

General District Court Statistical Review 2015

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This statistical review covers the activities of Virginia's general district courts. The general district court system consists of 32 judicial districts encompassing 79 separate general and 47 combined district courts in the various counties and cities of the state.

Table 1

General District Courts Historical Summary 2006-2015

Year	Filings	Percent Change	Dispositions	Percent Change
2006	3,216,627	0.3%	3,235,054	-0.2%
2007	3,294,759	2.4%	3,314,096	2.4%
2008	3,363,593	2.1%	3,385,946	2.2%
2009	3,419,971	1.7%	3,437,902	1.5%
2010	3,265,992	-4.5%	3,289,278	-4.3%
2011	3,180,260	-2.6%	3,208,211	-2.5%
2012	3,087,041	-2.9%	3,109,841	-3.1%
2013	3,047,674	-1.3%	3,059,644	-1.6%
2014	3,004,109	-1.4%	3,012,512	-1.5%
2015	2,779,596	-7.5%	2,798,156	-7.1%

Year	Criminal Cases		Traffic Cases		Civil Cases	
	Filings	Percent Change	Filings	Percent Change	Filings	Percent Change
2006	393,330	1.8%	1,936,328	0.2%	886,969	-0.2%
2007	395,515	0.6%	1,985,315	2.5%	913,929	3.0%
2008	398,402	0.7%	2,019,786	1.7%	945,405	3.4%
2009	385,488	-3.2%	2,114,404	4.7%	920,079	-2.7%
2010	385,633	0.0%	2,046,254	-3.2%	834,105	-9.3%
2011	403,052	4.5%	1,935,280	-5.4%	841,928	0.9%
2012	404,575	0.4%	1,871,374	-3.3%	811,092	-3.7%
2013	394,673	-2.4%	1,868,859	-0.1%	784,142	-3.3%
2014	388,006	-1.7%	1,886,749	1.0%	729,354	-7.0%
2015	359,173	-7.4%	1,699,529	-9.9%	720,894	-1.2%

Display 1
General District Court Trends In Filings

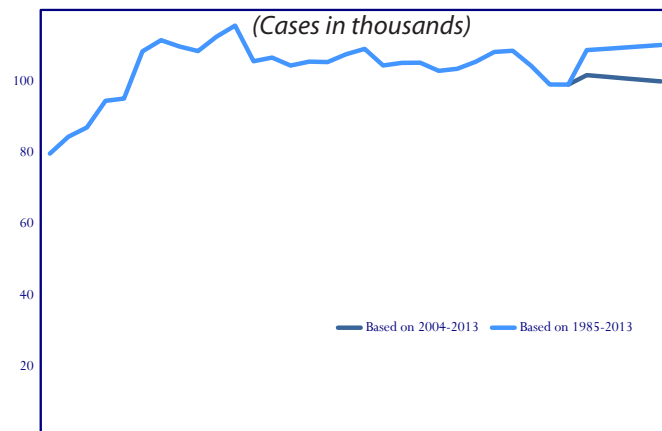


Table 2

General District Courts Caseload Statistics 2015

Filings				
District	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
2A	2,395	28,833	4,360	35,588
5	6,464	49,710	13,776	69,950
6	5,806	97,557	9,731	113,094
9	11,017	45,618	13,881	70,516
10	7,665	40,184	10,415	58,264
11	5,937	33,429	11,872	51,238
15	24,945	97,927	44,928	167,800
16	12,041	53,773	20,776	86,590
20	9,978	57,314	13,943	81,235
21	3,396	13,541	7,043	23,980
22	9,690	27,322	10,568	47,580
24	12,215	36,801	17,117	66,133
25	10,938	59,229	10,831	80,998
26	19,656	66,140	32,281	118,077
27	14,687	98,347	13,611	126,645
28	6,274	40,927	6,398	53,599
29	7,661	20,878	6,638	35,177
30	5,729	18,554	3,821	28,104
Rural	176,494	886,084	251,990	1,314,568
1	9,344	47,089	37,116	93,549
2	17,192	67,366	67,781	152,339
3	6,864	18,058	17,768	42,690
4	16,343	38,677	59,516	114,536
7	12,079	23,964	34,123	70,166
8	7,917	32,876	21,980	62,773
12	15,474	57,506	33,058	106,038
13	17,508	50,763	61,497	129,768
14	14,085	59,637	34,135	107,857
17	6,704	55,970	6,489	69,163
18	4,858	16,817	8,100	29,775
19	25,829	241,519	35,349	302,697
23	11,693	39,556	25,251	76,500
31	16,789	63,647	26,741	107,177
Urban	182,679	813,445	468,904	1,465,028
State	359,173	1,699,529	720,894	2,779,596

Table 3

General District Courts Percent Changes in Filings 2013-2015
2014-2015 Percent Changes in Filings and Dispositions

District	Filings			Dispositions		
	2014	2015	Percent Change	2014	2015	Percent Change
1	99,149	93,549	-5.6%	98,960	93,649	-5.4%
2	162,670	152,339	-6.4%	162,725	155,076	-4.7%
2A	34,464	35,588	3.3%	34,522	35,528	2.9%
3	41,004	42,690	4.1%	41,016	43,193	5.3%
4	112,684	114,536	1.6%	115,674	115,486	-0.2%
5	69,278	69,950	1.0%	69,442	70,007	0.8%
6	121,524	113,094	-6.9%	119,792	113,547	-5.2%
7	85,146	70,166	-17.6%	85,575	71,530	-16.4%
8	68,754	62,773	-8.7%	68,980	62,819	-8.9%
9	83,943	70,516	-16.0%	84,143	71,068	-15.5%
10	65,874	58,264	-11.6%	65,477	58,690	-10.4%
11	52,795	51,238	-2.9%	53,351	51,483	-3.5%
12	118,478	106,038	-10.5%	119,628	107,705	-10.0%
13	132,200	129,768	-1.8%	132,368	131,386	-0.7%
14	111,244	107,857	-3.0%	111,068	107,891	-2.9%
15	195,999	167,800	-14.4%	198,406	168,265	-15.2%
16	99,504	86,590	-13.0%	99,458	87,021	-12.5%
17	75,453	69,163	-8.3%	76,576	70,084	-8.5%
18	32,559	29,775	-8.6%	33,019	29,873	-9.5%
19	340,786	302,697	-11.2%	337,170	304,649	-9.6%
20	86,395	81,235	-6.0%	86,377	80,876	-6.4%
21	26,024	23,980	-7.9%	25,964	23,982	-7.6%
22	49,125	47,580	-3.1%	49,281	47,671	-3.3%
23	87,487	76,500	-12.6%	88,790	78,505	-11.6%
24	74,257	66,133	-10.9%	74,411	67,258	-9.6%
25	88,041	80,998	-8.0%	88,214	81,536	-7.6%
26	124,196	118,077	-4.9%	124,198	118,311	-4.7%
27	130,040	126,645	-2.6%	131,069	126,308	-3.6%
28	57,822	53,599	-7.3%	58,340	53,651	-8.0%
29	37,775	35,177	-6.9%	38,477	35,501	-7.7%
30	29,379	28,104	-4.3%	29,385	28,274	-3.8%
31	110,060	107,177	-2.6%	110,656	107,333	-3.0%
State	3,004,109	2,779,596	-7.5%	3,012,512	2,798,156	-7.1%
Urban	1,604,382	1,465,028	-8.7%	1,607,265	1,493,831	-7.1%
Rural	1,399,727	1,314,568	-6.1%	1,405,247	1,304,325	-7.2%

Table 4
General District Courts Statistical Information by Court 2015

Judicial District	Court	Filings				Dispositions			
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
1	Chesapeake	9,344	47,089	37,116	93,549	9,237	47,094	37,318	93,649
2	Virginia Beach	17,192	67,366	67,781	152,339	17,640	69,341	68,095	155,076
2A	Accomack	1,532	9,962	3,703	15,197	1,590	9,920	3,693	15,203
	Northampton	863	18,871	657	20,391	848	18,817	660	20,325
	Total	2,395	28,833	4,360	35,588	2,438	28,737	4,353	35,528
3	Portsmouth	6,864	18,058	17,768	42,690	6,977	18,523	17,693	43,193
4	Norfolk								
	Norfolk-Criminal	14,197	156	0	14,353	14,758	164	0	14,922
	Norfolk-Traffic	2,146	38,521	0	40,667	2,206	38,961	0	41,167
	Norfolk-Civil	0	0	59,516	59,516	0	0	59,397	59,397
	Total	16,343	38,677	59,516	114,536	16,964	39,125	59,397	115,486
5	Franklin City	846	1,075	1,429	3,350	810	1,044	1,435	3,289
	Isle of Wight	1,416	12,674	1,684	15,774	1,249	12,553	1,659	15,461
	Southampton	683	22,606	692	23,981	649	22,528	688	23,865
	Suffolk	3,519	13,355	9,971	26,845	3,660	13,735	9,997	27,392
	Total	6,464	49,710	13,776	69,950	6,368	49,860	13,779	70,007
6	Brunswick	589	20,627	829	22,045	579	20,556	835	21,970
	Emporia	875	13,044	1,842	15,761	980	13,364	1,883	16,227
	Greensville	590	19,170	829	20,589	601	19,057	872	20,530
	Hopewell	1,849	17,786	3,383	23,018	1,887	17,795	3,372	23,054
	Prince George	999	8,359	2,292	11,650	1,019	8,409	2,260	11,688
	Surry	274	1,045	221	1,540	251	1,056	211	1,518
	Sussex	630	17,526	335	18,491	655	17,578	327	18,560
	Total	5,806	97,557	9,731	113,094	5,972	97,815	9,760	113,547
7	Newport News								
	Newport News-Criminal	8,572	511	75	9,158	9,136	644	78	9,858
	Newport News-Traffic	1,308	23,453	478	25,239	1,456	23,762	480	25,698
	Newport News-Civil	2,199	0	33,570	35,769	2,199	0	33,775	35,974
	Total	12,079	23,964	34,123	70,166	12,791	24,406	34,333	71,530
8	Hampton	7,917	32,876	21,980	62,773	7,947	32,773	22,099	62,819
9	Charles City	286	1,234	213	1,733	301	1,250	220	1,771
	Gloucester	1,779	10,773	1,843	14,395	1,819	11,063	1,852	14,734
	King & Queen	719	2,495	200	3,414	729	2,518	202	3,449
	King William	805	2,932	1,005	4,742	740	2,939	1,024	4,703
	Mathews	252	833	174	1,259	243	862	162	1,267
	Middlesex	565	866	344	1,775	517	908	330	1,755
	New Kent	705	7,683	2,552	10,940	689	7,846	2,580	11,115
	Williamsburg/James City	3,063	9,537	4,002	16,602	3,109	9,577	3,979	16,665
	York/Poquoson	2,843	9,265	3,548	15,656	2,812	9,248	3,549	15,609
	Total	11,017	45,618	13,881	70,516	10,959	46,211	13,898	71,068
10	Appomattox	734	2,581	886	4,201	718	2,619	897	4,234
	Buckingham	625	3,622	536	4,783	560	3,644	533	4,737
	Charlotte	445	3,386	500	4,331	459	3,479	490	4,428
	Cumberland	398	4,186	412	4,996	439	4,133	406	4,978
	Halifax	1,823	8,123	2,760	12,706	1,871	8,288	2,775	12,934
	Lunenburg	354	2,796	461	3,611	300	2,771	466	3,537
	Mecklenburg	1,588	10,188	3,208	14,984	1,515	10,311	3,212	15,038
	Prince Edward	1,698	5,302	1,652	8,652	1,792	5,383	1,629	8,804
	Total	7,665	40,184	10,415	58,264	7,654	40,628	10,408	58,690
	11	Amelia	374	3,932	357	4,663	406	4,013	349
Dinwiddie		1,226	10,298	1,262	12,786	1,315	10,419	1,239	12,973
Nottoway		803	4,101	691	5,595	786	4,082	676	5,544
Petersburg		2,806	10,978	8,895	22,679	2,877	11,027	8,849	22,753
Powhatan		728	4,120	667	5,515	678	4,103	664	5,445
	Total	5,937	33,429	11,872	51,238	6,062	33,644	11,777	51,483

Table 4 (continued)

Judicial District	Court	Filings				Dispositions			
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
12	Chesterfield	12,498	50,938	30,955	94,391	13,165	51,769	31,027	95,961
	Colonial Heights	2,976	6,568	2,103	11,647	2,971	6,655	2,118	11,744
	Total	15,474	57,506	33,058	106,038	16,136	58,424	33,145	107,705
13	Richmond City	10,098	63	340	10,501	10,550	76	336	10,962
	Richmond-Criminal	2,135	46,452	332	48,919	2,409	47,214	334	49,957
	Richmond-Traffic	0	0	60,638	60,638	0	0	60,587	60,587
	Richmond-Civil	5,275	4,248	187	9,710	5,321	4,390	169	9,880
	Total	17,508	50,763	61,497	129,768	18,280	51,680	61,426	131,386
14	Henrico	14,085	59,637	34,135	107,857	14,317	59,540	34,034	107,891
15	Caroline	2,010	13,563	1,300	16,873	1,946	13,484	1,313	16,743
	Essex	625	6,341	973	7,939	565	6,377	980	7,922
	Frederickburg	3,041	5,003	18,071	26,115	3,120	5,031	17,918	26,069
	Hanover	3,920	20,933	4,870	29,723	4,163	20,984	4,860	30,007
	King George	836	7,416	863	9,115	806	7,280	882	8,968
	Lancaster	386	1,211	886	2,483	388	1,202	877	2,467
	Northumberland	649	1,484	340	2,473	681	1,522	335	2,538
	Richmond County	396	2,914	902	4,212	423	2,960	903	4,286
	Spotsylvania	5,543	15,022	7,535	28,100	5,458	15,020	7,542	28,020
	Stafford	6,564	20,490	8,418	35,472	6,799	20,757	8,359	35,915
	Westmoreland	975	3,550	770	5,295	945	3,636	749	5,330
Total	24,945	97,927	44,928	167,800	25,294	98,253	44,718	168,265	
16	Albemarle	2,656	12,523	7,368	22,547	2,717	12,617	7,374	22,708
	Charlottesville	2,424	6,388	5,190	14,002	2,487	6,407	5,188	14,082
	Culpeper	2,393	8,106	2,867	13,366	2,468	8,168	2,872	13,508
	Fluvanna	509	2,685	656	3,850	514	2,710	650	3,874
	Goochland	515	5,802	532	6,849	505	5,817	530	6,852
	Greene	716	3,489	922	5,127	675	3,455	929	5,059
	Louisa	1,327	3,988	1,254	6,569	1,405	3,998	1,292	6,695
	Madison	465	3,802	419	4,686	462	3,790	419	4,671
	Orange	1,036	6,990	1,568	9,594	997	7,035	1,540	9,572
	Total	12,041	53,773	20,776	86,590	12,230	53,997	20,794	87,021
17	Arlington	6,323	52,150	6,187	64,660	6,403	52,788	6,275	65,466
	Falls Church	381	3,820	302	4,503	432	3,887	299	4,618
	Total	6,704	55,970	6,489	69,163	6,835	56,675	6,574	70,084
18	Alexandria	4,858	16,817	8,100	29,775	4,915	16,739	8,219	29,873
19	Fairfax City	581	8,887	74	9,542	598	8,928	75	9,601
	Fairfax County	25,248	232,632	35,275	293,155	24,599	234,817	35,632	295,048
	Total	25,829	241,519	35,349	302,697	25,197	243,745	35,707	304,649
20	Fauquier	2,562	14,459	2,234	19,255	2,572	14,520	2,273	19,365
	Loudoun	7,126	39,528	11,493	58,147	6,730	39,431	11,503	57,664
	Rappahannock	290	3,327	216	3,833	300	3,331	216	3,847
	Total	9,978	57,314	13,943	81,235	9,602	57,282	13,992	80,876
21	Henry	1,906	8,583	3,809	14,298	1,991	8,493	3,784	14,268
	Martinsville	921	2,355	2,867	6,143	959	2,432	2,863	6,254
	Patrick	569	2,603	367	3,539	513	2,572	375	3,460
	Total	3,396	13,541	7,043	23,980	3,463	13,497	7,022	23,982
22	Danville	4,907	9,902	6,042	20,851	4,944	9,761	6,043	20,748
	Franklin County	3,098	7,772	2,560	13,430	3,095	7,838	2,527	13,460
	Pittsylvania	1,685	9,648	1,966	13,299	1,684	9,807	1,972	13,463
	Total	9,690	27,322	10,568	47,580	9,723	27,406	10,542	47,671

Table 4 (continued)

Judicial District	Court	Filings				Dispositions				
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total	
23	Roanoke City	6,685	17,618	19,522	43,825	7,264	18,709	19,627	45,600	
	Roanoke County	3,474	15,915	3,431	22,820	3,529	16,096	3,402	23,027	
	Salem	1,534	6,023	2,298	9,855	1,554	6,017	2,307	9,878	
	Total	11,693	39,556	25,251	76,500	12,347	40,822	25,336	78,505	
24	Amherst	1,394	8,576	1,636	11,606	1,561	8,712	1,658	11,931	
	Bedford County/City	2,883	8,207	3,037	14,127	2,951	8,329	3,063	14,343	
	Campbell	1,705	6,115	3,066	10,886	1,836	6,324	3,071	11,231	
	Lynchburg	5,633	10,338	8,773	24,744	5,683	10,423	8,836	24,942	
	Nelson	600	3,565	605	4,770	628	3,595	588	4,811	
	Total	12,215	36,801	17,117	66,133	12,659	37,383	17,216	67,258	
25	Alleghany	1,290	6,217	947	8,454	1,368	6,232	954	8,554	
	Augusta	2,205	10,705	2,496	15,406	2,270	10,841	2,505	15,616	
	Bath	361	1,612	120	2,093	352	1,625	125	2,102	
	Botetourt	1,401	16,840	873	19,114	1,386	16,917	888	19,191	
	Buena Vista	309	1,164	248	1,721	328	1,168	246	1,742	
	Craig	158	486	155	799	166	507	155	828	
	Highland	61	951	81	1,093	76	952	83	1,111	
	Lexington/Rockbridge	1,701	14,643	1,139	17,483	1,673	14,799	1,137	17,609	
	Staunton	1,970	4,075	1,806	7,851	1,886	4,065	1,869	7,820	
	Waynesboro	1,482	2,536	2,966	6,984	1,422	2,547	2,994	6,963	
	Total	10,938	59,229	10,831	80,998	10,927	59,653	10,956	81,536	
	26	Clarke	506	4,809	318	5,633	523	4,795	318	5,636
		Frederick	3,015	12,864	2,774	18,653	3,370	13,029	2,776	19,175
Page		1,171	4,137	1,728	7,036	1,320	4,162	1,755	7,237	
Rockingham/Harrisonburg		7,413	21,101	10,300	38,814	7,136	21,198	10,470	38,804	
Shenandoah		1,942	12,342	3,810	18,094	1,899	12,037	3,807	17,743	
Warren		2,508	6,983	3,743	13,234	2,427	6,909	3,770	13,106	
Winchester		3,101	3,904	9,608	16,613	3,075	3,897	9,638	16,610	
Total		19,656	66,140	32,281	118,077	19,750	66,027	32,534	118,311	
27	Bland	330	7,715	175	8,220	248	7,556	172	7,976	
	Carroll	1,352	21,479	998	23,829	1,419	21,395	990	23,804	
	Floyd	304	1,756	423	2,483	314	1,776	424	2,514	
	Galax	1,328	2,135	842	4,305	1,288	2,114	863	4,265	
	Giles	852	6,576	873	8,301	905	6,541	881	8,327	
	Grayson	700	1,190	960	2,850	695	1,218	943	2,856	
	Montgomery	2,700	19,516	5,704	27,920	2,709	19,718	5,717	28,144	
	Pulaski	2,423	10,378	1,635	14,436	2,373	10,282	1,614	14,269	
	Radford	1,947	1,805	750	4,502	1,943	1,779	758	4,480	
	Wythe	2,751	25,797	1,251	29,799	2,522	25,907	1,244	29,673	
	Total	14,687	98,347	13,611	126,645	14,416	98,286	13,606	126,308	
	28	Bristol	1,647	7,200	1,433	10,280	1,645	7,091	1,440	10,176
Smyth		1,749	18,236	1,961	21,946	1,676	18,302	1,934	21,912	
Washington		2,878	15,491	3,004	21,373	2,934	15,669	2,960	21,563	
Total		6,274	40,927	6,398	53,599	6,255	41,062	6,334	53,651	
29	Buchanan	1,306	4,151	1,981	7,438	1,248	4,204	2,003	7,455	
	Dickenson	954	1,968	587	3,509	1,103	2,050	591	3,744	
	Russell	1,587	6,268	1,142	8,997	1,661	6,297	1,051	9,009	
	Tazewell	3,814	8,491	2,928	15,233	3,946	8,562	2,785	15,293	
	Total	7,661	20,878	6,638	35,177	7,958	21,113	6,430	35,501	
30	Lee	1,446	3,865	846	6,157	1,518	3,859	841	6,218	
	Scott	1,466	5,991	650	8,107	1,397	5,967	661	8,025	
	Wise/Norton	2,817	8,698	2,325	13,840	2,861	8,872	2,298	14,031	
	Total	5,729	18,554	3,821	28,104	5,776	18,698	3,800	28,274	
31	Prince William/Manassas/ Manassas Park	16,789	63,647	26,741	107,177	17,013	63,599	26,721	107,333	
	State	359,173	1,699,529	720,894	2,779,596	364,102	1,712,038	722,016	2,798,156	