



**Public Defender
2015 Executive Summary**

	Month		Annual					
	February 2014	February 2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	Projected 2015	2014-2015 % Δ
Felony and Gross Misdemeanor Cases								
Assigned	1,137	1,140	15,329	14,195	15,464	14,793	13,668	-7.6%
Closed with Reduced Charges	1,104	1,041	17,139	13,598	13,265	12,979	12,432	-4.2%
Resolved at Justice Court	665	606	11,023	7,979	7,968	7,651	7,068	-7.6%
Misdemeanor Cases								
Assigned	498	472	2,936	2,677	5,808	6,249	6,300	0.8%
Resolved at Justice Court	427	517	6,382	2,584	4,043	5,193	5,844	12.5%

Notes & Highlights

In 2011, a number of misdemeanor cases were transferred to the Office of Appointed Counsel resulting in a higher than normal number of resolved cases. The Office of Appointed Counsel, which provides representation when the Public Defender's Office is unable to due to conflicts of interest, provided counsel in a majority of DUI and Domestic Violence misdemeanor cases from 2011 to 2013. In 2013, the Public Defender's Office will provide representation to a number of DUI and Domestic Violence misdemeanors.

On May 1, 2013, the Public Defender's Office will begin staffing both DUI courts and the Domestic Violence court leading to an increase in misdemeanor caseload.