

Table 335. Total Incoming Caseloads in State Trial Courts by Case Category: 2008

[Represents total incoming caseloads (i.e., new filings, plus reopened and reactivated cases when provided) as reported to the Court Statistics Project for 2008. Some figures may be incomplete and/or overinclusive. Since state court caseload statistics should only be viewed in the context of each state's court structure, comparisons of the data reported here should not be made without additional information.]

State	Total	Civil ¹	Domestic relations ²	Criminal ³	Juvenile ⁴	Traffic/violations ⁵
United States	106,091,588	19,400,641	5,665,558	21,264,621	2,078,773	57,681,995
Alabama	2,091,345	224,447	90,902	275,075	59,012	1,441,909
Alaska	155,868	25,616	13,034	39,414	2,853	74,951
Arizona	2,907,386	343,888	133,695	763,038	21,355	1,645,410
Arkansas	1,453,913	140,867	51,655	580,700	25,357	655,334
California	9,552,781	1,163,889	443,531	1,724,310	148,920	6,072,131
Colorado	1,023,124	324,301	51,197	187,796	22,157	437,673
Connecticut	887,407	260,218	36,118	167,483	30,611	392,977
Delaware	546,659	65,265	40,090	402,491	8,062	30,751
District of Columbia	125,549	69,104	12,466	36,018	4,407	3,554
Florida	5,431,345	1,419,204	503,648	1,503,985	196,204	1,808,304
Georgia	3,478,995	1,029,507	161,156	649,760	117,371	1,521,201
Hawaii	607,461	32,116	13,282	112,209	18,063	431,791
Idaho	488,252	82,253	22,549	133,695	16,150	233,605
Illinois	4,301,942	642,701	140,183	512,133	29,248	2,977,677
Indiana	2,041,939	512,956	104,980	307,275	59,584	1,057,144
Iowa	1,049,323	184,370	44,179	91,962	12,215	716,597
Kansas	977,869	195,021	38,117	57,866	20,025	666,840
Kentucky	1,048,240	284,899	84,059	251,252	43,850	384,180
Louisiana	1,908,961	288,155	56,528	364,760	45,264	1,154,254
Maine	282,265	43,593	15,144	71,218	4,809	147,501
Maryland	2,335,335	1,014,391	100,127	310,788	40,007	870,022
Massachusetts	912,769	424,672	135,878	51,940	44,760	255,519
Michigan	4,397,286	824,665	124,925	1,012,366	59,787	2,375,543
Minnesota	1,541,192	236,782	47,886	176,570	53,287	1,026,667
Mississippi	121,134	69,439	50,881	(NA)	814	(NA)
Missouri	2,222,379	318,115	108,767	189,227	15,270	1,591,000
Montana	362,368	64,779	13,318	52,247	2,420	229,604
Nebraska	475,496	119,386	26,305	141,814	12,623	175,368
Nevada	920,049	187,511	56,395	156,489	26,275	493,379
New Hampshire	212,535	54,519	5,641	77,774	2,206	72,395
New Jersey	7,859,400	918,527	233,652	757,009	76,420	5,873,792
New Mexico	424,844	93,370	39,739	114,182	7,576	169,977
New York	4,492,488	1,852,112	669,874	749,317	76,389	1,144,796
North Carolina	3,472,479	591,007	134,273	1,853,505	40,945	852,749
North Dakota	187,330	33,727	17,071	39,962	9,806	86,764
Ohio	4,130,751	915,127	243,594	901,902	166,671	1,903,457
Oklahoma	579,951	209,142	37,432	110,209	15,706	207,462
Oregon	611,641	202,283	45,318	93,433	17,152	253,455
Pennsylvania	3,926,852	463,311	370,109	553,290	63,302	2,476,840
Rhode Island	230,096	67,518	12,010	42,283	9,878	98,407
South Carolina	2,540,989	346,478	58,486	823,309	16,617	1,296,099
South Dakota	251,819	58,416	13,946	28,410	11,787	139,260
Tennessee	483,341	70,240	86,445	173,196	136,178	17,282
Texas	13,303,834	913,184	378,271	2,565,242	49,235	9,397,902
Utah	852,682	133,650	22,052	121,922	50,570	524,488
Vermont	191,072	25,545	21,034	17,862	2,042	124,589
Virginia	4,172,951	1,017,606	347,319	1,163,226	100,315	1,544,485
Washington	2,637,545	307,898	66,323	358,463	46,364	1,858,497
West Virginia	428,779	81,166	52,903	144,496	9,571	140,643
Wisconsin	1,018,228	300,005	52,644	144,501	19,748	501,330
Wyoming	186,057	36,782	1,222	30,592	1,708	115,753
Puerto Rico	247,292	116,918	35,205	76,655	7,827	10,687

NA Not available. ¹ Includes tort, contract, real property, small claims, probate, mental health, and civil appeals cases.

² Includes divorce/dissolution, paternity, custody, support, visitation, and civil protection/restraining order cases. ³ Includes felony, misdemeanor, and appeals from limited jurisdiction courts. ⁴ Includes delinquency, dependency, and status offense petitions.

⁵ Includes non-criminal traffic violations (infractions), parking violations, and ordinance violations.

Source: National Center for State Courts, "State Court Caseload Statistics, An Analysis of 2008 State Court Caseloads," November 2010, <<http://www.courtstatistics.org>>.