

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT  
State of Delaware

2022 Annual Report Statistical Information

## JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

### Caseload Summary - Fiscal Year 2022 - Civil Cases

	Filings	Dispositions
New Castle County		
Court 9	2,547	3,156
Court 13	11,966	8,836
Kent County		
Court 16	7,675	5,680
Sussex County		
Court 17	5,255	4,861
<b>State</b>	<b>27,443</b>	<b>22,533</b>

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Civil Case Filings

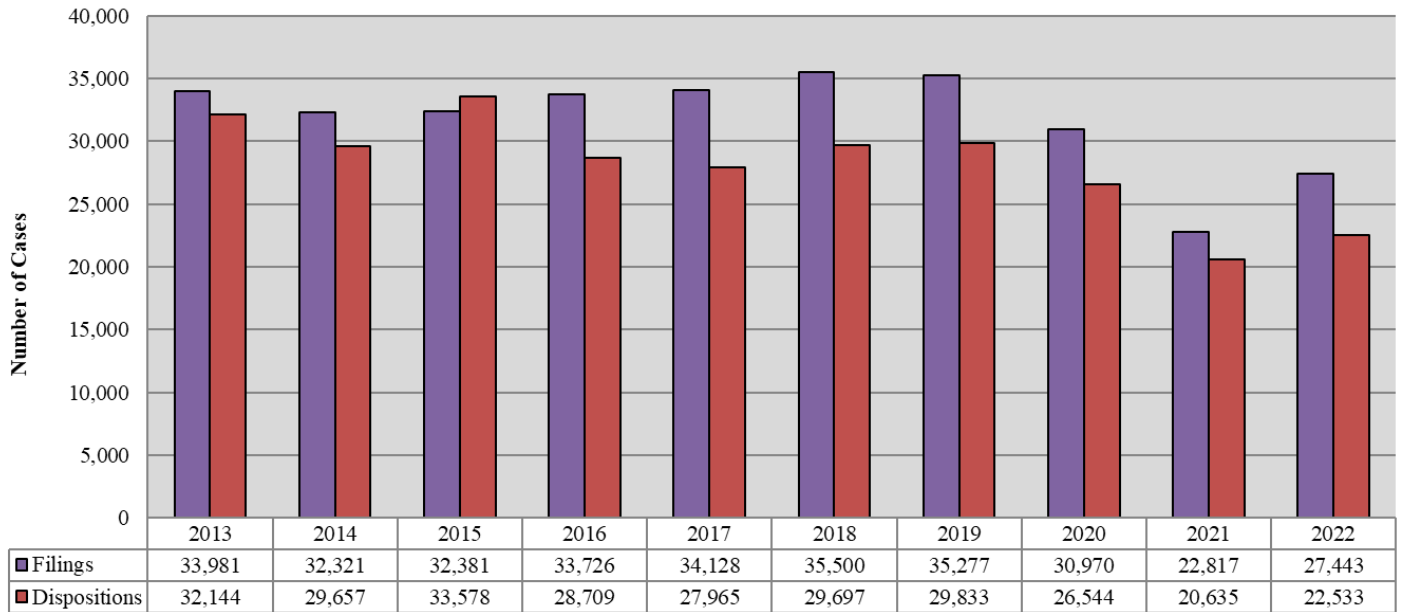
	2021	2022	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	4,438	2,547	-1,891	-42.6%
Court 13	7,216	11,966	4,750	65.8%
Kent County				
Court 16	6,251	7,675	1,424	22.8%
Sussex County				
Court 17	4,912	5,255	343	7.0%
<b>State</b>	<b>22,817</b>	<b>27,443</b>	<b>4,626</b>	<b>20.3%</b>

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Civil Case Dispositions

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	3,688	3,156	-532	-14.4%
Court 13	6,329	8,836	2,507	39.6%
Kent County				
Court 16	5,389	5,680	291	5.4%
Sussex County				
Court 17	5,229	4,861	-368	-7.0%
<b>State</b>	<b>20,635</b>	<b>22,533</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>9.2%</b>

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

### JP Court 10-Year Civil Caseload Trend



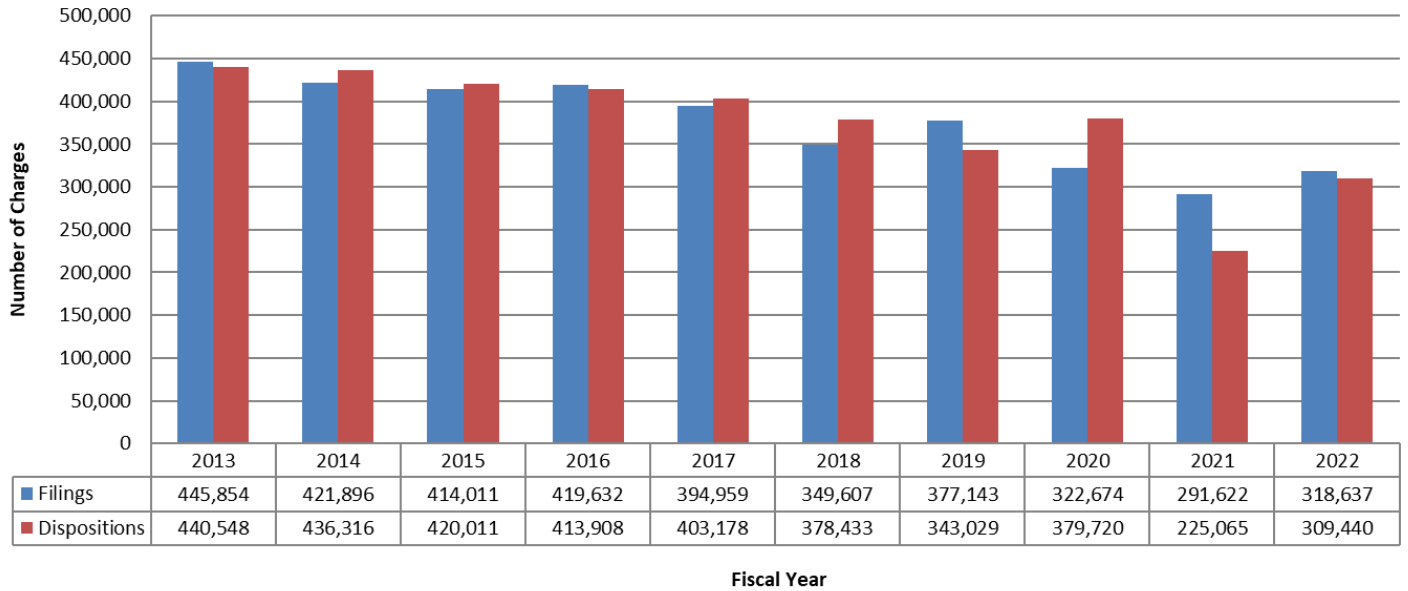
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### Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Civil Case Filings

	Complaints		Landlord/Tenant		Total	
New Castle County						
Court 9	2,223	87.3%	324	12.7%	2,547	100%
Court 13	5,338	44.6%	6,628	55.4%	11,966	100%
Kent County						
Court 16	5,688	74.1%	1,987	25.9%	7,675	100%
Sussex County						
Court 17	3,800	72.3%	1,455	27.7%	5,255	100%
<b>State</b>	<b>17,049</b>	<b>62.1%</b>	<b>10,394</b>	<b>37.9%</b>	<b>27,443</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

### JP Court 10-Year Criminal and Traffic Caseload Trend\*



### Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (Defendants)

	Title 7 - Fish/Game		Title 11 - Criminal		Title 21 - Traffic		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County										
Court 9	9	0.4%	159	7.4%	1,900	88.5%	80	3.7%	2,148	100%
Court 10	5	0.3%	355	18.4%	1,206	62.5%	363	18.8%	1,929	100%
Court 11	57	0.2%	7,532	32.1%	13,842	59.0%	2,037	8.7%	23,468	100%
Court 20	14	0.1%	1,407	9.5%	11,054	74.4%	2,375	16.0%	14,850	100%
Kent County										
Court 6	9	0.2%	146	2.7%	5,049	93.2%	211	3.9%	5,415	100%
Court 7	29	0.2%	2,616	19.7%	9,288	69.9%	1,358	10.2%	13,291	100%
Court 8	0	0%	41	1.5%	2,592	93.9%	128	4.6%	2,761	100%
Sussex County										
Court 2	50	0.3%	8,276	54.6%	5,583	36.8%	1,248	8.2%	15,157	100%
Court 3	65	0.6%	2,655	25.5%	6,899	66.4%	778	7.5%	10,397	100%
Court 4	7	0.1%	214	4.5%	4,243	90.0%	253	5.4%	4,717	100%
Court 14	1	0.0%	122	5.5%	1,995	90.1%	96	4.3%	2,214	100%
TRS	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	259	100.0%	259	100%
State w/o VAC	246	0.3%	23,523	24.3%	63,651	65.9%	9,186	9.5%	96,606	100%
VAC	1,373	1.6%	25	0.0%	79,883	92.5%	5,119	5.9%	86,400	100%
<b>State with VAC</b>	<b>1,619</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>23,548</b>	<b>12.9%</b>	<b>143,534</b>	<b>78.4%</b>	<b>14,305</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>183,006</b>	<b>100%</b>

Percentage may not total 100 due to rounding.

VAC = Voluntary Assessment Center. TRS = Truancy Court Sussex.

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

## Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2022 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (Charges)

	Title 7 - Fish/Game		Title 11 - Criminal		Title 21 - Traffic		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County										
Court 9	12	0.3%	244	6.2%	3,548	89.9%	142	3.6%	3,946	100%
Court 10	5	0.1%	472	12.7%	2,697	72.5%	548	14.7%	3,722	100%
Court 11	85	0.2%	16,845	30.5%	33,287	60.2%	5,091	9.2%	55,308	100%
Court 20	16	0.1%	2,255	7.2%	25,233	81.1%	3,605	11.6%	31,109	100%
Kent County										
Court 6	17	0.2%	190	2.0%	8,894	93.7%	391	4.1%	9,492	100%
Court 7	64	0.2%	6,249	20.6%	20,917	68.9%	3,144	10.4%	30,374	100%
Court 8	0	0%	48	1.0%	4,721	95.0%	201	4.0%	4,970	100%
Sussex County										
Court 2	94	0.2%	19,804	51.9%	14,213	37.3%	4,030	10.6%	38,141	100%
Court 3	112	0.4%	7,499	26.3%	18,330	64.2%	2,605	9.1%	28,546	100%
Court 4	10	0.1%	393	4.1%	8,709	90.8%	477	5.0%	9,589	100%
Court 14	5	0.1%	220	3.7%	5,508	91.9%	259	4.3%	5,992	100%
TRS	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	271	100.0%	271	100%
State w/o VAC	420	0.2%	54,219	24.5%	146,057	66.0%	20,764	9.4%	221,460	100%
VAC	1,544	1.6%	46	0.0%	88,613	91.2%	6,974	7.2%	97,177	100%
<b>State with VAC</b>	<b>1,964</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>54,265</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>234,670</b>	<b>73.6%</b>	<b>27,738</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>318,637</b>	<b>100%</b>

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## Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (Defendants)

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	2,102	2,148	46	2.2%
Court 10	6,937	1,929	-5,008	-72.2%
Court 11	19,102	23,468	4,366	22.9%
Court 20	3,324	14,850	11,526	346.8%
Kent County				
Court 6	4,062	5,415	1,353	33.3%
Court 7	11,557	13,291	1,734	15.0%
Court 8	2,006	2,761	755	37.6%
Sussex County				
Court 2	14,203	15,157	954	6.7%
Court 3	10,463	10,397	-66	-0.6%
Court 4	4,235	4,717	482	11.4%
Court 14	2,114	2,214	100	4.7%
TRS	175	259	84	48.0%
<b>State Without VAC</b>	<b>80,280</b>	<b>96,606</b>	<b>16,326</b>	<b>20.3%</b>
<b>VAC</b>	<b>90,065</b>	<b>86,400</b>	<b>-3,665</b>	<b>-4.1%</b>
<b>State with VAC</b>	<b>170,345</b>	<b>183,006</b>	<b>12,661</b>	<b>7.4%</b>

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## Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (Charges)

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
<b>New Castle County</b>				
Court 9	4,001	3,946	-55	-1.4%
Court 10	15,004	3,722	-11,282	-75.2%
Court 11	46,935	55,308	8,373	17.8%
Court 20	6,718	31,109	24,391	363.1%
<b>Kent County</b>				
Court 6	7,479	9,492	2,013	26.9%
Court 7	27,857	30,374	2,517	9.0%
Court 8	3,584	4,970	1,386	38.7%
<b>Sussex County</b>				
Court 2	35,949	38,141	2,192	6.1%
Court 3	28,650	28,546	-104	-0.4%
Court 4	8,585	9,589	1,004	11.7%
Court 14	5,806	5,992	186	3.2%
TRS	187	271	84	44.9%
<b>State Without VAC</b>	<b>190,755</b>	<b>221,460</b>	<b>30,705</b>	<b>16.1%</b>
<b>VAC</b>	<b>100,867</b>	<b>97,177</b>	<b>-3,690</b>	<b>-3.7%</b>
<b>State with VAC</b>	<b>291,622</b>	<b>318,637</b>	<b>27,015</b>	<b>9.3%</b>

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## Court Rankings - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Cases Filed\* (Charges)

2021 Rank w/o VAC	2022 Rank w/o VAC		2022 Total Filings	2022 % of Total w/o VAC
1	1	Court 11	55,308	22.2%
2	2	Court 2	38,141	15.3%
10	3	Court 20	31,109	12.5%
4	4	Court 7	30,374	12.2%
3	5	Court 3	28,546	11.5%
9	6	Court 13	11,966	4.8%
6	7	Court 4	9,589	3.9%
8	8	Court 6	9,492	3.8%
11	9	Court 16	7,675	3.1%
7	10	Court 9	6,493	2.6%
12	11	Court 14	5,992	2.4%
13	12	Court 17	5,255	2.1%
14	13	Court 8	4,970	2.0%
5	14	Court 10	3,722	1.5%
15	15	TRS	271	0.1%
2022 State w/o VAC			248,903	100%
2022 VAC			97,177	
<b>2022 State w/ VAC</b>			<b>346,080</b>	

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\*Includes civil, criminal, and traffic filings.

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Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.



### Court Rankings - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Cases Filed\* (Defendants)

2021 Rank w/o VAC	2022 Rank w/o VAC		2022 Total Filings	2022 % of Total w/o VAC
1	1	Court 11	23,468	18.9%
2	2	Court 2	15,157	12.2%
12	3	Court 20	14,850	12.0%
3	4	Court 7	13,291	10.7%
5	5	Court 13	11,966	9.6%
4	6	Court 3	10,397	8.4%
8	7	Court 16	7,675	6.2%
11	8	Court 6	5,415	4.4%
9	9	Court 17	5,255	4.2%
10	10	Court 4	4,717	3.8%
7	11	Court 9	4,695	3.8%
14	12	Court 8	2,761	2.2%
13	13	Court 14	2,214	1.8%
6	14	Court 10	1,929	2.2%
15	15	TRS	259	0.1%
2022 State w/o VAC			124,049	101%
2022 VAC			86,400	
<b>2022 State w/ VAC</b>			<b>210,449</b>	

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Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Cases Filed (Charges)

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal & Traffic	291,622	318,637	27,015	9.3%
Civil	22,817	27,443	4,626	20.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>314,439</b>	<b>346,080</b>	<b>31,641</b>	<b>10.1%</b>

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Cases Disposed (Charges)

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal & Traffic	225,065	309,440	84,375	37.5%
Civil	20,635	22,533	1,898	9.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>245,700</b>	<b>331,973</b>	<b>86,273</b>	<b>35.1%</b>

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Case Filings (Defendants)

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal & Traffic	170,345	183,006	12,661	7.4%
Civil	22,817	27,443	4,626	20.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>193,162</b>	<b>210,449</b>	<b>17,287</b>	<b>8.9%</b>

### Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2021-2022 - Total Cases Dispositions

	2021	2022	Change	% Change
Criminal & Traffic	133,679	183,885	50,206	37.6%
Civil	20,635	22,533	1,898	9.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>154,314</b>	<b>206,418</b>	<b>52,104</b>	<b>33.8%</b>

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

**JP Court 10-Year Total Caseload Trend\*  
(Civil, Criminal & Traffic)**

