

DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD - PART 2: METHOD OF DISPOSITION

SECTION A: CRIMINAL

Line	CASE TYPE	EX	FY	OM	SM
1	Jury Verdict				
2	Bench Verdict				
3	Guilty Plea				
4	Bindover/ Transfer				
5	Dismissed by Party				
6	Dismissed by Court				
7	Inactive Status				
8	Case Type Change				

Item	CASE TYPE	FY
9	Felony Plea Accepted in District Court	

SECTION B: TRAFFIC

Line	CASE TYPE	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST
1	Jury Verdict								
2	Bench Verdict								
3	Guilty Plea/ Admission								
4	Bindover/ Transfer								
5	Dismissed by Party								
6	Dismissed by Court								
7	Default								
8	Inactive Status								
9	Case Type Change								

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10	Felony Plea Accepted in District Court		

General Reporting Instructions:

- Assignments are not to be counted in these reports. Separate assignment reports are prepared and will be used to gather additional statistical information about judicial activity. **If courts enter assigned cases to their case management systems, the cases should not be reported.**
- When a case type code is changed after a case has been reported, the case must be counted disposed as "Case Type Change" under the case type code under which the case was originally reported (as a new filing) and reported to the State Court Administrative Office as a new filing under the new case type. **Do not change case type codes when a felony criminal case is reduced to a misdemeanor.**

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SECTION C: NON-TRAFFIC CIVIL INFRACTION AND PARKING

Line	CASE TYPE	OK	ON	SK	SN
1	Verdict at Hearing				
2	Admission/Waivers				
3	Dismissed by Party				
4	Dismissed by Court				
5	Default				
6	Inactive Status				
7	Case Type Change				

SECTION D: CIVIL

Line	CASE TYPE	GC	GZ	LT	SC	SP
1	Jury Verdict					
2	Bench Verdict					
3	Uncontested/Default/Settled					
4	Transferred					
5	Dismissed by Party					
6	Dismissed by Court					
7	Inactive Status					
8	Other Disposition					
9	Case Type Change					

Section A: Criminal - Method of Disposition

Report criminal cases as disposed when all counts against a criminal defendant have been adjudicated. Enter in the appropriate lines the number of cases disposed for each of the case type codes. When a case type code is changed after a case has been reported, the case must be counted disposed as "Case Type Change" under the case type code under which the case was originally reported (as a new filing) and reported as a new filing under the new case type except you must count a felony reduced to a misdemeanor disposed under the felony case-type code. Do not count cases disposed when assigned by the State Court Administrative Office to a judge of another court. **The method of disposition** should be entered in the line representing the highest form of final disposition within the case using the following hierarchy:

Line 1: Jury Verdict [*MCR 6.610, 6.931(A)*]

Count when verdict is returned by jury (guilty or not guilty) including verdict under MCL 769.4a (Spouse Abuse Act) or MCL 333.7411 (Controlled Substance Abuse Act).

Line 2: Bench Verdict [*MCR 6.610, 6.931(A)*]

Count when verdict is returned by judge (guilty or not guilty) including verdict under MCL 769.4a (Spouse Abuse Act) or MCL 333.7411 (Controlled Substance Abuse Act). Count entry of judgment by judge notwithstanding jury verdict. Count directed verdict in favor of defendant after conclusion of plaintiff's case even if during jury trial. Count extradition after hearing.

Line 3: Guilty Plea (includes no contest) [*MCR 6.610(E), MCL 764.9g*]

Count when a guilty plea is offered and accepted including guilty plea under MCL 769.4a (Spouse Abuse Act), MCL 333.7411 (Controlled Substance Abuse Act), or MCL 762.14 (Youthful Trainee Status). Count as a plea if: 1) new trial is granted after verdict and defendant later pleads guilty; 2) defendant pleads guilty during or after proofs are heard.

Line 4: Bindover/Transfer (*forms MC 200, MC 316*) [*MCR 5.939, 6.110(G), (H), 6.911, MCL 762.7, 766.14*]

Count bindovers to circuit court. Count transfers to another court before adjudication including waivers of extradition. Do not count cases transferred for purposes of trial only.

Line 5: Nolle Prosequi (*form MC 263*) [*MCR 6.110(F), (H), 6.427, 6.931, MCL 764.9d*]

Count when the prosecutor or city attorney files a written motion with the court or makes a motion on the record to nolle prosequi the case and the motion is granted. Do not count a dismissal to allow the filing of a second complaint for a lesser included offense or for enhancement.

Line 6: Dismissed by Court (*form MC 262*) [*MCR 6.110(F), (H), 6.427, 6.931, MCL 764.9d*]

Count when dismissed by judge after preliminary examination, during trial, or after trial and an order of dismissal is entered. Do not count a dismissal to allow the filing of a second complaint for a lesser included offense or for enhancement. Do not count any dismissal on motion of the prosecutor or city attorney.

Line 7: Inactive Status (*forms MC 200, MC 204, MC 206, DC 225, DC 226, MC 229*) [*MCR 6.125, 6.615(B), MCL 330.2028, 764.9e*]

Count as inactive when a warrant is issued before adjudication, when defendant is referred to the Department of Community Health for evaluation to determine whether competent to stand trial or when defendant is found incompetent to stand trial, or when an order staying a case (interlocutory appeal) from an appellate court is entered.

Line 8: Case Type Change

Count when a case type code is changed after a case has already been reported to the State Court Administrative Office as a new filing under another case type code.

Item 9: Felony Plea Accepted in District Court [*MCL 766.4*]

Of the dispositions reported in Line 4 as bound over to the circuit court, for how many cases did the district court judge accept a felony plea.

Section B: Traffic - Method of Disposition

Report traffic cases as disposed when all counts/offenses against the defendant have been adjudicated. Enter in the appropriate lines the number of cases disposed for each of the case type codes. When a case type code is changed after a case has been reported, the case must be counted disposed as "Case Type Change" under the case type code under which the case was originally reported (as a new filing) and reported as a new filing under the new case type. Do not count cases disposed when assigned by the State Court Administrative Office to a judge of another court. **The method of disposition** should be entered in the line representing the highest form of final disposition within the case using the following hierarchy:

Line 1: Jury Verdict [MCR 6.610, 6.615]

Count when verdict is returned by jury (guilty or not guilty) .

Line 2: Bench Verdict or Informal, Formal, or De Novo Hearing [MCR 4.101(B), (E), 6.610, 6.616]

Count when verdict is returned by judge or magistrate (guilty or not guilty, responsible or not responsible). Count entry of judgment by judge notwithstanding jury verdict. Count directed verdict in favor of defendant after conclusion of plaintiff's case even if during jury trial.

Line 3: Guilty Plea (includes no contest) and Admission/Waivers [MCR 4.101(B), 6.610(E), 6.615MCL 764.9g]

Count when a guilty plea is offered and accepted. Count when an admission of responsibility is offered and accepted. Count as a plea if: 1) new trial is granted after verdict and defendant later pleads guilty; 2) defendant pleads guilty during or after proofs are heard. Include violations for which fine and costs have been waived in accordance with statute or ordinance (i.e. equipment violations, no child restraint, no registration).

Line 4: Bindover/Transfer (forms MC 200, MC 316) [MCR 6.110(G), (H), MCL 762.7]

Count bindovers to circuit court or transfers to another court before adjudication. Do not count cases transferred for purposes of trial only.

Line 5: Dismissed by Party (form MC 263) [MCR 6.110(N), 6.427, 6.610, 6.615]

Count when the prosecutor, city attorney, or other plaintiff files a written motion with the court or makes a motion on the record to dismiss the case and the motion is granted. Do not count a dismissal to allow the filing of a second complaint for a lesser included offense or for enhancement. Count when reducing a misdemeanor traffic to a civil infraction traffic.

Line 6: Dismissed by Court (form MC 262, CIA 02) [MCR 6.110(N), 6.427, 6.610, 6.615]

Count when dismissed by judge or magistrate after preliminary examination, during trial, or after trial and an order of dismissal is entered. Count when plaintiff, officer, or witness fails to appear at the hearing and an order of dismissal is entered. Do not count any dismissals on motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or other plaintiff.

Line 7: Default (forms CIA 02, CIA 07) [MCR 4.101(B), (E)]

Count when default is entered due to non-appearance or no response by defendant.

Line 8: Inactive Status (forms MC 204, MC 206, DC 226, MC 229) [MCR 6.125, 6.615(B), 7.101, MCL 764.9e]

Count as inactive when either a warrant is issued before adjudication, when defendant is referred to the Department of Community Health for evaluation to determine whether competent to stand trial or when defendant is found incompetent to stand trial, or when case is stayed through an order issued by a higher court for interlocutory appeal or through an order issued by the trial court for military stay, or when a civil infraction case is stayed through an order issued by the trial court for bankruptcy.

Line 9: Case Type Change

Count when a case type code is changed after a case has already been reported to the State Court Administrative Office as a new filing under another case type code.

Item 10: Felony Plea Accepted in District Court [MCL 766.4]

Of the dispositions reported in Line 4 as bound over to the circuit court, for how many cases did the district court judge accept a felony plea.

Section C: Non-Traffic Civil Infraction and Parking - Method of Disposition

Report non-traffic civil infraction and parking cases as disposed when all offenses against the defendant have been adjudicated. Enter in the appropriate lines the number of cases disposed for each of the case type codes. When a case type code is changed after a case has been reported, the case must be counted disposed as "Case Type Change" under the case type code under which the case was originally reported (as a new filing) and reported as a new filing under the new case type. Do not count cases disposed when assigned by the State Court Administrative Office to a judge of another court. **The method of disposition** should be entered in the line representing the highest form of final disposition within the case using the following hierarchy:

Line 1: Verdict at Informal, Formal, or De Novo Hearing [MCR 4.101(B)]

Count when verdict is returned by judge or magistrate (responsible or not responsible).

Line 2: Admission/Waiver [MCR 4.101(B)]

Count when an admission of responsibility is offered and accepted. Include violations for which fine and costs have been waived in accordance with law.

Line 3: Dismissed by Party (forms MC 263) [MCR 4.101]

Count when an order is entered after the prosecutor, city attorney, or other plaintiff motions for a dismissal at any point in the proceedings or when a nolle prosequi is filed.

Line 4: Dismissed by Court (form CIA 02) [MCR 4.101]

Count when dismissed by judge or magistrate during trial or after hearing and an order of dismissal is entered. Count when plaintiff, officer, or witness fails to appear at the hearing and an order of dismissal is entered. Do not count any dismissals on motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or other plaintiff.

Line 5: Default (forms CIA 02, CIA 07) [MCR 4.101(B), (E)]

Count when default is entered due to non-appearance by defendant.

Line 6: Inactive Status

Count as inactive when a non-traffic civil infraction case is stayed through an order issued by a higher court for interlocutory appeal or through an order issued by the trial court for bankruptcy or military stay.

Line 7: Case Type Change

Count when a case type code is changed after a case has already been reported to the State Court Administrative Office as a new filing under another case type code.

Section D: Civil - Method of Disposition

Report civil cases as disposed when all claims of all plaintiffs against all defendants or all counter or cross claims have been disposed. When a case type code is changed after a case has been reported, the case must be counted disposed as "Case Type Change" under the case type code under which the case was originally reported (as a new filing) and reported as a new filing under the new case type. Do not count cases disposed when assigned by the State Court Administrative Office to a judge of another court. Enter in the appropriate lines the number of cases disposed for each of the case type codes. **The method of disposition** should be entered in the line representing the highest form of final disposition within the case using the following hierarchy. For example: 1 claim not served, 2 claims settled, 1 claim went to jury trial and a verdict was entered; count disposed under jury verdict.

Line 1: Jury Verdict [MCR 2.504(B), 2.600 et seq., 4.201(K), 4.202(J)]

Count when decided by jury except when judge amends or overturns verdict.

Line 2: Bench Verdict [MCR 2.504(B), 2.600 et seq., 3.105(H), 3.300 et seq., 4.201(K), 4.202(J), 4.304(B)(2), 4.305]

Count when decided by judicial officer. Count directed verdict after conclusion of plaintiff's case. Count entry of judgment by judge notwithstanding jury verdict.

Line 3: Uncontested/Default/Settled/Summary Disposition [MCR 2.403(M), 2.405, 2.410(D)(3), 2.411(C)(4), 2.600 et seq., 4.201(F), 4.201(I), 4.202(H), 4.304(B)(1), 4.306(D)]

Count when defaulted for no answer, when consent judgment is filed including those as a result of case evaluation, mediation or other ADR process; when default is entered after a party fails to attend a scheduled ADR proceeding; when default judgment is entered after plaintiff offers proofs and defendant has failed to appear; when trial is commenced but case is settled before return of verdict; when motion for summary disposition is granted; or when a settlement agreement is filed.

Line 4: Transferred (form MC 316, DC 86) [MCR 2.226, 2.227, 4.306(B), 4.002, MCL 700.22]

Count when transferred to another court before adjudication (includes small claims removed to general civil; cases removed to federal or circuit court).

Line 5: Dismissed by Party (form MC 09) [MCR 2.102(E), 2.502, 2.504(A), 4.304(B)(2), (3)]

Count voluntary dismissals by plaintiff. Count stipulation by parties to remove case to binding arbitration.

Line 6: Dismissed by Court (form MC 09a) [MCR 2.102(E), 2.401(G)(1), 2.403(M), 2.410(D)(3), 2.502, 2.504(B), (E), 4.304(B)(2), (3)]

Count when dismissed due to non-service and no progress. Count when dismissed for no cause of action after conclusion of plaintiff's case. Count when dismissed as a result of payment of an award made within 28 days of notification of acceptance of an evaluation under MCR 2.403(M). Count when dismissed after plaintiff fails to appear.

Line 7: Inactive Status (form MC 300)

Count when a case is stayed through an order issued by a higher court for interlocutory appeal or through an order issued by the trial court for bankruptcy or military stay.

Line 8: Other Disposition

Count all other dispositions not otherwise provided for in the above. Count foreign judgments disposed at time of filing.

Line 9: Case Type Change