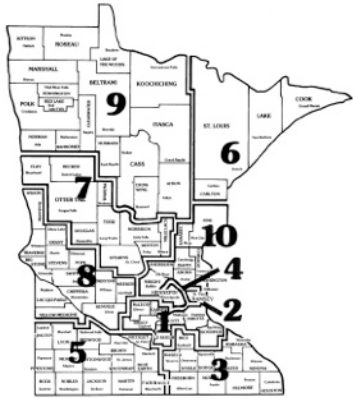


District Courts



289 Judgeships, 10 Judicial Districts

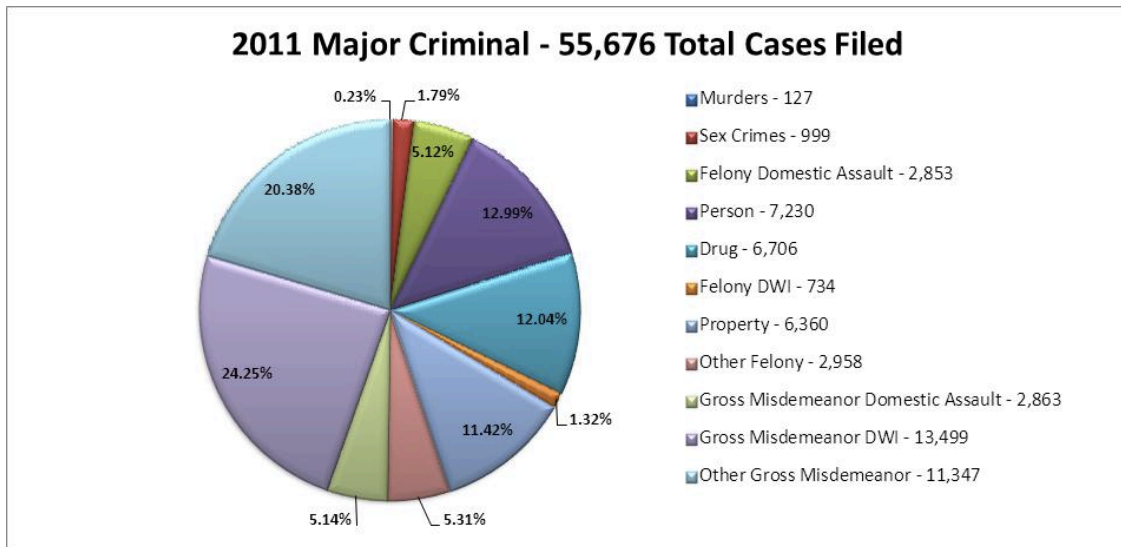
Jurisdiction: Civil Actions, Criminal Cases, Family, Juvenile, Probate, Violations of City Ordinances

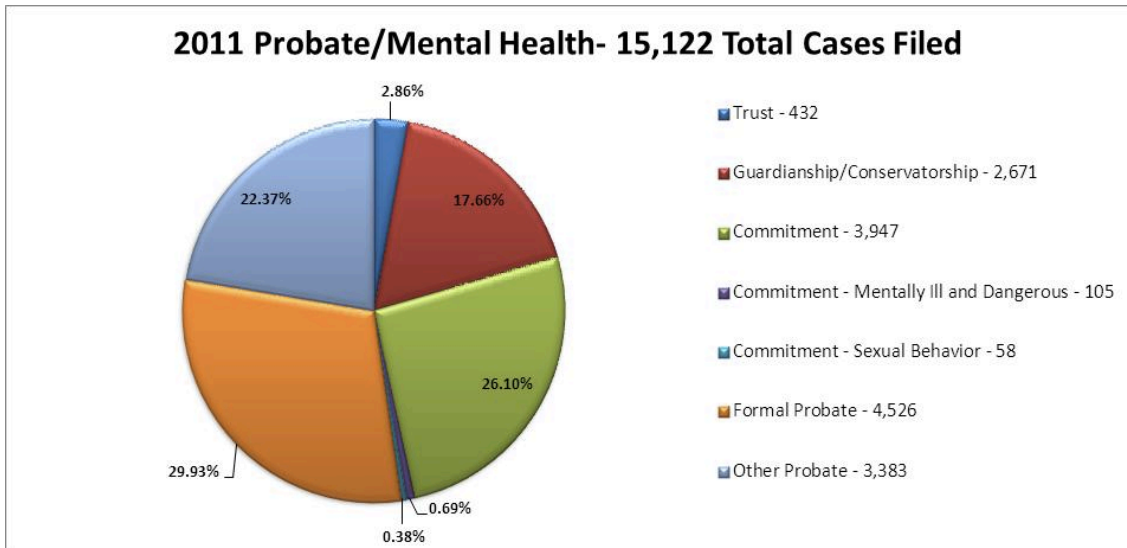
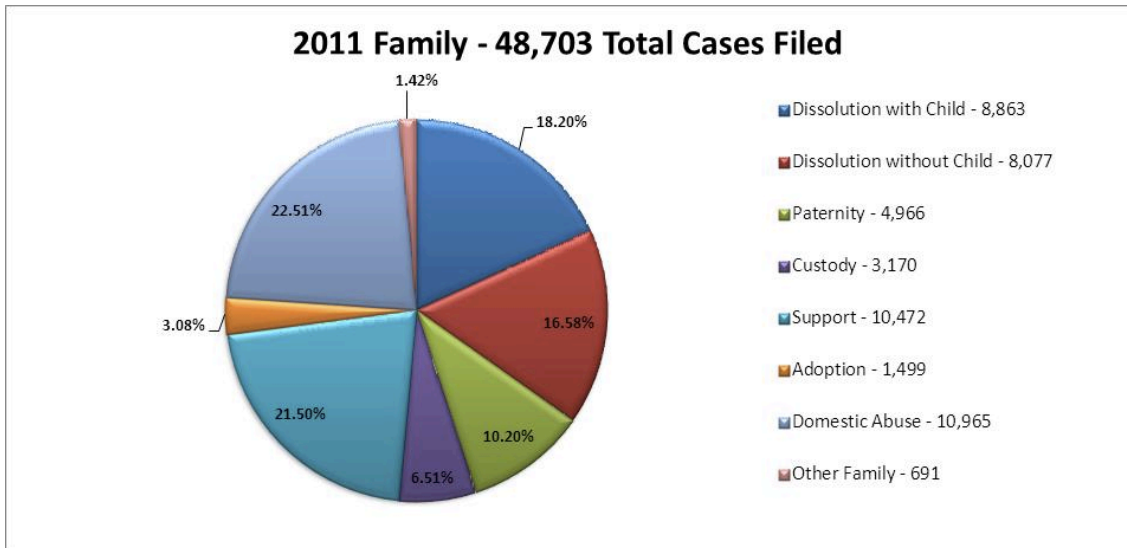
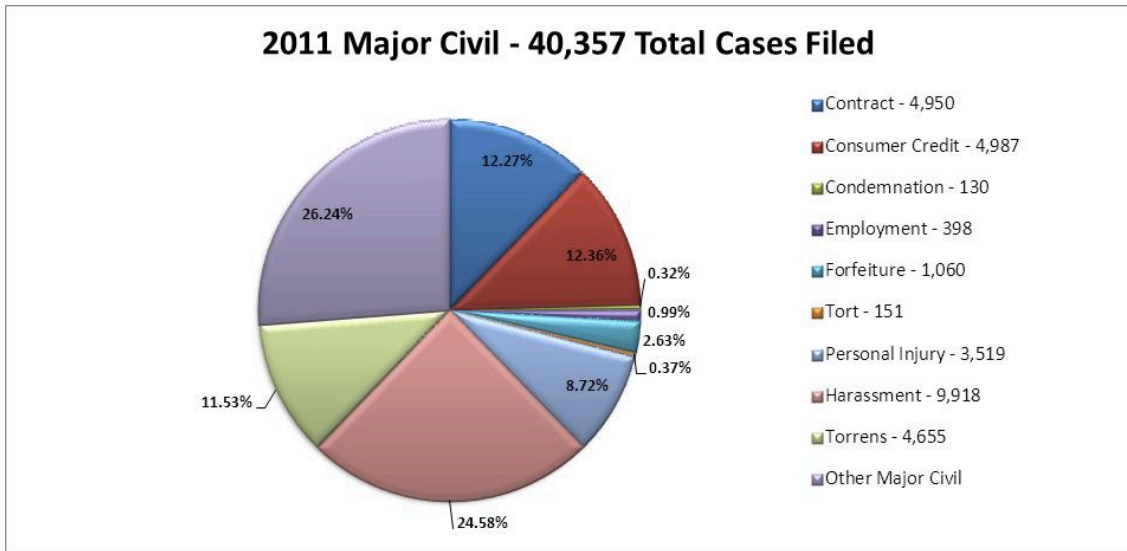
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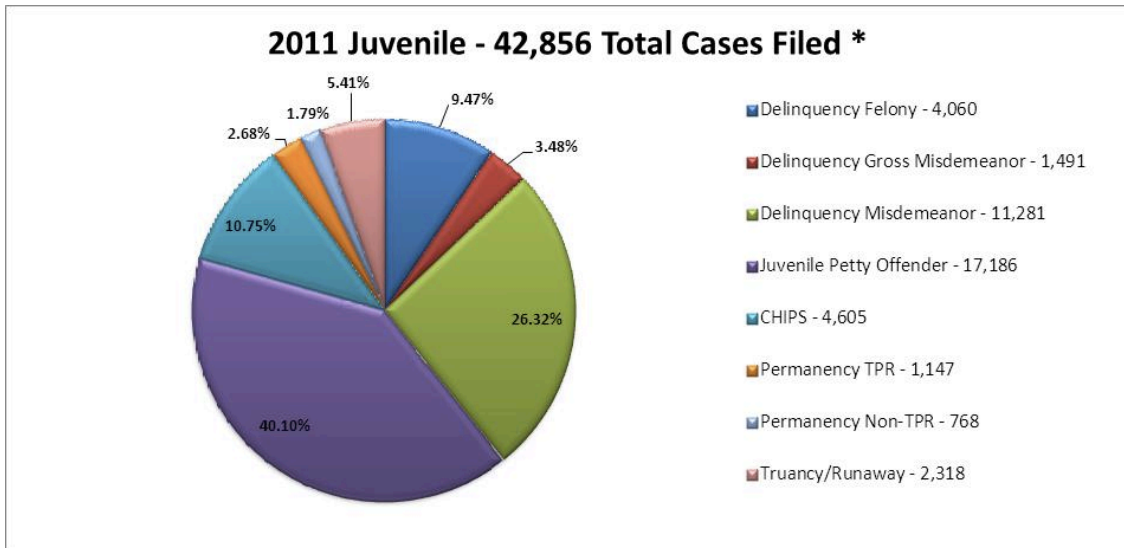
Conciliation Division: Civil Disputes up to \$7,500

*Called trial de novo - actually a new trial, not just a review of the conciliation court

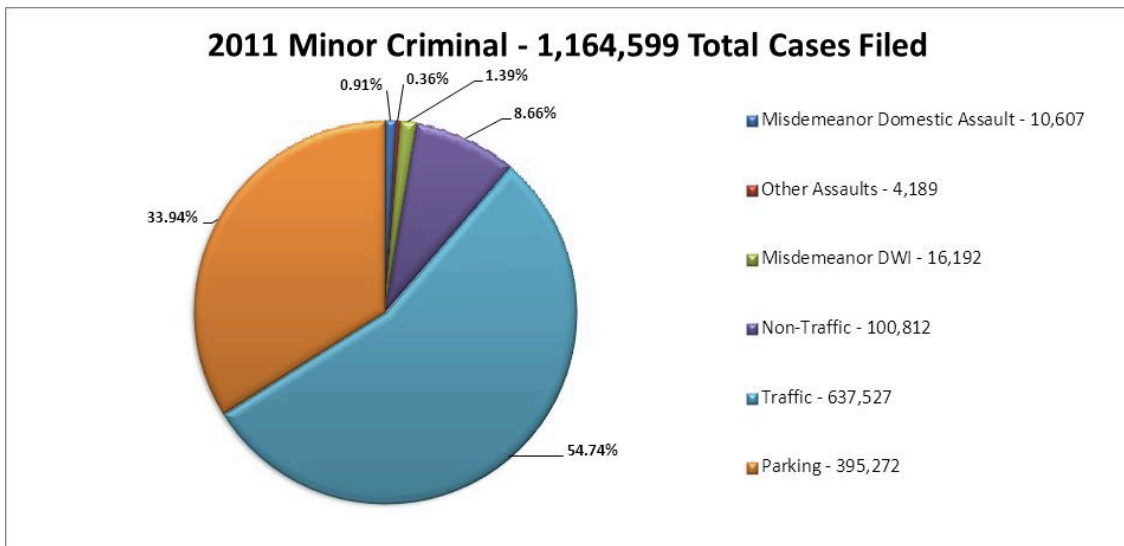
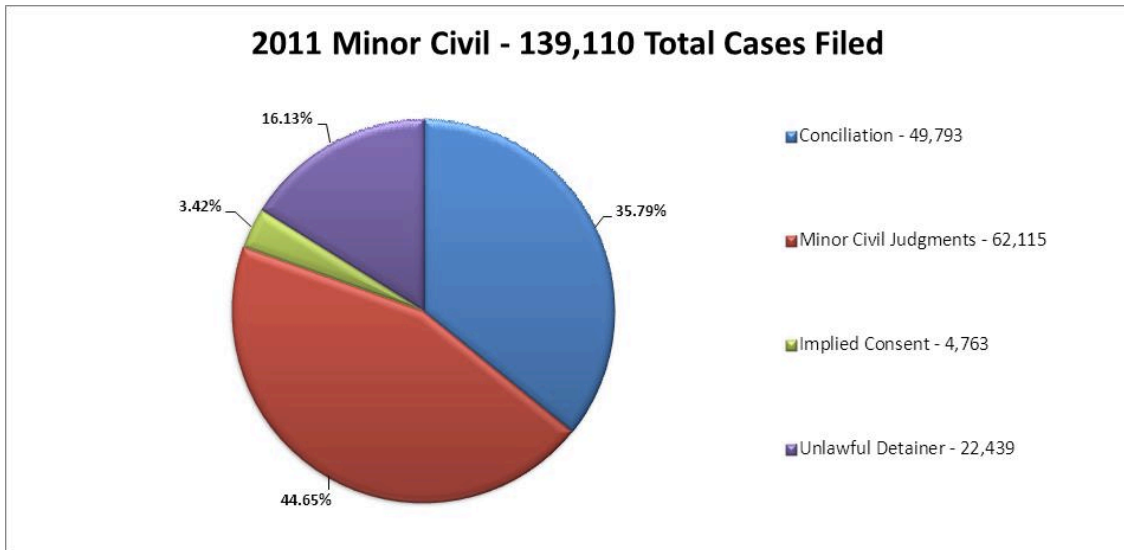
The district courts handled over 1.5 million cases that entered the judicial system in Minnesota in 2011. For administrative purposes, the district courts are organized into 10 judicial districts with a total of 101 hearing facilities across the state.







* Juvenile Petty Offender - i.e. smoking and drinking violations, curfew violations, etc.; CHIPS - Child in need of protection or services



Court of Appeals

19 Members, Three-Judge Panels

Chief Judge Matthew Johnson Judge: 2008 - Nov. 2010, Chief Judge: Nov. 2010 - present
Judge Harriet Lansing 1983 - May 2011
Judge Thomas Kalitowski 1987 - present
Judge Roger Klaphake 1989 - present
Judge Randolph Peterson 1990 - present
Judge Edward Toussaint, Jr. Chief Judge: 1995 - Nov. 2010, Judge: Nov. 2010 - July 2011
Judge Gordon Shumaker 1998 - Oct. 2011
Judge Jill Flaskamp Hallbrooks 1998 - present
Judge Terri Stoneburner 2000 - present
Judge David Minge 2002 - present
Judge Natalie Hudson 2002 - present
Judge Wilhelmina Wright 2002 - present
Judge Renee Worke 2005 - present
Judge Kevin Ross 2006 - present
Judge Heidi Schellhas 2008 - present
Judge Francis Connolly 2008 - present
Judge Michelle Larkin 2008 - present
Judge Larry Stauber, Jr. 2008 - present
Judge Louise Bjorkman 2008 - present
Judge Edward J. Cleary December 2011 - present

Appeals from:

District court decisions (except first-degree murder convictions), administrative agency decisions (except Tax Court & Workers' Compensation Court), decisions of local governments

Original Actions:

Writs of mandamus or prohibition, which order a trial judge or public official to perform a certain act or not perform

2011 Court of Appeals Case Information		
	Cases Filed	Dispositions
General Civil	604	599
Criminal	711	696
Administrative Rule	1	1
Economic Security	354	331
Writs - Certiori	69	63
Habeas / Certified Questions	14	20
Commitment	47	62
Family	227	252
Juvenile Delinquency	17	18
Juvenile Protection	56	60
Implied Consent	25	24
Discretionary Review / Writs	96	96
Total	2,221	2,222

Supreme Court

7 members, En Banc panel

Appeals from:

Court of Appeals decisions

Trial court decisions if Supreme Court chooses to bypass the Court of Appeals

Tax Court decisions, Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals

Original Actions:

Review of all first-degree murder convictions

Writs of Prohibition, Writs of Habeas Corpus, Writs of Mandamus

Legislative election disputes

<p>Chief Justice Lorie S. Gildea Associate Justice: 2006 - June 2010, Chief Justice: July 2010 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice Alan C. Page 1993 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice Paul H. Anderson 1994 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice Helen M. Meyer 2002 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice G. Barry Anderson 2004 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice Christopher J. Dietzen 2008 - present</p>
<p>Associate Justice David R. Stras 2010 - present</p>

2011 Supreme Court Case Information		
Direct Appeals		
	Cases Filed	Dispositions
Workers' Compensation	20	18
Civil	5	0
Tax Court	13	7
Attorney Discipline	54	51
Writs	2	2
First Degree Homicide	28	19
Total Direct Appeals	122	95
Petitions for Further Review (PFR)		
Filed		641
Denied		508
Granted Further Review		103
Other		18
Dispositions		
Affirmed		28
Mixed		6
Remand / Reverse		30
Other Decision / Dismissal		8
Total		72