

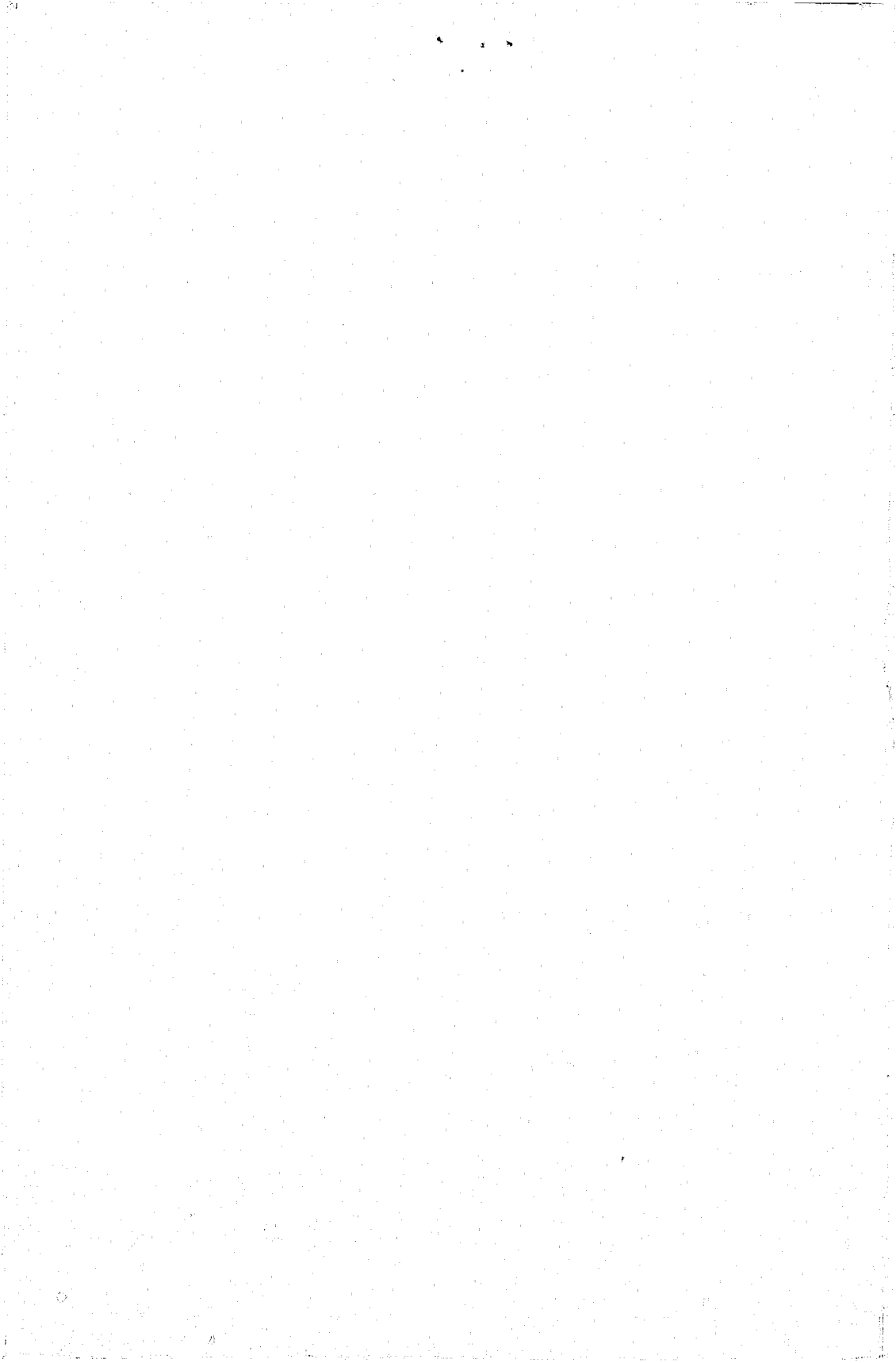
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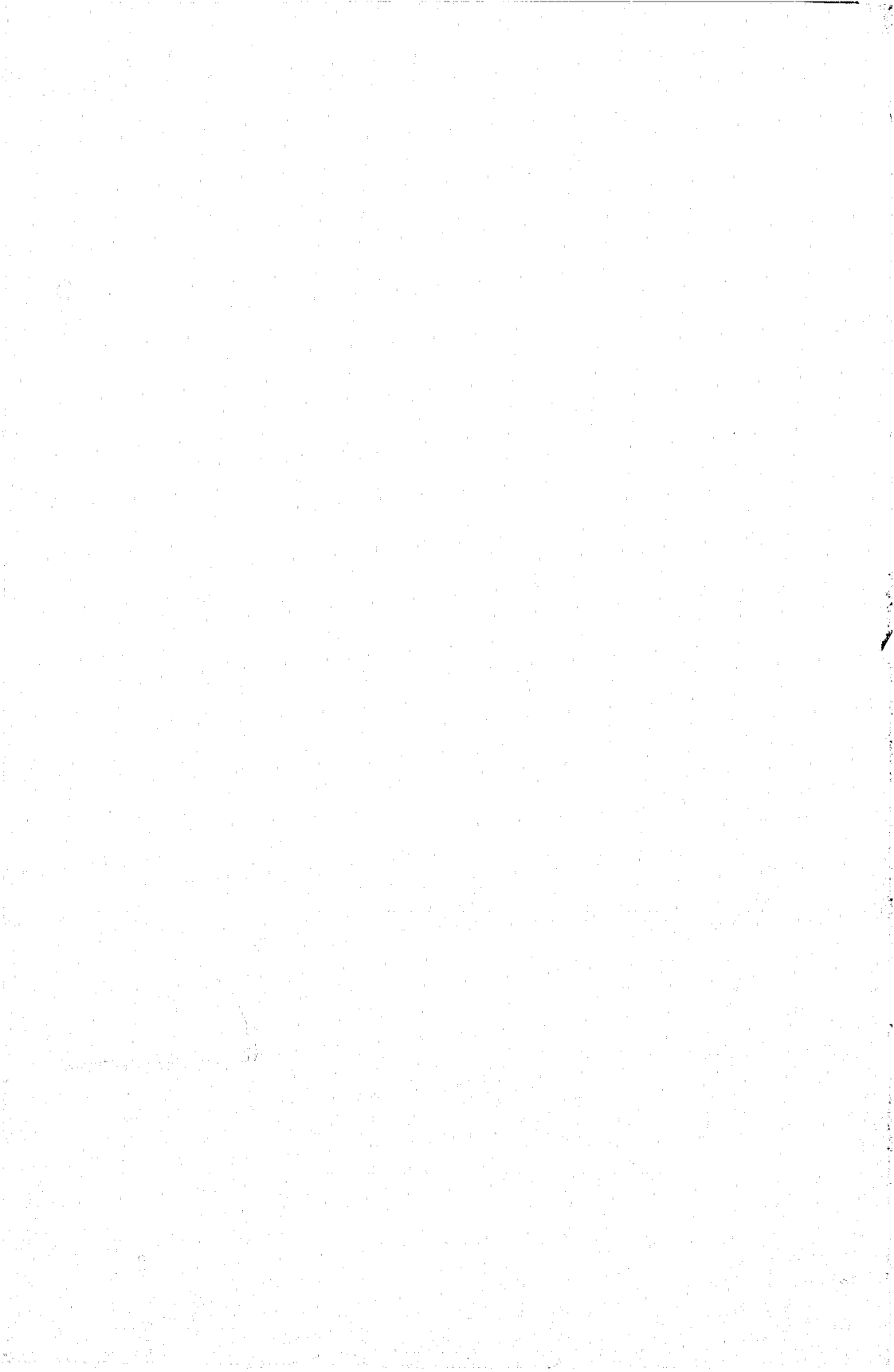


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CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS FOR THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

The Judicial Council was originally provided for in section 1a of article VI of the State Constitution adopted November 2, 1926. This section was amended November 8, 1960. On November 8, 1966, a revised article VI was adopted and the provisions of former section 1a were amended and renumbered as section 6, and further revised November 5, 1974, to read:

Sec. 6. The Judicial Council consists of the Chief Justice and one other judge of the Supreme Court, 3 judges of courts of appeal, 5 judges of superior courts, 3 judges of municipal courts, and 2 judges of justice courts, each appointed by the Chief Justice for a 2-year term; 4 members of the State Bar appointed by its governing body for 2-year terms; and one member of each house of the Legislature appointed as provided by the house.

Council membership terminates if a member ceases to hold the position that qualified the member for appointment. A vacancy shall be filled by the appointing power for the remainder of the term.

The council may appoint an Administrative Director of the Courts, who serves at its pleasure and performs functions delegated by the council or Chief Justice, other than adopting rules of court administration, practice and procedure.

To improve the administration of justice the council shall survey judicial business and make recommendations to the courts, make recommendations annually to the Governor and Legislature, adopt rules for court administration, practice and procedure, not inconsistent with statute, and perform other functions prescribed by statute.

The Chief Justice shall seek to expedite judicial business and to equalize the work of judges. The Chief Justice may provide for the assignment of any judge to another court but only with the judge's consent if the court is of lower jurisdiction. A retired judge who consents may be assigned to any court.

Judges shall report to the Judicial Council as the Chief Justice directs concerning the condition of judicial business in their courts. They shall cooperate with the council and hold court as assigned.

Other constitutional provisions dealing with the Judicial Council or its Chairman are found in article VI, sections 15 and 18(e), and in article VII, section 4. There are also a number of statutory provisions referring to the Judicial Council.*

* Statutory provisions are found in: *Civ. Code* §§ 3259, 4001, 4356, 4363, 4363.1(a), 4450, 4530; *Code Civ. Proc.* §§ 75, 77, 116, 117.1, 117.10, 119(f), 123, 125.2, 121.1-2, 121.1-8, 122.1, 170.6, 170.8, 201(a), 204(b), 204(d), 394, 404, 404.3, 404.7, 404.8, 412.20, 415.30, 422.40, 429.40, 472(a), 516.010, 516.020, 575, 583, 632, 901, 911, 1034, 1089, 1178, 1823.1, 1823.3-7, 1833, 1833.1; *Evid. Code* § 451; *Gov. Code* §§ 18004, 69070-72, 68110, 68500-12, 68540-48, 68551-52, 68701, 69508, 69752, 69796, 69894.3, 69899.5, 71042, 71180.4, 71601, 71601.3, 71610, 72274, 72450, 72502.14, 72624, 72631, 73105, 73106, 75002, 75003, 75028, 75060.6; *Pen. Code* §§ 853.9, 1029, 1038, 1050, 1053, 1170(a) (d) (f), 1170.1, 1170.3-6, 1213.5, 1235, 1238.5, 1239, 1241, 1246, 1247k, 1428b, 1432.1, 1468, 1471, 1506, 1507, 3041, 13810, 13830, 14003; *Prob. Code* §§ 303, 1232, 1233; *Veh. Code* §§ 40513, 40600, 40653; *Welf. & Inst. Code* § 265.

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³ Appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly on December 15, 1976, pursuant to section 6 of article VI of the Constitution and subdivision (l) of Assembly Rule 26 of the 1975-76 Regular Session of the Legislature.

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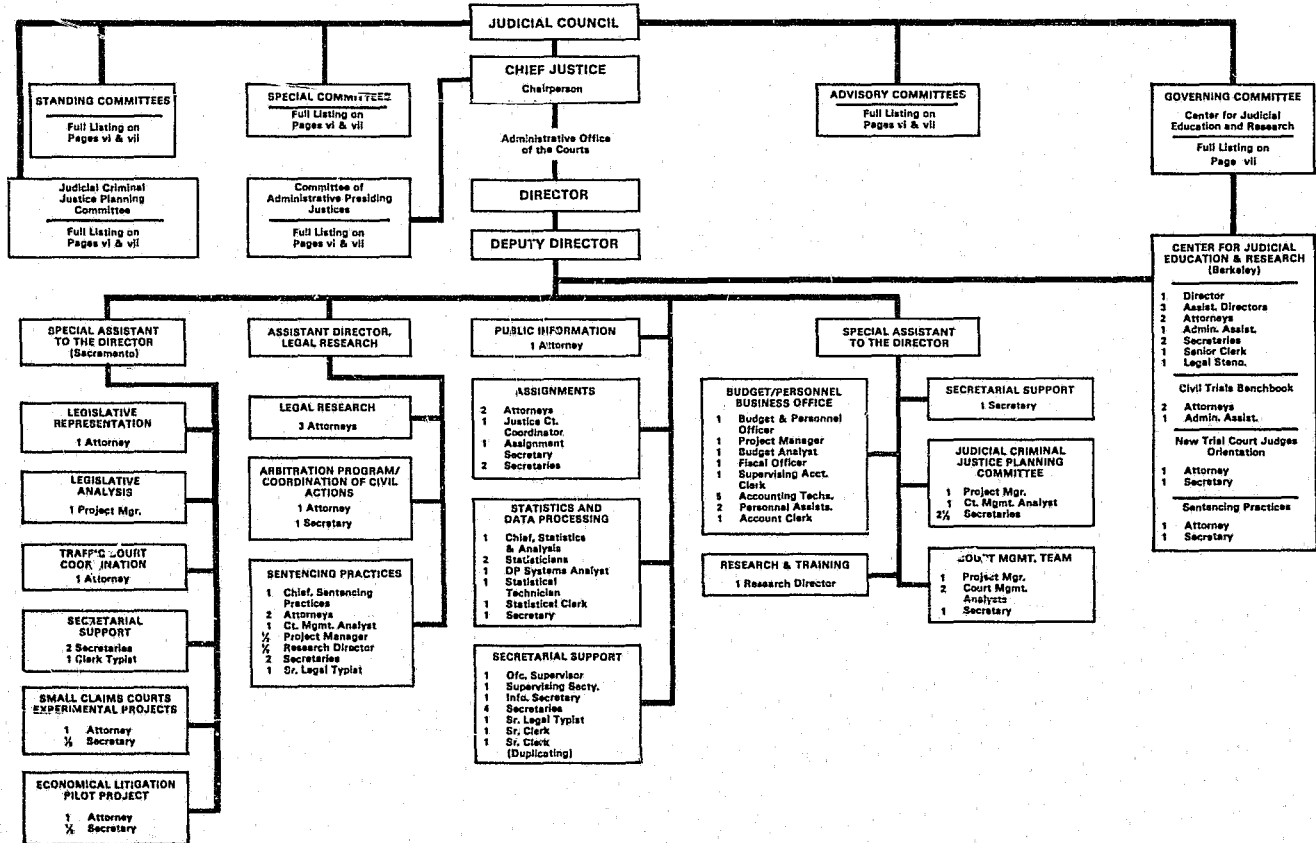
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^{3a} An advisory committee appointed by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council with equal representation from the Judicial Council and the California Judges Association.

⁴ Judicial Council representative.

⁵ California Judges Association representative.

ORGANIZATION CHART
JUDICIAL COUNCIL



* As of December 31, 1976, the chart does not include temporary help or contract consultants.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor of the State of California
and Members of the Legislature

The 1978 Judicial Council Report is presented pursuant to the provisions of section 6 of article VI of the Constitution.

January 1, 1978

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1978 REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

INTRODUCTION

The Judicial Council in the discharge of its constitutional duty is required to survey the condition of business in the several courts and to report and make appropriate recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature at the commencement of each general session. (Cal. Const., art. VI, sec. 6.) This 1978 Judicial Council Report contains the Council's report and its recommendations to the 1978-1979 Regular Session of the Legislature for amendment of certain laws relating to the administration of justice.

Continuing the practice commenced in the Nineteenth Biennial Report, the Annual Report of the Administrative Office of the Courts, which is the staff agency serving the Council, is also included. The Annual Report contains summaries of the continuing activities of the Judicial Council and its staff. It also includes detailed statistical data on the volume of business in all the courts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977.

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The 1978 Report was produced under the general editorial supervision of Donald E. Sanchez, attorney, Administrative Office of the Courts. Electronic composition assistance was provided by Catherine D. Rodgers.

PART ONE

JUDICIAL COUNCIL REPORT

CHAPTER 1

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DETERMINATE
SENTENCING ACT

When the Governor approved the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act of 1976¹ on September 20, 1976, the Judicial Council had already begun preparing for its role in implementing the new sentencing law, which assigned extensive responsibilities to the Judicial Council.

A. STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

The Judicial Council's primary responsibility under the new sentencing law is to adopt rules providing criteria for the consideration of judges in deciding whether to grant or deny probation in felony cases, and in deciding on the length of prison terms when probation is denied (Pen. Code, § 1170.3).

The Judicial Council is required to collect, analyze and publish information quarterly concerning sentencing practices in California and in other jurisdictions (Pen. Code, § 1170.4).

Penal Code section 1170.5 requires the Judicial Council to conduct annual sentencing institutes to assist trial judges in imposing appropriate sentences.

The Judicial Council is also required to (1) continually study and review, and report to the Governor and Legislature, on statutory sentences and the operation of the system of criminal penalties; and (2) review and analyze, and report to the Governor and Legislature, on all proposed legislation affecting felony sentences (Pen. Code, § 1170.6).

B. ADOPTION OF THE SENTENCING RULES

The Judicial Council's first priority was to develop the sentencing rules called for by Penal Code section 1170.3, so that they could become effective on July 1, 1977, the date the substantive portions of the statute were to become operative. Chief Justice Donald R. Wright appointed a Sentencing Practices Advisory Committee² which, in a series of public meetings, developed a comprehensive set of proposed sentencing rules. These were tentatively adopted by the Judicial Council at a special meeting on January 21, 1977. The tentatively adopted rules were widely distributed, and comments were solicited at meetings of superior court judges and at public hearings held throughout the state. After further review by the committee the sentencing rules were adopted by the Judicial Council at its May 19, 1977 meeting, to be effective on July 1, 1977.

¹Stats. 1976, ch. 1139.

²The Chief Justice, as ex officio chairman, was assisted by Hon. Jerome H. Erenson of the Ventura Superior Court, vice-chairman of the committee and, at many of its meetings, acting chairman. In March 1977, Hon. John T. Racanelli of the Santa Clara Superior Court (now of the Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District) assumed the chair of the committee.

At the same time, the Legislature was considering possible amendments to the new sentencing law and one such bill passed both houses on June 24 and was signed by the Governor on June 29, 1977, as urgency legislation operative July 1.³ One effect of the new legislation was to relieve the court system of some of the time pressure caused by the original Determinate Sentencing Act, because the amendment made it clear that the new law applied only to crimes committed on and after July 1, 1977, regardless of the date of sentencing. The amendment made various changes in sentencing procedures, however, and these changes required corresponding changes in the sentencing rules. These changes were adopted by the Judicial Council on August 2, 1977, pursuant to recommendations of the Sentencing Practices Advisory Committee.

The text of the sentencing rules, as amended, and the advisory committee comments to the rules, appear at the end of this chapter.

C. SENTENCING PRACTICES QUARTERLY REPORTS

In implementing Penal Code section 1170.4, the Judicial Council concluded that the quarterly publication should include not only statistical information concerning sentencing practices in California and other jurisdictions of the United States, but should also include summaries of new developments in sentencing law and research on felony sentencing.

The Judicial Council concluded that there was no existing information system which could provide complete and timely statistical data on California felony sentencing. It therefore authorized the creation of a new felony sentencing statistical system, based on individual case reports sent directly from the sentencing court to the Judicial Council. The data from the reporting forms⁴ are being computerized, and will permit an analysis of such questions as:

The number and proportion of defendants convicted of each crime who receive probation, probation conditioned on a jail term, prison sentences, and other dispositions authorized by law;

For those defendants determinately sentenced to prison, the overall length of their term and the various components of the term, including such questions as

- whether the upper, middle or lower base term was imposed,
- whether the term for enhancements was imposed or was stricken, and
- whether the terms on multiple counts were ordered to be served concurrently or consecutively.

D. SENTENCING INSTITUTES

For many years, the Judicial Council conducted sentencing institutes in which groups of judges were given identical hypothetical cases and were asked to discuss how they would sentence each convicted defendant. During these discussions the judges would seek to resolve differences of opinion on sentencing policy. The discussions of sentencing policy were continued as part of the criminal law institutes which have been con-

³Stats. 1977, ch. 165.

⁴Copies of Forms CR 290 and CR 291 appear at the end of this chapter.

ducted by the Center for Judicial Education and Research ("CJER") since its creation.⁵ The statutory requirement (Pen. Code, § 1170.5) for annual sentencing institutes contemplates a continuation of these discussions, modified and expanded in view of the discretion which the new law gives to superior court judges in determining the length of prison terms. This aspect of judicial education falls within CJER's responsibilities; for that reason, and because of CJER's accumulated experience in conducting sentencing institutes, CJER will perform this function on behalf of the Judicial Council.

CJER's Criminal Law Institutes in 1977⁶ were designed, in cooperation with the Sentencing Practices Advisory Committee and the Judicial Council, to inform superior court judges of the provisions of the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act and to secure their comments on the tentatively adopted sentencing rules. CJER is soliciting the views of the Sentencing Practices Advisory Committee and the Judicial Council in its planning for future sentencing institutes.

E. REVIEW OF STATUTORY SENTENCES AND OPERATION OF THE PENAL SYSTEM

Because relatively few cases had resulted in determinate state prison sentences when this report was prepared, it was not possible to prepare a comprehensive appraisal of the operation of the new sentencing system. A full evaluation and report will appear in the *1979 Judicial Council Report*

F. REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Penal Code section 1170.6 calls for the Judicial Council to review and analyze all proposed legislation affecting felony sentences, taking into consideration the nature of offense, the degree of danger the offense presents to society, and the proposed penalty compared to penalties for more serious offenses, as well as penalties for the same offense in other jurisdictions and penalties recommended by national commissions and other bodies. Although this section did not become operative until after the period covered by this report, the Judicial Council began preparation for complying with the statutory mandate by employing the National Center for State Courts, as a consultant, to survey sentencing information from other states. These data will be used in preparing the reports required by the Penal Code.

⁵Center for Judicial Education and Research is a nonprofit organization sponsored jointly by the Judicial Council and the California Judges Association; funded primarily by monies appropriated to the Judicial Council.

⁶Two institutes were held in February of 1977: one in San Diego for judges in the southern portion of the state; another in Monterey, for judges in the northern portion of the state.

G. SENTENCING RULES AND COMMENTS

The following are the sentencing rules and forms adopted by the Judicial Council, as amended through August 2, 1977. The advisory committee comments have been approved by the Judicial Council.

SENTENCING RULES FOR THE SUPERIOR COURTS⁷**CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- Rule 401. Authority
- Rule 403. Applicability
- Rule 405. Definitions
- Rule 407. Rules of construction
- Rule 408. Criteria not exclusive; sequence not significant
- Rule 409. Consideration of criteria

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- Rule 439. Selection of base term of imprisonment
- Rule 440. Procedure on pleas of guilty specifying the punishment
- Rule 441. Dual use of facts; prohibited use of facts
- Rule 443. Reasons by sentencing judge

⁷Title Two, Division I-A, California Rules of Court, adopted effective July 1, 1977.

- Rule 445. Procedure in striking enhancements
- Rule 447. Limitations on enhancements
- Rule 449. Sentencing on multiple counts
- Rule 451. Sentencing consecutive to indeterminate term or to term in other jurisdiction
- Rule 453. Commitments to nonpenal institutions

SENTENCING RULES FOR THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Rule 401. Authority

The rules in this division are adopted pursuant to Penal Code section 1170.3 and pursuant to the authority granted to the Judicial Council by the Constitution, article VI, section 6, to adopt rules for court administration, practice and procedure.

Rule 403. Applicability

These rules apply only to criminal cases in superior courts in which the defendant is convicted of one or more offenses punishable as a felony by a determinate sentence imposed pursuant to chapter 4.5 (commencing with § 1170) of Title 7 of Part 2 of the Penal Code.

Advisory Committee Comment:

The sentencing rules do not apply to offenses carrying a life term or other indeterminate sentences for which sentence is imposed under new section 1168.

The operative portions of section 1170 deal exclusively with prison sentences; and the mandate to the Judicial Council in section 1170.3 is limited to criteria affecting the length of prison sentences and the grant or denial of probation. Criteria dealing with jail sentences, fines, or jail time and fines as conditions of probation, would substantially exceed the mandate of the legislation.

Rule 405. Definitions

As used in this division, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) "These rules" means the rules in this division.
- (b) "Base term" is the determinate prison term selected from among the three possible terms prescribed by statute or the determinate prison term prescribed by law if a range of three possible terms is not prescribed.
- (c) "Enhancement" means an additional term of imprisonment added to the base term.
- (d) "Aggravation" or "circumstances in aggravation" means facts which justify the imposition of the upper prison term referred to in section 1170(b).
- (e) "Mitigation" or "circumstances in mitigation" means facts which justify the imposition of the lower prison term referred to in section 1170(b) or facts which justify the court in striking, pursuant to sections 1170(a)(2) and 1170.1(g), any additional term of imprisonment as an enhancement under sections 667.5, 12022, 12022.5, 12022.6 or 12022.7.
- (f) "Sentence choice" means the selection of any disposition of the case which does not amount to a dismissal, acquittal, or grant of a new trial.

It includes the granting of probation and the suspension of imposition or execution of a sentence.

- (g) "Section" means a section of the Penal Code.
- (h) "Imprisonment" means confinement in a state prison.
- (i) "Charged" means charged in the indictment or information.
- (j) "Found" means admitted by the defendant or found to be true by the trier of fact upon trial. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

"Base term" is used in section 1170.1 (f) to describe the term of imprisonment selected under section 1170 (b) from the three possible terms.

"Enhancement." The facts giving rise to an enhancement, the requirements for pleading and proving those facts, and the court's authority to strike the additional term are prescribed by statutes. See sections 667.5 (prior prison terms), 1170.1 (a) (consecutive prison terms), 12022 (being armed with a firearm or using a deadly weapon), 12022.5 (using a firearm), 12022.6 (excessive taking or damage), 12022.7 (great bodily injury) and 1170.1 (e) and (g) (pleading and proof, authority to strike the additional punishment).

"Sentence choice," section 1170 (c) requires the judge to state reasons for his sentence choice. This general requirement must allude to all possible dispositions since the act specifically requires reasons for decisions as to length of prison sentences in other sections. (See, for example, § 1170 (b), 1170.1 (g).)

"Imprisonment" is distinguished from confinement in other types of facilities.

"Charged" and "found." Statutes require that the facts giving rise to most enhancements be charged and found. See the comment to the definition of "enhancement." But the enhancement arising from consecutive sentences results from the sentencing judge's decision to impose them, and not from a charge or finding. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 407. Rules of construction

As used in these rules:

- (a) "Shall" is mandatory, "should" is advisory, "may" is permissive.
- (b) The past, present, and future tenses include the others.
- (c) The masculine gender includes the feminine gender; the singular includes the plural.

Rule 408. Criteria not exclusive; sequence not significant

- (a) The enumeration in these rules of some criteria for the making of discretionary sentencing decisions does not prohibit the application of additional criteria reasonably related to the decision being made. Any such additional criteria shall be stated on the record by the sentencing judge.

- (b) The order in which criteria are listed does not indicate their relative weight or importance.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Enumerations of criteria in these rules are not exclusive. The variety of circumstances presented in felony cases is so great that no listing of criteria could claim to be all-inclusive. (Cf., Evid. Code, § 351.)

The relative significance of various criteria will vary from case to case. This, like the question of applicability of various criteria, will be decided by the sentencing judge.

Rule 409. Consideration of criteria

Relevant criteria enumerated in these rules shall be considered by the sentencing judge, and shall be deemed to have been considered unless the record affirmatively reflects otherwise.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Relevant criteria are those applicable to the facts in the record of the case; not all criteria will be relevant to each case. The judge's duty is similar to the duty to consider the probation officer's report. Section 1203.

In deeming the sentencing judge to have considered relevant criteria, the rule applies the presumption of Evidence Code section 664 that official duty has been regularly performed. See *People v. Moran* (1970) 1 Cal.3d 755 (trial court presumed to have considered referring eligible defendant to California Youth Authority in absence of any showing to the contrary, citing Evidence Code section 664).

Rule 410. General objectives in sentencing

General objectives of sentencing include:

- (a) Protecting society.
- (b) Punishing the defendant.
- (c) Encouraging the defendant to lead a law abiding life in the future and deterring him from future offenses.
- (d) Deterring others from criminal conduct by demonstrating its consequences.
- (e) Preventing the defendant from committing new crimes by isolating him for the period of incarceration.
- (f) Securing restitution for the victims of crime.
- (g) Achieving uniformity in sentencing.

Because in some instances these objectives may suggest inconsistent dispositions, the sentencing judge shall consider which objectives are of primary importance in the particular case.

The sentencing judge should be guided by statutory statements of policy, the criteria in these rules, and the facts and circumstances of the case.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Statutory expressions of policy include:

Welfare and Institutions Code section 1820 et seq., which provides a subsidy to counties based on their reduction in prison commitments;

Section 1203(a) which requires that eligible defendants be considered for probation and authorizes probation if circumstances in mitigation are found or justice would be served;

Section 1170(a) (1), which expresses the policies of uniformity, proportionality of prison terms to the seriousness of the offense, and the use of imprisonment as punishment;

Sections 1203.06, 1203.07, 1203.11, 12311 and Health and Safety Code section 11370, which prohibit the grant of probation in particular cases.

Rule 414. Criteria affecting probation

Criteria affecting the decision to grant or deny probation include:

- (a) Statutory provisions authorizing, limiting or prohibiting the grant of probation.
- (b) The likelihood that if not imprisoned the defendant will be a danger to others.
- (c) Facts relating to the crime, including:
 - (1) The nature, seriousness and circumstances of the crime.
 - (2) The vulnerability of the victim and the degree of harm or loss to the victim.
 - (3) Whether the defendant was armed with or used a weapon.
 - (4) Whether the defendant inflicted bodily injury.
 - (5) Whether the defendant planned the commission of the crime, whether he instigated it or was solicited by others to participate, and whether he was an active or passive participant.
 - (6) Whether the crime was committed because of an unusual circumstance, such as great provocation, which is unlikely to recur.
 - (7) Whether the manner in which the crime was carried out demonstrated criminal sophistication or professionalism on the part of the defendant.
 - (8) Whether the defendant took advantage of a position of trust or confidence to commit the crime.
- (d) Facts relating to the defendant, including:
 - (1) Prior record of criminal conduct, including the recency and frequency of prior crimes, age at which first convicted as an adult or adjudicated to have committed a crime as a juvenile, age at which first confined for prior crimes, and whether the record indicates a pattern of regular or increasingly serious criminal conduct.
 - (2) Prior performance on probation or parole and present probation or parole status.
 - (3) Willingness and ability to comply with the terms of probation.
 - (4) Age, education, health, mental faculties, and family background and ties.

- (5) Employment history, military service history, and financial condition.
- (6) Danger of addiction to or abuse of alcohol, narcotics, dangerous drugs, or other mood or consciousness-altering substances.
- (7) The likely effect of imprisonment on the defendant and his dependants.
- (8) The possible effects on the defendant's life of a felony record.
- (9) Whether the defendant is remorseful.
- (10) Whether a financially able defendant refuses to make restitution to the victim.

Advisory Committee Comment:

The sentencing judge's discretion to grant probation is unaffected by the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act (§ 1170(a)(2)).

The decision whether to grant probation is normally based on an overall evaluation of the likelihood that the defendant will live successfully in the general community. Each criterion points to evidence that the likelihood of success is great or small. A single criterion will rarely be determinative; in most cases, the sentencing judge will have to balance favorable and unfavorable facts.

Under criterion (d) (3) ("willingness and ability") it is appropriate to consider the defendant's expressions of willingness to comply and their apparent sincerity, and whether the defendant's home and work environment and primary associates will be supportive of his efforts to comply with the terms of probation, among other factors.

Rule 416. Criteria affecting probation in unusual cases

When the granting of probation is prohibited by statute except in unusual cases where the interests of justice would best be served by granting probation, the following facts may indicate the existence of an unusual case:

- (a) If the defendant was armed with a deadly weapon at the time of the perpetration of the crime or of arrest, the fact that the crime was committed without advance planning or under circumstances of great provocation, and the defendant has no recent record of committing crimes of violence.
- (b) If the defendant inflicted great bodily injury or used or attempted to use a deadly weapon in the perpetration of the crime, the fact that the crime was committed without advance planning or under circumstances of great provocation and the defendant has no recent record of committing crimes of violence.
- (c) If the defendant has suffered one or more previous felony convictions, the fact that the last felony conviction and release from incarceration occurred a substantial time prior to the current crime, and during the interim the defendant led a life free from serious violation of the law.
- (d) The fact that the defendant participated in the crime under cir-

- cumstances of coercion or duress not amounting to a defense.
- (e) The fact that the crime was committed because of psychological problems not amounting to a defense, that psychological or psychiatric treatment will be required as a condition of probation, and that the court is convinced that the treatment has a high likelihood of being successful and that the defendant will not be a danger to others.
 - (f) The fact that the defendant is youthful or aged and has no significant record of prior criminal offenses.
 - (g) The fact that the defendant or a member of his immediate family is in extremely poor health, and imprisonment of the defendant would be likely to seriously worsen that health problem.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Section 1203(d) specifies situations in which probation shall not be granted except in unusual cases where the interests of justice would best be served if the person is granted probation.

Subdivision (a) of this rule corresponds to section 1203(d) (1), which limits the grant of probation if the defendant was armed with a deadly weapon other than a firearm either at the time of perpetration of enumerated crimes or at the time of arrest.

Subdivision (b) of the rule corresponds to section 1203(d) (2), which applies to the use or attempted use of a deadly weapon other than a firearm in the perpetration of the current offense, and to 1203(d) (3), which applies to the wilful infliction of great bodily injury or torture in the perpetration of the crime.

Subdivision (c) corresponds to sections 1203(d) (4), 1203(d) (5) and 1203(d) (6), all of which limit the grant of probation to persons with specified prior records.

Probation should be considered in these cases only if it is indicated upon evaluation of the generally applicable criteria (rule 414) and the case is determined to be "unusual" within the meaning of section 1203(d).

Rule 418. Presentence investigations and reports

Regardless of the defendant's eligibility for probation, the sentencing judge should refer the matter to the probation officer for a presentence investigation and report.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Section 1203 requires a presentence report in every felony case in which the defendant is eligible for probation; but the defendant sometimes waives this requirement. This recommendation is intended to discourage acceptance of waivers, in order to assure a complete and timely investigation.

Under sections 1203.06, 1203.07, 1203.11 (added Stats. 1976, ch. 1135), 12311 and Health and Safety Code, section 11370 the defendant may be wholly ineligible for probation, but a presentence investigation report would be of assistance to the judge in deciding motions in aggravation and

mitigation and in determining whether a punishment added as an enhancement should be stricken.

Rule 421. Circumstances in aggravation

Circumstances in aggravation include:

(a) Facts relating to the crime, including the fact that:

(1) The crime involved great violence, great bodily harm, threat of great bodily harm, or other acts disclosing a high degree of cruelty, viciousness or callousness, whether or not charged or chargeable as an enhancement under section 12022.7.

(2) The defendant was armed with or used a weapon at the time of the commission of the crime, whether or not charged or chargeable as an enhancement under section 12022 or 12022.5.

(3) The victim was particularly vulnerable.

(4) The crime involved multiple victims.

(5) The defendant induced others to participate in the commission of the crime or occupied a position of leadership or dominance of other participants in its commission.

(6) The defendant threatened witnesses, unlawfully prevented or dissuaded witnesses from testifying, suborned perjury, or in any other way illegally interfered with the judicial process.

(7) The defendant was convicted of other crimes for which consecutive sentences could have been imposed but for which concurrent sentences are being imposed.

(8) The planning, sophistication or professionalism with which the crime was carried out, or other facts, indicate premeditation.

(9) The defendant used or involved minors in the commission of the crime.

(10) The crime involved an attempted or actual taking or damage of great monetary value, whether or not charged or chargeable as an enhancement under section 12022.6.

(11) The crime involved a large quantity of contraband.

(12) The defendant took advantage of a position of trust or confidence to commit the offense.

(b) Facts relating to the defendant, including the fact that:

(1) He has engaged in a pattern of violent conduct which indicates a serious danger to society.

(2) The defendant's prior convictions as an adult or adjudications of commission of crimes as a juvenile are numerous or of increasing seriousness.

(3) The defendant has served prior prison terms whether or not charged or chargeable as an enhancement under section 667.5.

(4) The defendant was on probation or parole when he committed the crime.

(5) The defendant's prior performance on probation or parole was unsatisfactory.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Circumstances in aggravation may justify imposition of the upper of three possible prison terms. Section 1170(b).

This list of circumstances in aggravation includes some facts which, if charged and found, may be used to enhance the sentence. The rule does not deal with the use of the facts; the statutory prohibition against dual use is incorporated in rule 441.

Conversely, bodily harm, being armed with or using a weapon, and great value may be circumstances in aggravation even if not meeting the definitions for enhancements in sections 12022, 12022.5, 12022.6, or 12022.7.

Facts concerning the defendant's prior record and personal history may be considered. By providing that the defendant's prior record and simultaneous convictions of other offenses may not be used both for enhancement and in aggravation, section 1170(b) indicates that these and other facts extrinsic to the commission of the crime may be considered in aggravation in appropriate cases. This resolves whatever ambiguity may arise from the phrase, "circumstances in aggravation . . . of the crime." The phrase, "circumstances in aggravation or mitigation of the crime" necessarily alludes to extrinsic facts.

Refusal to consider the personal characteristics of the defendant in imposing sentence would also raise serious constitutional questions. The California Supreme Court has held that sentencing decisions must take into account "the nature of the offense and/or the offender, with particular regard to the degree of danger both present to society." *In re Rodriguez* (1975) 14 Cal.3d 639, 654, quoting *In re Lynch* (1972) 8 Cal.3d 410, 425. *In re Rodriguez* released petitioner from further incarceration because "[I]t appears that neither the circumstances of his offense nor his personal characteristics establish a danger to society sufficient to justify such a prolonged period of imprisonment." *Id.* at 655. (Footnote omitted, emphasis added.) "For the determination of sentences, justice generally requires . . . that there be taken into account the circumstances of the offense together with the character and propensities of the offender." *Pennsylvania v. Ashe* (1937) 302 U.S. 51, 55 quoted with approval in *Gregg v. Georgia* (1976) 428 U.S. 153, 189, 49 L. Ed.2d 859, 883.

The scope of "circumstances in aggravation or mitigation" under section 1170(b) is, therefore, coextensive with the scope of inquiry under the similar phrase in section 1203.

Rule 423. Circumstances in mitigation

Circumstances in mitigation include:

(a) Facts relating to the crime, including the fact that:

(1) The defendant was a passive participant or played a minor role in the crime.

(2) The victim was an initiator, willing participant, aggressor or provoker of the incident.

(3) The crime was committed because of an unusual circumstance, such as great provocation, which is unlikely to recur.

(4) The defendant participated in the crime under circumstances of coercion or duress, or his conduct was partially excusable for some other

reason not amounting to a defense.

(5) A defendant with no apparent predisposition to do so was induced by others to participate in the crime.

(6) The defendant exercised caution to avoid harm to persons or damage to property, or the amounts of money or property taken were deliberately small, or no harm was done or threatened against the victim.

(7) The defendant believed he had a claim or right to the property taken, or for other reasons mistakenly believed his conduct was legal.

(8) The defendant was motivated by a desire to provide necessities for his family or himself.

(b) Facts relating to the defendant, including the fact that:

(1) He has no prior record or an insignificant record of criminal conduct considering the recency and frequency of prior crimes.

(2) The defendant was suffering from a mental or physical condition that significantly reduced his culpability for the crime.

(3) The defendant voluntarily acknowledged wrongdoing prior to arrest or at an early stage of the criminal process.

(4) The defendant is ineligible for probation and but for that ineligibility would have been granted probation.

(5) The defendant made restitution to the victim.

(6) The defendant's prior performance on probation or parole was good.

Advisory Committee Comment:

See comment to rule 421.

This rule applies both to mitigation for purposes of motions under section 1170(b) and to circumstances in mitigation justifying the court in striking or specifically not ordering the additional punishment provided as an enhancement.

Some listed circumstances can never apply to certain enhancements; for example, "the amounts taken were deliberately small" can never apply to an excessive taking under section 12022.6, "no harm was done" can never apply to intentional infliction of great bodily injury under section 12022.7. In any case, only the facts present may be considered for their possible effect in mitigation.

See also rule 409; only relevant criteria need be considered.

Since only the fact of restitution is considered relevant to mitigation, no reference to the defendant's financial ability is needed. Cf., rule 414(d)(10). The omission of a comparable factor from rule 421 as a circumstance in aggravation is deliberate.

Rule 425. Criteria affecting concurrent or consecutive sentences

Criteria affecting the decision to impose consecutive rather than concurrent sentences include:

(a) Facts relating to the crimes, including whether or not:

(1) The crimes and their objectives were predominantly independent of each other.

- (2) The crimes involved separate acts of violence or threats of violence.
 - (3) The crimes were committed at different times or separate places, rather than being committed so close in time and place as to indicate a single period of aberrant behavior.
 - (4) Any of the crimes involved multiple victims.
 - (5) The convictions for which sentences are to be imposed are numerous.
- (b) Any circumstances in aggravation or mitigation.

Advisory Committee Comment:

The sentencing judge should be aware that there are some cases in which the law mandates consecutive sentences. Section 654 generally proscribes imposing double punishment for one course of conduct. The possibility of imposing consecutive sentences may be addressed only after a sentencing judge has determined that a sentence on each of the convictions would be legal.

Rule 431. Proceedings at sentencing to be reported

All proceedings at the time of sentencing shall be reported.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Reporters' transcripts of the sentencing proceedings are required on appeal (rule 33(a)(2)), and when the defendant is sentenced to prison (§ 1203.01).

Rule 433. Matters to be considered at time set for sentencing

- (a) In every case, at the time set for sentencing pursuant to section 1191, the sentencing judge shall hold a hearing at which the judge shall:
 - (1) Hear and determine any matters raised by the defendant pursuant to section 1201.
 - (2) Determine whether a defendant who is eligible for probation should be granted or denied probation, unless consideration of probation is expressly waived by the defendant personally and by counsel.
- (b) If the imposition of sentence is to be suspended during a period of probation after a conviction by trial, the trial judge shall make factual findings as to circumstances which would justify imposition of the upper or lower term if probation is later revoked, based upon evidence admitted at the trial.
- (c) If a sentence of imprisonment is to be imposed, or if the execution of a sentence of imprisonment is to be suspended during a period of probation, the sentencing judge shall:
 - (1) Hear evidence in aggravation and mitigation, and determine, pursuant to section 1170(b), whether to impose the upper, middle or lower term; and set forth on the record the facts and reasons for imposing the upper or lower term.
 - (2) Determine whether any additional term of imprisonment provided

for an enhancement charged and found shall be stricken.

(3) Determine whether the sentences shall be consecutive or concurrent if the defendant has been convicted of multiple crimes.

(4) Determine any issues raised by statutory prohibitions on the dual use of facts and statutory limitations on enhancements, as required in rules 441 and 447.

(5) Pronounce the court's judgment and sentence, stating the term thereof and giving reasons for those matters for which reasons are required by law.

(d) All these matters shall be heard and determined at a single hearing unless the sentencing judge otherwise orders in the interests of justice.

(e) When a sentence of imprisonment is imposed under subdivision (c) or under rule 435, the sentencing judge shall inform the defendant, pursuant to section 1170(c), that he will be on parole for up to one year after expiration of his sentence. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

This rule summarizes the questions which the court is required to consider at the time of sentencing, in their logical order.

Subdivision (a) (2) makes it clear that probation should be considered in every case, without the necessity of any application for probation, unless the defendant is ineligible pursuant to sections 1203.06, 1203.07, 1203.11, 12311 or Health and Safety Code section 11370.

Pursuant to the last sentence in section 1170(b), under subdivision (b), when imposition of sentence is to be suspended, the sentencing judge is not to make any determinations as to the possible length of a prison term upon violation of probation. If there was a trial however, he must make findings as to circumstances justifying the upper or lower term based on the trial evidence.

Subdivision (d) makes it clear that all sentencing matters should be disposed of at a single hearing unless strong reasons exist for a continuance. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 435. Sentencing upon revocation of probation

(a) When the defendant violates the terms of probation or is otherwise subject to revocation of probation, the sentencing judge may make any disposition of the case authorized by section 1203.2 including a continuation on probation with a modification in the terms thereof.

(b) Upon revocation and termination of probation pursuant to section 1203.2, when the sentencing judge determines that the defendant shall be committed to prison:

(1) If the imposition of sentence was previously suspended, the judge shall impose judgment and sentence after considering any findings previously made and hearing and determining the matters enumerated in rule 433(c).

The length of the sentence shall be based on circumstances existing at the time probation was granted, and subsequent events may not be considered in selecting the base term nor in deciding whether to strike the additional punishment for enhancements charged and found.

(2) If the execution of sentence was previously suspended, the judge shall order that the judgment previously pronounced be in full force and effect and that the defendant be committed to the custody of the Director of Corrections for the term prescribed in that judgment.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Subdivision (a) makes it clear that there is no change in the court's power, upon finding cause to revoke and terminate probation under section 1203.2(a), to continue the defendant on probation.

The restriction of subdivision (b) (1) is based on *In re Rodriguez* (1975) 14 Cal.3d 639, 652: "[T]he primary term must reflect the circumstances existing at the time of the offense."

A judge imposing a prison sentence upon revocation of probation will have the power granted by section 1170(d) to recall the commitment on his own motion within 120 days from the date of commitment, and the power under section 1203.2(e) to set aside the revocation of probation, for good cause, within 30 days after the court has notice that execution of the sentence has commenced.

Rule 437. Statements in aggravation and mitigation

(a) Statements in aggravation and mitigation referred to in section 1170(b) shall be filed and served at least four days prior to the time set for sentencing pursuant to section 1191 or the time set for pronouncing judgment upon revocation of probation pursuant to section 1203.2(c) if imposition of sentence was previously suspended.

(b) A party seeking consideration of circumstances in aggravation or mitigation may file and serve a statement pursuant to section 1170(b) and this rule.

(c) A statement in aggravation or mitigation shall include:

(1) A summary of facts which the party relies upon as circumstances in aggravation or mitigation justifying imposition of the upper or lower term.

(2) Notice of intention to dispute facts or offer evidence in aggravation or mitigation at the sentencing hearing. The statement shall generally describe the evidence to be offered, including a description of any documents and the names and expected substance of the testimony of any witnesses. No evidence in aggravation or mitigation may be introduced at the sentencing hearing unless it was described in the statement, or unless its admission is permitted by the sentencing judge in the interests of justice.

(d) Assertions of fact in a statement in aggravation or mitigation shall be disregarded unless they are supported by the record in the case, the probation officer's report or other reports properly filed in the case, or other competent evidence. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

Section 1170(b) as amended by Assembly Bill No. 476 (Stats. 1977, ch. 165) states in part:

At least four days prior to the time set for imposition of sentence either party may submit a statement in aggravation or mitigation to dispute facts in the record or the probation officer's report, or to present additional facts.

This provision means that the statement is a document giving notice of intention to dispute facts in the record or the probation officer's report, or to present additional facts.

The statement itself cannot be the medium for presenting new facts, or for rebutting facts already presented by competent evidence, because the statement is a unilateral presentation by one party or counsel which will not necessarily have any indicia of reliability. To allow its factual assertions to be considered in the absence of corroborating evidence would, therefore, constitute a denial of due process of law in violation of the United States (Amendment 14) and California (art. 1, § 7) Constitutions.

[I]t is now clear that the sentencing process, as well as the trial itself, must satisfy the requirements of the Due Process Clause. Even though the defendant has no substantive right to a particular sentence within the range authorized by statute, the sentencing is a critical state of the criminal proceeding at which he is entitled to the effective assistance of counsel. . . . The defendant has a legitimate interest in the character of the procedure which leads to the imposition of sentence. . . . *Gardner v. State of Florida* (1977) 45 L.Week 4275, 4277.

The use of probation officers' reports is permissible because they are trained objective investigators. *Williams v. New York* (1949) 337 U.S. 241. Compare sections 1203 and 1204. *People v. Peterson* (1973) 9 Cal.3d 717, 727, expressly approved the holding of *United States v. Weston* (9th Cir. 1971) 448 F.2d 626 that due process is offended by sentencing on the basis of unsubstantiated allegations which were denied by the defendant. Cf., *In re Hancock* (1977) 67 Cal.App.3d 943, 949.

The requirement that the statement include notice of intention to rely on new evidence will enhance fairness to both sides by avoiding surprise and helping to assure that the time limit on pronouncing sentence is met. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 439. Selection of base term of imprisonment

- (a) When a sentence of imprisonment is imposed, or the execution of a sentence of imprisonment is ordered suspended, the sentencing judge shall select the upper, middle, or lower term on each count for which judgment is to be pronounced, as provided in section 1170(b) and these rules.
- (b) Selection of the upper term is justified only if, considering the entire record of the case, including the probation officer's report, other reports properly filed in the case, and other competent evidence, circumstances in aggravation are established by a preponderance of the evidence and outweigh circumstances in mitigation. Selection of the lower term is justified only if, considering the same

facts, circumstances in mitigation are established by a preponderance of the evidence and outweigh circumstances in aggravation.

- (c) ~~The facts and reasons~~ for selecting the upper or lower term shall be stated orally on the record, and shall include a concise statement of the ultimate facts which the court deemed to constitute circumstances in aggravation or mitigation justifying the term selected.
- (d) Selection of the middle term does not relieve the court of its obligation under section 1170(c) to state the reasons for imprisonment as its sentence choice. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

As amended by Assembly Bill No. 476 (Stats. 1977, ch. 165), the determinate sentencing law authorizes the court to select any of the three possible prison terms even though neither party has requested a deviation from the middle term by formal motion or informal argument. Section 1170(b) retains the requirement, however, that the middle term be selected unless there are circumstances in aggravation or mitigation of the crime, and requires that the court set forth on the record the facts and reasons for imposing the upper or lower term.

Thus, the sentencing judge has authority to impose the upper or lower term on his own initiative, if circumstances justifying that choice appear upon an evaluation of the record as a whole.

The legislative intent is that, when imprisonment is the sentence choice, the middle term is to constitute the average or usual term. The rule clarifies this intent by specifying that the presence of circumstances justifying the upper or lower term must be established by a preponderance of the evidence, and that those circumstances must outweigh offsetting circumstances. Proof by a preponderance of the evidence is the standard in the absence of a statute or a decisional law to the contrary (Evid. Code, § 115), and appears appropriate here, since there is no requirement that sentencing decisions be based on the same quantum of proof as is required to establish guilt. See *Williams v. New York* (1949) 337 U.S. 241. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 440. Procedure on pleas of guilty specifying the punishment

If a plea of guilty or nolo contendere pursuant to section 1192.5 specified a prison term other than the middle term as the punishment and the plea was accepted by the prosecuting attorney in open court and was conditionally approved by the court, the sentencing judge may impose the specified term provided there is evidence or a factual stipulation in the record justifying that term and appropriate facts and reasons for imposing that term are set forth on the record. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

This rule does not relieve the sentencing judge of any statutory requirement that reasons be stated on the record.

This rule does not affect the power of the court to reject a plea of guilty

or to reject the defendant's specification of a prison term.

Whether sentence is imposed on an unconditional plea of guilty, a conditional plea pursuant to section 1192.5, or a verdict of guilty, rule 433 must be complied with. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 441. Dual use of facts; prohibited use of facts

- (a) A fact considered and used by the sentencing judge in deciding to deny probation, or in determining that the defendant is ineligible for probation, may be used to impose the upper term or for enhancement.
- (b) A fact charged and found as an enhancement may be used to impose the upper term, whereupon the additional term of imprisonment prescribed for that fact as an enhancement shall be stricken. The use of the fact to impose the upper term is an adequate reason for striking the additional term of imprisonment.
- (c) A fact used to enhance the defendant's prison sentence may not be used to impose the upper term.
- (d) A fact which is an element of the crime may not be used to impose the upper term. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

Present law prohibits dual punishment for the same act (or fact) but permits that fact to be considered in denying probation. *People v. Edwards* (1976) 18 Cal.3d 796 (prior felony conviction, an element of the offense, also brought defendant within former § 1203(d) (2) limitation on probation to persons with prior felony convictions), citing *People v. Perry* (1974) 42 Cal.App.3d 451, 460 and other cases.

The rule makes it clear that a fact charged and found as an enhancement may, in the alternative, be used in aggravation. This may work to the defendant's benefit, when the enhancement would carry an added term of three years or more, as aggravation cannot increase the term more than one year.

Note that under section 1170(b) and rule 405 (definitions), the additional term resulting from ordering sentences to be served consecutively is an "enhancement." Section 1170(b) therefore prohibits using the same fact to decide to impose consecutive sentences and to decide to impose the upper term. Subdivision (c) applies to that case as well as to enhancements arising from facts charged and found. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 443. Reasons by sentencing judge

Whenever the giving of reasons by the sentencing judge is required, the judge shall state in simple language the primary factor or factors that support the exercise of discretion or, when applicable, state that the judge has no discretion. The statement need not be in the language of these rules. It shall be delivered orally on the record.

Advisory Committee Comment:

Reasons are required for a sentence choice, as defined in rule 405 (§ 1170(c)). They are also required for the sentencing judge's decision to impose the upper or lower prison term (§ 1170(b)), and to explain the circumstances in mitigation which led the judge to strike an enhancement. Section 1170.1(g).

The oral statement of reasons should be complete in itself, and should not refer to a motion or a written document for clarification.

Neither section 1170(c) nor these rules requires the judge to give reasons explaining why possible dispositions were rejected; for example, the judge must state his reasons for imposing a prison sentence, but need not explain why he denied probation and did not commit an eligible youth to the Youth Authority.

There is no change in the requirement that the court state that it has considered the probation officer's report (§ 1203) nor in any requirement of statutory or case law that the court state that it has considered another disposition authorized by law. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 445. Procedure in striking enhancements

The sentencing judge should not strike an allegation that was charged and found under section 667.5, 12022, 12022.5, 12022.6, or 12022.7. If he finds that there are circumstances in mitigation, he may strike the additional term of imprisonment provided as an enhancement by the applicable section. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

Under the law in effect prior to July 1, 1977, the court had no discretion concerning the imposition of additional terms prescribed for being armed with a deadly weapon or using a firearm. The practice therefore arose of striking the allegation giving rise to those additional terms, when the sentencing judge felt the additional term would be excessive; this action was taken under section 1385. See, for example, *People v. Dorsey* (1972) 28 Cal.App.3d 15.

Because the court now has discretion to strike the punishment (1170(g)), there is no necessity of following the old practice of striking the allegation; and by urging that it be left intact this section should help ensure that the record accurately reflects the fact found by the judge and jury in the event that defendant commits further crimes. E.g., section 1203(d)(6) (effect on probation eligibility of prior felony while armed).

This rule applies only when the court merely determines that the additional term of imprisonment provided as an enhancement should not be imposed. The advisory "should" is used, and there is no intention to negate the inherent and independent judicial power, under section 1385, to strike the allegation when that action is deemed necessary "in furtherance of justice." *People v. Tenorio* (1970) 3 Cal.3d 89 (§ 1385 dismissal as an exercise of judicial sentencing discretion); but see *People v. Orin* (1975) 13 Cal.3d 937 (power must be exercised reasonably). [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Rule 447. Limitations on enhancements

No allegation or finding of a fact giving rise to an enhancement shall be stricken or dismissed because imposition of the additional term therefor is prohibited by section 1170.1 (a) or 1170.1 (d), or because the aggregate for enhancements would exceed the limit established by section 1170.1 (a) or because the overall aggregate term of imprisonment would exceed the limit established by section 1170.1 (f). The sentencing judge shall impose sentence for the aggregate term of imprisonment computed without reference to those prohibitions and limitations, and shall thereupon stay execution of so much of the term as is prohibited or exceeds the applicable limit. The stay shall become permanent upon the defendant's service of the portion of the sentence not stayed. [As amended effective July 28, 1977.]

Advisory Committee Comment:

When consecutive terms are imposed, section 1170.1 (a) prohibits applying enhancements to the "subordinate terms" for crimes which are not listed in section 667.5 (c), but directs inclusion of one-third of the enhancement under section 12022, 12022.5 or 12022.7 in the "subordinate terms" for crimes listed in section 667.5 (c).

Section 1170.1 (d) permits imposing both a 12022.7 and either a 12022 or a 12022.5 enhancement to a count for actual or attempted robbery, rape or burglary. In other cases, it permits application of only the greatest one enhancement under sections 12022, 12022.5 and 12022.7 to a single offense, even though more than one might have been charged and found.

Section 1170.1 (a) limits the aggregate of enhancements for consecutive terms for crimes not listed in section 667.5 (c) to five years.

Section 1170.1 (f) limits the aggregate prison term (base term plus enhancements), to double the base term, with specified exceptions.

Present practice of staying execution is followed to avoid violating a statutory prohibition or exceeding the statutory maximum, while preserving the possibility of imposition of the stayed portion should a reversal on appeal reduce the unstayed portion of the sentence. See *People v. Niles* (1964) 227 Cal.App.2d 749, 756.

Only the portion of a sentence or component thereof that exceeds a maximum is prohibited, and this rule provides a procedure for that situation. [As amended effective July 28, 1977.]

Rule 449. Sentencing on multiple counts.

When a sentence of imprisonment is imposed upon a defendant convicted of more than one crime, the judgment shall set forth the sentence to a base term and applicable enhancements for each of the crimes, computed independently. If required by statutory limitations on the enhancement resulting from consecutive terms or by the limitations of section 654, the judgment shall stay execution of so much of the term, or on those crimes, for which the imposition of the full sentence is prohibited. The stay shall become permanent upon the defendant's service of the portion of the sentence not stayed.

Advisory Committee Comment:

The computation of sentence and pronouncement of judgment on each count is necessary to protect the record in case of a partial reversal. See comment to rule 447.

Rule 451. Sentence consecutive to indeterminate term or to term in other jurisdiction

- (a) When a defendant is sentenced under section 1170 and the sentence is to run consecutively to a sentence, other than a life sentence, imposed under section 1168 in the same or another proceeding, the judgment shall specify the determinate term imposed under section 1170, shall order that the determinate term shall be served commencing upon the completion of the sentence under section 1168, and shall identify the proceedings in which the indeterminate sentence was imposed. The term under section 1168 and the date of its completion will be determined as provided by law.
- (b) When a defendant is sentenced under section 1170 and the sentence is to run consecutively to a sentence imposed by a court of the United States or of another state or territory, the judgment shall specify the determinate term imposed under section 1170 computed without reference to the sentence imposed by the other jurisdiction, shall order that the determinate term shall be served commencing upon the completion of the sentence imposed by the other jurisdiction, and shall identify the other jurisdiction and the proceedings in which the other sentence was imposed.

Advisory Committee Comment:

The provisions of section 1170.1 (a) limiting consecutive terms to a "subordinate term" consisting of one-third of the middle term for the additional crimes (in some cases plus one-third the enhancements) can logically be applied only when all the sentences were imposed under section 1170. Indeterminate sentences under section 1168, will continue to be imposed for some years, considering probation violators. Since the duration of the indeterminate term cannot be known to the court, subdivision (a) sets forth the only feasible mode of sentencing.

On the authority to sentence consecutively to the sentence of another jurisdiction and the effect of such a sentence, see *In re Helpman* (1968) 267 Cal.App.2d 307 and cases cited at note 3, *id.* at 310. The mode of sentencing required by subdivision (b) is necessary to avoid the illogical conclusion that the total of the consecutive sentences will depend on whether the other jurisdiction or California is the first to pronounce judgment. [As amended effective July 28, 1977.]

Rule 453. Commitments to nonpenal institutions

When a defendant is convicted of a crime for which sentence could be imposed under section 1170 and the court orders that he be committed:

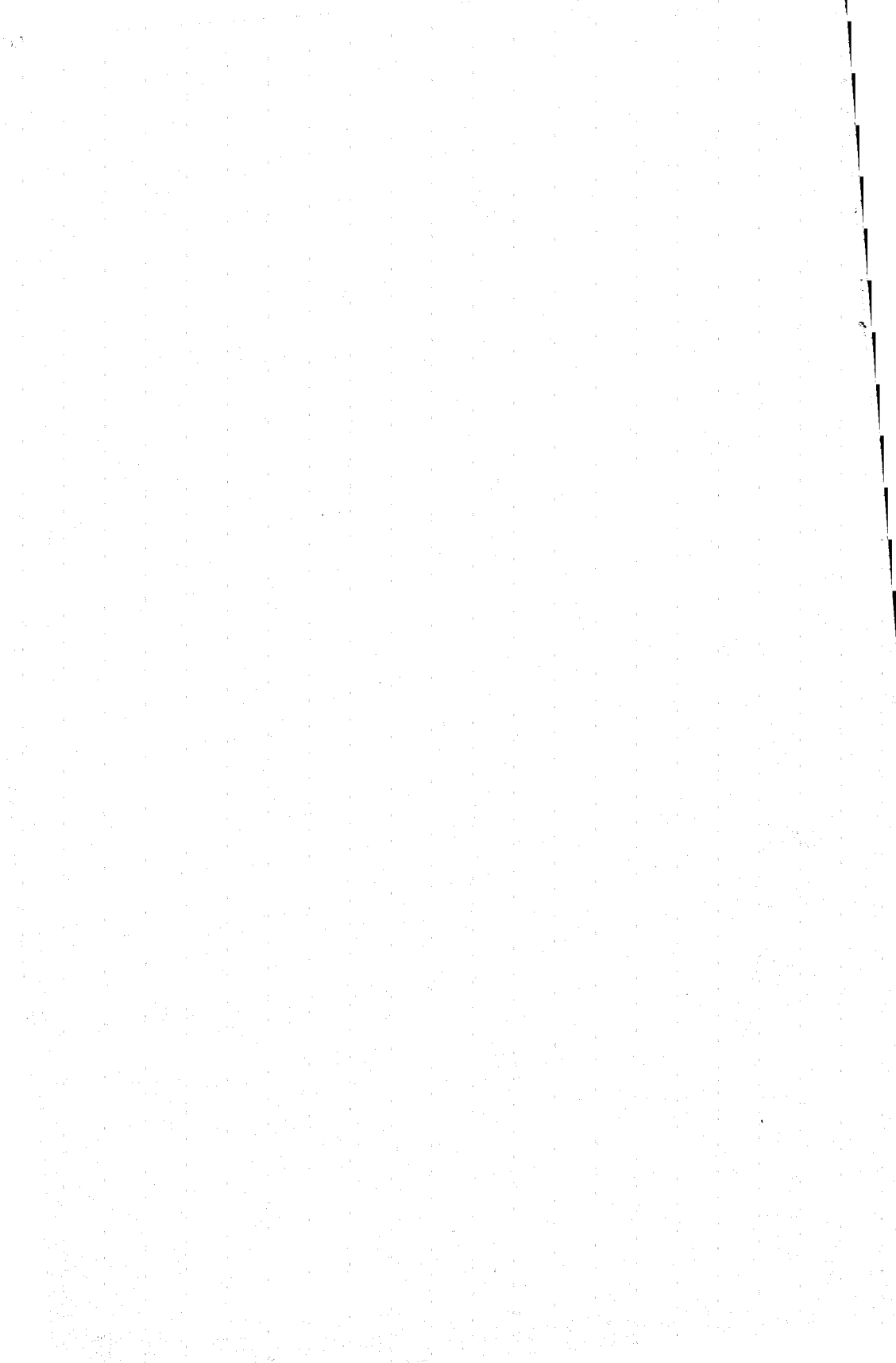
- (a) To the California Youth Authority pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 1731.5, the order of commitment shall specify the term of imprisonment to which the defendant would have been sentenced. The term shall be determined as provided by sections 1170 and 1170.1 and these rules, as though a sentence of imprisonment were to be imposed.
- (b) As a mentally disordered sex offender pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 6316, the order of commitment shall specify the maximum term of commitment, computed as provided in section 6316.1 of that code. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]

Advisory Committee Comment:

Youth Authority commitments cannot exceed the maximum possible incarceration in an adult institution for the same crime. *People v. Olivas* (1976) 17 Cal.3d 236. A commitment as an MDSO may not exceed the maximum term of imprisonment for the offenses of which the defendant was convicted. Welfare and Institutions Code section 6316.1 added effective July 1, 1977 (Stats. 1977, ch. 164).

Under the indeterminate sentencing law, the receiving institution knew, as a matter of law from the record of the conviction, the maximum potential period of imprisonment for the crime of which the defendant was convicted.

Under the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act, the court's discretion as to length of term leaves doubt as to the maximum term when only the record of convictions is present. [*As amended effective July 28, 1977.*]



FORM CR 291

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF _____

COURT ID.	_____
(D.P. USE ONLY)	_____

BRANCH _____

FOR COURT USE ONLY

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

versus

DEFENDANT:

Present Not Present

AKA: _____

REPORT TO JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF: INDETERMINATE SENTENCE TO STATE PRISON

SENTENCE CHOICE OTHER THAN STATE PRISON CASE NUMBER: _____

Hearing _____ Mo. _____ Day _____ Yr. Dept. No. _____ Judge _____ Clerk _____

Reporter _____ Counsel for People _____

Counsel for Defendant _____ Probation Number or Probation Officer _____

1. Defendant was convicted of the commission of the following crimes:

Additional counts are listed on attachment 1, a.

Count	Code Section	Crime and Degree	Date of Conviction No. Day Yr.	Conviction by:								Enhancements Charged and Found	Additional term strikes due to circumstances in mitigation	
				Jury	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial	Cal. J. Trial			

2. The defendant was charged and found to have served prior prison terms: _____ terms for violent felonies; _____ terms for other felonies.

3. Defendant was sentenced to State Prison for the term prescribed by law on counts _____

4. Counts _____ were deemed misdemeanors.

A. Defendant sentenced to _____ days in county jail for all counts.

(1) Execution of _____ days suspended.

B. Defendant fined in sum of \$ _____

5. For counts _____ the defendant was placed on probation.

A. (1) Sentence pronounced and execution of sentence was suspended; or
(2) Imposition of sentence was suspended.

B. Conditions of probation included Jail Time _____ days Fine _____

6. Other dispositions

- A. Defendant was committed to California Youth Authority.
- B. Proceedings suspended, and defendant was committed to California Rehabilitation Center.
- C. Proceedings suspended, and defendant was committed as a Mentally Disordered Sex Offender.
- D. Proceedings suspended, and defendant was committed as mentally incompetent.
- E. Other (Specify) _____

NOTE: PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 6 OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION AND SECTION 68505 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THE CHIEF JUSTICE REQUIRES THAT EACH SUPERIOR COURT SHALL COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR EACH INDETERMINATE SENTENCE TO STATE PRISON OR SENTENCE CHOICE OTHER THAN STATE PRISON. THE REPORTS IMPLEMENT SECTION 1170.4 OF THE PENAL CODE AND SHALL BE MAILED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS, 4200 STATE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102

DATE _____ SIGNATURE OF CLERK _____

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REPORT-INDETERMINATE SENTENCE, OTHER SENTENCE CHOICE FORM CR 291 (7/1/77)

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF _____
COURT ID. _____
BRANCH _____

FOR COURT USE ONLY

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEFENDANT:

versus

Present Not Present

ABA:
COMMITMENT TO STATE PRISON P.C. § 1170
ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT

CASE NUMBER: _____

Hearing MO. DAY YR. Dept. No. _____ Judge _____ Clerk _____

Reporter _____ Counsel for People _____

Counsel for Defendant _____ Probation Number or Probation Officer _____

1. Defendant was convicted of the commission of the following crimes:

Additional counts are listed on attachment 1.a.

Count	Code	Section No.	Crime and Degree	Date of Conviction Mo. Day Yr.	Conviction by:								Additional term stricken due to circumstances in mitigation	
					Jury Trial	Conf. Trial	File	PC § 1202.1	PC § 1202.2	PC § 1202.3	PC § 1202.4	PC § 1202.5		PC § 1202.6

2. A. Number of prior prison terms charged and found: _____ 687.5(c) felonies; _____ other than 687.5(c) felonies.
 B. Punishment for prior prison terms stricken: _____ 687.5(c) felonies; _____ other than 687.5(c) felonies.
 3. The crime with the greatest "principal" term of imprisonment (including § 12022-series enhancements) is:
 A. In the present proceeding, Count _____ B. In a prior uncompleted sentence identifier on next line. _____ MO. DAY YEAR

4. Defendant is sentenced on the crime with the greatest "principal" term to state prison for the lower middle upper base term of _____ years.

5. Unstayed and unstricken enhancements imposed:
 A. Penal Code § 12022 Penal Code § 12022.5 Penal Code § 12022.7 _____ years.
 B. Penal Code § 12022.6 _____ years.
 C. Penal Code § 687.5(a) _____ years.
 D. Penal Code § 687.5(b) _____ years.

E. Terms for consecutive sentences:
 (1) Other convictions in the present case for felonies not listed in § 687.5(c) on counts _____ years.
 (2) Other convictions in prior uncompleted sentences for felonies not listed in § 687.5(c) _____ years.
 (3) Other convictions in the present case for felonies listed in § 687.5(c) on counts _____ years.
 (4) Other convictions in prior uncompleted sentences for felonies listed in § 687.5(c) _____ years.

6. Concurrent Sentences (to be served with sentence on count identified on line 3):
 A. For convictions of the present case, counts _____
 B. For convictions of prior uncompleted sentence.

7. Years stayed pursuant to California Rules of Court Rule 447 to comply with Penal Code §§ 1170.1(a) and 1170.1(f): _____ years.)

8. The total unstayed prison term imposed by this judgment is _____ years.

9. Execution of sentence imposed:
 at initial sentencing hearing at resentencing pursuant to decision on appeal
 after revocation of probation pursuant to recall of commitment (P.C. § 1170(d))

10. The court pronounced sentence on _____ MO. DAY YEAR and defendant was held in custody through and including the date of pronouncement of sentence for _____ (total number of days) as follows: Local and County Time _____, Department of Corrections Time _____

11. Defendant is remanded to the custody of the Sheriff to be delivered: forthwith after 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays
 into the custody of the Director of Corrections at the Reception-Guidance Center located at Calif. Institution for Women - Frontera
 Calif. Medical Facility - Vacaville Calif. Institution for Men - Chino Other: (specify) _____

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct abstract of the judgment made in this action.

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

By _____ DEPUTY
Date _____

This form is prescribed pursuant to Penal Code § 1213.5 to satisfy the requirements of Penal Code § 1213 (Abstract of Judgment and Commitment) for determinate sentences under Penal Code § 1170. A copy of probation report shall accompany the Department of Corrections; copy of this form pursuant to Penal Code § 12036. A copy of the sentencing proceedings and any supplementary probation report shall be transmitted to the Department of Corrections pursuant to Penal Code § 1203.01. Attachments may be used but must be incorporated by reference.

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ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT-COMMITMENT
FORM CR 280 (7/28/77)

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CHAPTER 2

REINSTATEMENT OF TIME FOR FILING A PETITION
FOR REVIEW AFTER A PROSECUTION APPEAL

The Judicial Council recommends that the Legislature amend section 1238.5 of the Penal Code¹ to provide that the time for the defendant to seek a writ reviewing the denial of an independently reviewable motion shall begin to run anew from the date the prosecution files a notice of appeal, regardless of whether the notice is filed before or after the deadline for seeking a writ.

Section 1238.5 now provides a remedy to a defendant who did not, within the time allowed, seek review of the denial of an independently reviewable and related motion² if the prosecution files a notice of appeal after the expiration of that time. If, however, the prosecution's notice of appeal is filed *within* the time allowed for the defendant to seek a writ, no provision is made to extend the time for the defendant to prepare and file his petition. The time may be unreasonably short if, for example, the defendant's attorney receives notice of the prosecution's appeal on the last day allowed to file a petition for a writ. The defendant will be denied his right of review if the time limits for seeking a review are jurisdictional.³

The Judicial Council has concluded that the proposed amendment would provide substantial relief to defendants without causing any delay in the appellate process. There is no apparent reason for the present restriction upon defendant's right to seek review when the prosecution has filed an appeal.⁴

The text of the proposed amendment to section 1238.5 of the Penal Code follows:

1238.5. Upon appeal by the prosecution pursuant to section 1238, where ~~the notice of appeal is filed after the expiration of the time available to defendant to seek review of an otherwise reviewable order or ruling and the appeal by the prosecution relates to a matter decided during the time available to the defendant to seek review of the~~ *any* otherwise reviewable order or ruling, the time for defendant to seek such review is *reinstated commences to run anew from* on the date the *clerk's notification of the filing of the notice of appeal was is mailed to the defendant filed with proof of service upon* defendant or his counsel.

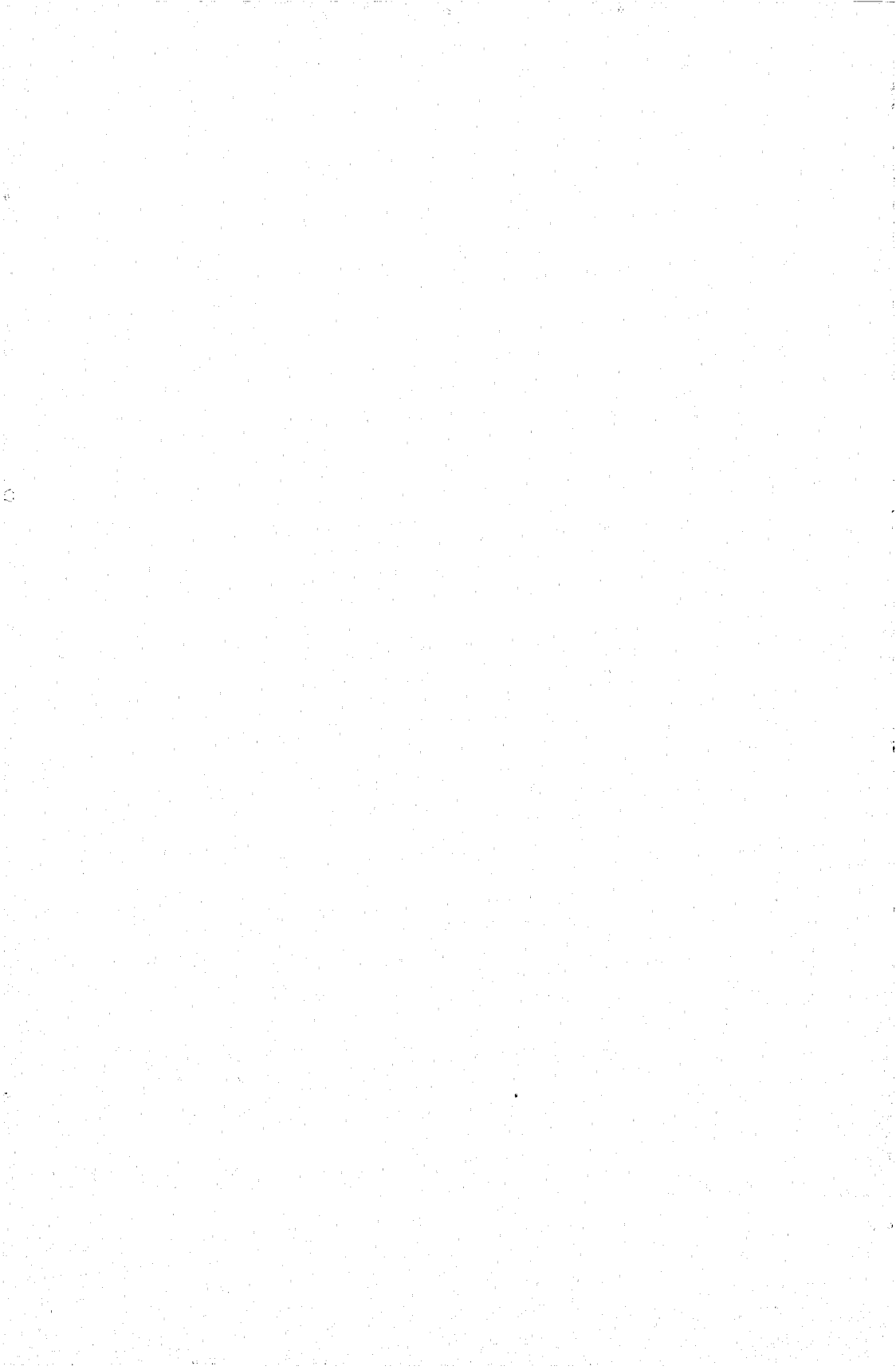
The Judicial Council shall provide by rule for the consolidation of such petition for review with the prosecution appeal.

¹All references are to the Penal Code.

²For example, a motion under section 995 to set aside an indictment or information or a motion under section 1538.5 to suppress evidence on the ground it was obtained in an unreasonable search.

³See, *Bernstein v. Superior Court* (1985) 45 Cal.2d 774, 775; *Gomes v. Superior Court* (1969) 272 Cal.App.2d 702, 704.

⁴Rule 56 (a) (3) of the California Rules of Court, which was adopted pursuant to section 1238.5, facilitates the consolidation of original writ petitions and related appeals. No change in the rule would be required.



PART TWO

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE
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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL

A. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Judicial Council's recommendations and actions, which are described in the preceding section of the report, represent only a small proportion of the work undertaken by the Judicial Council and its committees and staff, some of which are summarized in this section.

Workshops

During the past year, the Judicial Council organized and presented eight major management workshops for judges and court personnel, as well as two regional workshops for traffic court commissioners and referees. In chronological order, the workshops were held on the following dates:

1. Workshop for Presiding Judges of Municipal Courts—March 10-11, 1977
2. Workshop for Presiding Judges of Superior Courts—April 15, 1977
3. Workshop for Cow County (judges from the predominantly rural areas of the state) Superior Court Judges—June 17-18, 1977
4. Workshop on Superior Court Statistical Reporting—June 24, 1977
5. Workshop on Municipal Court Statistical Reporting—October 7, 1977
6. Workshop for Traffic Court Commissioners and Referees—Northern Region, October 14 and 15, 1977
7. Workshop for Superior Court Administrators—October 20-21, 1977
8. Workshop for Traffic Court Commissioners and Referees—Southern Region, October 28-29, 1977
9. Arbitration Workshop—November 4, 1977
10. Workshop for Municipal Court Administrators—December 1 and 2, 1977

These management workshops constitute a significant part of the Judicial Council's long-standing programs to assist courts in achieving a high standard of administrative performance. The discussions that take place are focused on important aspects of judicial administration and have as their goal the reduction of existing case backlogs and concomitant delays in bringing cases to trial. Accordingly, considerable attention is paid to calendaring practices and procedures, innovative techniques to reduce delay, and effective use of nonjudicial staff. The workshops also provide an opportunity for an exchange of ideas on solutions to common problems.

Public Information Services

The information program operated by the Administrative Office of the Courts has provided the public with information about the courts and the administration of justice for more than a decade. The various materials are prepared by a Public Information Attorney and are primarily designed to provide the news media and public with timely and concise reports on the actions of the California Supreme Court and Judicial Council.

In 1977, the Administrative Office issued 161 news releases. Of these, 49 reported Supreme Court decisions or other actions, 52 listed the cases accepted for hearing by the Supreme court (see *1974 Judicial Council Report*, p. 75), 24 concerned Judicial Council activities and 36 were related to other judicial matters, such as actions by the Commission on Judicial Appointments. Distribution of news releases is regularly made to the major metropolitan news media, the legal press, selected law schools and court personnel and agencies concerned with judicial administration. A news release may be distributed to the legal, statewide and national media, depending upon its nature and relative significance. Such distribution ranges from 25 to over 250 recipients. A summary of the cases accepted for hearing by the Supreme Court each week is generally limited to the legal press, since that material is subsequently included in the advance sheets to the *Official California Reports*.

These news releases generate both written and telephone inquiries concerning background data, related legal and judicial procedures, the relevance of the ruling or action to other state or federal decisions, statutes, etc., or the practical effect of the ruling or action. In addition, numerous inquiries are received from citizens, legislators, judges, administrators, court personnel and other agencies regarding individual cases and the function of the California court system.

A bimonthly newsletter is prepared for judges, court personnel and others, including organizations interested in court administration. Distributed nationally, it reaches over 2,000 recipients. The *Newsletter* focuses on reporting Council actions, programs and publications and proposed and adopted rules, standards and forms. Also noted are judicial appointments, statistics, important legislation and key court rulings.

Economical Litigation Project

Chapter 960 of the Statutes of 1976 added Part 3.5 (commencing with section 1823) to the Code of Civil Procedure. The law directs the Judicial Council to conduct a pilot project in selected trial courts utilizing experimental procedures for handling civil actions. The goal of the experiment is to determine if simplified procedures which would substantially reduce the cost of litigation can be developed for civil actions in which the amount in controversy does not exceed \$25,000.

With the assistance of a special advisory committee,¹ the Council has

¹The committee which worked on the development of these rules was composed of: Judge Richard Schauer, Chairman, Los Angeles Superior Court; Justice Robert S. Thompson, Court of Appeal (Los Angeles); Judge Eli H. Levenson, San Diego Superior Court; Judge George Brunn, Berkeley-Albany Municipal Court; Judge William J. Harris, Jr., San Jose-Milpitas Municipal Court; and Mr. Francis M. Wheat, Attorney at Law, Los Angeles.

adopted rules for implementation of the project in the courts selected for participation.² Initially the rules provide for simplified pleading, limit pretrial motions and discovery, require a pretrial exchange of specified information, and in cases tried to the court, broaden admissibility of evidence and eliminate findings of fact and conclusions of law.

The Judicial Council, pursuant to statutory directions, will monitor the project, study its effects and make an annual report of its findings to the Legislature.

Small Claims Experiment

Chapter 1285 of the Statutes of 1976 added Chapter 5-B to Part I of the Code of Civil Procedure. The law directs the Judicial Council in cooperation with the Department of Consumer Affairs to conduct a small claims experiment in three municipal courts. The objective of the experiment is to determine whether steps can be taken to stimulate the use of small claims courts and reduce the number of defaults "by untrained individual litigants unfamiliar with the judicial system who might have previously considered small claims courts an inconvenient or unsatisfactory forum for the resolution of disputes."³

An advisory committee has been appointed,⁴ and the Judicial Council has selected the Sacramento, San Diego, and San Francisco Municipal Courts, with the concurrence of the judges of those courts, to serve as sites for the experimental small claims procedures. These procedures will include the use of small claims advisors to assist litigants outside of court, a postfiling mediation service, and the expanded use of law clerks to assist the court. Statistics are being accumulated in the experimental courts, and also for control purposes in the small claims divisions of the Oakland-Piedmont, Fresno, and West Orange Municipal Courts.

Rules and forms to implement the experimental project will be adopted by the Judicial Council. The advisory committee and the Department of Consumer Affairs are to evaluate the results of the program, and report to the Legislature in 1979.

Judgeship Reports

As part of its ongoing service to the Legislature and to the executive

²The Council selected the superior and municipal courts in Fresno and Los Angeles as the participating courts. The presiding judges of the Los Superior and Municipal Courts were authorized to designate those branch courts which would participate within their respective jurisdictions. Pursuant to that authority, the Southwest District (Torrance) was selected as the branch superior court in which the rules would initially apply. All branches of the Los Angeles Municipal Court will participate at the commencement of the project.

³Code Civ. Proc., § 118(a).

⁴The members of the advisory committee are: Judge Robert Beresford, Chairman, San Jose-Milpitas Municipal Court; Judge Charles E. Goff, San Francisco Municipal Court; Judge Armond M. Jewell, Los Angeles Municipal Court; Judge Ken Kawaichi, Oakland-Piedmont Municipal Court; Judge Judith N. Kcep, San Diego Municipal Court; Judge Armando O. Rodriguez, Fresno Municipal Court; Ms. Elizabeth Bradley, Attorney, San Diego; Ms. LaDoris Cordell, Attorney, East Palo Alto; Ms. Joyce G. Cox, Administrative Assistant, The Rouse Company, Santa Monica; Mr. Wilson Curle, Executive Director, Shasta County Legal Aid Society, Redding; Mr. Andrew M. Gransley, Credit Service Center Manager, Montgomery Ward, Walnut Creek; Mr. Mortimer Herzstein, Attorney, San Francisco; Mr. Christopher May, Associate Dean, Loyola University School of Law, Los Angeles; Mr. Gilbert A. Moret, Attorney, Los Angeles; Mr. John Porter, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, San Francisco.

branch of government, the Judicial Council prepared statistical reports on the judgeship needs of courts seeking additional judgeships. In preparing these reports, the Council utilized a weighted caseload system to measure judgeship needs, developed on the basis of time studies of various judicial proceedings.

In the 1977 session of the Legislature, the Judicial Council prepared 34 such reports, 16 of which applied to the superior courts and 18 to the municipal courts.⁵

B. SUMMARY OF 1977 LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON JUDICIAL COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS AND OTHER SELECTED LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

The Judicial Council recommended seven measures for enactment by the Legislature during the first year of the 1977-1978 Regular Session. Of the seven measures, five received favorable action by the Legislature and the Governor; two measures, both concerning mandatory retirement of judges, failed to pass the Legislature.

In addition to its sponsorship of these measures, the Judicial Council was concerned with a number of other legislative measures significantly affecting the judiciary and the administration of justice. This report summarizes a few of these other measures that were enacted into law in addition to reporting legislative action on measures sponsored by the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council measures are summarized first; thereafter, selected Senate and Assembly measures of particular interest to the judiciary and the administration of justice are summarized chronologically in order of their introduction, with Senate measures preceding Assembly measures. Unless otherwise indicated, all measures are effective January 1, 1978.

Senator Alfred H. Song and Assemblyman John Miller were the legislative members of the Judicial Council at the time these measures were introduced and, with certain minor exceptions, were responsible for handling all of the measures sponsored by the Council.

1. JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEASURES

Mandatory Judicial Retirement at Age 70

Senate Constitutional Amendment 31, introduced by Senator Song, together with a companion measure, Senate Bill No. 464, by the same author, provide for the mandatory retirement of judges of courts of record at the age of 70. Both measures were amended to provide that a judge who is 70 years of age and in office on January 1, 1979, would be permitted to serve until the expiration of his or her term. These measures passed the Senate

⁵The courts for which judgeship reports were prepared were: Superior Courts: Counties of San Bernardino, Madera, Riverside, Santa Clara, Sacramento, Orange, Contra Costa, Los Angeles, Tulare, Alameda, Napa, San Diego, Ventura, San Joaquin, Fresno and Solano. Municipal Courts: Districts of San Jose-Milpitas, Desert, North (San Diego), South Bay (Los Angeles), South Bay (San Diego), Riverside, Synoma, Los Angeles, Fremont-Newark-Union City, South Orange, Orange County Harbor, North Orange, West Orange, Lodi, Inglewood, El Cajon, Sacramento and San Bernardino.

Judiciary Committee, the Senate Finance Committee and the Senate floor but failed passage in the Assembly Judiciary Committee on a 3 to 6 vote. Reconsideration has been granted to both measures.

Probation Reports

Senate Bill No. 118, introduced by Senator Song, was sponsored pursuant to the Judicial Council's responsibility to adopt felony sentencing rules to implement the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Law (Sen. Bill No. 42) (Stats. 1976, ch. 1139.)

That law requires courts to hold sentencing hearings to consider matters in aggravation or mitigation of the statutory middle term of imprisonment. The Judicial Council adopted a rule which requires four days' notice of facts to be presented at the sentencing hearing (rule 437(a)) if those facts go beyond the facts contained in the probation report and any evidence heard at the trial. The four-day notice was considered to be the minimum amount of time for adequate preparation for the sentencing hearing.

In order to provide adequate time for the four-day notice, it was necessary to extend the time for judgment and sentence from 21 to 23 days and to extend the time for receipt of the probation report from two days to nine days before judgment and sentence. These changes were made in Senate Bill No. 118 by amending Penal Code sections 1191 and 1203, respectively.

This measure was enacted as an urgency measure⁶ to take effect July 1, 1977, the operative date for Senate Bill No. 42.

Registration Hold Procedure in Parking Cases

Senate Bill No. 914, introduced by Senator Foran, was amended to effect a Judicial Council recommendation that no warrant of arrest be issued in cases where a hold is placed on a vehicle registration due to delinquent parking citations. In cases where the registration hold procedure might not be effective, a warrant may be issued instead of utilizing the registration hold procedure. This measure was enacted as chapter 804.

Small Claims Court Pilot Projects—Local Costs Reimbursed

Chapter 1287, Statutes of 1976, established a two-year small claims court experimental program commencing July 1, 1977, in three small claims courts selected by the Judicial Council and in three additional courts designated as recordkeeping courts. As a result of participating in this state-mandated small claims court pilot project, the six courts involved will incur additional costs. Senate Bill No. 1074, introduced by Senator Holden, appropriated \$81,000 from the General Fund to the Judicial Council to reimburse the six counties for these additional local costs. The measure was enacted as an urgency measure effective September 14, 1977.⁷

⁶Stats. 1977, ch. 162.

⁷Stats. 1977, ch. 808.

Ventura County Superior Court Sessions

Assembly Bill No. 852, introduced by Assemblyman Keene, effectuates a Judicial Council recommendation that the Ventura Superior Court be authorized to conduct sessions at the City of Santa Paula utilizing facilities of the municipal court there with the consent of that court until the superior court is able to occupy new quarters in Ventura. The measure was amended to effectuate this recommendation and enacted as an urgency measure effective September 3, 1977.⁸

Jurisdiction of Justice Courts

Chapter 1288, Statutes of 1976, equalized the jurisdiction of justice and municipal courts. Assembly Bill No. 1941, introduced by Assemblyman Miller, is a cleanup measure to chapter 1288, and revises various provisions of the law to make procedures, practice and fee provisions for justice courts the same as those for municipal courts. Because of legislative deadlines and the need for these revised provisions to take effect immediately, Assembly Bill No. 1941 was amended into Assembly Bill No. 1189, introduced by Assemblyman Thurman. This measure was enacted, without the Governor's signature, as an urgency measure effective October 1, 1977.⁹

2. OTHER MEASURES

Alternative Disposition of Drunk Driving Cases

Senate Bill No. 38, introduced by Senator Gregorio, governs the disposition of second offender drunk driving cases through post-conviction rehabilitation programs rather than imposing license suspensions. Under 1975 legislation (ch. 1133), four counties (Kern, Santa Clara, Yuba and Ventura) for demonstration purposes have permitted persons convicted of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor, or under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and any drug, to participate in public or private programs for the treatment of problem drinking or alcoholism, in lieu of suspending driving privileges. Each program is required to meet certain standards set by the Office of Alcoholism, and courts are required to supervise those participating. Senate Bill No. 38 recasts the provisions of chapter 1133 to:

- (a) Specify additional standards and authorize the Office of Alcoholism to approve programs pursuant to the standards.
- (b) Specifically authorize courts to require proof of ability to respond in damages as a possible condition to participation in a treatment program.
- (c) Permit transfer of jurisdiction over a convicted person to another county for participation in its approved program.
- (d) Permit the establishment of joint programs by two or more counties and the furnishing of program services under contract.

⁸Stats. 1977, ch. 512.

⁹Stats. 1977, ch. 1257.

(e) Give county alcoholism administrators responsibility for assuring compliance with the standards by any program designated by the county and approved by the Office of Alcoholism.

Existing law prescribes a term of imprisonment of not less than 48 hours nor more than one year for a second or subsequent conviction for driving while under the influence. This measure authorizes a court to suspend execution of the sentence of any person convicted of a second offense who consents to participate in a program approved pursuant to this measure. The measure was enacted as chapter 890.

Blind Jurors Permitted Subject to Challenge for Cause

Senate Bill No. 152, introduced by Senator Garcia, provides that no person shall be deemed incompetent to act as a juror solely because of the loss of sight in any degree.

The measure adds to existing grounds for challenges for cause any visual or auditory defect if the court determines that the challenged person's service as a juror might prejudice the substantial rights of the challenging party. The measure was enacted as chapter 591.

Restoration of Death Penalty

Senate Bill No. 155, introduced by Senator Deukmejian, restores the death penalty in California. Court decisions had invalidated former laws under which the death penalty could be imposed because they lacked provision for consideration of mitigating circumstances. This measure provides a procedure for consideration of mitigating circumstances and imposition of life imprisonment in cases formerly subject only to the death penalty. The measure also reclassifies the crimes subject to the death penalty and prescribes life imprisonment without parole or life imprisonment with parole in other cases. The measure passed the Legislature as an urgency measure but was vetoed by the Governor on May 27, 1977. The Senate overrode the Governor's veto on a vote of 27 to 12; the Assembly overrode the veto on a vote of 54 to 26. The bill became law on August 11, 1977.¹⁰

Aliens: Advisement Required Before Acceptance of Plea

Senate Bill No. 276, introduced by Senator Garcia, requires the court, prior to accepting a guilty or nolo contendere plea to a felony or misdemeanor, to advise the defendant that deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States, or denial of naturalization may result from conviction. The court then is required to permit the defendant reasonable opportunity to reconsider the plea, if requested. Failure of the court to set forth on the record that it has complied with these requirements is grounds for vacation of the judgment and withdrawal of the guilty plea, if defendant shows that conviction of the offense to which defendant pleaded guilty or nolo contendere might have the consequences for the

¹⁰Stats. 1977, ch. 316.

defendant of deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States, or denial of naturalization. The measure was enacted as chapter 1088.

Mandatory Imprisonment

Senate Bill No. 518, introduced by Senator Holmdahl, provides that any person convicted of a felony committed while the person was on parole for the commission of a previous felony shall not be granted probation or have the execution or imposition of sentence suspended, if either the current or the previous felony is a 'violent felony' as defined by the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act of 1976. The measure was enacted as chapter 1153.

Peremptory Challenges

Senate Bill No. 618, introduced by Senator Song, reduces the number of peremptory challenges from 13 to 6 in trials for an offense punishable by a maximum term of imprisonment of 90 days or less. In joint trials for such offenses the defendants are entitled to the same number of challenges jointly as a single defendant; each of the defendants is entitled to four additional challenges to be exercised separately. The state is allowed an equal number of challenges. The measure was enacted without the Governor's signature.¹¹

Intensified Prosecution of Career Criminals Encouraged

Senate Bill No. 683, introduced by Senator Deukmejian, encourages prosecutors to adopt programs that intensify prosecutorial effort on "career criminals." Subject to reasonable discretion, prosecutors adopting such programs are urged, with regard to "career criminals," to seek pleas of guilty or trial convictions, to resist pretrial release, to seek the most severe sentence authorized under the law, to press for speedy dispositions of cases, to resist plea or sentence bargaining and to arrange for "vertical" prosecution of "career criminals" by highly qualified investigators and prosecutors who are permitted to carry reduced caseloads to maximize prosecutorial effort. The measure appropriates \$1.5 million to be disbursed by the Office of Criminal Justice Planning, in accord with guidelines and procedures to be established by that office, to the various counties applying for funds under the California Career Criminal Prosecution Program. The measure was enacted as chapter 1151.

Experimental Municipal Court with Expanded Jurisdiction

Senate Bill No. 1134, introduced by Senator Wilson, designates the El Cajon Municipal Court of San Diego County as an "experimental" municipal court with expanded jurisdiction to hear criminal felonies, family law matters and civil matters where the damages claimed range from \$5,000

¹¹Stats. 1977, ch. 1260.

to \$30,000. The authority to decide whether to hear any matter within the court's expanded jurisdiction rests exclusively with the Presiding Judge of the El Cajon Municipal Court. Matters not heard are to be transferred to the San Diego County Superior Court. The measure was amended extensively to work out constitutional and other technical problems and was enacted as amended.¹²

Small Claims Court

Assembly Bill No. 317, introduced by Assemblyman Chel, revises the small claims law to restrict the permissible methods of service, to authorize transfer or dismissal for incorrect venue, and to restore the authority of a bookkeeper to appear and prove an account without the presence of the plaintiff or defendant. The bill was enacted as an urgency measure effective May 14, 1977.¹³

Installment Payments of Money Judgments

Assembly Bill No. 439, introduced by Assemblyman Chel, provides continuing jurisdiction for a justice or municipal court to amend a judgment to provide for installment payments for good cause upon motion and notice to all affected parties. The measure was enacted as chapter 71.

Determinate Sentencing

Assembly Bill No. 476, introduced by Assemblyman Boatwright, is a cleanup bill which makes various conforming, corrective, and substantive changes to the provisions of the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act of 1976. The measure appropriates \$9,583,200 from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections and the Community Release Board to implement the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act. The bill was enacted as an urgency measure operative June 29, 1977.¹⁴

Court Interpreters

Assembly Bill No. 1599, introduced by Assemblyman Arnett, directs the Judicial Council to organize an interpreter section in the Administrative Office of the Courts to coordinate court interpreter services, develop training materials, provide testing programs and furnish technical assistance to the courts relating to court interpreter services. The measure passed the Legislature but was vetoed by the Governor. An attempt to override the veto failed in the Assembly. Reconsideration has been granted.

¹²Stats. 1977, ch. 1051.

¹³Stats. 1977, ch. 46.

¹⁴Stats. 1977, ch. 165. See chapter 1 of Part One of this report.

Judges: Service After Retirement

Assembly Bill No. 1735, introduced by Assemblyman Imbrecht, provides that a judge who has been defeated in an election and who, before his term of office expires, elects to leave his accumulated contributions in the retirement fund or to receive benefits shall not be deemed a retired judge within the meaning of section 6 of article VI of the California Constitution. This makes such judges ineligible to be considered for assignments. The measure was enacted as chapter 551.

C. CHANGES IN THE CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT DURING 1977

During 1977 the Judicial Council adopted a number of amendments to the appellate and trial court rules and recommended Standards of Judicial Administration designed to improve court administration and expedite court proceedings.

The appellate rule amendments provide procedures for appeals from the juvenile court and for the dismissal of a civil appeal when the appellant fails to procure the preparation of the record, and authorize inclusion of the probation officer's report in the record on appeal.

The trial court rule amendments delete provisions governing the format of interrogatories and requests for admissions which were rendered inoperative by 1977 legislation; require that in cases involving multiple parties, an answer, response or opposition, or a notice of a ruling or order, must identify the opposing party and the matter being answered, opposed or ruled upon; clarify the rules regarding personnel regulations for court employees; implement the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act; and implement 1977 legislation expanding the list of courts in which court reporters must file reports and keep business records for inspection by the Judicial Council.

Other rule changes authorize the Commission on Judicial Performance to release certain information concerning its proceedings to a person who complained about the conduct of a judge, or to a public entity under limited circumstances; and authorize the Executive Committee of the Judicial Council to act on the Council's behalf between meetings of the Judicial Council.

The family law rules were amended to clarify certain aspects of the procedure to be followed in applying for orders in family law cases; and to provide a separate procedure for joinder of an employee pension benefit plan. The juvenile court rules were amended to conform to 1977 legislation, and to incorporate suggestions received from the State Bar of California.

The Judicial Council also adopted rules to implement 1976 legislation authorizing pilot projects in selected trial courts using experimental procedures for handling civil actions.¹⁵

¹⁵ Stats. 1976, Ch. 960.

During 1977 the Judicial Council approved 23 new and revised forms for statewide use which are discussed in section F of this chapter.

The amendments to the Standards of Judicial Administration concern management and pretrial procedures for municipal and justice courts and recommend that superior courts provide for the granting of a continuance in a civil action when the trial attorney is engaged in the investigative or formal hearing of a State Bar disciplinary proceeding.

1. APPELLATE RULES

Dismissal of Civil Appeal When Record is Not Perfected (Rule 10)

The Judicial Council amended rule 10(c), effective July 1, 1977, to require the superior court clerk to notify an appellant of his default if he fails to take the necessary steps to procure the preparation of the record. The clerk of the reviewing court would then dismiss the appeal if the appellant failed to file a timely application for relief.

Probation Officer's Report as Part of Record on Appeal (Rule 33)

To assist the appellate courts in the review of matters arising under the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act, and to eliminate the need for record augmentation requests in those cases, the Judicial Council amended rule 33(b), effective July 1, 1977, to authorize inclusion of the probation officer's report in the record on appeal.

Juvenile Appeals (Rule 39)

Rule 39 was adopted effective July 1, 1977, to provide specific time limits for filing a notice of appeal from a judgment or order of the juvenile court, and to specify the contents of the record on appeal.

2. TRIAL COURT RULES AND STANDARDS

Interrogatories and Requests for Admissions (Rules 201, 501)

In response to 1977 legislation,¹⁶ the Judicial Council amended rules 201 and 501 effective January 1, 1978, to delete provisions relating to the form of interrogatories and requests for admissions. The deleted provisions were rendered inoperative by the new legislation, which provides for a single document containing both the questions and answers. It need not necessarily be filed with the court.

Responses and Notices of Ruling in Multiparty Action (Rules 201, 204, 501, 504)

At the suggestion of the Board of Governors of the State Bar, the Judicial Council adopted amendments effective January 1, 1978, to require that in any case involving multiple parties an answer, response or opposition, or a notice of a ruling or order, must specifically identify the complaining or

¹⁶Stats. 1977, ch. 500.

moving party and the particular complaint, motion, or other matter being answered or ruled upon.

Duties of the Presiding Judge—Personnel Regulations (Rules 244.5, 532.5)

Effective January 1, 1978, existing rules that require trial court presiding judges to prepare personnel rules and regulations were clarified regarding the adoption of affirmative action programs.

Sentencing Rules

The Judicial Council adopted sentencing rules and approved advisory committee comments implementing the Uniform Determinate Sentencing Act,¹⁷ effective July 1, 1977.¹⁸

Court Reporters' Transcript Production, Income and Time Reports (Rule 860)

To conform to 1977 legislation, the Judicial Council amended rule 860 effective January 1, 1978, to extend its applicability to each official reporter and temporary official reporter in Alameda, Butte, El Dorado, Kings, Lake, Mariposa, Mendocino, Sacramento, San Benito, Siskiyou and Yuba Counties.

Application for Orders in Family Law Cases (Rule 1225)

A July 1, 1977, amendment to the family law rule on applications for orders specifies that an endorsed copy of an application for an order must be served on the opposing party only when relief is sought by an order to show cause, and requires that the original application and order be retained at all times in the court's file.

Family Law Joinder (Rules 1250, 1253, 1291.15, 1291.25, 1291.40)

Effective January 1, 1978, the Judicial Council amended the family law rules in response to chapter 860 of the 1977 Statutes, which establishes a new procedure for joinder of an employee pension benefit plan as a party in an action for dissolution of a marriage. The rules were amended to provide two separate procedures for joining claimants in family law proceedings, one applying exclusively to employee pension benefit plans, the other applying to all other claimants. Two new family law joinder forms were adopted and the form *Summons (Joinder)* was redesigned in light of the new legislation.

Juvenile Court Rules

The Judicial Council adopted several amendments to the juvenile court rules effective July 1, 1977, to conform to new legislation and to incorporate suggestions received from the State Bar and others who reviewed the rules following their adoption in November 1976.¹⁹ Among the changes are

¹⁷Stats, 1976, ch. 1139.

¹⁸See Part One, chapter 1 of this report.

¹⁹See Part One, chapter 1 of the 1977 Annual Report.

amendments that (1) provide for the immediate granting of a request for rehearing of unreported referee proceedings; (2) recognize the potential conflict of interest for the prosecuting attorney in representing a minor in dependency proceedings; and (3) require that probation reports be made available 48 hours before a disposition hearing.

New provisions adopted effective July 1, 1977 require that a petition for appellate review of a finding of unfitness must be filed within 15 days and permit required felony-misdemeanor determinations to be postponed until the disposition hearing. A new rule 1373 was subsequently amended effective January 1, 1978, in response to chapter 1238 of the 1977 Statutes, to refer to newly amended Welfare and Institutions Code section 726 which sets forth procedures for determining the maximum period of physical confinement of a minor. Rule 1392 was amended effective January 1, 1978, to specify that a supplemental petition is to be filed by the probation officer where the minor has been declared a dependent child or ward of the court under section 601 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and by the prosecuting attorney at the request of the probation officer where the minor has been declared a ward under section 602.

Economical Litigation Rules

The Judicial Council adopted rules effective January 1, 1978, to be followed in the economical litigation pilot projects authorized by 1976 legislation.²⁰ The goal of the experimental projects is to determine if simplified procedures can be developed to reduce substantially the expense of litigation in those civil actions in which the amount in controversy does not exceed \$25,000.

The courts selected for participation in the project are the Fresno Superior and Municipal Courts, the Los Angeles Municipal Court, and the Torrance branch of the Los Angeles Superior Court.

The new rules are based upon the work of the Judicial Council's Advisory Committee on Economical Litigation and include many suggestions submitted by interested organizations and individuals who reviewed the proposed rules tentatively adopted in May 1977. As contemplated by the Legislature, changes in the rules will be considered as the experimental projects progress (see Code Civ. Proc. § 1823.4).

The rules (1) provide for simplified pleadings; (2) limit pretrial motions and discovery; (3) require a pretrial exchange of specified information; and (4) in cases tried without a jury, broaden admissibility of evidence and eliminate written findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Municipal and Justice Court Management (Standards of Judicial Administration, Sections 4, 10, 10.5, 11)

The Judicial Council adopted several recommended standards for municipal and justice court management, criminal pretrial procedures and traffic calendar management effective July 1, 1977. These proposals were based primarily upon recommendations developed at a 1973 municipal

²⁰ Stats. 1976, ch. 960.

court management workshop and the subsequent experience of various courts and the Judicial Council's team of calendar management consultants. The amendments adopted were revised in several respects because of comments received from the State Bar and others following publication of the proposed amendments as tentatively adopted in November 1976.

Granting Continuances in Civil Cases (Section 9(b) (3), Standards of Judicial Administration)

The Judicial Council adopted an amendment to section 9(b) (3) of the Standards of Judicial Administration, effective January 1, 1978, to provide for the granting of a continuance in a civil case when the trial attorney is engaged in the investigative or formal hearing of a State Bar disciplinary proceeding.

3. OTHER RULES

Release of Information by the Commission on Judicial Performance (Rule 902)

Rule 902 was amended effective January 1, 1978, to permit the Commission on Judicial Performance to disclose to a person who complained against a judge that after investigation of the charges the Commission either found no basis for action, took appropriate corrective action (without disclosing the specific nature of the action) or filed a recommendation for censure, removal, or retirement. The name of the judge is not to be used in any written communication to the complainant unless a record has been filed with the Supreme Court.

The Judicial Council also adopted an amendment effective July 1, 1977, that authorizes the Commission on Judicial Performance, under certain circumstances, to release to a public entity information concerning a judge who resigned or retired after formal proceedings were instituted against him, if release of the information would promote the interest of justice and maintain confidence in the administration of justice.

Authority of Executive Committee to Act on Judicial Council's Behalf (Rule 997)

The Judicial Council adopted rule 997, effective January 21, 1977, which authorizes the Executive Committee of the Judicial Council to act on the Council's behalf with respect to any matter which requires action between meetings, except for the adoption of rules of court or Standards of Judicial Administration and for the making of statutory appointments.

D. JUDICIAL REDISTRICTING

As reported in the *1977 Judicial Council Report*, in the period between July 1, 1975 and January 3, 1977, there were major changes in the composition of municipal court and justice court districts in California. Realignments and consolidations eliminated 79 judicial districts and reduced the total number of judicial districts in California to 200. Eighty-eight justice court districts were eliminated and nine municipal court districts were

created during this period.

There was no further change in the total number of judicial districts in 1977, but one justice court district (Castroville) became a municipal court district during the year.

Table A gives the total number of judicial districts as of January 3, 1978 and for each year since the lower court reorganization in 1953.

The number of districts served by justice courts has decreased since the reorganization because of: (1) redistricting by local boards of supervisors resulting in the consolidation of separate justice court districts to form either municipal courts or larger justice court districts and (2) the creation of municipal courts as district populations increase to levels in excess of the 40,000 constitutional limit for justice courts.

TABLE A—CALIFORNIA JUDICIAL DISTRICTS
As of June 30, 1953 through 1977

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total judicial districts</i>	<i>Number of justice courts</i>	<i>Number of municipal courts</i>
1953	400	349	51
1954	400	348	52
1955	395	342	53
1956	395	341	54
1957	393	335	58
1958	390	329	61
1959	374	312	62
1960	374	307	67
1961	371	302	69
1962	370	298	72
1963	365	293	72
1964	361	288	73
1965	349	276	73
1966	339	268	71
1967	336	263	73
1968	326	253	73
1969	319	245	74
1970	319	244	75
1971	309	232	77
1972	303	226	77
1973	297	221	76
1974	291	214	77
1975	279	199	80
1976	259	175	84
1977	200	110	90

E. JUSTICE COURT QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

Oral examinations are required when there are more than three qualified candidates for appointment to a justice court judgeship.²¹ During the 1977 calendar year one oral examining board was appointed to interview candidates for the office of justice court judge.²²

F. JUDICIAL COUNCIL LEGAL FORMS

During 1977, the Judicial Council approved 24 new or revised forms for statewide use. Fifteen of the forms were approved for optional use in conservatorship, guardianship and probate proceedings pursuant to 1976 legislation,²³ effective July 1, 1977: (1) Citation for Guardianship (Incompetency) and Proof of Service; (2) Citation for Conservatorship and Proof of Service; (3) Citation (Probate) and Proof of Service; (4) Order Appointing Guardian for Incompetent; (5) Order Appointing Conservator; (6) Proof of Service by Mail of Order Appointing Guardian or Conservator; (7) Letters Guardianship/Conservatorship; (8) Order Appointing Court Investigator; (9) Declaration of Medical or Accredited Practitioner; (10) Petition for Appointment of Guardian (Incompetency); (11) Petition for Appointment of Conservator; (12) Order Appointing Temporary Conservator; (13) Letters of Temporary Conservatorship; (14) Notice of Hearing of Petition (Probate); (15) Order for Probate.

The Judicial Council also adopted for mandatory use two new criminal forms: (16) Abstract of Judgment-Commitment, and (17) Report to the Judicial Council. A revised form of (18) General Denial was adopted effective January 1, 1978, pursuant to 1977 legislation²⁴

Four existing Writ of Execution forms were consolidated into two forms effective January 1, 1978, and approved for optional use pursuant to 1976 and 1977 legislation:²⁵ (19) Writ of Execution, (20) Writ of Execution Against Dwelling House (Money Judgment). A revised (21) Application for Entry of Judgment on Sister State Judgment form was approved for optional use effective January 1, 1978, pursuant to 1977 legislation.²⁶

Three new or revised family law forms were adopted for mandatory use effective January 1, 1978 pursuant to 1977 legislation:²⁷ (22) Summons (Joinder) and Proof of Service; (23) Request for Joinder of Employee Pension Benefit Plan and Order; and (24) Notice of Appearance of Employee Pension Benefit Plan.

The Judicial Council revoked three existing probate forms and one family law form: (1) Letters of Conservatorship; (2) Letters of Guardian-

²¹Gov. Code, §§ 71180.4, 71601.3; Cal. Rules of Court, rules 765-770.

²²An oral examination was given in San Bernardino County for a vacancy in the Trona Justice Court District. Only attorneys were eligible to apply for the position. Seven attorneys filed statements of candidacy and six were interviewed.

²³Stats. 1976, ch. 1357.

²⁴Stats. 1977, ch. 93.

²⁵Stats. 1976, ch. 1000; Stats. 1977, ch. 305.

²⁶Stats. 1977, ch. 232.

²⁷Stats. 1977, ch. 860.

ship; (3) Order Appointing Guardian and Order Appointing Appraiser; and (4) Summons (Joinder) which were replaced by revised forms.

An explanation of the new forms and background of the changes in Council forms follows:

Probate Forms

The Judicial Council approved 15 new or revised probate forms for optional use, effective July 1, 1977. Twelve of the forms are for use under the new guardianship and conservatorship law (Stats. 1976, ch. 1357) which became effective on that date.

The new law substantially revises the procedures for creating guardianships and conservatorships. It changes terminology and the definitions of persons eligible for guardianship and conservatorship, requires the appointment of counsel to represent the interests of a proposed ward or conservatee under designated circumstances, provides for jury trial on the issue of whether a wardship or conservatorship should be established, and provides for the utilization of investigators in those proceedings.

The *Citation for Guardianship (Incompetency)* and *Citation for Conservatorship* forms contain various notices required by the statutes (see Prob. Code, §§ 1461, 1754). The *Citation (Probate)* form is a separate general citation constituting an order to show cause for removal of representatives, examinations under Probate Code sections 613-15 or for other purposes. It can also be used if a citation is needed in the guardianship of a minor. The general citation form is often addressed to banks and corporations, as well as to individuals, so the service provisions generally applicable to service of summons have been incorporated.

The findings and orders required by the statute are incorporated into the *Order Appointing Guardian for Incompetent* and *Order Appointing Conservator* forms (see Prob. Code, §§ 1460, 1606, 1751, 1853, 2006). Since service of the order appointing the guardian or conservator is necessary before the clerk can issue letters, a separate form of *Proof of Service by Mail* is provided to trigger the clerk's action on the issuance of letters.

The Judicial Council adopted a proposal to combine various types of letters into one form, *Letters of Guardianship/Conservatorship*. Letters of conservatorship or guardianship are rarely seen by the ward, conservator or minor, so there is little possibility of confusion resulting from the use of a multipurpose form. The new statutory provisions on the use of investigators are incorporated into the *Order Appointing Court Investigator* form (see Prob. Code, §§ 1461.1, 1500.1, 1754, 1851.1). The new legislation permits accredited practitioners of certain types of religious healing, as well as medical practitioners, to certify to medical incapacities. The terminology of the *Declaration of Medical or Accredited Practitioner* form follows the statute.

The *Petition for Appointment of Guardian (Incompetency)* and *Petition for Appointment of Conservator* forms contain the necessary information to enable the court investigator to prepare for the hearing. The forms provide space to indicate at the time of filing whether or not the proposed incompetent or conservatee is likely to appear at the hearing, so that the

court investigator can immediately start to work and avoid unnecessary continuances. The intent of the legislature is to have these matters heard as quickly as possible.

In many instances a temporary conservator will have to be appointed without a full scale hearing and without a full determination of the condition of the conservatee. The *Order Appointing Conservator* form provides for certain findings that are inapplicable to a temporary conservatorship, for which the *Order Appointing Temporary Conservator* form should be used.

A temporary conservatorship can last only 30 days unless extended by further order of the court. The *Letters of Temporary Conservatorship* form provides for an extension.

The *Notice of Hearing of Petition (Probate)* form is based on several notice of hearing forms that have been adopted by individual courts. The revised *Order for Probate* provides for an entry indicating that the will was admitted to probate by minute order on a specified date. See *Wolfson v. Superior Court* (1976) 60 Cal.App.3d 153. The Judicial Council encourages the use of existing supplies of the previously approved *Order for Probate* form if appropriately modified to conform to the *Wolfson* case.

Criminal Forms

In order to collect the statistical information required by Penal Code section 1170.4 relating to sentencing practices, the Judicial Council adopted two new forms for mandatory use effective July 1, 1977. These are Form CR 290, *Abstract of Judgment-Commitment*, which is used for all defendants sentenced to state prison for determinate terms; and Form CR 291, *Report to the Judicial Council*, which is used in all other cases (e.g., probation, indeterminate prison term, "wobbler" made a misdemeanor). These reporting documents were revised several times prior to their final approval as a result of consultation with the Department of Corrections, with court clerks, and with others who would be involved with the use of the forms. The *Abstract of Judgment-Commitment* form was revised effective July 28, 1977 to incorporate changes made necessary by chapter 165 of the Statutes of 1977.

General Denial

The form of *General Denial* adopted for mandatory use by the Judicial Council in 1976 was revised because of an amendment to Code of Civil Procedure section 431.40.²⁸

The revised form is for use in actions where the demand or value of the property does not exceed \$1,000. The form may also be used pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 431.30 as a general denial in actions where the demand or value of the property exceeds \$1,000 and the complaint is unverified. The Judicial Council authorized continued use of existing supplies of the *General Denial* form if overprinted to substitute \$1,000 in place of the previous \$750 limitation, until existing stocks are exhausted.

²⁸Stats. 1977, ch. 93.

Writ of Execution

Recent legislation²⁹ amended section 690.31 of the Code of Civil Procedure and other sections to require that a Writ of Execution issued against a dwelling house must specify the amounts of distribution under the levy, the names and addresses of persons having encumbrances against the dwelling, the names and addresses of exempt debtors and the exempt amount.

The four existing *Writ of Execution* forms were consolidated into two forms: one is for execution on property containing a dwelling house and the other is used for execution on all other types of property. The Judicial Council authorized continued use of existing supplies of the present *Writ of Execution* forms if overprinted with a statement that the form may not be used for execution on a dwelling house.

Application for Entry of Judgment on Sister State Judgment

Chapter 232 of the 1977 Statutes amended Code of Civil Procedure sections 1710.15, 1710.25, 1710.30 and 1710.40 to require that an application for entry of judgment based on a sister state judgment must include a statement of the interest accrued on the sister state judgment computed at the rate of interest applicable to the judgment in the sister state (not to exceed 7 percent), a statement of the sister state's rate of interest and a citation of the law of the sister state establishing the rate of interest. The existing form was revised to comply with these requirements.

Family Law Forms

To implement the provisions of chapter 860 of the 1977 Statutes, the Judicial Council revised the existing *Summons (Joinder)* form and adopted two new forms for mandatory use, effective January 1, 1978.

The *Request for Joinder of Employee Pension Benefit Plan and Order* (rule 1291.15) form complies with the statute's requirement for a joinder request addressed to the clerk, who must enter an order and issue an appropriate summons. Data to identify the employee is included for the plan's convenience. The pension plan is required to be served a blank copy of a notice of appearance, the joinder request and order, and the summons. The *Notice of Appearance* (rule 1291.25) form provides space for the plan to make the election provided by the statute regarding its desire to be governed by new Civil Code section 4363.2.

The *Joinder Summons* (rule 1291.40) was redesigned to provide the notice required to be given the plan, that it has 45 days to answer, without misleading other joined claimants who have 30 days to respond. In addition, provision was made for showing proof of service of a copy of the *Request for Joinder and Order*, as well as a blank copy of the *Notice of Appearance*. The proof of service was updated to conform to statutory changes since it was last revised effective January 1, 1975.

All of the new and revised forms were prepared and recommended for Judicial Council approval by the Judicial Council Advisory Committee on

²⁹Stats. 1976, ch. 1000; Stats. 1977, ch. 305.

Legal Forms, a statewide committee with representation from the State Bar, the judiciary and the court clerks' organizations. In accordance with the Judicial Council's long-standing policy, the new forms were submitted to the State Bar Board of Governors for the Board's review and approval prior to final approval by the Judicial Council.

Copies of the new and revised forms were sent to trial courts throughout the state so that each court might reproduce the forms for local use.

G. FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

A. The following Judicial Council projects that were funded by federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration grants operated in 1977:

1. *Judicial Criminal Justice Planning Committee* (CCCJ 8035-77)
\$67,336 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$74,818 total project cost.

This grant continued to support the Judicial Criminal Justice Planning Committee organized pursuant to sections 13830-13833 of the Penal Code. The committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Office of Criminal Justice Planning on any California court project submitted for funding. It also develops planning material for trial court use and serves to provide direction for court projects.

2. *Trial Court Criminal Justice Coordinator* (CCCJ 8036-77)
\$34,120 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$37,911 total project cost.

Many improvements in the administration of justice are trial court matters that require implementation through a local court or courts and that can be assisted by federal funds. This grant funds a Trial Court Criminal Justice Coordinator to assist trial courts in this connection. The coordinator delineates specific projects, prepares grant applications for funding, and coordinates the implementation of such funded projects in suitable trial courts. He also assists CCCJ regional boards in preparation of judicial components of their comprehensive plans, assists trial courts in the preparation of additional applications for federal funding and distributes pertinent information to all appropriate trial courts under the direct supervision of the Judicial Planning Committee.

3. *New Trial Judges Orientation* (CCCJ 2576-1 and 2)
\$67,500 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$75,000 total project cost, first year;
\$135,000 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$150,000 total project cost second year.

This grant financed the first two years of a three-year experimental effort to institute a year-round, individualized orientation program for new California trial judges and to prepare the related training materials. The effort was developed by the California Center for Judicial Education and Research.

4. *Statewide Calendar Management Technical Assistance Team* (CCCJ 1340-4)

\$166,894 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$185,438 total project cost.

This grant implemented the proposition that improvements in calendaring and management techniques provide a primary means of reducing delay in the judicial process. The Calendar Management Technical Assistance Team offers its services upon request to superior, municipal and justice courts throughout the state. Staff members assist local courts in analyzing calendar management problems and in implementing recent developments in calendar management techniques. The project was included in the Judicial Council's 1977-1978 budget as a continuing, state-funded operation.

5. *Language Needs of Non-English Speaking Persons* (CCCJ 2096-2)

\$91,700 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$101,289 total project cost.

Pursuant to 1973 Assembly Concurrent Resolution 74, the Judicial Council commenced this project to identify and evaluate, at every stage of the judicial process, both criminal and civil, the language needs of non-English speaking persons. During the project's first year, documents and forms were identified which should be provided in languages other than English and initial standards were developed for the training and utilization of court interpreters. This project, in its second year, culminated in a final report and recommendation to the Judicial Council and the Legislature for improved court interpreter services. A bill to implement these recommendations was passed by the Legislature but was vetoed by the Governor.³⁰

6. *Uniform Juvenile Court Rules Project* (CCCJ 1873-2)

\$45,547 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$50,608 total project cost.

This grant funded the development of rules for juvenile court proceedings under the authority of the California Constitution and Welfare and Institutions Code section 570. An advisory committee of juvenile court judges guided and assisted the project staff in preparing the drafts of rules for Judicial Council review and adoption. During the second year of the project the draft rules were distributed for comment, revised and ultimately adopted by the Judicial Council to be effective July 1, 1977. The new rules are expected to result in greater procedural uniformity and guidance to judges, referees, attorneys and probation officers in the state's 58 juvenile courts.

7. *Management Standards for Jurors and Witnesses* (CCCJ 2792-1)

\$90,000 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$100,000 total project cost.

This project was designed to meet the critical need to improve management and treatment of jurors and witnesses in criminal proceedings by analyzing the major management problems involved with jurors and witnesses at the trial court level, developing standards to address the problems, and testing, implementing and evaluating these standards in a pilot

³⁰See discussion in part B of this chapter.

program for possible statewide application. Surveys have been conducted and preliminary reports have been drafted. A final report is due in May 1978.

8. *Workshops on Criminal Caseloads* (CCCJ 2790-1)

\$54,000 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$60,000 total project cost.

This project funded a series of workshops specifically designed to assist courts in dealing with criminal backlog and delay, and the needs of defendants, victims and witnesses. The workshop design was to assist judicial and nonjudicial personnel of the state's courts in carrying out their responsibilities more effectively by familiarizing them with recent developments and innovations in court management and by providing a forum for discussion of the most pressing problems facing the trial courts.

B. The following Judicial Council projects have been approved for funding during 1978 by the California Council on Criminal Justice as a part of the 1978 State and Private Agency Plan.

1. *New Trial Court Judges Orientation* (CCCJ 2576-3)

\$130,500 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$145,000 total project cost.

This project will fund the third year of the experimental effort to institute a year-round, individualized orientation program for new California trial judges.

2. *Workshops on Criminal Caseloads* (CCCJ 2790-2)

\$54,000 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$60,000 total project cost.

This project will fund the second year in a series of workshops specifically designed to assist courts in dealing with criminal backlog and delay, and the needs of defendants, victims and witnesses. The workshop design is to assist judicial and nonjudicial personnel of the state's courts in carrying out their responsibilities more effectively by familiarizing them with recent developments and innovations in court management and by providing a forum for discussion of the most pressing problems facing the trial courts.

3. *Judicial Criminal Justice Planning Committee* (CCCJ 8035-78)

\$101,000 CCCJ (LEAA) / \$112,222 total project cost.

These funds will continue the operation of the committee pursuant to sections 13830-13833 of the Penal Code. The Trial Court Criminal Justice Coordinator position, previously funded by a separate grant, will now be incorporated within this project.

H. COORDINATION OF MULTICOURT CIVIL ACTIONS³¹

The rate of filing of petitions for coordination of civil actions continued to grow during 1977: A total of 131 petitions were received during 1977 by

³¹Code Civ. Proc., §§ 404-404.8; Cal. Rules of Court, rules 1501-1550. Coordination is basically a two-step procedure: on petition, the Chairperson of the Judicial Council assigns a coordination motion judge to determine whether coordination of cases pending in different courts and sharing a common question of fact or law is appropriate (Code Civ. Proc., § 404; Cal. Rules of Court, rules 1521, 1524); and if coordination is ordered, the Chairperson assigns a trial judge to hear and determine the coordinated actions (Code Civ. Proc., § 404.3; Cal. Rules of Court, rules 1529, 1540).

the Chief Justice as Chairperson of the Judicial Council. Altogether 284 individual actions pending in 29 superior courts, 35 municipal courts, and 2 justice courts were included in petitions for coordination.

The distribution of coordination business in general categories remains substantially the same as in earlier years. Most numerous were petitions for coordination involving actions for personal injury, death and property damage arising out of automobile collisions³² and otherwise.³³ Other types of litigation in order of frequency were real property actions,³⁴ commercial disputes,³⁵ multiparty claims in construction and subdivision projects,³⁶ public law questions,³⁷ miscellaneous torts,³⁸ fire casualties,³⁹ and family law matters.⁴⁰

As in earlier years, a large number of the petitions for coordination involved "vertical" coordination of superior court actions with municipal or justice court actions.⁴¹ Most often this combination arises out of automobile collision litigation when one or more parties file a personal injury action in the superior court, while other parties file personal injury or property damage actions for lesser amounts in the municipal court. Another frequent source of vertical coordination involves unlawful detainer actions in the municipal court with actions for equitable or other relief relating to occupancy of the same property in the superior court. There are numerous other combinations of less frequent occurrence.

Usually, petitions included only two or three cases.⁴² However, in two instances in personal injury proceedings 24 separate actions were included: The "School Bus Collision Cases"⁴³ involving death and injuries to a number of school children after a bus crashed through a bridge railing; and the "Chemical Spill Cases"⁴⁴ brought by a number of policemen and firemen exposed to toxic chemicals in the course of cleaning up after a highway truck accident.

An eight-month trial in the "U. S. Financial Cases" was concluded during 1977, with a 30 million dollar verdict given in favor of 22 leading institutions in the United States and Europe and against an accounting firm on the claim of a negligent audit of the books of failed U. S. Financial Inc.⁴⁵ The proceeding coordinated actions originally filed in the Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Diego Superior Courts.

Since the January 1, 1974 effective date of the coordination statute and rules of court, the proportion of proceedings in which coordination has been ordered has remained steady at 77-78 percent. In the remainder of the proceedings, petitions for coordination were either denied, withdrawn, or became moot before the hearing on the petition.

³²52 Petitions.

³³9 Petitions.

³⁴24 Petitions.

³⁵17 Petitions.

³⁶11 Petitions.

³⁷7 Petitions.

³⁸6 Petitions.

³⁹3 Petitions.

⁴⁰2 Petitions.

⁴¹76 Petitions.

⁴²115 Petitions.

⁴³Jud. Co. No. 356.

⁴⁴Jud. Co. No. 309.

⁴⁵Jud. Co. No. 013. Coordination trial judge Verne O. Warner, San Diego Superior Court.

I. ARBITRATION OF SUPERIOR COURT CAUSES

The statute and rules of court⁴⁶ permitting arbitration of superior court causes upon stipulation of the parties or upon the election of the plaintiff in causes where the award is limited to \$7,500 were operative July 1, 1976. In the first fiscal year of operation, 4,396 cases statewide were placed on the arbitration hearing lists, approximately 82 percent by way of the plaintiff's election.

Most of the cases were lower dollar value personal injury actions. In about 94 percent of the cases, the arbitrator was selected by a random process from the list of arbitrators appointed by the superior court arbitration administrative committee.

A total of 2,119 cases were removed from the arbitration list during fiscal 1976-1977, almost equally divided between cases in which an award was made and cases which were settled prior to the date of the arbitration hearing, except for a few cases removed for administrative reasons. A trial de novo was requested in 22 percent of the cases where an arbitrator's award was made: no statistics are as yet available to show how many of these cases will settle prior to trial.

In almost all cases, the arbitrator received a standard fee of \$150.

⁴⁶Code Civ. Proc., §§ 1141.10-1141.20; Cal. Rules of Court, rules 1601-1617.

CHAPTER 2

JUDICIAL STATISTICS

A. SUPREME COURT

1. SUMMARY OF FILINGS AND BUSINESS TRANSACTED

In 1976-1977 the Supreme Court recorded 3,665 filings, almost the same number as in the two prior years. The composition of these filings was quite similar to that in 1975-1976. Habeas corpus petitions filed originally in the Supreme Court declined, but civil original proceedings increased somewhat, as did petitions for Supreme Court hearing of original proceedings decided in Courts of Appeal.

There were 27 direct appeals in death penalty cases automatically appealed to the Supreme Court.¹

TABLE I—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT
SUMMARY OF FILINGS

Fiscal Years 1966-67 through 1976-77

Type of Filing	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
Total filings	2,716	2,959	3,322	3,400	3,179	3,238	3,139	3,513	3,668	3,704	3,665
Petition for hearing of cases previously decided by the Courts of Appeal.....	1,379	1,769	1,874	2,064	2,198	2,417	2,386	2,571	2,566	2,894	2,927
Civil appeals.....	497	523	533	564	636	649	687	771	872	1,233	1,230
Criminal appeals.....	429	628	665	641	624	741	770	915	1,029	1,077	1,033
Civil original proceedings	252	393	457	635	766	849	759	709	598	314	341
Criminal original proceedings	34	57	71	72	51	85	44	80	67	270	323
Miscellaneous.....	167	168	148	152	111	93	126	96	- ^a	- ^a	- ^a
Direct appeals.....	211	49	15	17	38	11	0	0	18	21	27
Original proceedings											
Civil	91	83	84	84	108	178	160	185	207	197	235
Criminal	1,025	1,057	1,349	1,235	835	632	593	757	877	592	476
Motion to dismiss on clerk's certificate	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

^a Due to small number, these filings were included in listing by character of underlying proceeding.

During the fiscal year, the Supreme Court disposed of 2,927 petitions for hearing, 609 original proceedings and 54 executive clemency applications, in addition to numerous motions and petitions for rehearing. The Court disposed of 85 appeals and 59 original proceedings by written opinion, a total of 144 cases decided on the merits, in addition to the Court's workload of reviewing petitions for hearing, original proceedings and other matters.

¹ Direct appeals to the Supreme Court are permitted only in criminal cases where judgment of death has been pronounced. Cal. Const., art. VI, § 11. In those cases, the appeal is automatic. Pen. Code, § 1239(b).

TABLE II—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Fiscal Years 1966-67 through 1976-77

<i>Business transacted</i>	1966- 67	1967- 68	1968- 69	1969- 70	1970- 71	1971- 72	1972- 73	1973- 74	1974- 75	1975- 76	1976- 77
Total business transacted	4,135	4,296	4,124	4,772	4,637	4,673	4,691	5,288	5,646	6,035	6,065
Appeals											
By written opinion.....	140	116	140	114	116	86	117	79	105	112	85
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmation or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.)	8	8	2	0	11	7	2	4	1	6	6
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus) ^a											
By written opinion.....	58	56	66	91	86	76	62	76	84	79	59
Without opinion	1,028	1,048	1,180	1,121	911	802	588	860	840	735	550
Petitions for hearing											
Granted.....	157	168	158	191	204	230	181	198	172	229	231
Denied.....	1,222	1,601	1,716	1,873	1,994	2,187	2,205	2,373	2,394	2,665	2,696
Motions (miscellaneous) ^b											
Denied or granted	35	33	20	67	67	30	68	64	89	124	113
Rehearings											
Granted.....	1	1	5	0	1	1	2	3	3	1	0
Denied.....	106	66	93	95	87	55	62	50	72	83	69
Orders ^c											
Transfers and retransfers	749	452	157	177	169	198	231	189	221	252	258
Alternative writs or orders to show cause ^d	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	60	61	59
Miscellaneous.....	608	717	551	997	948	940	1,161	1,331	1,567	1,650	1,885
Executive clemency applications ^e											
.....	23	30	36	46	43	61	12	9	38	38	54

^a Includes those filed initially in the Supreme Court, and those previously decided by Courts of Appeal but transferred to the Supreme Court on petition for hearing or on its own motion.

^b Excluding granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^c Not reported elsewhere.

^d Data previous to 1973-74 included in miscellaneous.

^e Cal. Const., Art. V, §8.

The Supreme Court's workload also included several disciplinary proceedings against attorneys, as reflected in Table III below. A percentage of the attorneys subject to disciplinary proceedings did not seek review² of the State Bar's recommendations and, as noted in Table III, a number resigned while proceedings were pending. Even when the attorney involved did not challenge the recommendation, however, the Supreme Court reviewed the record and made its own determination of the appropriate disciplinary sanction.

²When an attorney files a petition for a writ of review in the Supreme Court, the disciplinary matter is docketed as a civil original proceeding, and the case is reflected both in the summary of filings and, when decided, in the business transacted tables.

**TABLE III—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT
ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	1976-77	1975-76
Record of conviction of crime filed		
Suspension ordered because offense involved moral turpitude	24 ^a	16 ^b
Referred to State Bar for determination whether offense involved moral turpitude	8	18
State Bar recommendations of suspension or probation	55 ^c	35 ^d
State Bar recommendations of disbarment	4	10
State Bar filing without specific recommendation	1	1
Resignation while disciplinary proceedings pending	10	15
Petitions for reinstatement	1	3
Accusation filings	1 ^e	—
Total	104	97

^a Petitions to set aside or stay suspension filed in eight. Objections or writ of review filed in one. Two were referred to State Bar after suspension ordered. Two resigned and one was disbarred in another proceeding while disciplinary proceedings were pending.

^b Petitions to set aside or stay suspension filed in three. Objections or writ of review filed in three. One was referred to State Bar after suspension ordered.

^c Writs of review filed in ten.

^d Writs of review filed in ten. Petition to stay suspension filed in one.

^e Accusations, seeking independent review by the Supreme Court without a prior recommendation of the State Bar, are now filed as disciplinary proceedings.

2. PETITIONS FOR HEARING

Petitions for hearing set another new record, exceeding last year by 33 (1.1 percent). The numbers of petitions in civil and in criminal appeals were virtually unchanged; Supreme Court review was sought in more habeas corpus matters than in any recent year, and in more civil original proceedings than last year.

	<i>Appeals decided by Courts of Appeal</i>	<i>Petitions for Hearing in Appeals</i>	%
1976-77	5,626	2,263	40.2
1975-76	5,592	2,310	41.3
1974-75	5,240	1,901	36.3
1973-74	4,389	1,686	38.4
1972-73	3,890	1,457	37.5

As noted in last year's report, petitions for hearing in appeals are a fairly constant percentage of appeals decided by Courts of Appeal.

As appeal filings have increased in the Courts of Appeal to an extent not yet fully reflected in their dispositions (compare Tables VI and VIII, *infra*), it may be anticipated that the Supreme Court will receive a substantially greater number of petitions for hearing in the next few years.

The Supreme Court agreed to review 231 cases which had previously been before Courts of Appeal, or 7.9 percent of the petitions.

The percentage of petitions granted in each category did not differ greatly from the prior year.

**TABLE IV—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT
PETITIONS FOR HEARING IN SUPREME COURT—NUMBER
FILED, GRANTED AND PERCENT GRANTED
Fiscal Years 1966-67 through 1976-77**

	1965- 66	1966- 67	1967- 68	1968- 69	1969- 70	1970- 71	1971- 72	1972- 73	1973- 74	1974- 75	1975- 76	1975- 77
Filed	1,205	1,379	1,769	1,874	2,064	2,198	2,417	2,386	2,571	2,566	2,894	2,927
Granted	127	157	168	158	191	204	230	181	198	172	229	231
Percent granted	10.5	11.4	9.5	8.4	9.3	9.3	9.5	7.6	7.7	6.7	7.9	7.9

**TABLE V—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT
PETITIONS FOR HEARING GRANTED AND DENIED
BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1973-77**

Type of Proceeding	1976-77				1975-76			
	Filed	Granted		Denied	Filed	Granted		Denied
		No.	%			No.	%	
Total	2,927	231	7.9	2,696	2,894	229	7.9	2,665
Civil appeals	1,230	133	10.8	1,097	1,233	153	12.4	1,080
Criminal appeals	1,033	61	5.9	972	1,077	35	3.2	1,042
Civil original proceedings	341	24	7.0	317	314	32	10.2	282
Criminal original proceedings ^a	323	13	4.0	310	270	9	3.3	261
Miscellaneous motions and applications	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

^a Habeas Corpus

^b Due to small number, these petitions were included in listing by character of underlying proceeding.

3. ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS

Filings of criminal original proceedings in the Supreme Court decreased as they did in 1975-1976, and civil original proceedings increased only slightly. The continued decrease in criminal original proceedings (habeas corpus) is particularly significant, and appears related to the increased number of habeas corpus matters in which Supreme Court review was sought by petition for hearing; it suggests a tendency to file these matters in a lower court in the first instance. Although relatively few petitions for original writs are granted and decided by the Supreme Court by written opinion, they impose a substantial workload on the Court, since each matter filed must be evaluated by the Court to determine if it presents a question of substantial merit. A significant number are found to be sufficiently meritorious to require a full hearing, which the Supreme Court may direct should be held in a lower court.³

"Civil" original proceedings include petitions for the writs of mandamus and prohibition, and may arise from criminal cases as well as civil cases and other proceedings. Legal questions of great significance may arise and be decided in these matters; for example, the case⁴ in which the Supreme Court determined that California's 1973 death penalty law⁵ was unconstitutional came before the Court as a petition for a writ of prohibition, a "civil" original proceeding.

³See Table II, Transfers and Retransfers.

⁴Rockwell v. Superior Court (1976) 18 Cal.3d 420.

⁵Pen. Code, §§ 190-190.3.

4. APPEALS

Twenty seven direct appeals were filed⁶ in 1976-1977, representing criminal cases in which the death penalty was imposed. When the death penalty was held unconstitutional, however, these and other pending cases appealed directly to the Supreme Court were transferred to the appropriate Courts of Appeal for decision.⁷ The appeals shown as disposed of in Table II, therefore consisted entirely of cases which had previously been decided by a Court of Appeal and in which a hearing was granted in the Supreme Court pursuant to petition or on the Court's own motion, rather than cases within the Supreme Court's original appellate jurisdiction.

B. COURTS OF APPEAL

1. FILINGS

Summary

Filings of contested matters⁸ in the Courts of Appeal increased more sharply than in any year since 1969-1970; the 11,460 such matters filed in fiscal 1976-1977 represented an increase of 1,148, or 11.1 percent over the previous year. The bulk of this increase (+ 761) was in the category of criminal appeals, and is closely related to the increased number of criminal cases being tried in superior courts (see Table VII, *infra*).

TABLE VI—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
SUMMARY OF FILINGS (INCLUDING TRANSFERS
FROM SUPREME COURT)

	Fiscal Years 1966-67 Through 1976-77										
Type of filing	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
Total filings	5,538	6,411	6,874	8,039	8,684	8,548	9,186	9,805	10,349	10,797	11,939
Appeals											
Civil	1,478	1,664	1,751	1,981	1,921	2,191	2,277	2,380	2,686	3,183	3,283
Criminal	1,948	2,037	2,120	2,562	3,025	2,764	3,106	3,300	3,229	3,279	4,040
Original proceedings											
Civil	978	1,347	1,608	2,172	2,520	2,492	2,520	2,593	2,730	2,842	3,211
Criminal	861	1,073	1,057	1,006	877	747	903	1,145	1,291	1,008	926
Total contested matters	5,262	6,121	6,530	7,721	8,327	8,194	8,806	9,418	9,936	10,312	11,460
Motions to dismiss on clerk's certificate											
Civil	273	288	337	317	357	353	377	384	411	484	476
Criminal	3	2	7	1	0	1	3	3	2	1	3

Court of Appeal filings in 1976-1977 included 7,323 appeals, which comprised 63.9 percent of all contested filings in those courts. The comparable figure was 59.6 percent in 1974-1975 and 62.7 percent in 1975-1976.

⁶A criminal appeal is deemed "filed" when the record, including a reporter's transcript, is received by the reviewing court.
⁷Except for one case, still pending, which arose under Pen. Code, § 4500, the validity of which was not decided in the *Rockwell* case.

⁸"Contested matters" includes all appeals and original proceedings; it excludes motions to dismiss on clerk's certificate, which do not significantly add to the courts' workload.

Appeals—Civil

The 3,283 civil appeals filed in 1976–1977 reflect a return to the trend depicted in Figure 1,⁹ which shows civil appeals increasing at a relatively constant annual rate averaging around 7 percent since 1967–1968.¹⁰

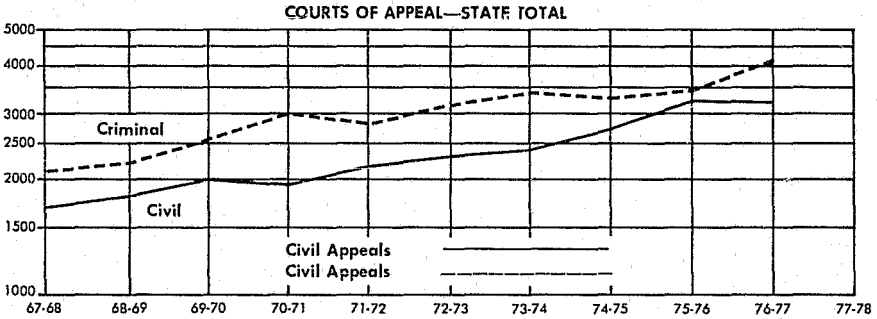


Figure 1

Appeals—Criminal

The 23 percent increase in criminal appeals filed in 1976–1977, to 4,040, 1975–1976, was not unexpected, as this number represents a return to the trend depicted in Figure 1. As indicated in prior annual reports,¹¹ the cause of the temporary stability in criminal appeals was the decline in felony trials. Table VII indicates the relationship between trials and appeals.

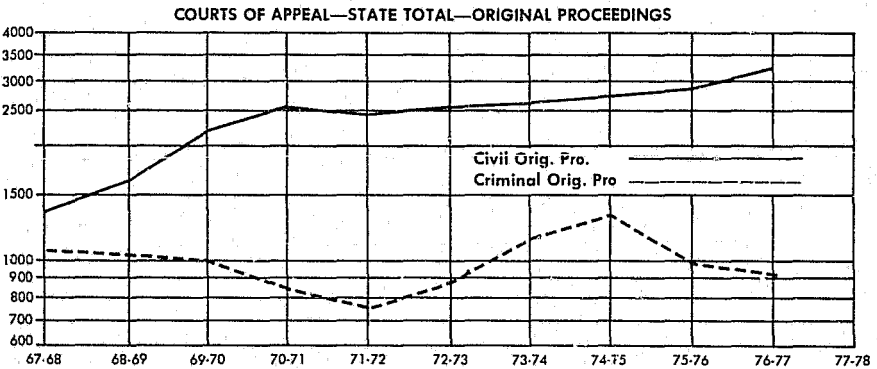


Figure 2

⁹This and other charts in this section are plotted on "semilog" scales so that a constant slope represents a constant percent of change, and equal vertical distances represent equal percentage differences.
¹⁰The increase is stated as the equivalent of a compound interest rate, that is, on the average each year increases by about that rate over the total civil appeals in the previous year.
¹¹See 1976 Judicial Council Report at 104, 112–13; 1977 Judicial Council Report at 184.

**TABLE VII—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CONTESTED SUPERIOR COURT DISPOSITIONS
AND APPEALS FILED
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77**

Fiscal Year	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-1977
State totals:										
Superior Court Contested Dispositions										
CIVIL	15,903	14,612	15,898	17,641	19,185	20,074	20,996	20,008	^R 23,185	23,657
Courts of Appeal civil appeals filed—										
Number	1,664	1,751	1,981	1,921	2,191	2,277	2,380	2,686	3,183	3,283
Percent	10.5%	12.0%	12.5%	10.9%	11.4%	11.3%	11.3%	13.4%	^R 13.7%	13.9%
Superior Court Contested Dispositions *										
CRIMINAL	5,704	6,490	7,203	7,015	6,114	6,189	6,509	6,373	5,089	6,133
Courts of Appeal criminal appeals filed—										
Number	2,037	2,120	2,562	3,025	2,764	3,106	3,300	3,229	3,279	4,040
Percent **	35.7%	32.7%	35.6%	43.1%	45.2%	50.2%	50.7%	50.7%	64.4%	65.9%
Convictions after contested trial ^{FN}	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,242	5,030
Criminal appeals filed, % of above.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	77.3	80.3

* Excludes change of plea or dismissal following start of trial for years 1967-68 through 1974-75. The 1975-76 figure includes changes of plea.

** Note that this does not necessarily reflect the precise percentage of appealable dispositions actually appealed. For example, "superior court contested dispositions" include nonappealable acquittals and excludes convictions on pleas of guilty, a few of which are appealable. The table is, therefore, presented only to show the general relationship between appellate workload and superior court dispositions.

^R Revised.

^{FN} See Appendix Table 22 B; first available in 1975-76.

Original Proceedings—Civil

Civil original proceedings consist primarily of petitions for the writs of mandamus and prohibition. These writs are used to seek appellate review of trial court decisions when an appeal is not permitted or would be an inadequate remedy, as is often true of interlocutory rulings. Although the increase in civil original proceedings was greater than in recent years, it does not seem disproportionate in light of the increased number of cases being handled at the superior court level, giving rise to questions on which review would be sought.

Original Proceedings—Criminal

By contrast, criminal original proceedings (habeas corpus) continued the decline noted last year. The beginning of the upward trend shown on Figure 2 coincided with the United States Supreme Court decision in *Morrissey v. Brewer*,¹² which established certain hearing rights in parole revocations, and would appear to be attributable to petitions for habeas corpus based upon that decision. The continued decrease suggests that the effects of that decision have been further assimilated.

¹²408 U.S. 471, 33 L.Ed.2d 484, 92 S.Ct. 2593 (1972).

Filings—Highlights by District

District 1. Civil appeal filings in the First District increased 7.9 percent to 1,110.

Criminal appeal filings have resumed the upward trend that characterized the period 1965–1972, increasing even more sharply (24.1 percent to 978) than in the preceding year.

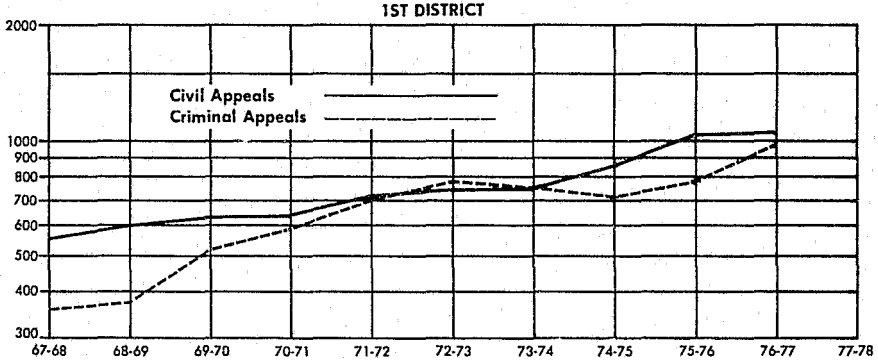


Figure 3

District 2. Civil appeals had been increasing at a fairly constant annual rate of about 12.5 percent. This year, however, they declined by 142 to 962. This decline is apparently related to a decreased number of civil cases being brought to trial in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

The increase in criminal appeals (up 290 or 21.1 percent to 1,665) more than compensated for the decrease in civil caseload. This increase, like the civil decrease, appears to be the direct result of the nature and volume of cases being tried in superior court.

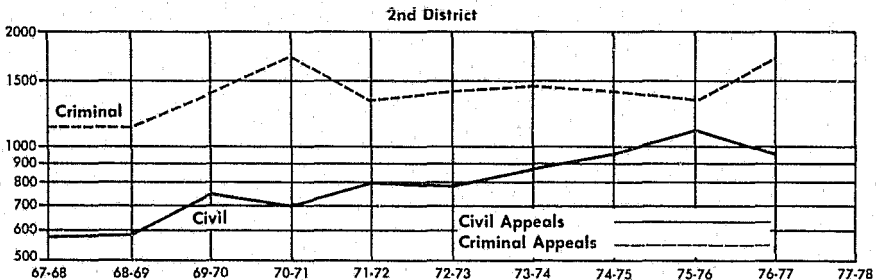


Figure 4

District 3. Civil appeals continue to increase at the sharp rate first noted in 1971–1972; the average annual rate of increase since 1970–1971 is 14 percent.

As was true throughout the state, criminal appeals increased more rapidly than in recent years (+ 23.9 percent to 373).

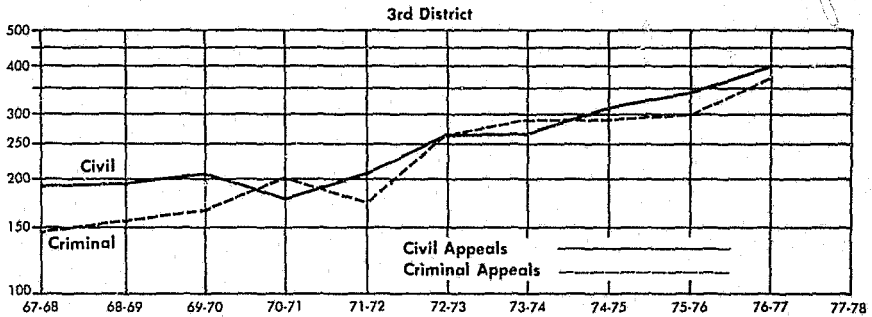


Figure 5

District 4. Civil appeals continued to increase (by 10.7 percent), although not at the extraordinary rate (33 percent) shown in 1975-1976. Criminal appeals increased by 19.8 percent to 641.

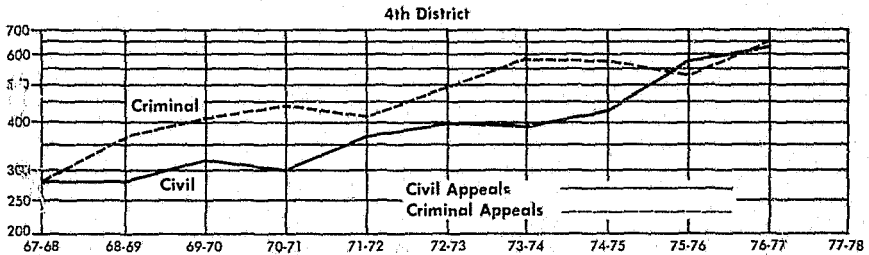


Figure 6

District 5. Criminal filings increased even more sharply (by 36.8 percent) than the district trend of an average annual increase of about 14.5 percent or the statewide average increase of 23 percent.

Civil appeals totaled 182, almost double the number filed three years earlier (97 in 1973-74).

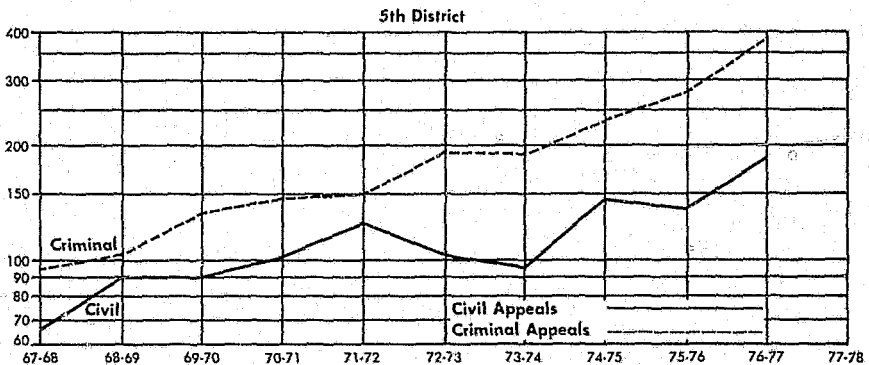


Figure 7

2. BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Summary

In 1976-1977 the Courts of Appeal set a new record in disposing of 6,003 contested matters¹³ on the merits by written opinion. Of these, 2,656 were civil appeals, 2,970 were criminal appeals (5,626 total appeals), and 377 were dispositions of original proceedings. Each of these figures slightly exceeds the corresponding figure for 1975-1976.

Appeals disposed of without written opinion constitute little burden on the court because they are usually settled or abandoned; the same is not true of original proceedings disposed of without written opinion, since all of them require judicial review to determine whether they have merit. Thus, although written opinions in original proceedings increased only slightly (377 in 1976-1977 compared to 351 in 1975-1976), the 3,763 original proceedings disposed of without written opinion represented significant additional judicial workload.

The Courts of Appeal, as in past years, received substantial assistance from retired judges and superior court judges sitting on assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council. Even considering this assistance, however, the average number of dispositions on the merits per judge showed a marked increase.

Outcome of Criminal Appeals

A tabulation of the outcome of criminal appeals shows that relatively few are successful. As might be expected, however, once the Supreme Court has decided to exercise its discretionary power to review a criminal appeal by granting hearing, a reversal becomes more probable.

3. BACKLOG AND DELAY

Total Appeals Pending

There were 5,163 appeals pending in the Courts of Appeal on June 30, 1977, an increase of 619 (13.6 percent) over the number pending a year earlier. An appeal is treated as "filed" for statistical purposes when the record on appeal is transmitted to the Court of Appeal. It is not ready for action by the court, however, until briefing has been completed, which is normally several months after the appeal is filed. During the intervening period, a significant percentage of appeals is dismissed as a result of settlement or abandonment.

Accordingly, while total appeals pending indicate the courts' potential workload, only those in the category "argued, calendared or ready for calendar" represent appeals ready for judicial action.

¹³ "Contested matters" means appeals and original proceedings. While some motions (e.g., a contested motion to dismiss) may add significantly to the courts' work, the majority of motions do not do so to any great extent.

**TABLE VIII—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1966-77 Through 1976-77**

<i>Business transacted</i>	1966- 67	1967- 68	1968- 69	1969- 70	1970- 71	1971- 72	1972- 73	1973- 74	1974- 75	1975- 76	1976- 77
Total business transacted	10,293	13,403	12,808	14,300	15,891	16,482	17,375	18,639	18,946	18,912	22,223
Appeals											
By written opinion	2,303	2,695	2,958	3,221	3,544	3,997	3,800	4,389	5,240	5,592	5,625
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.)	935	1,190	1,428	1,613	1,769	1,495	1,614	1,655	1,575	1,966	2,368
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus)											
By written opinion	121	161	245	221	269	321	277	296	331	351	377
Without opinion	1,641	2,118	2,379	2,897	2,975	2,902	3,074	3,455	3,647	3,448	3,763
Total by written opinion	2,444	2,856	3,203	3,442	3,813	4,318	4,167	4,685	5,571	5,943	6,003
Motions (miscellaneous)^a											
Denied or granted	223	302	324	317	382	396	436	525	570	736	929
Rehearings											
Granted	53	63	42	65	51	73	65	62	96	89	127
Denied	651	740	785	720	811	820	933	1,030	1,138	1,274	1,250
Orders (miscellaneous)^b	4,346	6,134	4,647	5,446	6,090	6,378	7,086	827	6,249	5,456	7,783

^a Excluding granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.
^b Not reported elsewhere.

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**TABLE IX—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
DISPOSITIONS PER JUDGE-EQUIVALENT**

Fiscal Years 1975-1976 and 1976-1977

District	Full-time judge-equivalents *		Appeals disp. by written opinion		Orig. proceedings disp. by written opinion		Total appeals & orig. proc. by written opinion **		Per judge-equivalent	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
	1.....	14.8	16.3	1,571	1,686	105	129	1,676	1,815	113.2
2.....	20.5	21.9	2,117	2,131	119	84	2,236	2,215	109.1	101.1
3.....	6.8	6.0	517	524	62	74	679	598	85.1	99.7
4.....	9.4	9.0	979	870	59	33	1,038	903	110.4	100.3
5.....	4.2	4.2	442	381	32	31	474	412	112.4	98.1
State.....	55.9	57.4	5,626	5,592	377	351	6,003	5,943	107.4	103.5

* "Full-time judge-equivalents" includes a court's regular justices plus the time reported for judges assigned to the court, minus the time reported for assignments of the court's regular members to another court and for extended absence.

** Note that "cases disposed of by written opinion" is a somewhat higher number than "majority written opinions" (see Table X) because some opinions dispose of two or more consolidated cases.

**TABLE X—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
MAJORITY OPINIONS WRITTEN**

Fiscal Years 1968-69 Through 1976-77

Majority opinions written	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
Total opinions.....	3,148	3,384	3,746	4,259	4,120	4,605	5,449	5,815	5,905
"By the Court" opinions.....	57	225	532	872	990	1,138	1,369	1,708	1,792
Authored opinions.....	3,091	3,159	3,214	3,387	3,130	3,467	4,080	4,107	4,113
By court of appeal judges	2,690	2,814	2,990	3,128	2,783	3,116	3,575	3,613	3,675
By assigned judges.....	411	345	224	259 ^a	347 ^a	351 ^a	505 ^a	494 ^a	438 ^a

^a The number of opinions written by judges who were assigned to cover vacancies or extended absences have been reported since 1971-72 and are as follows:

1971-72	127
1972-73	84
1973-74	131
1974-75	185
1975-76	108
1976-77	149

Commencing November 1974, a special program assigned four additional judges to the first appellate district; majority opinions written under that program are as follows:

1974-75	138
1975-76	223
1976-77	173

**TABLE X-A
CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT AND COURTS OF APPEAL
OUTCOME OF CRIMINAL APPEALS TERMINATED
BY WRITTEN OPINION, FISCAL YEAR 1976-77**

	State total all courts		Supreme Court		Courts of Appeal	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Total cases.....	2,932	100.0	20	100.0	2,912	100.0
Affirmed in full.....	2,379	81.1	4	20.0	2,375	81.6
Affirmed with modifications.....	323	11.0	9	45.0	314	10.8
Total affirmed.....	2,702	92.1	13	65.0	2,689	92.3
Reversed for expected retrial.....	215	7.3	5	25.0	210	7.2
Reversed, no retrial possible.....	15	0.5	2	10.0	13	0.4

**TABLE XI—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
APPEALS PENDING
June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977**

Courts of Appeal	June 30, 1977			June 30, 1976		
	Total pending	Civil	Criminal	Total pending	Civil	Criminal
State Total	5,163	2,597	2,566	4,544	2,555	1,989
District I—Total	1,590	897	693	1,377	838	539
Division 1 ^a	406	216	190	389	234	155
Division 2 ^a	427	243	184	369	217	152
Division 3 ^a	391	226	165	307	192	115
Division 4 ^a	366	212	154	312	195	117
District II—Total	1,761	778	983	1,609	862	747
Division 1 ^b	346	149	197	313	172	141
Division 2 ^b	305	130	175	293	157	136
Division 3 ^b	348	159	189	314	159	155
Division 4 ^b	371	162	209	303	169	134
Division 5 ^b	391	178	213	386	205	181
District III ^c	534	299	235	462	287	175
District IV—Total	841	473	368	694	405	289
Division 1 ^b	370	240	130	383	251	132
Division 2 ^d	471	233	238	311	154	157
District V ^e	437	150	287	402	163	239

^a Effective January 1, 1976 four judges were added, one to each division, for a total of sixteen positions. These judgeships were unfilled as of July 1, 1977.

^b Divisions with four authorized judges.

^c Seven authorized positions.

^d Division with five authorized judges.

^e Effective January 1, 1976 one judge was added for a total of four positions.

**TABLE XII—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
APPEALS ARGUED, CALENDARED OR READY FOR CALENDAR
June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977**

Courts of Appeal	June 30, 1977			June 30, 1976		
	Total	Civil	Criminal	Total	Civil	Criminal
State total	1,268	1,019	849	1,556	923	633
District I—Total	591	333	258	463	292	171
Division 1 ^a	176	101	75	148	96	52
Division 2 ^a	154	85	69	128	72	56
Division 3 ^a	153	83	70	94	57	37
Division 4 ^a	108	64	44	93	67	26
District II—Total	487	235	252	390	200	190
Division 1 ^b	82	40	42	66	46	30
Division 2 ^b	56	25	31	67	34	33
Division 3 ^b	104	58	46	52	23	29
Division 4 ^b	112	55	57	79	43	35
Division 5 ^b	133	57	76	126	54	72
District III ^c	206	122	86	162	108	54
District IV—Total	369	249	120	308	204	104
Division 1 ^b	198	142	56	197	143	54
Division 2 ^d	171	107	64	111	61	50
District V ^e	213	80	133	233	119	114

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Pending Appeals Argued, Calendared or Ready for Calendar

An appeal is ready for judicial action when the last brief has been filed, or the time for its filing has passed. Of the total appeals pending on June 30, 1977, there were 1,868 ready for judicial action, as compared with 1,556 pending a year earlier, an increase of 312, virtually cancelling out the improvements shown in last year's report. Much of the increase (216) was in ready criminal appeals, which are rarely permitted to become backlogged. Ready civil appeals increased by 96.

**TABLE XIII—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
READY APPEALS PENDING ANALYSIS
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

District	Appeals disposed by written opinion Fiscal Year 1976-77			Appeals argued calendared or ready June 30, 1977			Ready-pending ratio (June 30, 1977 percent figures)			Ready-pending ratio (June 30, 1976 percent figures)		
	Civil	Crim.	Total	Civil	Crim.	Total	Civil	Crim.	Total	Civil	Crim.	Total
1.....	830	741	1571	333	258	591	40.1	34.8	37.6	30.0	23.9	27.5
2.....	937	1180	2117	235	252	487	25.1	21.4	23.0	21.5	15.8	18.3
3.....	257	260	517	122	86	208	47.5	33.1	40.2	39.9	21.3	30.9
4.....	483	496	979	249	120	369	51.6	24.2	37.7	52.4	21.6	35.4
5.....	149	293	442	80	133	213	53.7	45.4	48.2	88.8	46.2	61.2
State.....	2656	2970	5626	1019	849	1868	38.4	28.6	33.2	34.2	21.9	27.8

The significance of the backlog of ready appeals may be measured by comparing the backlog with the number of cases the court disposes of in a year.¹⁴ The "ready pending ratio" in Table XIII is the percentage of a year's dispositions of appeals, based upon 1976-1977 dispositions by written opinion, represented by the court's backlog of ready appeals. There is, of course, an irreducible minimum number of cases that will be on hand. For example, if one month were allowed for calendaring and notice and one month for decision, there would be two months' ready appeals, or a ratio of 16.7 percent.

Delay

Viewing the ratios in the preceding table as fractions of a year, they correspond closely to the reported average times for decision of ready appeals in the several districts. Criminal appeals receive priority in consideration and are normally decided promptly after briefing is completed.

Civil appeals in some districts, however, are quite commonly pending for extended periods of time after the last brief is filed. In evaluating Table XIV it should be noted that times are stated as the median number of months that a case was pending, based on cases decided during the last quarter of the fiscal year. It therefore follows, by definition, that: (a) one-half of all cases decided during the quarter were probably pending for a greater period of time than that stated, and (b) in a court whose backlog of cases is increasing, appeals still pending on June 30 will, on the average, take longer until decision than the times shown in this table.

In both civil and criminal appeals, the preparation of briefs was a much more significant source of delay than court backlog.

¹⁴Dispositions by written opinion are used here because dismissal by stipulation and the like generally occur before cases are "ready."

**TABLE XIV—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
(DELAY IN APPEALS)**

**MEDIAN TIME IN MONTHS
Quarter Ending June 30, 1977**

<i>Courts of Appeal</i>	<i>Notice of appeal to filing of opinion</i>		<i>Ready for calendar to filing of opinion</i>	
	<i>Civil</i>	<i>Criminal</i>	<i>Civil</i>	<i>Criminal</i>
	District I			
Division 1 ^a	14	11	4	3
Division 2 ^a	14	11	5	4
Division 3 ^a	14	11	4	3
Division 4 ^a	14	11	4	3
District II				
Division 1 ^b	13	10	6	4
Division 2 ^b	12	9	3	2
Division 3 ^b	14	9	3	2
Division 4 ^b	13	10	1	1
Division 5 ^b	15	11	5	3
District III ^c	12	8	3	2
District IV				
Division 1 ^b	17	11	8	3
Division 2 ^d	12	9	2	1
District V ^e	16	11	9	5

^a Effective January 1, 1976 four judges were added, one to each division, for a total of sixteen positions. The new positions were unfilled as of July 1, 1977.

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4. OPINIONS PUBLISHED

The following table indicates the percentage of majority opinions of Courts of Appeal certified for publication during 1976-1977. Despite some variations among the districts and divisions, the percentages for the state as a whole are not significantly different from the percentages published in 1975-1976.

**TABLE XV—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
PERCENTAGE OF MAJORITY OPINIONS PUBLISHED
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

<i>Courts of Appeal</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Civil appeals</i>	<i>Criminal appeals</i>	<i>Original proceedings</i>
State total	16.9	25.0	6.4	44.2
District I	16.7	21.9	5.7	53.9
Division 1	22.2	25.8	11.7	66.7
Division 2	19.5	28.7	4.2	64.0
Division 3	12.0	15.6	2.4	48.0
Division 4	12.7	17.5	4.3	36.0
District II	21.2	33.8	8.6	49.6
Division 1	17.2	27.5	6.0	57.1
Division 2	18.9	28.0	8.7	42.3
Division 3	13.3	23.3	4.4	37.0
Division 4	26.7	42.1	11.7	56.5
Division 5	29.2	46.1	12.3	60.9
District III	14.7	17.7	5.0	40.9
District IV	11.2	18.5	3.2	20.0
Division 1	13.3	18.4	6.7	16.7
Division 2	9.7	18.5	1.3	25.0
District V	13.6	22.2	6.1	39.4

C. SUPERIOR COURTS

1. FILINGS

Highlights

Filings in the superior courts reached a record 713,900 cases in 1976-1977, a gain of 47,500 cases (7 percent) over 1975-1976. This was the second largest increase in the past decade, being exceeded only by the gain in 1975-1976.¹⁵

The categories of other civil petitions and personal injury and death, with gains of 39,700 and 5,300, respectively, accounted for nearly 95 percent of the increase. These increases were partially offset by declines in the categories of other civil complaints, eminent domain, juvenile delinquency and mental health proceedings. Criminal filings remained relatively stable.

The number of filings per judge also rose to a record level of 1,317 cases in 1976-1977. Although 22 new judgeships were added during the year, filings rose 7 percent while judgeships increased only 4 percent. At the end of 1976-1977 there were 542 authorized judgeships.

The 1976-1977 filings totaled more than 52.7 million weighted units.¹⁶ Assuming that 73,000 weighted units per year is an average workload for one judge, the 1976-1977 filings represented a workload requiring 722 judicial positions. In 1976-1977 there were 542 judges authorized and 104 full-time commissioners and referees, a total of 646 judicial positions.

¹⁵The increase in 1975-1976 partially resulted from the inclusion of subsequent petitions in juvenile proceedings for the first time.

¹⁶See section on Filings in Weighted Units, *infra*, for an explanation of weighted units.

**TABLE XVI—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
NUMBER OF JUDGESHIPS, TOTAL FILINGS, AND FILINGS PER JUDGE**
Fiscal Years 1966-67 Through 1976-77

Fiscal year	Number of judgeships ^a		Filings			Total filings per judgeship
	Total	Increase from preceding year	Total	Change From preceding year		
				Amount	Percent	
1966-67	368	-	446,500	10,605	-	1,213
1967-68	394	26	467,560	21,060	4.7	1,187
1968-69	408	14	493,631	26,071	5.6	1,210
1969-70	416	8	507,163	13,532	2.7	1,219
1970-71	443	27	527,438	20,225	4.0	1,191
1971-72	471	28	522,256	5,232	-1.0	1,109
1972-73	477	6	532,363	10,107	2.0	1,116
1973-74	478	1	562,248	29,685	5.6	1,176
1974-75	R 501	23	602,478	40,230	7.2	1,203
1975-76	520	19	R 666,458	R 61,988	R 10.6	R 1,282
1976-77	542	22	713,917	47,459	7.1	1,317

^a Based on authorized judgeships at end of fiscal year. See footnote b of Table XXIV, with respect to "per judge" comparisons.

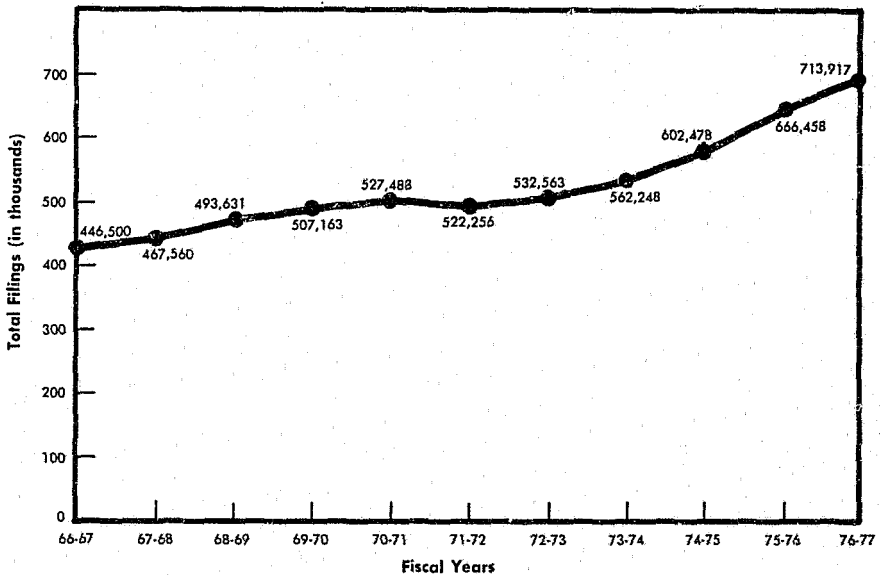
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Figure 8—California Superior Court

Total Filings¹

Fiscal Years 1966—67 through 1976—77



¹ Beginning in 1975—76 subsequent petitions filed in juvenile delinquency cases were included for the first time. In prior years only original petitions were counted. (See text for explanation.)

Filings by Type of Proceeding

The sharpest rise in filings in 1976—1977 was recorded in the other civil petitions category. This category was up about 40,000 cases (52 percent) from the 1975—1976 level and accounted for over four-fifths of the net filing increase in 1976—1977. This increase reflects the continuing impact of Public Law 93—647, effective July 1, 1975, which mandates an extensive child support enforcement program nationwide. The result has been marked increases in filings by district attorneys for the recovery from noncustodial parents of public money expended for child support. Almost all courts experienced gains with about one-third of the total increase occurring in Los Angeles County.

The next largest increase was registered in the personal injury category where about 5,300 (7 percent) more cases were filed. Of this number 4,600 were personal injury cases involving motor vehicles. Filings for personal injury cases other than motor vehicle increased by 2 percent.

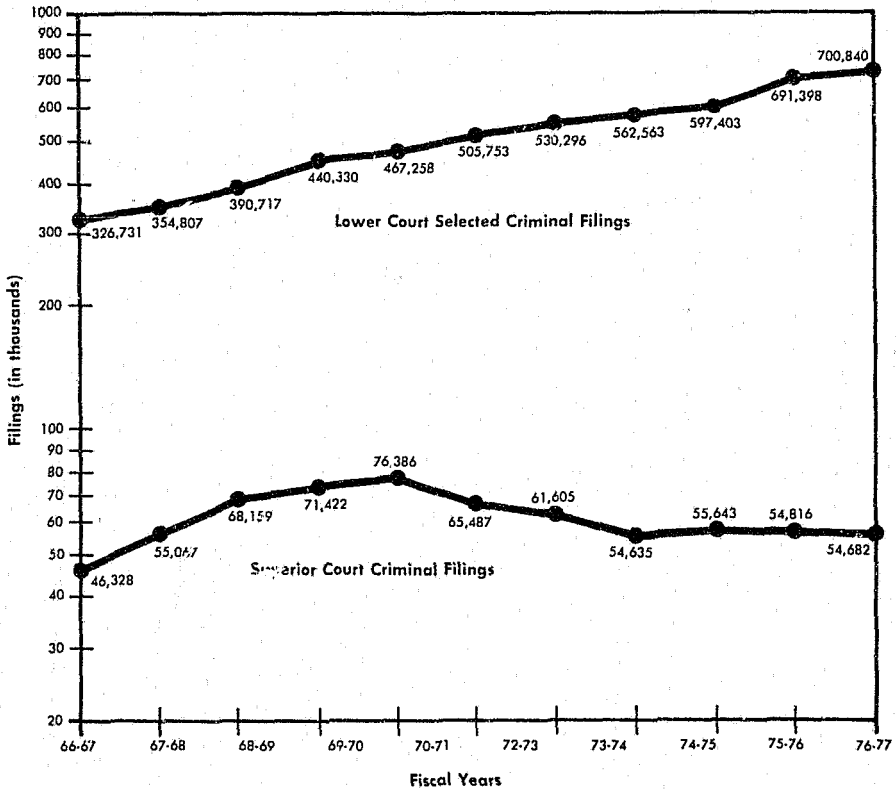
The personal injury—motor vehicle cases filed in 1976—1977 represented an increase of 81 percent over the filings in that category in 1967—1968, while the personal injury—other than motor vehicle cases filed in 1976—1977 were double the number filed in 1967—1968. Personal injury cases generally require a substantial expenditure of judicial effort and comprise a large part of the court's civil workload. About 60 percent of the overall increase in personal injury filings occurred in Los Angeles County.

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Figure 9—California Superior Court

Superior Court Criminal Filings Compared with
Lower Court Selected Criminal Filings¹

Fiscal Years 1966—67 through 1976—77



¹ Lower court selected criminal filings were based on felony preliminary and nontraffic misdemeanor cases filed excluding intoxication during fiscal years 1966-67 through 1974-75. In 1975-76, however, because of a change in the method of reporting, intoxication cases were included but infractions were excluded.

Increases were also registered in five other categories: family law, probate and guardianship, appeals from lower courts, habeas corpus and juvenile dependency. There was a total of 8,300 more filings in these categories in 1976-1977 than in the preceding year. Family law filings were up by 3,600 cases, half of which were in Los Angeles County. Probate and guardianship cases rose by 2,000 filings. Appeals from lower courts increased by 1,100 (10 percent), with most of the increase being appeals from decisions rendered in small claims cases tried in the lower courts. Civil appeals now comprise 80 percent of all appeals filed from lower courts; in 1966-1967 the corresponding figure was only 43 percent.

TABLE XVII—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT
FILINGS BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
Fiscal Year 1976-77

Type of proceeding	Filings 1976-77	Change in filings from			
		1975-76		1966-67	
		Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	713,917	47,459	7.1	267,417	59.9
Probate and guardianship	64,910	1,963	3.1	7,282	12.6
Family law	172,211	3,609	2.1	62,622	57.1
Pers. inj., death & prop. dam.	85,604	5,294	6.6	38,469	81.6
Motor vehicles ^a	57,193	4,638	8.8	-	-
Others ^a	28,411	656	2.4	-	-
Eminent domain	2,249	-1,368	-37.8	-7,101	-75.9
Other civil:	198,417	36,988	22.9	109,177	122.3
Complaints ^a	82,232	-2,793	-3.2	-	-
Petitions ^a	116,185	39,711	51.9	-	-
Mental Health	5,451	-647	-10.6	-17,836	-76.6
Juvenile:	107,786	-286	-0.3	49,775	85.8
Delinquency: ^a	93,171	-809	-0.9	-	-
Original	58,142	1,199	2.1	-	-
Subsequent ^b	35,029	-2,008	-5.4	-	-
601 W. & I.	6,801	-6,005	-46.9	-	-
Original	4,887	-4,788	-49.5	-	-
Subsequent ^b	1,914	-1,217	-38.9	-	-
602 W. & I.	86,370	5,196	6.4	-	-
Original	53,255	5,987	12.7	-	-
Subsequent ^b	33,115	-791	-2.3	-	-
Dependency: ^a	14,613	523	3.7	-	-
Original	13,840	689	5.2	-	-
Subsequent ^b	775	-166	-17.6	-	-
Criminal	54,632	-134	-0.2	8,354	18.0
Appeals from lower court:	12,748	1,136	9.8	9,875	343.7
Civil: ^b	10,240	1,152	12.7	-	-
Criminal:	2,508	-16	-0.6	-	-
Habeas corpus:	9,859	904	10.1	6,800	222.3
Criminal ^b	4,019	-359	-8.2	-	-
Other ^b	5,840	1,263	27.6	-	-

^a Reported as a separate category starting in 1967-68.

^b Reported as a separate category starting in 1975-76. Prior to 1975-76 in juvenile proceedings, only original petitions were counted as filings.

The 12 percent increase in habeas corpus filings in 1976-1977 was in noncriminal matters. Many of the habeas corpus petitions filed sought relief from involuntary restraint and requested rehearings on the status of conservatees. The smallest numerical gain was in juvenile dependency filings which rose by only 500 cases (4 percent) over the previous year.

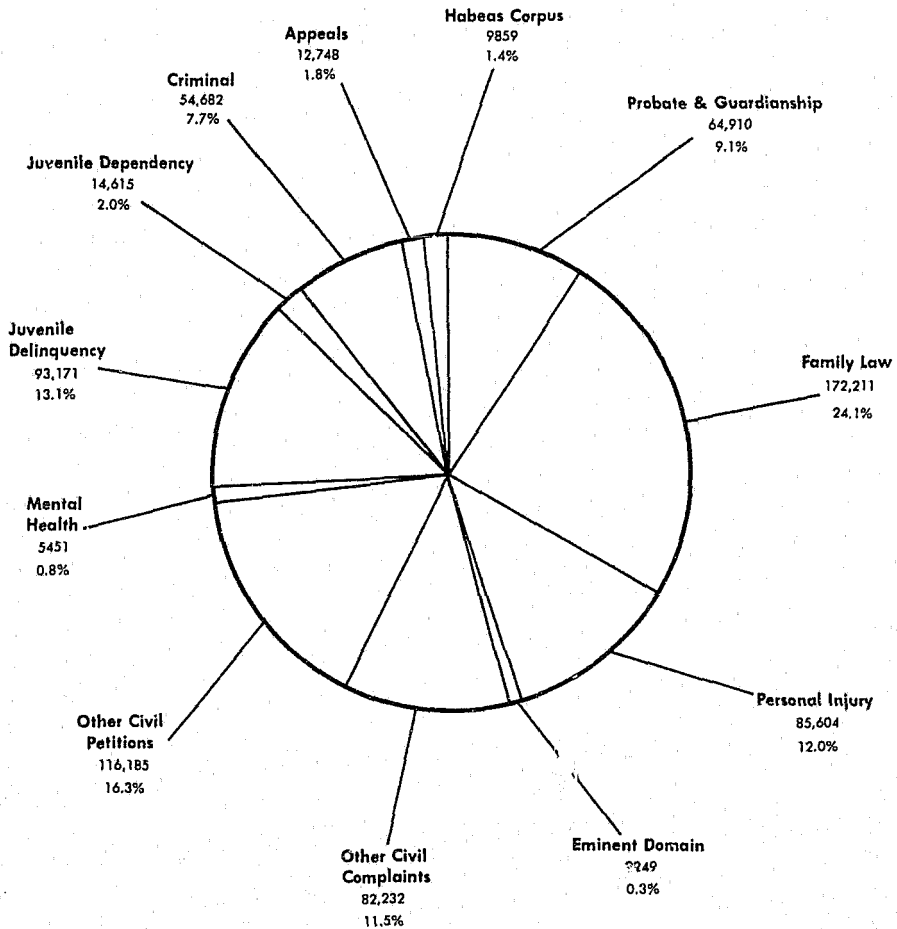
Five categories experienced fewer filings in 1976-1977 than in the previous year, for a total decrease of 5,700 cases. The greatest decrease was recorded in other civil complaints where about 2,700 fewer cases were filed. The decline in eminent domain filings was 1,400 cases (38 percent). Eminent domain and mental health are the only two categories in which filings today are substantially lower than they were 10 years ago.

Mental health filings were down by over 600 (11 percent) from 1975-1976. This category of filings experienced a sharp drop in 1969-1970 following the passage of the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act and has been on the decline since then.

Juvenile delinquency filings remained relatively stable in 1976-1977, declining less than 800 cases from the previous year. Contrary to that trend

Figure 10—California Superior Courts

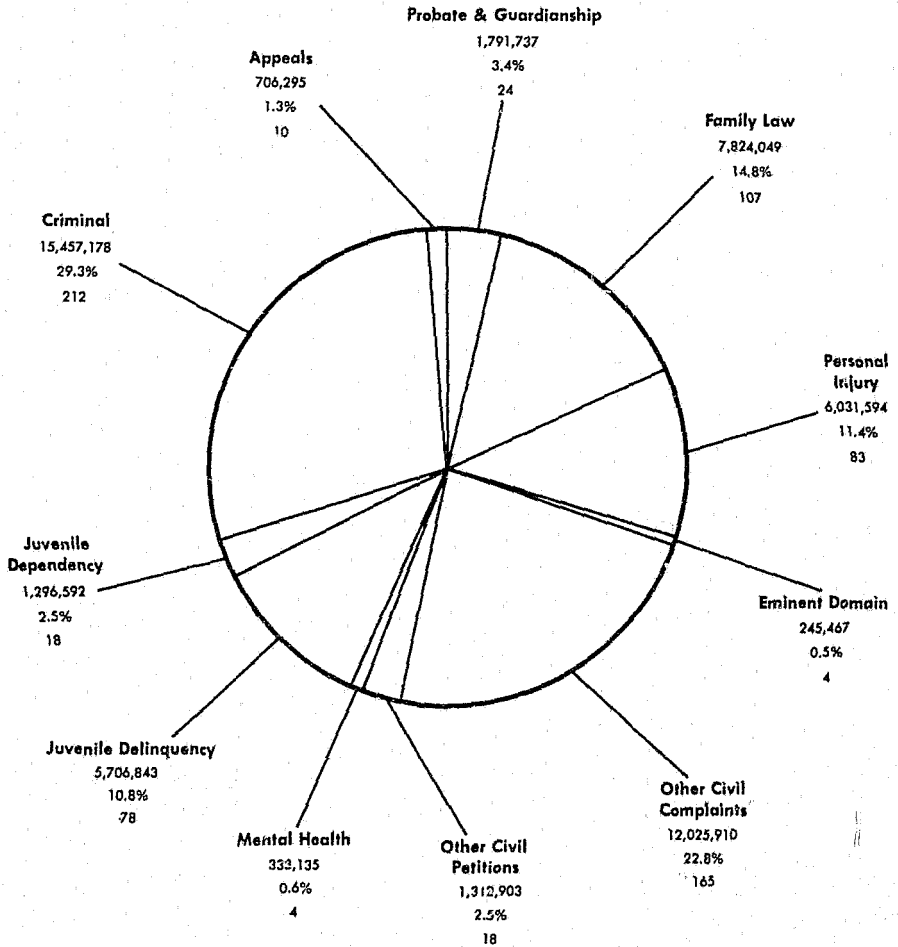
Filings and percentage
of total filings by category
Fiscal Year 1976—77



Los Angeles County had 2,600 more delinquency cases filed in 1976-1977 than in 1975-1976. Petitions filed under sections 601 and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code also showed contrasting trends. There were 16,000 fewer petitions under section 601 but 8,300 more petitions under section 602 than in the previous year. These trends may have resulted from changes in the juvenile court law which were effective as of January 1, 1977.

Criminal filing in 1976-1977 were almost unchanged from the 1975-1976 total. Over the past decade, criminal filings reached a peak in 1970-1971, and thereafter declined as a result of prosecuting officers using the provisions of Penal Code section 17b (as amended) which permits filing misdemeanor rather than felony complaints for some offenses. Criminal filings

Figure 11—California Superior Courts
 Weighted units, percentage of total
 weighted units by, and judicial positions
 required by category¹
 Fiscal Year 1976—77



have remained between 54,000 and 56,000 for the past three years; however, the increasing use of Penal Code section 17b has resulted in a higher percentage of the more serious and, consequently, more time-consuming cases. The average time required to dispose of a criminal case is now greater than in the past, and therefore the workload generated by criminal cases has increased.¹⁷

¹⁷See section on Filings in Weighted Units, *infra*.

**TABLE XVII-A—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT
WEIGHTED FILINGS BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

Type of proceeding	State Total		State less Los Angeles County			Los Angeles County		
	Weighted filings	Required judicial positions	Weight	Weighted filings ¹	Required judicial positions ²	Weight	Weighted filings ¹	Required judicial positions ²
Total Weighted Filings	52,731,703	723	-	33,803,812	467	-	18,927,891	256
Probate and guardianship	1,791,737	24	31	1,390,877	19	20	400,860	5
Family law	7,824,049	107	43	5,153,077	71	51	2,670,972	36
Pers. inj., death & prop. dam.	6,031,594	83	31	3,611,709	50	59	2,419,835	33
Eminent domain	245,467	4	72	118,656	2	211	126,811	2
Other civil:								
Complaints	12,025,910	165	131	7,421,150	103	180	4,604,760	62
Petitions	1,312,903	18	11	894,487	12	12	418,416	6
Mental Health	333,135	4	51	223,930	3	105	107,205	1
Juvenile:								
Delinquency	5,706,843	78	53	3,579,885	49	83	2,126,958	29
Dependency	1,296,592	18	68	770,032	11	160	526,560	7
Criminal	15,477,178	212	282	10,223,910	141	284	5,233,268	71
Appeals from lower court	706,295	10	49	414,099	6	68	292,196	4
Habeas corpus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ Weighted filings are the result of multiplying filings by the weight.

² Required judicial positions are the result of dividing weighted filings by the judge-year standard of 74,000 weighted units for Los Angeles County and 72,500 weighted units for the remainder of the state. The 74,000 weighted units for Los Angeles County is the approved standard for courts with 11 or more judicial positions. The 72,500 weighted units standard applied for weighted filings for the remainder of the state is the average of the various judge-year standards for the various size courts considering the number of judicial positions in each size group. The computation is shown below:

Court size in judicial positions	Judge-year standard	Number of judicial positions in this group	Judicial positions multiplied by judge-year standard
1-2	62,100	× 32	= 1,987,200
3-10	71,400	× 87	= 6,211,800
11 or more	74,000	× 295 (excludes Los Angeles Co.)	= 21,830,000
		414	30,029,000

30,029,000 ÷ 414 = 72,534 rounded to 72,500

Filings in Weighted Units

In 1966 the Judicial Council approved the use of a judicial weighted caseload system to measure the relative workload of the several superior courts. This system established 10 categories of cases¹⁸ and fixed a weight for each category. These weights now represent the average amount of case-related time spent on a case in each of the categories. In addition a judge-year value is determined, representing the amount of time per year, in minutes, a judicial officer has available for case-related work.

Using the case weights for the various categories multiplied by the filings, actual or projected, and dividing by the judge-year value, it is possible to make a determination of judgeship needs for a court regardless of the makeup of its caseload.

The total filings multiplied by the present approved weights for the various categories amount to 52,731,700 weighted units. Divided by an average judge-year value of 73,000 units this weighted caseload total indicates a need in 1976-1967 for 722 judicial positions.

Figure 11 displays for each case category the total weighted filings, the proportion of that category to total weighted filings, and the number of judicial positions required to dispose of that particular category.

Application of the approved weights to each category of 1976-1977 filings shows that criminal filings contributed more weighted units than any other single category. Its 15.5 million weighted units represents a caseload for 212 judges and accounts for nearly one-third of the total weighted units in the state even though criminal filings comprised only 7.7 percent of total filings.

The category of other civil complaints with 12.0 million units was the next largest group. This category accounted for nearly one-fourth (22.8 percent) of the weighted caseload in superior courts and represented a workload for 165 judicial positions. The judicial manpower required to dispose of these two categories is 377 judges or more than half of the 722 judicial positions required to dispose of all superior court cases filed in 1976-1977.

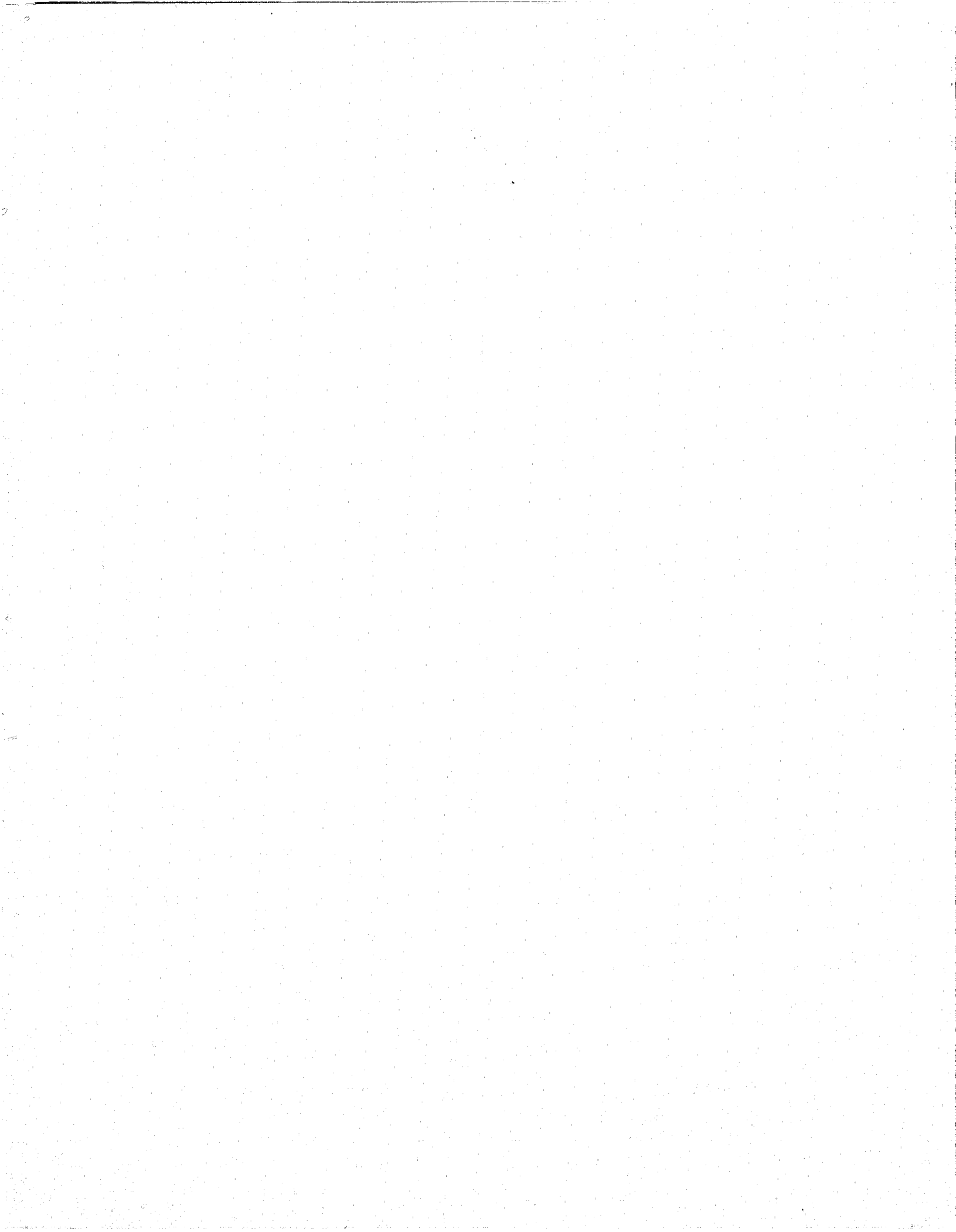
The family law category, which had the greatest number of filings of the 12 categories, constituted 7.8 million weighted units or 14.8 percent of the total weighted filings, representing a workload for 107 judicial positions. Although the weighting factor for family law cases is relatively low, the large number of cases results in a high weighted caseload.

The two juvenile categories provided 7.0 million units comprising 15 percent of all filings and 13 percent of all weighted units. Of the 96 judicial positions required to handle this caseload, 78 represented the juvenile delinquency cases and 18 represented the juvenile dependency cases.

Personal injury cases, both motor vehicle and other, accounted for 12 percent of the filings and 11 percent of the weighted caseload in the state. These weighted units equated to 83 judicial positions.

The remaining categories (probate and guardianship, other civil petitions, appeals from lower courts, mental health, eminent domain, and

¹⁸Later increased to 12 categories. The categories now in use are probate and guardianship, family law, personal injury-motor vehicle, personal injury-other, eminent domain, other civil complaints, other civil petitions, mental health, juvenile delinquency, juvenile dependency, criminal and appeals from lower courts.



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habeas corpus) together comprised about one-third (30.7 percent) of total filings, but contributed less than one-tenth (9.3 percent) of the weighted units in superior courts. The total weighted units of these categories represented a caseload for 60 judicial positions.

2. DISPOSITIONS

Highlights

About 581,000 cases, exclusive of civil matters dismissed for lack of prosecution, were disposed of by superior courts in 1976-1977.¹⁹ This volume was a record high and 28,900 more than the number disposed of in the preceding fiscal year. The increase was the second largest since 1970-1971, being exceeded only in 1975-1976 when juvenile subsequent petitions disposed of were counted for the first time. Dispositions increased 5.2 percent in 1976-1977, compared to a 7 percent increase in filings and a 4 percent increase in judgeships.

**TABLE XVIII—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
NUMBER OF JUDICIAL POSITION EQUIVALENTS, DISPOSITIONS
(EXCLUDING CIVIL CASES DISMISSED FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION) AND
DISPOSITIONS
PER JUDICIAL POSITION EQUIVALENT.*
Fiscal Years 1966-67 Through 1976-77**

Fiscal year	Number of judicial position equivalents		Dispositions (less civil dismissals for lack of prosecution)			Dispositions per judicial position equivalent
	Total	Increase from preceding year	Total	Change from preceding year		
				Amount	Percent	
1966-67.....	433	—	364,280	—	—	841
1967-68.....	460	27	386,431	22,151	6.1	840
1968-69.....	490	30	414,460	28,029	7.3	846
1969-70.....	506	16	416,027	1,567	.4	822
1970-71.....	526	20	449,541	33,514	8.1	855
1971-72.....	549	23	451,413	1,872	.4	822
1972-73.....	578	29	449,901	-1,512	-.3	778
1973-74.....	586	8	462,312	12,411	2.8	789
1974-75.....	600	14	485,903	23,591	5.1	810
1975-76.....	622	22	552,111	66,164	13.6	888
1976-77.....	644	22	581,446	28,935	5.2	902

* See text for explanation on judicial position equivalents.

Table XVIII shows in the last column the average number of cases disposed of annually per judicial equivalent.²⁰ In 1976-1977 there was an average of 902 dispositions for each judicial position equivalent. This is the highest average rate recorded during the past decade and a 7 percent increase over the decade. It should be noted that disposition rates are influenced not only by judicial effort but also by factors over which courts have little or no control, such as the types of cases being filed, the manner

¹⁹Under Cal. Code, Civ. Proc., 581a and 583 courts may dismiss old civil cases for lack of prosecution. From time to time individual courts purge their records by making such "housekeeping" dismissals. In 1976-1977, these dismissals totaled 6,999; in 1975-1976 they totaled 7,228. Dispositions excluding civil cases dismissed for lack of prosecution thus indicate more accurately than do total dispositions the number of cases disposed of by judicial effort. In the discussion that follows disposition figures do not include civil dismissals for lack of prosecution.

²⁰Judicial equivalents are defined as authorized judgeships plus full-time commissioners and referees when adjusted to reflect judge vacancies, assistance rendered to other courts by superior court judges, assistance received by superior courts from assigned judges or by temporary judges serving by stipulation of the parties.

**TABLE XVIII-A—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT
DISPOSITIONS BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
(EXCLUDING CIVIL DISMISSALS FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION)
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

Type of proceeding	Disposition 1976-77	Change in disposition from			
		1975-76		1966-67	
		Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total dispositions.....	581,046	28,935	5.2	216,766	59.5
Probate and guardianship.....	62,078	-173	-0.3	12,528	25.3
Family law.....	147,530	3,667	2.5	64,774	78.3
Pers. inj., death & prop. dam.	60,213	2,545	4.4	23,129	62.4
Motor vehicles ^a	40,484	1,892	4.9	—	—
Others ^a	19,729	653	3.4	—	—
Eminent domain.....	2,218	-990	-30.9	-4,201	-65.4
Other civil.....	134,553	27,759	26.0	70,415	109.8
Complaints ^a	49,381	2,763	5.9	—	—
Petitions ^a	85,172	24,996	41.5	—	—
Mental Health.....	4,925	-696	-12.4	-17,802	-78.2
Juvenile.....	99,951	-3,713	-3.6	44,773	81.1
Delinquency ^a	86,845	-3,150	-3.5	—	—
Original.....	55,497	-1,363	-2.4	—	—
Subsequent ^b	31,348	-1,787	-5.4	—	—
601 W. & I.	6,307	-5,554	-46.8	—	—
Original.....	4,779	-4,611	-49.1	—	—
Subsequent ^b	1,528	-943	-38.2	—	—
602 W. & I.	80,538	2,404	3.1	—	—
Original.....	50,718	3,248	6.8	—	—
Subsequent ^b	29,820	-844	-2.8	—	—
Dependency ^a	13,106	-553	-4.1	—	—
Original.....	12,339	-283	-2.2	—	—
Subsequent ^b	767	-280	-26.7	—	—
Criminal.....	49,111	-996	-2.0	8,325	20.4
Appeals from lower court.....	11,323	694	6.5	8,791	347.6
Civil: ^b					
Criminal: ^b					
Habeas corpus.....	9,147	838	10.1	6,034	193.8
Criminal ^b					
Other ^b					

^a Reported as a separate category starting in 1967-68.

^b Reported as a separate category starting in 1975-76. Prior to 1975-76 in juvenile proceedings only original petitions were counted as filings.

in which they are disposed of and the effect of statutory changes and new case law.

Nearly 219,000 cases were disposed of in the superior courts without trial in 1976-1977, an increase of 11 percent from the preceding year. The proportion of cases disposed of without trial rose from 35.2 percent in 1975-1976 to 37.6 percent in 1976-1977, and such dispositions accounted for 78 percent of the 28,000 rise in total dispositions in 1976-1977.

Despite the large number of cases disposed of without trial, there were still 362,400 case dispositions which required trial in 1976-1977. Trials accounted for 62 percent of all cases disposed of by superior courts, an increase of 6,100 over 1975-1976. Of this increase, contested matters totaled 4,000 and uncontested matters 2,100. The various methods of case disposition are shown in Table XVIII B for each category of filings. Table XIX depicts the number of personal injury case dispositions in the past 10 years.

**TABLE XVIII-B—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
MANNER OF DISPOSITION BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
(EXCLUDING CIVIL CASES DISMISSED FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION)**

Fiscal Year 1976-77

Type of Dispositions	All Dispositions	Before Trial	After Trial		Jury Trials
			Uncontested	Contested	
ALL PROCEEDINGS	100.0 ^a	37.6	52.2	10.1	1.4
Probate and guardianship	100.0	5.2	90.4	4.4	0.1
Family law	100.0	3.7	88.8	7.5	b
Personal injury	100.0	92.4	3.2	4.4	3.7
Eminent domain	100.0	77.5	15.1	7.4	5.0
Other civil:					
Complaints	100.0	68.6	21.2	10.2	1.3 ^b
Petitions	100.0	67.0	30.5	2.5	
Mental Health	100.0	4.9	88.5	6.6	0.9 ^c
Juvenile:					
Delinquency	100.0	13.4	71.2	15.4	—
Dependency	100.0 ^a	15.7	71.7	12.5	—
Criminal	100.0	83.5	4.0	12.5	10.5
Appeals	100.0	8.6	—	91.4	—
Habeas Corpus	100.0	62.1	—	37.9	—

^a Parts do not add to total because of rounding.

^b Less than ½ of 1 percent.

^c This figure is the percentage of juries sworn.

**TABLE XIX—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
PERSONAL INJURY DISPOSITIONS EXCLUSIVE OF DISMISSALS
FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION**

Fiscal Years 1966-67 through 1976-77

Fiscal year	Dispositions less dismissals for lack of prosecution		
	Total	State less Los Angeles	Los Angeles
1966-67	37,084	19,863	17,221
1967-68	37,695	21,424	16,271
1968-69	37,000	21,109	15,891
1969-70	37,175	21,726	15,449
1970-71	42,569	24,654	17,915
1971-72	46,978	26,337	20,641
1972-73	53,964	25,576	28,388
1973-74	51,743	25,905	25,838
1974-75	53,668	26,229	27,379
1975-76	^R 57,668	^R 28,859	28,809
1976-77	60,213	32,533	27,680

^R Revised.

Contested Matters

Contested matters are the most time-consuming type of disposition since they consist of those matters which are concluded after both parties to the action have introduced evidence during a trial. Table XX shows the number of contested matters disposed of each year since 1967-1968 for four selected categories that require substantial judicial effort.

**TABLE XX—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
CONTESTED DISPOSITIONS^a**
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1975-76

Fiscal Year	Total		Personal injury		Other civil complaints		Criminal ^b		Juvenile ^c	
	Number	Percent of total dispositions	Number	Percent of total dispositions	Number	Percent of total dispositions ^a	Number	Percent of total dispositions	Number	Percent of total dispositions
1967-68	32,477	8.4	3,741	9.9	4,574	14.1	6,613	14.0	6,270	10.0
1968-69	32,253	7.8	3,214	8.7	4,044	12.5	7,481	12.8	6,326	8.8
1969-70	35,005	8.4	3,090	8.3	4,265	12.2	8,931	14.1	5,885	8.1
1970-71	41,754	9.3	3,111	7.3	4,573	10.9	11,632	16.0	6,746	10.2
1971-72	40,504	9.0	3,119	6.6	5,081	12.5	8,571	13.9	6,457	10.1
1972-73	42,560	9.5	3,516	6.5	5,152	12.1	7,881	14.4	7,492	12.1
1973-74	48,811	10.6	3,141	6.1	5,166	12.5	7,802	15.7	3,597	12.0
1974-75	47,621	9.8	2,843	5.3	4,921	11.0	7,486	14.8	8,457	11.4
1975-76	R 54,948	10.0	2,677	4.6	R 4,889	R 10.5	5,089	10.2	13,747	13.3
1976-77	58,966	10.1	2,631	4.4	5,043	10.2	6,133	12.5	14,979	15.0

^a Exclusive of dismissals for lack of prosecution.

^b On July 1, 1975 due to changes in reporting instructions, some criminal dispositions which were previously classified as contested matters were reclassified as uncontested matters.

^c Beginning on July 1, 1975, juvenile dispositions have included subsequent petitions disposed of. In prior periods dispositions of only initial petitions were counted.

^R Revised.

In 1976-1977 contested trials increased by 4,000 cases and accounted for 10 percent of total dispositions. The four categories listed in Table XX accounted for 28,800 (49 percent) of all contested matters disposed of in 1976-1977. Contested criminal and juvenile dispositions during 1976-1977 amounted to 21,000 cases and represented an increase of 2,300 from the preceding year. In 1976-1977 about 15 percent of the juvenile dispositions were contested. Contested matters in the personal injury and other civil complaint categories increased slightly.

3. JURIES SWORN

The number of jury trials held is another important measure of superior court judicial activity. Prior to 1975-1976 this information was not collected, and the number of juries sworn to try cases was used as an index. Table XXI shows the number of *juries sworn* each year since 1966-1967 and the number of *jury trials* held since 1975-1976, both in all categories and in the personal injury and criminal categories.

In 1976-1977 a total of nearly 8,900 juries were sworn to try cases in the superior court, an increase of 5 percent over the previous year. The number of jury trials actually held during the year was about 8,300. Thus nearly 7 percent of all cases in which juries were sworn were disposed of without jury trial.

About 57 percent of all jury trials were held in criminal cases. The 5,200 criminal cases tried by jury in 1976-1977 accounted for 11 percent of total criminal dispositions. There were 10 percent more criminal jury trials in 1976-1977 than in 1975-1976.

The number of personal injury cases disposed of by jury trial again declined in 1976-1977. The downward trend has continued since 1972-1973 when 3,000 juries were sworn in personal injury cases; in 1976-1977 the number was 2,400.

4. CONDITION OF CIVIL CALENDARS—METROPOLITAN COURTS

In 1976-1977, for the third successive year, many of the metropolitan superior courts reported a worsening of the condition of civil calendars.

The two indices that the Judicial Council uses to describe the condition of civil calendars are the number of civil cases awaiting trial and the elapsed time to trial measured from the filing of the at-issue memorandum. These indices are closely related and an increase or decrease in the number of cases awaiting trial often forecasts a similar change in elapsed time to trial.

The following discussion of civil calendar conditions is based on the 20 superior courts with five or more judges.²¹ Together these courts account for 90 percent of civil filings statewide and for a corresponding proportion of both case inventory and jury trials. Also, problems of calendar congestion and lengthy waiting time to trial generally are most severe in these larger courts. Even though the courts are often discussed as a group, each calendar is unique and conditions will, of course, differ from one court to another.

²¹Superior Courts of Alameda, Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Los Angeles, Marin, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Sonoma, Stanislaus and Ventura Counties.

TABLE XXI—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
 NUMBER OF JURIES SWORN AND JURY TRIALS^a AND JURIES SWORN AND JURY TRIALS^a
 AS PERCENT OF DISPOSITIONS
 (EXCLUDING CIVIL DISMISSALS FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION)
 Fiscal Years 1966-67 through 1976-77

Fiscal year	<i>All proceedings</i>		<i>Personal injury</i>		<i>Criminal</i>	
	<i>Juries sworn</i>	<i>Juries sworn as a percent of dispositions</i>	<i>Juries sworn</i>	<i>Juries sworn as a percent of dispositions</i>	<i>Juries sworn</i>	<i>Juries sworn as a percent of dispositions</i>
1966-67	7,676	2.1	3,141	8.5	3,512	8.6
1967-68	7,492	1.9	3,135	8.3	3,517	7.4
1968-69	7,387	1.8	2,835	7.7	3,680	6.3
1969-70	7,703	1.9	2,542	6.8	4,235	6.7
1970-71	7,757	1.7	2,594	6.1	4,278	6.2
1971-72	8,012	1.8	2,738	5.8	4,320	7.0
1972-73	8,676	1.9	3,021	6.6	4,690	8.5
1973-74	8,607	1.9	2,740	5.3	4,851	9.8
1974-75	8,249	1.7	2,648	4.9	4,600	9.1
1975-76	^R 8,439	(7,826) 1.5	2,447	(2,266) 4.2	5,028	(4,695) 10.0
1976-77	8,866	(8,272) 1.5	2,357	(2,203) 3.9	5,556	(5,179) 11.3

^a Fiscal year 1975-76 was the first year that jury trials were reported separately. These data are shown in parentheses.

^R Revised.

TABLE XXII—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH FIVE OR MORE
JUDGES^a—NUMBER OF CIVIL CASES AWAITING TRIAL
AS OF JUNE 30, 1967 THROUGH 1977

Court	Number of civil cases awaiting trial										
	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Alameda	1,853	2,861	3,589	3,788	3,686	3,549	4,054	4,351	4,415	5,677	5,970
Contra Costa	995	1,120	1,097	1,451	1,817	2,090	2,110	2,157	2,349	2,291	2,376
Fresno	571	538	468	789	838	876	915	879	921	1,232	1,287
Kern	502	471	431	574	563	627	643	497	488	878	914
Los Angeles	9,030	23,200	30,747	41,019	44,586	38,383	38,873	37,222	39,131	44,199	55,150
Marin	538	599	706	872	931	829	842	593	735	913	1,101
Monterey	159	340	217	217	255	262	258	391	406	596	513
Orange	1,467	1,584	1,870	2,994	3,112	2,428	2,826	3,638	5,309	7,390	8,151
Riverside	493	773	823	1,060	1,221	1,152	1,194	1,384	1,603	1,788	1,952
Sacramento	2,388	2,185	1,713	2,192	2,055	1,920	2,050	2,335	3,072	3,420	3,173
San Bernardino	942	1,036	1,073	1,472	1,332	1,173	1,301	1,398	1,592	2,323	2,667
San Diego	1,240	1,828	2,268	3,199	2,806	2,821	3,433	4,065	5,252	6,472	7,105
San Francisco	3,754	5,549	6,395	7,804	9,841	7,831	6,246	5,823	5,599	5,435	4,968
San Joaquin	471	537	700	945	1,109	1,104	1,059	1,042	1,106	1,064	1,303
San Mateo	1,227	1,542	1,327	1,602	1,416	1,307	1,331	1,356	1,788	2,001	1,470
Santa Barbara	375	412	448	617	682	611	361	426	329	507	746
Santa Clara	1,301	1,566	2,087	2,596	2,774	2,584	1,594	1,346	1,520	2,164	2,776
Sonoma	160	246	324	390	446	514	647	925	875	1,366	1,480
Stanislaus	211	332	275	355	324	338	316	318	632	644	411
Ventura	411	518	594	622	632	574	553	779	1,174	1,618	1,258
Total	28,088	47,237	57,042	74,558	79,826	70,973	70,606	70,925	78,296	91,978	104,771
Total excluding Los Angeles	19,058	24,037	26,295	33,539	35,240	32,590	31,733	33,703	39,165	47,779	49,621
Total civil jury cases awaiting trial	18,253	28,605	33,626	42,687	46,094	43,428	43,424	42,679	46,125	54,501	61,922

^a As of June 30, 1977.

^b July 31, 1973.

Number of Civil Cases Awaiting Trial

The inventory of civil cases awaiting trial (cases on the civil active list as the result of filing an at-issue memorandum) as of June 30, 1968 through 1977 is shown in Table XXII. The total of 104,771 that awaited trial in the 20 courts as of June 30, 1977 was the highest for any June since these records have been compiled. The 1977 total was up 12,793 cases or 14 percent over the same figure for 1976. Jury cases, which are the critical component of the inventory, increased again this year. The June 30, 1977 jury list of 62,022 cases represents an increase of 7,521 cases or 13.8 percent over the same figure for 1976.

It is important to note that only a small percentage of the inventory of "cases awaiting trial" will be disposed of by trial. For instance, only 25.6 percent of civil cases recorded as awaiting trial on June 30, 1976 were actually disposed of at a contested trial in 1976-1977.

While the number of cases awaiting trial increased by 14 percent between June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977, 10 of the 20 superior courts with five or more judges experienced increases greater than 14 percent. Among the largest increases were: Alameda, 27.8 percent; Marin, 23.9 percent; San Joaquin, 20.9 percent; Santa Barbara, 60.6 percent; and Santa Clara, 32.4 percent.

The number and proportion of civil jury cases that have been awaiting trial one year or more as of June 30, 1977 is shown in Table XXIII for the 20 courts being considered. Also shown is a comparison of that proportion for each court as of June 30, 1976.

**TABLE XXIII—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH
FIVE OR MORE JUDGES^a
NUMBER OF CIVIL JURY CASES AWAITING TRIAL**

Court	Total civil jury cases awaiting trial	Cases in which at-issue memoranda were filed over one year as of June 30, 1977		Percent of cases in which at-issue memoranda were filed over one year as of June 30, 1976
		Number	Percent of total	
Alameda	4,784	1,553	32.5	32.4
Contra Costa	1,572	457	29.1	28.8
Fresno	849	102	12.0	4.7
Kern	602	55	9.1	11.9
Los Angeles	32,200	11,352	35.3	23.1
Marin	633	209	33.0	13.9
Monterey	215	19	8.8	10.1
Orange	4,423	1,415	32.0	26.4
Riverside	1,129	318	28.2	20.2
Sacramento	2,294	164	7.1	6.8
San Bernardino	1,549	545	35.2	45.2
San Diego	3,755	1,402	37.3	30.9
San Francisco	2,517	1,521	60.4	54.6
San Joaquin	802	256	31.9	25.9
San Mateo	1,009	10	1.0	4.6
Santa Barbara	350	0	—	—
Santa Clara	1,418	0	—	—
Sonoma	916	225	24.6	9.1
Stanislaus	138	0	—	—
Ventura	837	282	33.7	23.3

^a As of June 30, 1977.

TABLE XXIV—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH FIVE OR MORE
JUDGES^a—NUMBER OF CIVIL CASES AWAITING TRIAL
PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE^b AS OF JUNE 30, 1967
THROUGH 1977

Court	Number of civil cases awaiting trial per authorized judge										
	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Alameda	93	143	154	165	147	142	162	174	177	203	206
Contra Costa	111	124	122	145	182	190	192	196	214	208	198
Fresno	82	67	59	99	105	110	c 114	110	115	154	129
Kern	100	94	72	96	94	105	107	83	81	110	114
Los Angeles	75	173	229	306	299	238	241	231	229	258	323
Marin	135	150	141	174	186	166	168	119	147	183	184
Monterey	53	113	77	54	64	32	52	78	81	119	73
Orange	77	75	89	136	130	84	91	117	171	224	220
Riverside	62	77	82	106	111	96	100	115	134	138	150
Sacramento	184	156	114	146	137	128	137	156	171	171	159
San Bernardino	94	104	98	134	111	90	93	100	106	123	148
San Diego	59	87	103	128	112	101	118	140	159	196	203
San Francisco	156	231	266	325	355	301	240	224	215	209	191
San Joaquin	94	107	117	159	185	184	151	149	158	152	186
San Mateo	136	140	111	134	109	101	102	104	138	143	105
Santa Barbara	75	69	75	103	97	87	52	61	47	72	107
Santa Clara	77	82	110	124	132	108	66	56	58	83	96
Sonoma	40	62	81	98	112	129	162	231	219	273	247
Stanislaus	83	83	55	71	65	68	63	64	105	107	69
Ventura	69	86	85	89	90	82	79	111	168	231	140
Average cases awaiting trial per authorized judge:											
Total for the above courts	90	140	163	208	208	173	170	171	180	204	223
Total excluding Los Angeles	99	118	122	150	151	131	125	133	148	171	166

^a As of June 30, 1977.

^b Note that comparisons relate to the total number of judges authorized as of June 30 of each fiscal year and are not adjusted to reflect the number actually available to dispose of civil backlog.

^c July 31, 1973.

It will be noted that of the 17 courts that reported an interval in excess of one year, 13 show increases from 1975-1976 to 1976-1977 in the percentage of civil jury cases awaiting trial in which the at-issue memos had been on file for more than one year.

Table XXIV shows in detail the number of civil cases awaiting trial per authorized judge as of each June 30 commencing in 1968 through 1977 for each of the 20 courts under consideration.

Elapsed Time to Trial

It has been noted in previous reports that the term "delay" is misleading when used to describe some of the various time elements in court proceedings terminating in trial. Therefore, in lieu of that designation, the Judicial Council has adopted the term "elapsed time to trial" which more accurately describes the elapsed time from the point of filing various documents (e.g., complaint, at-issue memorandum, certificate of readiness, etc.) to the start of trial. This interval not only includes time that courts require to bring a ready case to trial, but also the substantial amount of time attorneys regularly require to prepare cases for trial. To label such composites of time periods as "court delay" is inaccurate, for it implies that the time being measured results exclusively from conditions within the court. It is true, however, that if the interval to trial is larger than present medians in other courts, or in the past, then it can be inferred that ready cases are probably being delayed by court congestion.

Table XXV displays the median elapsed time to trial in months from the filing of the at-issue memorandum as of June 30, 1968 through June 30, 1977 in the 20 metropolitan courts. In half of the courts the interval to jury trial increased between 1976 and 1977.

The interval from the at-issue memorandum to trial measures the elapsed time from the point at which attorneys first request a trial date. Even though taken from the point at which a trial is requested, this interval is not a reliable measure of delay chargeable to the courts. Attorneys file memoranda in many cases in which an early trial is neither desired nor anticipated. The at-issue memorandum has a different meaning from court to court in terms of trial readiness. Because of this, attorneys may time their filings in accordance with their knowledge of the time frame that a particular court follows in processing the case. For these reasons the index cannot be considered an entirely valid measure of the delays arising solely from internal court conditions.

The average interval from at-issue memorandum to trial increased between June 1976 and June 1977 in many metropolitan courts, and in several of the courts the increase was substantial. In June 1977 in only 5 of the 20 courts did the median jury case reach trial within a year of the filing of the at-issue memorandum. In all but 2 of these 20 courts (Santa Clara and Stanislaus) the interval exceeded six months. Significant increases occurred in the superior courts of San Bernardino (up 16 months); Fresno (up 4.5 months); Marin and San Joaquin (up 4 months); Contra Costa, Los Angeles, Riverside, and Santa Barbara (up 3 months). Three courts, Monterey, Sacramento and San Mateo, each recorded a reduction in the interval between at-issue memorandum and the trial.

**TABLE XXV—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH FIVE OR MORE JUDGES^a
—MEDIAN INTERVAL TO TRIAL FROM COMPLAINT AND AT-ISSUE MEMO
FOR CIVIL JURY CASES TRIED IN JUNE 1968 THROUGH 1977**

Court	Median interval in months from:									
	At issue memo to trial									
	June 68	June 69	June 70	June 71	June 72	June 73	June 74	June 75	June 76	June 77
Alameda	12	9.5	15	18	12.5	13	11	13	22	24.5
Contra Costa	17	12	12	15	19	22	23	19	19	22
Fresno	14	9	10.5	11	16	^c 10.5	10.5	10.5	9	13.5
Kern	8	16.5	10	11	13	9	16	9.5	15	-
Los Angeles	9	18	24	23	30	25	24	20	21	24
Marin	^b 20.5	^b 20	29	27	28	24	11	17	16	20
Monterey	4	5	4	6	7	6	9	10	13	11
Orange	11	12.5	11	20	17	11	12	13	18	20
Riverside	11	15	22	11	18	14	10	16	18	21
Sacramento	16	5	9	11	10	10	11	13	17	15
San Bernardino	12	8	14	12	14	18	23	35	16	32
San Diego	7	9	15	15	11	15	16	17	21	21
San Francisco	20	22	28	33	33	32	25	20	20	20
San Joaquin	11	12	17	16	36.5	42	31	27	18	22
San Mateo	^b 15	16	16	13	11	9	7	11	15	9
Santa Barbara	12.5	18	13	16	12	7	5	6	6	9
Santa Clara	6	8	8	6	8	5	4	4	6	6
Sonoma	5	7.5	10	10	12	14	18	18	-	23
Stanislaus	16	7	9	6	5	5	5	7	5	5
Ventura	12.5	11.5	13	7	10	7	11	15.5	-	21

^a As of June 30, 1977.

^b For month of May.

^c For month of July 1973.

5. CONDITION OF CRIMINAL CALENDARS—METROPOLITAN COURTS

Data for 1976-1977 submitted by the superior courts to the Judicial Council indicate an overall increase in the number of criminal cases set for trial in the metropolitan courts,²² continuing a trend noted in the last two annual reports. Trial calendars increased from a total of 6,929 cases set for trial as of June 30, 1976 to 7,529 on June 30, 1977, an increase of 8.6 percent.

Criminal calendar conditions are discussed in terms of the same 20 courts that were used to describe civil calendars. These larger courts together accounted for 92 percent of criminal cases calendared for trial as of June 30, 1977 and hence their problems of congestion and extended time to trial generally are more acute than other courts. Although the courts are described as a group, each court's calendar is unique and conditions will, of course, differ from one court to another. The Los Angeles court is discussed separately because its size would tend to obscure trends in other courts.

Cases Calendared for Trial

Except for good cause, superior courts must dismiss a criminal case if the defendant has not been brought to trial within 60 days of the indictment or information, unless the defendant waives the right to trial within this time.²³ Even though many defendants demand a trial and waive time, the 60-day requirement nevertheless tends to limit the time cases remain awaiting trial and, in contrast to civil calendars, to limit the number of cases in the inventory of criminal cases awaiting trial.

Table XXVI lists the number of criminal cases calendared for trial²⁴ as of June 30, 1967 through June 1977 for the courts under consideration. It shows that 11 of the 20 courts had increases over the previous year in criminal cases set for trial while 9 of the courts showed decreases. The 19 courts, exclusive of Los Angeles, showed a net total decrease of 43 criminal cases awaiting trial, a decrease of 1.3 percent. Criminal filings during the year for the same 19 courts increased 837 from 28,952 to 29,789, or 3.0 percent. By contrast, Los Angeles recorded an increase of 643 criminal cases awaiting trial, an increase of 18 percent, while its filings declined from 20,119 to 18,427, a decrease of 8.4 percent.

As with civil trial inventories, criminal inventories considerably overstate the number of cases that will actually reach trial. Many criminal cases are calendared for trial where, despite a trial demand, defendants neither wish nor anticipate a trial. Cases against many such defendants will ultimately be disposed of by pleas of guilty. In 1976-1977, pleas of guilty (including certifications on pleas of guilty from lower courts) accounted for 73.2 percent or 19,437 of the 26,557 total dispositions in the 19 superior courts. In the previous year 67.5 percent of all criminal dispositions were pleas of guilty.

²²Superior Courts of Alameda, Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Los Angeles, Marin, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Sonoma, Stanislaus and Ventura Counties.

²³Pen. Code, § 1382(2).

²⁴Since the great majority of trial demands are for a jury trial, the figures in Table XXVI represent jury trial calendars for all practical purposes.

TABLE XXVI—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH
FIVE OR MORE JUDGES^a
NUMBER OF CRIMINAL CASES CALENDARED FOR TRIAL
AS OF JUNE 30, 1967 THROUGH 1977

Court	<i>Criminal cases awaiting trial</i>										
	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Alameda.....	207	263	224	243	355	589	375	194	463	663	462
Contra Costa.....	96	58	92	102	98	262	202	94	124	114	93
Fresno.....	102	61	66	40	74	80	56	79	80	137	106
Kern.....	16	33	41	109	73	82	73	73	65	83	94
Los Angeles.....	2,938	3,879	5,498	6,103	4,816	3,516	3,840	3,287	3,632	3,539	4,182
Marin.....	30	80	85	75	54	51	41	51	47	69	64
Monterey.....	27	51	48	76	56	71	100	91	102	95	72
Orange.....	161	233	203	208	429	248	202	211	246	229	274
Riverside.....	153	187	304	215	178	91	122	132	112	107	176
Sacramento.....	62	44	67	99	136	132	113	126	180	194	182
San Bernardino.....	190	175	305	378	276	343	402	299	163	154	165
San Diego.....	199	243	561	476	344	323	349	613	261	407	392
San Francisco.....	292	278	237	500	664	291	136	119	115	116	191
San Joaquin.....	57	120	95	82	124	102	77	69	103	108	131
San Mateo.....	91	148	163	226	194	162	138	150	114	146	104
Santa Barbara.....	53	75	85	91	110	73	42	34	27	45	47
Santa Clara.....	179	160	274	274	300	307	185	215	323	501	443
Sonoma.....	4	29	28	25	34	17	27	40	69	81	125
Stanislaus.....	50	81	127	103	91	190	118	75	100	58	104
Ventura.....	48	34	59	62	56	46	46	66	73	83	122
Total.....	4,955	6,232	8,562	9,487	8,462	6,976	6,644	6,018	6,399	6,929	7,529
Total excluding Los Angeles	2,017	2,353	3,064	3,384	3,646	3,460	2,804	2,731	2,767	3,390	3,347

^a As of June 30, 1977.

Many of the pleas of guilty came after the defendant had first pleaded not guilty and demanded a (jury) trial. Although precise figures are not available, it is known that a substantial proportion of these changes of plea occur as a result of negotiations between the prosecution and defense, concurred in by the court.

There are no empirical data yet available as to the effects of the various types of plea negotiation on the condition of criminal trial calendars.

Relatively few criminal cases are actually disposed of by trial.²⁵ There were 2,893 juries sworn in 1976-1977 in criminal cases in the 19 metropolitan courts exclusive of Los Angeles, comprising 10.9 percent of the criminal dispositions in those courts. A comparison of the number of initial trial demands with the number of juries actually sworn indicates that courts generally set about five cases for trial for each trial that results, and conversely, that guilty pleas are subsequently entered in the other four cases that had been set for trial.

In 1976-1977, 11 of the 20 metropolitan courts showed an increase in the ratio of juries sworn to total filings and 8 showed decreases. There appears to be a levelling off of the ratio of juries sworn to cases filed. In 1975-1976 juries were sworn in 9.8 percent of criminal cases in the metropolitan courts; in 1976-1977 the ratio dropped slightly to 9.7 percent.

Many offenses charged as felonies in the municipal and justice courts are disposed of in those courts either by dismissal or by sentencing as mis-

²⁵ Unless otherwise indicated "trials" exclude cases disposed of on the transcript of the preliminary hearing.

**TABLE XXVII—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH
FIVE OR MORE JUDGES^a
CRIMINAL FILINGS AND NUMBER OF JURIES SWORN
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

Court	Criminal		Percent of juries sworn to total filings
	Filings	Juries sworn	
Alameda	2,740	202	7.4
Contra Costa	1,171	128	10.9
Fresno	1,107	206	18.6
Kern	696	106	15.2
Los Angeles	18,427	1,702	9.2
Marin	434	60	13.8
Monterey	844	122	14.5
Orange	2,225	240	10.8
Riverside	1,380	151	10.9
Sacramento	2,138	186	8.7
San Bernardino	1,849	284	15.4
San Diego	4,373	264	6.0
San Francisco	2,633	218	8.3
San Joaquin	686	75	10.9
San Mateo	1,054	112	10.6
Santa Barbara	629	82	13.0
Santa Clara	3,541	185	5.2
Sonoma	547	64	11.7
Stanislaus	796	134	16.8
Ventura	941	74	7.9
Total excluding Los Angeles	29,789	2,893	9.7

^a As of June 30, 1977.

**TABLE XXVIII—CALIFORNIA COUNTIES WITH FIVE OR MORE
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES^a—FELONY FILINGS IN LOWER
COURTS AND FELONY FILINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

County	Felony filings		Approximate percent disposed of by municipal and justice courts
	Municipal and justice courts	Superior court	
Alameda	7,262	2,740	62.3
Contra Costa	1,790	1,171	65.4
Fresno	3,279	1,107	66.2
Kern	1,730	696	59.8
Los Angeles	25,562	8,427	67.0
Marin	657	434	33.9
Monterey	1,569	844	46.2
Orange	5,585	2,225	60.2
Riverside	2,657	1,380	48.1
Sacramento	4,973	2,138	57.0
San Bernardino	4,249	1,849	56.5
San Diego	8,834	4,373	50.5
San Francisco	4,768	2,633	44.7
San Joaquin	2,156	686	68.2
San Mateo	3,621	1,054	59.8
Santa Barbara	977	629	35.6
Santa Clara	5,332	3,541	33.6
Sonoma	1,091	547	49.9
Stanislaus	1,817	796	56.2
Ventura	1,590	941	40.8
Total	88,499	38,216	56.8
Total excluding Los Angeles	62,937	29,789	52.7

^a As of June 30, 1977.

demeanors under the provisions of section 17(b) of the Penal Code. Table XXVIII displays the difference in the felony filings in the municipal and justice courts and the superior courts of the 20 metropolitan counties. It should be noted that there is a small number of cases in which the defendants were held to answer in the lower court where the prosecuting officer failed or refused to file a complaint in the superior court.

Elapsed Time to Trial

Except for good cause or unless a defendant waives the right to a speedy trial, criminal cases must be brought to trial within 60 days of the filing of the indictment or information in the superior court. When the time to trial exceeds this statutory limit the delay is usually caused by the defendant seeking or agreeing to the extended trial setting. The majority of defendants initially plead not guilty at arraignment, following which many demand a jury trial and waive their rights to a speedy trial, thus relieving the court of its statutory responsibility regarding the time to trial.

Commencing about 1970 the superior courts were able each year to reduce both the number and proportion of cases where the commencement of trial exceeded the 60-day limit. In 1974-1975 and 1975-1976, however, 11 of the metropolitan courts reported increases in the number and proportion of cases with juries sworn more than 60 days from filing. In 1976-1977, 8 of the 20 courts reported overall increases in percentages

**TABLE XXVIII A—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS WITH
FIVE OR MORE JUDGES °
NUMBER OF CRIMINAL JURIES SWORN
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

<i>Court</i>	<i>Total criminal juries sworn</i>	<i>Juries sworn more than 60 days from indictment or information</i>	
		<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent of total</i>
Alameda	202	181	89.6
Contra Costa	128	68	53.1
Fresno	206	104	50.5
Kern	106	43	40.6
Los Angeles	1,702	785	46.1
Marin	60	37	61.7
Monterey	122	68	55.7
Orange	240	153	63.8
Riverside	151	119	78.8
Sacramento	186	97	52.2
San Bernardino	284	152	53.5
San Diego	264	212	80.3
San Francisco	218	19	8.7
San Joaquin	75	39	52.0
San Mateo	112	75	67.0
Santa Barbara	82	53	64.6
Santa Clara	185	79	42.7
Sonoma	64	48	75.0
Stanislaus	134	68	50.7
Ventura	74	46	62.2
Total	4,595	2,446	53.2
Total excluding Los Angeles	2,893	1,661	57.4

° As of June 30, 1977.

of cases with juries sworn more than 60 days from the filing of the indictment or information. Of the 4,595 criminal juries sworn in these courts last year, 2,446 or 53.2 percent were sworn more than 60 days from filing, ranging from lows of 8.7 percent in San Francisco to highs of 89.6 and 80.3 percent in the Alameda and San Diego courts, respectively.

The Los Angeles Superior Court has in the past been considered separately in discussing criminal proceedings since inclusion of its criminal filings, presently 34 percent of the state total, would tend to obscure trends in other courts. Also, in Los Angeles, at least in prior years, a larger proportion of relatively minor offenses appeared to have been filed in the Los Angeles Superior Court than in superior courts elsewhere. Substantial numbers of these cases were disposed of by stipulation on the record of the preliminary hearing.

In 1971, however, the Los Angeles District Attorney commenced prosecuting certain minor offenses, previously handled as felonies, as misdemeanors under the authority of section 17 of the Penal Code. The effect of this policy change was a marked decrease in the number of felony filings. In 1970-1971 (prior to the change) there were 38,843 felony filings in Los Angeles Superior Court; in 1971-1972 they dropped to 28,892. Criminal filings in the Los Angeles Superior Court have continued to drop each year, and last year the number was 18,427.

The Los Angeles Superior Court had a ratio of pleas of guilty to total dispositions only slightly below that of the other superior courts in the state. In Los Angeles in 1976-1977 there were 16,733 criminal dispositions

TABLE XXIX—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT WITH FIVE OR MORE JUDGES*
Felony Convictions and Misdemeanor Convictions Under Section 17b
of the Penal Code and other Statutory Provisions
Fiscal Year 1976-77

Court	Total Defendants Convicted	Felony Convictions	Percent	
			Misdemeanor Convictions	Misdemeanor Convictions
Alameda	2,062	2,311	51	2.5
Contra Costa	1,061	1,044	17	1.6
Fresno	976	966	10	1.0
Kern	576	564	12	2.1
Los Angeles	13,954	12,173	1,781	12.8
Marin	252	252	0	0
Monterey	688	624	64	9.3
Orange	1,923	1,849	79	4.1
Riverside	999	958	41	4.1
Sacramento	1,198	1,165	33	2.8
San Bernardino	1,533	1,462	71	4.6
San Diego	3,439	3,029	410	11.9
San Francisco	2,160	2,104	56	2.6
San Joaquin	463	461	2	0.4
San Mateo	682	590	92	13.5
Santa Barbara	450	410	40	8.9
Santa Clara	2,939	2,778	161	5.5
Sonoma	221	219	2	0.9
Stanislaus	462	454	8	1.7
Ventura	656	655	1	0.2
Total	36,699	33,768	2,931	8.0
Total Excluding Los Angeles	22,745	21,595	1,150	5.1

* As of June 30, 1977.

of which 11,814 were pleas of guilty, a ratio of 70.6 percent. During this same period the statewide ratio of pleas of guilty to total criminal dispositions was 71.0 percent.

In 1976-1977 Los Angeles disposed of 12.8 percent of its total felony filings as misdemeanors under the provisions of section 17 (b) 5 of the Penal Code and other statutory provisions. This was considerably above the 5.1 percent average for the other 19 metropolitan courts for the same period. Table XXIX sets forth the varying percentages of felony convictions and misdemeanor convictions under section 17(b) of the Penal Code and other statutory provisions.

D. MUNICIPAL COURTS

I. FILINGS

Total Filings

The 89 California municipal courts recorded a caseload of 14.9 million filings in 1976-1977, a growth of 6 percent for the second consecutive year (see Table XXX). Civil and criminal nonparking filings combined increased by 8 percent. Half of the increase of 443,000 in nonparking filings

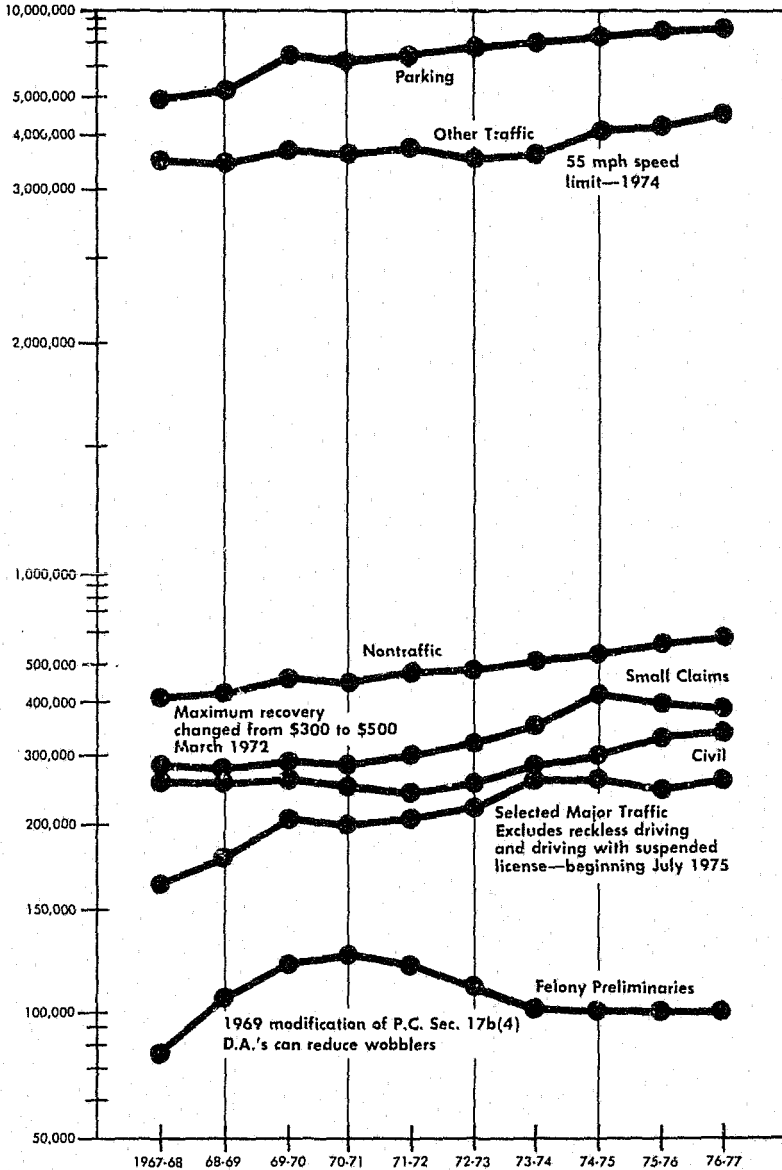
TABLE XXX—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
1967-68 through 1976-77

Fiscal Year	Total	Criminal				Civil		
		Parking	Selected traffic	Other traffic	Felonies	Other Nontraffic	Small claims	Other
NUMBER								
1967-68	9,830,239	5,087,658	164,428	3,511,655	76,985	416,801	293,110	279,602
1968-69	10,067,936	5,354,938	182,466	3,454,314	101,020	429,185	277,448	268,565
1969-70	11,264,910	6,154,799	203,952	3,758,651	115,221	469,809	286,732	275,746
1970-71	11,632,541	6,600,917	201,589	3,731,225	125,446	455,635	278,805	258,924
1971-72	11,536,578	6,480,205	218,995	3,702,458	117,767	467,348	301,623	246,182
1972-73	11,603,568	6,666,645	244,000	3,509,503	104,596	478,474	343,384	256,966
1973-74	12,241,525	7,155,278	271,564	3,585,603	95,600	493,794	368,032	271,654
1974-75	13,342,224	7,675,114	276,423	4,056,628	96,092	525,895	410,019	302,053
1975-76R	14,167,612	8,403,381	247,664	4,171,843	94,998	541,835	390,453	317,438
1976-77	14,970,216	8,763,280	251,026	4,556,120	94,522	583,708	390,390	331,170
PERCENT *								
1967-68	100	52	2	36	1	4	3	3
1968-69	100	53	2	34	1	4	3	3
1969-70	100	55	2	33	1	4	3	2
1970-71	100	57	2	32	1	4	2	2
1971-72	100	56	2	32	1	4	3	2
1972-73	100	57	2	30	1	4	3	2
1973-74	100	58	2	29	1	4	3	2
1974-75	100	58	2	30	1	4	3	2
1975-76	100	59	2	29	1	4	3	2
1976-77	100	59	2	30	1	4	3	2
PERCENT CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR								
1967-68	4	7	6	2	20	-1	-10	-5
1968-69	2	5	11	-2	31	3	-5	-4
1969-70	12	15	12	9	14	9	3	3
1970-71	3	7	-1	-1	9	-3	-3	-6
1971-72	-1	-2	9	-1	-6	3	8	-5
1972-73	1	3	11	-5	-11	2	14	4
1973-74	6	7	11	2	-9	3	7	6
1974-75	9	7	2	13	1	7	11	11
1975-76	6	9	-10	3	-1	3	-5	5
1976-77	6	4	1	9	-1	8	<.1	4

R= revised.

* Components may not add to 100 percent due to rounding.

Figure 13—MUNICIPAL COURT FILINGS
Fiscal years 1967—68 through 1976—77



resulted from the combining of justice courts with municipal courts, either by annexation to existing municipal court districts or by creation of new municipal court districts from justice court districts.

Filings by Type of Proceeding

Felony filings were stable with a total of 94,500 cases in 1976-1977. For the second consecutive year these filings decreased by 1 percent. In the past three years there has been less than a 2 percent fluctuation in felony filings either up or down. (See Figure 13) Section 17 of the Penal Code was amended in 1969 to provide, among other things, discretionary authority to prosecuting officers to file as misdemeanors certain types of cases which previously would have been filed as felonies. During the two fiscal years following that amendment, felony preliminary filings increased at a much lower rate, and in 1971-1972 filings declined. In the past four years they have remained relatively constant.

Nontraffic misdemeanors and infractions increased 8 percent in 1976-1977. Since 1971-1972, nontraffic misdemeanors and infractions have increased each year.

Selected traffic cases (now designated as Group C traffic in monthly summary reports) increased only 1 percent. This category constitutes 2 percent of all filings. (In July 1975 this category was changed and some offenses previously reported as selected traffic are now being reported as Group D traffic offenses.)

Other traffic misdemeanors (now referred to as Group D traffic misdemeanors) and traffic infractions increased by 9 percent to 4.6 million filings in 1976-1977. The Group D misdemeanor category increased by 35 percent.

Small claims filings remained almost static at 390,000 in 1976-1977 despite a statutory increase in the maximum recovery amount permitted from \$500 to \$750. Civil filings increased 4 percent to 331,000.

2. DISPOSITIONS

Total Dispositions

During 1976-1977 the municipal courts disposed of 13.2 million filings. Fifty-eight percent or 7.6 million were parking violations and 42 percent or 5.6 million were criminal nonparking offenses or civil cases.

**TABLE XXXI—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
NONPARKING DISPOSITIONS BY TYPE
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77**

Fiscal Year	Before Trial					After Trial		
	Total	Bail forfeitures	Dismissals and transfers	Convicted or bound over after plea of guilty	All other	Uncontested	Contested	Juvenile orders
NUMBER								
1967-68	4,396,823	2,403,764	502,655	972,372	111,890	198,818	186,000	21,324
1968-69	4,350,268	2,350,318	509,024	986,096	106,481	197,243	178,433	22,673
1969-70	4,672,014	2,499,226	599,143	1,052,500	103,701	204,309	189,531	23,604
1970-71	4,682,132	2,402,234	684,197	1,090,366	81,922	206,927	196,090	20,396
1971-72	4,680,555	2,276,988	700,465	1,196,644	89,128	208,308	191,097	17,925
1972-73	4,592,087	2,128,935	721,798	1,216,647	84,484	229,773	191,432	19,018
1973-74	4,604,876	2,174,955	733,278	1,164,231	84,388	235,624	131,362	21,638
1974-75	5,054,557	2,456,184	813,053	1,200,495	97,725	255,552	207,225	24,323
1975-76	5,222,658	2,517,800	855,638	1,235,692	113,673	253,048	211,462	25,346
1976-77	5,584,301	2,689,454	923,496	1,346,744	119,255	253,640	218,328	33,384
PERCENT *								
1967-68	100	55	11	22	3	5	4	<1
1968-69	100	54	12	23	2	5	4	1
1969-70	100	53	13	23	2	4	4	1
1970-71	100	51	15	23	2	4	4	<1
1971-72	100	49	15	26	2	4	4	<1
1972-73	100	46	16	26	2	5	4	<1
1973-74	100	47	16	25	2	5	4	<1
1974-75	100	49	16	24	2	5	4	<1
1975-76	100	48	16	24	2	5	4	<1
1976-77	100	48	17	24	2	5	4	1
PERCENT CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR								
1967-68	2	1	6	4	-5	-5	2	7
1968-69	-1	-2	1	1	-5	-1	-4	6
1969-70	7	6	18	7	-3	4	6	4
1970-71	<1	-4	14	4	-21	1	3	-14
1971-72	<1	-5	2	10	9	1	-3	-12
1972-73	-2	-7	3	2	-5	10	<1	6
1973-74	<1	2	2	-4	<1	2	<1	14
1974-75	10	13	11	3	16	9	8	12
1975-76	3	3	5	3	16	3	2	4
1976-77	7	7	8	9	5	-4	-3	32

* Components may not add to 100 percent due to roundings.

Nonparking criminal offense dispositions for the last 10 fiscal years are depicted by category in Table XXXI and Figure 14. Dispositions before trial increased this fiscal year. After-trial disposition data showed a decline in uncontested trials and an increase in contested trials and juvenile orders. The 32 percent increase in juvenile orders resulted from the increasing use of traffic hearing officers by municipal courts and the increase in the number and size of municipal court districts.

The number of municipal courts, authorized judgeships, judicial positions and judge equivalents in each of the last 10 fiscal years is shown in Table XXXII. In 1976-1977 the number of municipal courts increased by 5. Six new municipal courts were created from 22 justice court districts. Two municipal court districts in Contra Costa county (Richmond and West districts) were consolidated and became the Bay Municipal Court District. Fourteen other justice courts were consolidated with existing municipal court districts.

Figure 14—MUNICIPAL COURT NONPARKING DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1967—68 through 1976—77

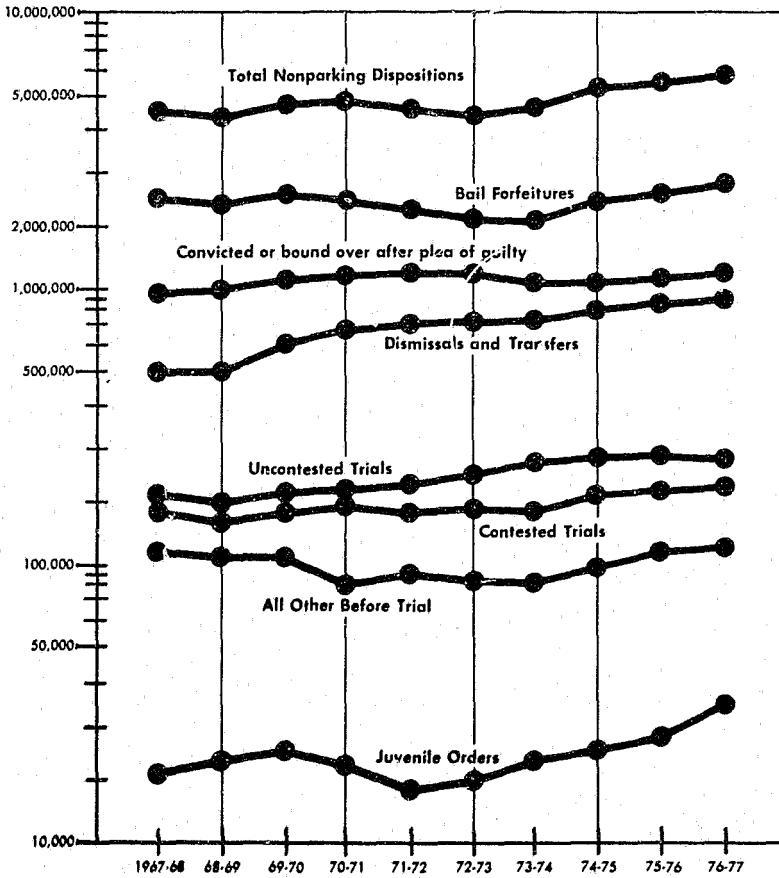


TABLE XXXII—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
NUMBER OF COURTS AND JUDGES
Fiscal Years 1967—68 Through 1976—77

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Municipal courts</i>	<i>Authorized judgeships</i>	<i>Judicial positions</i>	<i>Judge equivalents</i>
1967—68	73	305	323	316
1968—69	74	326	346	341
1969—70	75	337	358	357
1970—71	77	356	384	370
1971—72	77	365	394	388
1972—73	76	380	414	405
1973—74	77	384	428	424
1974—75	80	406	459	438
1975—76	84	425	482	459
1976—77	89	447	511	493

Table XXXIII displays the number and types of dispositions per judge equivalent for nonparking filings in the municipal court for the past 10 fiscal years. It should be noted that the number of cases handled per judge equivalent varies little from year to year.

The ratio of dispositions to filings expressed as a percentage for the various case categories for the last 10 fiscal years is set forth in Table XXXIV. The ratios have remained fairly stable from year to year, but two categories, selected traffic violations and felonies, have shown marked changes within the last two years.

Until July 1975 selected traffic violations included driving with a suspended or revoked driver's license (Veh. Code, § 14601) and reckless driving without injury (Veh. Code, § 23103). After these two offenses were removed from this category the number of dispositions per 100 filings for selected traffic fell from around 90 in 1974-1975 to 81 in 1976-1977.

Dispositions per 100 felony filings were stable at about 70 for a number of years, but in 1975-1976 they rose to 84 and in 1976-1977 to 86. The Los Angeles Municipal Court recorded 96 felony dispositions per 100 filings in 1976-1977, well above the state average. A reason advanced for this abrupt change was the adoption by district attorneys throughout the state of uniform crime charging standards.

**TABLE XXXIII—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
DISPOSITION MATTERS PER JUDGE EQUIVALENT***
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77

Fiscal Year	Illegal parking	Total nonparking	Nonparking				Juries sworn
			Before trial	After trial	Uncontested trials**	Contested trials	
1967-68.....	14,980	13,914	12,629	1,285	629	589	38
1968-69.....	14,458	12,757	11,589	1,168	578	523	34
1969-70.....	15,406	13,087	11,918	1,169	572	531	33
1970-71.....	15,728	12,654	11,510	1,144	559	530	33
1971-72.....	15,450	12,063	10,988	1,076	537	493	31
1972-73.....	14,865	11,338	10,252	1,087	567	473	30
1973-74.....	14,788	10,861	9,804	1,057	554	451	29
1974-75.....	14,995	11,540	10,428	1,112	583	473	24
1975-76.....	15,744	11,378	10,289	1,089	573	461	22
1976-77.....	15,383	11,327	10,302	1,025	514	443	21

* "Judge equivalents" is the number of authorized judgeships adjusted to reflect vacancies, assistance to other courts by municipal courts and assistance received by municipal courts from assigned judges and from temporary judges serving by stipulation of the parties.

** Excludes juvenile orders.

**TABLE XXXIV—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
DISPOSITIONS PER 100 FILINGS**
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77

Fiscal Year	Criminal					Civil	
	Felonies	Non-traffic	Selected	Other	Parking	Small claims	Other
1967-68.....	86	96	88	95	93	74	79
1968-69.....	82	94	90	95	92	73	77
1969-70.....	78	95	89	94	89	75	76
1970-71.....	76	99	90	95	88	77	73
1971-72.....	70	100	89	95	92	75	79
1972-73.....	71	98	90	96	90	79	75
1973-74.....	69	92	90	94	88	76	74
1974-75.....	70	92	90	92	86	74	73
1975-76.....	84	92	80	94	86	76	76
1976-77.....	86	93	81	92	87	75	76

Filings and dispositions for each type of proceeding, the percent distributions and the percent change from the prior year are shown in Table XXXV. New reporting categories were established in July 1975 in the nontraffic and traffic categories. This is the first time year to year comparisons can be made in these new categories.

Dispositions outnumber filings by over 130,000 in the Group D misdemeanor category. The reason for this reporting anomaly is that dispositions of traffic infractions that were elevated to Group D misdemeanors by the filing of separate misdemeanor complaints when the defendants failed to appear, were reported in Group D, while the original traffic infraction filings were reported as infractions. New reporting instructions will correct this imbalance in future reports.

**Table XXXV—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS BY TYPE, 1976-1977**

Type of Proceeding	Number		Percent Distribution*		Percent Change from Prior Year	
	Filings	Dispositions	Filings	Dispositions	Filings	Disposition
Felonies	94,522	80,888	1	1	-1	<1
Felonies reduced to misdemeanors	-	(14,817)	-	(<1)	-	(3)
Nontraffic						
Group A Misdemeanors	331,388	309,316	2	2	5	8
Group B Misdemeanors	209,060	200,681	1	2	4	5
Infractions	43,260	34,468	<1	<1	71	60
Traffic						
Group C Misdemeanors	251,026	203,652	2	2	1	2
Group D Misdemeanors	199,438	332,230	1	3	35	18
Infractions	4,356,682	3,879,166	29	29	8	7
Parking	8,763,280	7,584,022	59	58	4	5
Small Claims	390,390	291,226	3	2	-<1	-2
Other Civil	331,170	252,674	2	2	4	5
Total—All Proceedings	14,970,216	13,168,323	100	100	6	6

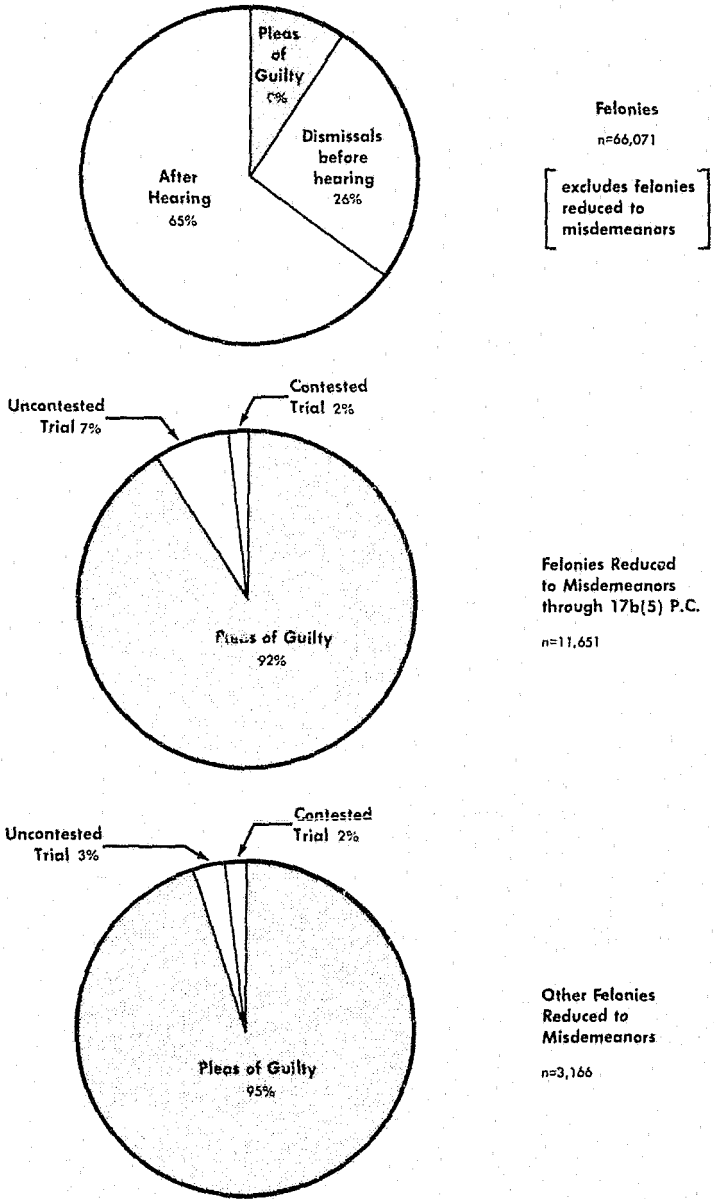
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Dispositions by Type of Proceeding

Methods of disposition of felony filings in the municipal courts are depicted in Figure 15. Only 9 percent of the felony filings were disposed of by guilty plea, while 92 percent of the felony complaints reduced to misdemeanors under Penal Code section 17(b)5, and 95 percent of felony complaints reduced to misdemeanors under other statutory provisions, were disposed of by pleas of guilty.

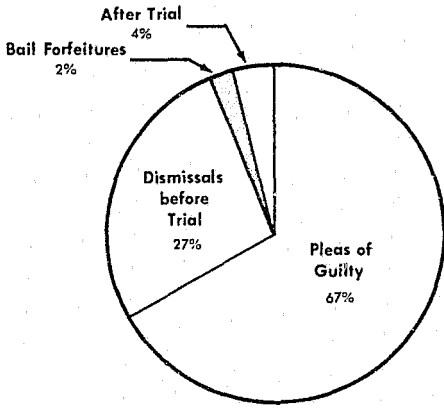
Percentage distributions of nontraffic misdemeanor and infraction dispositions are displayed in Figure 16. While all three types of nontraffic matters have significant percentages of cases disposed of by pleas of guilty, the type of disposition that most distinguishes one category from another is the percentage of cases disposed of by bail forfeiture. Group A misdemeanors have 2 percent bail forfeitures, Group B cases have 22 percent, and nontraffic infractions have 39 percent.

Figure 15—FELONY DISPOSITIONS IN MUNICIPAL COURT*
Fiscal Year 1976—77



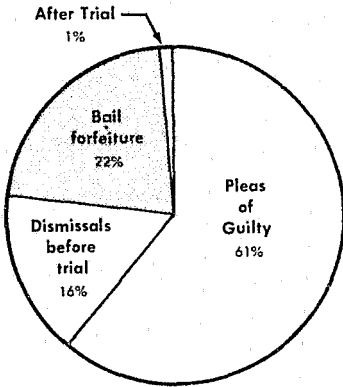
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Figure 16—NONTRAFFIC DISPOSITIONS IN MUNICIPAL COURT*
Fiscal Year 1976-77



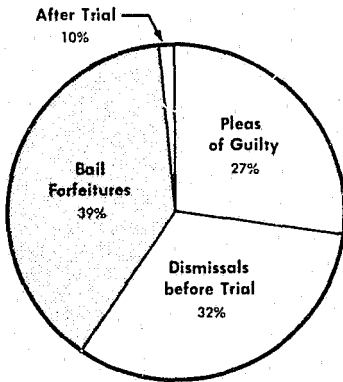
**Group A
Misdemeanors**
n=309,316

Misdemeanor violations of Penal Code and other state statutes except intoxication and Fish and Game.
Examples:
Battery 242 PC
Disturbing Peace 415 PC
Disorderly Conduct 647 PC
Joy Ride 499b PC
Trespass 602 PC



**Group B
Misdemeanors**
n=200,681

Nontraffic misdemeanor violations of city and county ordinance and intoxication and Fish and Game violations.

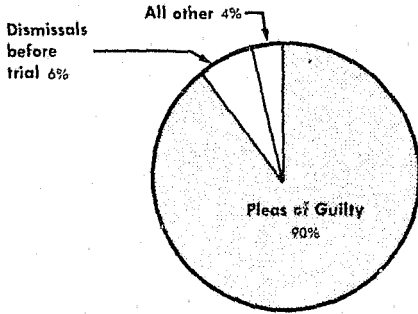


Nontraffic Infractions
n=34,468

Violations of city and county ordinances specified as infractions

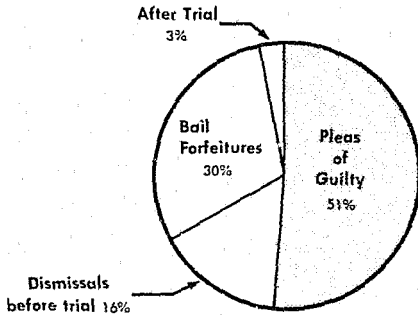
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Figure 17—TRAFFIC DISPOSITIONS IN MUNICIPAL COURT*
Fiscal Year 1976—77



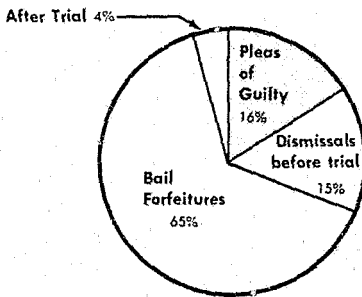
Group "C" Traffic Misdemeanors
n=203,652

- Hit and Run
- Drunk Driving
- Reckless Driving—Injury
- Driving Under Influence of Drugs



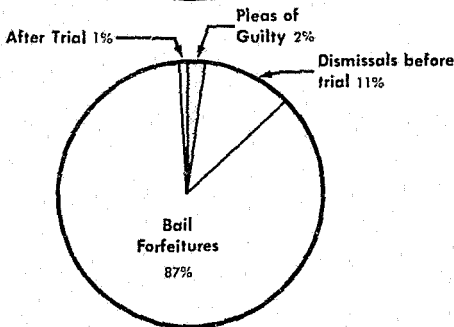
Group "D" Traffic Misdemeanors
n=332,230

- Examples:
- Speed Contests
- No drivers license



Traffic Infractions
n=3,879,166

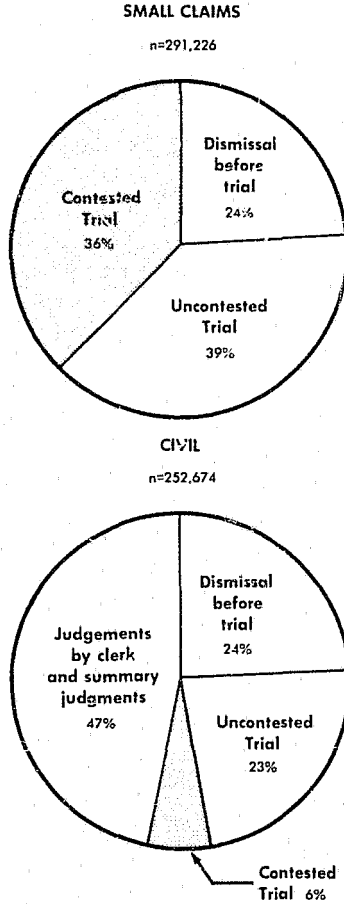
- Examples:
- Speeding
- Improper operation
- Faulty equipment
- Improper registration



Illegal Parking
n=7,584,022

*Percentages may not always total 100% due to rounding.

Figure 18—CIVIL DISPOSITIONS IN MUNICIPAL COURT*
Fiscal Year 1976—77



*Percentages may not always total 100% due to rounding.

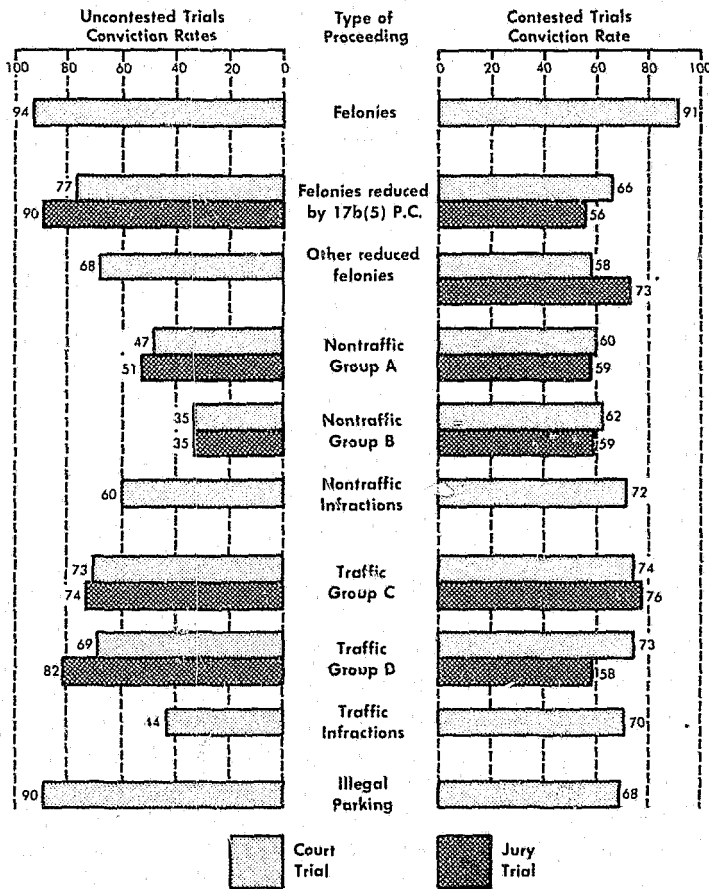
Variations in the methods of disposing of filings in the four traffic categories are displayed in Figure 17. The ratio of pleas of guilty to bail forfeitures declines as the offenses are ranked from most serious to least serious. Because a statutory provision (Veh. Code, § 13103) requires a forfeiture of bail to be considered equivalent to a plea of guilty for most purposes, there are no significant differences in the effects of these two methods of disposition.

Types of dispositions of small claims and other civil proceedings are displayed in Figure 18. In small claims 36 percent of the dispositions were after contested trials, while in other civil matters in the municipal courts only 6 percent were disposed of in this manner.

Conviction Rates in Criminal Trials

The number of convictions after uncontested and contested trials by court or by jury according to type of proceeding and the conviction rates are displayed in Table XXXVI. A graphic representation of the data is depicted in Figure 19.

Figure 19—Conviction Rates in Municipal Court Criminal Trials, 1976—77



**TABLE XXXVI—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
CONVICTIONS AND CONVICTION RATES FOR CRIMINAL TRIALS
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

<i>Proceeding</i>	<i>Conviction Rates *</i>				<i>Number of Convictions</i>			
	<i>Uncontested trial</i>		<i>Contested trial</i>		<i>Uncontested trial</i>		<i>Contested trial</i>	
	<i>Court</i>	<i>Jury</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Jury</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Jury</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Jury</i>
Felonies.....	94	-	91	-	37,337	-	3,029	-
Felonies reduced by 17b(5) PC.....	77	90	66	56	608	9	54	54
Other reduced felonies.....	68	-	58	73	59	0	25	22
Nontraffic								
Group A misd.....	47	51	60	59	1,058	207	2,733	2,623
Group B misd.....	35	35	62	59	281	9	911	174
Infractions.....	60	-	72	-	70	-	155	-
Traffic								
Group C misd.....	73	74	74	76	844	130	1,276	2,352
Group D misd.....	69	82	73	58	2,598	28	2,959	236
Infractions.....	44	-	70	-	14,346	-	51,750	-
Parking.....	90	-	68	-	53,539	-	2,359	-

* Number of cases convicted or bound over divided by the number of cases tried (excludes Juvenile Orders) times 100.

E. JUSTICE COURTS

The number of justice courts has been decreasing each year since the lower court reorganization of 1953. When the reorganization was completed there were 349 justice courts. At the end of 1976-1977 there were 111 justice courts or 64 fewer than a year earlier. Table XXXVII shows the number of justice courts and attorney judges for the last 10 fiscal years. In 1952-1953 only 15 percent of the justice court judges were attorneys; as of June 30, 1977, 97 percent of the judges were attorneys. Section 71701 of the Government Code states: "On and after January 7, 1975, each justice court vacancy shall be filled by an attorney judge who shall at the time of his selection be a resident of the county." This requirement was primarily responsible for the shift to attorney judges in justice courts.

**Table XXXVII—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
NUMBER OF COURTS AND ATTORNEY JUDGES
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Number of Justice Courts</i>	<i>Attorney Judges</i>	
		<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent of total Judges</i>
1967-68.....	253	68	27
1968-69.....	245	71	29
1969-70.....	244	71	29
1970-71.....	232	71	31
1971-72.....	226	75	33
1972-73.....	221	79	36
1973-74.....	214	82	38
1974-75.....	199	84	42
1975-76.....	175	79	45
1976-77.....	111	109	97

During fiscal year 1976-1977 some 36 justice courts were involved in the creation of new municipal courts or consolidated with existing municipal courts. Indian Wells and Tehachapi-Mojave consolidated to form the East Kern Municipal Court. Atwater, Dos Palo, Gustine, Le Grand, Livingston,

Los Banos, Merced and Snelling consolidated to form the Merced County Municipal Court. Elsinore, Murrieta and Perris consolidated to form Three Lakes Municipal Court. Gilroy-Morgan Hill became a municipal court. Tulare and Pixley became a municipal court. Davis, Esparto, Grafton, Washington, Winters and Woodland combined to become the Yolo County Municipal Court.

The Kern River-Rand Justice Court consolidated with the Bakersfield Municipal Court. The Arvin-Lamont, Buttonwillow, Delano-McFarland, Maricopa-Taft, Shafter and Wasco Justice Courts consolidated with the Bakersfield Municipal Court to become the West Kern Municipal Court. Pacific Grove Justice Court merged with the Monterey Peninsula Municipal Court. East County joined the El Cajon Municipal Court. Fallbrook became a part of the North County Municipal Court. Oakdale-Waterford, Newman-Patterson, Riverbank and Turlock combined with the Modesto Municipal Court to become the Stanislaus County Municipal Court.

1. FILINGS

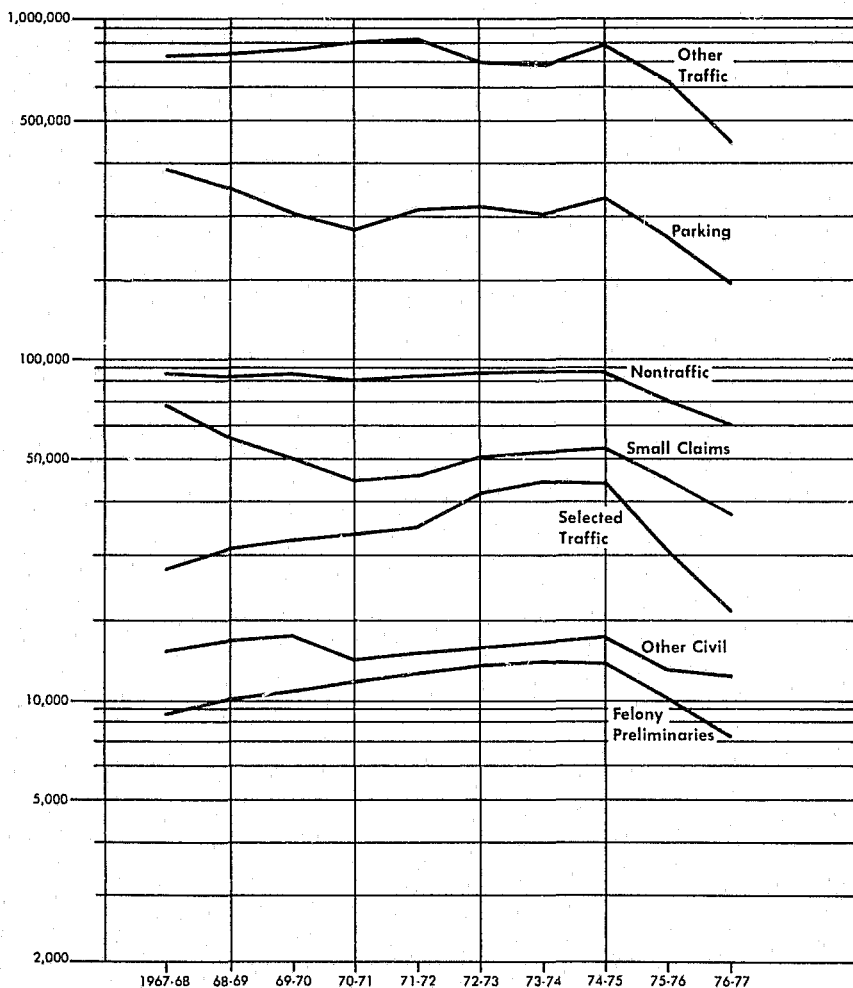
For the second consecutive year filings fell sharply in justice courts. Table XXXVIII and Figure 20 both show justice court filings for the past 10 fiscal years. Total filings dropped by 23 percent to about 826,000 in 1976-1977. This is the first time in the 10-year period that justice court

TABLE XXXVIII—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
FILINGS BY TYPE OF PROCEEDING
Fiscal Years 1967-68 Through 1976-77

Fiscal Year	Total	Criminal				Other: Nontraffic	Civil	
		Parking	Selected Traffic	Other Traffic	Felonies		Small Claims	Other
NUMBER								
1967-68	1,284,284	371,719	27,920	711,519	8,233	81,882	67,574	15,437
1968-69	1,252,728	353,383	31,250	706,259	9,649	79,824	55,727	16,236
1969-70	1,228,981	300,350	32,457	737,234	11,082	80,817	50,601	16,440
1970-71	1,237,765	277,895	34,723	775,437	11,922	78,772	44,584	14,432
1971-72	1,298,940	320,351	36,762	787,720	12,279	81,779	45,548	14,501
1972-73	1,292,217	325,653	42,638	671,256	13,271	84,247	50,387	14,765
1973-74	1,181,749	309,264	45,564	661,501	13,733	84,247	51,446	15,894
1974-75	1,305,928	330,771	45,301	763,378	12,984	84,360	52,697	16,437
1975-76	1,071,503	271,356	32,509	625,744	10,423	73,440	44,219	13,812
1976-77	825,578	194,907	25,085	483,785	8,327	63,646	36,834	12,994
PERCENT ^a								
1967-68	100	29	2	55	1	6	5	1
1968-69	100	28	2	56	1	6	4	1
1969-70	100	24	3	60	1	7	4	1
1970-71	100	22	3	63	1	6	4	1
1971-72	100	25	3	61	1	6	4	1
1972-73	100	27	4	56	1	7	4	1
1973-74	100	26	4	56	1	7	4	1
1974-75	100	25	3	58	1	6	4	1
1975-76	100	25	3	58	1	7	4	1
1976-77	100	24	3	59	1	8	4	2
PERCENT CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR								
1968-69	-2	-5	12	-1	17	-2	-18	5
1969-70	-2	-15	4	4	15	1	-9	1
1970-71	1	-7	7	5	8	-3	-12	-12
1971-72	5	15	6	2	3	4	2	<1
1972-73	-7	2	16	-15	8	3	11	2
1973-74	-2	-5	7	-1	3	<1	2	8
1974-75	11	7	-1	15	-5	<1	2	3
1975-76	-18	-18	-28	-18	-20	-13	-16	-16
1976-77	-23	-28	-23	-23	-20	-13	-17	-6

^a Components may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Figure 20—Justice Court Filings
Fiscal Years 1967—68 through 1976—77



filings have been below the one million mark. Nonparking filings declined by 169,000, with most of the decline resulting from the consolidation of 36 justice courts into the municipal court system in 1976-1977. More than four-fifths (84 percent) of the drop in nonparking filings was in the other traffic category (Group D traffic misdemeanors and traffic infractions). Parking filings continue to be less and less significant in justice courts. Ten years ago they comprised 29 percent of all filings. In 1976-1977, parking filings were 24 percent of all justice court filings. Other traffic filings continue to gain in importance and comprised 59 percent of all justice court filings in 1976-1977.

The smallest decrease in filings was in the other civil category where there was a decrease of 6 percent from the previous fiscal year. Legislation enacted in 1976 (Assem. Bill No. 4072) increased the civil jurisdiction of justice courts from \$1,000 to \$5,000, the same limit as for municipal courts. This change became effective on January 1, 1977 and exerted an upward influence over civil filings in justice courts for the last half of the fiscal year.

Table XXXIX compares filings and dispositions by category, including the new reporting categories established in July 1975. Nontraffic infractions was the only category with an increase in 1976-1977.

**TABLE XXXIX—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS BY TYPE, 1976-1977**

Type of proceeding	Number		Percent distribution*		Percent change from prior year	
	Filings	Dispositions	Filings	Dispositions	Filings	Disposition
Felonies	8,327	7,882	1	1	-20	-16
Felonies reduced to misdemeanors.....	-	(1,913)	-	(<1)	-	(-31)
Nontraffic						
Group A Misdemeanors	29,884	26,383	4	4	-18	-18
Group B Misdemeanors	27,659	25,280	3	3	-16	-19
Infractions	6,103	5,376	1	1	51	72
Traffic						
Group C Misdemeanors	25,085	21,852	3	3	-23	-24
Group D Misdemeanors	36,012	38,378	4	5	-12	-18
Infractions	447,773	400,782	54	55	-23	-26
Parking	194,907	171,7...	24	23	-28	-31
Small Claims	36,834	28,751	4	4	-17	-17
Other Civil.....	12,994	9,047	2	1	-6	-11
Total—All Proceedings.....	825,578	735,473	100	100	-23	-26

* Components may not add to total due to rounding.

2. DISPOSITIONS

During 1976-1977 the justice courts disposed of about 564,000 nonparking cases, a drop of almost 24 percent from the previous fiscal year. All types of dispositions declined. The smallest (percentage) decrease was in judgments by clerk.

**TABLE XL—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
NONPARKING DISPOSITIONS BY TYPE, 1966-67, 1975-76 and 1976-77**

Type of Disposition	1976-77		1975-76			1966-67		
	Amount	Percent of Total Dispositions	Amount	Percent of Total Dispositions	Percent Change to 1976-77	Amount	Percent of Total Dispositions	Percent Change to 1976-77
Dispositions per 100 filings.....	90	—	93	—	—	90	—	—
Total dispositions	563,732	100.0	740,443	100.0	-23.9	814,618	100.0	-30.8
Dispositions before trial	511,043	90.7	675,281	91.2	-24.3	732,864	90.0	-30.3
Bail forfeitures.....	333,660	59.2	442,953	59.8	-24.7	449,557	55.2	-25.8
Dismissals & Transfers	66,468	11.8	90,314	12.2	-26.4	87,067	10.7	-23.7
Convicted or bound over after plea of guilty	104,944	18.6	135,399	18.3	-22.5	187,424	23.0	-44.0
Judgments by clerk	5,971	1.1	6,615	0.9	-9.7	8,816	1.1	-32.3
Dispositions after trial	52,689	9.3	65,162	8.8	-19.1	81,754	10.0	-35.6
Uncontested matters	20,361	3.6	26,617	3.6	-23.5	41,545	5.1	-51.0
Juvenile Orders	10,412	1.8	13,097	1.8	-20.5	15,316	1.9	-32.0
Contested matters	21,916	3.9	25,448	3.4	-13.9	24,893	3.1	-12.0
Jury verdicts.....	1,805	0.3	1,458	0.2	23.8	1,560	0.2	15.7

**TABLE XL-A—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
CONVICTIONS AND CONVICTION RATES FOR CRIMINAL TRIALS
Fiscal Year 1976-77**

Proceeding	Conviction Rates *				Number of Convictions			
	Uncontested trial		Contested trial		Uncontested trial		Contested trial	
	Court	Jury	Court	Jury	Court	Jury	Court	Jury
Felonies.....	86	—	87	—	1,799	—	1,272	—
Felonies reduced by 17b(5) PC.....	49	94	80	35	118	32	49	7
Other reduced felonies.....	61	100	81	72	30	2	13	13
Nontraffic								
Group A misd.....	51	59	73	71	468	58	697	372
Group B misd.....	64	24	68	80	452	7	258	121
Infractions.....	54	50	69	—	31	111	72	—
Traffic								
Group C misd.....	79	67	83	76	297	42	432	418
Group D misd.....	65	50	72	89	420	14	777	213
Infractions.....	68	—	74	—	1,856	—	4,357	—
Parking.....	73	—	72	—	130	—	119	—

* Number of cases convicted or bound over divided by the number of cases tried (excludes juvenile orders) times 100.

As in past years in the justice and municipal courts, more than 90 percent of the cases were disposed of before trial. Fewer than 4 percent of the dispositions in the justice courts last year were by contested hearing or trial.

Table XL-A shows the number of convictions and the conviction rates for uncontested and contested criminal trials and hearings by type of proceeding for both court and jury trials. The highest conviction rates, based on 100 or more cases, were in felony preliminaries where about 87 percent of the accused were held to answer in the superior court. The lowest conviction rate, based on 100 or more cases, was in uncontested court trials for defendants whose felony charge had been reduced to a misdemeanor under section 17b(5) of the Penal Code. Conviction rates for nontraffic offenses were lower for uncontested than for contested dispositions.

F. JUDICIAL ASSIGNMENTS AND ASSISTANCE

1. SUMMARY—NUMBER OF ASSIGNMENTS AND DAYS OF ASSIGNED ASSISTANCE

The California Constitution directs that the Chief Justice seek to expedite judicial business and to equalize the work of judges, and it authorizes her to assign judges to assist in courts other than their own.²⁶

At the request of presiding judges of both trial and appellate courts, the Chief Justice issues assignments for reasons such as vacancies, illnesses, disqualifications and calendar congestion. The following tables reflect the assignments made and days of assistance provided during fiscal year 1976-1977 and previous fiscal years.

²⁶Cal. Const., art. VI, § 6.

**TABLE XLI—CALIFORNIA COURTS
ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES
Fiscal Years 1966-67 Through 1976-77**

<i>Courts receiving assistance</i>	<i>Number of assignments</i>											
	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77	
Total all courts.....	3,575	3,750	3,800	3,785	3,754	4,115	3,135	2,089	2,542	2,658	2,514	
Supreme Court	9	12	13	18	13	6	16	15	14	10	27	
Courts of Appeal.....	58	66	62	54	37	51	65	58	64	69	75	
Superior courts	923	960	926	1,014	933	947	968	1,036	1,282	1,407	1,242	
Municipal courts	731	733	852	755	790	856	848	788	938	1,008	1,049	
Justice courts ^a	1,854	1,939	1,947	1,944	1,981	2,255	1,235	190	244	164	121	

^a In 1973-74 the Chairman of the Judicial Council issued a general assignment which generally authorizes each justice court judge to sit in other justice courts, subject to prior approval in some circumstances. Accordingly, the figures for years prior to 1973-74 are not comparable with those thereafter.

**TABLE XLII—CALIFORNIA COURTS
TOTAL DAYS OF ASSISTANCE TO COURTS OF APPEAL, SUPERIOR
COURTS, MUNICIPAL COURTS, AND JUSTICE COURTS ^a, AND DAYS GIVEN
BY RETIRED JUDGES
Fiscal Years 1966-67 Through 1976-77**

<i>Fiscal year</i>	<i>Total days of assistance</i>	<i>Days given by retired judges</i>	<i>Percentage of total given by retired judges</i>
1966-67	9,471	4,163	44.0
1967-68	10,058	4,226	42.0
1968-69	10,129	4,500.5	44.4
1969-70	10,118.5	5,095.5	50.4
1970-71	10,074.5	4,805	47.7
1971-72	9,294.5	4,203.5	45.2
1972-73	11,085	5,141	46.4
1973-74	15,550	5,684.5	36.7
1974-75	18,707	7,387	39.5
1975-76	19,923.5	8,602.5	43.2
1976-77	17,403.5	8,350.5	48.0

^a Information not available prior to January 1, 1973.

2. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED PARTICULAR COURTS BY ASSIGNED JUDGES

Courts of Appeal

Assistance provided to the Courts of Appeal declined substantially in 1976-1977. A total of 1,638.5 days of assigned assistance was received in the last fiscal year, a decrease of 31 percent from 1975-1976. Eighty-two percent of the assistance given to the Courts of Appeal came from retired judges and 12.5 percent from superior court judges.

Superior Court

Assigned assistance provided the superior courts totaled 7,357.5 days in 1976-1977. Retired judges provided 73 percent of the days of assistance to superior courts, superior court judges 21 percent, and municipal court judges 5 percent.

**TABLE XLIII—CALIFORNIA COURTS
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY JUDGES THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

Assistance given by:	<i>Days of assistance given to:</i>							
	<i>Courts of appeal</i>		<i>Superior courts</i>		<i>Municipal courts</i>		<i>Justice courts</i>	
	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>
Total, All Judges	2,369.0	1,638.5	7,616.0	7,357.5	4,372.0	4,655.5	5,566.5	3,752.0
Supreme Court	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-
Retired judges	1,763.0	1,339.5	5,484.0	5,345.5	1,101.0	1,543.5	254.5	122.0
Court of Appeal justices	38.0	95.0	5.0	3.0	-	-	-	-
Superior court judges	568.0	204.0	1,542.5	1,562.5	6.0	15.5	24.5	16.5
Municipal court judges	-	-	497.0	351.0	265.0	367.0	51.0	39.5
Justice court judges	-	-	87.5	94.5	3,000.0	2,729.5	5,236.5	3,574.0

Municipal Courts

Municipal courts received 4,655.5 days of assigned assistance in 1976-1977. Justice court judges provided 59 percent of this assistance, followed by retired judges (33 percent) and other municipal court judges (8 percent).

Justice Courts

Assigned assistance provided to justice courts in 1976-1977 amounted to 3,752.0 days. Ninety-five percent of the assistance received was from other justice court judges while 3 percent came from retired judges and less than 1 percent from municipal court judges.

Days of Assistance Received and Rendered by Courts Through Assignments

Tables XLIV and XLV display days of assistance received and rendered by the superior courts and the municipal courts, respectively, for the fiscal years 1975-1976 and 1976-1977 on a court by court basis. The last column indicates net days of assistance. A minus item indicates that the court rendered more days of assistance than it received.

3. ASSISTANCE BY COMMISSIONERS, REFEREES AND TEMPORARY JUDGES

Some superior and municipal courts also received assistance in fiscal year 1976-1977 other than by assignments from the Chief Justice. This assistance, as shown in the following Tables XLVI and XLVII was provided by commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges. Such assistance should be considered when analyzing workload or productivity of these courts.²⁷

²⁷In a number of instances throughout this report statistics are analyzed on a "per judge" basis. Such treatment reflects only the number of authorized judges and does not reflect assistance given or received through judicial assignment or through the use of commissioners, referees and temporary judges. A valid assessment of workload or productivity in such courts requires that "per judge" figures be adjusted to reflect the actual judge and other manpower available.

TABLE XLIV—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE RECEIVED AND RENDERED BY COURTS
THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS^a
FISCAL YEARS 1975-76 AND 1976-77

County	1976-77			1975-76		
	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered)	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered)
State total.....	7,357.5	1,798.5	5,559.0	7,616.0	2,141.0	5,475.0
Alameda.....	43	3	40	50	31.5	18.5
Alpine.....	10	155.5	-145.5	6	143	-137
Amador.....	90.5	48	42.5	75	15.5	59.5
Butte.....	69	8	61	33.5	2.5	31
Calaveras.....	79	83	-4	32	57	-25
Colusa.....	40.5	51.5	-11	32	86	-54
Contra Costa.....	41	33	8	51.5	5	46.5
Del Norte.....	23	70	-41	24	70.5	-46.5
El Dorado.....	134	7	127	89	9.5	79.5
Fresno.....	152	3	149	135	10	125
Glenn.....	37	44	-7	93	12	81
Humboldt.....	90	26	64	90	14	76
Imperial.....	44	3	41	42.5	0	42.5
Inyo.....	40	44	-4	23	29	-6
Kern.....	53	34	19	37	47.5	-10.5
Kings.....	18.5	28	-9.5	92.5	13.5	79
Lake.....	114	13.5	100.5	116.5	22	94.5
Lassen.....	11	5	6	22	5	17
Los Angeles.....	1,673	196	1,477	2,360	435.5	1,924.5
Madera.....	192	6	186	86.5	13.5	73
Marin.....	167	0	167	207.5	14	193.5
Mariposa.....	18	36.5	-18.5	15	21	-6
Mendocino.....	18	10	8	23	51.5	-28.5
Merced.....	20	24.5	-4.5	22.5	20.5	2
Modoc.....	15	64	-49	18	55	-37
Mono.....	14	19	-5	8	23.5	15.5
Monterey.....	290.5	9	281.5	208.5	22	186.5
Napa.....	109	10	99	103.5	27	81.5
Nevada.....	57	23	34	62	51.5	10.5
Orange.....	259.5	4	255.5	102	25	77
Placer.....	56	49	7	58	52	6
Plumas.....	32	33.5	-1.5	31	56.5	-25.5
Riverside.....	321	20.5	300.5	379	8.5	370.5
Sacramento.....	302	11	291	338	9	329
San Benito.....	9	107	-98	4	102	-98
San Bernardino.....	231	11	220	146.5	1.5	145
San Diego.....	451	1	450	374	9	365
San Francisco.....	392.5	17	375.5	388	20	368
San Joaquin.....	51.5	13	38.5	17	4	13
San Luis Obispo.....	47.5	39	8.5	105	9	96
San Mateo.....	37	1	36	51	0	51
Santa Barbara.....	219.5	2.5	217	317.5	5.5	312
Santa Clara.....	321	21.5	299.5	356	5	351
Santa Cruz.....	214	0	214	100	0	100
Shasta.....	58.5	42	16.5	37.5	50.5	-13
Sierra.....	12	104.5	-92.5	15	148	-133
Siskiyou.....	51	31.5	19.5	38.5	22	16.5
Solano.....	33	34	-1	12.5	10	2.5
Sonoma.....	95.5	13	82.5	122	25	97
Stanislaus.....	4	11.5	-7.5	0	34	-34
Sutter.....	56.5	36	20.5	68.5	35.5	33
Tehama.....	67.5	31.5	36	60	32	28
Trinity.....	48	19	29	19	31.5	-12.5
Tulare.....	61.5	36.5	25	66	109.5	-43.5
Tuolumne.....	55	16	39	20	6	14
Ventura.....	124.5	0	124.5	51.5	0	51.5
Yolo.....	41	17	24	56.5	6.5	50
Yuba.....	36	17.5	18.5	118	15	103

^a Minus sign (-) indicates the court rendered more days of assistance than it received during the year through assignments by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council under Section 6 of Article VI of the State Constitution. Each day worked in excess of three hours was reported as a full day with three hours or less as a half day.

TABLE XLV—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
 DAYS OF ASSISTANCE RECEIVED AND RENDERED BY COURTS
 THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS °
 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	1976-77			1975-76		
	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a
State total	4,655.5	757.5	3,898	4,372	813	3,559
Alameda:						
Alameda	48	0	48	10	0	10
Berkeley-Albany	0	1	-1	0	18	-18
Fremont-Newark-Union City	25	0	25	10	2	8
Livermore-Pleasanton ^b	10	0	10	34	1	33
Oakland-Piedmont	186	6	180	263.5	0	263.5
San Leandro-Hayward	26	0	26	126	3	123
Butte:						
Chico	34	8	26	79	0	79
Contra Costa:						
Bay ^b	53	0	53	-	-	-
Delta	3	1	2	7	0	7
Mt. Diablo ^b	23	0	23	241.5	0	241.5
Richmond ^b	2	0	2	68	0	68
Walnut Creek-Danville	2	2	0	17	1	16
West ^b	63	2	61	47.5	37.5	10
Fresno:						
Fresno	261	5	256	264	30	234
Humboldt:						
Eureka	23	0	23	116	0	116
Imperial:						
Imperial County ^b	11	63	-52	1	21.5	-20.5
Kern:						
Bakersfield ^b	-	-	-	110	4	106
East Kern ^b	0	8	-8	-	-	-
West Kern ^b	41	70	-29	-	-	-
Los Angeles:						
Alhambra	12	3	9	0	2	-2
Antelope	20	17	3	8	10	-2
Beverly Hills	57	0	57	8	19	-11
Burbank	40	0	40	103	0	103
Citrus	0	2	-2	0	10	-10
Compton	26	9	17	22	19	3
Culver	24	0	24	26.5	0	26.5
Downey	0	0	0	0	18	-18
East Los Angeles	102	0	102	28	0	28
Glendale	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inglewood	36	0	36	47	0	47
Long Beach	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	438	26	412	59	6	53
Los Cerritos	0	0	0	17	0	17
Malibu	18	0	18	19	0	19
Newhall	4	6	-2	0	8	-8
Pasadena	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pomona	35	0	35	36	33	3
Rio Hondo ^b	8	17	-9	29	95	-66
San Antonio ^b	-	-	-	35	0	35
Santa Anita	38	2	36	40	0	40
Santa Monica	0	0	0	0	2	-2
South Bay ^b	0	3	-3	0	9	-9
South Gate ^b	-	-	-	0	0	0
Southeast ^b	49	0	49	11	0	11
Whittier	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marin:						
Central	53.5	1	52.5	36	0	36

TABLE XLV—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS—Continued
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE RECEIVED AND RENDERED BY COURTS
THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS^a
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	1976-77			1975-76		
	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a
Merced:						
Merced County ^b	5	0	5	-	-	-
Monterey:						
Monterey Peninsula ^b	59	18.5	25.5	26	37.5	-11.5
Salinas	59	12.5	46.5	64	11.5	52.5
Napa:						
Napa County ^b	44.5	3	41.5	17.5	0	17.5
Orange:						
Central Orange County	0	23	-23	0	71	-71
North Orange County	21	0	21	0	0	0
Orange County Harbor	129	9	120	22	7	15
South Orange County	83	3	80	37	2	35
West Orange County	192	0	192	69	9	60
Riverside:						
Corona	16.5	0	16.5	100	1	99
Desert ^b	172	21.5	150.5	141	11.5	129.5
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	36	0	36	36	0	36
Riverside	49	1.5	47.5	56.5	0	56.5
Three Lakes ^b	0	0	0	-	-	-
Sacramento:						
Sacramento	79	0	79	165	3	162
San Bernardino:						
San Bernardino County	243.5	23	220.5	326	0.5	325.5
San Diego:						
El Cajon ^b	0	1	-1	20	0	20
North County ^b	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Diego ^b	85	17	68	10	18	-8
South Bay ^b	66	0	66	80	0	80
San Francisco:						
San Francisco	23	51	-28	22	37	-15
San Joaquin:						
Lodi	44	1	43	35	0	35
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	26	10	16	32	17	15
Stockton	22	10.5	11.5	35	10	25
San Luis Obispo:						
San Luis Obispo County	63	1.5	61.5	167.5	12	155.5
San Mateo:						
Central	56	8	48	25	0	25
Northern	43	0	43	106	0	106
Southern	58	5.5	52.5	57	0	57
Santa Barbara:						
Lompoc ^b	25.5	15.5	10	8	12	-4
Santa Barbara-Goleta	141	0	141	106.5	7	99.5
Santa Maria	5.5	49	-43.5	4	90	-86
Santa Clara:						
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	14	14	0	-	-	-
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	16	0	16	32	0	32
Palo Alto-Mountain View	1	4	-3	6	2	4
San Jose-Milpitas	121	31.5	89.5	46	23	23
Santa Clara	10	23	-13	0	15	-15
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	0	46	-46	0	17	-17

TABLE XLV—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS—Continued
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE RECEIVED AND RENDERED BY COURTS
THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS^a
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	1976-77			1975-76		
	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a	Days received	Days rendered	Net days received (or rendered) ^a
Santa Cruz:						
Santa Cruz County.....	162	1	161	107	0	107
Selano:						
Northern Solano ^b	78	3	75	71	1	70
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	34	2	32	5	4.5	0.5
Sonoma:						
Sonoma County.....	241	10.5	230.5	55	8	47
Stanislaus:						
Stanislaus County ^b	106	23.5	82.5	46	2	44
Sutter:						
Sutter County ^b	60	10	50	102	0	102
Tulare:						
Porterville.....	46.5	7	39.5	36	6	30
Tulare-Pixley ^b	22	3	19	-	-	-
Visalia.....	57	36.5	20.5	70	22	48
Ventura:						
Ventura County.....	77	5.5	71.5	109	6.5	102.5
Yolo:						
Yolo County ^b	7	0	7	-	-	-

^a Minus sign (-) indicates the court rendered more days of assistance than it received during the year through assignments by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council under Section 6 of Article VI of the State Constitution. Each day worked in excess of three hours was reported as a full day with three hours or less as a half day.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

TABLE XLVI—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY COMMISSIONERS,
REFEREES AND TEMPORARY JUDGES
Fiscal Year 1976-77

Court	Total days	Commissioners ^a		Referees	Lawyers as temporary judges
		As temporary judges	As commissioners		
State total	26,787.5	8,499.5	7,407.5	9,916.5	964.0
Alameda	660.0	—	—	660.0	—
Contra Costa	711.0	—	247.0	464.0	—
Fresno	543.0	—	—	460.0	83.0
Kern	682.0	4.0	221.0	447.0	—
Los Angeles	14,537.0	7,674.0	4,478.0	2,385.0	—
Marin	449.0	21.0	220.0	208.0	—
Monterey	195.0	—	—	191.0	4.0
Orange	1,413.0	—	—	1,299.0	114.0
Placer	134.0	—	—	134.0	—
Riverside	222.5	206.0	—	—	16.5
Sacramento	502.0	—	—	502.0	—
San Bernardino	1,009.0	260.0	593.5	51.5	104.0
San Diego	968.0	—	—	763.0	205.0
San Francisco	1,461.5	73.5	1,388.0	—	—
San Joaquin	238.0	—	—	238.0	—
San Mateo	491.0	—	249.0	242.0	—
Santa Barbara	609.5	—	—	471.5	138.0
Santa Clara	470.0	—	—	273.0	197.0
Santa Cruz	111.0	—	—	111.0	—
Solano	72.0	—	—	72.0	—
Sonoma	247.0	—	—	247.0	—
Stanislaus	238.0	—	—	238.0	—
Tulare	164.0	—	—	164.0	—
Ventura	544.5	261.0	—	190.0	93.5
Yolo	96.5	—	—	96.5	—
Other courts	19.0	—	1.0	9.0	9.0

^a Excludes jury commissioners.

Superior Courts

Some courts also receive assistance other than by assignments from the Chairperson of the Judicial Council. This assistance is provided by commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges. Since such assistance is often substantial, it should be considered when analyzing workload or productivity of the of the superior and municipal courts. In 1976-1977, 26,787.5 days of such assistance was received by the superior courts. Thirty-seven percent of this assistance was furnished by referees, 32 percent by commissioners acting as temporary judges, 28 percent by commissioners acting as commissioners and 4 percent was supplied by lawyers acting as temporary judges.

Table XLVI lists the days of assistance by commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges for superior courts receiving such assistance. Los Angeles received 54 percent of the total assistance for all superior courts. In almost all cases, commissioners perform functions

which would otherwise require a judge. In some courts they hear matters on stipulation and sign orders as temporary judges, while in other courts they do not sign orders but prepare them for a judge's signature. The assistance provided to superior courts by commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges amounted to the equivalent of 125 full-time judges in 1976-1977.

Municipal Courts

In 1976-1977, municipal courts received a total of 17,564 days of assistance from commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges, an increase of 13 percent from 1975-1976. Since 1972-1973, when the figure was 10,504 days, this assistance has increased by 67 percent. Table XLVII lists the days of assistance by commissioners, referees and attorneys acting as temporary judges for municipal courts receiving such assistance.

Commissioners acting as temporary judges provided 56 percent of this assistance, and the 9,880 days given in this category was 15 percent above the year ago figure. Lawyers acting as temporary judges contributed 17 percent of the total assistance.

Sixty-six municipal courts received assistance from commissioners, referees or temporary judges. Twenty-two municipal courts received fewer than 50 days of assistance and 11 municipal courts received more than 450 days of assistance (the equivalent of two full-time judges). Nineteen of the municipal courts receiving assistance from commissioners, referees or temporary judges are within Los Angeles County and they received 66 percent of all assistance given.

The 17,564 days of assistance to municipal courts from commissioners, referees and temporary judges in 1976-1977 was the equivalent of 82 additional full-time municipal court judges.

TABLE XLVII—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
DAYS OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY COMMISSIONERS,
REFEREES AND TEMPORARY JUDGES

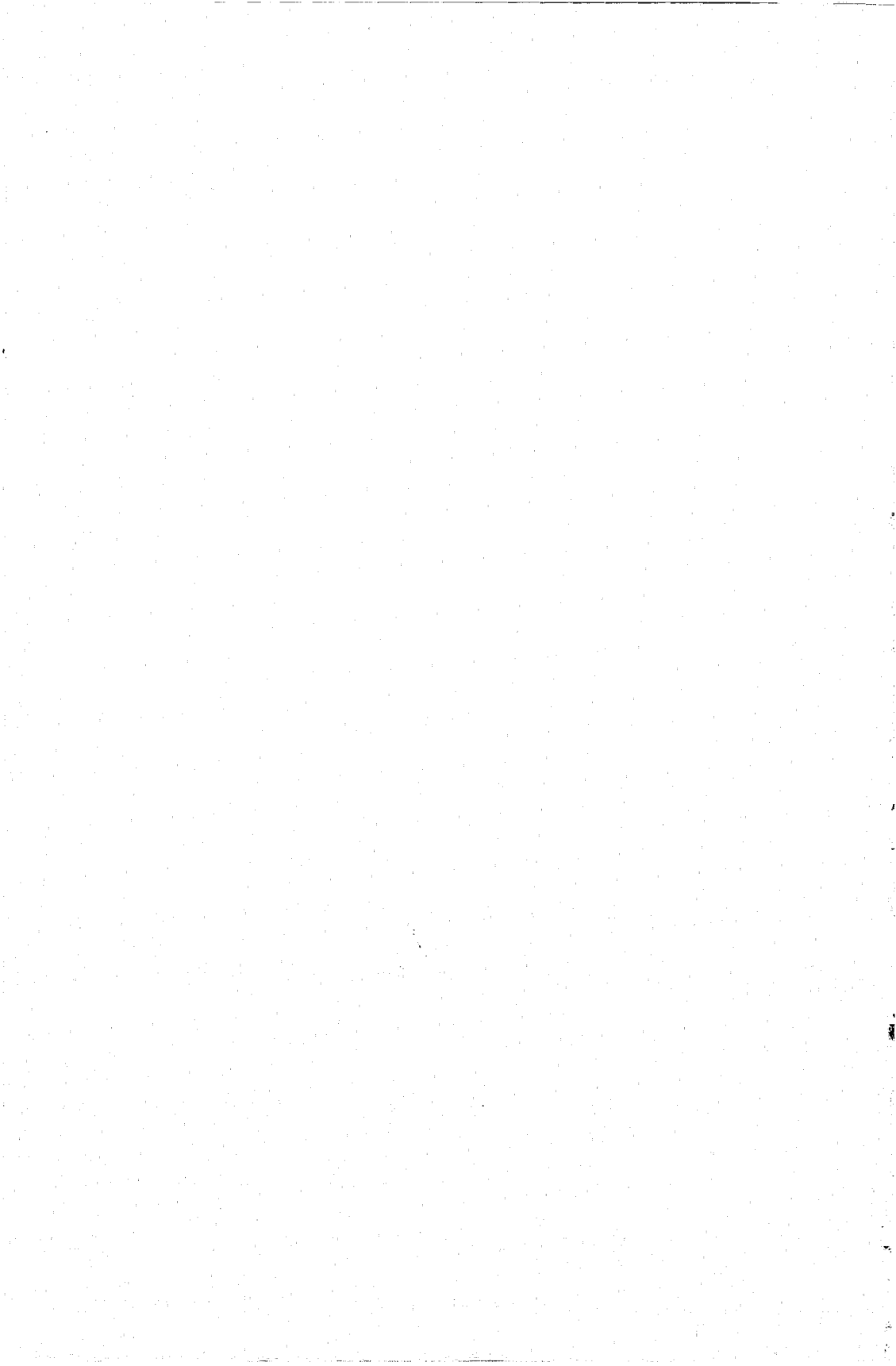
Fiscal Year 1976-77

Court	Total days	Commissioners		Referees ^b	Lawyers as temporary judges
		As temporary judges	As commissioners ^a		
Total	17,564.0	9,880.0	2,337.0	2,351.0	2,996.0
Oakland-Piedmont	254.5	—	233.0	21.5	—
Walnut Creek-Danville	69.0	—	—	—	69.0
Imperial County	330.0	128.0	—	202.0	—
West Kern	254.0	—	—	254.0	—
Alhambra	236.5	229.0	—	—	7.5
Antelope	248.0	248.0	—	—	—
Beverly Hills	506.0	270.0	—	—	236.0
Citrus	516.0	424.5	41.0	—	50.5
Compton	594.0	346.0	102.0	—	146.0
Culver	52.0	36.0	16.0	—	—
Downey	240.0	229.0	—	—	11.0
East Los Angeles	533.5	450.0	3.5	—	80.0
Glendale	239.0	239.0	—	—	—
Inglewood	390.5	369.5	—	—	21.0
Long Beach	521.5	83.5	63.0	105.5	249.5
Los Angeles	5,250.0	4,400.5	128.5	102.0	619.0
Los Cerritos	291.0	228.0	2.5	28.5	32.0
Malibu	253.0	200.0	53.0	—	—
Pasadena	267.5	210.5	22.5	—	34.5
Rio Hondo	290.0	266.0	—	5.0	19.0
Santa Anita	151.0	119.5	24.5	—	7.0
Santa Monica	244.0	220.0	4.0	—	20.0
Southeast	543.0	466.0	—	—	77.0
Whittier	253.0	154.0	99.0	—	—
Merced County	215.0	—	—	215.0	—
North Orange County	171.0	25.0	—	—	146.0
Orange County Harbor	364.5	72.5	186.5	37.0	68.5
South Orange County	62.0	—	—	—	62.0
West Orange County	514.0	—	431.0	—	83.0
Riverside	262.0	—	248.0	—	14.0
Sacramento	244.0	—	—	244.0	—
San Bernardino County	497.5	199.0	—	241.0	57.5
San Diego	330.0	—	251.5	—	78.5
San Luis Obispo County	83.5	—	—	80.0	3.5
Central (San Mateo)	159.0	—	—	159.0	—
Northern (San Mateo)	252.0	46.5	—	200.0	5.5
Southern (San Mateo)	181.5	—	—	151.0	30.5
Santa Barbara-Goleta	64.0	—	—	—	64.0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	121.0	—	113.0	—	8.0
San Jose-Milpitas	612.0	220.0	220.0	—	172.0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	97.5	—	74.5	—	23.0
Santa Cruz County	248.0	—	—	114.0	134.0
Porterville	72.0	—	—	49.0	3.0
Visalia	51.0	—	—	40.0	11.0
Other courts ^c	455.5	—	—	102.5	353.0

^a Includes traffic commissioners and excludes jury commissioners.^b Includes days of assistance given by traffic referees.^c Represents 22 courts, each receiving less than 50 days of total assistance.



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TABLE 1—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT SUMMARY OF FILINGS
Fiscal years 1975-76 and 1976-77

<i>Type of filing</i>	1976-77	1975-76
Total filings	3,665	3,704
Appeals:		
Civil	0	0
Criminal	27	21
Original proceedings:		
Civil	235	197
Criminal	476	592
Motions to dismiss on clerk's certificate:		
Civil	0	0
Criminal	0	0
Petitions for hearing of cases previously decided by the Courts of Appeal	2,927	2,894

TABLE 2—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

<i>Business transacted</i>	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted	6,065	6,035
Appeals:		
By written opinion:		
Civil	66	81
Criminal	19	31
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):		
Civil	3	3
Criminal	3	3
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):		
By written opinion	59	79
Without opinion	550	735
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a		
By written opinion	1	6
Without opinion	112	118
Hearings:		
Granted	231	229
Denied	2,696	2,665
Rehearings:		
Granted	0	1
Denied	69	83
Orders: ^b		
Transfers and retransfers	258	252
Alternative writs or orders to show cause	59	61
Miscellaneous	1,885	1,650
Executive clemency applications ^c	54	38

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

^c Cal. Const., Art. V, § 8

**TABLE 3—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL FILINGS AND TRANSFERS FROM SUPREME COURT
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

	<i>Total All Courts of Appeal</i>		<i>First District</i>		<i>Second District</i>		<i>Third District</i>		<i>Fourth District</i>		<i>Fifth District</i>	
	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>	<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1975-76</i>
Total filings and transfers from Supreme Court.....	11,939	10,797	3,594	3,248	4,354	4,047	1,235	1,098	1,956	1,710	800	694
Appeals:												
Civil.....	3,283	3,183	1,110	1,029	962	1,104	400	346	629	568	182	136
Criminal.....	4,040	3,279	978	788	1,665	1,375	373	301	641	535	383	280
Original proceedings:												
Civil.....	3,211	2,842	969	854	1,224	1,140	300	250	549	429	169	159
Criminal.....	926	1,008	305	345	299	247	158	196	105	131	59	89
Motions to dismiss on clerk's certificate.....	479	485	232	222	204	181	4	5	32	47	7	30

TABLE 4—CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT AND COURTS OF APPEAL
SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal	Totals		Appeals		Original proceedings		Motions ^a		Hearings		Rehearings		Orders ^b		Executive Clemency applications ^c	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Total, Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal	28,288	24,947	8,085	7,676	4,749	4,613	1,042	860	2,927	2,894	1,446	1,447	9,985	7,419	54	38
Supreme Court	6,065	6,035	91	118	609	814	113	124	2,927	2,894	69	84	2,202	1,963	54	38
Courts of Appeal, total	22,223	18,912	7,994	7,558	4,140	3,799	929	736	—	—	1,377	1,363	7,783	5,456	—	—
First District	7,797	7,154	2,206	2,262	1,267	1,255	404	329	—	—	462	504	3,458	2,804	—	—
Second District	7,571	5,907	2,839	2,812	1,446	1,288	122	95	—	—	544	507	2,620	1,205	—	—
Third District	2,269	2,079	772	775	472	460	281	213	—	—	133	125	611	506	—	—
Fourth District	3,619	2,906	1,591	1,240	737	543	77	34	—	—	183	179	1,031	910	—	—
Fifth District	967	866	586	469	218	253	45	65	—	—	55	48	63	31	—	—

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.
^b Not reported elsewhere.
^c Cal. Const., Art. V, § 8.

**TABLE 5—CALIFORNIA COURTS OF APPEAL
SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

	<i>Business transacted</i>	
	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted	22,223	18,912
Appeals:		
By written opinion:		
Civil	2,656	2,696
Criminal	2,970	2,896
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):		
Civil	1,648	1,362
Criminal	720	604
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):		
By written opinion	377	351
Without opinion	3,763	3,448
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a		
By written opinion	6	3
Without opinion	923	733
Rehearings:		
Granted	127	89
Denied	1,250	1,274
Orders (miscellaneous) ^b	7,783	5,456

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

**TABLE 6—FIRST APPELLATE (SAN FRANCISCO) DISTRICT
(Four Divisions—16 Judges) ^a
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

	<i>Business transacted</i>	
	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted	7,797	7,154
Appeals:		
By written opinion:		
Civil	830	972
Criminal	741	714
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):		
Civil	484	425
Criminal	151	151
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):		
By written opinion	105	129
Without opinion	1,162	1,126
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^b		
By written opinion	0	1
Without opinion	404	328
Rehearings:		
Granted	64	44
Denied	398	460
Orders (miscellaneous) ^c	3,458	2,804

^a Effective January 1, 1976 four judges were added, one to each division, for a total of sixteen positions.

^b Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^c Not reported elsewhere.

TABLE 7—SECOND APPELLATE (LOS ANGELES) DISTRICT
(Five Divisions—20 Judges)
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	<i>Business transacted</i>	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted		7,571	5,907
Appeals:			
By written opinion:			
Civil		937	930
Criminal		1,180	1,201
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):			
Civil		414	423
Criminal		308	258
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):			
By written opinion			
Without opinion		119	84
Without opinion		1,327	1,204
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a			
By written opinion			
Without opinion		1	1
Without opinion		121	94
Rehearings:			
Granted			
Denied		28	22
Denied		516	485
Orders (miscellaneous) ^b		2,620	1,205

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

TABLE 8—THIRD APPELLATE (SACRAMENTO) DISTRICT
(One Division—7 Judges)
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	<i>Business transacted</i>	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted		2,269	2,079
Appeals:			
By written opinion:			
Civil		257	271
Criminal		260	253
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):			
Civil		198	215
Criminal		57	36
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):			
By written opinion			
Without opinion		62	74
Without opinion		410	386
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a			
By written opinion			
Without opinion		4	0
Without opinion		277	213
Rehearings:			
Granted			
Denied		25	12
Denied		108	113
Orders (miscellaneous) ^b		611	506

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

**TABLE 9—FOURTH APPELLATE (SAN DIEGO AND
SAN BERNARDINO) DISTRICT
(Two Divisions—9 Judges)
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

	<i>Business transacted</i>	
	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted	3,619	2,906
Appeals:		
By written opinion:		
Civil	483	389
Criminal	496	481
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):		
Civil	459	245
Criminal	153	125
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):		
By written opinion	59	33
Without opinion	678	510
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a		
By written opinion	0	1
Without opinion	77	33
Rehearings:		
Granted	5	7
Denied	178	172
Orders (miscellaneous) ^b	1,031	910

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

**TABLE 10—FIFTH APPELLATE (FRESNO) DISTRICT
(One Division—4 Judges)
BUSINESS TRANSACTED
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

	<i>Business transacted</i>	
	1976-77	1975-76
Total business transacted	967	866
Appeals:		
By written opinion:		
Civil	149	134
Criminal	293	247
Without opinion (by dismissal, affirmance or reversal on stipulation, motion, etc.):		
Civil	93	54
Criminal	51	34
Original proceedings (including habeas corpus):		
By written opinion	32	31
Without opinion	186	222
Motions (miscellaneous) denied or granted: ^a		
By written opinion	1	0
Without opinion	44	65
Rehearings:		
Granted	5	4
Denied	50	44
Orders (miscellaneous) ^b	63	31

^a Excludes granted motions to dismiss reported under appeals.

^b Not reported elsewhere.

**TABLE 11—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
SUMMARY OF ALL FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS^a
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Number of Judgeships ^b		Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters	Contested matters		
									1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State total	542	520	713,917	R ^{666,458}	588,045	R ^{559,339}	225,684	R ^{203,125}	303,455	R ^{301,266}	58,906	R ^{54,948}
Alameda	29	28	33,931	R ^{32,557}	29,557	R ^{27,447}	9,516	7,353	16,247	R ^{16,925}	4,104	R ^{3,169}
Alpine	1	1	19	24	20	10	14	5	6	1	0	4
Amador	1	1	449	405	280	201	91	77	146	77	43	47
Butte	3	3	3,639	R ^{3,490}	2,723	2,327	697	626	1,813	1,680	213	221
Calaveras	1	1	556	453	448	414	154	148	228	231	66	35
Colusa	1	1	373	340	303	R ²⁷⁹	108	122	168	R ⁹⁴	27	R ⁶³
Contra Costa	12	11	18,374	18,234	15,925	15,650	5,671	4,914	8,577	8,936	1,677	1,800
Del Norte	1	1	699	671	635	541	272	171	303	311	60	59
El Dorado	3	2	2,428	2,437	2,124	1,969	816	804	1,095	979	213	186
Fresno	10	8	15,152	12,537	12,953	8,927	4,539	2,964	6,813	4,996	1,601	967
Glenn	1	1	554	453	434	486	124	133	236	302	74	51
Humboldt	3	3	3,656	3,343	3,194	R ^{2,972}	1,172	975	1,728	1,730	294	R ²⁶⁷
Imperial	3	3	2,339	2,670	1,864	2,146	729	832	965	1,144	170	170
Inyo	1	1	657	675	465	417	163	134	264	248	38	35
Kern	8	8	11,124	11,099	9,139	9,602	2,820	2,814	5,348	5,941	971	847
Kings	2	2	2,024	2,109	1,831	1,606	701	387	962	1,109	168	110
Lake	1	1	1,413	1,043	1,234	838	643	290	488	447	103	101
Lassen	1	1	542	615	574	521	255	210	253	246	66	65
Los Angeles	171	171	229,637	213,687	183,422	183,568	83,965	80,397	81,332	85,150	18,125	18,021
Madera	1	1	1,806	1,722	1,602	1,544	423	418	971	924	208	202
Marin	6	5	6,897	6,871	5,282	5,290	1,921	1,866	2,887	2,932	474	492
Mariposa	1	1	266	215	220	173	105	81	95	68	20	24
Mendocino	2	2	2,308	2,145	1,740	1,647	563	510	1,030	974	147	163
Merced	3	3	3,944	3,938	2,880	3,013	1,124	1,015	1,468	1,670	288	323
Modoc	1	1	307	307	267	227	123	89	124	115	20	23
Mono	1	1	266	379	191	261	62	68	60	86	69	107
Monterey	7	5	9,264	9,148	8,648	9,165	3,395	3,815	4,533	4,479	720	871
Napa	2	2	3,164	3,118	2,673	2,555	657	799	1,448	1,231	568	525
Nevada	2	1	1,234	1,334	1,020	1,108	518	471	460	563	42	74
Orange	37	33	57,493	52,818	48,410	43,657	17,579	12,885	28,172	28,004	2,659	2,768
Placer	3	3	3,360	3,281	2,987	2,624	1,127	773	1,527	1,473	333	378
Plumas	1	1	576	442	425	336	70	64	296	230	59	42
Riverside	13	13	18,496	R ^{16,411}	16,620	14,821	6,878	5,270	8,193	8,157	1,549	1,394

Sacramento.....	20	^d 20	26,345	^R 25,800	22,640	21,038	7,994	7,371	12,697	12,174	1,949	1,493
San Benito.....	1	1	594	503	545	492	220	167	277	286	48	39
San Bernardino.....	18	^d 18	25,037	^R 23,111	18,835	^R 18,061	6,844	^R 6,429	10,051	^R 9,747	1,940	^R 1,885
San Diego.....	^c 35	33	51,268	48,830	43,368	40,382	12,267	12,105	26,407	24,155	4,694	4,122
San Francisco.....	26	26	27,641	28,758	23,487	^R 21,987	10,560	9,349	10,657	9,923	2,270	2,715
San Joaquin.....	7	7	9,976	9,313	8,057	^R 7,459	2,693	2,117	4,206	^R 4,398	1,158	944
San Luis Obispo.....	4	4	4,772	3,946	3,528	3,158	1,155	1,221	2,028	1,765	345	172
San Mateo.....	14	^d 14	16,232	15,525	12,491	12,682	3,450	3,166	7,344	8,050	1,697	1,466
Santa Barbara.....	7	7	10,197	8,621	7,807	7,851	2,723	2,855	4,332	4,346	752	650
Santa Clara.....	^c 29	26	40,231	^R 37,029	33,261	^R 30,066	11,712	^R 9,707	19,114	17,659	2,435	2,526
Santa Cruz.....	^c 4	3	4,537	^R 4,470	4,146	^R 3,828	1,270	^R 968	2,454	2,505	422	355
Shasta.....	3	3	3,913	^R 4,000	3,574	^R 3,329	1,263	^R 889	1,905	2,087	406	333
Sierra.....	1	1	86	70	48	54	7	0	22	38	19	16
Siskiyou.....	1	1	1,241	1,181	930	^R 889	362	^R 317	474	482	94	90
Solano.....	4	4	5,637	^R 5,373	4,543	4,562	1,400	1,461	2,632	2,708	421	393
Sonoma.....	^c 6	^d 5	8,887	7,566	7,691	6,369	2,029	1,736	4,766	3,979	896	694
Stanislaus.....	6	6	9,291	^R 7,790	7,171	^R 6,528	2,502	^R 2,122	3,668	3,641	1,001	765
Sutter.....	2	2	1,446	1,413	1,197	1,153	512	460	557	609	128	84
Tehama.....	1	1	1,164	1,245	848	904	289	325	466	474	93	105
Trinity.....	1	1	413	^R 326	393	^R 277	144	^R 99	175	121	74	57
Tulare.....	4	4	6,479	5,820	5,302	4,276	1,977	1,225	2,702	2,255	623	796
Tuolumne.....	1	1	1,079	1,043	813	868	314	341	429	478	70	49
Ventura.....	^c 9	7	15,922	^R 13,295	13,051	12,810	5,557	6,008	5,744	5,540	1,750	1,262
Yolo.....	3	^d 3	2,808	^R 2,711	2,472	2,304	850	690	1,374	^R 1,423	248	^R 191
Yuba.....	2	2	1,774	1,738	1,447	1,470	505	517	738	790	204	163

^a The filing and disposition figures for fiscal year 1975-76 include, for the first time, subsequent petitions filed under Section 600, 601, and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code on dependent children, wards and probationers of the court alleging further acts of parental neglect or additional crimes or delinquency. Previous to fiscal year 1975-76 only filings and dispositions of original petitions were counted.

Some criminal dispositions were also shifted from contested matters to uncontested matters as a result of a change in the definition of uncontested trial on July 1, 1975. Prior to the change uncontested matters only included defendants whose cases were disposed of on the record of the preliminary hearing but subsequently has included all defendants whose cases were disposed of following a trial in which only one party introduced evidence.

^b Number of authorized judgeships at the end of the fiscal year.

^c Statute provided for increase effective January 1, 1977.

^d Statute provided for increase effective January 1, 1976.

^e Statute provided for increase effective on date county board of supervisors adopted resolution to pay local costs. Resolution adopted March 25, 1977.

^f Statute provided for increase operative January 7, 1975 or on date County Board of Supervisors adopted resolution to pay local costs, whichever was later. Resolution adopted December 16, 1975.

^g Statute provided for one additional judgeship effective July 1, 1976 and one effective January 1, 1977, for a total of nine positions.

^R Revised.

**TABLE 12—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
PROBATE AND GUARDIANSHIP FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total..	64,910	R 62,947	62,125	R 62,348	3,279	R 2,412	56,122	R 57,576	2,724	R 2,360
Alameda.....	3,641	3,852	4,029	4,372	409	344	3,246	3,595	374	453
Alpine.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arnador.....	70	51	53	3	0	3	53	0	0	0
Butte.....	505	486	415	417	1	1	411	416	3	0
Calaveras.....	55	52	55	59	0	0	53	59	2	1
Colusa.....	75	63	55	48	0	0	54	47	1	1
Contra Costa..	1,628	1,639	1,522	1,549	138	90	1,359	1,408	25	51
Del Norte.....	74	85	84	58	14	6	69	50	1	2
El Dorado.....	152	177	168	181	1	5	166	175	1	1
Fresno.....	1,623	1,421	1,543	1,426	39	15	1,415	1,387	89	24
Glenn.....	89	68	49	89	5	1	42	87	2	1
Humboldt.....	478	476	442	487	40	38	388	425	20	24
Imperial.....	280	238	259	203	8	14	251	188	0	1
Inyo.....	60	60	31	74	0	2	31	69	0	3
Kern.....	831	863	802	696	0	13	798	677	4	6
Kings.....	164	206	173	150	5	6	168	144	0	0
Lake.....	145	162	158	132	0	0	155	131	3	1
Lassen.....	74	94	64	64	1	0	63	64	0	0
Los Angeles...	20,043	19,362	19,653	19,148	1,745	1,236	17,315	17,424	593	488
Madera.....	148	185	188	185	1	2	186	182	1	1
Marin.....	743	691	726	733	2	1	723	730	1	2
Mariposa.....	31	35	28	19	0	0	26	18	2	1
Mendocino.....	295	330	213	202	16	3	196	197	1	2
Merced.....	323	293	311	306	2	14	307	288	2	4
Modoc.....	44	47	39	29	1	6	38	23	0	0
Mono.....	12	26	13	26	0	0	6	26	7	0
Monterey.....	893	969	966	1,019	65	29	869	978	12	12
Napa.....	392	347	293	251	2	1	288	248	3	2
Nevada.....	144	124	129	120	1	1	126	116	0	3
Orange.....	3,295	3,217	2,785	2,717	14	8	2,735	2,665	26	44
Placer.....	259	257	232	235	2	0	230	234	0	1
Plumas.....	48	62	56	60	0	1	56	59	0	0
Riverside.....	1,796	1,767	1,687	1,788	79	101	1,495	1,587	113	100
Sacramento.....	2,002	1,909	2,087	1,939	3	4	2,068	1,925	16	10
San Benito.....	83	77	87	99	4	1	78	98	5	0
San Bernar- dino.....	2,102	R 2,062	1,815	R 1,782	74	34	1,706	R 1,668	35	R 90
San Diego.....	4,797	4,431	4,201	4,295	12	55	3,213	3,651	976	589
San Francisco	3,836	3,814	3,737	3,706	1	7	3,634	3,539	102	160
San Joaquin....	1,326	1,275	1,293	1,194	211	118	932	952	150	124
San Luis Obispo.....	438	426	421	363	1	0	415	363	5	0
Sar. Mateo.....	2,025	1,865	1,752	1,836	38	10	1,713	1,825	1	1
Santa Barbara	967	974	721	785	22	15	698	764	1	6
Santa Clara....	2,713	2,480	3,127	4,187	69	9	3,014	4,148	44	30
Santa Cruz.....	668	687	734	657	7	6	723	649	4	2
Shasta.....	361	328	486	320	1	11	483	307	2	2
Sierra.....	9	15	12	11	2	0	6	10	4	1
Siskiyou.....	172	161	105	141	2	0	102	139	1	2
Solano.....	537	574	440	483	16	13	410	451	14	19
Sonoma.....	1,175	1,077	1,070	1,037	50	5	1,013	1,030	7	2
Stanislaus.....	718	693	539	653	30	59	508	586	1	8
Sutter.....	156	173	147	112	1	2	146	110	0	0
Tehama.....	141	133	105	74	1	1	102	69	2	4
Trinity.....	34	32	35	33	3	2	31	30	1	1
Tulare.....	618	587	499	381	14	11	475	368	10	2
Tuolumne.....	124	118	96	107	1	3	94	104	1	0
Ventura.....	936	R 737	838	719	35	19	763	617	40	83
Yolo.....	423	428	425	404	87	85	332	314	6	5
Yuba.....	174	186	132	164	1	1	131	163	0	0

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TABLE 13—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS FAMILY LAW FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total.....	172,211	R168,602	150,317	R146,176	8,281	R7,336	131,028	R126,808	11,008	R12,032
Alameda.....	8,777	8,848	7,448	7,507	188	240	6,438	6,592	822	675
Alpine.....	2	3	6	0	2	0	4	0	0	0
Amador.....	116	76	74	49	0	1	68	42	6	6
Butte.....	911	866	759	654	48	34	659	599	52	21
Calaveras.....	125	117	112	97	2	3	98	89	12	5
Colusa.....	75	76	75	R60	4	5	71	R12	0	R43
Contra Costa.....	4,620	4,610	4,329	4,282	273	149	3,544	3,431	512	702
Del Norte.....	152	150	134	130	12	5	106	113	16	12
El Dorado.....	613	553	509	456	25	17	462	416	22	23
Fresno.....	3,488	3,314	2,747	2,381	178	135	3,477	2,231	92	15
Glenn.....	127	99	120	96	10	3	85	82	25	11
Humboldt.....	979	1,049	905	858	47	43	805	762	53	53
Imperial.....	549	514	410	436	20	8	355	400	35	28
Inyo.....	152	143	113	120	0	9	94	107	19	4
Kern.....	2,908	2,820	2,373	2,335	143	136	2,098	2,058	132	141
Kings.....	443	523	405	417	24	33	367	380	14	4
Lake.....	219	191	168	149	5	5	152	134	11	10
Lassen.....	154	141	174	141	18	3	133	120	23	18
Los Angeles.....	52,372	50,411	42,887	42,927	1,277	1,372	39,105	38,473	2,505	3,062
Madera.....	344	32	289	269	10	15	265	209	14	45
Marin.....	1,800	1,817	1,535	1,497	56	73	1,377	1,308	102	116
Mariposa.....	50	50	40	46	0	3	33	35	7	8
Mendocino.....	619	570	521	487	27	19	480	447	14	21
Merced.....	798	843	593	702	30	25	516	609	47	68
Modoc.....	66	56	54	46	4	1	43	44	7	1
Mono.....	52	50	39	41	0	0	23	39	16	2
Monterey.....	2,427	2,282	2,394	2,641	510	975	1,786	1,576	98	90
Napa.....	843	829	775	629	58	59	652	535	65	35
Nevada.....	307	292	257	230	36	18	219	199	2	13
Orange.....	15,199	14,971	14,311	13,416	1,687	884	11,932	11,779	642	753
Placer.....	775	710	687	648	31	29	541	490	115	139
Plumas.....	139	127	118	99	2	0	116	99	0	0
Riverside.....	4,172	3,937	4,123	3,333	1,127	333	2,740	2,714	256	286
Sacramento.....	6,541	6,419	5,540	5,703	204	191	5,025	5,287	311	225
San Benito.....	141	140	126	124	12	11	107	102	7	11
San Bernardino.....	6,256	5,969	4,835	4,893	181	153	4,013	4,048	641	692
San Diego.....	13,631	13,907	12,644	12,320	277	373	11,014	10,559	1,353	1,388
San Francisco.....	4,565	4,640	4,242	4,075	153	144	3,756	3,632	333	299
San Joaquin.....	2,425	2,391	1,974	2,043	83	86	1,723	1,806	168	151
San Luis Obispo.....	1,104	978	810	826	10	26	715	790	85	10
San Mateo.....	4,129	4,230	3,677	3,819	127	122	3,044	3,138	506	559
Santa Barbara.....	2,277	2,264	2,019	2,493	99	701	1,777	1,657	143	135
Santa Clara.....	10,587	10,247	9,989	8,650	573	219	8,813	7,543	573	888
Santa Cruz.....	1,381	1,408	1,200	1,212	50	49	1,106	1,113	44	50
Shasta.....	1,028	1,004	982	R882	20	R27	802	785	160	70
Sierra.....	26	16	14	21	3	0	9	11	2	10
Siskiyou.....	334	308	246	247	8	12	226	254	12	11
Solano.....	1,636	1,802	1,505	1,540	63	62	1,354	1,390	88	88
Sonoma.....	2,351	2,289	2,123	1,950	92	77	1,823	1,785	208	88
Stanislaus.....	2,075	2,018	2,135	1,853	129	112	1,700	1,558	306	183
Sutter.....	443	393	322	338	27	22	256	289	39	27
Tehama.....	270	275	219	204	15	8	192	173	12	23
Trinity.....	86	73	77	68	4	4	55	53	18	11
Tulare.....	1,528	1,572	1,126	1,267	76	85	1,000	764	50	418
Tuolumne.....	227	214	168	177	6	7	158	170	4	0
Ventura.....	3,566	R3,435	2,789	3,168	142	138	2,540	2,866	107	164
Yolo.....	734	783	661	705	30	25	587	613	44	67
Yuba.....	497	466	440	419	43	47	339	338	58	34

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**TABLE 14—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
MOTOR VEHICLE PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS**

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	57,193	^R 52,555	41,475	^R 40,142	38,962	^R 37,888	1,164	834	1,349	1,420
Alameda	2,705	2,862	1,760	1,569	1,622	1,424	73	67	65	78
Alpine	4	2	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	19	39	8	11	5	11	1	0	2	0
Butte	149	138	115	100	103	54	2	3	10	5
Calaveras.....	27	13	8	11	6	10	0	1	2	0
Colusa	19	11	9	11	9	8	0	1	0	2
Contra Costa	1,280	1,254	791	736	737	678	30	27	24	31
Del Norte	22	28	17	12	14	11	0	0	3	1
El Dorado	155	194	105	115	91	104	7	4	7	7
Fresno	897	923	614	720	574	682	5	7	35	31
Glenn	10	8	2	13	1	11	0	0	1	2
Humboldt.....	131	136	82	102	63	91	5	2	14	9
Imperial.....	72	63	78	51	72	44	3	3	3	4
Inyo	11	20	1	15	0	15	0	0	1	0
Kern	552	510	411	^R 357	377	345	10	2	24	10
Kings	69	76	54	51	50	50	0	0	4	1
Lake	40	41	28	33	26	32	0	1	2	0
Lassen	19	24	19	15	17	13	0	1	2	1
Los Angeles	28,558	25,323	20,415	20,658	19,917	20,082	112	107	386	469
Madera	65	61	44	35	39	27	0	2	5	6
Marin	404	402	269	291	260	282	2	0	7	9
Mariposa	14	14	21	7	19	7	0	0	2	0
Mendocino	77	79	72	71	59	60	6	3	7	8
Merced	142	182	138	102	113	97	13	2	12	3
Modoc	5	11	10	6	9	4	0	0	1	2
Mono	15	7	4	2	2	0	0	0	2	2
Monterey	322	306	356	381	328	356	17	13	11	12
Napa	171	151	127	115	116	104	4	1	7	10
Nevada.....	43	55	39	53	38	53	0	0	1	0
Orange.....	3,841	3,436	2,749	2,335	2,657	2,216	40	29	52	90
Placer.....	242	206	161	138	129	122	25	8	7	8
Plumas.....	13	5	8	7	6	7	0	0	2	0
Riverside.....	971	794	617	616	573	559	15	14	29	43
Sacramento.....	1,764	1,670	1,537	^R 1,412	1,405	1,337	63	51	69	54
San Benito	20	22	12	16	9	14	0	0	3	2
San Bernardino	1,082	1,005	730	587	674	559	9	13	47	15
San Diego	2,292	1,874	1,652	1,576	1,167	1,277	406	208	79	91
San Francisco.....	3,277	3,469	2,711	2,466	2,417	2,180	172	136	122	150
San Joaquin.....	594	531	435	489	407	425	3	34	25	30
San Luis Obispo	154	119	108	78	92	74	9	1	7	3
San Mateo	1,273	1,179	894	738	848	692	1	0	45	46
Santa Barbara	353	341	249	294	242	280	2	5	5	9
Santa Clara	2,433	2,227	1,966	1,898	1,868	1,810	25	24	73	64
Santa Cruz	136	221	186	134	157	117	15	9	14	8
Shasta.....	74	101	84	^R 53	74	^R 49	5	1	5	3
Sierra	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	56	67	31	29	21	22	3	1	7	6
Solano	304	300	253	232	215	200	18	20	20	12
Sonoma	482	443	286	286	264	274	16	3	6	9
Stanislaus.....	482	461	342	311	290	260	13	19	39	32
Sutter	138	121	91	72	86	65	2	1	3	6
Tehama	29	25	33	31	27	22	3	4	3	5
Trinity	14	12	16	12	12	10	1	1	3	1
Tulare	159	153	114	110	105	96	4	3	5	11
Tuolumne	31	33	36	25	29	23	0	0	7	2
Ventura	625	^R 548	384	369	351	360	19	1	14	8
Yolo	173	162	116	86	103	80	5	1	8	5
Yuba	68	95	72	69	62	65	0	0	10	4

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**TABLE 15—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters	Contested matters		
State Total	28,411	R27,755	20,459	R20,029	18,400	R18,169	777	603	1,282	1257
Alameda	1,099	963	1,111	1,038	1,002	963	53	35	56	40
Alpine	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	12	13	4	1	3	1	0	0	1	0
Butte	76	84	83	61	68	51	2	5	13	5
Calaveras	9	11	8	5	6	4	2	0	0	1
Colusa	19	11	14	8	14	6	0	0	0	2
Contra Costa	624	551	577	441	520	381	29	20	28	40
Del Norte	14	14	9	8	9	5	0	3	0	0
El Dorado	111	121	85	98	72	88	2	0	11	10
Fresno	314	342	456	297	426	271	6	3	24	23
Glenn	16	14	9	20	8	13	0	5	1	2
Humboldt	261	203	178	119	129	96	15	7	34	16
Imperial	43	35	35	14	30	11	1	0	4	3
Inyo	13	29	4	27	3	21	0	4	1	2
Kern	225	242	112	112	93	94	1	8	18	10
Kings	21	26	3	6	2	6	0	0	1	0
Lake	18	18	13	10	11	8	0	0	2	2
Lassen	12	14	10	10	9	8	0	0	1	2
Los Angeles	12,427	11,775	8,110	9,187	7,639	8,694	59	55	412	438
Madera	41	47	11	12	9	11	1	0	1	1
Marin	339	326	132	160	126	147	2	3	4	10
Mariposa	16	11	19	5	17	2	1	0	1	3
Mendocino	65	58	45	44	35	34	3	3	7	7
Merced	111	98	55	61	48	54	1	1	6	6
Modoc	2	4	5	2	4	1	0	0	1	1
Mono	31	35	6	10	0	7	1	0	5	3
Monterey	167	191	195	238	174	211	5	12	16	15
Napa	92	74	44	60	37	57	3	0	4	3
Nevada	69	36	40	26	38	22	0	0	2	4
Orange	2,445	2,375	1,427	1,162	1,315	1,049	44	18	68	95
Placer	143	133	148	88	132	78	4	2	12	8
Plumas	17	22	9	4	6	3	1	0	2	1
Riverside	557	530	429	352	391	315	6	7	32	30
Sacramento	1,278	1,466	933	740	813	652	57	41	63	47
San Benito	7	15	7	11	7	10	0	1	0	0
San Bernardino	689	638	536	416	447	352	36	47	53	17
San Diego	1,130	1,176	1,041	923	733	738	250	107	58	78
San Francisco	1,953	2,027	1,722	1,558	1,507	1,349	98	88	117	121
San Joaquin	255	220	241	211	209	191	5	5	27	15
San Luis Obispo	81	78	51	63	40	46	3	5	8	12
San Mateo	618	563	368	344	342	324	2	0	24	20
Santa Barbara	228	198	139	108	127	101	1	0	11	7
Santa Clara	995	1,097	868	672	795	757	18	52	55	63
Santa Cruz	124	127	95	94	81	83	7	5	7	6
Shasta	176	142	68	R103	53	R71	5	20	10	12
Sierra	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	36	33	19	19	12	15	3	1	4	3
Solano	131	185	121	105	104	90	5	12	12	3
Sonoma	336	314	161	150	150	136	4	1	7	13
Stanislaus	210	196	162	158	121	120	17	15	24	23
Sutter	41	35	26	34	25	31	0	0	1	3
Tehama	15	14	12	8	9	6	0	1	3	1
Trinity	10	8	5	11	4	9	0	1	1	1
Tulare	94	138	118	103	110	90	0	3	8	10
Tuolumne	45	24	8	15	8	11	0	0	0	4
Ventura	348	R375	264	211	236	199	19	4	9	8
Yolo	129	136	69	42	56	38	5	2	8	2
Yuba	72	76	36	44	32	38	0	1	4	5

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**TABLE 16—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
EMINENT DOMAIN FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS**

Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	2,249	R ³ 3,617	2,228	R ³ 3,235	1,728	R ² 2,666	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total.....	2,249	R ³ 3,617	2,228	R ³ 3,235	1,728	R ² 2,666	336	354	164	215
Alameda.....	23	50	53	85	42	70	3	9	10	6
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	4	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Butte.....	13	25	16	10	6	9	6	1	4	0
Calaveras.....	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa.....	1	0	8	10	8	10	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa.....	43	152	24	26	23	11	0	8	1	7
Del Norte.....	21	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
El Dorado.....	12	6	5	9	1	2	4	3	0	4
Fresno.....	125	124	86	40	82	25	0	2	4	13
Glenn.....	0	0	10	9	0	0	10	9	0	0
Humboldt.....	26	3	12	1	2	1	6	0	4	0
Imperial.....	1	6	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
Inyo.....	2	87	21	2	9	2	12	0	0	0
Kern.....	407	107	107	49	106	47	0	1	1	1
Kings.....	1	7	0	19	0	19	0	0	0	0
Lake.....	30	29	12	19	1	8	10	7	1	4
Lassen.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles.....	601	1,177	933	1,714	890	1,621	3	2	40	91
Madera.....	1	11	7	104	7	102	0	2	3	0
Marin.....	6	12	8	12	5	9	0	0	3	3
Mariposa.....	6	0	0	29	0	29	0	0	0	0
Mendocino.....	7	58	5	10	5	9	0	1	0	0
Merced.....	5	2	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	1
Modoc.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey.....	21	35	7	25	5	24	2	0	0	1
Napa.....	11	23	7	13	3	4	2	8	2	1
Nevada.....	0	31	5	1	5	1	0	0	0	0
Orange.....	94	234	107	149	62	123	27	19	18	7
Placer.....	13	15	3	10	3	8	0	0	0	2
Plumas.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside.....	52	121	142	65	129	60	13	4	0	1
Sacramento.....	58	124	57	14	35	10	22	2	0	2
San Benito.....	11	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Bernardino ..	208	278	127	344	87	133	10	185	30	26
San Diego.....	193	179	205	103	28	26	165	60	12	17
San Francisco.....	2	28	3	4	0	1	2	2	1	1
San Joaquin.....	11	139	32	26	29	24	2	2	1	0
San Luis Obispo..	12	83	41	66	7	57	14	4	20	5
San Mateo.....	19	104	9	7	7	3	2	4	0	0
Santa Barbara.....	12	11	12	80	12	67	0	9	0	4
Santa Clara.....	49	78	43	R ¹⁶	29	R ¹¹	11	3	3	2
Santa Cruz.....	22	26	32	21	29	18	0	0	3	3
Shasta.....	20	24	4	5	4	5	0	0	0	0
Sierra.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	0	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Solano.....	5	5	7	12	4	11	2	1	1	0
Sonoma.....	34	16	22	32	19	31	0	0	3	1
Stanislaus.....	15	4	4	25	4	24	0	0	0	1
Sutter.....	1	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tehama.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Trinity.....	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tulare.....	3	20	9	12	9	6	0	1	0	5
Tuolumne.....	5	49	3	2	1	1	2	1	0	0
Ventura.....	14	R ⁹⁶	21	14	16	12	4	2	1	0
Yolo.....	6	20	7	30	7	28	0	0	0	2
Yuba.....	18	3	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	2

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**TABLE 17—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF OTHER CIVIL COMPLAINTS**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before trial		Dispositions after trial					
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters	1976-77	1975-76	Contested matters	1976-77	1975-76
State Total.....	82,232	R _{84,955}	50,882	R _{48,689}	35,389	R _{33,828}	10,450	R _{9,972}	5,043	R _{4,889}		
Alameda.....	3,967	R _{4,841}	2,675	2,610	1,693	1,536	670	757	312	317		
Alpine.....	8	11	4	5	4	1	0	0	0	4		
Amador.....	91	100	37	48	19	15	6	13	12	20		
Butte.....	405	256	180	159	129	113	34	37	17	9		
Calaveras.....	137	124	88	110	42	74	24	24	22	12		
Colusa.....	51	46	34	R ₃₅	29	29	2	R ₃	3	3		
Contra Costa.....	1,534	1,588	865	917	587	604	171	159	107	154		
Del Norte.....	103	75	75	59	66	31	3	15	6	13		
El Dorado.....	552	660	533	501	315	297	122	119	96	85		
Fresno.....	2,788	1,978	1,273	620	768	514	408	64	97	42		
Glenn.....	64	82	60	80	43	55	11	16	6	9		
Humboldt.....	117	113	85	125	32	53	20	49	33	23		
Imperial.....	314	663	271	404	203	318	41	70	27	16		
Inyo.....	136	119	64	49	25	32	32	2	7	15		
Kern.....	1,550	1,828	846	1,110	385	453	372	610	89	47		
Kings.....	175	277	166	146	2	88	49	51	15	7		
Lake.....	162	253	148	166	87	79	30	54	31	33		
Lassen.....	83	116	104	68	75	56	4	2	25	10		
Los Angeles.....	25,582	26,163	15,454	16,915	12,667	13,449	1,675	2,266	1,112	1,200		
Madera.....	245	252	152	123	96	72	25	29	31	22		
Marin.....	908	958	729	586	533	451	90	62	56	73		
Mariposa.....	39	64	42	28	27	24	8	3	7	1		
Mendocino.....	377	388	234	229	147	156	50	26	37	47		
Merced.....	400	479	347	354	281	272	38	48	28	34		
Modoc.....	68	78	37	49	34	34	3	9	0	6		
Mono.....	76	172	65	111	32	46	7	0	26	65		
Monterey.....	1,026	742	715	573	478	463	147	65	90	45		
Napa.....	210	322	138	219	103	167	10	23	25	29		
Nevada.....	248	R ₄₀₁	262	310	244	222	10	68	8	20		
Orange.....	7,239	6,397	4,095	3,664	2,827	2,383	998	922	270	359		
Placer.....	548	953	434	603	231	295	158	230	45	78		
Plumas.....	203	74	126	45	26	18	64	9	36	18		
Riverside.....	2,843	2,529	2,098	2,023	1,733	1,432	205	454	160	137		
Sacramento.....	2,232	2,478	2,007	2,047	849	1,015	1,033	907	125	125		
San Benito.....	68	75	62	59	38	43	10	4	14	12		
San Bernardino.....	1,364	R _{1,435}	904	R ₈₄₈	532	R ₄₈₁	214	R ₂₃₃	158	R ₁₃₄		
San Diego.....	6,659	8,523	3,624	2,585	2,219	2,049	1,045	235	360	301		
San Francisco.....	4,334	4,192	2,851	2,697	1,866	1,809	628	593	357	295		
San Joaquin.....	1,133	895	498	448	372	285	55	84	71	79		
San Luis Obispo.....	529	663	424	315	151	168	236	131	37	16		
San Mateo.....	2,049	1,690	1,010	847	644	612	136	96	230	139		
Santa Barbara.....	851	1,339	496	832	352	600	82	160	52	72		
Santa Clara.....	4,551	4,484	3,013	R _{1,423}	1,733	R ₆₀₄	959	566	321	253		
Santa Cruz.....	442	423	272	267	206	180	31	32	35	55		
Shasta.....	600	677	259	R ₃₁₉	162	R ₁₆₈	34	64	63	87		
Sierra.....	19	14	8	6	1	0	1	2	6	4		
Siskiyou.....	185	R ₂₇₂	146	R ₁₇₂	82	R ₉₅	24	R ₄₄	40	33		
Solano.....	322	257	132	143	105	109	7	18	20	16		
Sonoma.....	609	627	462	390	306	268	108	50	48	62		
Stanislaus.....	1,274	1,235	550	488	396	315	93	112	61	61		
Sutter.....	116	210	131	198	94	134	6	48	31	16		
Tehama.....	271	298	107	103	67	50	24	28	16	25		
Trinity.....	49	50	40	46	19	20	2	6	19	20		
Tulare.....	459	452	243	253	214	191	17	27	12	35		
Tuolumne.....	215	204	158	170	137	129	15	28	6	13		
Ventura.....	1,010	R ₇₈₉	574	565	378	342	137	180	59	43		
Yolo.....	414	335	271	246	223	199	27	R ₃₃	21	R ₁₄		
Yuba.....	228	246	214	188	130	130	39	32	45	26		

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**TABLE 18—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF OTHER CIVIL PETITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing		Dispositions after hearing	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	116,185	R ¹ 76,474	86,105	R ¹ 60,393	58,008	R ¹ 34,871	26,010	24,510	2,087	R ¹ 1,012
Alameda	4,189	R ² 2,031	4,001	1,607	1,738	63	1,492	1,406	771	138
Alpine	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	57	23	44	13	32	4	8	7	4	2
Butte	679	647	368	274	177	95	187	175	4	4
Calaveras	59	42	44	31	35	18	8	13	1	0
Colusa	34	46	21	34	20	34	1	0	0	0
Contra Costa	3,074	2,848	2,823	2,551	2,149	1,756	619	730	55	65
Del Norte	96	77	105	66	71	34	29	30	5	2
El Dorado	285	219	217	182	107	73	98	99	12	10
Fresno	2,201	1,365	1,660	603	1,262	341	331	255	47	7
Glenn	77	45	48	23	25	3	22	20	1	0
Humboldt	824	578	789	R ¹ 499	585	315	197	160	27	R ² 24
Imperial	413	177	169	77	121	6	45	69	3	2
Inyo	87	86	73	50	63	19	10	28	0	3
Kern	1,689	1,546	1,548	1,683	963	906	570	769	15	8
Kings	415	323	368	254	338	51	40	203	0	0
Lake	495	123	444	101	397	37	46	62	1	2
Lassen	98	95	94	63	74	27	18	24	2	12
Los Angeles	34,868	19,974	25,121	15,477	16,849	6,585	7,995	8,767	277	125
Madera	94	104	90	101	83	71	27	21	10	9
Marin	1,076	791	533	396	352	209	174	184	7	3
Mariposa	71	14	36	5	18	0	18	5	0	0
Mendocino	315	210	161	142	92	38	62	95	7	9
Merced	977	933	360	419	245	147	112	262	3	10
Modoc	48	42	42	25	35	17	7	7	0	1
Mono	15	3	6	1	0	0	2	0	4	1
Monterey	1,473	1,282	1,387	1,128	927	627	444	492	16	9
Napa	229	228	173	210	57	94	109	103	7	13
Nevada	221	168	91	110	88	48	1	59	2	3
Orange	9,272	6,869	7,718	5,372	6,405	4,098	1,281	1,240	32	34
Placer	R ¹ 94	113	565	114	420	27	144	86	1	1
Plumas	68	44	10	21	1	1	9	20	0	0
Riverside	2,298	1,732	1,871	1,692	1,143	999	641	648	87	45
Sacramento	4,929	3,948	4,066	3,117	2,943	2,508	899	528	224	81
San Benito	131	83	120	82	108	51	12	30	0	1
San Bernardino	6,817	R ¹ 5,173	4,193	R ² 3,637	2,918	R ¹ 2,751	1,234	859	41	27
San Diego	8,561	5,301	6,700	5,643	3,686	3,587	2,907	1,995	107	61
San Francisco	3,139	1,978	2,168	1,368	1,502	734	651	607	15	27
San Joaquin	869	782	794	442	458	100	309	333	27	9
San Luis Obispo	1,042	362	447	257	214	136	210	119	23	2
San Mateo	1,623	1,583	1,173	1,324	560	645	565	651	48	28
Santa Barbara	2,380	835	1,254	495	926	216	292	263	36	16
Santa Clara	7,908	6,086	4,285	R ¹ 3,702	3,197	R ¹ 2,903	1,050	767	28	32
Santa Cruz	688	528	689	456	317	141	370	306	2	9
Shasta	582	442	515	R ¹ 318	381	R ¹ 41	114	274	20	3
Sierra	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	255	R ¹ 191	191	R ¹ 116	143	R ¹ 81	48	R ¹ 35	0	0
Solano	921	542	485	438	294	244	190	185	1	9
Sonoma	1,586	959	1,388	675	337	182	1,028	467	23	26
Stanislaus	1,926	821	1,317	613	856	401	457	200	4	12
Sutter	251	144	196	115	143	37	48	75	5	3
Tehama	185	197	108	189	59	108	47	78	2	3
Trinity	81	42	88	27	58	16	22	7	8	4
Tulare	940	596	1,090	538	936	394	148	92	6	62
Tuolumne	169	88	105	79	55	34	50	43	0	2
Ventura	4,422	R ¹ 2,590	3,309	3,085	2,834	2,670	430	369	45	46
Yolo	290	258	264	219	112	88	132	R ¹ 126	20	R ¹ 45
Yuba	245	199	179	134	138	70	40	62	1	2

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**TABLE 19—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
MENTAL HEALTH FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing		Dispositions after hearing	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters	1975-76	Contested matters	1975-76
State Total.....	5,451	R _{6,098}	4,925	R _{5,621}	241	R ₂₆₉	4,360	R _{4,911}	324	R ₄₄₁
Alameda.....	28	48	33	R ₉₃	3	8	27	R ₇₄	3	R ₁₁
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte.....	18	16	20	19	1	2	17	12	2	5
Calaveras.....	9	0	7	0	2	0	5	0	0	0
Colusa.....	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Contra Costa.....	169	232	154	231	34	22	93	192	27	17
Del Norte.....	14	21	8	12	1	1	6	10	1	1
El Dorado.....	31	25	30	25	7	7	23	18	0	0
Fresno.....	279	233	245	223	68	32	159	183	18	8
Glenn.....	4	6	5	2	0	0	1	1	4	1
Humboldt.....	24	34	21	26	4	4	9	20	8	2
Imperial.....	67	77	61	79	0	1	59	74	2	4
Inyo.....	3	6	2	3	1	1	1	2	0	0
Kern.....	103	157	71	151	1	10	70	134	0	7
Kings.....	51	61	42	41	0	0	41	41	1	0
Lake.....	15	12	13	8	1	1	9	3	3	4
Lassen.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles.....	1,021	995	998	970	67	60	917	900	14	10
Madera.....	21	13	16	7	0	0	10	3	6	4
Marin.....	21	37	20	27	3	17	5	3	14	7
Mariposa.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino.....	4	10	4	10	0	0	4	7	0	3
Merced.....	20	22	18	25	1	2	15	21	2	3
Modoc.....	1	2	1	3	0	0	1	3	0	0
Mono.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey.....	118	193	93	170	3	2	82	137	8	31
Napa.....	12	2	12	2	0	0	0	0	12	2
Nevada.....	0	10	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Orange.....	177	167	166	159	1	0	163	157	2	2
Placer.....	15	8	13	8	0	0	12	8	1	0
Plumas.....	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Riverside.....	128	200	152	230	10	26	123	172	19	32
Sacramento.....	14	70	11	67	1	1	6	41	4	25
San Benito.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino.....	296	R ₂₀₇	242	R ₂₁₃	3	R ₄	231	R ₂₀₃	8	R ₆
San Diego.....	920	828	858	788	0	0	851	744	7	24
San Francisco.....	230	287	233	349	4	12	212	318	17	19
San Joaquin.....	69	59	67	R ₇₈	0	0	58	R ₇₇	9	1
San Luis Obispo.....	42	37	38	32	1	0	35	21	2	11
San Mateo.....	135	108	118	75	0	0	101	57	17	18
Santa Barbara.....	110	98	93	86	5	6	85	67	3	13
Santa Clara.....	677	1,355	526	993	0	34	467	830	59	129
Santa Cruz.....	29	R ₇₇	24	R ₆₈	0	0	22	65	2	3
Shasta.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	8	7	7	7	2	4	5	3	0	0
Solano.....	25	31	19	28	1	1	17	26	1	1
Sonoma.....	44	11	17	20	6	0	11	18	0	2
Stanislaus.....	63	51	35	52	0	0	25	32	10	20
Sutter.....	8	8	8	7	0	0	8	7	0	0
Tehama.....	1	5	1	4	1	0	0	2	0	2
Trinity.....	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	0
Tulare.....	107	75	86	70	1	4	72	59	13	7
Tuolumne.....	13	3	13	3	2	0	10	3	1	0
Ventura.....	282	174	304	157	6	4	275	147	23	6
Yolo.....	22	15	17	15	0	3	17	12	0	0
Yuba.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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TABLE 20—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

	Filings						Total		Dispositions		Dispositions after hearing			
	Total		Original		Subsequent		Dispositions		Before hearing		Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
State total.....	93,171	93,980	58,142	56,943	35,029	37,037	86,845	89,995	11,662	15,631	61,847	62,016	13,336	12,348
Alameda.....	4,837	4,521	2,940	2,506	1,897	2,015	4,475	4,466	256	456	3,479	3,577	740	433
Alpine.....	2	2	0	1	2	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
Amador.....	19	22	13	18	6	4	14	12	0	0	7	8	7	4
Butte.....	424	428	286	295	138	133	391	429	18	70	345	335	28	24
Calaveras.....	40	33	29	32	11	1	44	45	4	9	32	33	8	3
Colusa.....	33	38	20	23	13	15	35	33	1	2	32	27	2	4
Contra Costa.....	3,251	3,281	1,853	1,833	1,398	1,448	2,728	2,778	72	69	2,380	2,474	276	235
Del Norte.....	84	101	52	79	32	22	94	95	14	24	71	64	9	7
El Dorado.....	222	195	118	123	104	72	213	161	17	22	180	130	16	9
Fresno.....	1,753	1,344	1,239	^a 1,344	514	^b -	1,639	1,213	151	219	766	726	722	268
Glenn.....	67	43	61	35	6	8	64	47	4	1	54	39	6	7
Humboldt.....	378	320	206	159	172	161	350	329	97	80	221	222	32	27
Imperial.....	573	442	158	250	115	192	250	451	55	104	150	289	45	58
Inyo.....	87	51	81	40	6	11	73	27	0	0	73	26	0	1
Kern.....	1,550	1,777	893	955	657	822	1,594	1,871	73	119	1,151	1,398	370	354
Kings.....	323	343	163	191	160	152	294	307	38	24	185	244	71	39
Lake.....	54	49	39	44	15	5	60	40	10	0	46	40	4	0
Lassen.....	24	24	24	22	0	2	25	33	10	8	15	24	0	1
Los Angeles.....	25,626	29,010	15,796	17,422	9,830	11,588	24,168	28,614	6,827	9,748	11,595	12,599	5,746	6,267
Madera.....	436	490	269	238	167	242	426	461	25	33	367	385	34	43
Marin.....	614	817	265	358	349	459	465	646	12	77	408	532	45	37
Mariposa.....	9	16	7	12	2	4	6	12	0	1	6	6	0	5
Mendocino.....	265	198	209	166	56	32	224	199	38	37	179	150	7	12
Merced.....	529	469	317	288	212	181	535	452	44	21	383	332	108	99
Modoc.....	28	22	25	15	3	7	34	19	8	2	23	14	3	3
Mono.....	19	13	17	13	2	0	17	7	2	1	15	6	0	0
Monterey.....	1,319	1,538	750	749	569	789	1,125	1,373	37	83	895	969	193	321
Napa.....	374	326	233	218	141	108	327	282	4	9	294	240	29	33
Nevada.....	87	82	87	76	0	6	90	87	4	23	84	60	2	4
Orange.....	1,228	11,028	7,272	6,951	3,956	4,077	10,769	10,654	231	58	10,237	10,396	301	200
Placer.....	477	572	262	295	215	277	428	477	13	36	349	363	66	78
Plumas.....	41	52	40	49	1	3	48	43	8	2	30	33	10	8
Riverside.....	3,154	2,454	1,871	1,520	1,283	934	3,032	2,404	365	281	2,496	2,044	171	79

Sacramento	3,849	3,902	2,059	1,839	1,790	2,068	3,462	3,124	103	58	2,963	2,706	396	360
San Benito	75	46	60	31	15	15	67	41	2	0	59	40	6	1
San Bernardino	2,958	2,998	2,024	2,298	934	700	2,600	2,600	283	259	2,089	2,084	228	257
San Diego	6,563	6,324	4,345	4,204	2,218	2,120	6,509	6,384	309	355	5,624	5,570	576	459
San Francisco	2,355	2,624	1,597	1,587	758	1,037	2,278	2,458	565	827	1,233	729	490	902
San Joaquin	1,672	1,332	937	831	735	501	1,363	1,125	80	22	652	888	331	215
San Luis Obispo	422	363	251	210	171	153	397	342	33	51	338	264	26	27
San Mateo	2,641	2,531	1,509	1,375	1,132	1,156	2,081	2,308	129	80	1,584	2,008	368	220
Santa Barbara	1,617	1,330	815	750	802	580	1,524	1,444	135	82	1,203	1,241	166	121
Santa Clara	5,281	4,378	3,614	2,581	1,667	1,797	4,874	4,257	467	610	4,056	3,337	351	310
Santa Cruz	338	329	256	208	82	121	331	311	14	2	128	233	189	76
Shasta	384	R 559	317	246	67	R 313	384	564	11	18	336	504	37	42
Sierra	4	9	4	9	0	0	2	14	0	0	2	14	0	0
Siskiyou	51	33	41	28	10	5	54	33	4	5	46	23	4	5
Solano	781	721	551	456	230	265	749	707	150	134	513	516	86	57
Sonoma	1,048	935	760	660	288	275	1,121	1,011	192	265	596	494	333	352
Stanislaus	1,368	1,323	961	856	407	467	1,211	1,344	198	207	730	962	283	175
Sutter	111	103	81	80	30	23	93	79	21	23	66	53	6	3
Tehama	108	123	65	86	43	37	97	128	4	14	82	106	11	8
Trinity	61	30	49	23	12	7	49	23	3	6	44	16	2	1
Tulare	1,479	1,387	774	708	705	679	1,163	973	86	82	886	827	191	64
Tuolumne	98	129	88	101	10	28	117	124	15	12	87	107	15	5
Ventura	1,835	1,870	1,135	1,159	700	711	1,841	2,011	407	872	1,337	1,104	97	35
Yolo	231	275	129	137	102	138	241	279	7	0	185	243	49	36
Yuba	214	235	125	160	89	75	198	243	6	28	158	161	34	54

^a The filing and disposition figures since fiscal year 1975-76 include, for the first time, subsequent petitions filed under Sections 601 and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code on wards and probationers of the court alleging additional crimes or delinquency. Previous to fiscal year 1975-76 only filings and dispositions of original petitions were counted.

^b This court did not report separately original and subsequent petitions filed under Sections 601 and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code in 1975-76.

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TABLE 20A—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
 JUVENILE DELINQUENCY FILINGS BY TYPE °
 FISCAL YEARS 1975-76 AND 1976-77

County	601 W & I						602 W & I					
	Total		Original		Subsequent		Total		Original		Subsequent	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
Totals.....	6,801	12,806	4,887	9,675	1,914	3,131	86,370	81,174	53,255	47,268	33,115	33,906
Alameda	123	406	108	375	15	31	4,714	4,115	2,832	2,131	1,882	1,984
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	2	1
Amador	0	1	0	0	0	1	19	21	13	18	6	3
Butte	26	83	17	66	9	17	398	345	269	229	129	116
Calaveras	4	6	3	6	1	0	36	27	26	26	10	1
Colusa	4	7	2	6	2	1	29	31	18	17	11	14
Contra Costa	202	459	143	349	59	110	3,049	2,822	1,710	1,484	1,339	1,338
Del Norte	17	33	10	24	7	9	67	68	42	55	25	13
El Dorado	12	20	4	12	8	8	210	175	114	111	96	64
Fresno	469	b -	380	b -	89	b -	1,284	b -	859	b -	425	b -
Glenn	12	10	11	10	1	0	55	33	50	25	5	8
Humboldt	43	114	28	46	15	68	335	206	178	113	157	93
Imperial	21	60	18	49	3	11	252	382	140	201	112	181
Inyo	10	7	10	5	0	2	77	44	71	35	6	9
Kern	83	131	67	123	16	8	1,467	1,646	826	832	641	814
Kings	10	36	9	33	1	3	313	307	154	158	159	149
Lake	4	26	4	21	0	5	50	23	35	23	15	0
Lassen	7	17	7	15	0	2	17	7	17	7	0	0
Los Angeles	639	1,794	515	1,221	124	573	24,987	27,216	15,281	16,201	9,706	11,015
Madera	32	57	27	54	5	3	404	423	242	184	162	239
Marin	167	391	77	197	90	194	447	426	188	161	259	265
Mariposa	1	6	1	3	0	3	8	10	6	9	2	1
Mendocino	19	37	16	34	3	3	246	161	193	132	53	29
Merced	21	34	18	23	3	11	508	435	299	265	209	170
Modoc	2	1	2	1	0	0	26	21	23	14	3	7
Mono	1	3	1	3	0	0	18	10	16	10	2	0
Monterey	66	168	59	118	7	50	1,253	1,370	691	631	562	739
Napa	57	74	36	51	21	23	317	252	197	167	120	85
Nevada	17	24	17	23	0	1	70	58	70	53	0	5
Orange	1,191	1,488	848	1,177	343	311	10,037	9,540	6,424	5,774	3,613	3,766
Placer	33	82	22	42	11	40	444	490	240	253	204	237
Plumas	11	14	10	13	1	1	30	38	30	36	0	2
Riverside	369	508	261	397	108	111	2,785	1,946	1,610	1,123	1,175	823

Sacramento	223	345	184	258	39	87	3,626	3,557	1,875	1,581	1,751	1,976
San Benito	6	19	5	14	1	5	69	27	55	17	14	10
San Bernardino.....	330	462	121	293	209	169	2,628	2,536	1,903	2,005	725	531
San Diego.....	147	417	147	397	0	20	6,416	5,907	4,198	3,807	2,218	2,100
San Francisco	257	482	209	394	48	88	2,098	2,142	1,383	1,193	710	949
San Joaquin	296	466	207	349	89	117	1,376	866	730	482	646	384
San Luis Obispo	22	64	12	47	10	17	400	299	239	163	161	136
San Mateo	372	744	167	360	205	384	2,259	1,787	1,342	1,015	927	772
Santa Barbara	234	325	122	202	112	124	1,383	1,004	693	548	690	456
Santa Clara	466	767	371	548	95	219	4,815	3,611	3,243	2,033	1,572	1,578
Santa Cruz	28	73	26	66	2	7	310	256	230	142	80	114
Shasta	103	^R 126	91	63	12	^R 63	281	^R 433	226	183	55	^R 250
Sierra	4	9	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	9	14	9	12	0	2	42	19	32	16	10	3
Solano	43	62	43	61	0	1	738	659	508	395	230	264
Sonoma	214	260	182	223	32	37	834	675	578	437	256	238
Stanislaus	59	136	52	122	7	14	1,309	1,187	909	734	400	453
Sutter	3	10	2	8	1	2	108	93	79	72	29	21
Tehama	23	30	11	27	12	3	85	93	54	59	31	34
Trinity	17	6	14	6	3	0	44	24	35	17	9	7
Tulare	135	132	86	114	49	18	1,344	1,255	688	594	656	661
Tuolumne.....	9	25	9	22	0	3	89	104	79	79	10	25
Ventura	67	242	53	150	14	92	1,768	1,628	1,082	1,009	686	619
Yolo	41	106	18	52	23	54	190	169	111	85	79	84
Yuba	20	42	11	37	9	5	194	193	114	123	80	70

^a The filing figures since fiscal year 1975-76 include, for the first time, subsequent petitions filed under Sections 601 and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code on wards and probationers of the court alleging additional crimes or delinquency. Previous to fiscal year 1975-76 only filings of original petitions were counted.

^b This court did not report separately original and subsequent petitions filed under Sections 601 and 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code in 1975-76.

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TABLE 21—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
JUVENILE DEPENDENCY FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total		Filings				Total		Dispositions		Dispositions after hearing			
	76-77	75-76	originals		Subsequent		dispositions		before hearing		Uncontested		Contested	
			76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
Totals	14,615	14,092	13,840	13,151	775	941	13,106	13,669	2,064	1,987	9,399	10,283	1,643	1,399
Alameda.....	885	870	836	794	49	76	850	816	69	141	693	621	88	54
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	10	9	6	6	4	3	4	4	0	0	3	4	1	0
Butte.....	143	190	138	187	5	3	131	149	9	18	117	90	5	41
Calaveras.....	13	16	10	12	3	4	8	21	2	7	5	10	1	4
Colusa.....	20	13	17	13	3	0	20	7	2	0	7	0	11	7
Contra Costa.....	445	432	364	357	81	75	403	566	14	7	345	479	44	80
Del Norte.....	45	50	40	44	5	6	33	38	17	8	16	25	0	5
El Dorado.....	36	23	34	17	2	6	34	18	4	4	30	13	0	1
Fresno.....	312	240	282	b_	30	b_	286	222	44	35	143	127	99	60
Glenn.....	15	21	14	21	1	0	15	20	0	0	7	10	8	10
Humboldt.....	96	74	83	55	13	19	76	82	6	11	65	60	5	11
Imperial.....	103	97	95	92	8	5	71	112	18	57	48	39	5	16
Inyo.....	7	11	7	11	0	0	7	7	0	0	11	7	0	0
Kern.....	391	316	380	316	11	0	391	331	37	42	267	264	87	25
Kings.....	133	74	126	68	7	6	141	68	28	24	104	42	9	2
Lake.....	46	17	45	17	1	0	45	16	3	0	40	13	2	3
Lassen.....	11	3	11	3	0	0	12	5	3	0	9	5	0	0
Los Angeles.....	3,291	3,147	3,268	3,026	23	121	2,656	3,069	478	400	1,708	2,328	470	341
Madera.....	97	109	96	109	1	0	97	109	4	6	90	90	3	13
Marin.....	113	97	106	81	7	16	110	122	6	19	97	97	7	6
Mariposa.....	4	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Mendocino.....	46	52	43	50	3	2	56	52	12	10	40	32	4	5
Merced.....	164	185	163	179	1	6	176	170	110	78	65	86	1	6
Modoc.....	8	11	7	10	1	1	8	12	0	0	8	12	0	0
Mono.....	3	5	3	5	0	0	2	5	1	0	1	5	0	0
Monterey.....	282	255	266	236	16	19	237	226	23	14	213	196	1	16
Napa.....	83	93	66	82	17	11	86	81	1	14	69	56	16	11
Nevada.....	19	25	19	25	0	0	23	24	3	0	20	22	0	2
Orange.....	840	780	779	756	61	24	778	759	109	7	618	697	51	55
Placer.....	80	79	76	77	4	2	71	82	8	7	46	60	17	15
Plumas.....	16	14	16	14	0	0	21	11	5	2	15	7	1	2
Riverside.....	594	575	582	573	12	2	602	548	158	67	404	474	40	7

Sacramento	692	832	608	715	84	117	685	726	27	9	535	673	133	44
San Benito	9	3	3	1	6	2	10	4	0	0	10	4	0	0
San Bernardino	670	710	665	660	5	50	561	472	109	84	443	359	9	29
San Diego	1,145	1,147	1,136	1,127	9	20	1,156	1,153	148	142	874	912	134	99
San Francisco	438	374	437	358	1	16	364	573	112	241	222	232	30	100
San Joaquin	409	414	368	364	41	50	271	299	64	58	166	216	41	25
San Luis Obispo	109	66	85	58	24	8	54	80	2	8	44	59	8	13
San Mateo	302	363	275	312	27	51	248	296	24	2	190	265	34	29
Santa Barbara	274	241	230	203	54	38	262	219	50	36	185	162	27	21
Santa Clara	674	485	655	471	19	14	586	511	103	93	454	389	29	29
Santa Cruz	73	104	73	104	0	0	73	104	6	0	46	87	21	17
Shasta	102	R175	94	128	8	R47	114	161	1	5	110	131	3	25
Sierra	5	1	5	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Siskiyou	33	26	33	26	0	0	25	30	3	11	16	12	6	7
Solano	145	119	129	100	16	19	133	110	19	18	105	81	9	11
Sonoma	235	223	197	186	38	37	258	234	49	45	150	124	59	63
Stanislaus	174	175	161	175	13	0	147	199	20	49	107	130	20	20
Sutter	41	36	36	32	5	4	39	38	4	12	25	25	10	1
Tehama	19	29	19	29	0	0	14	27	0	7	14	12	0	8
Trinity	26	18	16	14	10	4	35	10	6	2	20	3	9	5
Tulare	193	142	193	142	0	0	135	117	22	10	66	99	47	8
Tuolumne	25	39	25	39	0	0	12	31	0	6	9	19	3	6
Ventura	331	373	301	332	30	41	297	398	103	164	186	216	8	18
Yolo	81	74	66	58	15	16	111	88	17	0	84	76	10	12
Yuba	59	40	58	40	1	0	46	36	1	2	31	25	14	9

^a The filing and disposition figures since fiscal year 1975-76 include, for the first time, subsequent petitions filed initially under Section 600 and later under Section 300 of the Welfare and Institutions Code on dependent children alleging further acts of parental neglect. Previous to fiscal year 1975-76 only filings and dispositions of original petitions were counted.

^b This court did not report original and subsequent petitions separately.

^R Revised.

TABLE 22—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
CRIMINAL FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing ^a						Dispositions after hearing ^a			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Total		Guilty pleas		Other		Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
					1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Totals.....	54,682	54,816	49,111	50,107	41,016	41,619	35,089	34,958	5,927	6,661	1,962	3,399	6,133	5,089
Alameda.....	2,740	R ₂ 786	2,498	2,298	2,238	1,910	1,829	1,487	409	423	73	192	187	196
Alpine.....	0	3	0	4	0	4	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	37	54	27	47	21	41	15	36	6	5	0	3	6	3
Butte.....	272	R ₃ 307	225	223	128	134	110	110	18	24	33	7	64	82
Calaveras.....	58	31	54	27	48	23	40	17	8	6	1	3	5	1
Colusa.....	26	31	26	30	18	26	18	24	0	2	1	3	7	1
Contra Costa.....	1,171	1,110	1,176	1,103	1,028	1,003	933	856	95	147	7	8	141	92
Del Norte.....	53	53	51	58	36	45	30	43	6	2	3	1	12	12
El Dorado.....	182	222	186	182	146	172	102	138	44	34	1	2	9	8
Fresno.....	1,107	1,030	1,125	1,029	811	646	668	517	143	129	103	11	281	372
Glenn.....	72	61	43	82	27	45	21	35	6	10	4	33	12	4
Humboldt.....	274	259	206	273	170	231	134	158	36	73	3	23	33	19
Imperial.....	220	318	242	304	196	265	157	235	39	30	11	12	35	27
Inyo.....	87	56	60	41	59	32	55	27	4	5	0	3	1	6
Kern.....	696	650	639	611	526	477	478	440	48	37	11	20	102	114
Kings.....	200	171	177	141	121	86	79	54	42	32	8	4	48	51
Lake.....	139	112	116	127	96	103	78	86	18	17	0	2	20	22
Lassen.....	43	26	52	31	38	20	30	9	8	11	11	6	3	5
Los Angeles.....	8,427	20,119	16,733	19,212	13,801	15,884	11,814	13,388	1,987	2,496	848	2,229	2,084	1,099
Madera.....	261	87	234	81	175	61	127	28	48	33	0	1	59	19
Marin.....	434	495	295	354	229	285	200	243	29	42	11	13	55	56
Mariposa.....	24	7	24	15	22	14	22	12	0	2	1	1	1	0
Mendocino.....	179	150	168	173	122	128	98	92	24	36	10	13	36	32
Merced.....	428	394	308	377	240	292	216	243	24	49	18	21	50	64
Modoc.....	32	27	32	25	26	18	22	18	4	0	1	3	5	4
Mono.....	37	48	35	40	24	13	21	9	3	4	5	10	6	17
Monterey.....	844	912	843	940	682	752	560	596	122	156	53	41	108	147
Napa.....	122	115	129	109	87	69	87	67	0	2	17	17	25	23
Nevada.....	84	R ₈ 89	74	129	59	81	50	73	9	8	0	38	15	10
Orange.....	2,225	2,045	2,096	2,078	1,785	1,779	1,577	1,655	108	124	47	82	264	217
Placer.....	145	186	184	191	149	169	119	140	30	29	18	2	17	20
Plumas.....	27	38	24	41	15	26	13	23	2	3	3	3	6	12
Riverside.....	1,380	R ₁ 147	1,303	1,155	1,077	890	825	742	252	148	55	39	171	226

Sacramento	2,138	^R 2,070	1,436	1,289	1,228	1,107	997	831	231	276	25	13	182	169
San Benito	39	29	44	43	39	35	35	31	4	4	0	7	5	1
San Bernardino	1,849	2,005	1,744	1,735	1,401	1,422	1,258	1,184	143	238	66	48	277	265
San Diego	4,373	4,254	3,959	3,913	3,563	3,425	3,114	3,074	449	351	58	114	338	374
San Francisco	2,638	2,649	2,471	2,110	2,250	1,888	1,956	1,591	294	297	49	47	172	175
San Joaquin	686	755	617	662	551	608	408	436	142	172	1	1	65	53
San Luis Obispo	332	170	203	167	158	138	146	110	12	28	9	8	36	21
San Mateo	1,054	979	822	757	709	648	570	568	139	80	6	6	107	103
Santa Barbara	629	566	572	576	488	478	379	352	109	126	7	18	77	80
Santa Clara	3,541	3,233	3,186	2,935	2,731	2,504	2,542	2,293	189	211	237	180	218	251
Santa Cruz	436	416	429	394	370	333	295	274	74	59	6	6	53	55
Shasta	514	474	603	532	534	470	511	402	23	68	16	1	53	61
Sierra	13	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	1
Siskiyou	98	86	93	72	80	58	64	40	16	18	1	0	12	14
Solano	534	443	503	383	403	310	373	280	30	30	11	8	89	63
Sonoma	547	455	337	24	258	342	150	215	108	124	17	7	62	75
Stanislaus	796	^R 671	568	^R 677	422	^R 539	340	428	82	^R 111	18	27	128	111
Sutter	127	166	127	141	111	130	109	128	2	2	0	0	16	11
Tehama	94	130	119	117	94	105	81	89	13	16	2	0	23	12
Trinity	45	^R 49	38	^R 40	32	^R 29	25	27	7	^R 2	0	2	6	9
Tulare	740	597	617	381	382	251	292	178	90	73	34	12	201	118
Tuolumne	90	70	75	60	56	50	42	39	14	11	4	3	15	7
Ventura	941	1,034	800	861	694	763	553	572	141	191	34	34	72	64
Yolo	219	185	199	144	173	128	143	100	30	28	0	3	26	13
Yuba	183	183	117	162	89	134	77	109	12	25	0	8	28	20

^a Since 1975-76 the number of defendants who plead guilty before the start of trial are shown as a separate category. In addition, the definition of uncontested matters in criminal proceedings was changed due to a revision of the reporting regulations effective on July 1, 1975. In fiscal year 1974-75 and prior years uncontested matters only included defendants whose cases were disposed of on the record of the preliminary hearing. Uncontested matters commencing fiscal year 1975-76 include all defendants whose cases were disposed of following a trial in which only one party introduced evidence.

^R Revised.

**TABLE 22A—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
CRIMINAL DISPOSITIONS AFTER UNCONTESTED TRIAL °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total Disposed of After Uncontested Hearing						Acquitted or Dismissed				Convicted			
	All Defendants		By Court		By Jury		By Court		By Jury		By Court		By Jury	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
Totals	1,962	3,399	1,551	2,553	411	846	367	673	65	246	1,184	1,880	346	600
Alameda.....	73	192	59	192	14	0	4	40	1	0	55	152	13	0
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Butte.....	33	7	21	1	12	6	0	0	2	0	21	1	10	6
Calaveras.....	1	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Colusa.....	1	3	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Contra Costa.....	7	8	3	8	4	0	0	2	0	0	3	6	4	0
Del Norte.....	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1
El Dorado.....	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Fresno.....	103	11	103	5	0	6	30	0	0	0	73	5	0	6
Glenn.....	4	33	3	24	1	9	0	0	0	0	3	24	1	9
Humboldt.....	3	23	0	17	3	6	0	0	0	3	0	17	3	3
Imperial.....	11	12	6	5	5	7	3	2	1	1	3	3	4	6
Inyo.....	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Kern.....	11	20	9	19	2	1	1	9	1	0	8	10	1	1
Kings.....	8	4	3	2	5	2	0	0	0	1	3	2	5	1
Lake.....	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Lassen.....	11	6	11	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	11	5	0	0
Los Angeles.....	848	2,229	659	1,529	189	700	202	452	42	224	457	1,077	147	476
Madera.....	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marin.....	11	13	6	11	5	2	2	2	2	0	4	9	3	2
Mariposa.....	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Mendocino.....	10	13	0	8	10	5	0	1	1	1	0	7	9	4
Merced.....	18	21	17	21	1	0	1	9	0	0	16	12	1	0
Modoc.....	1	3	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mono.....	5	10	4	10	1	0	0	1	0	4	4	9	1	0
Monterey.....	53	41	34	35	19	6	3	8	5	2	31	27	14	4
Napa.....	17	17	17	16	0	1	0	3	0	0	17	13	0	1
Nevada.....	0	38	0	37	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	1
Orange.....	47	82	47	82	0	0	13	33	0	0	29	49	0	0
Placer.....	18	2	14	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	14	0	4	2
Plumas.....	3	3	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	1
Riverside.....	55	39	47	36	8	3	10	14	1	0	37	22	7	3

Sacramento	26	13	13	8	13	5	0	1	0	0	13	7	13	5
San Benito	0	7	0	6	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	1
San Bernardino	66	48	60	44	6	4	15	10	0	0	45	34	6	4
San Diego	58	114	52	103	6	11	19	20	1	3	33	83	5	8
San Francisco	49	47	20	36	29	11	3	9	2	3	17	27	27	8
San Joaquin	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
San Luis Obispo	9	8	8	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	1	0
San Mateo	6	6	5	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	6	1	0
Santa Barbara	7	18	7	15	0	3	2	7	0	1	5	8	0	2
Santa Clara	237	180	222	179	15	1	34	25	1	0	188	154	14	1
Santa Cruz	6	6	5	3	1	3	0	0	0	3	5	3	1	0
Shasta	16	1	12	1	4	0	1	0	0	0	11	1	4	0
Sierra	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Siskiyou	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	11	6	11	6	0	2	2	0	0	1	9	6	0	1
Sonoma	17	7	9	4	8	3	1	0	0	0	8	4	8	3
Stanislaus	18	27	9	13	9	14	3	6	2	0	6	7	7	14
Sutter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	34	12	18	7	16	5	8	4	1	0	10	3	15	5
Tuolumne	4	3	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1
Ventura	34	34	22	27	12	7	1	4	1	0	21	23	11	7
Yolo	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Yuba	0	8	0	1	0	7	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6

* The number of defendants who were acquitted, dismissed or convicted following a trial in which only one party introduced evidence was reported for the first time in fiscal year 1975-76.

**TABLE 22B—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
CRIMINAL DISPOSITIONS AFTER CONTESTED TRIAL °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total Disposed of After Contested Trial						Acquitted or Dismissed				Convicted			
	All Defendants		By Court		By Jury		By Court		By Jury		By Court		By Jury	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
Totals	6,133	5,089	1,365	1,240	4,768	3,849	312	242	791	605	1,053	998	3,977	3,244
Alameda	187	196	18	11	169	185	4	4	18	28	14	7	151	157
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	6	3	0	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	1
Butte	64	82	13	10	51	72	0	2	1	12	13	8	50	60
Calaveras	5	1	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	0
Colusa	7	1	3	0	4	1	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	1
Contra Costa	141	92	8	5	133	87	1	3	19	3	7	2	114	84
Del Norte	12	12	2	3	10	9	0	1	2	2	2	2	8	7
El Dorado	9	8	2	1	7	7	0	0	3	2	2	1	4	5
Fresno	281	372	78	199	203	173	23	2	23	9	55	197	180	164
Glenn	12	4	2	1	10	3	0	0	1	0	2	1	9	3
Humboldt	33	19	16	5	17	14	2	0	1	4	14	5	16	10
Imperial	35	27	4	3	31	24	0	1	5	7	4	2	26	17
Inyo	1	6	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	4
Kern	102	114	1	13	101	101	0	6	13	17	1	7	88	84
Kings	48	51	4	4	44	47	0	3	11	6	4	1	33	41
Lake	20	22	2	0	18	22	0	0	3	2	2	0	15	20
Lassen	3	5	1	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	5
Los Angeles	2,084	1,099	744	518	1,340	581	197	146	351	178	547	372	989	403
Madera	59	19	2	0	57	19	0	0	1	0	2	0	56	19
Marin	55	56	8	8	47	48	1	1	9	15	7	7	38	33
Mariposa	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	36	32	6	14	30	18	3	0	10	6	3	14	20	12
Merced	50	64	18	16	32	48	2	3	4	2	16	13	28	46
Modoc	5	4	1	1	4	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	3
Mono	6	17	4	11	2	6	1	2	0	1	3	9	2	5
Monterey	108	147	15	21	93	126	3	4	22	18	12	17	71	108
Napa	25	23	4	7	21	16	0	0	4	3	4	7	17	13
Nevada	15	10	5	1	10	1	0	0	1	0	5	1	9	9
Orange	264	217	31	21	233	196	7	10	35	23	24	11	198	173
Placer	17	20	2	3	15	17	1	0	1	1	1	3	14	16
Plumas	6	12	1	0	5	12	0	0	3	2	1	0	2	10
Riverside	171	226	29	36	142	190	7	10	34	44	22	26	108	146

Sacramento.....	182	169	11	22	171	147	1	1	6	0	10	21	165	147
San Benito	5	1	1	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	1
San Bernardino	277	265	34	19	243	246	4	0	49	54	30	19	194	192
San Diego	338	374	96	98	242	276	25	23	26	31	71	75	216	245
San Francisco.....	172	175	24	21	148	154	2	2	10	13	22	19	138	141
San Joaquin.....	65	53	1	1	64	52	0	0	11	6	1	1	53	46
San Luis Obispo	36	21	5	2	31	19	0	0	3	4	5	2	23	15
San Mateo.....	107	103	1	7	106	96	0	0	0	0	1	7	106	96
Santa Barbara	77	80	5	7	72	73	3	0	8	9	2	7	64	64
Santa Clara	218	251	44	51	174	200	4	5	19	17	40	46	155	183
Santa Cruz	53	55	0	2	53	53	0	0	7	8	0	2	46	45
Shasta	53	61	12	20	41	41	1	0	4	3	11	20	37	38
Sierra	4	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0
Siskiyou	12	14	0	3	12	11	0	1	5	4	0	2	7	7
Solano	89	65	8	5	81	60	0	0	10	14	8	5	71	46
Sonoma	62	75	14	10	48	65	3	1	4	2	11	9	44	63
Stanislaus.....	128	111	19	14	109	97	6	5	13	10	13	9	96	87
Sutter	16	11	3	0	13	11	0	0	0	0	3	0	13	11
Tehama	23	12	7	4	16	8	2	0	1	2	5	4	15	6
Trinity	6	9	0	3	6	6	0	0	5	4	0	3	1	2
Tulare	201	113	25	24	176	94	4	4	17	26	21	20	159	68
Tuolumne	15	7	5	0	10	7	2	0	4	1	3	0	6	6
Ventura	72	64	14	12	58	52	0	2	1	3	14	10	57	49
Yolo	26	13	1	0	25	13	0	0	4	3	1	0	21	10
Yuba.....	28	20	6	1	22	19	3	0	6	2	3	1	16	17

^a The number of defendants who were acquitted, dismissed or convicted following a trial in which both the prosecution and the defense introduced evidence was reported for the first time in fiscal year 1975-76.

**TABLE 22C—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
LEVEL OF CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS³
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total defendants convicted of:						Convicted before trial on plea of guilty of:				Convicted after court trial of:				Convicted after jury trial of:			
	All types		Felony		Misdemeanor		Felony		Misdemeanor		Felony		Misdemeanor		Felony		Misdemeanor	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
State Total	41,649	41,680	38,187	38,556	3,462	3,124	32,004	32,223	3,085	2,735	2,015	2,613	222	265	4,168	3,720	155	124
Alameda	2,062	1,903	2,011	1,753	51	50	1,787	1,455	42	32	65	151	4	8	159	147	5	10
Alpine	0	3	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	21	42	14	21	7	21	11	17	4	19	0	4	0	1	3	0	3	1
Butte	204	185	198	179	6	6	110	108	0	2	34	8	0	1	54	63	6	3
Calaveras	46	20	34	9	12	11	28	6	12	11	1	1	0	0	5	2	0	0
Colusa	23	28	20	27	3	1	15	23	3	1	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	0
Contra Costa	1,061	948	1,044	888	17	60	917	797	16	59	9	8	1	0	118	83	0	1
Del Norte	43	53	20	19	23	34	16	15	14	28	1	1	3	1	3	3	6	5
El Dorado	109	145	101	135	8	10	95	128	7	10	2	2	1	0	4	5	0	0
Fresno	976	889	966	886	10	3	662	517	6	0	124	199	4	3	180	170	0	0
Glenn	36	72	36	20	0	52	21	7	0	28	5	2	0	23	10	11	0	1
Humboldt	167	193	121	138	46	55	91	111	43	47	14	17	0	5	16	10	3	3
Imperial	194	263	168	232	26	31	133	206	24	29	6	4	1	1	29	22	1	1
Inyo	56	33	47	20	9	13	47	16	8	11	0	0	1	1	0	4	0	1
Kern	576	542	564	534	12	8	467	435	11	5	8	17	1	0	89	82	0	3
Kings	124	99	124	98	0	1	79	54	0	0	7	3	0	0	38	41	0	1
Lake	95	108	92	105	3	3	76	84	2	2	2	0	0	0	14	21	1	1
Lassen	44	19	43	19	1	0	29	9	1	0	12	5	0	0	2	5	0	0
Los Angeles	13,954	15,716	12,173	14,480	1,781	1,236	10,223	12,211	1,591	1,077	862	1,321	142	128	1,088	848	48	31
Madera	185	47	185	47	0	0	127	28	0	0	2	0	0	0	56	19	0	0
Marin	252	294	252	294	0	0	200	243	0	0	11	16	0	0	41	35	0	0
Mariposa	23	13	20	4	3	9	19	4	3	8	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	130	129	60	62	70	67	34	41	64	51	2	8	1	13	24	13	5	3
Merced	277	314	247	267	30	47	198	197	18	46	23	25	9	0	26	45	3	1
Modoc	28	22	28	21	0	1	22	17	0	1	2	1	0	0	4	3	0	0
Mono	31	32	24	28	7	4	15	7	6	2	7	16	0	2	2	5	1	0
Monterey	688	752	624	685	64	67	501	535	59	61	38	39	5	5	85	111	0	1
Napa	125	101	123	96	2	5	86	64	1	3	21	19	0	1	16	13	1	1
Nevada	64	121	64	119	0	2	50	71	0	2	5	38	0	0	9	10	0	0
Orange	1,928	1,888	1,849	1,808	79	80	1,619	1,585	58	70	44	57	9	3	186	166	12	7
Placer	152	161	121	138	31	23	89	119	30	21	15	3	0	0	17	16	1	2
Plumas	19	35	19	34	0	1	13	22	0	1	1	1	0	0	5	11	0	0
Riverside	999	939	958	909	41	30	795	723	30	19	54	41	5	7	109	145	6	4

Sacramento	1,198	1,011	1,165	1,011	33	0	964	831	33	0	23	28	0	0	173	152	0	0
San Benito	40	37	30	32	10	5	26	26	9	5	0	4	1	0	4	2	0	0
San Bernardino.....	1,533	1,433	1,462	1,339	71	94	1,193	1,094	65	90	72	51	3	2	197	134	3	2
San Diego.....	3,439	3,465	3,029	3,082	410	403	2,718	2,715	396	359	99	127	5	31	212	240	9	13
San Francisco	2,160	1,786	2,104	1,721	56	65	1,909	1,530	47	61	36	44	3	2	159	147	6	2
San Joaquin	463	484	461	473	2	11	406	425	2	11	2	2	0	0	53	46	0	0
San Luis Obispo ..	188	135	180	126	8	9	140	101	6	9	13	10	0	0	27	15	2	0
San Mateo	682	677	590	558	92	119	478	449	92	119	5	13	0	0	107	96	0	0
Santa Barbara	450	433	410	414	40	19	341	335	38	17	7	15	0	0	62	64	2	2
Santa Clara	2,939	2,677	2,778	2,502	161	175	2,394	2,144	148	149	222	183	6	17	162	175	7	9
Santa Cruz.....	348	324	335	282	13	42	286	234	10	40	4	4	1	1	45	44	2	1
Shasta	574	461	476	382	98	79	417	323	94	79	18	21	4	0	41	38	0	0
Sierra.....	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	71	49	49	29	22	20	44	22	20	18	0	2	0	0	5	5	2	2
Solano	461	338	447	315	14	23	359	289	14	21	17	10	0	1	71	46	0	1
Sonoma	221	297	219	293	2	4	149	217	1	1	19	12	0	1	51	64	1	2
Stanislaus	462	545	454	534	8	11	339	424	1	4	19	16	0	0	96	94	7	7
Sutter.....	125	139	115	123	10	16	99	112	10	16	3	0	0	0	13	11	0	0
Tehama.....	101	99	76	81	25	18	64	73	17	16	5	2	0	2	7	6	8	0
Trinity.....	26	32	21	22	5	10	21	20	4	7	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
Tulare	497	274	478	250	19	24	278	157	14	21	28	22	3	1	172	71	2	2
Tuolumne.....	55	48	50	48	5	0	37	39	5	0	5	2	0	0	8	7	0	0
Ventura.....	656	661	655	661	1	0	553	572	0	0	35	33	0	0	67	56	1	0
Yolo	165	113	164	98	1	15	142	85	1	15	1	1	0	0	21	12	0	0
Yuba	96	133	89	103	7	30	72	79	5	30	1	1	2	0	16	23	0	0

^a Fiscal year 1975-76 is the first year in which the number of defendants who were convicted were reported separately. Thus, this table shows, for the first time, not only the number of defendants charged with felonies who were convicted of felonies but also the number of defendants charged with felonies who were convicted of misdemeanors.

TABLE 23—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF APPEALS FROM LOWER COURTS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Questions of law		Trials de novo	
State Total.....	12,748	R 11,612	11,320	10,626	976	765	2,290	2,373	8,054	7,488
Alameda.....	786	676	637	682	0	0	122	108	515	574
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	5	8	4	8	0	0	2	0	2	8
Butte.....	38	39	12	29	1	4	9	6	2	19
Calaveras.....	14	14	14	8	1	0	1	0	12	8
Colusa.....	17	3	3	2	0	2	0	0	3	0
Contra Costa.....	417	417	437	361	21	66	78	97	338	198
Del Norte.....	16	17	18	2	14	0	0	0	4	2
El Dorado.....	37	30	31	29	7	5	3	4	21	20
Fresno.....	144	135	104	108	15	5	22	36	67	67
Glenn.....	9	3	6	2	0	1	0	0	6	1
Humboldt.....	54	70	37	56	10	8	15	19	12	29
Imperial.....	31	39	13	14	4	3	4	1	5	10
Inyo.....	9	6	9	1	0	0	1	0	8	1
Kern.....	124	114	131	109	12	9	37	27	82	73
Kings.....	19	9	4	2	0	0	2	0	2	2
Lake.....	41	19	21	19	3	2	1	4	17	13
Lassen.....	13	13	9	10	0	1	8	6	1	3
Los Angeles.....	4,297	4,078	4,197	4,118	247	116	882	933	3,068	3,069
Madera.....	19	8	13	9	1	3	0	1	12	5
Marin.....	180	179	204	224	41	61	65	70	98	93
Mariposa.....	2	4	2	7	2	1	0	6	0	0
Mendocino.....	51	19	30	5	7	1	20	4	3	0
Merced.....	30	27	26	27	8	4	0	0	18	23
Modoc.....	5	7	5	9	2	5	0	2	3	2
Mono.....	5	14	3	14	0	1	1	1	2	12
Monterey.....	136	114	118	91	21	12	42	24	55	55
Napa.....	39	23	36	16	9	0	3	0	24	16
Nevada.....	10	17	9	13	0	0	0	0	9	13
Orange.....	1,141	1,005	1,019	911	198	60	170	195	651	656
Placer.....	62	40	48	23	1	0	2	0	45	23
Plumas.....	2	4	3	5	1	4	2	1	0	0
Riverside.....	386	335	369	325	23	21	55	52	291	252
Sacramento.....	372	341	362	293	17	21	60	44	285	228
San Benito.....	10	9	9	12	1	2	8	10	0	0
San Bernardino.....	383	280	283	293	58	49	30	52	195	192
San Diego.....	726	685	543	521	37	8	170	141	336	372
San Francisco.....	723	545	558	501	80	99	82	85	396	317
San Joaquin.....	171	158	148	120	10	7	50	25	88	88
San Luis Obispo.....	62	59	55	32	5	2	8	1	42	29
San Mateo.....	324	291	279	283	0	0	47	64	232	219
Santa Barbara.....	195	159	197	180	24	56	58	46	115	78
Santa Clara.....	608	712	514	457	18	42	77	118	419	297
Santa Cruz.....	79	89	58	74	19	18	6	22	33	34
Shasta.....	49	51	44	47	1	4	2	10	41	33
Sierra.....	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	9	10	8	10	0	3	0	3	8	4
Solano.....	125	R 99	72	85	7	9	3	18	62	58
Sonoma.....	122	100	129	36	8	7	27	10	94	19
Stanislaus.....	129	81	107	110	9	12	16	11	82	87
Sutter.....	12	14	12	12	0	0	2	1	10	11
Tehama.....	11	10	11	9	1	1	1	3	9	5
Trinity.....	4	4	6	2	1	0	5	2	0	0
Tulare.....	118	79	60	54	4	8	24	18	32	28
Tuolumne.....	9	13	6	7	2	0	1	2	3	5
Ventura.....	313	326	243	212	20	17	61	85	162	110
Yolo.....	41	R 30	34	29	4	4	2	5	28	20
Yuba.....	13	8	10	8	1	1	3	0	6	7

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**TABLE 24—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
HABEAS CORPUS FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing contested matters	
	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77
State Total	9,859	8,955	9,147	8,309	5,678	5,684	3,469	2,625
Alameda	254	219	295	284	256	198	39	86
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	9	7	10	4	10	1	0	3
Butte	6	8	8	3	8	3	0	0
Calaveras	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	0
Colusa	3	0	3	0	3	0	0	0
Contra Costa	118	120	96	109	75	78	21	31
Del Norte	5	0	7	2	4	0	3	2
El Dorado	40	12	38	12	23	8	15	4
Fresno	121	88	105	45	101	44	4	1
Glenn	4	3	3	3	1	0	2	3
Humboldt	14	28	11	15	7	4	4	11
Imperial	3	1	3	0	2	0	1	0
Inyo	3	1	3	1	3	1	0	0
Kern	98	169	114	187	104	163	10	24
Kings	10	13	4	4	3	0	1	4
Lake	9	17	8	18	3	15	5	3
Lassen	11	65	11	81	10	74	1	7
Los Angeles	2,494	2,153	2,097	1,559	1,561	1,150	536	409
Madera	34	42	35	48	3	15	32	33
Marin	259	249	256	242	246	235	10	7
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	8	23	7	23	3	10	4	13
Merced	17	11	12	15	1	8	11	7
Modoc	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1
Mono	1	6	1	4	1	0	0	4
Monterey	236	329	212	360	142	267	70	93
Napa	586	585	526	568	180	221	346	347
Nevada	2	4	1	4	0	2	1	2
Orange	497	294	390	281	288	220	102	61
Placer	7	9	13	7	8	2	5	5
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	205	290	195	290	70	186	125	104
Sacramento	476	571	447	537	366	458	81	79
San Benito	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
San Bernardino	363	351	265	241	77	148	188	93
San Diego	278	231	276	196	85	70	188	128
San Francisco	151	131	149	122	103	58	46	64
San Joaquin	356	302	324	322	219	193	105	129
San Luis Obispo	445	542	479	537	441	515	38	22
San Mateo	60	49	60	48	22	28	38	20
Santa Barbara	304	265	279	259	241	217	38	42
Santa Clara	314	167	314	165	129	111	185	54
Santa Cruz	21	35	23	36	14	21	9	15
Shasta	23	23	31	25	21	20	10	5
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	4	13	3	13	3	11	0	2
Solano	171	295	124	296	109	260	15	36
Sonoma	318	117	317	134	298	104	19	30
Stanislaus	61	61	54	45	27	24	27	21
Sutter	7	6	5	6	0	4	5	2
Tehama	20	6	22	9	11	3	11	6
Trinity	2	3	3	2	2	1	1	1
Tulare	41	22	42	17	18	7	24	10
Tuolumne	28	59	16	68	2	65	14	3
Ventura	1,299	948	1,387	1,040	335	448	1,052	592
Yolo	55	10	57	17	31	12	26	5
Yuba	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0

**TABLE 25—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
DISPOSITIONS BY JURY TRIAL °**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County	Total		<i>Personal Injury, Death and Property Damage</i>		Criminal		<i>All other Proceedings</i>	
	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76	76-77	75-76
State totals.....	8,272	7,826	2,203	2,266	5,179	4,695	890	865
Alameda.....	286	325	79	95	183	185	24	45
Alpine.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Amador.....	13	2	3	0	6	1	4	1
Butte.....	89	87	13	6	63	78	13	3
Calaveras.....	7	6	1	1	5	3	1	2
Colusa.....	6	4	0	2	4	1	2	1
Contra Costa.....	201	164	47	58	137	87	17	19
Del Norte.....	14	10	2	0	11	10	1	0
El Dorado.....	30	28	17	16	7	7	6	5
Fresno.....	243	221	33	30	203	179	7	12
Glenn.....	12	15	1	2	11	12	0	1
Humboldt.....	45	44	15	11	20	20	10	13
Imperial.....	47	40	8	7	36	31	3	2
Inyo.....	2	9	2	1	0	8	0	0
Kern.....	143	129	29	12	103	102	11	15
Kings.....	60	51	4	1	49	49	7	1
Lake.....	25	33	4	2	18	24	3	7
Lassen.....	6	8	3	3	2	5	1	0
Los Angeles.....	2,470	2,313	730	823	1,529	1,281	211	209
Madera.....	65	24	4	3	57	19	4	2
Marin.....	77	85	13	19	52	50	12	16
Mariposa.....	6	4	3	3	1	0	2	1
Mendocino.....	60	40	16	14	40	23	4	3
Merced.....	52	60	10	4	33	48	9	8
Modoc.....	6	6	2	3	4	3	0	0
Mono.....	7	10	3	3	3	6	1	1
Monterey.....	160	162	25	25	112	132	23	5
Napa.....	39	28	12	10	21	17	6	1
Nevada.....	13	16	2	4	10	10	1	2
Orange.....	371	369	98	134	233	196	40	39
Placer.....	36	40	15	17	19	19	2	4
Plumas.....	15	15	5	1	8	14	2	0
Riverside.....	218	274	51	60	150	193	17	21
Sacramento.....	358	290	123	96	184	152	51	42
San Benito.....	8	5	3	2	4	2	1	1
San Bernardino.....	334	291	59	19	249	250	26	22
San Diego.....	417	437	114	141	248	257	55	59
San Francisco.....	467	506	226	266	177	165	64	75
San Joaquin.....	119	105	46	40	64	52	9	13
San Luis Obispo.....	79	40	15	13	32	19	32	8
San Mateo.....	238	183	65	52	107	96	66	35
Santa Barbara.....	89	105	12	16	72	76	5	13
Santa Clara.....	336	368	93	96	189	201	54	71
Santa Cruz.....	86	87	21	15	54	56	11	16
Shasta.....	55	63	8	14	45	41	2	8
Sierra.....	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Siskiyou.....	25	21	9	7	13	11	3	3
Solano.....	117	82	32	14	81	62	4	6
Sonoma.....	88	94	14	15	56	68	18	11
Stanislaus.....	166	149	40	32	118	111	8	6
Sutter.....	18	20	4	9	13	11	1	0
Tehama.....	25	13	5	4	16	8	4	1
Trinity.....	21	6	2	0	6	6	13	0
Tulare.....	207	125	11	16	192	99	4	10
Tuolumne.....	19	13	7	5	12	8	0	0
Ventura.....	105	78	22	10	70	59	13	9
Yolo.....	36	34	10	6	25	15	1	13
Yuba.....	34	36	12	8	22	26	0	2

° The current table supplants the former Table 25 on the number of juries sworn and now reports the number of cases disposed of following the selection of a jury for trial. This information became available with the change in reporting requirements on July 1, 1975. It includes cases disposed of prior to as well as cases disposed of after jury verdict.

**TABLE 26—CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURTS
TOTAL CASES AWAITING TRIAL**

As of June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977

County	Number of judicial positions ^a		Cases awaiting trial at end of month ^b						Total cases per judicial position	
	6/30/77	6/30/76	Total		Civil		Criminal		6/30/77	6/30/76
			6/30/77	6/30/76	6/30/77	6/30/76	6/30/77	6/30/76		
State Total.....	647	619	118,487	104,687	110,284	97,149	3,203	7,538	183	169
Alameda.....	31	30	6,432	6,340	5,970	5,677	462	663	207	211
Alpine.....	1	1	7	5	6	4	1	1	7	5
Amador.....	1	1	48	22	45	22	3	0	48	22
Butte.....	3	3	455	549	435	516	20	33	152	183
Calaveras.....	1	1	43	67	41	64	2	3	43	67
Colusa.....	1	1	20	17	17	17	3	0	20	17
Contra Costa.....	15	14	2,469	2,405	2,376	2,291	93	114	165	172
Del Norte.....	1	1	32	24	31	22	1	2	32	24
El Dorado.....	3	2	281	254	256	227	25	27	94	127
Fresno.....	12	10	1,393	1,369	1,287	1,232	106	137	116	137
Glenn.....	1	1	16	6	10	6	6	0	16	6
Humboldt.....	3	3	445	452	398	419	47	33	148	151
Imperial.....	3	3	190	180	135	151	55	29	63	60
Inyo.....	1	1	39	22	36	14	3	8	36	22
Kern.....	11	11	1,008	961	914	878	94	83	92	87
Kings.....	2	2	98	118	66	91	32	27	49	59
Lake.....	1	1	29	38	25	35	4	3	29	38
Lassen.....	1	1	66	65	64	65	2	0	66	65
Los Angeles.....	233	227	59,332	47,738	55,150	44,199	4,182	3,539	255	210
Madera.....	1	1	93	104	70	86	23	18	93	104
Marin.....	8	7	1,165	982	1,101	913	64	69	146	140
Mariposa.....	1	1	26	41	26	40	0	1	26	41
Mendocino.....	2	2	119	136	109	125	10	11	60	68
Merced.....	3	3	243	162	190	150	53	12	81	54
Modoc.....	1	1	11	10	9	8	2	2	11	10
Monterey.....	1	1	43	35	43	32	0	3	43	35
Monterey.....	7	6	585	691	513	596	72	95	84	115
Napa.....	2	2	231	276	224	268	7	8	116	138
Nevada.....	2	1	146	179	144	172	2	7	73	179
Orange.....	42	38	8,425	7,619	8,151	7,390	274	229	201	201
Placer.....	3	3	471	409	452	371	19	38	157	136
Plumas.....	1	1	55	40	50	35	5	5	55	40
Riverside.....	14	14	2,128	1,895	1,952	1,788	176	107	152	135
Sacramento.....	22	22	3,355	3,614	3,173	3,420	182	194	153	164
San Benito.....	1	1	10	11	10	10	0	1	10	11
San Bernardino.....	22	22	2,832	2,477	2,667	2,323	165	154	129	113
San Diego.....	38	36	7,497	6,879	7,105	6,472	392	407	197	191
San Francisco.....	52	51	5,159	5,551	4,968	5,435	191	116	161	179
San Joaquin.....	8	8	1,434	1,172	1,303	1,064	131	108	179	147
San Luis Obispo.....	4	4	339	369	296	355	43	14	85	92
San Mateo.....	16	16	1,574	2,147	1,470	2,001	104	146	98	134
Santa Barbara.....	9	9	793	552	746	507	47	45	88	61
Santa Clara.....	30	27	3,219	2,665	2,776	2,164	443	501	107	99
Santa Cruz.....	4	3	355	315	264	245	91	70	89	105
Shasta.....	3	3	445	510	384	433	61	77	148	170
Sierra.....	1	1	4	1	4	1	0	0	4	1
Siskiyou.....	1	1	59	76	55	74	4	2	59	76
Solano.....	4	4	374	309	358	291	16	18	94	77
Sonoma.....	7	6	1,605	1,447	1,480	1,366	125	81	229	241
Stanislaus.....	7	7	515	702	411	644	104	58	74	100
Sutter.....	2	2	85	129	75	120	10	9	43	65
Tehama.....	1	1	59	40	52	30	7	10	59	40
Trinity.....	1	1	22	33	22	32	0	1	22	33
Tulare.....	4	4	660	543	602	438	58	105	165	136
Tuolumne.....	1	1	116	76	104	67	12	9	116	76
Ventura.....	11	9	1,380	1,701	1,258	1,618	122	83	125	189
Yolo.....	3	3	326	INA	299	INA	27	INA	109	INA
Yuba.....	2	2	126	157	106	135	20	22	63	79

^a Judicial positions include full-time court commissioners and referees in addition to the number of judges authorized for the court. For a list of judgeships see Table 11.

^b Cases awaiting trial include criminal and civil cases set for future trial and civil cases in which at-issue memoranda have been filed but not trial dates assigned.

INA Information Not Available

**TABLE 27—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF CRIMINAL (EXCLUDES PARKING) AND CIVIL FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Number of judgeships ^a		Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77 1975-76		1976-77 1975-76		1976-77 1975-76		1976-77 1975-76		Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77 1975-76	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State total	447	425	6,206,936	^R 5,764,231	5,584,299	5,222,664	5,078,949	4,722,802	253,641	263,054	218,325	211,462	33,384	25,346
Alameda:														
Alameda	1	1	12,537	11,682	11,347	10,392	10,210	9,396	631	533	495	462	11	1
Berkeley-Albany	4	4	32,457	30,841	35,821	30,475	32,451	26,896	1,845	1,994	1,523	1,585	2	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City..	3	3	38,191	35,093	37,154	32,894	33,265	29,190	2,278	1,875	1,610	1,829	1	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^c	2	^c 2	39,013	35,901	37,072	32,072	35,826	30,391	556	681	690	1,000	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	14	14	172,143	178,213	176,338	171,824	164,487	158,606	6,501	7,886	5,350	5,332	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward	^d 7	6	93,937	75,594	77,091	71,753	70,644	64,560	2,994	3,481	3,253	3,709	0	3
Butte:														
Chico	1	1	11,804	10,954	10,863	10,178	8,791	8,146	534	597	854	855	684	580
Contra Costa:														
Bay ^e	5	-	30,258	0	27,257	0	22,696	0	1,471	0	1,488	0	1,602	0
Delta	2	2	19,914	18,657	19,684	17,362	16,395	14,186	1,297	1,325	788	715	1,204	1,136
Mt. Diablo	4	^f 4	45,361	40,343	42,813	39,590	35,644	32,919	1,807	1,817	2,257	2,226	3,105	2,628
Richmond ^e	-	3	15,343	29,458	13,578	28,572	11,116	22,605	511	1,412	745	1,513	1,206	3,042
Walnut Creek-Danville	3	3	40,658	42,514	39,598	39,965	33,344	33,488	999	1,157	1,888	2,089	3,367	3,240
West ^e	-	2	13,900	25,643	12,962	21,829	11,696	19,989	471	652	764	1,120	31	68
Fresno:														
Fresno	7	7	73,665	72,292	68,880	68,886	63,156	62,806	2,964	3,026	2,759	3,054	1	0
Humboldt:														
Eureka	2	^f 2	11,217	12,118	11,352	11,727	10,051	10,214	863	976	438	537	0	0
Imperial:														
Imperial County ^g	^g 4	^g 3	47,506	25,287	36,633	15,024	34,422	13,899	1,313	648	879	474	19	3
Kern:														
Bakersfield ^h	-	6	0	74,167	0	68,617	0	63,121	0	3,658	0	1,838	0	0
East Kern	ⁱ 2	-	8,565	0	7,934	0	7,163	0	168	0	223	0	390	0
West Kern ^h	6	-	90,136	0	81,412	0	75,038	0	3,683	0	2,032	0	659	0

Los Angeles:

Alhambra	3	3	65,023	44,728	56,123	43,570	52,370	39,055	1,746	2,448	2,007	2,067	0	0
Antelope	1	1	24,916	27,965	23,499	25,588	21,829	23,889	796	863	874	836	0	0
Beverly Hills	3	3	33,222	29,652	29,064	27,128	26,423	23,922	1,015	1,301	1,625	1,905	1	0
Burbank	2	2	24,580	24,738	19,256	21,012	17,761	19,379	673	795	822	838	0	0
Citrus	6	6	93,569	94,979	88,142	91,959	81,505	84,876	3,400	3,423	3,236	3,652	1	8
Compton	6	6	102,910	99,330	92,457	88,310	84,058	79,927	5,910	6,259	2,489	2,122	0	2
Culver	2	2	21,141	20,925	18,347	18,769	15,922	16,410	1,647	1,414	778	942	0	3
Downey	4	4	49,617	47,009	44,482	46,132	40,463	42,240	2,164	2,238	1,855	1,654	0	0
East Los Angeles	4	4	52,920	55,274	48,851	46,127	44,632	41,651	2,812	2,985	1,405	1,491	2	0
Glendale	2	2	30,638	32,832	28,789	31,134	26,437	28,428	1,091	1,297	1,258	1,408	3	1
Inglewood	4	4	75,284	74,642	56,753	63,321	50,616	56,031	3,272	4,549	2,875	2,741	0	0
Long Beach	7	7	105,686	106,600	95,059	96,774	86,425	87,233	5,596	6,225	3,016	3,311	22	5
Los Angeles	64	64	1,045,093	1,040,458	908,049	897,701	821,284	804,673	46,009	54,345	40,756	38,683	0	0
Los Cerritos	3	3	43,789	45,157	39,807	42,421	36,285	39,126	1,805	1,709	1,717	1,586	0	0
Malibu	1	1	26,373	27,170	25,964	25,683	24,932	24,745	389	329	643	609	0	0
Newhall	2	2	35,905	30,425	30,600	27,712	29,468	26,471	573	654	559	587	0	0
Pasadena	4	4	51,540	50,888	43,857	44,924	39,578	39,738	2,556	2,463	2,422	2,701	1	2
Pomona	3	3	41,899	41,768	39,195	38,405	35,452	34,734	2,174	2,173	1,569	1,498	0	0
Rio Hondo ^l	4	4	43,598	51,010	38,532	42,026	35,549	38,460	1,916	2,076	1,064	1,490	3	0
San Antonio ^k	-	-	0	27,621	0	25,913	0	23,970	0	1,170	0	773	0	0
Santa Anita	1	1	23,001	19,759	23,223	19,064	21,349	17,190	762	757	1,112	1,117	0	0
Santa Monica	3	3	32,821	33,490	27,591	30,456	23,836	26,670	2,179	2,239	1,576	1,547	0	0
South Bay	5	5	112,048	102,919	101,944	95,021	92,294	85,523	4,756	4,587	4,894	4,911	0	0
South Gate ^k	-	-	0	14,079	0	12,592	0	11,530	0	599	0	461	0	2
Southeast ^k	5	5	73,193	32,690	68,565	31,574	63,852	29,419	2,876	1,382	1,937	773	0	0
Whittier	4	4	55,461	55,358	51,058	50,579	46,139	45,608	2,112	2,265	2,806	2,706	1	0

Marin:

Central	4	4	64,854	57,998	60,598	56,350	56,737	52,639	1,257	1,231	2,561	2,435	43	45
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Merced:

Merced County ^l	3	-	31,000	0	26,397	0	25,347	0	432	0	409	0	209	0
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Monterey:

Monterey Peninsula ^m	3	3	30,326	24,703	27,308	21,891	24,059	19,313	1,531	1,244	1,718	1,334	0	0
Salinas	3	3	32,339	31,530	28,772	31,806	23,974	29,197	3,740	1,568	1,058	1,047	0	0

Napa:

Napa County ⁿ	2	2	21,682	8,656	23,683	8,295	19,414	7,104	1,273	315	897	230	2,099	46
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Orange:

Central Orange County	d12	11	143,301	132,068	130,817	115,435	121,739	105,637	4,957	5,572	4,121	4,820	0	6
North Orange County	d10	9	123,603	123,062	117,463	117,120	105,990	104,910	5,372	5,159	5,635	5,691	466	360
Orange County Harbor	5	5	111,795	96,301	104,554	94,079	92,970	85,749	1,780	1,749	2,721	1,872	7,083	4,709
South Orange County	3	3	44,881	44,127	42,971	41,813	38,514	37,416	924	1,018	1,257	1,366	2,276	2,913
West Orange County	9	9	131,709	123,231	109,587	108,240	99,614	97,758	5,228	5,770	4,742	4,711	3	1

TABLE 27—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF CRIMINAL (EXCLUDES PARKING) AND CIVIL FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Number of judgeships ^a		Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77/1975-76		1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
	1976-77	1975-76							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Riverside:														
Corona.....	2	f ₂	20,212	19,324	18,652	18,724	17,512	17,392	514	604	625	727	1	1
Desert ^o	4	o ₄	66,130	R 60,614	61,706	48,487	57,898	45,165	1,766	1,657	2,034	1,665	8	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^p	P ₂	P ₂	39,155	27,396	34,843	23,308	33,588	21,774	511	657	744	877	0	0
Riverside.....	5	5	73,061	63,015	68,332	60,410	63,598	55,871	2,478	2,566	2,252	1,973	4	0
Three Lakes ^q	q ₁	-	6,307	0	5,870	0	5,456	0	206	0	208	0	0	0
Sacramento:														
Sacramento.....	14	f ₁₄	182,838	163,131	151,125	140,896	140,225	129,332	6,322	6,610	4,578	4,954	0	0
San Bernardino:														
San Bernardino County.....	14	14	170,012	173,769	156,784	158,351	145,055	145,323	6,962	7,656	4,764	4,866	3	6
San Diego:														
El Cajon ^r	5	5	87,118	52,460	80,319	49,477	74,783	44,978	3,065	2,296	2,470	2,199	1	4
North County ^s	6	6	105,222	88,563	106,338	85,635	98,864	79,403	3,213	2,797	4,261	3,435	0	0
San Diego ^t	d ₂₂	t ₂₀	255,555	R 245,099	235,480	238,187	214,840	216,935	12,503	12,460	8,137	8,792	0	0
South Bay ^u	4	u ₄	58,257	56,106	52,177	44,218	47,934	40,774	1,515	1,429	2,702	2,013	26	2
San Francisco:														
San Francisco.....	19	19	151,967	151,968	135,324	137,658	113,281	114,325	16,902	18,173	5,134	5,155	7	5
San Joaquin:														
Lodi.....	1	1	14,158	14,880	13,097	13,739	11,015	11,384	646	696	514	547	922	1,112
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy.....	2	2	30,422	28,251	25,934	23,686	23,750	21,565	709	884	755	631	720	606
Stockton.....	5	5	57,274	56,066	54,537	50,730	49,966	46,594	3,123	2,618	1,448	1,518	0	0
San Luis Obispo:														
San Luis Obispo County.....	3	f ₃	55,078	R 51,229	47,640	45,076	41,346	39,514	1,158	1,334	1,441	1,224	3,695	3,004
San Mateo:														
Central.....	3	3	75,541	62,085	66,260	52,909	59,914	43,144	4,040	2,707	2,306	2,057	0	1
Northern.....	3	3	50,319	54,584	47,294	50,906	44,078	47,394	1,221	1,272	1,994	2,240	1	0
Southern.....	3	3	53,343	51,450	49,340	48,906	42,696	43,706	3,338	3,228	2,006	1,972	0	0
Santa Barbara:														
Lompoc ^v	1	v ₁	7,194	3,168	6,967	2,993	6,297	2,769	258	122	412	102	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta.....	3	3	48,773	44,606	43,604	41,250	39,539	37,886	2,550	1,667	1,514	1,697	1	0
Santa Maria.....	2	2	18,774	16,895	15,905	15,855	14,348	14,259	770	939	787	657	0	0

Santa Clara:														
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^w	w ₁	-	9,667	0	7,088	0	6,574	0	404	0	109	0	1	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	1	1	31,501	29,289	30,073	27,986	27,817	25,515	845	865	1,410	1,606	1	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	4	4	59,073	56,546	47,702	51,666	44,423	48,664	1,305	1,024	1,974	1,978	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	d ₁₂	11	200,658	176,918	157,974	140,633	144,826	127,982	5,546	6,211	7,587	6,433	15	7
Santa Clara	2	2	26,381	24,325	24,296	21,330	21,830	18,832	841	945	1,625	1,553	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	2	2	25,951	28,365	28,002	26,938	25,719	24,361	793	848	1,490	1,729	0	0
Santa Cruz:														
Santa Cruz County	d ₄	3	52,999	45,990	43,444	42,718	37,100	37,073	1,916	2,020	1,893	1,861	2,535	1,764
Solano:														
Northern Solano ^x	3	^x 3	55,587	43,542	47,549	40,256	45,474	38,451	742	646	1,333	1,159	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^y	2	2	17,759	18,192	16,681	16,435	14,791	14,502	780	805	1,110	1,128	0	0
Sonoma:														
Sonoma County	4	4	71,046	66,848	68,029	70,781	63,560	65,971	2,095	2,507	2,374	2,303	0	0
Stanislaus:														
Stanislaus County ^z	^z 7	5	57,936	43,958	54,097	42,437	49,281	38,813	1,883	1,437	2,840	2,186	3	1
Sutter:														
Sutter County ^{aa}	1	^{aa} 1	11,645	5,363	10,830	4,835	9,068	3,331	697	390	417	792	648	322
Tulare:														
Porterville	1	1	10,187	9,851	9,511	9,261	8,587	8,307	491	582	430	367	3	5
Tulare-Wisley ^{bb}	bb ₁	-	11,717	0	10,703	0	10,230	0	287	0	186	0	0	0
Visalia	2	2	23,465	21,834	22,355	19,540	18,497	17,569	885	1,005	964	964	9	2
Ventura:														
Ventura County	cc ₉	8	115,782	110,661	99,643	106,363	90,738	97,411	4,290	4,488	4,615	4,464	0	0
Yolo:														
Yolo County ^{dd}	dd ₃	-	15,646	0	13,028	0	11,739	0	462	0	532	0	295	0

^a Number of authorized judgeships at the end of the fiscal year.

^b Orders of judges acting as traffic hearing officers pursuant to Section 563 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

^c Pleasanton Justice Court District consolidated with Livermore Municipal Court District to become the Livermore-Pleasanton Municipal Court District on July 1, 1975. An additional judgeship was authorized upon consolidation.

^d Statute provided for increase effective January 1, 1977.

^e Richmond and West Municipal Court Districts consolidated to become the Bay Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.

^f Statute provided for increase effective January 1, 1976.

^g Brawley, Calexico, Calipatria, El Centro, Holtville, Imperial, Westmorland and Winterhaven Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Imperial County Municipal Court District on January 1, 1976. Effective January 10, 1977 statute provided an additional judgeship.

^h Kern River-Rand Justice Court District consolidated with Bakersfield Municipal Court District on August 12, 1976. Arvin-Lamont, Buttonwillow, Delano-McFarland, Maricopa-Taft, Shafter and Wasco Justice Court Districts consolidated with Bakersfield Municipal Court District to become the West Kern Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.

ⁱ Indian Wells and Tehachapi-Mojave Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the East Kern Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.

^j El Monte Municipal Court District changed its name to Rio Hondo Municipal Court District on January 1, 1975.

- ^k San Antonio and South Gate Municipal Court Districts consolidated to become the Southeast Municipal Court District on February 1, 1976.
- ^l Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, LeGrand, Livingston, Los Banos, Merced and Snelling Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Merced County Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.
- ^m Pacific Grove Justice Court District consolidated with Monterey-Carmel Municipal Court District to become the Monterey Peninsula Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.
- ⁿ Napa, St. Helena, Calistoga Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Napa-St. Helena-Calistoga Municipal Court District on March 1, 1976. On January 1, 1977, the district changed its name to Napa County Municipal Court District.
- ^o Palo Verde Justice Court District consolidated with Desert Municipal Court District on January 1, 1976. An additional judgeship was authorized upon consolidation.
- ^p Beaumont and San Geronimo Justice Court Districts consolidated with Hemet San Jacinto Municipal Court District, and the name of the district was changed to Mt. San Jacinto Municipal Court District on January 1, 1976. An additional judgeship was authorized upon consolidation.
- ^q Elsinore, Murrieta and Perris Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Three Lakes Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.
- ^r The southerly portion of Ramona Justice Court District consolidated with El Cajon Municipal Court District on January 29, 1976. East County Justice Court District consolidated with this municipal court on July 1, 1976.
- ^s The northerly portion of Ramona Justice Court District consolidated with North County Municipal Court District on January 29, 1976. Fallbrook Justice Court District consolidated with this municipal court on July 1, 1976.
- ^t A portion of the San Diego Municipal Court District consolidated with the new South Bay Municipal Court District on July 1, 1975. The number of judgeships was reduced by two.
- ^u Coronado and National Justice Court Districts and a portion of the San Diego Municipal Court District consolidated to become the South Bay Municipal Court District on July 1, 1975. Two judgeships were authorized upon consolidation. Statute provided for two additional judgeships effective January 1, 1976.
- ^v Lompoc Justice Court District became Lompoc Municipal Court District on January 1, 1976.
- ^w Gilroy-Morgan Hill Justice Court District became Gilroy-Morgan Hill Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.
- ^x Dixon Justice Court District consolidated with Fairfield-Suisun-Vacaville Municipal Court District and became the Northern Soleno Municipal Court District on January 1, 1976. An additional judgeship was authorized upon consolidation.
- ^y Benicia Justice Court District consolidated with Vallejo Municipal Court District on July 3, 1975.
- ^z Oakdale-Waterford, Newman-Patterson, Riverbank and Turlock Justice Court Districts consolidated with Modesto Municipal Court District to become the Stanislaus County Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977. Two additional judgeships were authorized upon consolidation.
- ^{aa} Butte and Yuba Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Sutter County Municipal Court District on January 15, 1976.
- ^{bb} Tulare and Pixley Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Tulare-Pixley Municipal Court District on December 17, 1976.
- ^{cc} Statute provided for increase effective July 1, 1976.
- ^{dd} Davis, Esparto, Grafton, Washington, Winters and Woodland Justice Court Districts consolidated to become the Yolo County Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.
- ^e Revised.

**TABLE 28—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FELONY FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial districts	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State total	94,522	94,998	80,889	80,155	36,624	35,479	40,701	40,738	3,564	3,938
Alameda:										
Alameda	220	246	163	142	111	114	42	27	10	1
Berkeley-Albany	832	962	728	792	284	223	441	568	3	1
Fremont-Newark-Union City	589	513	219	164	56	60	150	51	13	53
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	444	509	346	370	241	215	105	138	0	17
Oakland-Piedmont	3,643	3,711	2,892	3,188	1,563	1,773	1,224	1,358	45	57
San Leandro-Hayward	1,534	1,439	1,203	1,077	743	643	340	236	120	198
Butte:										
Chico	243	268	170	247	70	134	98	113	2	0
Contra Costa:										
Bay ^a	370	0	304	0	89	0	190	0	25	0
Delta	331	267	281	235	95	73	156	134	30	28
Mt. Diablo	518	555	457	427	158	145	230	213	79	69
Richmond ^a	271	688	213	614	82	226	110	302	21	86
Walnut Creek-Danville	173	198	160	176	56	55	67	97	37	24
West ^a	127	268	134	83	25	8	109	71	0	4
Fresno:										
Fresno	2,542	2,366	2,217	1,966	1,514	1,244	616	620	87	102
Humboldt:										
Eureka	604	605	577	636	358	435	189	178	30	23
Imperial:										
Imperial County ^a	796	451	680	356	426	216	149	112	105	28
Kern:										
Bakersfield ^a	0	1,486	0	1,357	0	1,008	0	237	0	92
East Kern ^a	100	0	63	0	39	0	11	0	13	0
West Kern ^a	1,630	0	1,432	0	1,075	0	280	0	77	0

TABLE 28—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
 FELONY FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—*Continued*
 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial districts	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:										
Alhambra.....	333	333	257	299	40	64	207	234	10	1
Antelope.....	272	130	173	120	14	26	157	87	2	7
Beverly Hills.....	319	326	288	323	39	41	242	272	7	10
Burbank.....	253	238	170	165	34	35	83	104	53	26
Citrus.....	960	992	765	931	451	459	314	467	0	5
Compton.....	1,736	1,649	1,451	1,627	394	342	1,056	1,137	1	148
Culver.....	239	180	214	163	35	37	164	122	15	4
Downey.....	556	591	530	525	129	163	387	356	14	6
East Los Angeles.....	717	810	639	741	74	95	541	619	24	27
Glendale.....	355	288	298	263	46	62	250	184	2	17
Inglewood.....	943	960	803	827	183	186	549	529	71	112
Long Beach.....	1,269	1,302	808	890	28	35	776	799	4	26
Los Angeles.....	11,732	14,257	11,246	12,230	1,920	1,780	9,214	10,336	112	114
Los Cerritos.....	374	405	402	375	83	60	296	292	23	18
Malibu.....	203	110	122	92	27	15	89	75	6	2
Newhall.....	231	268	140	149	40	40	98	100	2	9
Pasadena.....	781	763	558	687	99	98	454	586	5	3
Pomona.....	502	449	411	343	76	52	311	252	24	39
Rio Hondo ^a	508	514	439	425	107	87	320	219	12	119
San Antonio ^a	0	398	0	437	0	102	0	296	0	39
Santa Anita.....	201	207	219	177	90	22	128	151	1	4
Santa Monica.....	309	424	269	365	80	66	177	424	12	16
South Bay.....	1,074	955	855	921	191	215	659	686	5	20
South Gate ^a	0	268	0	262	0	39	0	191	0	32
Southeast ^a	1,221	525	1,106	489	196	85	820	373	90	31
Whittier.....	472	567	418	507	74	94	334	399	10	14
Marin:										
Central.....	657	784	593	662	188	238	325	378	50	46
Merced:										
Merced County ^a	437	0	255	0	80	0	107	0	68	0

Monterey										
Monterey Peninsula ^a	652	671	609	695	157	303	452	331	0	61
Salinas	683	721	529	584	156	168	327	392	46	24
Napa:										
Napa County ^a	596	200	452	104	330	51	113	50	9	3
Orange:										
Central Orange County	1,920	1,934	1,560	1,776	1,049	1,285	462	487	49	4
North Orange County	1,651	1,744	1,921	1,605	1,537	1,254	301	261	83	90
Orange County Harbor	496	535	499	620	273	409	103	71	123	140
South Orange County	400	298	237	242	136	101	89	117	12	24
West Orange County	1,118	1,427	1,148	1,448	716	1,005	375	377	57	66
Riverside:										
Corona	234	212	215	184	119	103	91	61	5	20
Desert ^a	649	644	560	363	307	183	229	165	24	15
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	320	204	274	154	174	91	46	19	54	44
Riverside	1,454	1,395	1,359	1,206	865	841	458	357	36	8
Three Lakes ^a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento:										
Sacramento	4,972	5,406	4,199	4,646	2,946	3,505	1,233	1,039	20	102
San Bernardino:										
San Bernardino County	3,779	3,910	3,277	3,565	1,987	2,237	1,024	1,134	266	194
San Diego:										
El Cajon ^a	1,143	851	934	742	536	459	316	223	82	60
North County ^a	1,286	1,360	1,019	1,254	512	774	491	431	16	49
San Diego ^a	5,271	5,672	3,904	4,355	2,064	2,141	1,468	1,919	372	285
South Bay ^a	1,134	355	905	160	370	43	301	85	234	32
San Francisco:										
San Francisco	4,768	5,404	4,351	4,819	1,891	2,277	2,344	2,434	116	108
San Joaquin:										
Lodi	177	177	126	173	66	79	60	86	0	8
Maiteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	393	321	303	303	192	199	89	85	22	19
Stockton	1,586	1,382	1,756	1,448	1,109	893	616	519	31	36
San Luis Obispo:										
San Luis Obispo County	621	599	602	468	380	347	222	121	0	0
San Mateo:										
Central	725	636	567	430	256	163	293	248	18	19
Northern	839	749	527	324	303	141	218	169	6	14
Southern	1,057	1,028	912	823	519	472	381	307	12	44

**TABLE 28—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FELONY FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial districts	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Barbara:										
Lompoc ^a	67	34	48	29	11	2	20	27	17	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta.....	705	616	586	461	260	217	326	230	0	14
Santa Maria.....	131	250	161	216	23	46	123	137	15	33
Santa Clara:										
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	95	0	85	0	50	0	28	0	7	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga.....	283	271	261	249	91	118	170	129	0	2
Palo Alto-Mountain View.....	627	553	544	445	193	165	328	266	23	14
San Jose-Milpitas.....	3,451	3,588	3,032	2,874	1,364	1,109	1,558	1,603	110	162
Santa Clara.....	389	439	370	316	63	48	280	216	27	52
Sunnyvale-Cupertino.....	410	412	288	320	119	100	163	217	6	3
Santa Cruz:										
Santa Cruz County.....	1,238	1,163	901	920	512	542	359	359	30	19
Solano:										
Northern Solano ^a	810	740	696	523	563	401	123	68	10	54
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	721	635	646	478	477	324	128	91	41	63
Sonoma										
Sonoma County.....	1,091	1,045	946	789	468	395	437	367	41	27
Stanislaus:										
Stanislaus County ^a	1,753	1,533	1,484	1,051	794	585	688	346	2	120
Sutter:										
Sutter County ^a	289	120	221	75	73	11	111	0	37	64
Tulare:										
Porterville.....	226	349	225	313	83	168	104	109	38	36
Tulare-Pixley ^a	172	0	15	0	70	0	45	0	8	0
Visalia.....	562	504	327	291	109	107	120	109	98	75
Ventura:										
Ventura County.....	1,590	1,606	1,412	1,524	544	507	839	974	29	43
Yolo:										
Yolo County ^a	307	0	140	0	104	0	24	0	12	0

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 29—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
DISPOSITIONS OF FELONIES AND FELONIES REDUCED TO MISDEMEANORS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Before hearing						After hearing							
	Dismissals and transfers		Pleas of guilty				Acquitted or dismissed				Convicted or bound over			
	1976-77	1975-76	Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors	
1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	
State Total.....	17,224	17,188	5,684	5,412	13,684	12,879	2,765	2,877	302	309	40,366	40,325	831	1,159
Alameda:														
Alameda.....	45	93	16	9	50	12	0	11	0	0	51	16	1	1
Berkeley-Albany.....	158	170	1	0	125	53	37	22	0	0	315	399	90	148
Fremont-Newark-Union City.....	38	41	7	0	11	19	1	4	0	2	162	88	0	10
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	72	52	26	3	143	160	1	0	0	0	104	137	0	18
Oakland-Piedmont.....	903	862	53	31	607	890	0	0	0	1	1,323	1,411	6	3
San Leandro-Hayward.....	339	297	61	8	343	338	20	16	7	3	403	382	30	33
Butte:														
Chico.....	38	51	31	62	1	21	1	11	0	0	99	102	0	0
Contra Costa:														
Bay ^a	31	0	2	0	55	0	25	0	0	0	178	0	12	0
Delta.....	81	51	5	8	9	14	4	18	0	1	182	139	0	4
Mt. Diablo.....	67	77	28	14	63	54	17	23	1	3	288	252	3	4
Richmond ^a	33	93	1	8	48	125	4	14	1	3	120	365	6	6
Walnut Creek-Danville.....	26	23	12	15	18	17	2	4	0	1	100	112	2	4
West ^a	12	6	3	2	10	0	0	1	0	0	99	73	10	1
Fresno:														
Fresno.....	790	603	243	172	481	469	23	5	6	52	659	655	15	11
Humboldt:														
Eureka.....	144	191	47	91	167	153	30	44	0	2	187	153	2	2
Imperial:														
Imperial County ^a	129	71	50	25	247	120	23	13	19	3	197	111	15	13
Kern:														
Bakersfield ^a	0	439	0	312	0	257	0	12	0	0	0	329	0	8
East Kern ^a	5	0	4	0	30	6	0	0	3	0	19	0	2	0
West Kern ^a	345	0	272	0	458	0	39	0	0	0	299	0	19	0

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DISPOSITIONS OF FELONIES AND FELONIES REDUCED TO MISDEMEANORS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Before hearing						After hearing							
	Dismissals and transfers		Pleas of guilty				Acquitted or dismissed				Convicted or bound over			
			Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:														
Alhambra.....	10	33	1	0	29	31	3	23	4	8	208	202	2	2
Antelope.....	8	16	0	0	6	10	3	9	6	2	136	75	14	8
Beverly Hills.....	34	33	2	2	3	6	14	14	0	0	234	266	1	2
Burbank.....	11	14	4	2	19	19	8	16	5	0	121	113	2	1
Citrus.....	392	435	4	4	55	20	1	15	0	2	310	438	3	17
Compton.....	263	256	14	0	117	86	14	79	0	11	1,043	1,192	0	3
Culver.....	18	21	0	4	17	12	8	2	2	0	169	124	0	0
Downey.....	43	65	13	10	73	88	15	6	1	0	384	354	1	2
East Los Angeles.....	58	80	2	0	14	15	110	95	9	2	434	545	12	4
Glendale.....	26	47	2	0	18	15	12	23	0	1	222	161	18	16
Inglewood.....	118	124	9	29	55	33	39	50	3	2	576	587	2	2
Long Beach.....	15	29	5	6	8	0	12	17	0	1	764	804	4	3
Los Angeles.....	1,082	1,187	113	153	725	440	812	1,027	46	22	8,228	9,325	240	76
Los Cerritos.....	46	42	8	3	29	15	5	0	7	0	307	310	0	0
Malibu.....	18	10	1	1	8	4	14	5	2	0	75	71	4	1
Newhall.....	20	31	0	0	20	9	2	15	1	7	83	79	14	8
Pasadena.....	30	49	7	6	62	43	34	47	9	7	409	515	7	20
Pomona.....	35	37	5	1	36	14	13	18	4	4	318	268	0	1
Rio Hondo ^a	27	32	0	2	80	53	52	31	7	5	268	297	5	5
San Antonio ^a	0	44	0	1	0	57	0	20	0	16	0	293	0	6
Santa Anita.....	45	7	9	0	36	15	3	10	0	1	126	134	0	10
Santa Monica.....	49	44	5	8	26	14	21	33	0	4	164	255	4	7
South Bay.....	77	109	78	72	36	34	9	36	1	3	653	663	1	4
South Gate ^a	0	23	0	1	0	15	0	4	0	2	0	211	0	6
Southeast ^a	90	28	6	5	100	52	101	18	3	9	776	370	30	6
Whittier.....	33	62	11	15	30	17	2	18	0	1	341	354	1	0
Marin:														
Central.....	91	113	31	27	66	98	37	42	0	2	332	360	6	20
Merced:														
Merced County ^a	30	0	21	0	29	0	29	0	2	0	144	0	0	0

Monterey:														
Monterey Peninsula ^a	47	194	0	2	110	107	38	3	0	8	414	372	0	9
Salinas.....	139	133	0	1	17	34	32	43	0	0	339	371	2	2
Napa:														
Napa County ^a	88	12	14	4	228	35	4	0	0	0	118	53	0	0
Orange:														
Central Orange County.....	588	652	105	146	356	487	14	27	2	6	492	453	3	3
North Orange County.....	777	540	195	186	565	528	14	14	1	8	367	317	2	11
Orange County Harbor.....	93	164	53	87	127	158	8	25	12	4	204	179	2	3
South Orange County.....	50	45	40	36	46	20	5	10	1	0	95	129	0	2
West Orange County.....	320	459	78	93	318	453	1	23	4	8	422	405	5	7
Riverside:														
Corona.....	47	30	30	39	42	34	0	7	0	0	96	74	0	0
Desert ^a	225	126	45	37	37	20	30	25	3	2	219	152	1	1
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	46	24	36	14	92	53	7	10	1	1	87	38	5	14
Riverside.....	356	336	253	246	256	259	90	21	3	2	386	342	15	0
Three Lakes ^a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento:														
Sacramento.....	1,317	1,652	505	507	1,124	1,346	2	9	11	4	1,231	1,121	9	7
San Bernardino:														
San Bernardino County.....	897	1,055	557	581	533	601	161	114	11	5	1,094	1,189	24	16
San Diego:														
El Cajon ^a	171	141	58	88	307	230	30	21	3	3	363	258	2	1
North County ^a	205	363	134	105	173	306	32	26	0	1	475	452	0	1
San Diego ^a	931	892	487	520	646	729	105	112	11	12	1,701	2,050	23	40
South Bay ^a	134	0	58	24	178	19	39	21	5	0	476	91	15	5
San Francisco:														
San Francisco.....	995	1,141	234	142	632	994	157	100	5	11	2,250	2,089	47	372
San Joaquin:														
Lodi.....	21	19	4	5	41	55	4	16	0	0	56	77	0	1
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy.....	87	82	3	12	102	105	7	5	16	2	88	95	0	2
Stockton.....	483	434	0	78	626	381	49	37	1	0	596	513	1	5
San Luis Obispo:														
San Luis Obispo County.....	118	111	115	62	147	174	22	0	0	0	200	121	0	0
San Mateo:														
Central.....	128	92	37	33	91	38	19	10	0	0	291	256	1	1
Northern.....	199	84	21	29	83	23	5	5	4	3	214	168	1	7
Southern.....	231	272	2	8	186	192	28	12	0	0	365	338	0	1

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County and judicial district	Before hearing						After hearing							
	Dismissals and transfers		Pleas of guilty				Acquitted or dismissed				Convicted or bound over			
			Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors		Felonies		Reduced to misdemeanors	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Barbara:														
Lompoc ^a	3	1	0	0	8	1	7	0	4	33	14	3	2	
Santa Barbara-Coleta	132	128	27	53	101	36	0	4	0	326	240	0	0	
Santa Maria	6	5	5	23	12	18	4	20	0	0	134	147	0	3
Santa Clara:														
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	12	0	11	0	27	0	2	0	0	33	0	0	0	
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	45	60	5	21	41	37	6	13	0	1	164	115	0	2
Palo Alto-Mountain View	50	65	99	68	44	32	16	19	6	1	326	261	3	0
San Jose-Milpitas	420	345	607	454	337	310	67	51	8	7	1,587	1,677	6	30
Santa Clara	26	32	14	11	23	5	4	0	0	0	268	260	35	8
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	50	53	2	6	67	41	22	15	0	2	146	203	1	0
Santa Cruz:														
Santa Cruz County	243	279	97	114	172	149	18	17	0	4	367	338	4	20
Solano:														
Northern Solano ^a	240	127	106	63	217	211	26	9	5	2	98	104	4	7
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	222	170	116	52	139	102	5	25	3	5	160	118	1	6
Sonoma:														
Sonoma County	309	255	46	56	113	84	17	7	2	0	344	387	15	0
Stanislaus:														
Stanislaus County ^a	271	174	213	262	310	149	11	41	0	5	679	419	0	0
Sutter:														
Sutter County ^a	30	10	21	0	22	1	3	0	8	0	137	63	0	1
Tulare:														
Porterville	37	70	3	11	43	87	9	15	5	5	126	116	2	9
Tulare-Fixley ^a	32	0	2	0	36	0	1	0	6	0	45	0	1	0
Visalia	76	25	0	4	33	78	4	26	3	7	208	120	3	31
Ventura:														
Ventura County	256	245	21	17	267	245	43	41	11	3	804	940	10	33
Yolo:														
Yolo County ^a	46	0	12	0	46	0	3	0	0	0	32	0	1	0

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**TABLE 30—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
(Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76		
State Total	583,708	541,835	544,462	499,663	529,804	483,845	3,581	5,039	10,964	10,559	113	220
Alameda:												
Alameda	1,397	1,266	1,292	1,170	1,239	1,136	33	6	20	28	0	0
Berkeley-Albany	3,577	3,103	3,268	2,850	2,872	2,515	287	243	109	92	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City	2,255	2,875	1,932	2,467	1,793	2,241	59	77	79	149	1	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	2,246	1,865	1,969	1,560	1,938	1,499	3	28	28	33	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	13,726	12,541	14,458	11,590	13,973	11,282	209	120	276	188	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward	6,132	6,397	5,427	5,900	5,308	5,313	45	401	74	186	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	1,749	1,224	1,540	1,208	1,416	1,114	5	6	98	82	21	6
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^a	3,118	0	3,348	0	3,240	0	32	0	76	0	0	0
Delta	2,565	2,462	2,516	2,390	2,446	2,321	33	20	34	43	3	6
Mt. Diablo	3,410	3,584	3,627	3,948	3,337	3,821	18	42	72	85	0	0
Richmond ^a	1,577	3,271	1,405	2,869	1,356	2,768	7	13	42	88	0	0
Walnut Creek-Danville	1,921	2,026	1,903	1,950	1,805	1,861	18	15	65	49	15	25
West ^a	1,633	2,988	1,286	2,020	1,261	1,926	3	18	22	75	0	1
Fresno:												
Fresno	6,573	6,492	5,025	5,551	5,869	5,429	37	22	118	100	1	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	1,387	1,440	1,462	1,442	1,434	1,409	11	6	17	27	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^a	3,539	1,801	2,951	1,341	2,821	1,179	33	119	88	43	9	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^a	0	11,124	0	11,735	0	11,588	0	18	0	129	0	0
East Kern ^a	565	0	491	0	477	0	8	9	6	0	0	0
West Kern ^a	13,041	0	11,756	0	11,550	0	31	0	175	0	0	0

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SUMMARY OF NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS—Continued**

**Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
(Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	3,147	2,673	2,744	2,678	2,674	2,439	11	184	59	55	0	0
Antelope	2,323	1,632	2,317	1,643	2,241	1,564	11	21	65	58	0	0
Beverly Hills	2,117	2,461	2,076	2,217	1,900	2,010	30	43	145	164	1	0
Burbank	2,159	1,817	1,882	1,667	1,834	1,632	23	11	25	24	0	0
Citrus	3,151	7,818	7,482	7,669	7,288	7,385	27	28	166	253	1	3
Compton	11,096	10,996	9,169	7,928	9,018	7,728	45	64	106	136	0	0
Culver	2,248	2,089	1,887	1,920	1,820	1,863	8	10	59	47	0	0
Downey	5,041	4,402	3,711	4,369	3,607	4,239	38	91	66	39	0	0
East Los Angeles	4,094	4,512	3,702	3,762	3,468	3,616	193	82	41	64	0	0
Glendale	2,849	2,307	2,879	2,767	2,765	2,652	22	17	92	98	0	0
Inglewood	7,634	9,090	6,860	7,289	6,638	6,870	82	220	140	199	0	0
Long Beach	15,883	14,236	14,014	12,340	13,789	12,004	39	184	186	152	0	0
Los Angeles	99,607	106,097	96,957	96,838	95,255	95,093	333	464	1,369	1,281	0	0
Los Cerritos	4,173	3,793	4,272	3,833	4,109	3,726	42	30	121	77	0	0
Malibu	3,760	1,954	2,695	2,004	2,609	1,947	57	24	29	33	0	0
Newhall	2,776	2,085	2,189	1,675	2,143	1,620	4	7	42	48	0	0
Pasadena	4,869	4,374	4,412	4,082	4,194	3,760	26	67	192	255	0	0
Pomona	4,726	4,455	3,749	2,933	3,590	2,798	17	26	142	109	0	0
Rio Hondo ^a	5,099	4,344	4,195	4,166	4,074	4,077	51	23	67	66	3	0
San Antonio ^a	0	3,554	0	3,425	0	3,270	0	28	0	127	0	0
Santa Anita	1,733	1,713	1,655	1,431	1,555	1,317	5	0	95	114	0	0
Santa Monica	4,036	3,757	3,837	3,477	3,685	3,331	62	58	90	88	0	0
South Bay	12,430	12,145	11,495	10,621	11,055	10,220	68	65	372	336	0	0
South Gate ^a	0	1,750	0	1,632	0	1,600	0	9	0	21	0	2
Southwest ^a	11,451	4,977	11,207	4,371	11,028	4,244	43	43	136	84	0	0
Whittier	4,834	5,133	4,542	4,353	4,347	4,142	9	31	186	180	0	0
Marin:												
Central	4,799	4,181	4,835	4,620	4,753	4,539	10	22	72	59	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^a	2,026	0	1,560	0	1,529	0	18	0	12	0	1	0

Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^a	3,080	2,817	3,011	2,721	2,789	2,569	11	7	211	145	0	0
Salinas	2,895	2,472	2,857	2,463	2,734	2,362	32	37	91	64	0	0
Napa:												
Napa County ^a	2,008	914	2,226	904	2,059	860	78	22	89	22	0	0
Orange:												
Central Orange County	17,661	18,709	18,814	18,458	18,627	18,233	62	83	125	142	0	0
North Orange County	14,867	12,927	15,261	12,265	15,041	12,085	32	32	188	148	0	0
Orange County Harbor	12,674	9,701	10,476	8,283	10,230	8,049	95	33	135	45	16	156
South Orange County	6,488	5,828	5,572	5,188	5,476	5,087	5	6	91	95	0	0
West Orange County	15,101	13,733	13,631	12,311	13,510	12,157	19	26	102	128	0	0
Riverside:												
Corona	2,784	2,675	2,800	2,779	2,769	2,716	11	2	19	60	1	1
Desert ^a	6,875	^R 6,057	6,884	5,004	6,735	4,895	12	19	137	90	0	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	1,899	1,763	2,013	1,823	1,991	1,503	10	135	12	185	0	0
Riverside	7,173	7,280	6,750	7,274	6,616	7,150	28	11	104	113	2	0
Three Lakes ^a	1,240	0	1,121	0	1,083	0	33	0	15	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	11,477	10,952	12,005	11,614	11,859	11,461	0	4	146	149	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	13,215	14,027	12,099	12,229	11,772	11,837	114	79	213	312	0	1
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^a	4,772	4,395	4,893	4,775	4,709	4,646	4	6	180	121	0	2
North County ^a	7,256	6,216	7,448	5,722	7,005	5,377	46	35	397	310	0	0
San Diego ^a	30,371	^R 25,336	25,606	23,871	24,592	22,779	119	180	895	912	0	0
South Bay ^a	4,488	3,780	3,837	2,030	3,671	1,855	25	88	141	85	0	2
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	16,894	16,243	15,992	16,613	15,664	16,298	123	166	205	149	0	0
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	1,394	1,210	1,433	1,197	1,407	1,167	0	1	25	29	0	0
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	2,076	1,446	1,883	1,475	1,705	1,407	46	33	26	25	16	10
Stockton	8,268	8,888	7,192	7,396	7,114	7,341	29	14	49	41	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	4,255	3,192	3,595	2,964	3,512	2,887	0	8	83	69	0	0
San Mateo:												
Central	1,751	1,688	2,056	1,975	1,984	1,909	22	12	50	54	0	0
Northern	3,238	3,529	3,047	3,184	2,968	3,100	7	15	71	69	1	0
Southern	2,341	2,690	2,296	3,518	2,233	3,234	20	175	43	109	0	0



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**TABLE 30—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS—Continued**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
(Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^a	1,108	423	1,103	431	1,036	389	36	31	31	11	0	0
Santa Barbara-Goleta	7,823	7,435	6,187	6,284	6,182	6,204	0	0	64	80	1	0
Santa Maria	1,656	1,187	1,807	1,637	1,735	1,602	5	17	67	18	0	0
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	796	0	667	0	636	0	24	0	7	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	1,778	1,379	1,690	1,567	1,652	1,521	4	22	34	24	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	3,215	2,636	2,776	2,531	2,727	2,479	13	18	36	34	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	13,127	11,096	11,206	9,389	10,917	9,063	4	99	279	224	6	3
Santa Clara	1,585	1,071	1,254	1,060	1,235	1,039	1	2	18	19	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	1,787	1,559	1,637	1,371	1,581	1,300	7	12	49	59	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	6,688	5,553	6,086	5,094	5,918	4,937	57	51	111	106	0	0
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^a	2,235	1,966	2,095	1,817	2,008	1,740	18	16	69	61	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	1,811	1,889	1,855	1,908	1,715	1,762	21	26	117	120	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County	7,127	6,400	7,291	6,487	7,207	6,049	36	389	48	49	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^a	4,881	3,661	5,180	3,607	4,998	3,497	17	8	164	101	1	1
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^a	985	315	851	244	688	69	113	80	40	95	10	0
Tulare:												
Porterville	1,713	1,639	1,827	1,571	1,738	1,533	32	10	54	27	3	1
Tulare-Pixley ^a	711	0	553	0	511	0	29	0	13	0	0	0
Visalia	1,480	1,639	1,285	1,385	1,238	1,325	1	0	46	60	0	0
Ventura:												
Ventura County	11,645	10,645	10,338	9,543	9,913	9,284	41	23	384	236	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^a	1,544	0	1,199	0	1,181	0	3	0	15	0	0	0

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

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**TABLE 30A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP A NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
(Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	331,388	315,831	309,316	286,299	297,645	274,170	2,643	3,685	8,989	8,395	39	49
Alameda:												
Alameda	695	655	536	702	498	680	25	5	13	17	0	0
Berkeley-Albany	2,200	2,202	2,264	2,133	1,925	1,338	268	229	71	66	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City.....	2,014	2,495	1,645	2,015	1,519	1,855	54	73	71	57	1	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^b	1,526	1,616	1,454	1,322	1,425	1,273	2	21	27	28	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	7,522	8,215	8,361	7,457	7,971	7,188	160	108	230	161	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward.....	4,606	5,279	3,446	3,745	3,343	3,338	37	329	66	78	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	662	645	688	716	617	643	0	0	71	69	0	4
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	1,369	0	1,565	0	1,490	0	25	0	60	0	0	0
Delta	1,111	1,013	1,136	1,035	1,089	1,001	18	12	27	20	2	2
Mt. Diablo.....	2,007	1,924	1,897	2,292	1,834	2,201	13	25	50	66	0	0
Richmond ^b	802	1,788	762	1,533	720	1,461	5	9	37	63	0	0
Walnut Creek-Danville.....	867	893	898	856	829	794	6	10	49	32	14	20
West ^b	762	1,266	533	1,071	514	1,006	3	14	16	51	0	1
Fresno:												
Fresno	4,452	4,353	3,980	3,756	3,827	3,635	37	21	115	100	1	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	622	762	662	750	645	727	5	5	12	18	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	1,790	875	1,443	591	1,537	498	22	63	80	30	4	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	5,915	0	6,124	0	6,011	0	17	0	96	0	0
East Kern ^b	309	0	258	0	254	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
West Kern ^b	6,379	0	5,429	0	5,293	0	15	0	121	0	0	0

**TABLE 30A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP A NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS^o—Continued**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
(Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77 1975-76	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	2,682	2,100	1,978	1,893	1,923	1,729	10	115	45	49	0	0
Antelope	1,441	1,485	1,501	1,489	1,437	1,433	10	17	54	39	0	0
Beverly Hills	1,320	1,228	1,708	1,591	1,547	1,413	29	36	131	142	1	0
Burbank	1,152	1,127	1,022	994	985	969	20	8	17	17	0	0
Citrus	5,508	6,112	4,574	5,836	4,406	5,604	25	21	143	208	0	3
Compton	6,395	6,195	5,385	4,238	5,248	4,042	44	64	93	132	0	0
Culver	1,596	1,098	1,259	983	1,206	954	4	0	49	29	0	0
Downey	2,736	2,814	1,949	2,644	1,858	2,544	30	71	61	29	0	0
East Los Angeles	2,212	3,019	2,049	2,035	2,003	1,930	14	52	32	53	0	0
Glendale	1,665	1,323	1,680	1,785	1,595	1,708	18	11	67	66	0	0
Inglewood	4,883	5,893	4,493	4,543	4,335	4,287	44	120	119	136	0	0
Long Beach	7,789	6,941	5,914	6,056	5,711	5,744	34	180	169	132	0	0
Los Angeles	48,372	55,514	47,176	47,524	45,603	45,882	301	426	1,272	1,216	0	0
Los Cerritos	2,748	2,640	2,966	2,677	2,829	2,584	35	24	102	69	0	0
Malibu	1,095	868	988	914	927	873	49	14	12	27	0	0
Newhall	1,345	1,205	1,016	908	985	868	2	6	29	34	0	0
Pasadena	3,031	3,085	2,780	2,634	2,587	2,371	25	49	168	214	0	0
Pomona	2,241	2,806	1,971	1,936	1,827	1,811	13	23	131	102	0	0
Rio Hondo ^b	2,735	2,700	1,789	2,290	1,701	2,214	29	20	58	56	1	0
San Antonio ^b	0	2,157	0	2,078	0	1,934	0	22	0	122	0	0
Santa Anita	1,340	1,248	1,001	1,016	942	922	3	0	56	94	0	0
Santa Monica	1,587	1,532	1,831	1,837	1,724	1,735	35	26	72	76	0	0
South Bay	5,708	4,810	5,005	4,303	4,686	4,013	56	56	263	234	0	0
South Gate ^b	0	930	0	822	0	799	0	6	0	15	0	2
Southeast	5,900	2,422	6,173	2,388	6,022	2,267	39	43	112	78	0	0
Whittier	3,046	3,362	2,811	2,669	2,632	2,504	8	28	171	137	0	0
Marin:												
Central	1,807	1,692	1,795	1,786	1,742	1,725	7	16	46	45	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	1,390	0	972	0	949	0	11	0	12	0	0	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	1,916	1,733	1,719	1,660	1,562	1,540	8	6	149	114	0	0
Salinas	1,924	1,659	1,945	1,740	1,860	1,650	23	34	62	56	0	0

Napa:														
Napa County ^b	905	464	1,062	487	961	458	43	10	58	19	0	0		
Orange:														
Central Orange County	13,587	11,884	14,937	11,734	14,774	11,563	50	70	113	101	0	0		
North Orange County	7,942	8,869	8,711	7,622	8,525	7,459	27	30	159	133	0	0		
Orange County Harbor	6,181	4,406	4,283	3,370	4,122	3,316	61	16	100	38	0	0		
South Orange County	2,707	2,378	2,648	2,562	2,585	2,495	4	5	59	62	0	0		
West Orange County	8,351	7,851	7,577	7,202	7,489	7,078	13	19	75	105	0	0		
Riverside:														
Corona	699	564	887	755	871	718	3	0	12	36	1	1		
Desert ^b	3,096	2,995	3,315	2,298	3,199	2,221	8	16	108	61	0	0		
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	758	750	822	799	836	615	7	90	9	94	0	0		
Riverside	4,375	4,291	4,076	4,357	3,967	4,244	20	8	88	105	1	0		
Three Lakes ^b	463	0	406	0	379	0	15	0	12	0	0	0		
Sacramento:														
Sacramento	9,573	8,387	9,717	9,155	9,575	9,020	0	4	142	131	0	0		
San Bernardino:														
San Bernardino County	7,351	6,803	6,620	6,320	6,370	6,027	86	43	164	249	0	1		
San Diego:														
El Cajon ^b	3,749	3,368	3,691	3,249	3,542	3,151	0	5	149	91	0	2		
North County ^b	4,836	4,126	5,060	3,974	4,724	3,684	43	25	293	265	0	0		
San Diego ^b	21,372	16,148	16,477	13,402	15,612	12,522	100	145	765	731	0	0		
South Bay ^b	3,353	2,639	2,761	1,289	2,635	1,160	20	56	106	71	0	2		
San Francisco:														
San Francisco	10,691	11,011	11,206	11,558	10,882	11,268	121	142	203	148	0	0		
San Joaquin:														
Lodi	899	866	939	778	927	765	0	1	12	12	0	0		
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	1,321	1,042	1,182	997	1,121	949	35	29	22	13	4	6		
Stockton	3,404	3,515	3,507	3,227	3,448	3,182	19	9	40	36	0	0		
San Luis Obispo:														
San Luis Obispo County	1,831	1,641	1,511	1,453	1,462	1,403	0	5	49	45	0	0		
San Mateo:														
Central	1,354	1,392	1,697	1,686	1,637	1,625	19	11	41	50	0	0		
Northern	2,257	2,294	2,323	2,386	2,252	2,314	6	12	64	60	1	0		
Southern	1,153	1,239	1,246	1,223	1,203	1,177	4	10	39	36	0	0		
Santa Barbara:														
Lompoc ^b	506	171	499	210	447	174	32	25	20	11	0	0		
Santa Barbara-Coleta	3,329	3,243	2,717	2,936	2,670	2,861	0	0	46	75	1	0		
Santa Maria	970	707	1,062	898	1,003	874	0	8	59	16	0	0		

**TABLE 30A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
 FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP A NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS ^a—Continued
 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77
 (Excludes felonies reduced to misdemeanors)**

County and Judicial District	<u>Total filings</u>		<u>Total dispositions</u>		<u>Dispositions before hearing</u>		<u>Dispositions after hearing</u>				<u>Juvenile orders ^b</u>		
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	<u>Uncontested matters</u>		<u>Contested matters</u>		1976-77	1975-76	
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76			
Santa Clara:													
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	266	0	248	0	236	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	1,098	974	1,063	1,101	1,034	1,072	2	17	27	12	0	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	1,892	1,576	1,679	1,549	1,641	1,507	10	13	28	29	0	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	9,313	8,352	7,672	7,034	7,429	6,774	4	83	239	174	0	3	0
Santa Clara	893	931	857	909	842	892	1	2	14	15	0	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	1,138	1,207	1,033	1,059	989	1,009	5	9	39	41	0	0	0
Santa Cruz:													
Santa Cruz County	4,017	2,705	3,575	2,471	3,443	2,378	43	29	89	64	0	0	0
Solano:													
Northern Solano ^b	1,934	1,686	1,740	1,526	1,665	1,460	16	12	59	54	0	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	1,179	1,318	1,210	1,316	1,110	1,214	14	11	86	91	0	0	0
Sonoma:													
Sonoma County	3,476	3,155	3,533	3,298	3,479	3,083	16	187	38	28	0	0	0
Stanislaus:													
Stanislaus County ^b	2,807	2,209	3,407	2,484	3,272	2,387	6	3	128	93	1	1	1
Sutter:													
Sutter County ^b	611	233	523	181	397	41	95	65	28	75	3	0	0
Tulare:													
Porterville	779	789	888	855	814	821	24	8	47	25	3	1	1
Tulare-Pitney ^b	249	0	216	0	187	0	18	0	11	0	0	0	0
Visalia	890	975	794	886	751	840	0	0	43	46	0	0	0
Ventura:													
Ventura County	7,527	6,893	6,934	6,336	6,640	6,142	21	13	273	181	0	0	0
Yolo:													
Yolo County ^b	897	0	563	0	546	0	3	0	14	0	0	0	0

^a Group A Misdemeanors are: Battery (242 PC), Disturbing the Peace (415 PC), Disorderly Conduct (647 PC), Joy Ride (499 b PC) and Trespass (602 PC).
^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 30B—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP B NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76		
State Total	209,060	200,754	200,681	191,500	198,045	188,658	820	1,105	1,759	1,870	57	167
Alameda:												
Alameda	613	645	660	429	647	417	8	1	5	11	0	0
Berkeley-Albany	1,309	855	959	616	903	581	18	13	38	22	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City	241	379	281	437	269	344	4	3	8	90	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^b	574	143	292	115	290	108	1	2	1	5	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	5,904	4,326	5,983	4,133	5,888	4,094	49	12	46	27	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward	1,520	1,117	1,981	2,144	1,965	1,964	8	72	8	108	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	213	127	113	109	100	101	0	6	1	1	12	1
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	237	0	325	0	306	0	4	0	15	0	0	0
Delta	654	1,447	613	1,353	597	1,318	10	8	5	23	1	4
Mt. Diablo	304	1,656	344	1,651	329	1,616	3	16	12	19	0	0
Richmond ^b	483	1,478	459	1,336	453	1,307	2	4	4	25	0	0
Walnut Creek-Danville	229	1,124	219	1,085	196	1,062	12	5	10	15	1	3
West ^b	312	1,614	283	843	278	816	0	4	5	23	0	0
Fresno:												
Fresno	655	1,863	1,007	1,648	1,004	1,647	0	1	3	0	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	748	629	781	640	772	635	6	0	3	5	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	1,749	919	1,504	745	1,481	676	11	56	7	13	5	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	3,217	0	3,630	0	3,596	0	1	0	33	0	0
East Kern ^b	256	0	233	0	233	0	6	0	4	0	0	0
West Kern ^b	4,927	0	4,687	0	4,619	0	15	0	53	0	0	0

TABLE 30B—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP B NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS^a—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	458	568	704	764	692	689	0	69	12	6	0	0
Antelope	882	147	816	154	804	131	1	4	11	19	0	0
Beverly Hills	779	1,233	343	592	329	564	1	7	13	21	0	0
Burbank	1,007	690	860	672	849	662	3	3	8	7	0	0
Citrus	1,131	641	1,257	911	1,237	888	2	2	18	21	0	0
Compton	3,441	3,426	3,098	2,645	3,086	2,641	1	0	11	4	0	0
Culver	578	883	549	841	538	821	1	6	10	14	0	0
Downey	2,305	1,588	1,762	1,725	1,749	1,695	8	20	5	10	0	0
East Los Angeles	1,882	1,493	1,653	1,727	1,465	1,686	179	30	9	11	0	0
Glendale	1,184	982	1,192	974	1,164	944	3	4	25	25	0	0
Inglewood	2,751	2,941	2,257	2,636	2,226	2,541	10	69	21	26	0	0
Long Beach	8,094	7,295	8,100	6,284	8,078	6,260	5	4	17	20	0	0
Los Angeles	47,058	44,993	47,107	45,826	46,978	45,742	32	32	97	52	0	0
Los Cerritos	1,425	1,153	1,306	1,156	1,280	1,142	7	6	19	8	0	0
Malibu	2,451	1,086	1,706	1,090	1,682	1,074	8	10	16	6	0	0
Newhall	1,431	880	1,173	767	1,158	752	2	1	13	14	0	0
Pasadena	1,898	1,289	1,632	1,416	1,607	1,375	1	7	24	34	0	0
Pomona	2,485	1,649	1,778	996	1,763	986	4	3	11	7	0	0
Rio Hondo	2,314	1,629	2,362	1,873	2,329	1,860	22	3	9	10	2	0
San Antonio ^b	0	1,397	0	1,344	0	1,333	0	6	0	5	0	0
Santa Anita	693	465	628	415	587	395	2	0	39	20	0	0
Santa Monica	1,182	859	1,071	743	1,038	729	17	5	16	9	0	0
South Bay	6,722	7,335	6,490	6,318	6,369	6,207	12	9	109	102	0	0
South Gate ^b	0	820	0	807	0	800	0	2	0	5	0	0
Southeast ^b	5,551	2,555	4,972	1,983	4,944	1,977	4	0	24	6	0	0
Whittier	1,788	1,771	1,731	1,684	1,715	1,638	1	3	15	43	0	0
Marin:												
Central	539	526	648	597	627	583	0	2	21	12	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	636	0	588	0	580	0	7	0	0	0	1	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	968	943	1,111	882	1,054	857	1	1	56	24	0	0
Salinas	971	813	886	721	862	710	9	3	15	8	0	0

Napa:														
Napa County ^b	1,046	450	1,161	413	1,095	398	35	12	31	3	0	0		
Orange:														
Central Orange County	3,878	6,573	3,685	6,425	3,662	6,373	11	13	12	39	0	0		
North Orange County	6,925	4,058	6,545	4,643	6,511	4,626	5	2	29	15	0	0		
Orange County Harbor	5,649	5,295	5,690	4,913	5,607	4,733	32	17	35	7	16	156		
South Orange County	3,781	3,450	2,921	2,613	2,888	2,579	1	1	32	33	0	0		
West Orange County	5,321	5,095	4,849	4,416	4,819	4,390	4	5	26	21	0	0		
Riverside:														
Corona	2,085	2,072	1,913	1,980	1,898	1,954	8	2	7	24	0	0		
Desert ^b	2,768	2,537	2,689	2,307	2,660	2,280	3	3	26	24	0	0		
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	1,031	1,013	1,043	1,024	1,037	888	3	45	3	91	0	0		
Riverside	1,639	2,103	1,679	2,046	1,666	2,039	2	1	10	6	1	0		
Three Lakes ^b	610	0	589	0	579	0	7	0	3	0	0	0		
Sacramento:														
Sacramento	1,904	2,565	2,288	2,459	2,284	2,441	0	0	4	18	0	0		
San Bernardino:														
San Bernardino County	4,932	7,128	4,729	5,735	4,654	5,636	28	36	47	63	0	0		
San Diego:														
El Cajon ^b	807	925	951	1,283	921	1,253	4	1	26	29	0	0		
North County ^b	1,457	1,352	1,427	1,112	1,355	1,068	3	9	69	35	0	0		
San Diego ^b	8,999	9,783	9,129	10,467	8,980	10,257	19	31	130	179	0	0		
South Bay ^b	1,131	1,135	1,068	741	1,032	695	5	32	31	14	0	0		
San Francisco:														
San Francisco	2,451	4,340	2,389	4,457	2,385	4,432	2	24	2	1	0	0		
San Joaquin:														
Lodi	495	297	494	364	490	351	0	0	14	13	0	0		
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	694	359	636	384	609	369	11	2	4	10	12	3		
Stockton	4,312	5,373	3,297	4,169	3,278	4,159	10	5	9	5	0	0		
San Luis Obispo:														
San Luis Obispo County	2,128	1,551	1,823	1,511	1,791	1,484	0	3	32	24	0	0		
San Mateo:														
Central	347	166	319	213	310	210	2	0	7	3	0	0		
Northern	974	1,229	713	771	706	760	1	3	6	8	0	0		
Southern	1,023	1,238	1,013	1,054	993	1,012	16	39	4	3	0	0		
Santa Barbara:														
Lompoc ^b	602	252	604	221	589	215	4	6	11	0	0	0		
Santa Barbara-Coleta	2,630	2,925	2,146	2,344	2,128	2,339	0	0	18	5	0	0		
Santa Maria	600	460	719	739	707	728	4	9	8	2	0	0		

**TABLE 30B—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP B NONTRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS^a—Continued**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	530	0	418	0	406	0	17	0	1	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	240	257	424	426	416	409	2	5	6	12	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	140	258	132	246	127	236	1	5	4	5	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	1,106	1,702	2,043	2,256	2,010	2,214	0	14	33	28	0	0
Santa Clara	689	139	395	151	391	147	0	0	4	4	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	244	268	269	270	259	252	2	3	8	15	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	419	836	705	731	692	702	6	13	7	16	0	0
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^b	301	265	354	282	342	271	2	4	10	7	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	564	571	578	592	545	548	6	15	27	29	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County	3,493	3,135	3,539	3,103	3,519	2,883	13	201	7	19	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^b	1,375	1,448	1,232	1,122	1,204	1,109	6	5	22	8	0	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^b	320	82	303	63	268	28	18	15	11	20	6	0
Tulare:												
Porterville	934	850	911	703	896	701	8	0	7	2	0	0
Tulare-Pixley ^b	435	0	317	0	304	0	11	0	2	0	0	0
Visalia	302	664	258	499	255	485	1	0	2	14	0	0
Ventura:												
Ventura County	3,726	3,538	3,164	3,095	3,058	3,040	7	9	99	46	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^b	646	0	636	0	635	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

^a Group B misdemeanors include fish & game violations, intoxication and city and county ordinances.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

^r Revised.

**TABLE 30C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONTRAFFIC INFRACTIONS^a
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile ^b orders	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	43,260	25,250	34,463	21,563	34,114	21,017	116	248	216	294	17	4
Alameda:												
Alameda	89	66	96	39	94	39	0	0	2	0	0	0
Berkeley-Albany	68	46	45	101	44	96	1	1	0	4	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City.....	0	1	6	14	5	12	1	0	0	2	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^b	146	106	233	123	233	118	0	5	0	0	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	0	0	114	0	114	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward.....	6	1	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	874	452	739	383	699	370	5	0	26	12	9	1
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	1,512	0	1,458	0	1,454	0	3	0	1	0	0	0
Delta	800	2	767	2	760	2	5	0	2	0	0	0
Mt. Diablo	1,099	4	1,186	5	1,174	4	2	1	10	0	0	0
Richmond ^b	292	5	184	0	183	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Walnut Creek-Danville	825	9	786	9	780	5	0	0	6	2	0	2
West ^b	559	118	470	106	469	105	0	0	1	1	0	0
Fresno:												
Fresno	1,466	276	1,038	147	1,038	147	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	17	49	19	52	17	47	0	1	2	4	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	0	7	4	5	3	5	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	1,992	0	1,981	0	1,981	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Kern ^b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Kern ^b	1,735	0	1,640	0	1,638	0	1	0	1	0	0	0

**TABLE 30C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONTRAFFIC INFRACTIONS^a—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile ^b orders	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	7	5	62	21	59	21	1	0	2	0	0	0
Antelope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beverly Hills	18	0	25	34	24	33	0	0	1	1	0	0
Burbank.....	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Citrus	1,512	1,065	1,651	922	1,645	893	0	5	5	24	1	0
Compton	1,260	1,375	686	1,045	684	1,045	0	0	2	0	0	0
Culver	74	108	79	96	76	98	3	4	0	4	0	0
Downey.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Los Angeles.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glendale	0	2	7	8	6	0	1	2	0	6	0	0
Inglewood.....	0	256	105	110	77	42	28	31	0	37	0	0
Long Beach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	4,177	5,590	2,674	3,488	2,674	3,469	0	6	0	13	0	0
Los Cerritos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malibu	214	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Newhall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pasadena	0	0	0	32	0	14	0	11	0	7	0	0
Pomona	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rio Hondo ^b	0	15	44	3	44	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Antonio ^b	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Anita	0	0	26	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Monica	1,267	1,366	935	897	923	867	10	27	2	3	0	0
South Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Gate ^b	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Southeast ^b	0	0	62	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whittier.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marin:												
Central.....	2,453	1,963	2,392	2,237	2,384	2,231	3	4	5	2	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	196	141	181	179	173	172	2	0	6	7	0	0
Salinas	0	0	26	2	12	2	0	0	14	0	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^b	57	0	3	4	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange:												
Central Orange County.....	196	252	192	299	191	297	1	0	0	2	0	0
North Orange County.....	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange County Harbor.....	844	0	503	0	501	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
South Orange County.....	0	0	3	13	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Orange County.....	1,429	787	1,205	693	1,202	689	2	2	1	2	0	0
Riverside:												
Corona.....	0	39	0	44	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	0
Desert ^b	1,011	525	880	399	876	394	1	0	3	5	0	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	110	0	118	0	118	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside.....	1,159	886	995	871	983	867	6	2	6	2	0	0
Three Lakes ^b	167	0	126	0	125	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County.....	932	96	750	174	748	174	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^b	216	102	251	243	246	242	0	0	5	1	0	0
North County ^b	963	735	961	636	926	625	0	1	35	10	0	0
San Diego ^b	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
South Bay ^b	4	6	8	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco.....	3,752	892	2,397	598	2,397	598	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin:												
Lodi.....	0	47	0	55	0	51	0	0	0	4	0	0
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy.....	61	45	65	94	65	89	0	2	0	2	0	1
Stockton.....	552	0	388	0	388	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County.....	296	0	261	0	259	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Mateo:												
Central.....	50	130	40	76	37	74	1	1	2	1	0	0
Northern.....	7	6	11	27	10	26	0	0	1	1	0	0
Southern.....	160	183	37	1,241	37	1,045	0	126	0	70	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta.....	1,864	1,267	1,324	1,004	1,324	1,004	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Maria.....	86	0	26	0	25	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

**TABLE 30C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONTRAFFIC INFRACTIONS^a—Continued**
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	<i>Total filings</i>		<i>Total dispositions</i>		<i>Dispositions before hearing</i>		<i>Dispositions after hearing</i>				<i>Juvenile^b orders</i>	
							<i>Uncontested matters</i>		<i>Contested matters</i>			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	440	148	203	40	202	40	0	0	1	0	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	1,183	802	965	736	959	736	2	0	4	0	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	2,708	842	1,491	99	1,478	75	0	2	7	22	6	0
Santa Clara	3	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	405	84	335	42	333	39	0	0	2	3	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	2,252	2,012	1,806	1,892	1,783	1,857	8	9	15	26	0	0
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^b	0	15	1	9	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	68	0	65	0	60	0	1	0	4	0	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County	158	110	218	86	209	83	6	1	3	2	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^b	699	4	541	1	522	1	5	0	14	0	0	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^b	54	0	25	0	23	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Tulare:												
Porterville	0	0	28	13	28	11	0	2	0	0	0	0
Tulare-Pixley ^b	27	0	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Visalia	288	0	233	0	232	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ventura:												
Ventura County	392	214	239	112	215	102	12	1	12	9	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

^a Nontraffic infractions are city and county ordinances specified as infractions.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 31—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total.....	4,807,146 ^R	4,419,507	4,415,048	4,104,938	4,261,261	3,963,834	37,378	37,394	83,138	78,584	33,271	25,126
Alameda:												
Alameda.....	8,906	8,309	8,472	7,711	8,300	7,622	77	15	84	73	11	1
Berkeley-Albany.....	23,932	22,748	28,631	23,507	27,934	22,857	259	191	436	459	2	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City.....	30,802	27,133	31,232	26,728	30,085	25,605	474	402	673	721	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	34,402	31,687	33,165	28,481	32,858	28,039	39	96	269	346	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont.....	130,155	136,247	140,455	138,432	138,325	136,251	412	488	1,718	1,693	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward.....	63,497	57,541	62,731	56,651	60,867	54,743	657	609	1,207	1,296	0	3
Butte:												
Chico.....	7,945	7,600	7,623	7,113	6,514	6,061	54	113	392	365	663	574
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^a	23,184	0	20,781	0	18,171	0	211	0	797	0	1,502	0
Delta.....	14,233	13,256	14,644	12,221	13,053	10,779	130	90	260	222	1,201	1,130
Mt. Diablo.....	36,046	30,678	34,653	30,739	30,152	26,826	377	327	1,019	958	3,105	2,628
Richmond.....	11,448	21,363	10,445	21,737	8,813	17,894	20	26	406	775	1,206	3,042
Walnut Creek-Danville.....	34,321	35,999	34,127	34,351	29,778	29,899	99	162	898	1,075	3,352	3,215
West ^a	10,953	19,663	10,529	17,734	9,984	17,048	22	80	492	539	31	67
Fresno:												
Fresno.....	50,239	50,026	50,232	51,097	49,585	50,507	13	3	634	587	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka.....	7,558	8,100	7,786	7,965	7,449	7,635	237	183	100	147	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^a	41,210	21,981	31,591	12,781	30,650	12,276	618	210	313	292	10	3
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^a	0	52,405	0	48,255	0	47,144	0	316	0	795	0	0
East Kern ^a	7,344	0	6,956	0	6,472	0	20	0	84	0	380	0
West Kern ^a	64,707	0	59,736	0	58,248	0	130	0	699	0	659	0

TABLE 31—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra.....	55,980	36,052	49,014	36,184	47,998	34,845	41	461	975	878	0	0
Antelope.....	20,012	23,629	18,993	21,902	18,715	21,481	28	105	250	316	0	0
Beverly Hills.....	24,068	19,695	22,202	19,427	21,693	18,894	24	30	485	503	0	0
Burbank.....	19,419	20,123	15,195	17,250	14,978	16,909	79	104	138	237	0	0
Citrus.....	74,508	76,407	72,386	75,745	70,819	74,250	403	55	1,164	1,435	0	5
Compton.....	77,662	73,943	73,314	69,649	71,855	68,352	676	870	783	425	0	2
Culver.....	14,582	14,710	13,432	14,003	12,965	13,429	343	301	124	270	0	3
Downey.....	37,484	35,540	35,648	36,505	34,949	35,929	79	112	620	464	0	0
East Los Angeles.....	42,697	44,475	40,885	37,685	39,798	36,603	730	658	355	424	2	0
Glendale.....	23,467	25,781	22,574	24,954	22,012	24,355	163	177	396	421	3	1
Inglewood.....	53,320	51,110	39,976	46,824	38,930	45,596	126	611	920	617	0	0
Long Beach.....	72,832	75,536	68,694	71,656	66,923	69,304	825	1,115	924	1,232	22	5
Los Angeles.....	805,362	789,149	704,555	689,722	686,105	668,863	156	3,673	18,294	16,986	0	0
Los Cerritos.....	34,324	35,734	31,440	34,420	30,602	33,788	182	40	656	592	0	0
Malibu.....	21,378	24,140	22,387	22,909	22,014	22,547	49	42	324	320	0	0
Newhall.....	31,583	26,793	27,304	24,959	26,870	24,447	196	266	238	246	0	0
Pasadena.....	39,024	45,009	34,150	35,213	33,269	34,074	73	149	807	988	1	2
Pomona.....	31,254	31,627	30,899	30,976	30,285	30,390	36	65	578	521	0	0
Rio Hondo ^a	33,002	41,038	30,098	33,578	29,826	32,862	135	259	137	457	0	0
San Antonio ^a	0	20,405	0	19,842	0	19,738	0	7	0	97	0	0
Santa Anita.....	18,822	15,599	19,576	15,777	19,014	15,229	50	23	512	525	0	0
Santa Monica.....	23,314	24,345	19,853	23,069	18,447	21,731	927	851	479	507	0	0
South Bay.....	86,077	77,954	80,781	74,987	77,739	71,930	1,014	779	2,028	2,278	0	0
South Gate ^a	0	10,865	0	9,709	0	9,458	0	66	0	185	0	0
Southeast ^a	53,334	24,136	51,337	24,398	50,839	24,192	3	5	495	201	0	0
Whittier.....	44,229	43,713	41,535	41,104	39,729	39,138	394	539	1,411	1,427	1	0
Marin:												
Central.....	53,284	47,124	49,669	45,670	48,307	44,487	198	136	1,121	1,002	43	45
Merced:												
Merced County ^a	26,866	0	23,733	0	23,249	0	61	0	215	0	208	0
Monterey: Monterey Peninsula^a.....	22,944	17,746	20,712	15,724	19,844	15,089	103	101	765	534	0	0
Salinas.....	24,849	24,459	22,521	25,835	19,543	25,247	2,524	112	454	476	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^a	16,826	6,862	19,258	6,927	16,329	6,071	503	119	327	91	2,099	646
Orange:												
Central Orange County.....	105,804	92,236	98,329	81,727	96,771	80,384	182	52	1,376	1,285	0	6
North Orange County	88,047	88,790	86,667	88,709	83,944	85,878	124	295	2,133	2,176	466	360
Orange County Harbor	90,962	78,872	88,014	80,059	79,650	74,860	390	398	907	248	7,067	4,553
South Orange County	33,718	34,150	34,409	33,649	31,814	31,109	17	69	302	458	2,276	2,013
West Orange County	100,858	92,907	82,917	81,983	80,093	79,310	1,374	1,311	1,447	1,361	3	1
Riverside:												
Corona	15,537	14,681	14,506	14,392	14,198	14,100	67	30	241	262	0	0
Desert ^a	51,782	47,990	49,092	38,605	48,492	38,190	45	69	547	346	8	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	35,237	23,996	31,172	20,366	30,866	19,844	68	241	238	281	0	0
Riverside	56,812	46,577	54,420	45,835	53,715	45,280	139	76	564	479	2	0
Three Lakes ^a	4,464	0	4,375	0	4,262	0	83	0	30	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	140,530	120,712	115,365	104,124	114,988	103,596	2	3	375	525	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	136,583	137,957	128,137	128,437	125,765	126,012	788	768	1,581	1,652	3	5
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^a	73,941	40,385	68,874	38,731	66,736	37,380	1,391	797	746	552	1	2
North County ^a	87,385	72,502	90,874	70,992	88,431	69,308	198	184	1,945	1,500	0	0
San Diego ^a	192,446	187,398	183,658	188,100	178,025	182,716	3,303	2,513	2,330	2,871	0	0
South Bay ^a	46,738	46,944	42,840	38,604	41,837	37,413	50	357	927	834	26	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	101,870	102,008	94,295	95,932	86,011	86,940	7,836	8,616	441	371	7	5
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	10,819	11,708	10,135	10,856	8,978	9,493	23	26	212	225	922	1,112
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	25,969	24,662	22,246	20,454	21,234	19,415	40	235	265	208	704	596
Stockton	38,764	37,779	39,001	35,798	38,394	35,327	74	67	533	404	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	46,191	^R 43,337	40,465	38,539	36,023	34,757	158	352	589	426	3,695	3,004
San Mateo:												
Central	68,347	55,524	59,438	46,804	55,864	44,479	2,457	1,281	1,177	1,043	0	1
Northern	40,662	45,090	39,878	43,529	38,581	41,943	218	296	1,079	1,290	0	0
Southern	45,568	43,339	41,440	40,955	38,585	38,535	1,858	1,612	997	808	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^a	5,098	2,345	5,085	2,317	4,899	2,243	27	3	159	71	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta	34,521	31,543	31,944	30,088	31,501	29,686	106	72	337	330	0	0
Santa Maria	14,034	12,896	11,717	11,777	11,439	11,522	13	44	205	211	0	0

TABLE 31—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS AND INFRACTIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	8,685	0	5,941	0	5,785	0	148	0	7	0	1	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga.....	27,069	25,297	26,231	24,112	25,055	22,899	287	250	888	963	1	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	50,709	49,070	41,173	45,471	39,984	44,262	96	49	1,093	1,160	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	157,544	135,012	124,516	109,169	120,734	106,299	17	123	3,756	2,743	9	4
Santa Clara	21,475	19,943	20,700	17,928	19,601	16,953	16	24	1,083	951	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	19,308	22,294	19,913	22,119	19,196	21,141	7	57	710	921	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	39,976	34,555	32,586	32,942	28,931	29,803	401	576	719	799	2,535	1,764
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^a	50,180	38,999	42,880	36,382	41,876	35,587	230	174	774	621	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	12,393	12,868	11,886	11,813	11,474	11,351	40	47	372	415	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County	54,730	51,603	53,502	57,594	52,315	56,608	324	263	863	723	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^a	43,803	32,660	41,875	33,012	39,985	31,747	87	74	1,891	1,191	2	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^a	9,125	4,399	8,866	4,081	7,872	3,043	206	193	150	523	638	322
Tulare:												
Porterville	6,852	6,522	6,301	6,339	6,088	6,136	34	89	179	110	0	4
Tulare-Pixley ^a	10,318	0	9,716	0	9,523	0	103	0	90	0	0	0
Visalia	18,660	16,881	16,471	15,727	16,001	15,131	166	250	295	344	9	2
Ventura:												
Ventura County	88,708	84,636	76,867	84,761	74,837	82,740	140	116	1,890	1,905	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^a	12,134	0	10,661	0	10,024	0	75	0	267	0	295	0

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

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**TABLE 31A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP C TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS*
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Totals	251,026	247,664	203,652	199,244	197,381	191,945	1,334	1,910	4,810	5,238	127	151
Alameda:												
Alameda	240	268	214	208	207	205	1	0	5	3	1	0
Berkeley-Albany	575	611	492	572	400	487	69	66	21	19	2	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City	1,594	1,211	1,114	1,113	1,046	1,036	27	49	41	28	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton	1,074	1,118	711	876	699	835	0	17	12	24	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	4,141	4,702	3,072	3,902	2,983	3,800	4	16	85	86	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward	3,538	3,472	3,132	3,660	3,051	3,321	17	236	64	103	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	318	371	294	376	265	326	1	0	28	50	0	0
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	959	0	997	0	952	0	10	0	35	0	0	0
Delta	584	666	647	639	630	626	7	4	7	9	3	0
Mt. Diablo	1,798	1,745	1,676	1,675	1,594	1,608	14	13	68	54	0	0
Richmond ^b	540	798	902	982	844	824	4	1	17	50	37	107
Walnut Creek-Danville	1,341	1,291	1,136	1,074	1,058	990	12	7	65	74	1	3
West ^b	385	959	312	414	290	375	1	3	21	36	0	0
Fresno:												
Fresno	2,723	3,072	2,664	2,795	2,608	2,731	1	0	55	64	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	673	842	585	543	553	526	9	4	23	13	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	1,841	1,026	1,886	1,413	1,709	1,133	136	101	41	179	0	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	3,282	0	2,812	0	2,727	0	15	0	70	0	0
East Kern ^b	187	0	208	0	195	0	2	0	9	0	2	0
West Kern ^b	4,196	0	5,717	0	5,648	0	13	0	55	0	1	0

**TABLE 31A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP C TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS^a—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	3,017	2,455	1,886	1,970	1,841	1,785	3	159	42	26	0	0
Antelope	1,286	1,304	655	841	639	811	2	6	14	24	0	0
Beverly Hills	826	797	833	893	803	829	5	22	25	42	0	0
Burbank	904	916	666	770	657	750	6	4	3	16	0	0
Citrus	4,237	4,798	2,890	3,864	2,829	3,784	1	3	60	77	0	0
Compton	3,098	3,030	2,786	2,780	2,754	2,699	5	30	27	50	0	1
Culver	590	608	419	451	411	439	0	1	8	11	0	0
Downey	2,545	2,462	1,487	1,257	1,434	1,225	15	13	38	19	0	0
East Los Angeles	2,719	2,646	1,440	1,432	1,427	1,407	8	3	5	22	0	0
Glendale	857	1,072	540	865	526	828	1	8	13	29	0	0
Inglewood	2,414	2,152	1,701	1,944	1,654	1,842	7	63	40	39	0	0
Long Beach	4,334	4,199	3,903	3,860	3,818	3,571	14	161	71	127	0	1
Los Angeles	37,927	52,301	39,255	41,929	38,689	41,385	88	102	478	442	0	0
Los Cerritos	2,314	2,054	2,206	2,090	2,127	2,069	39	3	40	18	0	0
Malibu	903	895	545	511	529	502	8	3	8	6	0	0
Newhall	1,206	1,249	560	816	554	796	0	1	6	19	0	0
Pasadena	1,662	1,998	1,769	2,476	1,673	2,322	1	26	95	127	0	1
Pomona	1,148	1,219	993	1,076	962	1,044	4	2	27	30	0	0
Rio Hondo ^b	2,507	3,082	2,414	2,915	2,372	2,899	19	3	23	13	0	0
San Antonio ^b	0	1,628	0	1,677	0	1,654	0	2	0	21	0	0
Santa Anita	759	598	611	498	577	462	20	5	14	31	0	0
Santa Monica	1,384	1,428	832	870	804	819	3	7	25	44	0	0
South Bay	3,497	2,779	2,191	1,851	2,087	1,767	36	29	68	55	0	0
South Gate ^b	0	984	0	823	0	811	0	3	0	9	0	0
Southeast ^b	4,386	1,902	4,045	1,834	4,027	1,812	1	0	17	22	0	0
Whittier	3,543	3,654	3,502	2,953	3,418	2,859	0	13	84	81	0	0
Marin:												
Central	2,748	2,456	2,097	2,025	2,036	1,966	3	10	58	49	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	1,616	0	1,082	0	1,057	0	9	0	3	0	13	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	1,467	1,081	1,206	889	1,092	808	13	7	101	74	0	0
Salinas	1,096	1,069	949	930	598	870	296	17	55	43	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^b	1,035	450	1,042	417	995	397	8	3	26	17	13	0
Orange:												
Central Orange County	6,985	5,399	4,031	3,364	3,949	3,279	15	16	67	69	0	0
North Orange County	5,145	4,794	3,447	3,028	3,324	2,897	10	15	113	116	0	0
Orange County Harbor	2,186	2,224	918	1,496	865	1,445	5	9	48	30	0	12
South Orange County	1,190	1,351	658	735	631	712	6	2	21	21	0	0
West Orange County	5,780	4,638	2,879	3,235	2,791	3,148	7	7	81	79	0	1
Riverside:												
Corona	649	613	409	370	397	361	5	0	7	9	0	0
Desert ^b	2,639	2,257	1,807	1,955	1,736	1,923	7	6	62	26	2	0
Mt. San Jacinto	1,167	1,207	800	702	793	546	1	46	6	110	0	0
Riverside	4,792	2,551	3,170	2,097	3,068	2,045	54	14	48	38	0	0
Three Lakes ^b	203	0	174	0	167	0	2	0	5	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	10,076	9,481	7,895	9,108	7,745	8,997	1	1	149	110	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	8,514	8,728	6,016	5,888	5,782	5,532	40	126	193	229	1	1
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^b	4,266	2,758	2,509	2,106	2,439	2,048	0	1	76	56	0	1
North County ^b	4,975	3,817	3,310	2,989	3,146	2,877	7	4	157	108	0	0
San Diego ^b	12,204	13,069	6,534	6,843	6,543	6,425	22	46	369	371	0	0
South Bay ^b	3,862	3,828	2,195	1,797	2,150	1,734	10	29	35	53	0	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	5,326	5,482	3,989	5,448	3,930	5,302	9	25	50	121	0	0
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	550	485	489	494	476	490	0	2	9	2	4	0
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	943	818	815	767	764	733	4	11	15	7	32	16
Stockton	2,508	2,105	2,085	2,048	2,075	2,024	0	1	10	23	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	1,763	1,433	1,232	1,222	1,187	1,183	0	4	45	35	0	0
San Mateo:												
Central	1,901	1,990	1,470	1,732	1,417	1,681	2	3	51	48	0	0
Northern	1,693	2,022	1,307	1,556	1,268	1,510	2	11	37	35	0	0
Southern	2,103	2,253	1,352	1,403	1,343	1,338	4	11	45	54	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^b	329	171	285	185	282	181	1	1	2	3	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta	1,994	2,032	2,005	2,199	1,967	2,156	1	1	37	42	0	0
Santa Maria	718	663	598	551	585	541	0	1	13	9	0	0

TABLE 31A—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
 FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP C TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS ^a—Continued
 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76		
Santa Clara:												
Cilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	388	0	336	0	332	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	1,110	1,003	981	901	947	853	5	7	29	41	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	1,738	1,353	1,570	1,360	1,522	1,316	11	8	37	36	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	7,181	6,913	6,194	5,513	5,990	5,278	3	39	199	195	2	1
Santa Clara	1,334	1,216	1,170	1,122	1,145	1,084	6	7	19	31	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	1,241	1,170	1,202	1,004	1,146	924	3	7	53	73	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	2,281	1,935	1,722	1,567	1,647	1,469	26	28	49	67	0	3
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^b	2,957	1,445	2,393	1,365	2,331	1,318	10	2	52	45	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	1,467	1,491	1,386	1,201	1,309	1,110	12	11	65	80	0	0
Sonoma												
Sonoma County	2,526	2,152	1,696	1,472	1,657	1,433	12	8	27	31	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^b	4,146	2,869	4,303	2,629	4,127	2,556	6	1	168	72	2	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^b	541	228	536	189	480	8	24	55	25	123	7	3
Tulare:												
Porterville	480	628	455	550	437	532	5	3	13	15	0	0
Tulare-Pixley ^b	321	0	284	0	230	0	47	0	7	0	0	0
Visalia	983	914	734	741	693	592	0	102	41	47	0	0
Ventura:												
Ventura County	4,372	4,753	5,050	5,751	4,903	5,611	4	7	143	133	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^b	760	0	357	0	543	0	2	0	8	0	4	0

^a Group C traffic misdemeanor violations of the Vehicle Code are hit and run, drunk driving, reckless driving with injury and driving under the influence of drugs.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 31B—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF GROUP D TRAFFIC MISDEMEANORS*
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76		
State Total.....	199,438	147,540	332,230	281,858	322,011	271,786	3,776	3,731	4,446	5,074	1,997	1,267
Alameda:												
Alameda.....	63	39	130	84	123	80	1	1	6	3	0	0
Berkeley-Albany.....	701	611	697	742	638	648	48	47	13	47	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City.....	1,052	854	1,314	1,049	1,277	932	17	17	20	100	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^b	3,391	1,883	2,880	1,602	2,679	1,594	1	6	0	2	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont.....	6,043	6,269	7,325	7,591	7,235	7,489	21	42	49	60	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward.....	2,751	2,380	4,901	3,128	4,845	2,893	28	73	52	162	0	0
Butte:												
Chico.....	500	355	285	277	264	246	0	3	13	15	8	13
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	929	0	2,916	0	2,651	0	4	0	46	0	215	0
Delta.....	870	1,076	983	932	833	844	1	2	3	2	146	84
Mt. Diablo.....	1,078	861	4,028	3,290	3,790	3,180	54	34	54	63	130	13
Richmond ^b	811	1,081	1,575	3,553	1,444	3,181	2	7	39	81	90	284
Walnut Creek-Danville.....	2,598	2,164	5,326	4,845	4,996	4,477	13	24	59	91	258	253
West ^b	623	743	519	1,029	503	976	0	14	15	28	1	11
Fresno:												
Fresno.....	1,224	965	3,258	1,961	3,225	1,925	0	1	33	35	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka.....	483	392	902	514	848	478	32	25	22	11	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	1,266	725	2,950	1,012	2,800	954	118	38	32	19	0	1
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	741	0	1,233	0	1,039	0	87	0	107	0	0
East Kern ^b	335	0	273	0	209	0	2	0	13	0	49	0
West Kern ^b	2,173	0	2,145	0	1,957	0	31	0	71	0	84	0

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 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra.....	843	804	6,828	5,135	6,805	5,049	3	67	20	19	0	0
Antelope.....	406	309	702	1,063	689	1,028	1	5	12	30	0	0
Beverly Hills.....	254	141	5,272	4,290	5,258	4,286	1	1	13	3	0	0
Burbank.....	270	391	458	1,111	447	1,080	4	6	7	25	0	0
Citrus.....	2,325	1,988	14,812	14,729	14,490	14,431	173	8	149	287	0	3
Compton.....	338	509	977	1,438	968	1,408	3	11	6	18	0	1
Culver.....	400	256	438	374	425	364	4	5	9	5	0	0
Downey.....	1,215	712	1,238	1,237	1,185	1,189	5	28	47	20	0	0
East Los Angeles.....	658	739	5,810	3,358	5,726	3,232	66	66	18	60	0	0
Glendale.....	418	265	614	1,219	609	1,161	2	4	3	54	0	0
Inglewood.....	3,208	5,961	2,265	8,535	2,196	8,400	6	33	63	102	0	0
Long Beach.....	1,170	1,263	807	4,366	774	3,969	8	271	25	126	0	0
Los Angeles.....	22,577	5,642	12,947	8,385	12,846	8,185	31	25	70	175	0	0
Los Cerritos.....	452	433	293	995	272	979	2	2	19	14	0	0
Malibu.....	434	318	517	521	507	519	6	1	4	1	0	0
Newhall.....	4,421	1,327	4,022	1,934	4,014	1,922	2	2	6	10	0	0
Pasadena.....	418	306	28	166	15	121	1	18	12	27	0	0
Pomona.....	1,000	1,018	464	588	428	571	1	4	35	13	0	0
Rio Hondo ^b	847	273	738	536	725	506	4	5	8	25	0	0
San Antonio ^b	0	685	0	4,486	0	4,475	0	3	0	8	0	0
Santa Anita.....	530	753	766	862	738	828	4	3	24	31	0	0
Santa Monica.....	374	416	859	1,009	831	986	12	14	16	9	0	0
South Bay ^b	2,490	2,304	15,924	14,640	15,657	14,403	127	56	140	181	0	0
South Gate.....	0	194	0	106	0	102	0	1	0	3	0	0
Southeast ^b	2,094	813	7,552	3,253	7,536	3,231	0	2	16	20	0	0
Whittier.....	928	956	857	1,015	814	930	3	18	40	67	0	0
Marin:												
Central.....	2,266	1,886	2,391	2,572	2,255	2,457	19	13	111	94	6	8
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	2,940	0	2,611	0	2,513	0	17	0	29	0	52	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	1,472	1,441	2,172	1,710	2,038	1,598	25	32	109	80	0	0
Salinas.....	3,298	3,230	3,527	5,948	2,588	5,857	869	32	70	59	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^b	410	63	380	35	273	32	21	3	43	0	43	0
Orange:												
Central Orange County	2,909	2,411	5,342	2,603	5,286	2,574	6	3	50	26	0	0
North Orange County	1,936	1,793	1,588	1,847	1,544	1,752	8	19	36	76	0	0
Orange County Harbor	1,076	928	1,139	678	1,125	660	1	0	10	7	3	11
South Orange County	321	294	3,315	2,281	3,306	2,269	0	1	9	11	0	0
West Orange County	2,443	1,102	2,548	5,537	2,477	5,489	4	6	64	42	3	0
Riverside:												
Corona	229	235	365	341	323	293	3	0	39	48	0	0
Desert ^b	2,548	1,902	2,629	2,186	2,605	2,145	5	7	19	34	0	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	1,919	1,344	2,492	1,594	2,456	1,518	17	49	19	27	0	0
River side	2,318	1,552	5,072	5,176	5,019	5,114	5	12	48	50	0	0
Three Lakes ^b	197	0	353	0	326	0	22	0	5	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	11,171	10,451	9,099	7,344	9,029	7,284	1	0	68	60	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	9,394	10,119	18,029	16,348	17,582	15,741	63	261	383	346	1	0
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^b	4,403	3,010	8,698	4,680	8,651	4,517	6	94	41	69	0	0
North County ^b	7,120	6,115	22,336	14,626	22,165	14,535	25	12	146	79	0	0
San Diego ^b	11,858	7,080	16,906	25,195	16,688	24,994	33	42	185	159	0	0
South Bay ^b	4,020	3,081	3,296	1,436	3,228	1,391	2	20	43	25	23	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	2,153	2,419	21,410	5,481	20,303	3,976	1,090	1,430	16	75	1	0
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	572	360	740	422	536	362	4	1	16	16	184	43
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	909	655	913	984	797	843	2	42	10	15	104	84
Stockton	1,739	1,438	1,373	1,354	1,365	1,340	2	4	6	10	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	2,094	1,004	1,257	812	1,238	745	0	10	19	57	0	0
San Mateo:												
Central	907	519	3,256	1,183	3,013	1,059	193	14	45	110	0	0
Northern	5,334	4,900	2,162	3,315	2,123	3,219	15	38	24	58	0	0
Southern	508	401	4,788	6,081	4,521	5,942	236	103	31	36	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^b	336	129	564	173	537	167	7	0	20	6	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta	1,056	877	1,253	895	1,227	841	8	10	18	44	0	0
Santa Maria	727	392	672	728	634	660	2	17	36	51	0	0

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Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b		
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76	
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76			
Santa Clara:													
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	732	0	961	0	935	0	22	0	3	0	1	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga.....	702	825	2,354	1,069	2,323	1,027	5	6	26	36	0	0	0
Falo Alto-Mountain View.....	481	275	602	815	489	765	8	1	105	49	0	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas.....	5,563	5,448	9,568	8,744	9,104	8,533	8	65	449	143	7	3	3
Santa Clara.....	2,432	1,844	2,354	1,689	2,296	1,634	2	1	56	54	0	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino.....	899	628	688	1,046	644	973	2	16	42	57	0	0	0
Santa Cruz:													
Santa Cruz County.....	2,297	751	2,433	1,597	1,907	1,247	14	52	35	53	477	245	0
Solano:													
Northern Solano ^b	2,158	1,607	5,331	3,486	5,244	3,370	16	25	71	91	0	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	1,114	1,091	2,198	1,907	2,150	1,847	7	11	41	49	0	0	0
Sonoma:													
Sonoma County.....	3,204	2,836	5,789	5,308	5,663	5,228	38	30	88	50	0	0	0
Stanislaus:													
Stanislaus County ^b	3,437	2,743	3,014	1,989	2,874	1,858	19	34	121	97	0	0	0
Sutter:													
Sutter County ^b	652	1,943	456	1,844	353	1,381	26	15	21	242	56	206	0
Tulare:													
Porterville.....	499	450	743	685	707	643	8	24	28	14	0	4	4
Tulare-Pixley.....	454	0	1,013	0	993	0	15	0	5	0	0	0	0
Visalia.....	863	1,250	679	984	655	891	8	74	15	19	1	0	0
Ventura:													
Ventura County.....	7,687	4,863	13,066	8,937	12,828	8,724	18	22	220	191	0	0	0
Yolo:													
Yolo County ^b	820	0	712	0	607	0	2	0	49	0	54	0	0

^a Group D traffic misdemeanors are all other traffic misdemeanor offenses except those specified in Group C. Examples of Group D traffic misdemeanors are speed contests, driving without a driver's license, failure to appear after signing citation, violation of weight limit for trucks, reckless driving without injury and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 31C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS °
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76		
State Total.....	4,356,682	4,024,303 ^R	3,879,166	3,623,836	3,741,869	3,500,103	32,268	31,753	73,882	68,272	31,147	23,708
Alameda:												
Alameda.....	8,603	8,002	8,128	7,419	7,970	7,337	75	14	73	67	10	1
Berkeley-Albany.....	22,636	21,526	27,442	22,193	26,898	21,722	142	78	402	393	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City ^b	28,153	25,073	28,804	24,566	27,762	23,637	440	336	612	593	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton.....	29,937	28,686	29,574	26,003	29,280	25,610	88	73	256	320	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont.....	119,971	125,276	130,058	126,939	128,087	124,962	337	430	1,584	1,547	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward.....	57,208	51,689	54,698	49,863	52,995	48,529	612	300	1,091	1,031	0	3
Butte:												
Chico.....	7,127	6,874	7,044	6,460	5,985	5,489	43	110	351	300	655	561
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^b	21,296	0	16,868	0	14,568	0	197	0	716	0	1,387	0
Delta.....	12,779	11,514	13,014	10,650	11,590	9,309	122	84	250	211	1,062	1,046
Mt. Diablo.....	33,170	28,072	28,949	25,774	24,768	22,038	309	280	897	841	2,975	2,615
Richmond ^b	10,097	19,484	7,968	17,202	6,525	13,889	14	18	350	644	1,079	2,651
Walnut Creek-Danville.....	30,382	32,544	27,665	28,432	23,724	24,432	74	131	774	910	3,093	2,959
West ^b	9,945	17,961	9,698	16,291	9,191	15,697	21	63	456	475	30	56
Fresno:												
Fresno.....	46,290	46,049	44,310	46,341	43,752	45,851	12	2	546	488	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka.....	6,402	6,866	6,299	6,908	6,048	6,631	195	154	55	123	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^b	38,103	20,230	26,755	10,356	26,141	10,189	364	71	240	94	10	2
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^b	0	48,332	0	44,210	0	43,378	0	214	0	618	0	0
East Kern ^b	6,822	0	6,475	0	6,068	0	16	0	62	0	329	0
West Kern ^b	58,334	0	51,876	0	50,643	0	86	0	573	0	874	0

TABLE 31C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS^a—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra.....	52,120	32,793	40,300	29,079	39,352	28,011	35	235	913	833	0	0
Antelope.....	18,320	22,016	17,636	19,998	17,387	19,642	25	94	224	262	0	0
Beverly Hills.....	22,988	18,757	16,097	14,244	15,632	13,779	18	7	447	438	0	0
Burbank.....	18,245	18,816	14,071	15,369	13,874	15,079	69	94	128	196	0	0
Citrus.....	67,946	69,621	54,684	57,152	53,500	56,035	229	44	955	1,071	0	2
Compton.....	74,226	70,404	69,551	65,431	68,133	64,245	668	829	750	357	0	0
Culver.....	13,552	13,846	12,575	13,178	12,129	12,626	339	295	107	254	0	3
Downey.....	33,724	32,366	32,923	34,011	32,329	33,515	59	71	535	425	0	0
East Los Angeles.....	39,320	41,090	33,635	32,895	32,645	31,964	656	589	332	342	2	0
Glendale.....	22,192	24,444	21,420	22,870	20,877	22,366	160	165	380	338	3	1
Inglewood.....	47,698	42,997	36,010	36,345	35,080	35,354	113	515	817	476	0	0
Long Beach.....	67,328	70,074	63,984	63,430	62,331	61,764	803	683	825	979	22	4
Los Angeles.....	744,858	730,606	652,353	639,408	634,570	619,293	37	3,746	17,746	16,369	0	0
Los Cerritos.....	31,553	33,247	28,941	31,335	28,203	30,740	141	35	597	560	0	0
Malibu.....	20,041	22,927	21,325	21,877	20,978	21,526	35	38	312	313	0	0
Newhall.....	25,956	24,217	22,722	22,209	22,302	21,729	194	263	226	217	0	0
Pasadena.....	36,944	42,705	32,353	32,571	31,591	31,631	71	105	700	834	1	1
Pomona.....	29,106	29,390	29,442	29,312	28,895	28,775	31	59	516	478	0	0
Rio Hondo ^b	29,648	37,683	26,946	30,127	26,728	29,457	112	251	106	419	0	0
San Antonio ^b	0	18,092	0	13,679	0	13,609	0	2	0	68	0	0
Santa Anita.....	17,533	14,248	18,199	14,417	17,699	13,939	26	15	474	463	0	0
Santa Monica.....	21,596	22,501	18,162	21,210	18,812	19,926	912	830	438	454	0	0
South Bay.....	80,090	72,871	62,666	58,496	59,995	55,760	351	694	1,820	2,042	0	0
South Gate ^b	0	9,687	0	8,780	0	8,545	0	62	0	173	0	0
Southeast ^b	46,854	21,421	39,740	19,311	39,276	19,149	2	3	462	159	0	0
Whittier.....	39,758	39,103	37,176	37,136	35,497	35,349	391	508	1,287	1,279	1	0
Marin:												
Central.....	48,270	42,782	45,181	41,073	44,016	40,064	176	113	952	859	37	37
Merced:												
Merced County ^b	22,310	0	20,040	0	19,679	0	35	0	183	0	143	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^b	20,005	15,224	17,334	13,125	16,714	12,683	65	62	555	390	0	0
Salinas.....	20,455	20,160	18,045	18,957	16,557	18,520	1,359	63	329	374	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^b	15,381	6,349	17,836	6,475	15,061	5,642	474	113	258	74	2,043	646
Orange:												
Central Orange County	96,010	84,426	88,956	75,760	87,536	74,531	161	33	1,259	1,190	0	6
North Orange County	80,966	82,203	81,632	83,834	79,076	81,229	106	261	1,984	1,984	466	360
Orange County Harbor	87,700	75,720	85,957	77,885	77,660	72,755	384	389	849	211	7,064	4,530
South Orange County	32,207	32,505	30,436	30,633	27,877	28,128	11	66	272	426	2,276	2,013
West Orange County	92,635	87,117	77,490	73,211	74,825	70,673	1,363	1,298	1,302	1,240	0	0
Riverside:												
Corona ^b	14,659	13,833	13,732	13,681	13,478	13,446	59	30	195	205	0	0
Desert ^b	46,595	43,831	44,656	34,494	44,151	34,122	33	56	466	286	6	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^b	32,151	21,445	27,880	18,070	27,617	17,780	50	146	213	144	0	0
Riverside	49,702	42,474	46,178	38,562	45,628	38,121	80	50	468	391	2	0
Three Lakes ^b	4,064	0	3,848	0	3,769	0	59	0	20	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	119,283	100,780	98,371	87,672	98,214	87,315	0	2	157	355	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	118,675	119,110	104,092	106,201	102,401	104,739	685	381	1,005	1,077	1	4
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^b	65,272	34,617	57,667	31,945	55,646	30,815	1,385	702	635	427	1	1
North County ^b	75,290	62,570	64,928	53,377	63,120	51,896	166	168	1,642	1,313	0	0
San Diego ^b	168,384	167,249	159,818	156,062	154,794	151,296	3,240	2,425	1,776	2,341	0	0
South Bay ^b	38,856	40,035	37,349	35,371	36,459	34,298	38	317	849	756	3	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	94,391	94,107	68,896	85,003	61,778	77,662	6,737	7,161	375	175	6	5
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	9,697	10,863	8,906	9,940	7,966	8,641	19	23	187	207	734	1,069
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	24,117	23,189	20,518	18,703	19,673	17,839	34	182	243	186	568	496
Stockton	34,517	34,236	35,543	32,396	34,954	31,963	72	62	517	371	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	42,334	40,900 ^R	37,976	36,505	33,598	32,829	158	338	525	334	3,695	3,004
San Mateo:												
Central	65,539	53,015	54,772	43,889	51,434	41,739	2,257	1,264	1,081	885	0	1
Northern	33,630	38,168	36,409	38,658	35,190	37,214	201	247	1,018	1,197	0	0
Southern	42,957	40,685	35,260	33,471	32,721	31,255	1,618	1,498	921	718	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^b	4,433	2,045	4,236	1,959	4,080	1,895	19	2	137	62	0	0
Santa Barbara-Goleta	31,471	28,584	23,686	26,994	28,307	26,689	97	61	282	244	0	0
Santa Maria	12,589	11,816	10,447	10,498	10,220	10,321	11	26	216	151	0	0

**TABLE 31C—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS OF NONPARKING TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS ^a—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^b	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^b	6,965	0	4,644	0	4,518	0	126	0	0	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga.....	25,257	23,469	22,896	22,142	21,785	21,019	277	237	833	886	1	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	48,490	47,442	39,001	43,296	37,973	42,181	77	40	951	1,075	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	144,800	122,651	108,754	94,912	105,640	92,488	6	19	3,108	2,405	0	0
Santa Clara	17,709	16,883	17,176	15,117	16,160	14,235	8	16	1,008	865	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	17,168	20,496	18,023	20,069	17,406	19,244	2	34	615	791	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County	35,398	31,869	28,431	29,778	25,377	27,087	361	496	635	679	2,058	1,516
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^b	45,065	35,947	35,156	31,531	34,301	30,899	204	147	651	485	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^b	9,812	10,286	8,302	3,705	8,015	8,394	21	25	266	286	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County	49,000	46,615	46,017	50,814	44,995	49,947	274	225	748	642	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^b	36,225	27,048	34,558	28,394	32,984	27,333	62	39	1,512	1,022	0	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^b	7,932	2,228	7,874	2,048	7,039	1,654	156	123	104	158	575	113
Tulare:												
Porterville	5,873	5,444	5,103	5,104	4,944	4,961	21	62	138	81	0	0
Tulare-Pixley ^b	9,543	0	8,419	0	8,300	0	41	0	78	0	0	0
Visalia	16,814	14,717	15,058	14,002	14,653	13,648	158	74	239	278	8	2
Ventura:												
Ventura County	76,649	75,020	58,751	70,073	57,106	68,405	118	87	1,527	1,581	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^b	10,554	0	9,392	0	8,874	0	71	0	210	0	237	0

^a Examples of traffic infractions are running a stop sign, speeding, improper operation of vehicle, faulty equipment and improper registration.

^b For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

^c Revised.

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County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters		1976-77	1975-76
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	8,763,280	8,403,381	7,584,020	7,226,615	7,521,134	7,177,362	59,362	46,423	3,437	2,777	37	53
Alameda:												
Alameda	2,907	1,444	2,780	1,943	2,704	1,930	54	6	21	7	1	0
Berkeley-Albany	320,795	306,467	306,689	299,232	306,559	299,148	56	24	74	60	0	0
Fremont-Newark-Union City	7,606	8,171	3,007	1,056	2,971	1,029	20	4	16	23	0	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	4,153	4,962	4,555	3,599	4,552	3,574	0	5	3	20	0	0
Oakland-Piedmont	392,882	397,579	408,046	406,286	407,742	405,929	254	576	50	81	0	0
San Leandro-Hayward	23,474	25,725	18,825	23,229	18,672	23,095	71	114	82	20	0	0
Butte:												
Chico	60,079	47,865	52,986	48,109	52,964	48,065	0	0	22	44	0	0
Contra Costa:												
Bay ^a	14,357	0	10,827	0	10,821	0	2	0	4	0	0	0
Delta	4,147	4,339	4,045	4,259	4,029	4,244	6	9	5	1	5	5
Mt. Diablo	41,860	34,966	34,741	34,517	34,725	34,478	7	19	8	20	1	0
Richmond ^a	8,132	19,001	7,428	16,254	7,418	16,211	0	0	10	28	0	15
Walnut Creek-Danville	51,514	46,390	48,372	46,366	48,346	46,341	5	9	21	14	0	2
West ^a	3,713	10,015	3,671	9,618	3,631	9,586	2	4	38	19	0	9
Fresno:												
Fresno	111,616	97,543	100,488	83,173	100,459	83,133	2	0	27	40	0	0
Humboldt:												
Eureka	25,780	40,572	27,412	39,771	27,362	39,769	42	2	8	0	0	0
Imperial:												
Imperial County ^a	9,097	6,080	3,778	3,331	3,778	3,323	0	2	0	6	0	0
Kern:												
Bakersfield ^a	0	38,794	0	35,392	0	35,392	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Kern ^a	177	0	136	0	135	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
West Kern ^a	35,948	0	39,850	0	39,842	0	0	0	1	0	7	0

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 Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing					
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters		Juvenile orders ^a	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:												
Alhambra	38,257	26,722	31,696	27,605	31,683	27,582	1	7	12	16	0	0
Antelope	1,746	2,033	1,926	1,834	1,924	1,834	0	0	2	0	0	0
Beverly Hills	271,088	249,571	226,743	204,118	226,731	204,107	2	0	10	11	0	0
Burbank	58,683	59,127	53,182	58,851	53,123	58,818	10	25	19	8	0	0
Citrus	28,599	25,301	21,090	19,411	21,051	19,382	28	11	31	18	0	0
Compton	45,499	42,786	53,160	24,111	53,138	24,089	15	14	7	8	0	0
Culver	35,794	27,768	30,000	25,043	25,024	24,941	153	51	23	51	0	0
Downey	48,743	37,443	43,557	31,138	43,285	31,115	2	2	27	21	0	0
East Los Angeles	42,807	47,776	39,635	42,217	39,575	42,184	53	32	7	1	0	0
Glendale	59,645	72,364	58,022	71,952	58,011	71,925	5	6	6	21	0	0
Inglewood	113,847	107,388	95,827	93,344	95,760	93,336	24	1	43	7	0	0
Long Beach	381,028	318,085	277,534	253,930	277,455	253,735	69	182	7	13	3	0
Los Angeles	1,671,880	1,603,958	1,176,745	1,097,477	1,175,363	1,095,794	14	540	1,368	1,143	0	0
Los Cerritos	38,573	33,267	29,375	28,522	29,352	28,511	12	1	11	10	0	0
Malibu	10,457	7,018	7,556	5,625	7,556	5,603	0	3	0	19	0	0
Newhall	2,861	2,190	2,122	1,849	2,115	1,839	4	9	3	1	0	0
Pasadena	86,737	99,237	83,726	54,182	83,679	54,127	10	8	37	47	0	0
Pomona	34,518	33,487	34,845	32,004	34,823	31,961	0	8	22	35	0	0
Rio Hondo ^a	13,614	15,796	11,520	15,850	11,518	15,849	0	1	2	0	0	0
San Antonio ^a	0	39,970	0	32,775	0	32,772	0	0	0	3	0	0
Santa Anita	9,671	7,666	9,037	8,344	9,027	8,343	1	1	9	0	0	0
Santa Monica	264,117	255,807	197,450	216,120	196,945	215,644	463	401	42	75	0	0
South Bay	216,218	215,180	202,349	224,749	202,140	224,544	96	42	113	163	0	0
South Gate ^a	0	11,251	0	8,411	0	8,398	0	7	0	6	0	0
Southeast ^a	104,411	33,542	79,242	26,161	79,242	26,160	0	0	0	1	0	0
Whittier	27,972	23,203	23,875	21,769	23,818	21,684	26	59	31	26	0	0
Marin:												
Central	151,914	163,962	144,351	147,188	144,298	147,104	12	16	41	68	0	0
Merced:												
Merced County ^a	11,934	0	10,337	0	10,335	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey:												
Monterey Peninsula ^a	127,429	115,458	126,177	112,396	126,101	112,312	35	54	41	30	0	0
Salinas	28,832	23,164	26,802	23,029	26,788	23,023	2	1	12	5	0	0

Napa:												
Napa County ^a	27,861	10,542	23,034	8,795	23,030	8,793	4	2	0	0	0	0
Orange:												
Central Orange County	56,524	42,765	50,547	38,817	50,534	38,810	0	0	13	7	0	0
North Orange County	135,281	119,487	129,900	107,863	129,790	107,788	10	9	76	66	0	0
Orange County Harbor	130,046	122,855	141,278	127,332	140,806	126,048	464	1,274	8	1	0	9
South Orange County	63,968	54,841	52,939	46,180	52,933	46,176	0	0	6	4	0	0
West Orange County	94,743	86,139	77,309	67,719	77,200	67,697	93	3	16	17	0	2
Riverside:												
Corona	1,670	888	1,258	754	1,258	754	0	0	0	0	0	0
Desert ^a	17,697	15,634	15,859	15,166	15,824	15,157	3	2	32	7	0	0
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	4,035	470	3,054	470	3,034	467	0	3	0	0	0	0
Riverside	51,920	35,684	38,754	33,090	38,750	33,083	2	0	2	7	0	0
Three Lakes ^a	46	0	38	0	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento:												
Sacramento	223,663	203,138	223,177	192,083	223,176	192,072	0	0	1	11	0	0
San Bernardino:												
San Bernardino County	20,059	38,445	22,852	26,286	22,824	26,269	17	1	11	16	0	0
San Diego:												
El Cajon ^a	16,742	14,470	8,130	7,785	8,115	7,746	13	7	2	2	0	0
North County ^a	30,197	23,132	25,722	22,419	25,667	22,407	15	3	40	0	0	0
San Diego	455,159	447,848	396,235	375,812	395,440	375,303	726	448	69	61	0	0
South Bay ^a	20,670	19,780	19,288	16,153	19,256	16,146	0	6	32	1	0	0
San Francisco:												
San Francisco	1,215,801	1,303,496	1,202,384	1,228,373	1,146,357	1,186,621	55,506	41,752	521	0	0	0
San Joaquin:												
Lodi	34,481	38,739	33,292	37,198	33,283	37,195	1	2	2	1	6	0
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	6,783	4,369	6,032	3,625	6,031	3,622	0	0	0	1	1	2
Stockton	83,508	92,236	83,768	103,018	83,758	103,004	0	1	10	13	0	0
San Luis Obispo:												
San Luis Obispo County	30,434	29,236	20,852	28,598	20,820	28,557	0	0	32	41	0	0
San Mateo:												
Central	102,381	101,466	96,636	81,949	96,135	81,479	497	469	4	1	0	0
Northern	91,692	88,549	88,349	78,746	88,345	78,743	3	2	1	1	0	0
Southern	48,849	43,339	37,469	33,025	37,120	32,634	291	357	58	34	0	0
Santa Barbara:												
Lompoc ^a	1,235	786	1,160	638	1,152	631	1	1	7	6	0	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta	72,553	65,570	59,117	60,429	59,078	60,379	10	19	29	31	0	0
Santa Maria	3,287	5,801	3,169	5,583	3,165	5,578	0	2	4	3	0	0

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County and Judicial District	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				Juvenile orders ^a	
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:												
Gilroy-Morgan Hill.....	1,734	0	1,119	0	1,118	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	17,209	20,762	17,434	17,469	17,414	17,425	4	1	16	43	0	0
Palo Alto-Mountain View	97,747	91,026	72,180	72,496	72,165	72,431	3	9	12	56	0	0
San Jose-Milpitas	172,390	162,393	119,869	135,372	119,847	135,371	0	0	22	1	0	0
Santa Clara	9,700	5,988	6,486	5,334	6,477	5,322	0	0	9	12	0	0
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	8,456	9,179	8,777	8,414	8,751	8,413	0	0	26	1	0	0
Santa Cruz:												
Santa Cruz County.....	194,117	110,728	119,608	106,301	119,429	106,106	109	87	61	99	9	9
Solano:												
Northern Solano ^a	8,576	6,155	6,545	5,124	6,544	5,123	0	0	1	1	0	0
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	12,443	12,365	10,627	10,604	10,619	10,593	3	1	5	10	0	0
Sonoma:												
Sonoma County.....	84,279	75,757	75,197	61,587	75,178	61,586	13	1	6	0	0	0
Stanislaus:												
Stanislaus County ^a	44,191	37,194	37,118	34,001	37,090	33,970	4	4	24	27	0	0
Sutter:												
Sutter County ^a	3,143	578	1,994	1,143	1,985	1,143	5	0	3	0	1	0
Tulare:												
Porterville.....	2,956	3,257	3,143	2,810	3,140	2,809	2	1	1	0	0	0
Tulare-Pixley ^a	223	0	220	0	220	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Visalia.....	10,111	14,169	8,043	8,480	8,043	8,479	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ventura:												
Ventura County	53,948	53,569	39,145	43,473	39,145	43,469	0	0	0	4	0	0
Yolo:												
Yolo County ^a	21,066	0	19,450	0	19,437	0	2	0	9	0	2	0

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

**TABLE 32—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF SMALL CLAIMS FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Total	390,390	^R 390,453	291,226	298,112	70,562	70,798	114,862	121,680	105,802	105,634
Alameda:										
Alameda	1,266	1,084	911	882	149	153	414	404	348	325
Berkeley-Albany	2,297	2,140	1,772	2,029	353	392	581	711	838	926
Fremont-Newark-Union City	2,382	2,423	2,050	2,007	357	353	927	848	766	806
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	1,254	1,149	919	1,077	223	188	345	352	351	537
Oakland-Piedmont	12,140	13,122	8,858	9,553	1,583	1,529	4,409	4,936	2,866	3,088
San Leandro-Hayward	5,780	5,970	4,216	4,799	824	972	1,748	2,032	1,544	1,795
Butte:										
Chico	1,132	1,111	834	853	177	168	345	335	312	350
Contra Costa:										
Bay ^a	1,887	0	1,652	0	238	0	865	0	549	0
Delta	1,823	1,709	1,514	1,657	346	451	738	823	430	383
Mt. Diablo	3,332	3,518	2,643	2,846	515	660	1,119	1,146	1,009	1,040
Richmond ^a	940	2,027	741	1,625	171	317	316	794	254	515
Walnut Creek-Danville	2,886	2,871	2,369	2,398	766	714	790	839	813	845
West ^a	634	1,579	516	1,134	66	228	221	436	289	470
Fresno:										
Fresno	7,421	7,192	5,065	5,430	1,042	1,185	2,254	2,070	1,769	2,175
Humboldt:										
Eureka	927	1,177	868	1,051	303	218	342	539	223	294
Imperial:										
Imperial County ^a	1,360	652	985	411	232	137	441	172	312	102
Kern:										
Bakersfield ^a	0	5,745	0	4,469	0	1,084	0	2,642	0	743
East Kern ^a	485	0	372	0	134	0	128	0	110	0
West Kern ^a	6,785	0	5,389	0	1,576	0	2,864	0	949	0

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SUMMARY OF SMALL CLAIMS FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:										
Alhambra.....	3,930	4,067	2,898	3,185	949	880	1,057	1,243	892	1,062
Antelope.....	1,564	1,774	1,388	1,315	369	361	507	541	512	413
Beverly Hills.....	3,260	3,377	2,014	2,600	534	641	640	870	840	1,089
Burbank.....	1,504	1,477	1,219	1,107	312	182	342	415	565	510
Citrus.....	5,963	6,167	4,124	4,774	901	947	1,573	2,022	1,650	1,905
Compton.....	6,225	7,109	4,219	5,001	715	1,203	2,146	2,533	1,358	1,265
Culver.....	2,147	2,224	1,478	1,566	331	416	612	562	535	588
Downey.....	3,755	4,225	2,680	3,057	502	769	1,149	1,250	1,029	1,038
East Los Angeles.....	4,076	4,238	2,498	2,807	461	553	1,139	1,350	898	904
Glendale.....	2,515	2,874	1,911	2,146	555	509	641	825	715	812
Inglewood.....	6,850	7,457	4,009	4,302	811	510	1,877	2,217	1,321	1,575
Long Beach.....	9,134	9,261	6,821	7,084	1,316	1,592	3,760	3,752	1,745	1,740
Los Angeles.....	51,228	53,212	36,831	38,963	6,809	7,573	13,102	14,654	16,920	16,736
Los Cerritos.....	3,016	3,207	2,210	2,302	577	596	803	883	830	823
Malibu.....	645	586	456	392	44	45	163	129	249	218
Newhall.....	838	888	668	682	148	160	263	260	257	262
Pasadena.....	3,828	3,789	2,444	3,118	99	498	1,081	1,320	1,264	1,300
Pomona.....	2,988	2,882	1,956	2,061	401	359	792	915	763	787
Rio Hondo ^a	2,946	3,058	2,336	2,281	610	481	959	1,038	767	762
San Antonio ^a	0	2,160	0	1,400	0	264	0	632	0	504
Santa Anita.....	1,313	1,321	1,023	938	199	171	360	331	464	436
Santa Monica.....	2,801	2,737	1,907	1,928	404	425	595	667	908	836
South Bay.....	7,124	6,819	5,002	5,175	940	1,154	1,909	1,974	2,153	2,047
South Gate ^a	0	784	0	658	0	209	0	242	0	207
Southeast ^a	4,256	1,835	3,014	1,456	674	352	1,317	672	1,023	432
Whittier.....	3,327	3,397	2,512	2,517	516	545	972	995	1,024	977
Central.....	3,343	3,203	3,187	3,128	1,312	1,274	706	673	1,169	1,181
Merced:										
Merced County ^a	976	0	419	0	74	0	235	0	110	0
Monterey:										
Monterey Peninsula ^a	2,131	1,865	1,672	1,416	369	300	704	615	599	501
Salinas.....	2,416	2,489	1,602	1,709	487	431	712	860	403	418

Napa:										
Napa County ^a	1,366	416	1,100	253	184	28	501	115	415	110
Orange:										
Central Orange County	11,342	12,364	7,525	8,800	2,126	2,495	3,134	3,820	2,265	2,485
North Orange County	12,040	12,977	8,769	10,008	2,158	2,598	3,741	4,401	2,870	3,009
Orange County Harbor	4,575	4,167	3,244	3,043	739	604	1,095	1,141	1,410	1,298
South Orange County	2,706	2,382	1,745	1,763	388	433	570	601	787	729
West Orange County	8,886	9,831	7,682	8,902	2,533	2,948	2,341	3,073	2,808	2,891
Riverside:										
Corona	1,241	1,309	830	1,044	239	218	307	456	334	370
Desert ^a	4,492	R 4,334	3,580	3,331	896	847	1,445	1,348	1,239	1,136
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	1,289	1,137	1,029	781	287	211	336	232	406	338
Riverside	5,244	5,579	4,023	4,305	816	962	1,824	2,070	1,445	1,273
Three Lakes ^a	449	0	324	0	69	0	93	0	162	0
Sacramento:										
Sacramento	13,376	12,597	10,017	9,987	2,741	2,564	3,771	3,722	3,505	3,701
San Bernardino:										
San Bernardino County	11,396	12,847	8,998	10,055	2,795	3,025	3,733	4,513	2,470	2,517
San Diego:										
El Cajon ^a	4,440	4,363	3,608	3,379	942	775	1,328	1,254	1,338	1,350
North County ^a	6,804	6,150	5,494	6,018	1,722	2,783	2,011	1,758	1,761	1,477
San Diego ^a	14,707	15,079	11,711	12,516	3,783	3,749	3,977	4,457	3,951	4,300
South Bay ^a	4,250	3,470	3,345	2,470	927	558	1,112	887	1,306	1,025
San Francisco:										
San Francisco	13,207	12,923	9,231	8,972	1,920	1,579	3,401	3,455	3,910	3,938
San Joaquin:										
Lodi	1,354	1,346	1,008	1,080	211	267	543	551	254	262
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	1,253	1,168	1,047	963	186	215	461	460	400	288
Stockton	4,335	4,042	3,449	3,140	1,068	867	1,709	1,380	672	893
San Luis Obispo:										
San Luis Obispo County	2,592	2,764	1,839	2,012	536	593	656	779	647	640
San Mateo:										
Central	2,319	2,041	2,127	1,935	387	347	827	769	913	829
Northern	2,777	2,598	1,749	1,999	225	419	770	788	754	792
Southern	2,421	2,427	1,856	1,951	453	461	588	629	811	861
Santa Barbara:										
Lompoc ^a	554	258	508	138	152	59	166	59	190	20
Santa Barbara-Goleta	3,530	3,270	3,149	3,029	1,131	962	962	862	1,065	1,205
Santa Maria	1,940	1,794	1,419	1,454	376	415	627	663	416	376

TABLE 32—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF SMALL CLAIMS FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Santa Clara:										
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	414	0	226	0	25	0	120	0	81	0
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga	1,304	1,450	1,056	1,222	308	351	304	309	444	562
Palo Alto-Mountain View	2,268	2,180	1,805	1,690	453	458	614	537	738	695
San Jose-Milpitas	11,747	13,659	9,123	9,271	2,456	2,302	3,572	3,985	3,095	2,984
Santa Clara	1,785	1,757	1,246	1,309	264	264	511	543	471	502
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	2,447	2,281	3,555	1,698	2,305	458	597	557	653	683
Santa Cruz:										
Santa Cruz County	2,811	2,585	2,091	2,056	478	485	682	751	931	820
Solano:										
Northern Solano ^a	1,381	1,144	1,086	997	247	331	368	367	471	399
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	1,838	1,695	1,460	1,321	323	235	576	585	561	501
Sonoma:										
Sonoma County	4,658	4,710	3,320	3,581	800	781	1,204	1,413	1,316	1,387
Stanislaus:										
Stanislaus County ^a	2,517	2,023	1,609	1,481	251	161	719	678	639	642
Sutter:										
Sutter County ^a	694	301	478	219	69	8	231	114	178	97
Tulare:										
Porterville	661	672	543	506	143	115	256	221	144	170
Tulare-Pixley ^a	344	0	237	0	53	0	110	0	74	0
Visalia	1,360	1,272	1,109	1,097	142	143	519	566	448	388
Ventura:										
Ventura County	9,233	9,265	6,937	7,046	1,615	1,675	3,214	3,292	2,108	1,379
Yolo:										
Yolo County ^a	1,093	0	655	0	166	0	283	0	206	0

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the court on Table 28.

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**TABLE 33—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF CIVIL (Excludes Small Claims) FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
							1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
State Totals	331,170	317,438	252,674	239,796	180,698	168,846	57,119	58,203	14,887	12,747
Alameda:										
Alameda	748	677	509	487	411	371	65	81	33	35
Berkeley-Albany	1,819	1,888	1,422	1,297	1,008	909	277	281	137	107
Fremont-Newark-Union City	2,163	2,144	1,721	1,528	974	931	668	497	79	100
Livermore-Pleasanton ^a	667	691	673	584	556	450	64	67	43	67
Oakland-Piedmont	12,479	12,592	9,675	9,061	9,043	7,771	187	984	445	306
San Leandro-Hayward	3,894	4,237	3,514	3,326	3,102	2,889	204	203	208	234
Butte:										
Chico	735	751	696	757	614	669	32	30	50	58
Contra Costa:										
Bay ^a	1,699	0	1,172	0	958	0	173	0	41	0
Delta	962	963	729	859	455	562	240	258	34	39
Mt. Diablo	2,055	2,008	1,623	1,652	1,482	1,467	63	89	78	74
Richmond ^a	1,107	2,109	74	1,726	694	1,400	58	277	22	49
Walnut Creek-Danville	1,357	1,420	1,005	1,090	939	959	25	44	75	87
West ^a	553	1,145	497	858	360	779	116	47	21	32
Fresno:										
Fresno	6,890	6,216	5,341	4,842	5,146	4,441	44	311	151	90
Humboldt:										
Eureka	741	796	659	633	507	517	84	70	68	46
Imperial:										
Imperial County ^a	601	402	426	135	293	91	72	35	61	9
Kern:										
Bakersfield ^a	0	3,407	0	2,801	0	2,297	0	425	0	79
East Kern ^a	72	0	52	0	41	0	1	0	10	0
West Kern ^a	3,973	0	3,999	0	2,589	0	378	0	132	0

TABLE 33—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF CIVIL (Excludes Small Claims) FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing			
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
Los Angeles:										
Alhambra	1,633	1,664	1,210	1,224	709	827	430	326	71	71
Antelope	745	825	628	608	490	457	93	109	45	42
Beverly Hills	3,458	3,832	2,484	2,561	2,257	2,336	79	86	148	139
Burbank	1,245	1,083	790	823	603	621	146	161	41	41
Citrus	3,987	3,595	3,385	2,840	2,046	1,835	1,083	851	256	154
Compton	6,191	5,633	4,304	4,105	2,076	2,302	1,987	1,655	241	148
Culver	1,925	1,722	1,336	1,117	771	665	520	419	45	33
Downey	2,781	2,251	1,913	1,676	1,276	1,140	511	429	126	107
East Los Angeles	1,336	1,239	1,127	1,132	831	784	209	276	87	72
Glendale	1,452	1,582	1,127	1,004	1,059	850	15	94	53	60
Inglewood	6,537	6,025	5,115	4,079	4,054	2,869	638	972	423	238
Long Beach	6,568	6,265	4,722	4,834	4,369	4,298	196	375	157	161
Los Angeles	77,164	77,743	58,460	59,948	31,195	31,364	23,204	25,018	4,061	3,566
Los Cerritos	1,902	2,018	1,483	1,496	914	936	482	464	87	76
Malibu	387	380	304	286	238	191	31	59	35	36
Newhall	477	392	299	247	267	204	12	21	20	22
Pasadena	3,038	2,953	2,293	1,824	1,217	1,308	922	361	154	155
Pomona	2,429	2,355	2,180	2,092	1,100	1,135	1,018	915	62	42
Rio Hondo ^a	2,043	2,056	1,464	1,576	932	953	451	537	81	86
San Antonio	0	1,104	0	809	0	596	0	207	0	6
Santa Anita	932	919	750	741	491	451	219	252	40	38
Santa Monica	2,361	2,227	1,725	1,597	1,220	1,117	418	380	87	100
South Bay	5,343	5,046	3,811	3,317	2,369	2,004	1,106	1,083	336	230
South Gate ^a	0	412	0	331	0	224	0	91	0	16
Southeast ^a	2,931	1,217	1,901	860	1,115	546	693	289	93	25
Whittier	2,599	2,548	2,051	2,098	1,473	1,689	403	301	175	103
Marin:										
Central	2,771	2,706	2,344	2,270	2,177	2,101	18	22	149	147
Merced:										
Merced County ^a	695	0	430	0	415	0	11	0	4	0
Monterey:										
Monterey Peninsula ^a	1,519	1,604	1,304	1,335	900	1,052	261	190	143	93
Salinas	1,496	1,389	1,263	1,215	1,054	989	145	167	64	59

Napa:										
Napa County ^a	886	264	647	107	512	94	78	9	57	4
Orange:										
Central Orange County	6,574	6,825	4,589	4,674	3,166	3,240	1,117	1,130	366	304
North Orange County	6,998	6,624	4,845	4,533	3,310	3,095	1,174	1,170	361	268
Orange County Harbor	3,088	3,026	2,321	2,074	2,078	1,827	97	106	146	141
South Orange County	1,569	1,469	1,008	971	700	686	245	225	65	60
West Orange County	5,746	5,333	4,209	3,596	2,762	2,338	1,119	983	328	275
Riverside:										
Corona	416	447	251	325	187	255	38	55	26	15
Desert ^a	2,332	1,589	1,590	1,184	1,468	1,050	35	56	87	78
Mt. San Jacinto ^a	410	296	355	184	270	125	51	30	34	29
Riverside	2,378	2,184	1,718	1,790	1,586	1,638	29	52	103	100
Three Lakes ^a	154	0	50	0	42	0	7	0	1	0
Sacramento:										
Sacramento	12,483	13,464	9,539	10,525	7,691	8,206	1,316	1,842	532	477
San Bernardino:										
San Bernardino County	5,039	5,028	4,273	4,065	2,736	2,712	1,303	1,162	234	191
San Diego:										
El Cajon ^a	2,822	2,466	2,010	1,850	1,860	1,718	26	16	124	116
North County ^a	2,491	2,335	1,803	1,649	1,194	1,161	467	389	142	99
San Diego ^a	12,760	11,614	10,631	9,345	6,376	5,550	3,636	3,381	589	414
South Bay ^a	1,647	1,557	1,250	954	1,129	905	27	12	94	37
San Francisco:										
San Francisco	15,228	15,390	11,455	11,322	7,795	7,231	3,198	3,502	462	589
San Joaquin:										
Lodi	414	439	395	433	353	378	20	32	22	23
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	731	654	455	491	343	329	73	71	39	91
Stockton	4,321	3,975	3,139	2,948	2,281	2,166	695	638	163	144
San Luis Obispo:										
San Luis Obispo County	1,419	1,337	1,139	1,093	895	930	122	74	1	89
San Mateo:										
Central	2,399	2,196	2,012	1,765	1,423	1,246	441	407	11	112
Northern	2,803	2,618	2,093	1,870	2,001	1,791	8	4	84	75
Southern	1,956	1,956	1,536	1,659	906	1,004	491	505	139	150
Santa Barbara:										
Lompoc ^a	267	108	223	78	199	76	9	2	15	0
Santa Barbara-Coleta	2,194	1,742	1,738	1,388	525	817	1,166	503	47	68
Santa Maria	953	768	801	771	775	674	2	78	24	19

**TABLE 33—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
SUMMARY OF CIVIL (Excludes Small Claims) FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS—Continued**

County and judicial district	Total filings		Total dispositions		Dispositions before hearing		Dispositions after hearing				
							Uncontested matters		Contested matters		
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	
Santa Clara:											
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	277	0	169	0	78	0	84	0	7	0	
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga.....	1,067	892	835	836	711	626	80	155	44	55	
Palo Alto-Mountain View.....	2,254	2,107	1,404	1,529	1,066	1,300	254	154	84	75	
San Jose-Milpitas.....	14,789	13,563	10,097	9,930	9,355	9,209	395	401	347	320	
Santa Clara.....	1,147	1,115	723	717	667	528	33	160	26	29	
Sunnyvale-Cupertino.....	1,999	1,819	2,609	1,430	2,518	1,362	19	5	72	63	
Santa Cruz:											
Santa Cruz County.....	2,286	2,134	1,780	1,706	1,261	1,306	417	283	102	117	
Solano:											
Northern Solano ^a	981	693	792	537	730	492	3	21	9	24	
Vallejo-Benicia ^a	996	1,105	836	915	802	830	15	56	19	29	
Sonoma:											
Sonoma County.....	3,440	3,090	2,970	2,330	2,770	2,138	94	75	106	117	
Stanislaus:											
Stanislaus County ^a	4,977	4,081	3,859	3,286	3,253	2,823	372	331	234	132	
Sutter:											
Sutter County ^a	552	228	414	216	366	200	36	3	12	13	
Tulare:											
Porterville.....	735	669	615	532	535	355	65	153	15	24	
Tulare-Pixley ^a	172	0	74	0	73	0	0	0	1	0	
Visalia.....	1,383	1,538	1,163	1,040	1,007	863	79	80	77	97	
Ventura:											
Ventura County.....	4,609	4,429	4,089	3,489	3,829	3,205	56	83	204	201	
Yolo County ^a	568	0	373	0	264	0	77	0	32	0	

^a For explanation, see footnote applicable to the count on Table 28.

**TABLE 34—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
NUMBER OF JURIES SELECTED AND SWORN
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Juries selected and sworn													
	Total		Reduced felonies (includes traffic and nontraffic)				Total		Traffic Selected ^b		Other		Civil ^c	
	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76
	Misdemeanors													
State totals	10,400	10,264	150	129	5,583	5,436	4,001	4,193	3,691	3,892	310	301	666	506
Alameda:														
Alameda	7	14	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	12
Berkeley-Albany	52	38	1	0	26	25	10	5	9	5	1	0	15	8
Fremont-Newark-Union City	92	84	0	0	50	63	41	21	38	20	3	1	1	0
Livermore-Pleasanton ^d	21	23	0	0	18	12	2	11	2	11	0	0	1	0
Oakland-Piedmont	370	323	2	9	257	174	99	123	91	114	8	9	12	17
San Leandro-Hayward	135	165	1	3	63	65	60	86	56	84	4	2	11	11
Butte:														
Chico	28	35	0	0	12	12	16	20	14	19	2	1	0	3
Contra Costa:														
Bay ^d	139	0	0	0	59	0	65	0	53	0	12	0	5	0
Delta	32	30	0	0	19	15	13	13	13	13	0	0	0	2
Mt. Diablo	95	108	0	0	40	43	54	64	54	62	0	2	1	1
Richmond ^d	29	101	0	0	14	63	11	34	10	29	1	5	4	4
Walnut Creek-Danville	81	68	0	1	22	13	56	50	54	49	2	1	3	4
West ^d	36	87	0	0	21	35	14	51	13	43	1	8	1	1
Fresno:														
Fresno	235	198	25	15	128	104	77	70	66	65	11	5	5	9
Humboldt:														
Eureka	48	27	1	0	14	8	32	16	31	15	1	1	1	3
Imperial:														
Imperial County ^d	48	22	1	0	29	10	18	11	18	11	0	0	0	1
Kern:														
Bakersfield ^d	0	119	0	0	0	68	0	49	0	44	0	5	0	2
East Kern ^d	7	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
West Kern ^d	134	0	0	0	73	0	57	0	51	0	6	0	4	0

**TABLE 34—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
NUMBER OF JURIES SELECTED AND SWORN—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Juries selected and sworn													
	Reduced felonies (includes traffic and nontraffic)						Misdemeanors							
	Total		Nontraffic		Total		Traffic Selected ^b		Other		Civil ^c			
1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76			
Los Angeles:														
Alhambra.....	88	84	5	0	45	48	36	34	33	28	3	6	2	2
Antelope.....	85	92	0	0	51	61	32	31	22	20	10	11	2	0
Beverly Hills.....	139	160	0	0	104	103	30	50	24	47	6	3	5	7
Burbank.....	24	21	0	0	11	12	4	9	4	8	0	1	9	0
Citrus.....	173	200	0	1	90	116	56	79	42	55	14	24	27	4
Compton.....	122	164	0	0	91	115	24	40	22	39	2	1	7	9
Culver.....	51	29	0	0	41	18	8	10	8	8	0	2	2	1
Downey.....	69	68	1	0	47	32	18	35	16	29	2	6	3	1
East Los Angeles.....	56	67	0	0	45	47	9	18	5	13	4	5	5	2
Glendale.....	75	91	0	0	53	50	14	37	12	27	2	10	3	4
Inglewood.....	94	96	1	0	71	65	19	26	14	25	5	1	3	5
Long Beach.....	197	164	1	0	129	100	57	57	51	56	1	1	10	7
Los Angeles.....	1,518	1,565	0	1	917	954	451	481	434	458	17	23	150	129
Los Cerritos.....	70	52	0	0	44	38	25	14	25	14	0	0	1	0
Malibu.....	8	35	0	0	4	18	1	11	1	8	0	3	3	6
Newhall.....	35	48	0	3	27	19	8	26	5	22	3	4	0	0
Pasadena.....	118	140	0	0	69	83	32	56	29	55	3	1	17	1
Pomona.....	86	88	0	0	65	68	16	18	15	18	1	0	5	2
Rio Hondo ^d	66	49	5	1	39	32	21	8	16	8	5	0	1	8
San Antonio ^d	0	100	0	7	0	78	0	15	0	13	0	2	0	0
Santa Anita.....	55	94	0	0	41	65	13	26	13	24	0	2	1	3
Santa Monica.....	65	81	0	3	36	37	27	37	24	34	3	3	2	4
South Bay.....	156	203	0	0	96	139	49	54	37	46	12	8	11	10
South Gate ^d	0	30	0	0	0	20	0	10	0	9	0	1	0	0
Southeast ^d	123	79	9	3	88	53	24	23	21	23	3	0	2	0
Whittier.....	136	127	1	0	69	63	62	57	52	47	10	10	4	7
Marin:														
Central.....	104	80	2	1	44	25	53	46	51	39	2	7	5	8
Merced County:														
Merced County ^d	13	0	0	0	9	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
Monterey:														
Monterey Peninsula ^d	178	122	0	0	65	58	108	61	103	60	5	1	5	3
Salinas.....	100	123	0	0	49	54	51	69	46	56	5	13	0	0

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Napa:														
Napa County ^d	29	17	0	0	12	9	15	8	12	8	3	0	2	0
Orange:														
Central Orange County	178	173	2	0	94	97	73	71	69	70	4	1	9	5
North Orange County	165	180	4	10	100	108	50	59	50	56	0	3	11	3
Orange County Harbor	104	69	0	0	57	33	43	30	41	28	2	2	4	6
South Orange County	77	82	0	0	53	57	23	23	19	19	4	4	1	2
West Orange County	180	193	10	10	76	74	85	104	75	101	10	3	9	5
Riverside:														
Corona ^d	13	30	0	0	8	24	5	6	3	4	2	2	0	0
Desert ^d	123	81	0	0	62	43	58	35	51	34	7	1	3	3
Mt. San Jacinto ^d	34	20	0	0	10	6	10	6	10	5	0	1	14	8
Riverside	112	138	0	0	64	98	45	39	38	35	7	4	3	1
Three Lakes ^d	10	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento	397	273	24	14	143	111	175	133	166	131	9	2	55	15
San Bernardino:														
San Bernardino County	353	421	11	8	146	163	190	245	181	233	9	12	6	5
San Diego:														
El Cajon ^d	154	116	13	2	69	58	69	50	67	48	2	2	3	6
North County ^d	221	200	0	0	89	89	119	108	114	106	5	2	13	3
San Diego ^d	528	599	7	10	267	340	206	230	204	222	2	8	49	19
South Bay ^d	112	106	4	0	65	54	40	52	36	44	4	8	3	0
San Francisco:														
San Francisco	208	214	2	4	154	119	16	44	16	40	0	4	36	47
San Joaquin:														
Lodi	7	14	0	0	3	9	4	3	4	1	0	2	0	2
Manteca-Ripon-Escalon-Tracy	22	29	0	2	9	16	10	4	10	4	0	0	3	7
Stockton	43	65	0	1	20	27	10	25	9	24	1	1	13	12
San Luis Obispo:														
San Luis Obispo County	66	52	0	0	19	16	46	33	45	31	1	2	1	3
San Mateo:														
Central	74	60	1	0	25	27	44	33	40	32	4	0	4	1
Northern	110	82	1	1	62	44	42	33	39	28	3	5	5	4
Southern	82	62	0	0	34	24	45	38	44	37	1	1	3	0
Santa Barbara:														
Lompoc ^d	8	5	0	0	6	1	2	4	2	4	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara-Goleta	85	108	0	0	47	60	34	46	34	45	0	1	4	2
Santa Maria	22	21	0	0	15	13	7	8	4	7	3	1	0	0

**TABLE 34—CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL COURTS
NUMBER OF JURIES SELECTED AND SWORN—Continued
Fiscal Years 1975-76 and 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Juries selected and sworn													
	Reduced felonies (includes traffic and nontraffic)						Misdemeanors							
	Total		Traffic Selected ^b		Nontraffic		Total		Traffic Selected ^b		Other		Civil ^c	
1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	1976-77	1975-76	
Santa Clara:														
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^a	11	0	0	0	5	0	4	0	4	0	0	2	0	
Los Gatos-Campbell-Saratoga ..	41	24	0	0	12	7	29	17	21	13	5	4	0	
Palo Alto-Mountain View	44	47	3	0	11	14	23	30	28	28	0	2	3	
San Jose-Milpitas	266	317	0	10	131	111	118	186	115	173	3	13	17	
Santa Clara	14	25	0	0	5	3	8	21	7	21	1	0	1	
Sunnyvale-Cupertino	34	47	0	0	11	10	22	34	16	33	6	1	3	
Santa Cruz:														
Santa Cruz County	79	80	1	0	41	29	28	48	23	45	5	3	9	
Solano:														
Northern Solano ^d	70	58	0	0	14	19	55	37	50	37	5	0	1	
Vallejo-Benicia ^d	85	75	1	3	22	17	62	53	60	52	2	1	0	
Sonoma:														
Sonoma County	66	90	2	0	47	42	15	41	14	37	1	4	2	
Stanislaus:														
Stanislaus County ^d	250	147	0	0	85	64	155	78	151	74	4	4	10	
Sutter:														
Sutter County ^d	36	15	1	0	19	4	16	10	12	10	4	0	1	
Tulare:														
Porterville	60	39	1	2	44	20	13	17	12	15	1	2	2	
Tulare-Pixley	21	0	1	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	
Visalia	85	110	5	4	44	56	30	45	29	44	1	1	6	
Ventura:														
Ventura County	119	86	0	0	55	37	55	45	45	40	10	5	9	
Yolo:														
Yolo County ^d	19	0	0	0	16	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	

^a "Juries selected and sworn" are not the equivalent of cases disposed of by verdict since a single jury may try consolidated cases which in criminal matters may result in multiple dispositions. No disposition is reported for hung juries.
^b Violations of Sections 20002, 23102, 23104 and 23105 of the Vehicle Code and Vehicle Code felonies filed as misdemeanors under Penal Code Section 17(b)4.
^c Data are for civil jury trials rather than civil juries sworn.
^d For explanation, see footnote applicable to the Court on Table 28.

**TABLE 35—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING AND ILLEGAL PARKING FILINGS
FISCAL YEAR 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total nonparking filings ^a	Criminal								Civil		
		Nontraffic				Traffic				Illegal Parking	Small Claims	Other
		Misdemeanors				Misdemeanors						
Felonies	Group A	Group B	Infract.	Group C	Group D	Infract.	Infract.					
State Totals.....	630,671	8,327	29,884	27,659	6,103	25,085	36,012	447,773	194,907	36,834	12,994	
Alpine:												
Alpine	1,089	0	16	158	19	6	19	866	216	2	3	
Amador:												
Amador	4,691	128	235	90	0	142	200	3,443	1,938	318	135	
Butte:												
Biggs.....	1,227	2	32	87	0	17	72	990	85	20	7	
Gridley.....	2,293	36	135	102	0	229	251	1,299	402	139	102	
Oroville.....	7,324	196	789	212	10	348	430	4,626	226	375	338	
Paradise.....	2,944	38	373	41	0	105	126	1,857	928	326	78	
Calaveras:												
Calaveras ^{b,c}	5,157	104	195	150	17	173	254	3,411	314	672	181	
Colusa:												
Colusa-Williams.....	8,373	43	176	416	0	318	171	6,907	308	287	55	
Del Norte:												
Del Norte County.....	7,678	97	371	188	0	380	67	6,082	286	383	110	
El Dorado:												
El Dorado.....	10,329	119	164	100	82	183	932	8,357	405	324	68	
Georgetown-Divide.....	665	10	65	98	12	25	46	316	17	103	20	
Lake Valley.....	12,453	302	872	286	209	334	705	8,711	1,785	636	398	
Placerville.....	9,464	84	406	204	0	265	349	7,396	5,994	515	245	
Fresno:												
Clovis-Ponderosa ^{d,e}	6,614	104	348	272	24	211	277	4,376	3,350	876	126	
Coalinga.....	13,359	63	429	698	36	423	1,030	10,269	479	323	88	
Firebaugh-Kerman ^{e,f}	10,783	196	485	993	59	772	694	6,924	193	376	84	
Fowler-Caruthers ^{f,g}	5,789	81	139	28	1	165	139	5,122	13	94	20	
Kingsburg-Riverdale ^{g,h}	4,934	50	143	68	0	151	227	4,036	44	213	46	
Parlier-Selma ^{h,i}	7,839	85	448	504	0	277	396	5,717	1,210	376	36	
Reedley-Dunlap ^{i,j}	3,669	76	396	75	0	212	323	1,978	4,512	566	43	
Sanger.....	3,972	82	258	267	164	151	220	2,346	932	457	27	

**TABLE 35—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING AND ILLEGAL PARKING FILINGS—Continued
FISCAL YEAR 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total nonparking filings ^a	Criminal									Civil		
		Nontraffic				Traffic					Illegal Parking	Small Claims	Other
		Felonies	Group A	Group B	Infractions	Group C	Group D	Infractions					
Glenn:													
Orland	3,566	29	106	89	146	184	159	2,620	79	161	72		
Willows	4,563	47	71	210	0	140	0	3,852	11	155	88		
Humboldt:													
Arcata	10,058	0	514	321	252	562	87	7,570	14,315	493	259		
Fortuna	4,733	0	221	394	0	217	422	3,029	290	365	85		
Garberville	1,709	0	164	76	0	198	93	968	66	183	27		
Klamath-Trinity	1,278	4	195	126	0	63	139	548	7	143	60		
Inyo:													
Inyo County ^{j,c}	7,547	143	292	263	208	222	309	5,795	939	251	64		
Kern:													
Arvin-Lamont ^k	2,801	0	218	435	0	101	274	1,641	123	128	4		
Buttonwillow ^k	1,089	0	14	18	2	9	8	1,021	2	14	3		
Delano-McFarland ^k	4,434	0	406	461	127	132	299	2,721	306	145	143		
Indian Wells ^k	2,582	0	234	34	0	91	133	1,760	59	286	44		
Kern River-Rapid ^m	211	0	38	67	0	4	0	78	0	22	2		
Mariocopa-Taft ^k	11,195	0	237	329	0	185	298	9,925	279	122	99		
Shafter ^k	2,675	0	56	90	7	18	111	2,300	98	48	45		
Tehachapi-Mojave ^{k,c}	6,928	0	244	66	4	162	180	6,106	48	145	21		
Wasco ^k	2,910	0	156	170	0	49	622	1,733	28	80	100		
Kings:													
Avenal	4,091	38	113	47	0	138	89	3,513	3	111	42		
Corcoran	2,246	64	160	299	0	56	143	1,161	88	286	77		
Hanford	10,568	319	1,216	922	230	227	235	6,420	4,066	540	459		
Lemoore	3,907	102	245	180	0	198	362	2,589	245	124	107		
Lake:													
Clearlake Highlands	1,987	102	91	178	0	125	220	920	42	232	119		
Kelseyville	693	3	90	105	0	34	46	344	10	51	20		
Lakeport	1,960	86	227	100	49	111	132	1,047	277	139	69		
Middletown-Lower Lake	1,278	0	62	42	0	28	70	868	3	188	20		
Upper Lake	1,222	0	114	125	0	109	106	665	25	78	25		
Lassen:													
Lassen Consolidated ^{n,c}	4,713	74	214	113	72	173	145	3,037	937	812	73		

Los Angeles:											
Catalina	582	2	71	112	1	6	68	218	340	100	4
Madera:											
Chowchilla	4,155	82	165	131	0	93	144	3,344	467	138	58
Madera-Sierra	13,630	339	484	653	30	1,087	857	8,837	3,266	1,045	298
Mariposa											
Mariposa ^{o,c}	1,725	45	106	113	4	79	85	1,192	42	75	26
Mendocino:											
Anderson	257	0	37	18	0	6	2	152	4	29	13
Arena	489	0	16	176	2	9	32	226	221	25	3
Big River	889	0	10	195	24	23	203	363	325	52	19
Little Lake	2,904	0	126	173	0	141	240	2,030	284	136	58
Long Valley	807	0	107	17	0	37	43	528	4	59	16
Round Valley	295	1	65	49	0	9	12	102	3	45	13
Sanel	298	1	6	14	0	9	24	225	0	9	10
Ten Mile River	2,704	42	156	255	0	109	128	1,457	1,206	454	93
Ukiah	8,945	267	409	457	0	340	260	5,534	12,915	1,338	340
Merced:											
Atwater P	3,534	33	155	180	0	273	190	2,574	179	97	32
Dos Palos P	1,544	25	82	83	0	59	135	1,030	12	113	17
Gustine P	2,667	12	75	105	0	38	115	2,263	38	46	13
Le Grand P	1,804	15	38	23	0	122	114	1,463	7	29	0
Livingston P	6,092	34	149	98	0	303	496	4,904	143	76	32
Los Banos P	4,468	38	283	135	0	212	35	3,550	260	134	81
Merced P	8,324	216	449	169	0	438	359	5,722	8,536	517	454
Snelling P	73	1	12	7	0	2	25	21	2	3	2
Modoc:											
Modoc ^{o,c}	2,199	59	123	83	0	16	33	1,827	17	303	55
Surprise Valley	72	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	71	0
Mono:											
Mono	3,978	48	123	374	368	259	206	2,375	373	189	36
Monterey:											
Castroville-Pajaro	9,022	98	220	179	54	601	1,211	6,420	281	183	56
Central P	6,602	47	198	44	16	181	861	5,016	68	177	62
Pacific Grove P	1,304	33	66	22	181	48	15	854	2,519	73	12
Southern ^{o,c}	14,094	56	225	334	0	228	516	12,362	457	282	91
Nevada:											
Nevada	5,397	141	394	202	0	522	178	3,248	5,927	488	221
Truckee	7,770	24	58	137	3	128	131	6,972	492	258	59

**TABLE 35—CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COURTS
SUMMARY OF NONPARKING AND ILLEGAL PARKING FILINGS—Continued
FISCAL YEAR 1976-77**

County and judicial district	Total nonparking filings ^a	Criminal							Civil		
		Nontraffic				Traffic			Illegal Parking	Small Claims	Other
		Felonies	Misdemeanors		Infractions	Misdemeanors		Infractions			
		Group A	Group B		Group C	Group D					
Placer:											
Auburn	8,950	231	500	154	0	155	339	6,709	4,533	613	249
Colfax-Alta-Dutch Flat	7,625	1	105	55	0	84	290	6,971	336	111	18
Foresthill	339	0	29	110	0	6	8	145	17	39	2
Lincoln	862	0	75	86	0	73	91	409	55	104	24
Loomis	5,625	0	276	44	0	136	234	4,642	666	221	72
Roseville	7,197	86	471	79	299	259	194	5,113	5,994	440	256
Tahoe	5,890	74	480	179	9	135	71	4,364	1,250	447	131
Plumas:											
Almanor	1,613	15	114	176	147	51	120	755	49	217	18
Plumas ^{u,c}	2,534	53	161	145	168	77	464	1,152	258	249	65
Riverside:											
Elsinore ^v	1,857	0	292	257	4	72	116	965	22	120	31
Murrietta ^v	1,516	0	153	36	4	27	9	1,154	7	133	0
Perris ^v	2,728	0	217	211	87	87	99	1,865	55	141	21
Sacramento:											
Elk Grove-Galt	6,061	0	241	179	0	220	316	4,703	484	368	34
Fair Oaks-Folsom	8,809	1	412	276	88	326	776	6,610	0	272	48
Walnut Grove-Isleton	1,336	0	138	602	0	14	144	376	30	54	8
San Benito:											
San Benito County ^{w,c}	5,737	102	398	408	25	310	684	3,025	2,137	653	132
San Bernardino:											
Bear Valley	3,458	41	195	370	0	115	277	1,868	535	528	64
Bloomington	5,676	0	101	117	0	568	516	3,877	70	239	258
Colton	12,105	53	202	600	0	345	2,048	7,997	1,089	739	121
Crest Forest	2,007	33	199	241	0	78	109	990	233	310	47
Cucamonga-Etiwanda ^{k,c}	6,655	130	120	425	73	520	337	4,563	570	263	224
Highland	3,352	20	112	176	0	218	184	2,435	333	139	68
Mission	3,912	9	29	576	0	163	372	2,530	6,789	147	86
Needles-Calzona ^{y,c}	7,143	46	150	298	0	93	506	5,832	374	211	7
Trona	1,214	0	37	12	0	96	37	908	0	117	7
Twentynine Palms	6,154	97	192	156	0	421	61	4,865	29	311	51
Yucaipa	3,776	41	106	19	0	238	546	2,630	175	165	31

Santa Barbara:											
Carpinteria-Montecito	4,458	0	98	363	101	177	100	3,377	1,117	219	23
Guadalupe	1,079	3	107	82	0	184	51	633	1,530	15	4
Solvang	8,292	11	101	651	1,545	235	147	5,308	143	263	31
Santa Clara:											
Gilroy-Morgan Hill ^z	9,644	77	345	376	3	318	858	7,084	1,052	343	240
Shasta:											
Anderson ^{aa,c}	4,773	31	221	395	0	253	327	3,090	174	324	141
Burney ^{bb,c}	1,555	15	86	136	2	82	181	820	3	185	48
Central Valley ^{cc,c}	7,984	270	424	373	4	238	266	6,100	1,292	201	108
Hedding	14,700	451	982	560	109	715	1,182	8,395	31,646	1,422	884
Sierra:											
Sierra County	821	24	39	150	1	49	15	453	71	81	9
Siskiyou:											
Dorris-Tulelake	1,573	1	79	106	10	37	80	1,184	66	50	26
Dunsmuir-Mt Shasta	6,150	0	174	124	41	74	271	5,070	321	326	70
McCloud	247	0	27	7	0	15	4	129	18	55	10
Shasta Valley	4,347	0	248	60	104	115	573	2,555	400	647	45
Western ^{dd,c}	7,960	197	374	218	82	218	140	6,104	1,479	451	176
Solano:											
Rio Vista	1,027	15	51	72	7	57	109	595	151	110	11
Stanislaus:											
Newman-Patterson ^{ee}	1,992	11	67	82	22	75	397	1,198	229	102	38
Oakdale-Waterford ^{ee}	1,928	24	109	40	74	101	195	1,232	1,023	79	74
Riverbank ^{ee}	720	4	35	0	116	29	42	391	53	64	39
Turlock ^{ee}	4,406	25	243	85	28	180	290	3,044	9,721	175	336
Tehama:											
Corning	4,838	57	161	27	0	167	109	3,822	125	447	48
Red Bluff	11,901	151	505	163	6	239	642	9,408	474	556	231
Trinity:											
Trinity County ^{ff,c}	2,077	91	122	170	0	79	136	1,101	26	331	47
Tulare:											
Dinuba	8,053	271	318	142	0	355	73	6,209	41	570	115
Exeter-Farmersville	2,984	91	212	107	171	241	243	1,750	111	152	17
Lindsay	1,804	52	105	135	0	130	74	1,075	199	202	31
Pixley ^{gg}	2,767	35	55	61	0	50	113	2,453	3	0	0
Tulare ^{gg}	4,663	86	190	278	31	154	236	3,493	124	129	66
Woodlake	1,557	55	95	248	85	115	62	778	118	102	17

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FISCAL YEAR 1976-77

County and judicial district	Total nonparking filings ^a	Criminal								Civil		
		Nontraffic				Traffic				Illegal Parking	Small Claims	Other
		Felonies	Misdemeanors		Infractions	Group C	Misdemeanors		Infractions			
Tuolumne:			Group A	Group B		Group C	Group D					
First	1,519	51	172	91	0	71	62	398	7,009	325	349	
Second	915	18	54	26	7	14	30	624	68	133	9	
Third	1,846	43	136	300	6	88	59	1,049	248	132	33	
Fourth	847	11	38	171	5	23	112	71	13	405	5	
Fifth	2,788	59	211	74	0	115	74	2,165	185	67	23	
Yolo:												
Davis ^{hh}	2,701	52	145	57	0	94	26	1,973	9,746	277	77	
Esparto ^{hh}	238	5	15	31	0	18	14	132	1	17	6	
Grafton ^{hh}	57	0	7	0	0	5	40	0	1	4	1	
Washington ^{hh}	3,769	110	245	329	0	319	115	2,370	228	193	88	
Winters ^{hh}	254	7	17	30	0	10	49	114	42	22	5	
Woodland ^{hh}	8,034	55	326	289	0	298	657	5,777	4,119	411	221	
Yuba:												
Merysville ^{ii,c}	9,919	269	831	213	220	621	377	6,030	10,988	659	699	
Wheatland	1,110	0	28	15	6	33	15	997	87	10	6	

a. Excludes illegal parking filings.

b. Angels-Murphys, San Andreas and West Point Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Calaveras Justice Court District on January 1, 1977.

c. Data for 1976-77 include filings for all consolidated courts prior to consolidation.

d. Clovis and Ponderosa Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Clovis-Ponderosa Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

e. Firebaugh and Kerman Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Firebaugh-Kerman Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

f. Caruthers and Fowler Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Fowler-Caruthers Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

g. Kingsburg and Riverdale Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Kingsburg-Riverdale Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

h. Parlier and Selma Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Parlier-Selma Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

i. Reedley and Dunlap Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Reedley-Dunlap Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.

j. Northern Inyo and Southern Inyo Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Inyo County Justice District on January 3, 1977.

k. Arvin-Lamont, Buttonwillow, Delano-McFarland, Maricopa-Taft, Shafter and Wasco Justice Court Districts consolidated with Bakersfield Municipal Court District to become West Kern Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.

l. Mojave and Tehachapi Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Tehachapi-Mojave Justice Court District on August 2, 1976. Indian Wells and Tehachapi-Mojave Justice Court Districts consolidated to become East Kern Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.

m. Kern River-Rand Justice Court District consolidated with Bakersfield Municipal Court District on August 12, 1976.

n. Big Valley and Central Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Lassen Consolidated Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.

o. Coulterville Justice Court District consolidated with Mariposa Justice Court District on January 1, 1977.

p. Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Le Grand, Livingston, Los Banos, Merced and Snelling Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Merced County Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.

- q. Adin-Lookout, Alturas and Newell Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Modoc Justice Court District on November 15, 1976.
- r. Soledad-Gonzales Justice Court District's name changed to Central Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.
- s. Pacific Grove Justice Court District consolidated with Monterey-Carmel Municipal Court District to become Monterey Peninsula Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.
- t. King City-Greenfield and San Ardo Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Southern Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.
- u. Beckwourth Justice Court District consolidated with Plumas Justice Court District on January 1, 1977.
- v. Elsinore, Murrieta and Perris Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Three Lakes Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.
- w. Hollister and San Juan Justice Court Districts consolidated to become San Benito County Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.
- x. Cucamonga and Etiwanda Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Cucamonga-Etiwanda Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.
- y. Calzona and Needles Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Needles-Calzona Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.
- z. Gilroy-Morgan Hill Justice Court District became Gilroy-Morgan Hill Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.
- aa. Cottonwood Justice Court District consolidated with Anderson Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.
- bb. Fall River Valley Justice Court District and a portion of Mountain Justice Court District consolidated with Burney Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.
- cc. Castella Justice Court District and a portion of Mountain Justice Court District consolidated with Central Valley Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.
- dd. Happy Camp, Scott Valley and Yreka Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Western Justice Court District on January 3, 1977.
- ee. Newman-Patterson, Oakdale-Waterford, Riverbank and Turlock Justice Court Districts consolidated with Modesto Municipal Court District to become Stanislaus County Municipal Court District on January 2, 1977.
- ff. Hayfork-Mad River, Trinity Center and Trinity River Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Trinity County Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.
- gg. Pixley and Tulare Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Tulare-Pixley Municipal Court District on December 17, 1976.
- hh. Davis, Esparto, Grafton, Washington, Winters and Woodland Justice Court Districts consolidated to become Yolo County Municipal Court District on January 1, 1977.
- ii. Camptonville Justice Court District consolidated with Marysville Justice Court District on January 2, 1977.



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