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Timing Objectives for Case Dispositions and Permanency Orders

The Timing Objectives for Case Dispositions and Permanency Orders² by Judicial District are as follows:

Type of Case	Percentage of Cases to be <u>Disposed of Within Set Time</u>
Major Criminal	
Felony, gross misdemeanor	90% in 4 months
	97% in 6 months
	99% in 12 months
Major Civil	90% in 12 months
Personal Injury, Contract, Property Damage, Harassment, Other Civil	97% in 18 months
	99% in 24 months
Major Family	
Domestic Violence (Orders for Protection)	90% in 2 months
	97% in 3 months
	99% in 4 months

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¹ These timing objectives were formerly established by the Conference of Chief Judges, with the exception of Minor Criminal.

² "Permanency orders" means an order for one of the following: reunification, transfer of permanent legal and physical custody to a relative, termination of parental rights (voluntary or involuntary), consent to adopt/guardianship to the Commissioner, or permanent custody to the Agency.

Type of Case	Percentage of Cases to be <u>Disposed of Within Set Time</u>
Length of Time to State Ward Adoptions	60% in 24 months
Dissolution	90% in 12 months
	97% in 18 months
	99% in 24 months
Major Juvenile	90% in 3 months
Delinquency: Felony, Gross Misdemeanor, Misdemeanor	97% in 5 months
	99% in 6 months
Length of Time to Permanency Order ²	50% in 6 months
	90% in 12 months
	99% in 18 months
Minor Criminal	90% in 3 months
5th Deg. Assault, Non-Traffic Misdemeanor or Petty, Misdemeanor DWI, Other Traffic	97% in 6 months
	99% in 9 months