

Office of the Public Defender**Performance Indicators - FY2024**

	FY2022 Actual	FY2023 Revised	FY2024 Target
Trial Services to Indigents			
Adult criminal - newly opened cases (annual)	46,774	48,636	54,457
Adult criminal - closed cases (annual)	29,672	23,902	57,702
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases (annual)	4,649	5,758	6,978
Juvenile criminal - closed cases (annual)	2,032	1,964	5,018
Post-conviction relief - opened cases	306	358	408
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	340	302	425
Appellate Services to Indigents			
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions, or sentences filed in Appellate Division of NJ Superior Court	613	612	1,384
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	314	166	573
Number of briefs filed	988	856	569
Number of dismissals / administrative closings	180	32	119
Petitions for certification to NJ Supreme Court	307	296	398
Office of Parental Representation (Title 9 proceedings)			
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases (annual)	2,952	2,726	5,256
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - closed cases (annual)	2,495	1,220	5,536
Office of Parental Representation (Title 30 proceedings)			
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases (annual)	476	370	998
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - closed cases (annual)	415	198	1,007
Office of Parental Representation			
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	168	158	75
Office of Law Guardian (Title 9 proceedings)			
Children subject to Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases (annual)	3,432	3,484	6,529
Children subject to Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - closed cases (annual)	4,979	4,038	7,819
Office of Law Guardian (Title 30 proceedings)			
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases (annual)	618	566	1,256
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - closed cases (annual)	933	716	1,421
Office of Law Guardian			
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	87	88	88
Division of Mental Health Advocacy			
Mental health hearings	34,300	32,907	38,217
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances	1,100	1,325	1,325
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	22,364	20,598	23,100
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	1,990	1,634	2,080
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	3,643	3,646	3,760
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet commitment standards	5,640	5,140	5,775
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	86.2%	88.4%	89.5%
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	457	310	450

Number of represented individuals who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	2,069	2,040	2,195
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	563	488	550