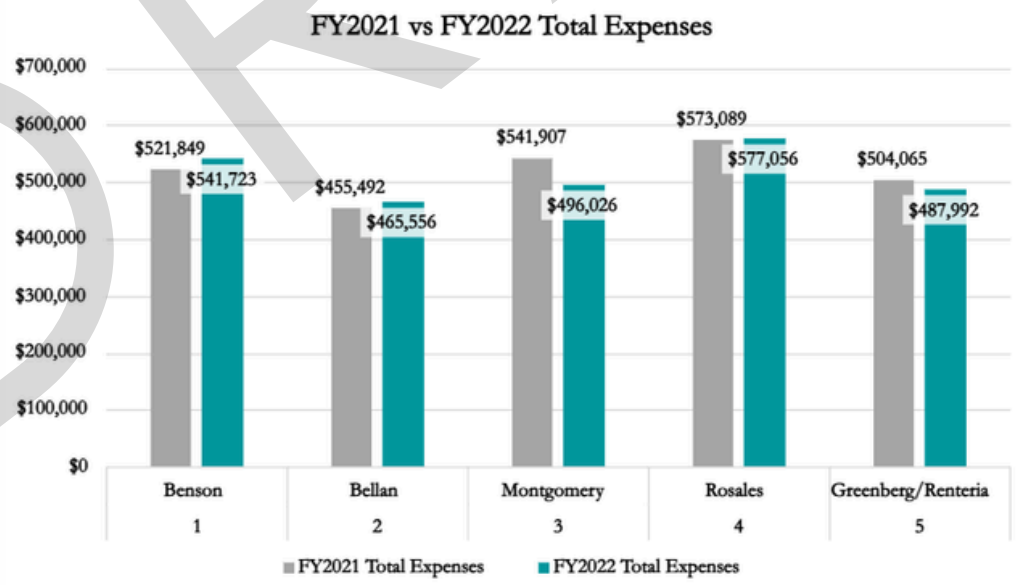

Chart 7.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

County Courts at Law

Cases Filed, Pending, and Disposed

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Pending

Court	Judge	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Cases Pending
254th	Brown	4,003	4,236	27,585
255th	Cooks	4,102	3,885	38,423
256th	Lopez/Lee	4,109	4,128	36,114
301st	Brown	4,136	4,465	24,382
302nd	Jackson	4,049	3,940	38,230
303rd	Hunter	4,092	3,622	36,987
330th	Plumlee	4,224	4,328	25,326
Total		28,715	28,604	227,047
Average		4,102	4,086	32,435

Table 7.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Cases filed, disposed, and pending are derived from Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

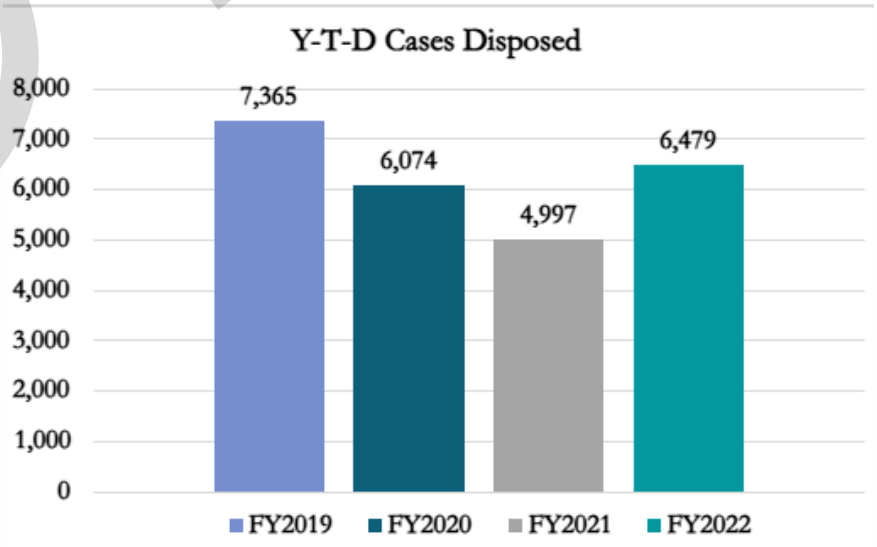

Chart 7.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Cases filed, disposed, and pending are derived from Odyssey's Case Index Report.*

Probate Courts

Section 8

Probate Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

The County's Probate Courts receive the probate cases that are filed with the County Clerk on a percentage basis. Probate Court #1 and Probate Court #2 are each allocated 37.5% of the new cases filed. Probate Court #3, which also serves as the Mental Illness Court two-fifths of the time, receives 25% of the new probate cases.

Probate Court #3 also hears mental illness cases at the Mental Illness Court two days per week. Consequently, Probate Court #3's higher operating expenses are not comparable to the other two probate courts. The County assigns Public Defenders to this court to represent patients for Mental Illness cases. These costs are indicated in the public defender column for Probate Court #3.

Highlights

The total operating expenses for all Probate courts was $3,260,697 (Table 8.1).

Probate Court #3 was the only court with Public Defender expenses with $753,049 due to being the designated Mental Illness Court (Table 8.1).

Probate Court Investigators total expenses for the past three fiscal years was $3,363,682 (Table 8.3).

Probate Court Associate Judges total expenses for the past three fiscal years was $2,369,392 (Table 8.4).

Probate Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Probate Courts

Probate Court #1 - Hon. Brenda H. Thompson / Julia Malveaux
Probate Court #2 - Hon. Ingrid Michelle Warren
Probate Court #3 - Hon. Margaret Jones-Johnson

Probate Courts

Expense Summary

Expense Summary

Court	Judge	Operating Expenses	Visiting Judges	Public Defender	Total Expenses
1	Thompson/Malveaux	$1,012,914	$0	$0	$1,012,914
2	Warren	$1,046,561	$0	$0	$1,046,561
3	Jones-Johnson	$1,201,222	$0	$753,049	$1,954,271
Total		$3,260,697	$0	$753,049	$4,013,746
Average		$1,086,899	$0	$753,049	$1,337,915

Table 8.1 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Probate Courts

Cases Assigned

Cases Assigned

Court	Judge	FY2022
1	Thompson/ Malveaux	2,014
2	Warren	2,004
3	Jones-Johnson	3,470*
Totals		4,018

***Please note that Probate Court Number Three is the designated mental illness court and is assigned fewer probate cases than the other two courts. This number does not include mental health cases.**

Table 8.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

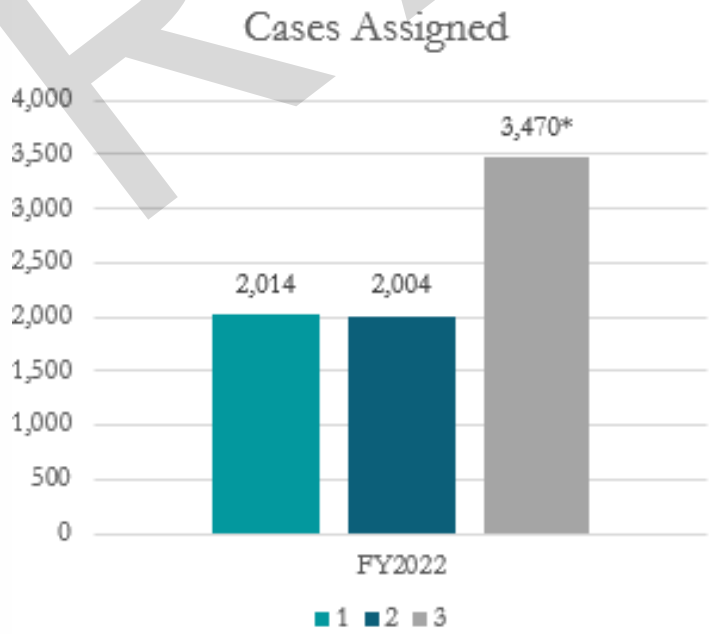

Chart 8.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Probate Court Investigators

Expense Comparison

Probate court investigators research information in regards to the reasoning for guardianship, the suitability of the proposed guardian(s), the needs of the minors or elderly and their preferences. This might be adults trying to adopt a child or take over decision-making for an elderly relative, for example. The investigators share their findings with the courts, testifying when necessary to help the courts make the best possible decisions for the children or adults affected.

Expense Comparison

Fiscal Year	Expenses	Authorized Staff
FY2020	$1,240,901	8
FY2021	$1,292,662	8
FY2022	$1,103,119	8
Total	$3,636,682	24
Average	$1,212,227	8

Table 8.3 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Probate Associate Judges

Expense Comparison

Expense Comparison

Fiscal Year	Expenses
FY2020	$738,670
FY2021	$805,443
FY2022	$825,279
Total	$2,369,392
Average	$789,797

Table 8.4 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is derived from Dallas County's Financial Recording System – Oracle.*

Justice of the Peace Courts

Section 9

Justice of the Peace

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

The purpose of a Justice of the Peace is to serve as a lower court that handles traffic cases and minor civil cases. Constables serve as marshals for the Justice of the Peace court, which also includes serving warrants and summons. Justice of the Peace reports are derived from the Office of Court Administration (OCA) and revenue and expenditure data is a result of the County Auditor's Office monthly reports.

All funds receipted in the JP courts are not considered JP revenues. The Justices of the Peace Court collect and receipt various types of fees which include constable fees, sheriff fees, DART fees, state court costs, county clerk fees, state marriage license and birth certificate fees, judgment collections or other special fund deposits, cash bonds, Linebarger fees, and Omni FTA fees. The Justices of the Peace Court bookkeeper collects the fees and assigns them to the appropriate fee types in the Justice of the Peace computer system.

The average cost per clerk was calculated by taking the Operating Expenses and dividing by the number of clerks per court (Table 9.1)

Highlights

Operating expenses are included in Table 9.1. The average operating expense among the courts was $787,570.

The JP Revenue for FY2022 was $6,130,262 (Table 9.1).

The average Traffic Collection Revenue for FY2022 was $441,950. JP 4-2 had the lowest average oayment received with $7, while JP 1-1 and JP 5-2 had the highest at $209 (Table 9.2).

The average cases filed for FY2022 was 11,246 in comparison to FY2021 where the average was 9,167 (Table 9.3).

The average cases disposed for FY2022 was 11,017 in comparison to FY2021 where the average was 8,772 (Table 9.4).

Justice of the Peace

Methodology and Highlights

Justice of the Peace Courts

Justice of the Peace 1-1 - Hon. Thomas G. Jones
Justice of the Peace 1-2 - Hon. Valencia Nash
Justice of the Peace 2-1 - Hon. Margaret O'Brien
Justice of the Peace 2-2 - Hon. Katina Whitfield
Justice of the Peace 3-1 - Hon. Albert B. Cercone / Adam Swartz
Justice of the Peace 3-2 - Hon. Steven Seider
Justice of the Peace 4-1 - Hon. Mike Jones, Jr.
Justice of the Peace 4-2 - Hon. Sasha Moreno
Justice of the Peace 5-1 - Hon. Sara Martinez
Justice of the Peace 5-2 - Hon. Juan Jasso

Justice of the Peace

Expense Summary

Total Costs and Revenues by Court

Court Number	Judge	# of Clerks	Operating Expenses	Visiting Judges	Total Expenses	JP Revenues	Average Cost per Clerk	Average Revenue per Clerk
JP 1-1	Jones	14	$1,138,401	$33,280	$1,171,680	$1,210,221	$81,314	$86,444
JP 1-2	Nash	9	$724,210	$0	$724,210	$314,178	$80,468	$34,909
JP 2-1	O'Brien	9	$707,207	$0	$707,207	$274,047	$78,579	$30,450
JP 2-2	Whitfield	9	$771,324	$0	$771,324	$176,526	$85,703	$19,614
JP 3-1	Cercone/Swartz	11	$971,283	$0	$971,283	$1,041,584	$88,298	$94,689
JP 3-2	Seider	9	$774,072	$0	$774,072	$552,055	$86,008	$61,339
JP 4-1	Jones, Jr.	9	$765,320	$8,792	$774,112	$327,329	$85,036	$36,370
JP 4-2	Moreno	7	$675,025	$0	$675,025	$602,618	$96,432	$86,088
JP 5-1	Martinez	9	$773,460	$284	$773,744	$771,797	$85,940	$85,755
JP 5-2	Jasso	10	$575,401	$0	$575,401	$859,907	$57,540	$85,991
Total		96	$7,875,702	$42,356	$7,918,058	$6,130,262	$825,318	$621,650
Average		10	$787,570	$4,236	$791,806	$613,026	$82,532	$62,165

Table 9.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *All operating expense Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Note on Methodology:

A negative net expense can be thought of as the court having more revenue than expenditures.

Justice of the Peace

Revenue and Operating Expenses Comparison

Revenue Comparison

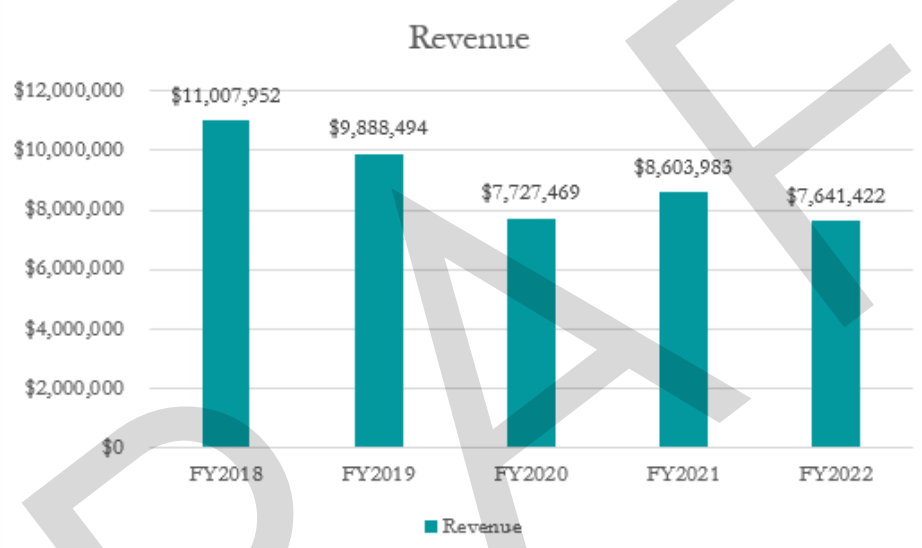

Chart 9.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from SQL Server Reporting Services.*

Justice of the Peace Courts Operating Expenses

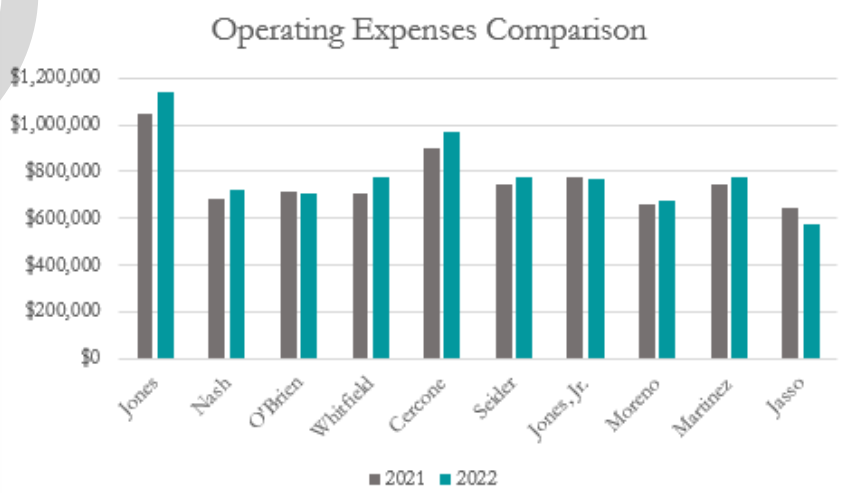

Chart 9.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *All operating expense data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Justice of the Peace

Traffic Collections

Traffic Collections

Since the elimination of the Constable's Traffic Safety Program and the reduction of the Sheriff's Traffic Safety Program in the FY2012 Approved Budget, traffic case filings in the JP Courts have steadily declined. Courts that historically received high volumes of traffic filings have experienced significant impacts, reflected in reduced workload volumes and corresponding decreases in authorized staffing levels.

Notable observations include:

- Justice of the Peace 1-1: Continues to handle the highest volume of traffic tickets, with 26,144 cases filed during the reporting period, a slight decrease from the previous reporting period, where 16,285 cases were filed.

The Dallas County Sheriff's Office had the highest amount of traffic program fines collected with a total of 744.

The offense with the most charges was the HOV Lane-Single Occupant with 5,242 citations.

Justice of the Peace

Traffic Collections

Court	Traffic Collections Cases	Traffic Collection Revenue	Average Payment Received
JP 1-1	6,582	$1,372,747	$209
JP 1-2	1,677	$302,063	$180
JP 2-1	1,083	$44,518	$41
JP 2-2	572	$83,379	$146
JP 3-1	5,053	$639,885	$127
JP 3-2	2,883	$343,868	$119
JP 4-1	1,409	$54,934	$39
JP 4-2	2,654	$19,536	$7
JP 5-1	3,612	$668,878	$185
JP 5-2	4,266	$889,693	$209
Total	29,791	$4,419,502	$1,262
Average	2,979	$441,950	$126

Table 9.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from SQL Server Reporting Services.*

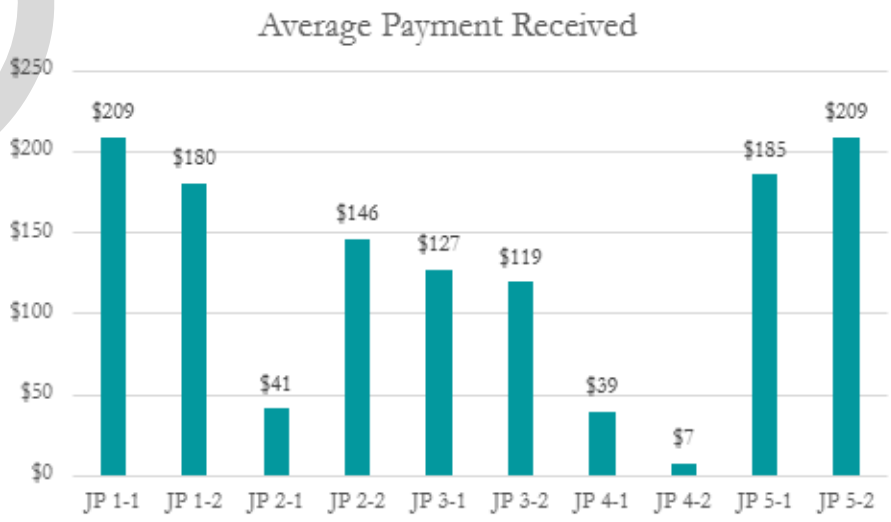

Chart 9.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from SQL Server Reporting Services.*

Justice of the Peace

Cases Filed

Cases Filed

Court	Judge	Cases Filed FY2021	Cases Filed FY2022	% Change from FY2021
JP 1-1	Jones	16,285	26,144	61%
JP 1-2	Nash	3,900	4,757	22%
JP 2-1	O'Brien	11,311	9,952	-12%
JP 2-2	Whitfield	2,464	4,666	89%
JP 3-1	Swartz	9,587	16,239	69%
JP 3-2	Seider	9,786	9,549	-2%
JP 4-1	Jones, Jr.	13,934	10,755	-23%
JP 4-2	Moreno	5,314	7,864	48%
JP 5-1	Martinez	10,089	12,259	22%
JP 5-2	Jasso	8,997	10,272	14%
Totals		91,667	112,457	23%
Averages		9,167	11,246	23%

Table 9.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *Reports generated from the Office of Court Administration.*

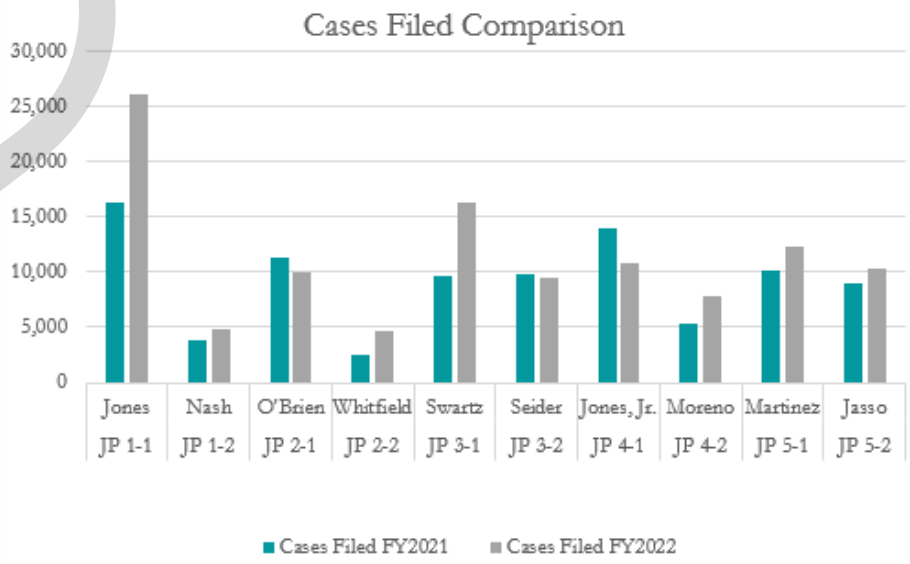

Chart 9.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Reports generated from the Office of Court Administration.*

Justice of the Peace

Cases Disposed

Cases Disposed

Court	Judge	Cases Disposed FY2021	Cases Disposed FY2022	% Change from FY2021
JP 1-1	Jones	18,398	23,138	26%
JP 1-2	Nash	1,334	3,424	>100%
JP 2-1	O'Brien	9,242	10,943	18%
JP 2-2	Whitfield	1,867	18,033	>800%
JP 3-1	Swartz	17,543	9,176	-48%
JP 3-2	Seider	6,329	13,119	>100%
JP 4-1	Jones, Jr.	8,970	6,327	-29%
JP 4-2	Moreno	4,510	9,171	>100%
JP 5-1	Martinez	8,851	8,418	-5%
JP 5-2	Jasso	10,674	8,418	-21%
Totals		87,718	110,167	26%
Averages		8,772	11,017	26%

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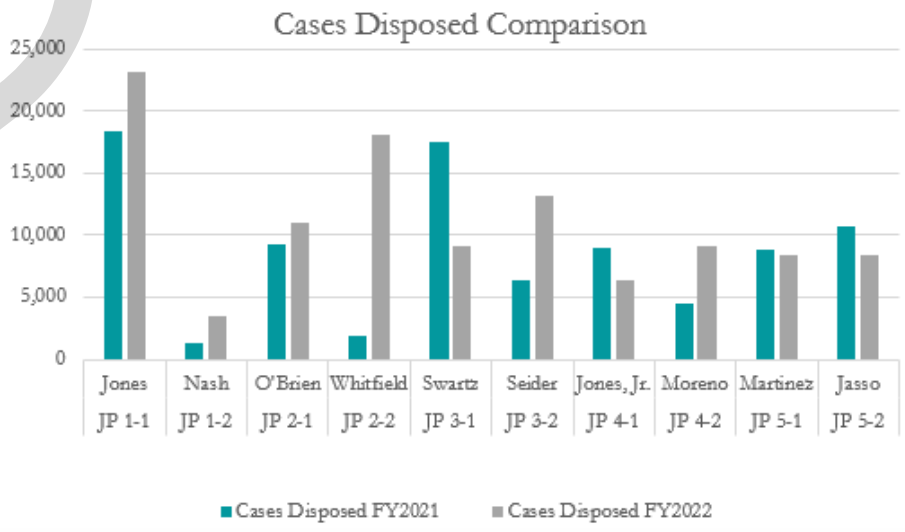


Chart 9.5 - *Source/Explanation:* *Reports generated from the Office of Court Administration.*

Truancy Courts

Section 10

Truancy Courts

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

The purpose of the Truancy Courts is to hear cases timely and ensure consistency in disposition and enforcement of the truancy court orders. Senate Bill 358 passed during the 78th Legislature established the Truancy Courts as a constitutional court. Dallas County operates five dedicated Truancy Courts, which receive case filings from Carrollton/Farmers Branch Independent School District, Cedar Hill Independent School District, Coppell Independent School District, Dallas Independent School District, Duncanville Independent School District, Garland Independent School District, Mesquite Independent School District, Richardson Independent School District, Richland Collegiate High School (Charter), Life School (Charter), Uplift Education (Charter), Trinity Basin (Charter). Justices of the Peace hear Truancy Court Cases.

The Truancy Courts' budget is divided into two separate budgets, Truancy Courts Administration (department 1011) and Truancy Court Clerks (department 4033).

*The discrepancy in the average number of cases filed, dispositions, dismissals, and collections can be attributed to removing the East (A) and Central offices from analysis. These courts were removed from the dataset because East (A) stopped hearing cases in November of 2015 and Central stopped hearing cases in January of 2017.

Highlights

The number of case filings for the Truancy Courts for FY2022 is 5,322, which is 4,892 lower than FY2021, which was 10,214 (Tables 10.1 and 10.2).

The total amount of revenue collected for the Truancy Courts for FY2022 was $110,140, in comparison to $178,773 for FY2021, as shown in Table 10.4.

The volume (Table 10.3) only represents cases that are filed in the Truancy Courts. Overall, average number of cases filed in truancy courts for FY2022 is lower than the total number of cases filed in FY2021.

The amount of revenue collected during the reporting period represents an average 38% decrease from the previous year.

Truancy Courts

Cases Filed, Disposed, and Dismissals

FY2022 Caseloads

Court	Judge	Filed	Disposed	Dismissed
North	Chavez	73	29	369
South	Rayford	67	37	254
Central	Miller	0	0	0
East (A)	Sholden	0	0	0
East (B)	Richie	5,182	614	2,405
Total		5,322	680	3,028
Average		1,064	136	606

Table 10.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

FY2021 Caseloads

Court	Judge	Filed	Disposed	Dismissed
North	Chavez	140	50	325
South	Rayford	0	8	98
Central	Miller	1,294	54	2,411
East (A)	Sholden	0	0	0
East (B)	Richie	8,780	607	2,772
Total		10,214	719	5,606
Average		2,043	144	1,121

Table 10.2 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

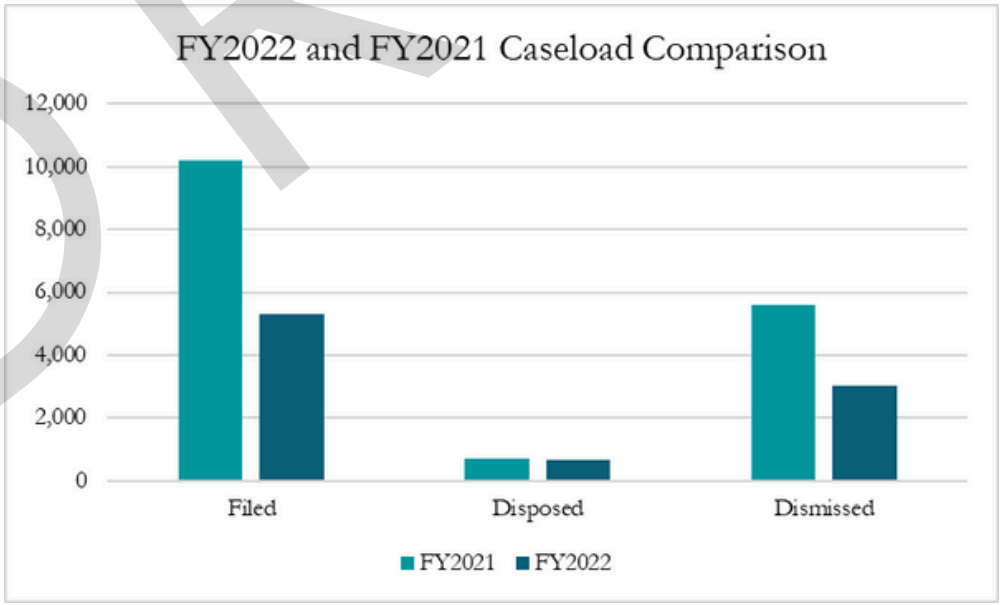


Chart 10.1 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

Truancy Courts

Volume and Revenue

Monthly Volume

Month	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
Oct	2,292	2,171	590	109	-82%
Nov	2,931	2,738	1,132	517	-54%
Dec	3,477	2,625	679	784	15%
Jan	2,478	2,345	1,458	1,812	24%
Feb	4,754	3,873	2,311	1,326	-43%
Mar	2,794	2,052	1,767	774	-56%
Apr	3,601	0	1,505	0	-100%
May	1,596	19	707	0	-100%
Jun	0	19	0	0	0%
Jul	0	0	0	0	0%
Aug	0	0	0	0	0%
Sep	0	0	65	0	-100%
Totals	23,923	15,842	10,214	5,322	-48%
Averages	1,994	1,320	851	444	-48%

Table 10.3 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

Monthly Volume Comparison

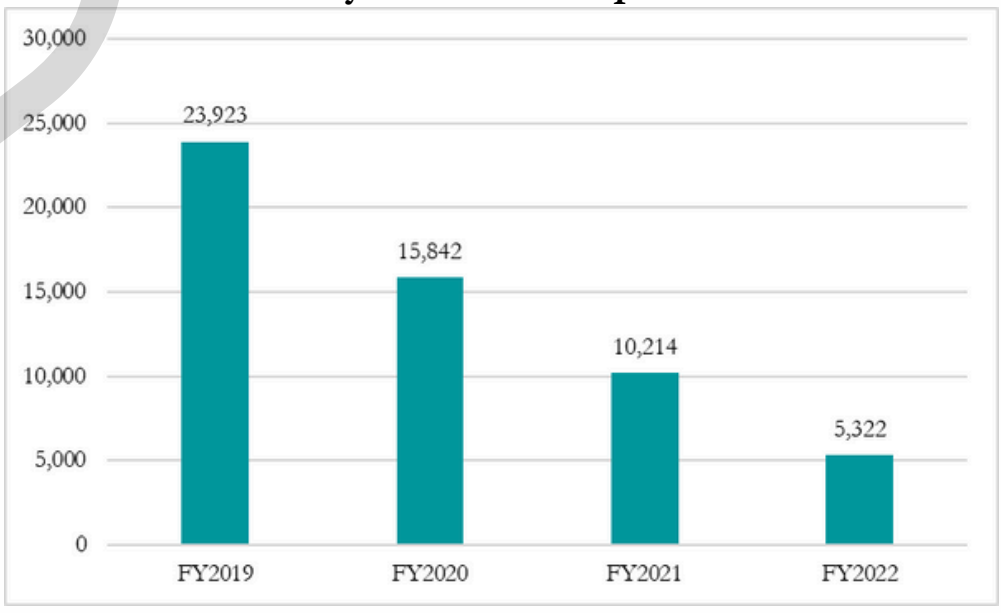


Chart 10.2 - ***Source/Explanation:*** *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

Truancy Courts

Volume and Revenue

Monthly Revenue

Month	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
Oct	$18,191	$38,402	$3,518	$25,840	>600%
Nov	$21,930	$37,820	$6,820	$21,690	>200%
Dec	$25,178	$34,771	$8,896	$21,617	>100%
Jan	$39,028	$40,220	$12,844	$10,360	-19%
Feb	$42,077	$64,557	$18,045	$7,995	-56%
Mar	$66,050	$61,739	$32,509	$22,640	-30%
Apr	$55,807	$0	$24,159	$0	-100%
May	$61,039	$0	$16,617	$0	-100%
Jun	$60,308	$18,269	$9,394	$0	-100%
Jul	$46,145	$6,117	$10,471	$0	-100%
Aug	$0	$3,286	$16,202	$0	-100%
Sep	$0	$1,778	$19,298	$0	-100%
Totals	$435,753	$306,959	$178,773	$110,140	-38%
Averages	$36,313	$25,580	$14,898	$9,178	-38%

Table 10.4 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

Monthly Revenue Comparison

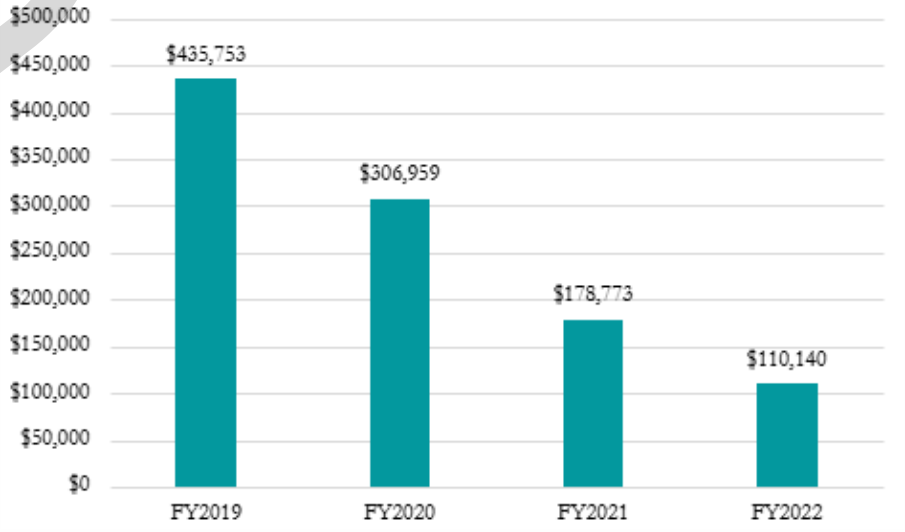


Chart 10.3 - *Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration.*

Miscellaneous

Section 11

Miscellaneous

Methodology and Highlights

Methodology

This section regards miscellaneous judicial reports and data, including child support processing fees under the Domestic Relations Office (DRO), and District Attorney asset forfeiture funds. DA asset forfeiture funds are funds used by district attorneys to administer forfeited property in accordance with local agreements with law enforcement agencies. They can be used for various purposes, including the preservation, enforcement, or administration of state laws. This data is obtained through financial reports in Oracle.

Texas law requires a $35 annual service fee on parents who have never received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). The projected annual revenue figure reflects the County Auditor's estimate for revenue from this fee not the potential amount of revenue available based on the number of active child support accounts.

Jury Trials data reflects only cases where a jury was selected. Data represents Civil, Family, and Criminal cases in Dallas County Courts.

Highlights

The total child support processing fee revenue increased by 80% in FY2022 (Table 11.1).

The District Attorney's Office provides information on the amount deposited into the department's State Asset Forfeiture Account Table 11.2. In FY2022, the District Attorney collected $778,820, a 6% decrease from FY2021.

Asset forfeiture revenue fluctuates monthly and is dependent upon the number and value of cases in litigation. The District Attorney's Office utilizes asset forfeiture funds for a variety of programs, including support of the County's drug courts and employee training.

Miscellaneous

Child Support Processing Fees

Child Support Processing Fees

Month	FY2021	FY2022	% Change from 2021
Oct	$368	$720	96%
Nov	$72	$360	>100%
Dec	$324	$2,772	>700%
Jan	$66	$1,350	>1000%
Feb	$108	$324	>100%
Mar	$290	$432	49%
Apr	$396	$1,570	>200%
May	$144	$1,468	>900%
Jun	$444	$784	77%
Jul	$216	$424	96%
Aug	$3,616	$946	-74%
Sep	$396	$434	10%
Totals	$6,440	$11,584	80%
Averages	$537	$965	80%

Table 11.1 -*Source/Explanation:* *All operating expense Data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Miscellaneous

Child Support Processing Fees

Child Support Processing Fees

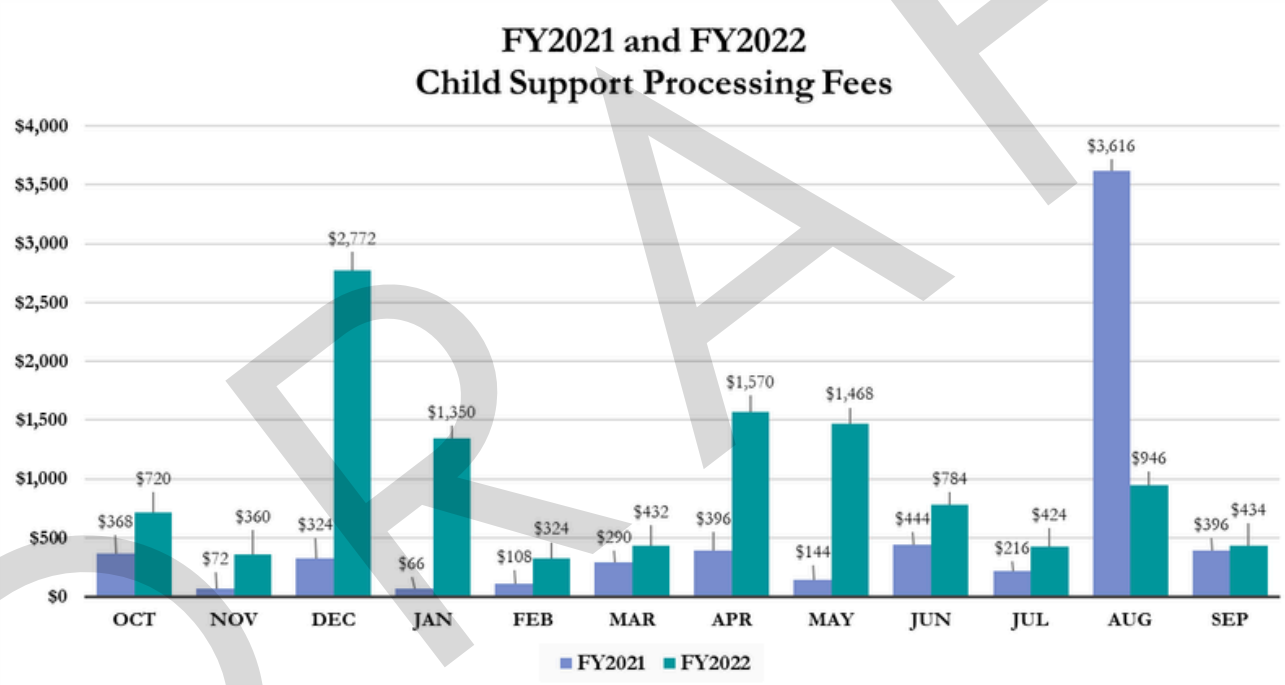


Chart 11.1-*Source/Explanation:* *All operating expense data is generated from the Auditor's Monthly Analysis of Budgeted Operations Reports.*

Miscellaneous

District Attorney Asset Forfeiture

DA Asset Monthly Forfeiture Revenue

Month	FY2021	FY2022	Change from 2021
Oct	$51,689	$82,922	60%
Nov	$188,669	$33,531	-82%
Dec	$29,312	$30,921	5%
Jan	$41,957	$74,749	78%
Feb	$50,323	$62,791	25%
Mar	$56,867	$89,214	57%
Apr	$99,748	$23,664	-76%
May	$57,174	$103,475	81%
Jun	$58,137	$43,003	-26%
Jul	$56,884	$91,690	61%
Aug	$50,223	$35,463	-29%
Sep	$91,895	$107,396	17%
Total	$832,878	$778,820	-6%
Averages	$69,407	$64,902	-6%

Table 11.2 -*Source/Explanation:* *Processing Fees collected from the Dallas County Oracle System using Yellow Book Revenues*

DA Asset Monthly Forfeiture Revenue Comparison

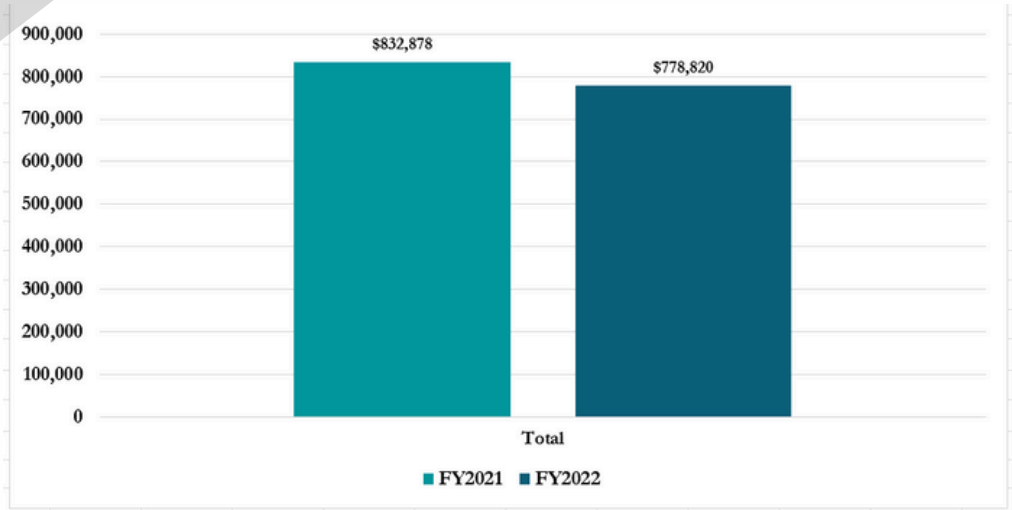


Chart 11.2- *Source/Explanation:* *Processing Fees collected from the Dallas County Financial Reporting System - Oracle*

Miscellaneous

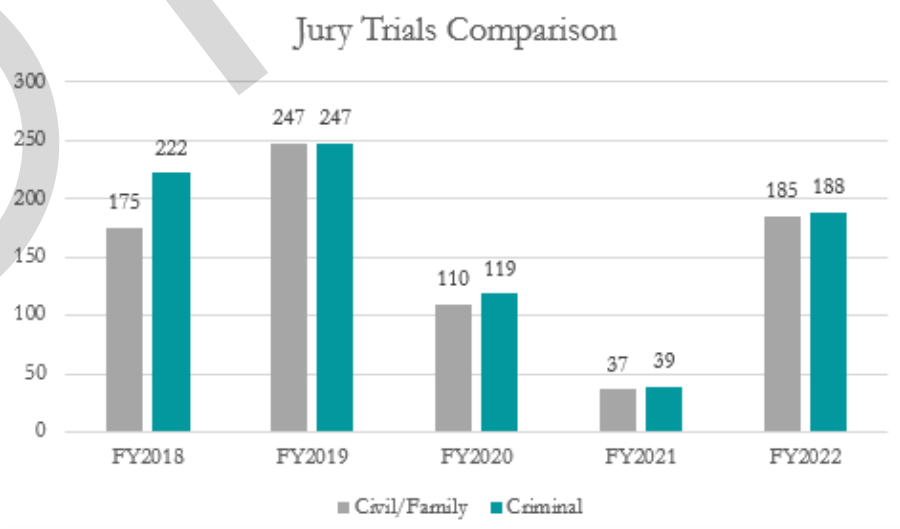
Jury Trials

Jury Trials Comparison

	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022
Civil/Family	175	247	110	37	185
Criminal	222	247	119	39	188
Total	397	494	229	76	373
Average	199	247	153	25	187

***Please note Jury Trials for Family Cases are rare and have been included in the Jury Trials for Civil Cases count.**

Table 11.3 -*Source/Explanation:* *Data is derived from the Office of Court Administration (OCA)*



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