

Three-fourths of incoming cases were filed in municipal or county courts in 2021

Incoming Court Cases Filed in 2021 by Type of Court*			
Type of Court	New Case Filings	Transferred and Reactivated Cases	Total Incoming Cases
Supreme Court	1,607	0	1,607
Court of Appeals	6,594	350	6,944
Court of Claims	722	0	722
Common Pleas	414,362	131,408	545,770
Juvenile Division	111,709	63,831	175,540
General Division	142,034	28,824	170,858
Probate Division	100,542	0	100,542
Domestic Relations Division	60,077	38,753	98,830
Municipal and County	1,434,893	312,563	1,747,456
Total	1,858,178	444,321	2,302,499

*Incoming cases include new cases, transferred cases, and reactivated cases. Reactivated cases are those that were previously placed on inactive reporting status and later reopened.

Source: Ohio Supreme Court

- In 2021, 2.3 million new, transferred, or reactivated cases were filed in state and local courts across Ohio.
 - Approximately 1.7 million of those cases, or 76%, were filed in municipal or county courts.
 - 545,770, or 24%, were filed in Ohio’s courts of common pleas.
- Compared to 2020, overall incoming case filings increased by 233,219 statewide, or 11%, up from 2.1 million.
- The COVID-19 pandemic had significant impacts on the courts, resulting in lower than typical numbers of incoming cases in 2020 and 2021. For comparison, in 2019, incoming cases totaled nearly 2.5 million.