MONTANA JUDICIAL BRANCH 2024 Caseload/Workload Statistics

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☐ Handouts

- 2023 caseload filings by Judicial District and county
- Ten-year caseload filing trendline statewide and the large six Judicial Districts
- o Ten-year workload/judicial need by Judicial District
- Criminal (including traffic) and civil case filings for the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction.

Highlights

- Caseload in both the District Courts and Limited Courts are generally steady
- Child Abuse and Neglect cases decreased again to a 10-year low a decrease of 52% since 2017
- Criminal cases increased again a 42% increase since 2014
- The 13th Judicial District (Yellowstone County) continues to see record cases numbers – criminal cases have increased 116% since 2014
- The Judicial Branch will likely request two or three new judges in the 13th Judicial District (Yellowstone County) depending on space discussions with county commissioners