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## YOUTHFUL OFFENDER CASES FILED 1/1/2016 – 9/6/2022 STATEWIDE

September 13, 2022

#### **Statistics Request Overall Description**

On June 17, 2022, the Department of Public Advocacy requested whether transfer hearings are held for eligible youth, outcomes of those hearings, and final disposition in adult or juvenile court statewide.

Court Case Information from AOC CourtNet, which provides a summary of cases statewide was queried for the number of circuit criminal youthful offender cases filed calendar years 2016-2021 by year that were sent to circuit court.

\*\*A youthful offender in a Circuit Criminal case is determined to be less than 18 years old as of the filing date of the earliest charge in the case. The charge filing date is sometimes entered to reflect the filing of the original charge, but other times may be entered as the date of the indictment or data entry. As such, some minors may turn 18 before the indictment or data entry date for these charges, and any such minors are not captured in this data set. No other datapoints are available for the identification of youthful offender indictments.

#### Statistical Tables (22\_RS3154)

**Report 22\_RS3154** provides a count of circuit criminal youthful offender cases (age 10 to 17) filed from 1/1/2016 - 9/6/2022 statewide. The line graph (Figure 1) shows the number of Circuit Criminal Youthful Offender cases filed for calendar years 2016-2021. The cross table (Table 1) shows the number of Circuit Criminal Youthful Offender cases filed by charge disposition type, along with the distinct count of youth.

**Report 22\_RS3157** provides a count and percentage of juvenile delinquency cases with charges disposed from 1/1/2016 - 9/6/2022 statewide which also had a Juvenile Transfer Hearing or Youthful Offender Event scheduled. The line graph (Figure 1) shows the number of cases per calendar years 2016.

The horizontal bar graph (Figure 2) shows the number of distinct cases and percentage per calendar years 2016 by charge disposition type.

The cross table (Table 1) shows the number of delinquency cases and percentage by charge disposition type, along with the distinct count of youth.

#### Statistical Tables (22\_RS3154)

Statistical Analysis Considerations:

- These statistics represent a snapshot in time as of the date the data was queried: September 13, 2022.
- A case/complaint may consist of one or multiple charges. The report's count of cases represents a distinct count of case numbers/complaints, regardless of the number of charges associated with the case.
- > Counts of cases do not necessarily represent counts of unique individuals.
- > Counts of complaints do not equal a count of youth. A youth may have multiple complaints.
- > Charges consist of all original and amended charges within a case.
- Charges include ASCF Codes: 1 Attempt, 2 Solicitation, 3 Conspiracy, 4 Facilitation, 5 -Complicity, 6 - Enhancement.

Data Element/Field/Variable Requested							
Database	Data Element/Field/Variable	Description/Definition					
CourtNet	County	The county in which each case was filed. This report includes cases filed statewide.					
	Calendar Year	The calendar year in which the case was filed. The timeframe for this report is calendar years 2016 through 2022, as of 9/6/2022)					
	Cases	A distinct count of cases.					
	Charges	A count of total charges among any applicable cases.					
	Age	The age of the child at case filing based on their date of birth and the minimum charge date within the case.					
	Charge Disposition Category	Charge dispositions are grouped into the following categories:					
	(Delinquency Report)	Commitment to DJJ, Guilty, Informal Judgment					
		• G – Guilty					
		DJJ – Commitment of Juvenile to DJJ					
		INF - Informal Judgment - Juvenile					
		Pending Before Grand Jury					
		GDJ – Grand Jury					
		• JDJG – Grand Jury -Juvenile					
		Dismissed					
		DWP – Dismissed with Prejudice					
		CAD – Dismissal by Motion of Prosecutor					
		DIS – Dismissed					
		DD – Dismissed Diverted					
		DEC – Deceased					

	• NG – Not Guilty				
	WD - Withdrawn				
	No Action, No True Bill & Dismissed by Grand Jury				
	<ul> <li>NGJ – No Action Taken by Grand Jury</li> </ul>				
	• NTB – No True Bull Returned by Grand Jury				
	• DGJ – Dismissed After Present to Grand Jury				
	INC – Incompetent to Stand Trial				
	MST - Mistrial				
	Diverted				
	DIV – Diversion				
	PTD – Pretrial Diversion				
	FTA				
	• FTA – Failure to Appear				
	Amended				
	• AD – Amended Down				
	• AGJ – Amended Down by Grand Jury				
	AMEND – Amended				
	• AU – Amended Up				
	AUGJ – Amended Up by Grand Jury				
	Indictment				
	• IND – Indictment by Grand Jury /				
	Information				
	TRF - Transferred				
	Other				
	MER – Merged				
	• OTH – Other				
	REM – Remanded				
	Any disposition code inappropriate to juvenile				
	delinquency charges applied erroneously.				
Charge Disposition	Charge dispositions are grouped into the following				
Category (CR Cases	categories:				
youthful)					
	Acquitted				
	ACQ – Acquitted				
	NG – Not Guilty				
	Amended				
	AD – Amended Down				
	<ul> <li>AGJ – Amended Down by Grand Jury</li> </ul>				
	AMEND – Amended				
	• AU – Amended Up				
	<ul> <li>AUGJ – Amended Up by Grand Jury</li> </ul>				
	Convicted				
	• G – Guilty				

•	GM – Guilty - Multiple Counts
•	GSS – Guilty - Sealed Sentence
•	PRPD – Prepaid
Dismisse	ed
•	CAD – Dismissal by Motion of Prosecutor
•	DD – Dismissed Diverted
•	DDP – Dismissed Deferred Prosecution
•	DEC – Deceased
•	DGJ – Dismissed After Present to Grand Jury
•	DIS – Dismissed
•	DWP – Dismissed with Prejudice
•	HNG – Hung Jury
•	INC – Incompetent to Stand Trial
•	MST - Mistrial
•	NGJ – No Action Taken by Grand Jury
•	NTB – No True Bull Returned by Grand Jury
•	PAR – Pardon - Prior to Adjudication Only
•	PRDIS – Pre-Payable Citation Dismissed
•	SAV – Set Aside/Voided
•	VAC – Vacated Judgment
•	VEFC – Vacated Expunged Felony Conviction
•	VSC – Void Sealed Conviction
•	WD - Withdrawn
Diverted	1
•	DIV – Diversion
•	DP – Deferred Prosecution
•	PTD – Pretrial Diversion
FTA/FTV	//AP
•	AP – Administrative Procedure
•	FTA – Failure to Appear
•	FTV – Fugitive
Indictme	ent
•	IND – Indictment by Grand Jury /
Infor	mation
Other	
•	AFF - Affirmed
•	DEN – Denied
•	ENH – Enhanced
•	EXT – Extradition
•	GDJ – Grand Jury
•	GNT - Granted
•	MER – Merged
•	PCB – Peace Bond

	•	OTH – Other			
	•	REM - Remanded			
	•	REV – Reversed			
	•	SR – Sealed Records			
	•	TRF – Transfer			
	•	TRFD – Drug Court Transfer			
	Any disposition code inappropriate to adult criminal				
	charges applied	l erroneously.			

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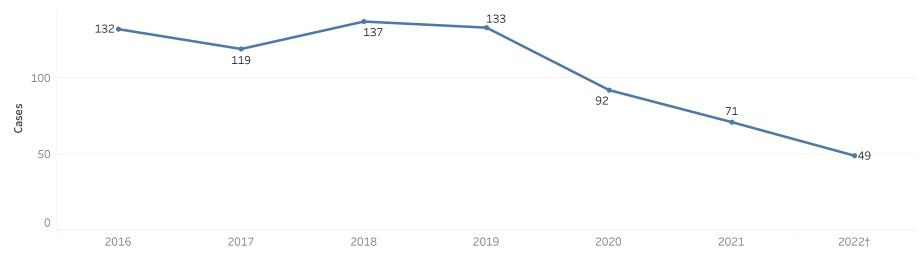
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#### **Research and Statistics**

Circuit Criminal "Youthful Offender" Cases Filed CY 2016 - CY 2022

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Figure 1: Youthful Offender Circuit Criminal Cases Filed per CY



#### Table 1: Youthful Offender Circuit Criminal Cases by Charge Disposition Type Category

		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022†	Grand Total
Convicted	Charges	310	297	262	1,284	280	134	3	2,570
	Cases	101	95	94	87	69	40	3	489
Acquitted / Dismissed	Charges	103	140	163	165	89	34		694
	Cases	51	37	40	42	23	17		210
Amended	Charges	120	117	105	169	87	29	2	629
	Cases	72	73	72	58	42	18	2	337
Other	Charges	83	117	66	56	41	32	2	397
	Cases	50	60	45	30	20	8	1	214
Diverted	Charges	34	16	74	78	9	9		220
	Cases	12	8	23	20	4	3		70
PENDING	Charges	13	15	38	84	114	111	197	572
	Cases	8	9	13	24	19	29	42	144
FTA/FTV/AP	Charges	6	1	4	3	1	9	8	32
	Cases	4	1	2	1	1	2	3	14
Grand Total	Charges	669	703	712	1,839	621	358	212	5,114
	Cases	132	119	137	133	92	71	49	733

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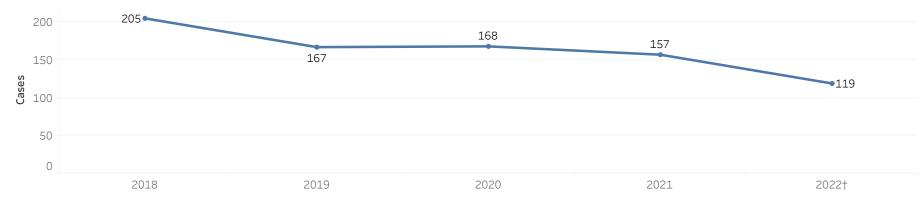
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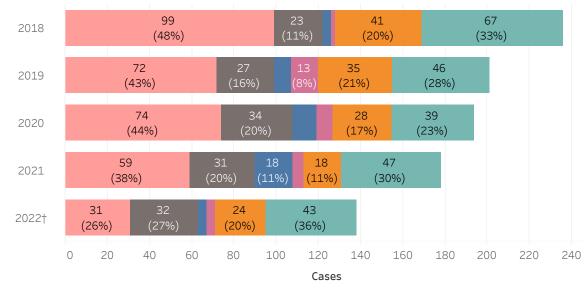
Juvenile Delinquency Cases with Charges Disposed CY 2018 - CY 2022 with Juvenile Transfer Hearing/Youthful Offender Hearing

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Figure 1: Juvenile Delinquency Cases per CY with Hearing



## Figure 2: Distinct Juvenile Delinquency Cases with Hearing per Charge Disposition Type Group



## INDICTMENT BY GRAND JURY PENDING BEFORE GRAND JURY OTHER NO ACTION, NO TRUE BILL & DISMISS BY GRAND JRY

DISMISSALS

COMMITMENT TO DJJ, GUILTY, INFORMAL JUDGMENT

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS Research and Statistics Juvenile Delinquency Cases with Charges Disposed CY 2018 - CY 2022† with Juvenile Transfer Hearing/Youthful Offender Hearing STATEWIDE

#### Table 1: Distinct Juvenile Delinquency Cases by Charge Disposition Type Group

		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022†	Grand Total
INDICTMENT BY GRAND JURY	% Cases	48%	43%	44%	38%	26%	43%
	Cases	99	72	74	59	31	335
	Charges	256	215	221	156	96	944
COMMITMENT TO DJJ, GUILTY, INFORMAL JUDGMENT	% Cases	33%	28%	23%	30%	36%	30%
	Cases	67	46	39	47	43	233
	Charges	162	84	74	116	182	618
PENDING BEFORE GRAND JURY	% Cases	11%	16%	20%	20%	27%	19%
	Cases	23	27	34	31	32	146
	Charges	77	70	84	103	94	428
DISMISSALS	% Cases	20%	21%	17%	11%	20%	18%
	Cases	41	35	28	18	24	142
	Charges	76	67	64	49	42	298
NO ACTION, NO TRUE BILL & DISMISS BY GRAND JRY	% Cases	1%	8%	5%	3%	3%	4%
	Cases	2	13	8	5	4	32
	Charges	2	59	19	16	309	405
OTHER	% Cases	2%	5%	7%	11%	3%	6%
	Cases	4	8	11	18	4	44
	Charges	5	17	18	30	5	75
Grand Total	% Cases	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Cases	205	167	168	157	119	788
	Charges	578	512	480	470	728	2,768