

REPORT TO THE
LEGISLATURE
on the
OKLAHOMA COURTS

JULY 1, 2010
TO
JUNE 30, 2011

Chief Justice Steven W. Taylor

To the Honorable Members of the 2012 Oklahoma Legislature:

The Judiciary is a separate and independent branch of government that exists to help the citizens of Oklahoma resolve disputes peacefully and to obtain justice in a fair and impartial manner according to the rule of law. It is an institution that strives to honor the high ideals implicit in its unique and indispensable role in preserving our republic.

This report is in response to the Legislature's request in Section 16.11 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes for caseload information from each of Oklahoma's 26 judicial districts and recommendations regarding judicial boundaries, the number of district and associate district judges, and the formula for determining the number of special judges. The information contained herein reflects the judiciary's diligent work adjudicating the thousands of cases filed each year.

The Supreme Court does not recommend any change to the boundaries of the district court judicial districts or to the number of District Judges and Associate District Judges for each district. The Court does recommend that the formula for determining the number of Special Judges for each judicial administrative district remain the same.

It is important to note that state trial judges frequently are temporarily assigned and serve in counties other than their resident county to assist with case loads and trials. These assignments serve to expedite cases in counties with heavier case loads. The judges are very busy. With the assistance of the Court Clerks who are essential to the judiciary and do excellent work, cases filed in Oklahoma courts are efficiently and effectively managed and tried.

All the judges of this State serve with a single mission - that there be justice for all.

Respectfully,

Steven W. Taylor
Chief Justice

Supreme Court of Oklahoma

Honorable Steven W. Taylor

Chief Justice

Honorable Tom Colbert

Vice Chief Justice

Honorable Yvonne Kauger

Justice

Honorable Joseph M. Watt

Justice

Honorable James R. Winchester

Justice

Honorable James E. Edmondson

Justice

Honorable John F. Reif

Justice

Honorable Douglas L. Combs

Justice

Honorable Noma D. Gurich

Justice

Presiding Judges

Honorable Lori M. Walkley

Chairman

South Central Administrative District

Honorable Lawrence W. Parish

East Central Administrative District

Honorable Phillip C. Corley

North Central Administrative District

Honorable Dwayne Steidley

Northeast Administrative District

Honorable Dean Linder

Northwest Administrative District

Honorable Glenn M. Jones

Oklahoma-Canadian Administrative District

Honorable Richard E. Branam

Southeast Administrative District

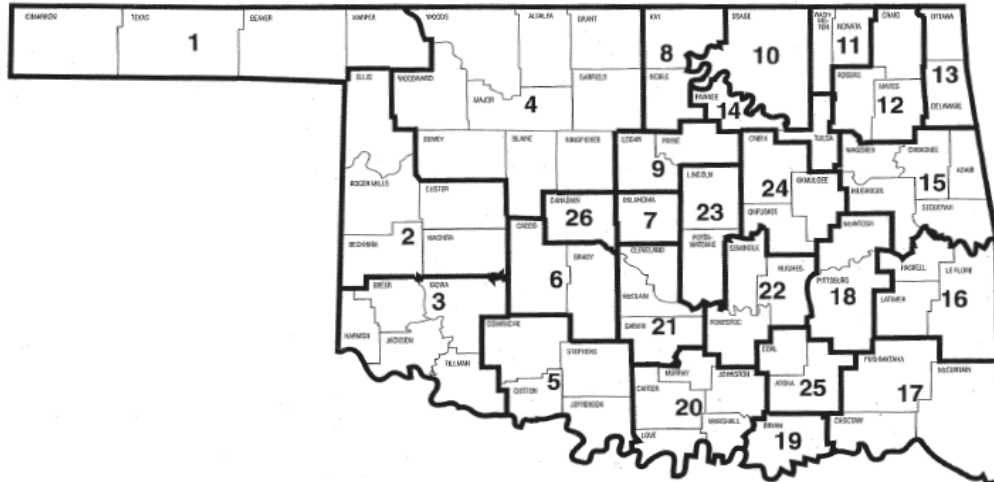
Honorable C. Allen McCall

Southwest Administrative District

Honorable William C. Kellough

Tulsa-Pawnee Administrative District

District Court Judicial Districts



District Number	Counties in the District	2010 Population
1	Cimarron, Texas, Beaver, Harper	32,436
2	Beckham, Custer, Ellis, Roger Mills, Washita	69,015
3	Greer, Harmon, Kiowa, Jackson, Tillman	53,045
4	Dewey, Blaine, Kingfisher, Garfield, Major, Woodward, Woods, Alfalfa, Grant	156,063
5	Comanche, Stephens, Cotton, Jefferson	181,811
6	Grady, Caddo	82,031
7	Oklahoma	718,633
8	Noble, Kay	58,123
9	Logan, Payne	119,198
10	Osage	47,472
11	Washington, Nowata	61,512
12	Rogers, Mayes, Craig	143,193
13	Ottawa, Delaware	73,335
14	Tulsa, Pawnee	619,980
15	Wagoner, Cherokee, Adair, Muskogee, Sequoyah	253,136
16	Haskell, LeFlore, Latimer	74,307
17	Pushmataha, McCurtain, Choctaw	59,928
18	McIntosh, Pittsburg	66,089
19	Bryan	42,416
20	Love, Carter, Murray, Johnston, Marshall	97,265
21	Garvin, McClain, Cleveland	317,837
22	Seminole, Hughes, Pontotoc	93,886
23	Lincoln, Pottawatomie	103,715
24	Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Creek	122,227
25	Coal, Atoka	20,107
26	Canadian	115,541

**District Court Caseload Inventory by County
Fiscal Year 2011**

*Adair
County
to
Latimer
County*

COUNTY	CASES PENDING JULY 1, 2010	TOTAL DISPOSED	TOTAL FILED	CASES PENDING JUNE 30, 2011
Adair	4,339	2,776	2,510	4,073
Alfalfa	2,863	1,035	1,172	3,000
Atoka	2,472	2,331	2,580	2,721
Beaver	2,695	1,579	1,665	2,781
Beckham	12,901	3,819	4,384	13,466
Blaine	5,117	2,300	2,130	4,947
Bryan	15,397	6,757	7,821	16,461
Caddo	5,471	3,826	4,318	5,963
Canadian	9,700	13,750	14,502	10,452
Carter	8,067	7,139	8,302	9,230
Cherokee	30,729	9,402	8,367	29,694
Choctaw	10,714	3,080	3,104	10,738
Cimarron	2,633	1,868	1,893	2,658
Cleveland	15,671	26,604	22,599	11,666
Coal	3,649	1,486	1,886	4,049
Comanche	30,854	12,461	14,462	32,855
Cotton	4,848	2,244	2,321	4,925
Craig	9,634	3,388	3,598	9,844
Creek	28,681	12,380	12,121	28,422
Custer	11,227	8,042	6,716	9,901
Delaware	19,275	5,120	6,667	20,822
Dewey	1,438	868	933	1,503
Ellis	388	674	733	447
Garfield	5,164	8,514	8,430	5,080
Garvin	10,599	3,739	3,693	10,553
Grady	13,290	7,181	8,398	14,507
Grant	1,770	901	911	1,780
Greer	3,396	684	1,177	3,889
Harmon	652	302	392	742
Harper	2,048	724	701	2,025
Haskell	3,410	1,416	1,725	3,719
Hughes	2,921	1,520	1,695	3,096
Jackson	6,726	3,663	3,985	7,048
Jefferson	1,727	1,127	1,251	1,851
Johnston	1,262	1,673	1,601	1,190
Kay	10,064	7,095	7,260	10,229
Kingfisher	2,297	2,063	2,151	2,385
Kiowa	5,196	1,383	1,628	5,441
Latimer	2,507	1,623	1,620	2,504

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<i>LeFlore</i>	COUNTY	CASES PENDING JULY 1, 2010	TOTAL DISPOSED	TOTAL FILED	CASES PENDING JUNE 30, 2011
<i>County</i>	LeFlore	6,319	7,049	7,699	6,969
<i>to</i>	Lincoln	13,601	4,098	4,781	14,284
<i>Woodward</i>	Logan	4,292	6,594	7,311	5,009
<i>County</i>	Love	7,889	1,575	2,245	8,559
	McClain	6,313	4,967	4,954	6,300
	McCurtain	16,921	5,431	6,052	17,542
	McIntosh	7,055	3,601	3,476	6,930
	Major	2,464	2,067	2,025	2,422
	Marshall	4,489	2,776	2,814	4,527
	Mayes	10,665	6,050	6,105	10,720
	Murray	7,998	2,422	2,705	8,281
	Muskogee	31,038	6,296	9,936	34,678
	Noble	8,043	2,569	2,574	8,048
	Nowata	3,321	1,150	1,330	3,501
	Okfuskee	7,360	1,793	1,930	7,497
	Oklahoma	88,955	98,506	99,241	89,690
	Okmulgee	29,058	4,068	5,272	30,262
	Osage	17,359	6,286	7,154	18,227
	Ottawa	15,281	5,903	6,906	16,284
	Pawnee	8,176	3,129	3,698	8,745
	Payne	7,087	9,676	9,680	7,091
	Pittsburg	18,119	6,020	7,775	19,874
	Pontotoc	21,058	3,935	6,574	23,697
	Pottawatomie	16,683	9,226	10,165	17,622
	Pushmataha	1,780	1,754	2,096	2,122
	Roger Mills	331	1,082	1,169	418
	Rogers	14,490	11,270	11,817	15,037
	Seminole	7,908	3,270	4,174	8,812
	Sequoyah	14,331	3,833	5,379	15,877
	Stephens	6,241	5,440	6,266	7,067
	Texas	13,873	3,698	3,967	14,142
	Tillman	1,839	1,352	1,357	1,844
	Tulsa	51,285	85,905	75,755	41,135
	Wagoner	12,847	7,503	7,587	12,931
	Washington	10,792	5,382	5,715	11,125
	Washita	4,243	2,225	2,241	4,259
	Woods	3,628	1,813	1,682	3,497
	Woodward	4,971	3,946	4,123	5,148
	Totals:	819,895	520,197	537,132	836,830

District Court Filings by Case Type

*Adair
County
to
Latimer
County*

County	Civil	Small Claims	Divorce	VPO's	Domestic All Other	Adoptions	Probate
Adair	392	572	146	13	24	8	28
Alfalfa	84	26	21	8	12	2	34
Atoka	267	159	92	327	82	4	42
Beaver	99	28	27	7	17	5	52
Beckham	400	658	161	50	128	8	90
Blaine	192	78	54	14	57	16	63
Bryan	988	787	326	76	291	27	98
Caddo	452	444	142	63	123	16	77
Canadian	2,544	2,228	696	49	106	81	194
Carter	1,121	1,415	324	63	269	29	146
Cherokee	1,578	1,024	302	46	171	22	52
Choctaw	422	168	107	16	33	5	42
Cimarron	38	16	20	4	8	2	14
Cleveland	5,188	5,197	1,374	253	769	169	334
Coal	142	142	42	13	33	3	27
Comanche	2,194	4,445	784	302	695	72	185
Cotton	134	28	41	2	13	6	21
Craig	421	519	92	19	18	7	41
Creek	1,932	1,252	532	66	249	36	146
Custer	471	726	216	42	136	11	103
Delaware	995	611	349	45	161	32	82
Dewey	107	19	28	1	12	2	33
Ellis	62	5	18	1	12	4	41
Garfield	1,258	1,746	356	54	315	52	193
Garvin	631	457	177	52	126	23	125
Grady	1,128	985	352	116	195	37	147
Grant	51	16	15	0	7	1	26
Greer	97	84	59	0	39	6	21
Harmon	46	14	12	4	20	2	18
Harper	76	61	30	5	13	2	21
Haskell	307	125	115	16	59	9	37
Hughes	326	281	73	21	40	18	57
Jackson	526	328	242	48	164	21	61
Jefferson	140	40	51	13	12	3	23
Johnston	237	72	70	31	29	4	39
Kay	1,288	981	322	48	478	38	140
Kingfisher	308	250	89	7	17	11	64
Kiowa	159	70	52	9	51	2	46
Latimer	196	63	31	3	26	5	26

District Court Filings by Case Type

Adair
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County	Mental Health	Guardian-ship	Marriage Licenses	Licenses All Other	Felony	Misde-meanor	Traffic	Juvenile
Adair	33	32	129	13	173	427	631	44
Alfalfa	4	6	43	5	45	185	748	5
Atoka	9	15	93	25	264	331	1,288	27
Beaver	1	4	23	5	57	161	1,208	6
Beckham	44	36	152	28	553	567	1,599	140
Blaine	10	17	45	20	100	329	1,147	67
Bryan	53	67	413	77	951	1,361	2,783	89
Caddo	5	25	170	43	368	484	2,041	141
Canadian	52	105	767	77	498	879	6,844	275
Carter	46	41	408	54	764	1,372	2,625	150
Cherokee	68	51	307	44	764	1,394	2,792	149
Choctaw	12	19	157	29	442	358	1,452	44
Cimarron	1	9	10	4	60	103	1,612	10
Cleveland	436	371	1,734	207	1,893	4,112	2,303	453
Coal	4	4	36	6	95	154	1,227	13
Comanche	41	79	1,397	115	581	1,257	3,596	533
Cotton	0	5	43	10	78	428	1,549	18
Craig	7	33	112	13	230	371	1,831	28
Creek	129	123	559	61	1,257	1,078	5,271	116
Custer	52	32	204	38	579	698	3,058	634
Delaware	11	96	190	54	943	1,409	1,892	86
Dewey	2	4	28	3	104	211	408	3
Ellis	0	11	32	6	36	128	412	4
Garfield	171	75	481	70	687	1,332	2,029	216
Garvin	28	41	218	29	397	456	1,166	66
Grady	44	62	356	37	1,062	1,499	2,761	126
Grant	4	5	20	4	42	181	552	11
Greer	22	2	48	6	143	185	499	20
Harmon	0	4	14	5	32	71	166	7
Harper	2	3	27	3	58	79	349	7
Haskell	16	24	84	13	205	315	493	20
Hughes	12	12	76	15	227	134	480	35
Jackson	17	19	129	32	320	640	1,578	69
Jefferson	3	10	45	5	79	282	599	9
Johnston	14	11	56	8	174	381	546	24
Kay	159	78	387	55	858	1,004	1,743	171
Kingfisher	2	15	85	33	121	330	903	41
Kiowa	10	7	65	13	84	261	871	15
Latimer	9	11	55	6	167	518	547	21

District Court Filings by Case Type

LeFlore
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County	Civil	Small Claims	Divorce	VPO's	Domestic All Other	Adoptions	Probate
LeFlore	1,063	859	569	147	185	37	85
Lincoln	735	247	200	55	214	25	97
Logan	779	493	221	16	45	25	85
Love	198	66	56	9	28	4	22
McClain	912	363	300	47	62	19	98
McCurtain	792	435	372	65	22	25	63
McIntosh	469	335	144	15	27	9	69
Major	111	29	89	16	14	8	43
Marshall	317	306	14	33	157	4	40
Mayes	975	496	264	77	52	22	51
Murray	320	224	106	7	37	7	58
Muskogee	2,042	1,534	482	28	226	40	140
Noble	228	57	65	16	33	9	32
Nowata	226	37	80	11	41	25	0
Okfuskee	242	120	91	6	33	2	43
Oklahoma	23,688	23,437	4,289	767	2,570	558	1,322
Okmulgee	873	608	287	42	87	26	81
Osage	924	285	222	70	187	21	136
Ottawa	790	840	204	99	249	16	57
Pawnee	362	229	129	32	28	5	49
Payne	1,417	876	494	323	18	29	140
Pittsburg	1,122	964	392	316	224	37	168
Pontotoc	1,178	645	207	53	124	25	86
Pottawatomie	1,848	1,799	419	147	232	46	162
Pushmataha	219	114	89	25	61	8	50
Roger Mills	47	7	21	8	9	3	53
Rogers	1,934	1,217	546	141	136	55	103
Seminole	531	566	160	84	206	12	91
Sequoyah	1,049	673	319	6	210	14	60
Stephens	834	1,287	434	75	119	28	138
Texas	313	237	103	18	100	5	73
Tillman	120	91	40	7	48	1	33
Tulsa	18,637	21,334	3,295	525	561	278	891
Wagoner	1,751	520	470	93	200	31	102
Washington	1,165	850	337	25	308	23	83
Washita	223	73	87	26	39	8	57
Woods	199	40	43	15	13	0	36
Woodward	533	715	175	196	130	14	62
TOTALS	96,163	89,128	23,755	5,548	12,045	2,305	7,948

District Court Filings by Case Type

LeFlore
County
to
Woodward
County

County	Mental Health	Guardian-ship	Mar-riage Licenses	Licenses All Other	Felony	Misde-meanor	Traffic	Juvenile
LeFlore	90	92	314	87	493	761	3,383	82
Lincoln	3	35	215	35	350	449	2,336	90
Logan	4	34	272	26	366	913	4,187	159
Love	5	15	138	37	145	533	1,161	12
McClain	6	19	203	51	465	568	2,090	52
McCurtain	33	39	200	68	623	904	2,697	47
McIntosh	0	41	90	30	429	569	1,328	56
Major	0	9	47	10	77	236	1,399	10
Marshall	20	22	148	21	232	598	1,101	3
Mayes	11	48	253	37	538	768	2,792	88
Murray	25	16	94	14	212	482	1,204	14
Muskogee	66	142	482	82	1,794	1,066	2,082	322
Noble	5	14	69	14	113	240	1,764	14
Nowata	3	25	58	7	124	197	561	11
Okfuskee	6	12	66	12	157	220	951	53
Oklahoma	1,713	862	5,378	1,033	8,551	4,794	25,602	1,855
Okmulgee	21	76	284	36	519	817	1,787	90
Osage	3	51	92	42	471	908	3,854	92
Ottawa	2	61	1,200	36	635	1,556	2,334	162
Pawnee	2	21	81	26	442	422	1,991	18
Payne	45	54	529	80	784	1,861	3,751	211
Pittsburg	70	82	319	66	614	1,353	2,625	124
Pontotoc	53	59	355	68	643	1,389	2,034	131
Pottawatomie	86	103	581	64	819	1,013	3,475	163
Pushmataha	1	19	97	17	130	407	988	10
Roger Mills	4	2	9	1	41	87	889	6
Rogers	10	125	437	56	792	1,290	5,437	172
Seminole	38	41	155	25	544	650	1,188	147
Sequoyah	54	50	221	26	739	915	1,204	92
Stephens	17	54	313	34	435	900	1,886	134
Texas	4	9	146	32	354	433	2,277	59
Tillman	4	7	36	11	127	212	634	40
Tulsa	674	860	4,266	654	5,701	6,802	14,344	2,378
Wagoner	86	118	270	54	580	980	2,607	142
Washington	7	52	385	35	559	730	1,421	180
Washita	18	15	85	17	200	227	1,273	21
Woods	6	6	50	21	109	372	820	38
Woodward	23	33	187	28	622	728	909	179
TOTALS	4,751	4,887	27,323	4,264	46,020	62,815	175,965	11,350

FY 2011 Judicial District Caseload Inventory

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	CASES PENDING JULY 1, 2010	TOTAL DISPOSED	TOTAL FILED	CASES PENDING JUNE 30, 2011
1	21,249	7,869	8,226	21,606
2	29,090	15,842	15,243	28,491
3	17,809	7,384	8,539	18,964
4	29,712	23,507	23,557	29,762
5	43,670	21,272	24,300	46,698
6	18,761	11,007	12,716	20,470
7	88,955	98,506	99,241	89,690
8	18,107	9,664	9,834	18,277
9	11,379	16,270	16,991	12,100
10	17,359	6,286	7,154	18,227
11	14,113	6,532	7,045	14,626
12	34,789	20,708	21,520	35,601
13	34,556	11,023	13,573	37,106
14	59,461	89,034	79,453	49,880
15	93,284	29,810	33,779	97,253
16	12,236	10,088	11,044	13,192
17	29,415	10,265	11,252	30,402
18	25,174	9,621	11,251	26,804
19	15,397	6,757	7,821	16,461
20	29,705	15,585	17,667	31,787
21	32,583	35,310	31,246	28,519
22	31,887	8,725	12,443	35,605
23	30,284	13,324	14,946	31,906
24	65,099	18,241	19,323	66,181
25	6,121	3,817	4,635	6,939
26	9,700	13,750	14,502	10,452
Totals:	819,895	520,197	537,301	836,999