

Annual Report

2016-2017



PROVINCIAL COURT
of Newfoundland and Labrador

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PART 1: YEAR IN REVIEW

Report from the Chief Judge

Judicial Council

This year witnessed the completion of the term of service of the members of the Judicial Council (Council). One of the important functions of the Council is to consider all applicants for judicial appointment and make recommendations to the Minister with respect to those applicants. No person may be recommended by the Minister for judicial appointment by the Lieutenant Governor in Council without the recommendation of the Council.

The role of a judge is an important one. In carrying out judicial duties those charged with these most important responsibilities have a profound effect on the lives of citizens and the administration of justice. For constitutional reasons Judges are not subject to the same supervision, sanctions and termination standards as other employees. This security of tenure means that misconduct sufficient to warrant removal is rare. The highest level of professional competence and dedication is necessary to achieve just results for all litigants and to avoid costly mistakes which could bring the administration of justice in disrepute. By virtue of the unique office and challenges particular to the role, a judge must have professional pride in carrying a fair share of the judicial workload and placing the administration of justice above personal convenience. All witnesses, litigants, lawyers, journalists and court personnel must be treated with courtesy, dignity and respect, often in extremely stressful situations. The appointment of candidates of the highest caliber is of the utmost importance to the Court.

It is expected that the new members of the Council will be appointed shortly and the process will begin leading to the appointment of two new judges early in the new fiscal year.

Budget 2017

As a public body the Court's operations are financed using public funds. Given the current challenges in budgeting for revenues and expenditures brought about by the marked decline in oil prices, our organization must subject itself to the utmost scrutiny in the way in which we manage scarce resources. The judicial as well as the corporate administration are acutely aware that we must reduce spending where possible without compromising the principles of justice for which we strive every day. We must continue to improve efficiencies and endeavor to do more with less.

One of the ways in which the Court has been increasing efficiencies and improving access to justice is through the increased use of video appearances and teleconferencing. With a greater number of the steps in the legal process conducted in this manner, the result has been significant savings to the Court and the litigants through reduced travel time and legal expenses. We look forward to continuing to expand this service in the future.

The Honourable Pamela J. Goulding
Chief Judge



PART 2: OVERVIEW OF THE PROVINCIAL COURT

Our Values

Governed by the Constitution of Canada and the rule of law, we are an independent, impartial, and accessible judicial system.

We are committed to the provision of quality service through the effective management of available resources and the continuous professional development of the judiciary and staff.

We are committed to integrity, ethical conduct, and the timely performance of duties.

We are committed to providing all litigants with reasoned judicial decisions.

Mission Statement

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador exists to uphold and preserve the fundamental values of society by judging legal disputes, conducting inquiries, and providing quality service to the public.

Our Vision

- To recognize the value of staff and judiciary in achieving our mission.
- To operate the Court with highly qualified personnel and judiciary.
- To provide access to justice to everyone and be sensitive to social and cultural diversity.
- To encourage the use of dispute resolution alternatives that respond to the changing needs of society.
- To emphasize the effective use of technology and decentralized administrative decision making.

Judiciary

Chief Judge- The Hon. Pamela Goulding

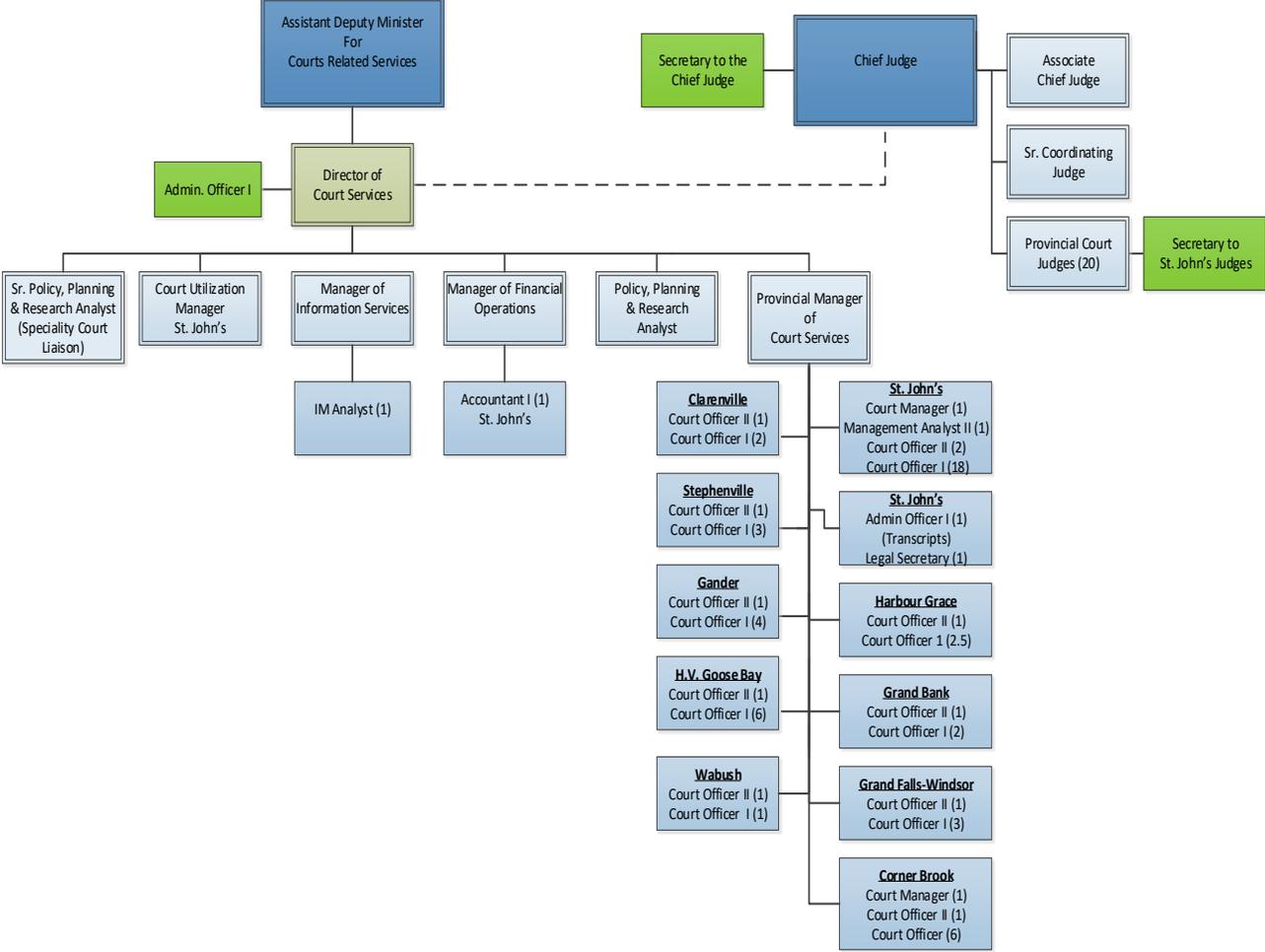
Called to the Bar: July 3, 1986
 Appointed Judge: January 30, 2012
 Appointed Chief Judge: September 28, 2015

Associate Chief Judge- The Hon. Michael Madden

Called to the Bar: July 3, 1986
 Appointed Judge: February 3, 2010
 Appointed Senior Coordinating Judge: October 2, 2012
 Appointed Associate Chief Judge: October 8, 2015

JUDGES	DATE APPOINTED	CURRENT COURT CENTRE
The Honourable Gregory O. Brown*	February 28, 1992	Per Diem
The Honourable Kymil Howe	March 11, 1993	Corner Brook
The Honourable David Orr	August 25, 1994	St. John's
The Honourable William English*	November 9, 2000	Per Diem
The Honourable Wayne Gorman	November 9, 2000	Corner Brook
The Honourable Patrick J.B. Kennedy*	April 11, 2001	Per Diem
The Honourable Colin J. Flynn	April 30, 2001	St. John's
The Honourable Harold Porter	October 12, 2001	Grand Bank
The Honourable Catherine Allen-Westby	October 28, 2002	Corner Brook
The Honourable Bruce Short	November 1, 2003	Harbour Grace
The Honourable John Joy*	August 1, 2006	Per Diem
The Honourable Wynne Anne Trahey	June 8, 2007	Wabush
The Honourable Jacqueline Jenkins	September 24, 2008	Gander
The Honourable D. Mark Pike	November 17, 2008	St. John's
The Honourable Jacqueline Brazil	February 3, 2010	St. John's
The Honourable Lois Skanes	February 15, 2010	St. John's
The Honourable Lori A. Marshall	August 13, 2012	St. John's
The Honourable James G. Walsh	September 3, 2012	St. John's
The Honourable Mark T. Linehan	March 4, 2014	Gander
The Honourable Lynn E. Cole	March 6, 2014	Stephenville
The Honorable Phyllis Harris	June 10, 2014	Happy Valley – Goose Bay
The Honourable Paul Noble	September 17, 2015	Clarenville
The Honourable Robin Fowler	August 7, 2017	Grand Falls-Windsor
The Honourable Kari Ann Pike	August 7, 2017	Happy Valley-Goose Bay

Provincial Court of NL- Organizational Chart



Court Locations

There are 10 court centres in locations throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. In addition to sitting in its principal locations, the Provincial Court conducts circuits to various rural and remote communities.

LOCATION	JUDGE(S)	STAFF	CIRCUIT(S)
Clarenville	1	3	Bonavista
Corner Brook	3	8	Port au Choix, Rocky Harbour, St. Anthony
Gander	2	5	None
Grand Bank	1	3	None
Grand Falls – Windsor	1	4	Baie Verte and Head of Bay D’Espoir
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	2	7	Hopedale, Makkovik, Nain, Natuashish, Port Hope Simpson, Postville, Rigolet
Harbour Grace	1	3	Placentia
St. John’s	1 CJ, 1 ACJ, & 7 Judges	24	None
Stephenville	1	4	Port aux Basques
Wabush	1	2	None
Court Services	0	9	None
TOTAL	22	72	15

Registries

There are 11 registries in the 10 court centres throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. Registries provide front line services to the public and are staffed permanently. The key functions of the registries are:

- to provide information and direction about court procedures, services, and forms;
- to process cases by providing administrative services in accordance with due process;
- to ensure that automated case management systems are accurately updated and maintained;
- to enhance community confidence and respect by responding to client's needs and assisting with making the court experience a more positive one; and
- to ensure that court records are preserved and managed from initiation of files to archiving.

Courtrooms

There are 25 courtrooms in the 10 court centres. Courtroom staff are responsible for the following:

- providing assistance to judges;
- formally opening and closing court;
- ensuring accurate and quality recordings of proceedings;
- taking electronic notes of each court hearing;
- providing transcription services to the court centres;
- organizing the courtroom schedule and setting future dates;
- marking and taking possession of exhibits;
- administering oaths and affirmations to witnesses; and
- transcribing court hearings in criminal matters.

Court Services Division

Headquartered in St. John's, the Court Services Division provides support to the 10 court centres. Key functions of the Court Services Division are:

- operations management;
- human resource management;
- financial management;
- information management;
- transcript management;
- policy development; and
- strategic planning.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the Provincial Court extends to adult, youth, small claims, traffic, and family matters.

Adult: all summary conviction offences under federal and provincial statutes; indictable offences, except those excluded under the *Criminal Code*, for example, murder or treason.

Youth: all criminal matters involving persons twelve years and older but less than eighteen years of age at the time the offence occurred.

Small Claims: all civil actions where amounts do not exceed \$25,000. The Provincial Court has no jurisdiction over cases involving: land title disputes; disputes regarding the validity of devises, bequests, or limitations; malicious prosecution, false imprisonment, or defamation; or complaints against a judge, justice, or other public official for anything they have done while executing the duties of office.

Traffic: ticketable offences (summary offence tickets) under the *Highway Traffic Act*, the *Motorized Snow Vehicles and All-Terrain Vehicles Act*, and various municipal or institutional parking by-laws or regulations.

Family: custody, access, support, paternity, adoption, and child protection in those geographic areas where it maintains jurisdiction. It does not deal with divorce or division of property under the *Family Law Act*. All applicants in either Provincial Court or Supreme Court, Family Division are provided with parent education sessions, mediation, and counselling delivered by the Family Justice Services Division of the Department of Justice which serves both levels of Court.

In addition, the Provincial Court exercises special jurisdiction to issue emergency protection orders and to conduct inquiries into accidental deaths and fires occurring within the province. Upon request, the Court provides criminal history checks, certificates of conduct, and Justice of the Peace services. The Provincial Court is responsible for maintaining and updating a province-wide electronic criminal history database that is relied upon by all partners in justice as well as the general public.

Specialty Courts

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador also operates two specialty courts: the Family Violence Intervention Court (FVIC) and the Mental Health Court (MHC).

Family Violence Intervention Court

The Family Violence Intervention Court is a specialized criminal court using an intervention based approach to address the complex issues of partner violence. The court operates both in St. John's and Stephenville with Stephenville using a technology enhanced model. FVIC uses a treatment based approach intended to address the complex issue of family violence. Members of the FVIC team meet regularly to discuss each participant as they progress through FVIC. The focus is on victim safety as well as emphasizing offender accountability and treatment.

Participants in this treatment court must acknowledge responsibility by pleading guilty at the beginning of the court process. They proceed through programming before sentencing takes place with progress in programming considered a mitigating factor for sentencing.

This court is a collaborative effort of a number of stakeholders including Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, Public Prosecutions, Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador (Family Division), Newfoundland and Labrador Legal Aid Commission, Victim Services, Corrections and Community Services, Department of Child, Seniors and Social Development, The John Howard Society, and the Women's Center.

Mental Health Court

The Mental Health Court (MHC) is a project of the Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador (St. John's), Public Prosecutions, Newfoundland and Labrador Legal Aid Commission, Corrections and Community Services and Court Support Services (CSS) of Eastern Health of St. John's. The court is designed to provide an increased level of support, both medical and community based, to accused persons appearing before it.

The MHC is based on the recognition that certain offenders who suffer from a mental disorder may commit offences as a consequence of their mental disorder or due to lifestyle issues related to their mental disorder. The goal of the MHC is to assist individuals who have had contact with the law in re-establishing themselves in the community with an increased and/or appropriate level of support, both medical and community based.



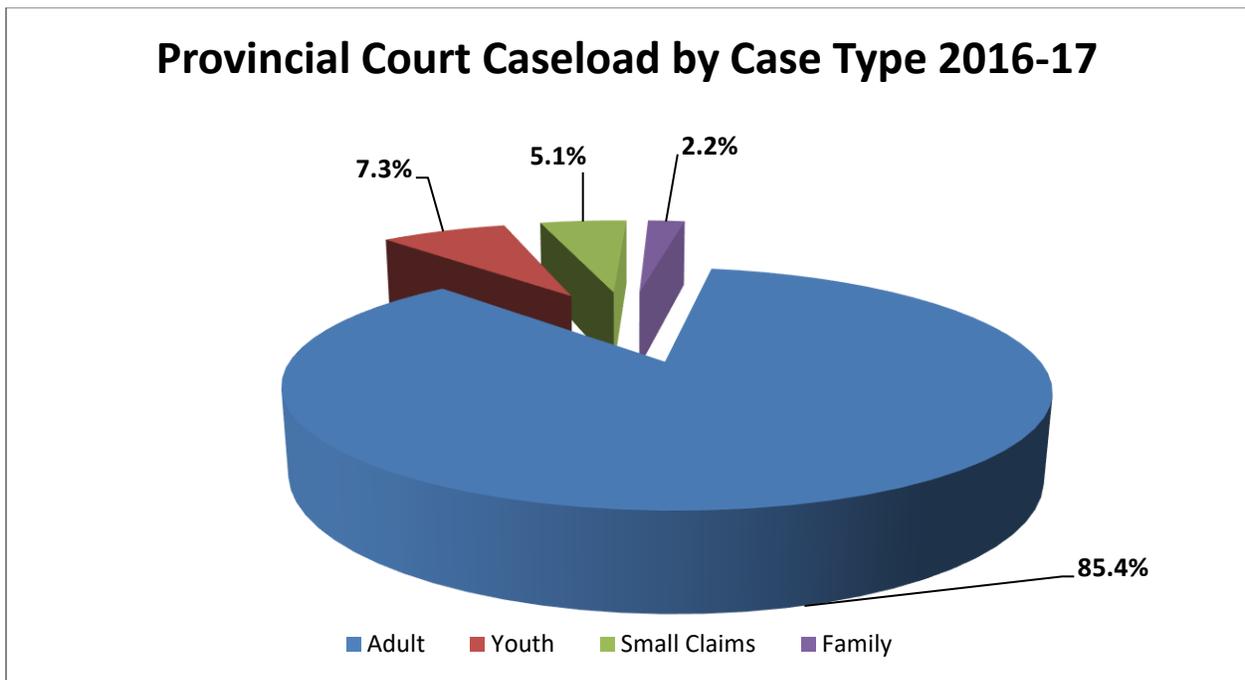
PART 3: PROVINCIAL COURT WORKLOAD

Definition of Workload

The workload of Provincial Court is determined by the number of cases which are initiated in a given year, as well as cases which may be carried over from the previous year. The workload consists of five business lines, including adult, youth, small claims, traffic, and family. The Court monitors total caseload, as well as weekend arrests, summary offence tickets, and court appearances. The Court also tracks the number of videoconferencing sessions, CourtCall sessions, transcribed pages, CD requests, requests for letters of conduct and records of conviction, and requests for emergency protection orders.

Total Caseload

In 2016-2017, the following cases were initiated in Provincial Court: 26,265 adult cases, 2,250 youth cases, 1,562 small claims cases, and 663 family cases. In addition to the four business lines included in the chart below, Traffic Court processed 134,306 summary offence tickets and conducted 2,918 trials.

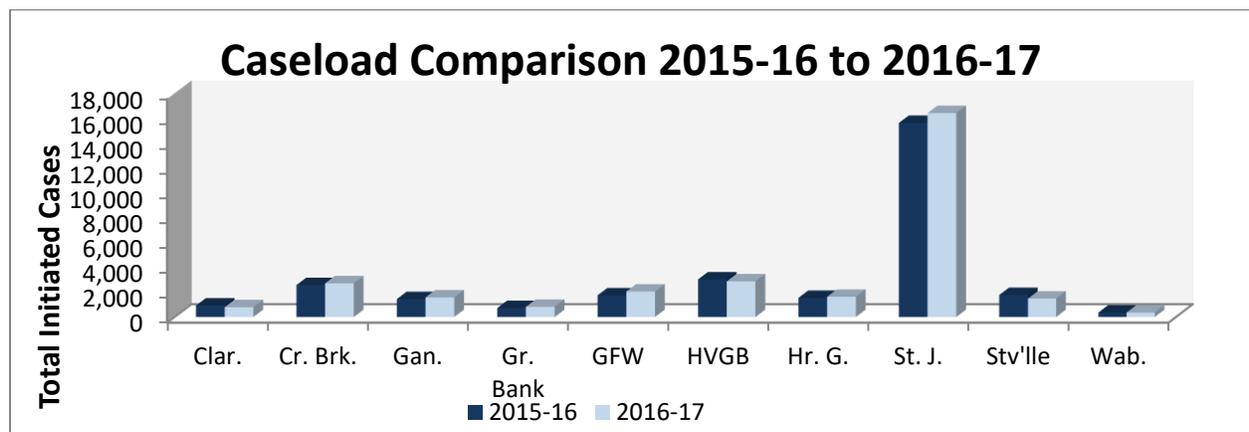


Combined Caseload Statistics

COURT CENTRE	INITIATED ADULT*		INITIATED YOUTH*		INITIATED SMALL CLAIMS		INITIATED FAMILY**		TOTAL INITIATED CASES	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
Clareville	759	621	25	35	70	63	72	77	926	796
Corner Brook	2,063	2,276	343	307	166	134	0	0	2,572	2,717
Gander	1,153	1,301	47	53	66	111	178	112	1,444	1,577
Grand Bank	567	719	56	39	49	32	51	35	723	825
GF-W	1,273	1,532	189	268	101	91	184	163	1,747	2,054
HV-GB	2,552	2,422	210	252	47	28	217	171	3,026	2,873
Harbour Grace	1,224	1,272	87	132	182	173	53	54	1,546	1,631
St. John's	13,341	14,515	1,410	1,065	881	842	0	0	15,632	16,422
Stephenville	1,594	1,338	90	80	93	66	0	0	1,777	1,484
Wabush	261	269	19	19	21	22	62	51	363	361
TOTAL	24,787	26,265	2,476	2,250	1,676	1,562	817	663	29,756	30,740

*These figures include Applications and Peace Bonds.

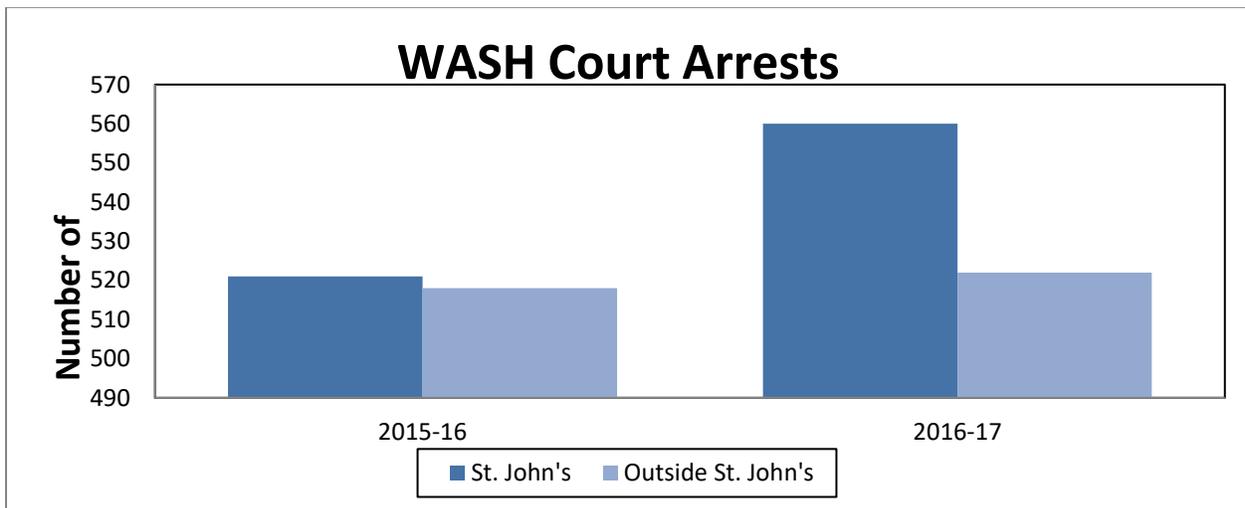
**These figures include Support, Custody, Wardship, Adoption, and Apprehension cases.



WASH (Weekend and Statutory Holiday) Court Statistics

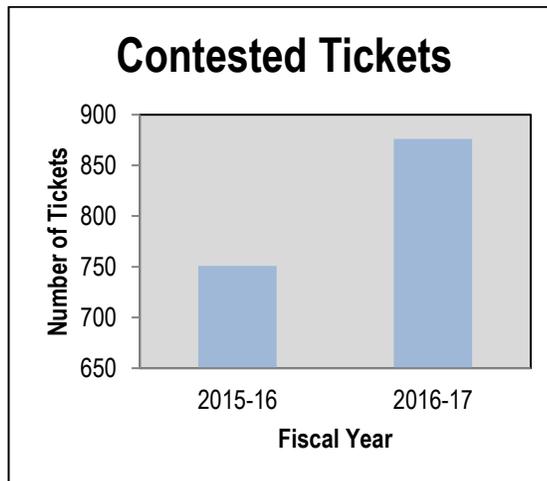
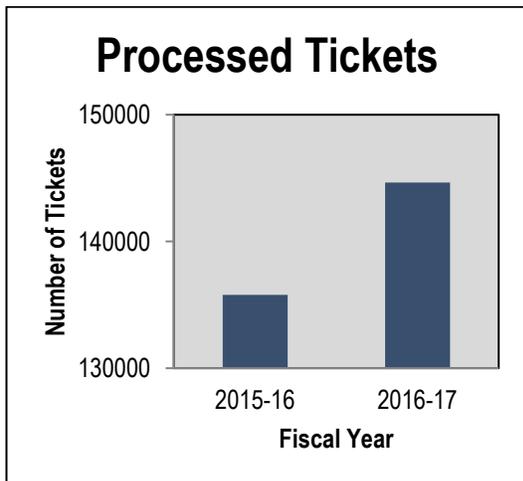
Section 503 of the *Criminal Code* provides that an accused must appear before a judge within 24 hours of arrest. Therefore, the Provincial Court operates 24/7, 365 days per year. The Court has an on-call judge system to fulfill the *Criminal Code* requirement. The judge could be from any jurisdiction in the province, although, all court proceedings are funneled through the St. John's Court Centre with a Clerk, Crown, and Duty Counsel present. In 2016-17, WASH Court sat for a total of 118 days. There were 1,082 weekend arrests, 560 within the St. John's area and 522 outside of St. John's. This represents a slight increase from 1,039 arrests in 2015-16.

WASH Court Arrests		
	2015-16	2016-17
St. John's Area	521	560
Outside St. John's Area	518	522
Total	1,039	1,082



Summary Offence Tickets

COURT CENTRE	PROCESSED TICKETS		CONTESTED TICKETS (TRIALS)	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
Clareville	1,716	1,652	6	8
Corner Brook	7,129	8,485	82	132
Gander	3,344	3,422	71	54
Grand Bank	803	336	3	2
Grand Falls – Windsor	2,680	2,591	61	82
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	1,163	772	19	18
Harbour Grace	1,469	979	22	30
St. John's	112,416	122,031	458	525
Stephenville	2,526	2,169	17	14
Wabush	2,341	2,219	12	11
TOTAL	135,587	144,656	751	876



Videoconferencing

The Provincial Court has availed of videoconferencing since 2004. Since that time, usage has increased steadily and it has become a vital component of daily court operations. Videoconferencing has proven to be quite beneficial in improving court scheduling, reducing travel expenditures, and increasing access to justice for those in remote areas.

The following chart highlights the total number of videoconferencing sessions for each court centre. These figures include concurrent sessions between court centres as well as the sessions that occurred between court centres and organizations outside of the provincial court network such as justice departments in other provinces and other jurisdictional courts.

COURT CENTRE	SESSIONS		HOURS	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	125	89	227	144
Corner Brook	345	296	510	399
Gander	172	112	167	113
Grand Bank	126	78	219	120
Grand Falls – Windsor	127	221	169	298
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	176	276	404	539
Harbour Grace	54	32	90	38
St. John's	1157	1608	932	1318
Stephenville	175	226	170	197
Wabush	235	152	586	325
Outside Court Network	897	1210	930	1276
TOTAL	3,589	4,300	4,404	4,767

CourtCall

CourtCall is a service offered by a private company that provides lawyers with the option of making routine appearances via teleconferencing. By providing this service, the Provincial Court has reduced the need for lawyers to make unnecessary trips to Court for non-evidentiary appearances. Instead, a lawyer can conduct other business and simply call into the Court at the appointed time. This allows for direct savings which can be passed on to clients, reducing the cost of litigation and improving access to justice. The numbers below reflect the use of CourtCall on circuit and at the home court.

COURT CENTRE	SESSIONS	
	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	249	294
Corner Brook	202	279
Gander	338	402
Grand Bank	130	168
Grand Falls – Windsor	357	442
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	726	812
Harbour Grace	454	584
St. John's	149	226
Stephenville	172	173
Wabush	273	294
Circuit Courts	204	268
TOTAL	3,254	3,942

Transcribed Pages and CD Requests

PROVINCIAL STATISTICS	2015-16	2016-17
Transcript Requests	217	274
Transcribed Pages	27,002	23,483
CD Requests	773	757

Requests for Letters of Conduct and Records of Conviction

PROVINCIAL STATISTICS	2015-16	2016-17
Letters of Conduct	17,475	17,112
Records of Conviction	9,054	10,084
TOTAL	26,529	27,196

Emergency Protection Orders (EPOs)

PROVINCIAL STATISTICS	2015-16	2016-17
Number of Applications Received	291	269
Number of EPOs Granted	224	196
Number of EPOs Denied	42	50
Number of EPOs Pending	0	0
Number of EPOs dealt with by Other means (e.g. withdrawn, dismissed, etc.)	25	23



PART 4: PROVINCIAL COURT PERFORMANCE

Definition of Performance

Provincial Court performance is determined by how effectively the Court processes cases. There are a number of key performance indicators that define efficiency for specialty courts, transcripts, and criminal cases. Performance benchmarks for Mental Health Court include programming completion rates and the various types of dispositions. Family Violence Intervention Court performance is determined by completion of intervention programs and enhanced victim safety. The turnaround time for completing transcript requests signifies transcript production efficiency. Criminal case performance is determined by analyzing statistical data such as clearance rates, time to disposition, and age of active pending cases.

Mental Health Court Statistics

The types of substantive offences included unlawful trespassing, causing a disturbance, mischief, theft and fraud under \$5,000, failure to comply with court orders, threats, assault, assault with a weapon and being unlawfully in a dwelling house.

Mental Health Court							
INITIATED CASES		CASES REFERRED BACK TO REGULAR COURT SYSTEM		PENDING CASES March 31/16		COMPLETED PROGRAMMING	
2015/16	2016/17	2015/16	2016/17	2015/16	2016/17	2015/16	2016/17
59	60	6	17	30	16	26	27

Family Violence Intervention Court Statistics

The Family Violence Intervention Court (FVIC) has been operating in both St. John's and Stephenville since October 2015. Sentencing takes into account offender progress in Family Violence Intervention Court, final counselling report, and bail supervision. Sentencing options utilized in 2016-17 included Absolute Discharge, Conditional Discharge, Probation, Suspended Sentence and Conditional Sentences. Ancillary orders such as DNA collection and Firearm Prohibition may be added depending on the nature of the conviction and circumstances of the offence. Victim Fine Surcharges were also added to all convictions.

Location	Total Appearing	Eligible Participants	Not interested/not eligible	Waiting to enter pleas	Completed Programming	Currently in Programming	Opted out/did not complete
St. John's	41	30	11	4	12	6	1
Stephenville	37	19	8	3	4	10	1

Transcript Turnaround Time

The Provincial Court recognizes the important role of the provision of accurate and timely transcripts in the administration of justice. Court Services continues to monitor, prioritize, and coordinate the sharing of transcription services between the 10 court centres.

Transcript turnaround time has seen significant improvements in 2016-17 when compared with the previous fiscal year. The average number of days to complete a transcript has decreased by approximately 38.5% with the longest turnaround time being 168 days compared to 221 days in 2015-16.

In addition to managing the requested transcripts, there are a number of outstanding transcripts which are brought forward from the previous year. As of April 1, 2016, a total of 33 transcripts were carried over from the previous fiscal year.

2015-16			2016-17		
Total Transcripts Requested:	217		Total Transcripts Requested:	274	
Total Transcripts Completed:	223		Total Transcripts Completed:	275	
Turnaround			Turnaround		
Days	Transcripts	Percentages	Days	Transcripts	Percentages
0 – 30	94	42.15%	0 – 30	216	78.55%
31 – 60	43	19.28%	31 – 60	33	12.00%
61 – 90	32	14.35%	61 – 90	19	6.91%
91 – 120	23	10.31%	91 – 120	4	1.45%
121 – 150	14	6.28%	121 – 150	1	0.36%
Over 150	17	7.62%	Over 150	2	0.73%
Average: 56.74 Days			Average: 21.86 Days		
Oldest: 221 Days			Oldest: 168 Days		

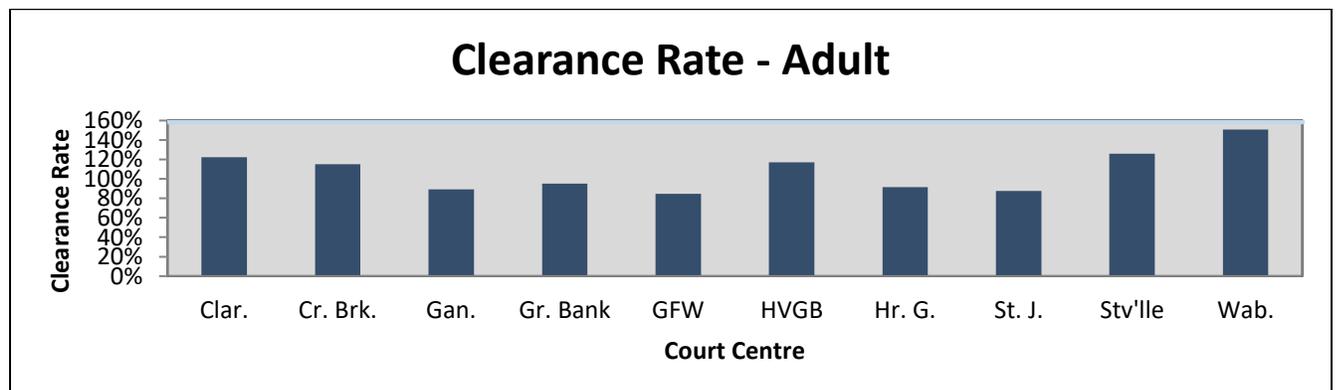
Clearance Rates

The Provincial Court aims for a minimum clearance rate of 100% – that means finalizing cases at the same rate new cases are initiated. A rate greater than 100% indicates that the Court is concluding cases that were filed in previous years, thereby reducing the backlog of pending cases. A rate less than 100% indicates that the number of pending cases is increasing.

Adult

ADULT COURT					
COURT CENTRE	PENDING CASES April 1/16	INITIATED CASES 2016/17	CONCLUDED CASES 2016/17	PENDING CASES MARCH 31/17	CLEARANCE RATE
Clarenville	425	489	598	400	122.3%
Corner Brook	1,972	1,846	2,126	2,097	115.2%
Gander	742	1,054	942	803	89.4%
Grand Bank	232	594	566	257	95.3%
Grand Falls-Windsor	1,015	1,240	1,050	1,180	84.7%
Happy Valley—Goose Bay	1,455	2,112	2,470	2,050	117.0%
Harbour Grace	892	1,045	958	908	91.7%
St. John's	10,938	12,963	11,368	9,295	87.7%
Stephenville	1,411	1,006	1,266	1,662	125.8%
Wabush	359	222	335	377	150.9%
TOTAL	19,441	22,571	21,679	19,029	96.0%

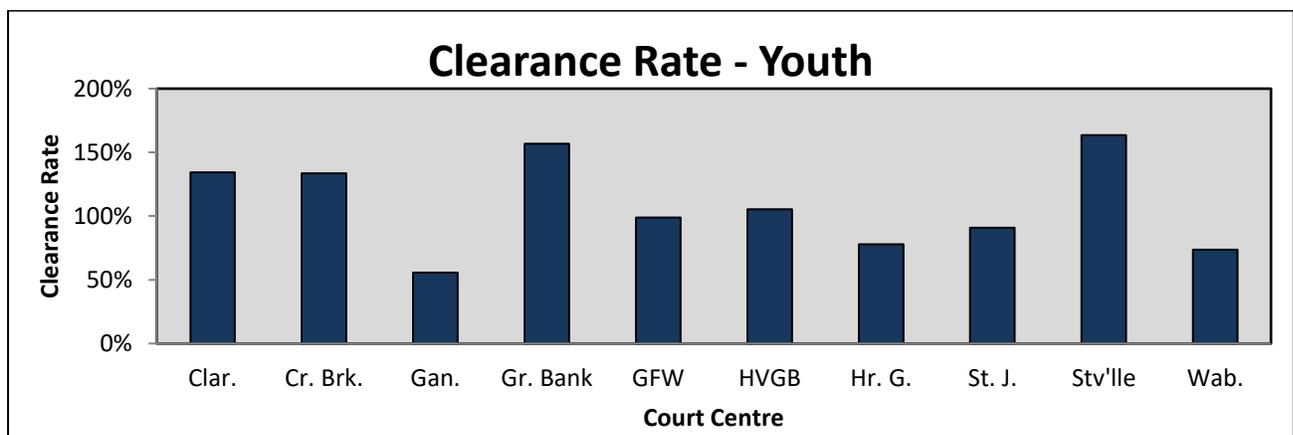
Note: These figures do not include Applications and Peace Bonds.



Youth

YOUTH COURT					
COURT CENTRE	PENDING CASES APRIL 1/16	INITIATED CASES 2016/17	CONCLUDED CASES 2016/17	PENDING CASES MARCH 31/17	CLEARANCE RATE
Clarenville	48	32	43	52	134.4%
Corner Brook	249	284	379	239	133.5%
Gander	22	45	25	24	55.6%
Grand Bank	13	37	58	30	156.8%
Grand Falls – Windsor	195	250	247	142	98.8%
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	184	243	256	189	105.3%
Harbour Grace	75	127	99	75	78.0%
St. John's	565	995	903	503	90.8%
Stephenville	99	66	108	140	163.6%
Wabush	10	19	14	10	73.7%
TOTAL	1,460	2,098	2,132	1,404	101.6%

Note: These figures do not include Applications and Peace Bonds.

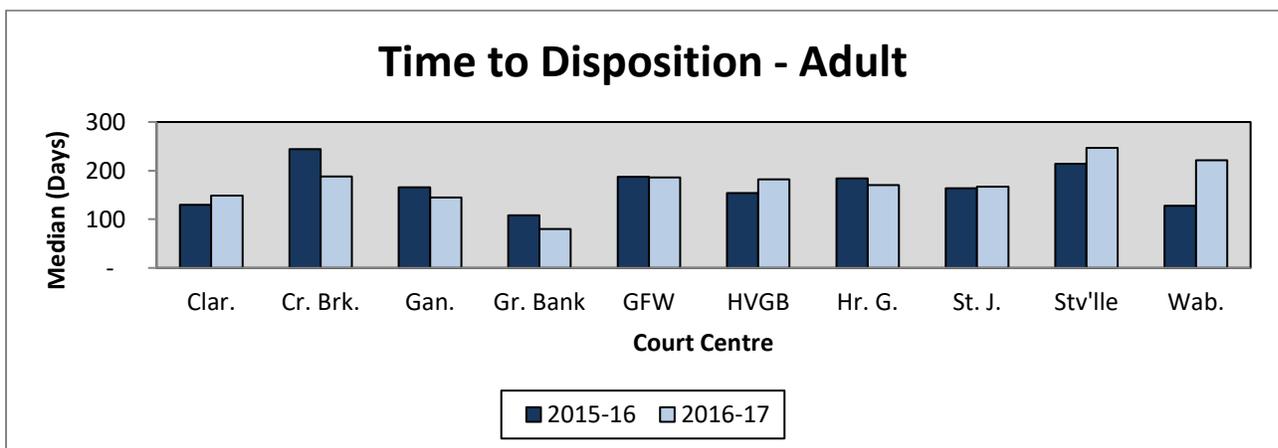


Time to Disposition

Timeliness is of fundamental importance in the criminal justice process. The time to disposition statistics outline the median length of time for a criminal case to conclude in each of the 10 court centres. The Provincial Court aims to conclude cases as promptly as possible while still ensuring that justice is served.

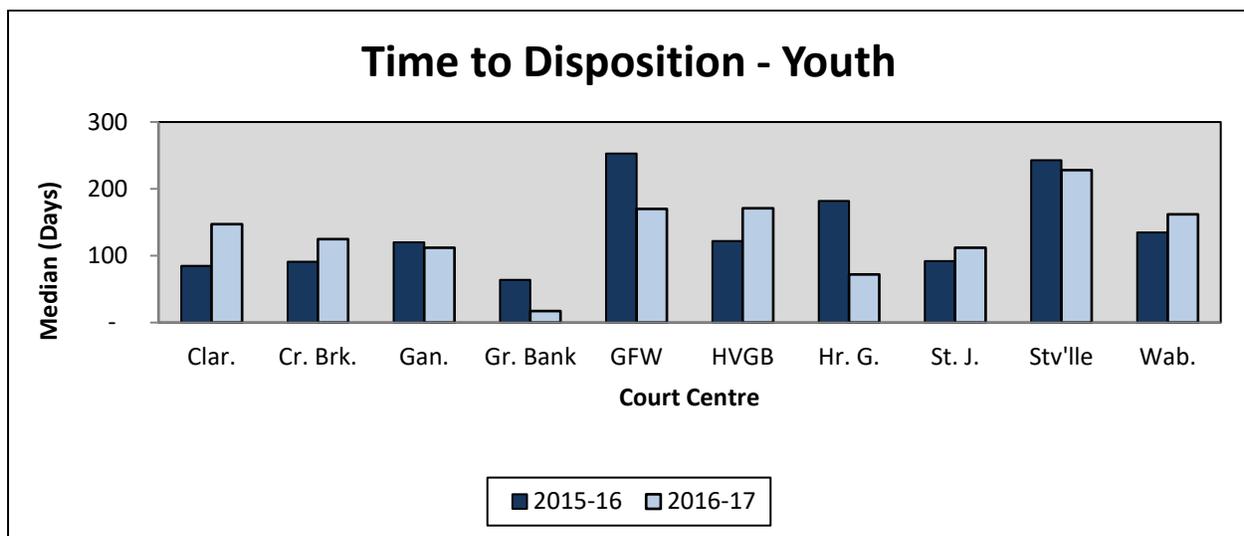
Adult

COURT CENTRE	MEDIAN TIME TO DISPOSITION (DAYS)	
	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	130	149
Corner Brook	244	188
Gander	166	145
Grand Bank	108	80
Grand Falls – Windsor	187	186
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	154	182
Harbour Grace	184	170
St. John's	164	167
Stephenville	214	247
Wabush	128	221
MEDIAN	165	176



Youth

COURT CENTRE	MEDIAN TIME TO DISPOSITION (DAYS)	
	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	85	147
Corner Brook	91	125
Gander	120	112
Grand Bank	64	17
Grand Falls – Windsor	253	170
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	122	171
Harbour Grace	182	72
St. John's	92	112
Stephenville	243	228
Wabush	135	162
MEDIAN	121	136

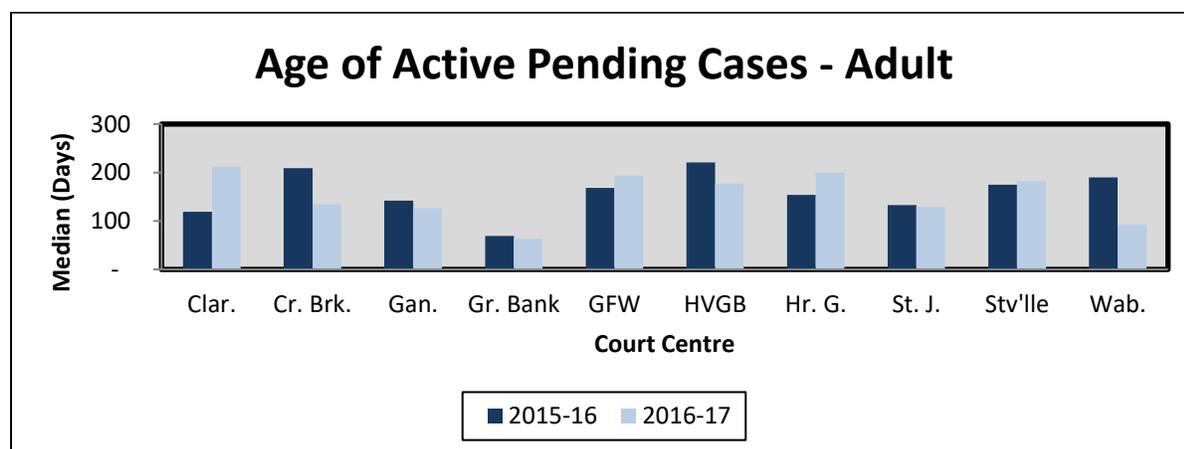


Age of Active Pending Cases

The age of active pending cases statistics outline the median age of a criminal case as of March 31st in each of the 10 court centres. The Provincial Court aims to minimize the number of older cases and maximize the proportion of younger cases. The nature of high-conflict and complex cases inevitably means that those case types will take longer to progress through to conclusion.

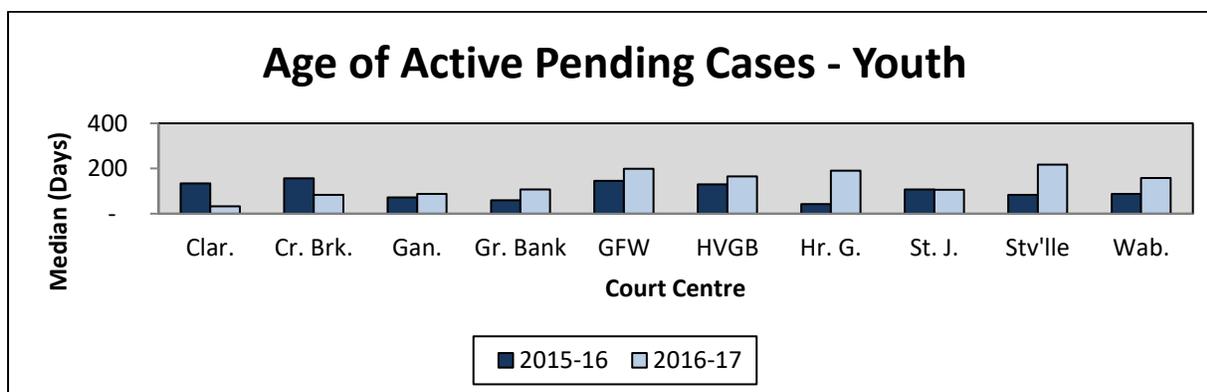
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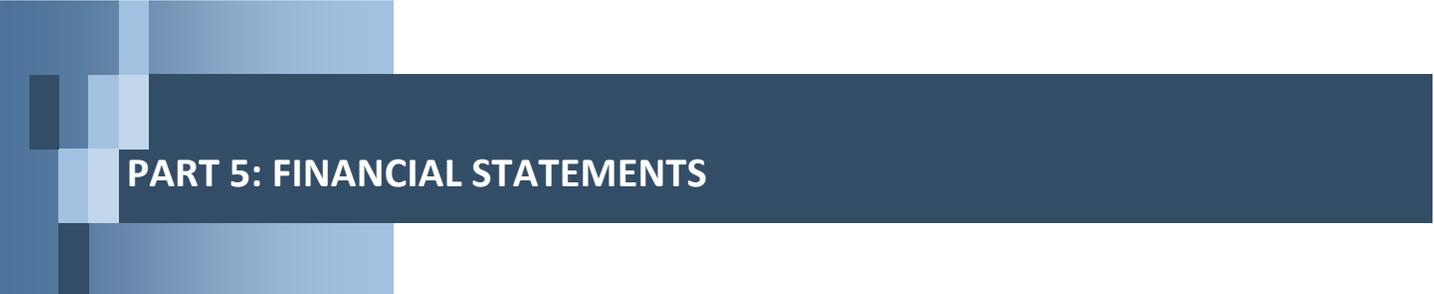
COURT CENTRE	MEDIAN AGE (DAYS)	
	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	119	212
Corner Brook	209	134
Gander	142	126
Grand Bank	69	63
Grand Falls – Windsor	168	193
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	221	177
Harbour Grace	154	200
St. John's	133	129
Stephenville	175	182
Wabush	190	93
MEDIAN	161	156



Youth

COURT CENTRE	MEDIAN AGE (DAYS)	
	2015-16	2016-17
Clarenville	134	33
Corner Brook	157	84
Gander	72	87
Grand Bank	59	108
Grand Falls – Windsor	146	199
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	130	165
Harbour Grace	43	190
St. John's	107	106
Stephenville	83	217
Wabush	87	158
MEDIAN	97	133





PART 5: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Budget Expenditures 2016-17

CATEGORY	ORIGINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
Salaries	10,430,700	9,233,565	1,197,135
Employee Benefits	134,500	34,485	96,015
Transportation & Communication	277,000	446,618	(169,618)
Supplies	50,000	42,529	7,471
Professional Services	24,000	13,123	10,877
Purchased Services	1,517,000	1,464,712	52,288
Property, Furniture & Equipment	22,700	13,840	8,860
Grants & Subsidies	3,000	3,000	-
TOTAL	\$12,458,900	\$11,255,872	\$1,203,028

Staff Overtime

Time Off in Lieu (TOIL)		
	Hours	Dollar Value
Balance as of March 31, 2016	1,112.52	32,300.99
Balance as of March 31, 2017	993.91	27,611.00

Paid Overtime	
Fiscal 2015-16	44,300.00
Fiscal 2016-17	33,230.00

Costs of Judicial Exchange*

Fiscal 2015-16	44,428.00
Fiscal 2016-17	5,078.00

**Judicial Exchange includes only times when a Judge has a conflict and requires coverage or coverage for leave. Assistance for other centers/circuits is calculated as part of the cost for that center, not Judicial Exchange.*

Operational Costs of Circuit Courts

COURT CENTRE	CIRCUIT	2015-16	2016-17
Clareville	Bonavista	1,100.00	105.00
	TOTAL CLARENVILLE	1,100.00	105.00
Corner Brook	Baie Verte	4,393.00	2,272.00
	/ Port au Choix	7,395.00	6,518.00
	Rocky Harbour	4,744.00	5,045.00
	St. Anthony	8,258.00	6,185.00
	TOTAL CORNER BROOK	24,790.00	20,020.00
Grand Falls – Windsor	Conne River / Harbour Breton / Head of Bay D'Espoir	1,931.00	973.00
	TOTAL GRAND FALLS–WINDSOR	1,931.00	973.00
Happy Valley – Goose Bay	Hopedale / Makkovik / Postville / Rigolet	28,029.00	36,061.00
	Nain	42,724.00	33,603.00
	Natuashish	36,045.00	41,265.00
	Port Hope Simpson	15,268.00	33,698.00
	TOTAL HAPPY VALLEY–GOOSE BAY	122,066.00	144,627.00
Harbour Grace	Placentia	598.45	569.00
	TOTAL HARBOUR GRACE	598.45	569.00
Stephenville	Port aux Basques	6,959.89	7,335.00
	TOTAL STEPHENVILLE	6,959.89	7,335.00
TOTAL	ALL CIRCUITS	157,445.34	174,029.00

Note: As a result of changes to data collection methods, the 2015-2016 figures may be underrepresented.

Frequency of Circuit Courts

COURT CENTRE AND CIRCUIT	SCHEDULED DAYS		ACTUAL DAYS *	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
CLARENVILLE				
Bonavista	1.0	4.0	1.0	3.0
CORNER BROOK				
Port au Choix	17.0	16.0	14.0	14.0
Rocky Harbour	11.0	12.0	10.0	10.0
St. Anthony	16.0	20.0	14.0	18.0
GRAND FALLS – WINDSOR				
Baie Verte	13.0	9.0	7.0	5.0
Head of Bay D'Espoir	6.0	3.0	4.0	3.0
HAPPY VALLEY – GOOSE BAY				
Hopedale	22.0	24.0	21.5	13.0
Makkovik	6.0	6.5	1.0	5.5
Nain	49.0	55.0	37.0	48.0
Natuashish	50.0	75.0	36.0	55.0
Port Hope Simpson	14.0	5.0	10.0	4.0
Postville	4.0	5.0	0.5	4.0
Rigolet	2.5	1.0	0.05	1.0
HARBOUR GRACE				
Placentia	7.0	6.0	7.0	6.0
STEPHEENVILLE				
Port aux Basques	30.0	33.0	29.0	25.5
TOTAL	248.5	274.5	192.05	215.0

*The count of actual days is influenced by factors such as inclement weather and travel as well as scheduled matters concluding prior to the date. The count of actual days includes partial/half days that the court traveled to site and may have concluded matters earlier than expected.

Monetary Amounts Collected and Distributed

TYPE	2015-16		2016-17	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Criminal Code & Provincial Statutes	156,926	4.58%	99,791	2.90%
Federal Statutes	622,228	18.16%	555,820	16.16%
Liquor Control Act	85,192	2.49%	5,225	0.15%
Municipal Acts	2,870	0.08%	12,550	0.36%
Animal Protection Act (APA)	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
Summary Offence Tickets & Ticket Management System	1,373,280	40.07%	1,302,649	37.86%
Fees and Costs	336,722	9.83%	344,835	10.02%
Victim Fine Surcharge	206,013	6.01%	178,952	5.20%
Provincial Victim Fine Surcharge	16,840	0.49%	13,779	0.40%
Maintenance/Compensation	93,230	2.72%	42,396	1.23%
Civil/Small Claims Payments	102,497	2.99%	117,199	3.41%
Bail/Bonds Sureties	420,009	12.26%	760,040	22.09%
Judgment Enforcement Act	8,805	0.26%	7,035	0.20%
Other (Third Party)	2,365	0.07%	-	0.00%
TOTAL	3,426,977	100.00%	3,440,271	100.00%

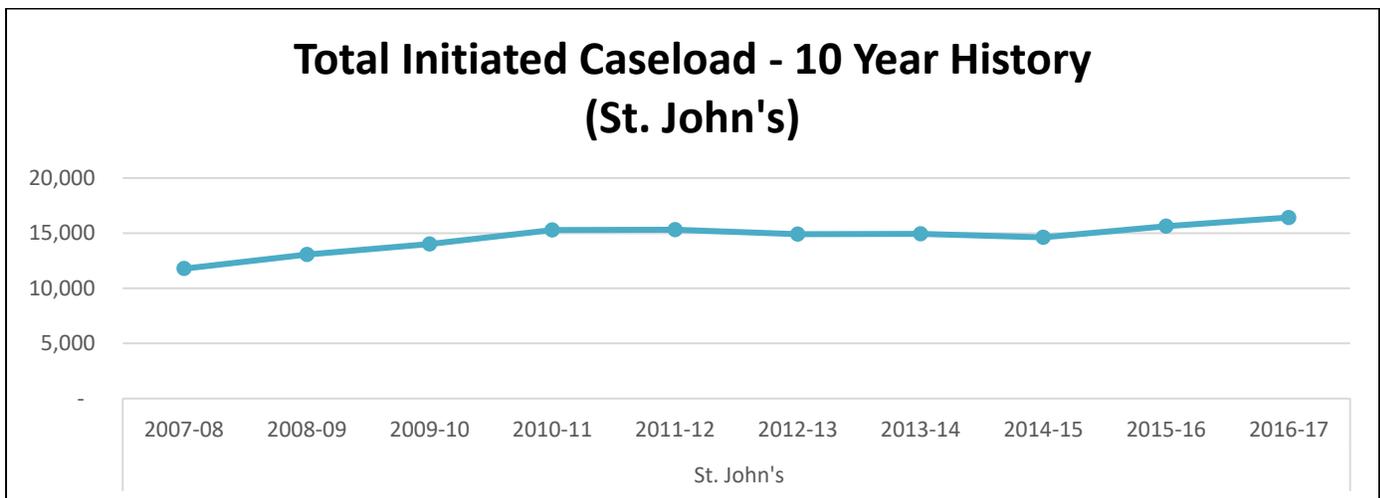
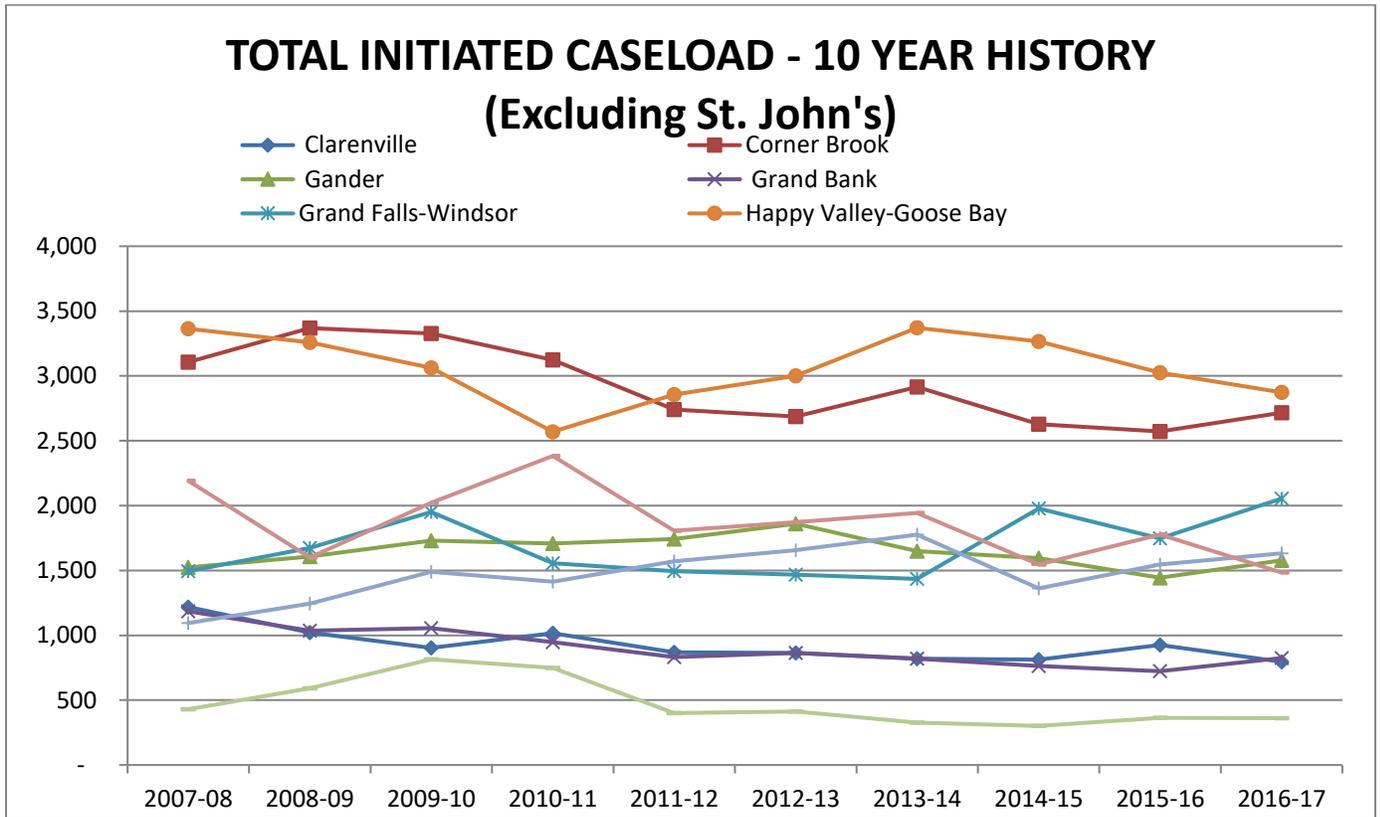
Fines Imposed Summary

TYPE	2015-16		2016-17	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Criminal Code & Provincial Statutes	319,605	11.47%	197,436	7.31%
Federal Statutes	800,186	28.71%	737,750	27.30%
Liquor Control Act	5,200	0.19%	19,562	0.72%
Animal Protection Act (APA)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Victim Fine Surcharge	1,006,833	36.12%	1,092,935	40.44%
Provincial Victim Fine Surcharge	36,644	1.31%	30,753	1.14%
Ticket Management System	616,450	22.11%	607,440	22.48%
Other (Third Party)	2,625	0.09%	16,500	0.61%
TOTAL	2,787,543	100%	2,702,376	100%



PART 6: 10 YEARS STATISTICS

Ten Year Statistical Data



COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Clareville	2007-08	944	119	113	42	1,218	1,991	23
	2008-09	770	163	44	44	1,021	2,030	12
	2009-10	714	60	78	50	902	2,252	29
	2010-11	815	109	53	38	1,015	1,644	7
	2011-12	706	60	72	31	869	1,500	6
	2012-13	656	80	71	58	865	1,515	27
	2013-14	587	73	84	77	821	853	4
	2014-15	646	44	47	75	812	1,133	6
	2015-16	759	25	70	72	926	1,716	6
	2016-17	621	35	63	77	796	1,652	8

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Corner Brook	2007-08	2,347	428	169	163	3,107	6,652	156
	2008-09	2,654	353	174	188	3,369	8,917	133
	2009-10	2,405	510	176	236	3,327	8,823	133
	2010-11	2,545	349	198	32	3,124	10,386	123
	2011-12	2,225	337	168	10	2,740	9,987	87
	2012-13	2,202	275	205	5	2,687	11,942	101
	2013-14	2,270	483	172	-	2,925	6,914	107
	2014-15	2,124	370	135	-	2,629	7,318	78
	2015-16	2,063	343	166	-	2,572	7,129	82
	2016-17	2,276	307	134	-	2,717	8,485	132

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Gander	2007-08	1,180	154	53	137	1,524	3,538	131
	2008-09	1,260	126	69	153	1,608	4,569	143
	2009-10	1,314	160	92	163	1,729	4,033	90
	2010-11	1,378	86	101	142	1,707	4,016	182
	2011-12	1,402	156	96	89	1,743	3,149	131
	2012-13	1,489	144	132	95	1,860	4,345	81
	2013-14	1,373	65	95	127	1,660	3,109	78
	2014-15	1,336	70	85	103	1,594	3,566	84
	2015-16	1,153	47	66	178	1,444	3,344	71
	2016-17	1,301	53	111	112	1,577	3,422	54

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Grand Bank	2007-08	970	123	44	48	1,185	1,195	11
	2008-09	789	139	57	51	1,036	1,426	5
	2009-10	821	150	44	40	1,055	1,819	18
	2010-11	736	142	42	27	947	2,459	47
	2011-12	617	131	62	22	832	2,390	37
	2012-13	652	124	55	32	863	1,895	25
	2013-14	650	92	70	20	832	961	16
	2014-15	624	39	60	41	764	1,027	1
	2015-16	567	56	49	51	723	803	3
	2016-17	719	39	32	35	825	336	2

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOTS TRIALS
Grand Falls-Windsor	2007-08	1,125	132	69	168	1,494	3,343	71
	2008-09	1,121	245	88	220	1,674	3,295	74
	2009-10	1,413	196	103	239	1,951	3,397	59
	2010-11	1,169	85	114	189	1,557	2,660	67
	2011-12	1,111	145	74	165	1,495	2,480	61
	2012-13	1,061	168	92	146	1,467	2,786	61
	2013-14	1,054	159	81	140	1,434	1,886	70
	2014-15	1,526	175	67	211	1,979	2,299	51
	2015-16	1,273	189	101	184	1,747	2,680	61
	2016-17	1,532	268	91	163	2,054	2,591	82

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Happy Valley-Goose Bay	2007-08	2,634	449	50	232	3,365	1,142	4
	2008-09	2,460	569	32	197	3,258	1,540	7
	2009-10	2,344	379	34	306	3,063	1,318	8
	2010-11	2,165	173	23	209	2,570	1,199	3
	2011-12	2,498	205	29	123	2,855	1,093	6
	2012-13	2,622	203	33	144	3,002	907	8
	2013-14	3,012	181	39	179	3,411	426	5
	2014-15	2,830	142	35	260	3,267	878	3
	2015-16	2,552	210	47	217	3,026	1,163	19
	2016-17	2,422	252	28	171	2,873	772	18

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Harbour Grace	2007-08	763	194	68	70	1,095	2,367	28
	2008-09	958	102	82	103	1,245	2,622	64
	2009-10	1,161	116	102	111	1,490	2,248	53
	2010-11	1,077	134	99	103	1,413	1,801	31
	2011-12	1,217	142	117	94	1,570	1,505	41
	2012-13	1,343	66	169	78	1,656	1,600	20
	2013-14	1,429	121	137	89	1,776	1,204	27
	2014-15	1,045	77	164	76	1,362	1,415	18
	2015-16	1,224	87	182	53	1,546	1,469	22
	2016-17	1,272	132	173	54	1,631	979	30

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
St. John's	2007-08	9,402	1,687	687	4	11,780	112,656	417
	2008-09	10,693	1,704	674	-	13,071	120,682	410
	2009-10	12,057	1,356	605	-	14,018	126,687	466
	2010-11	13,189	1,374	725	-	15,288	140,720	686
	2011-12	13,379	1,249	699	-	15,327	133,801	655
	2012-13	13,102	1,079	727	-	14,908	128,633	410
	2013-14	13,008	1,245	732	-	14,985	121,252	510
	2014-15	12,871	975	781	-	14,627	133,383	587
	2015-16	13,341	1,410	881	-	15,632	112,416	458
	2016-17	14,515	1,065	842	-	16,422	122,031	525

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Stephenville	2007-08	1,575	303	47	267	2,192	2,096	35
	2008-09	1,285	149	44	122	1,600	3,430	65
	2009-10	1,697	176	31	118	2,022	4,354	64
	2010-11	2,016	296	53	18	2,383	4,072	113
	2011-12	1,601	161	44	-	1,806	3,734	67
	2012-13	1,638	176	58	-	1,872	3,262	74
	2013-14	1,667	214	73	-	1,954	2,929	41
	2014-15	1,378	96	71	-	1,545	1,869	14
	2015-16	1,594	90	93	-	1,777	2,526	17
	2016-17	1,338	80	66	-	1,484	2,169	14

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOT TRIALS
Wabush	2007-08	235	99	18	78	430	617	19
	2008-09	428	71	28	64	591	711	7
	2009-10	615	119	24	57	815	1,266	17
	2010-11	643	43	18	45	749	1,756	34
	2011-12	327	32	16	26	401	1,745	14
	2012-13	341	20	21	30	412	2,734	12
	2013-14	229	33	25	40	327	2,751	8
	2014-15	224	2	25	50	301	3,028	17
	2015-16	261	19	21	62	363	2,341	12
	2016-17	269	19	22	51	361	2,219	11

COURT CENTRE	FISCAL YEAR	INITIATED ADULT	INITIATED YOUTH	INITIATED CIVIL	INITIATED FAMILY	TOTAL	SOTs PROCS'D	SOTS TRIALS
OVERALL	2007-08	21,175	3,688	1,318	1,209	27,390	135,597	895
	2008-09	22,418	3,621	1,292	1,142	28,473	149,222	920
	2009-10	24,541	3,222	1,289	1,320	30,372	156,197	937
	2010-11	25,733	2,791	1,426	803	30,753	170,713	1,293
	2011-12	25,083	2,618	1,377	560	29,638	161,384	1,105
	2012-13	25,106	2,335	1,563	588	29,592	159,619	819
	2013-14	25,279	2,666	1,508	672	30,125	142,285	866
	2014-15	24,604	1,990	1,470	816	28,880	155,916	859
	2015-16	24,787	2,476	1,676	817	29,756	135,587	751
	2016-17	26,265	2,250	1,562	663	30,740	144,656	876