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Criminal Statistics Summary

NOTE: Washington State Supreme Court orders related to the coronavirus pandemic, beginning March 2020, affect the statistics for the foreseeable future.

- **Filings**

As shown in the first chart on page 4, the monthly filings vary considerably from month to month. A total of 341 criminal cases were filed in December 2023. Of the 341 cases filed in the month, 50% were MRJC cases. The average filing volume in 2023 was 413 cases per month, compared with 523, 563, 515, 392, and 417 cases per month in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, respectively.

- **Resolutions**

Like the monthly filings, the number of criminal cases resolved per month also varies from month to month (monthly resolution pattern is shown on page 4). The number of resolutions in December 2023 was 377 cases. Of the 377 cases resolved, 39% were MRJC cases. The average resolution volume in 2023 was 431 cases per month, compared with 481, 494, 352, 476, and 398 cases per month in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 respectively.

- **Pending Caseload**

At the end of December 2023, the active pending criminal caseload was 3,974 cases, including criminal RALJ cases. Of the 3,974 pending criminal cases, 37% were MRJC cases. The breakdown of the 3,974 pending cases by crime category was: homicide (n=194), sex crime (n=466), robbery (n=204), aggravated assault (n=749), burglary/theft (n=1,111), motor vehicle theft (n=81), controlled substances – non-drug court (n=272), drug court (n=134), other felonies (n=708), and RALJ (n=55).

- **Age of Pending Cases**

The median age (age for half of the pending cases) of pending cases is shown in Table 6. The median age of all active pending cases at the end of December 2023 was 236 days. At the end of December 2023, 1,659 non-drug court cases and 113 drug court cases remained as active (unresolved) after 9 months since filing. Table 6 shows the number of active pending cases within pre-defined age intervals.

Conclusion: The year-to-date average criminal filings in 2023 were 413 cases per month. The court resolved 431 criminal cases on average per month in the same period. The pending criminal caseload (including RALJ) for both SEA and the MRJC was 3,974 cases at the end of December 2023, 37% of the total pending criminal caseload being MRJC cases.

Terminology

Age of Pending Case

Time (days) from filing to resolution, less suspense time if applicable.

Age of Resolved Case

Time (days) from filing to resolution, less suspense time if applicable.

End Pending

Number of pending cases at the end of reporting period.

Net Change in Pending

The change in number of pending cases (end pending minus previous pending).

Pending Case

A case is defined as pending if it is unresolved and not on suspense status.

Previous Pending

Number of pending cases at the beginning of reporting period.

Reactivated Case

A case returns to active from suspense status during the reporting period.

Resolution

A case is resolved if all issues in the complaint are fully adjudicated. However, a drug court case is reported as resolved only when dispositive document is also filed (completed).

Resolution Category

Five resolution categories are used to report resolution of criminal cases: jury trial (CVJV, AQJV), non-jury trial (CVCT, AQCT), guilty plea (GP, GPAT, GPJT), dismissal (DSM), and other (all other resolution codes). For criminal RALJ cases, the resolution categories are: RALJ decision (CDTA, CDTM, CDTR), dismissal (DSRM), and others (any other resolution codes).

Suspended Case

A case is placed in suspense status (removing from active) during the reporting period.

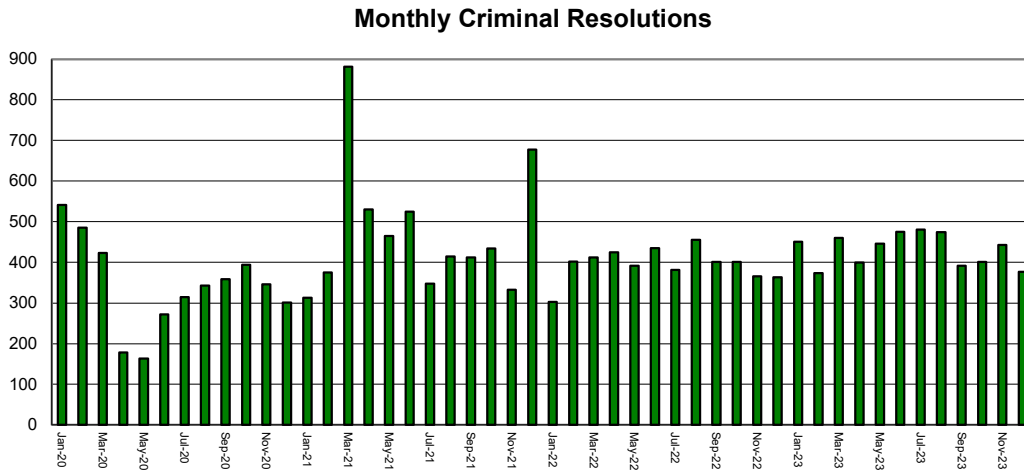
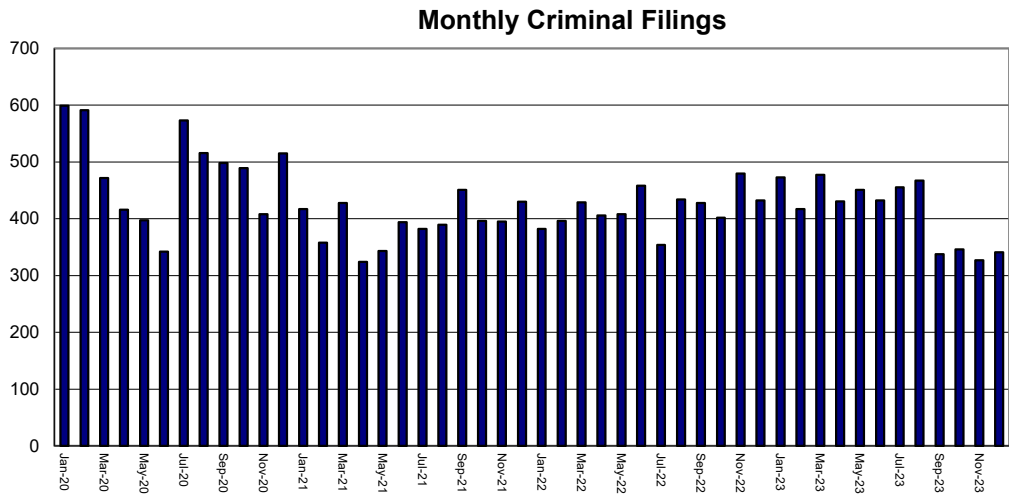
Suspense Status

A case is said to be on suspense status if it is on warrant or appeal.

Suspense Time

Time (days) a case is on suspense status.

Figure 1. Number of Criminal Filings, Resolutions and Pending Caseload by Month



The increase in resolutions in March and December 2021 was due to the dismissal of drug possession cases based on the decision on State v. Blake case by the State Supreme Court.

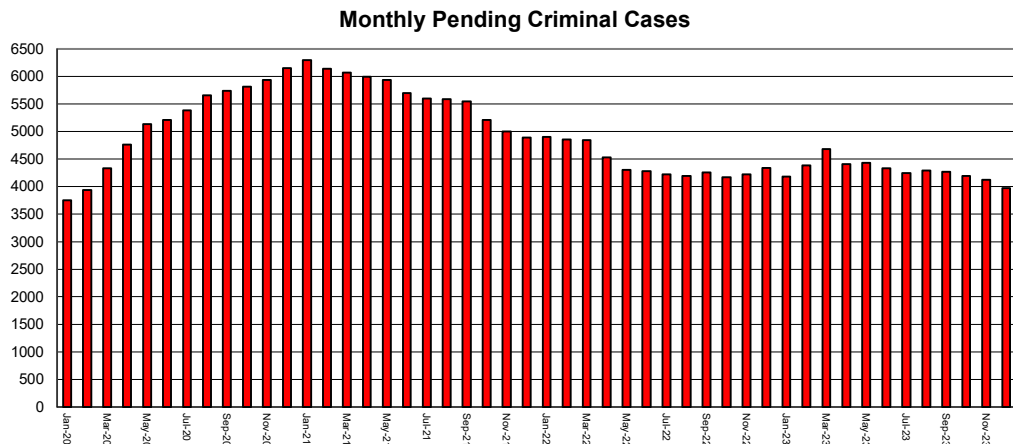


Figure 2. Crime Category as a Percentage of Total Filings by Year

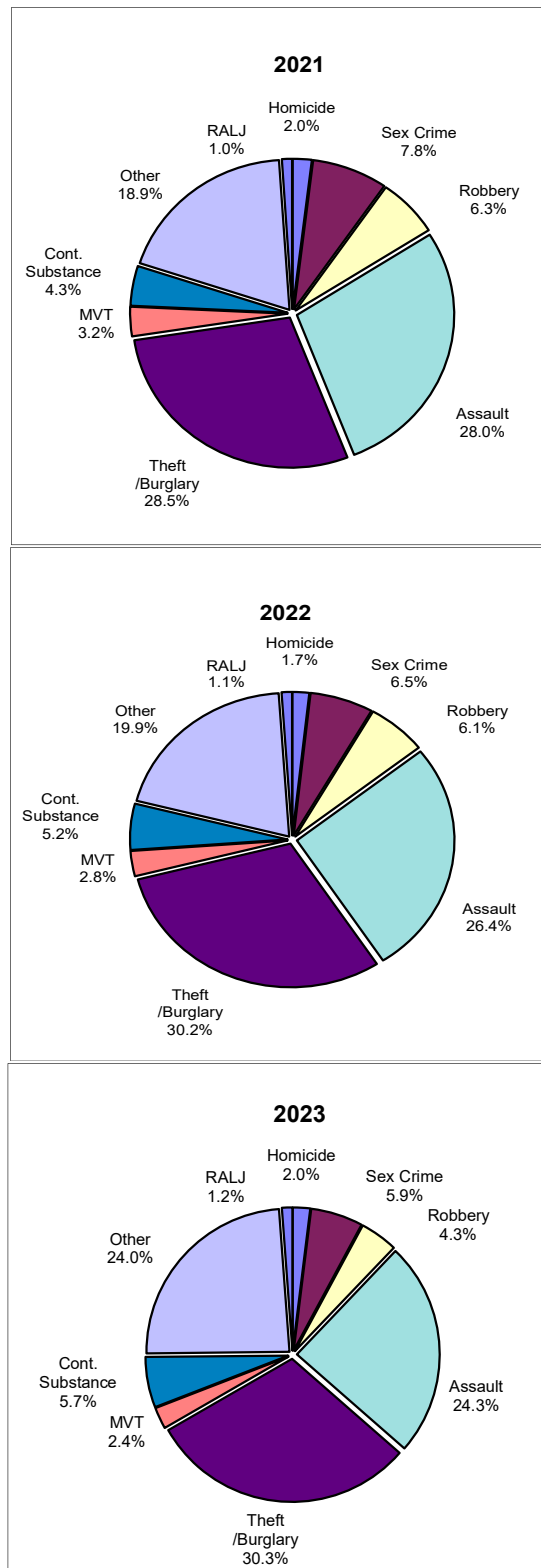


Table 1. Monthly Criminal New Filings by Crime Category
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total												
2020	599	591	472	416	397	342	573	516	498	489	408	515
2021	417	358	428	324	343	394	382	389	451	396	395	430
2022	382	396	429	406	408	458	354	434	428	402	480	432
2023	473	417	477	431	451	432	455	467	338	346	327	341
Homicide												
2020	4	3	4	7	7	14	8	9	9	9	6	8
2021	4	6	10	6	3	10	10	8	12	9	6	7
2022	7	7	3	6	7	9	4	17	4	9	6	3
2023	6	10	7	9	13	10	9	6	8	8	6	5
Sex Crime*												
2020	35	45	36	42	45	21	38	26	59	27	28	33
2021	39	30	56	20	18	33	30	29	30	30	18	31
2022	30	28	22	34	30	16	22	22	32	26	32	28
2023	32	13	28	19	26	23	25	24	19	21	29	34
Robbery												
2020	39	31	23	28	28	27	33	21	29	23	13	30
2021	36	25	32	14	27	25	24	12	37	19	20	24
2022	27	32	28	27	13	25	21	39	24	18	22	25
2023	26	15	15	17	14	24	9	25	10	17	19	20
Aggravated Assault												
2020	141	148	129	137	114	111	132	162	135	142	109	139
2021	115	90	118	96	98	100	99	104	119	118	123	125
2022	115	103	137	117	104	107	102	98	113	79	129	110
2023	97	78	110	113	111	102	121	109	77	94	89	103
Burglary/Theft /Larceny												
2020	156	141	110	89	99	91	201	153	140	137	113	145
2021	92	100	100	93	94	117	88	120	142	112	129	153
2022	98	138	129	123	130	157	86	132	118	137	127	141
2023	161	153	162	143	135	140	120	113	85	107	79	101
Motor Vehicle Theft												
2020	14	14	13	3	10	12	11	27	11	15	11	19
2021	12	9	14	14	12	15	19	14	13	9	7	13
2022	14	17	10	11	12	10	10	9	11	15	11	11
2023	12	9	4	11	15	15	21	7	9	6	6	6
Controlled Substance												
2020	99	110	74	18	19	16	77	25	40	44	64	49
2021	35	26	15	11	14	15	21	10	15	16	11	11
2022	12	19	19	12	31	23	21	15	21	15	31	30
2023	36	37	35	18	34	17	24	41	15	9	13	4
Other*												
2020	101	82	76	89	75	47	70	93	70	86	63	87
2021	82	70	82	63	73	77	87	83	77	81	75	62
2022	75	47	79	75	70	108	81	100	97	89	114	80
2023	96	98	113	97	100	96	124	136	111	81	76	61
Criminal RALJ												
2020	10	17	7	3	0	3	3	0	5	6	1	5
2021	2	2	1	7	4	2	4	9	6	2	6	4
2022	4	5	2	1	5	3	7	2	8	4	8	4
2023	7	4	3	4	3	5	2	6	4	3	10	7
MRJC Filing as % of Total												
2020	41%	36%	38%	42%	37%	43%	45%	46%	39%	46%	46%	53%
2021	43%	43%	45%	51%	48%	42%	41%	40%	45%	49%	43%	48%
2022	42%	33%	38%	40%	40%	36%	34%	36%	39%	31%	42%	41%
2023	38%	31%	29%	37%	31%	31%	35%	35%	36%	37%	41%	50%

The highest crime category in a case's history is used to classify cases. For example, a case charged with homicide at any time in the case's history is reported as a homicide regardless of whether the charge is reduced at resolution.

(*) Starting January 2021, "failure to register as sex offender" cases are in the "other" category instead of in the "sex crime" category. This change was made in line with the reporting categories by Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts.

Table 2. Monthly Criminal Case Resolutions by Crime Category
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total												
2020	541	485	423	178	163	272	315	343	358	394	346	301
2021 *	313	375	881	530	465	525	348	414	412	434	333	677
2022	303	402	412	425	391	435	381	455	401	401	366	363
2023	450	374	460	399	446	475	481	474	391	401	443	377
Homicide												
2020	5	2	5	2	0	1	1	1	1	3	2	1
2021	1	4	6	4	2	4	1	3	5	6	4	4
2022	5	6	6	4	11	5	5	8	2	8	7	4
2023	9	4	10	6	14	12	13	7	12	11	12	14
Sex Crime**												
2020	37	32	17	14	10	8	27	25	28	34	22	22
2021	21	20	24	31	30	27	26	20	30	24	23	16
2022	21	20	29	34	30	30	24	20	27	15	15	21
2023	19	17	28	26	23	36	25	35	29	39	27	23
Robbery												
2020	36	33	27	11	10	17	21	25	26	23	34	25
2021	20	26	21	30	11	21	16	14	25	18	11	6
2022	12	11	14	6	14	17	10	23	18	18	14	12
2023	9	12	22	16	26	31	21	33	28	20	16	16
Aggravated Assault												
2020	131	138	103	48	40	72	73	108	109	115	113	85
2021	86	123	127	122	97	87	68	76	84	74	84	56
2022	45	69	95	82	69	84	78	87	74	72	97	93
2023	62	63	126	106	125	110	94	114	86	101	115	94
Burglary/Theft /Larceny												
2020	146	102	113	26	28	66	61	64	72	82	64	57
2021	68	69	116	121	64	86	62	88	51	88	62	69
2022	56	86	87	98	84	109	89	103	89	112	93	66
2023	123	78	129	120	138	142	149	135	96	90	96	110
Motor Vehicle Theft												
2020	15	7	12	0	4	8	2	4	11	2	6	6
2021	5	7	16	14	11	12	3	10	9	10	5	3
2022	8	11	10	4	8	5	6	8	5	10	5	9
2023	9	7	13	8	6	15	11	14	13	10	11	10
Controlled Substance												
2020	74	61	55	12	16	26	35	41	26	34	41	33
2021	26	52	430	106	68	137	27	41	36	60	25	413
2022	15	25	22	22	21	24	23	21	12	10	22	24
2023	46	21	22	12	19	23	26	28	21	23	54	22
Drug Court												
2020	21	30	22	20	21	12	18	7	29	23	16	10
2021	24	19	63	26	17	10	13	7	22	12	16	5
2022	12	16	6	20	7	9	11	3	7	5	5	3
2023	8	20	7	11	5	6	14	21	21	22	19	4
Other**												
2020	66	71	66	32	21	49	63	50	48	68	41	53
2021	51	50	68	71	161	135	129	133	144	140	102	103
2022	122	155	139	149	143	147	133	175	164	148	106	127
2023	159	151	99	92	86	95	127	83	82	82	87	77
Criminal RALJ												
2020	10	9	3	13	13	13	14	18	8	10	7	9
2021	11	5	10	5	4	6	3	22	6	2	1	2
2022	7	3	4	6	4	5	2	7	3	3	2	4
2023	6	1	4	2	4	5	1	4	3	3	6	7
MRJC as % of Total												
2020	44%	41%	38%	33%	39%	44%	41%	41%	38%	37%	37%	36%
2021	38%	37%	37%	32%	39%	33%	34%	41%	42%	43%	40%	35%
2022	41%	44%	49%	46%	47%	46%	49%	45%	37%	38%	45%	39%
2023	39%	37%	44%	45%	39%	43%	39%	35%	40%	38%	37%	39%

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Table 3. Number of Cases Resolved and Resolution Category
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Homicide	4	9	4	10	6	14	12	13	7	12	11	12	14
Resolved by Jury Trial	1	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	0	1	5	4	2
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	3	7	3	7	5	10	9	11	6	8	4	8	11
Dismissal	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Sex Crime**	21	19	17	28	26	23	36	25	35	29	39	27	23
Resolved by Jury Trial	4	2	4	2	3	2	5	1	1	0	1	3	2
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	14	13	10	20	18	17	26	16	25	21	30	21	16
Dismissal	2	4	3	6	5	4	4	8	9	8	8	3	5
Others	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	12	9	12	22	16	26	31	21	33	28	20	16	16
Resolved by Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	9	6	12	19	9	21	26	21	28	25	17	15	13
Dismissal	3	3	0	3	7	5	5	0	5	3	3	1	3
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	93	62	63	126	106	125	110	94	114	86	101	115	94
Resolved by Jury Trial	3	2	2	5	3	2	0	4	6	1	1	3	3
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	78	51	53	83	81	95	74	70	85	67	81	92	69
Dismissal	12	8	8	38	22	28	34	20	23	18	19	19	22
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Burglary/Theft/Larceny	66	123	78	129	120	138	142	149	135	96	90	96	110
Resolved by Jury Trial	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	46	94	47	88	87	98	111	117	102	65	64	69	78
Dismissal	19	29	30	40	32	39	30	31	33	30	26	23	32
Others	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	9	9	7	13	8	6	15	11	14	13	10	11	10
Resolved by Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	7	4	6	9	5	3	12	9	10	9	5	4	7
Dismissal	2	5	1	4	3	3	3	2	4	4	5	6	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Controlled Substance	24	46	21	22	12	19	23	26	28	21	23	54	22
Resolved by Jury Trial	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	12	12	10	12	7	12	14	16	17	9	5	18	7
Dismissal	11	33	11	10	5	7	9	10	11	12	18	36	15
Others	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Court	3	8	20	7	11	5	6	14	21	21	22	19	4
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	7	3	0	0	0	2
Resolved by Guilty Plea	0	0	3	2	0	3	1	0	4	8	2	3	0
Dismissal	1	8	17	5	11	2	1	7	14	13	20	16	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other**	127	159	151	99	92	86	95	127	83	82	82	87	77
Resolved by Jury Trial	2	1	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Resolved by Non-Jury Trial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resolved by Guilty Plea	73	97	101	68	63	59	60	54	45	56	50	63	43
Dismissal	52	61	48	28	28	26	35	73	36	26	32	22	31
Others	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Criminal RALJ	4	6	1	3	2	4	5	1	4	3	3	6	7
RALJ Decision	1	4	1	2	1	3	2	0	2	3	3	5	6
Dismissal	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	1	2	0	0	1	1
Others	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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(**) Starting January 2021, "failure to register as sex offender" cases are in the "other" category instead of in the "sex crime" category. This change was made in line with the reporting categories by Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts.

Table 4. Age (days) of Resolved Cases
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
All Resolutions (excl. RALJ)													
Number of Resolutions	363	450	374	460	399	446	475	481	474	391	401	443	377
50% Cases Resolved by Day	182	191	197	181	198	223	214	204	180	204	202	217	225
Average Days to Resolution	288	318	418	482	308	318	363	323	339	354	347	398	349
Homicide*													
Number of Resolutions	4	9	4	10	6	14	12	13	7	12	11	12	14
50% Cases Resolved by Day	822	966	919	803	790	628	852	700	746	620	1084	995	957
Average Days to Resolution	733	945	910	772	693	687	843	706	818	642	917	936	840
Sex Crime**													
Number of Resolutions	21	19	17	28	26	23	36	25	35	29	39	27	23
50% Cases Resolved by Day	603	469	922	673	738	632	680	455	525	584	435	453	532
Average Days to Resolution	568	579	784	605	610	632	722	580	529	545	494	572	520
Robbery													
Number of Resolutions	12	9	12	22	16	26	31	21	33	28	20	16	16
50% Cases Resolved by Day	236	51	345	151	361	240	174	216	196	232	158	278	325
Average Days to Resolution	236	279	524	281	343	371	241	277	327	300	226	305	365
Aggravated Assault													
Number of Resolutions	93	62	63	126	106	125	110	94	114	86	101	115	94
50% Cases Resolved by Day	146	207	234	136	220	166	173	231	139	125	135	184	149
Average Days to Resolution	189	307	302	239	277	245	362	276	239	209	247	309	240
Burglary/Theft/Larceny													
Number of Resolutions	66	123	78	129	120	138	142	149	135	96	90	96	110
50% Cases Resolved by Day	202	200	174	166	144	216	167	217	160	209	176	240	241
Average Days to Resolution	367	306	262	298	273	305	309	348	251	331	287	543	322
Motor Vehicle Theft													
Number of Resolutions	9	9	7	13	8	6	15	11	14	13	10	11	10
50% Cases Resolved by Day	349	160	125	212	160	455	295	160	175	105	98	98	277
Average Days to Resolution	390	293	217	317	225	364	410	305	241	180	191	297	1050
Controlled Substance													
Number of Resolutions	24	46	21	22	12	19	23	26	28	21	23	54	22
50% Cases Resolved by Day	154	42	137	191	167	215	287	215	248	82	230	104	145
Average Days to Resolution	383	391	243	280	314	285	360	303	336	807	820	256	329
Drug Court													
Number of Resolutions	3	8	20	7	11	5	6	14	21	21	22	19	4
50% Cases Resolved by Day	503	445	776	799	911	613	651	995	790	680	690	463	289
Average Days to Resolution	602	600	808	846	725	719	795	1108	701	662	717	497	331
Other**													
Number of Resolutions	127	159	151	99	92	86	95	127	83	82	82	87	77
50% Cases Resolved by Day	144	151	139	160	147	195	190	84	135	139	96	139	168
Average Days to Resolution	233	230	469	1065	227	270	263	166	436	278	205	331	294
Criminal RALJ													
Number of Resolutions	4	6	1	4	2	4	5	1	4	3	3	6	7
50% Cases Resolved by Day	191	306	227	174	374	222	253	175	164	232	431	278	382
Average Days to Resolution	234	397	227	167	374	243	220	175	161	296	395	297	344

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“Drug Court” are cases that have been formally accepted into drug court (identified by orders).

(*) Due to small number of resolutions in this category, the age statistics for homicides are expected to vary considerably.

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Table 5. Pending Criminal Cases
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Total													
Previous Pending	4220	4340	4184	4384	4681	4407	4429	4333	4246	4291	4271	4194	4126
New Filing	432	473	417	477	431	451	432	455	467	338	346	327	341
Resolved	363	450	374	460	399	446	475	481	474	391	401	443	377
End Pending	4340	4140	4384	4681	4407	4429	4333	4246	4291	4271	4194	4126	3974
Homicide													
Previous Pending	215	214	210	213	215	215	212	211	211	215	214	207	204
New Filing	3	6	10	7	9	13	10	9	6	8	8	6	5
Resolved	4	9	4	10	6	14	12	13	7	12	11	12	14
End Pending	214	210	213	215	215	212	211	211	215	214	207	204	194
Sex Crime*													
Previous Pending	503	509	517	523	520	516	517	505	497	495	495	475	473
New Filing	28	32	13	28	19	26	23	25	24	19	21	29	34
Resolved	21	19	17	28	26	23	36	25	35	29	39	27	23
End Pending	509	517	523	520	516	517	505	497	495	495	475	473	466
Robbery													
Previous Pending	220	219	225	244	234	237	229	232	222	221	214	208	207
New Filing	25	26	15	15	17	14	24	9	25	10	17	19	20
Resolved	12	9	12	22	16	26	31	21	33	28	20	16	16
End Pending	219	225	244	234	237	229	232	222	221	214	208	207	204
Aggravated Assault													
Previous Pending	852	848	816	807	803	790	767	759	780	774	779	792	767
New Filing	110	97	78	110	113	111	102	121	109	77	94	89	103
Resolved	93	62	63	126	106	125	110	94	114	86	101	115	94
End Pending	848	816	807	803	790	767	759	780	774	779	792	767	749
Burglary/Theft/Larceny													
Previous Pending	1185	1253	1159	1259	1300	1297	1285	1248	1209	1191	1173	1169	1148
New Filing	141	161	153	162	143	135	140	120	113	85	107	79	101
Resolved	66	123	78	129	120	138	142	149	135	96	90	96	110
End Pending	1253	1159	1259	1300	1297	1285	1248	1209	1191	1173	1169	1148	1111
Motor Vehicle Theft													
Previous Pending	109	100	98	107	96	100	103	103	104	103	99	95	86
New Filing	11	12	9	4	11	15	15	21	7	9	6	6	6
Resolved	9	9	7	13	8	6	15	11	14	13	10	11	10
End Pending	100	98	107	96	100	103	103	104	103	99	95	86	81
Controlled Substance													
Previous Pending	240	246	249	269	554	317	333	315	307	321	322	292	288
Resolved	24	46	21	22	12	19	23	26	28	21	23	54	22
End Pending	246	249	269	554	317	333	315	307	321	322	292	288	272
Drug Court													
Previous Pending	160	176	164	162	182	174	184	194	172	176	167	154	152
New Enrollment	20	16	12	22	2	2	16	8	4	9	14	6	5
Resolved	3	8	20	7	11	5	6	14	21	21	22	19	4
End Pending	176	164	162	182	174	184	194	172	176	167	154	152	134
Other*													
Previous Pending	694	729	702	754	731	714	754	719	697	746	759	752	746
New Filing	80	96	98	113	97	100	96	124	136	111	81	76	61
Resolved	127	159	151	99	92	86	95	127	83	82	82	87	77
End Pending	729	702	754	731	714	754	719	697	746	759	752	746	708
Criminal RALJ													
Previous Pending	42	42	44	46	46	47	45	47	47	49	49	50	55
New Filing	4	7	4	3	4	3	5	2	6	4	3	10	7
Resolved	4	6	1	4	2	4	5	1	4	3	3	6	7
End Pending	42	44	46	46	47	45	47	47	49	49	50	55	55
Total Pending Caseload													
SEA (%)	59%	59%	60%	59%	62%	62%	63%	64%	64%	64%	64%	64%	63%
MRJC (%)	41%	41%	40%	41%	38%	38%	37%	36%	36%	36%	36%	36%	37%

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Table 6. Age (days) of Pending Cases
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
All Pending (excl. RALJ)													
Number of Pending Cases	4340	4184	4384	4681	4407	4429	4333	4246	4291	4271	4194	4126	3974
Median Days (50%tile)	220	226	212	197	214	210	213	209	210	216	228	233	236
Average Days	326	331	323	305	320	319	323	318	316	321	326	331	332
Homicide													
Number of Pending Cases	214	210	213	215	215	212	211	211	215	214	207	204	194
Median Days (50%tile)	509	538	535	533	537	503	486	411	387	414	428	423	412
Average Days	560	578	579	566	562	546	531	516	513	521	518	500	494
Sex Crime*													
Number of Pending Cases	509	517	523	520	516	517	505	497	495	495	475	473	466
Median Days (50%tile)	360	358	351	356	353	366	351	349	338	348	357	352	356
Average Days	428	425	419	422	420	425	418	415	413	412	424	420	423
Robbery													
Number of Pending Cases	219	225	244	234	237	229	232	222	221	214	208	207	204
Median Days (50%tile)	209	191	177	206	217	224	232	242	241	246	270	280	256
Average Days	291	287	273	288	291	295	291	316	303	305	320	324	316
Aggravated Assault													
Number of Pending Cases	848	816	807	803	790	767	759	780	774	779	792	767	749
Median Days (50%tile)	186	188	189	188	170	170	173	153	161	164	166	168	165
Average Days	261	269	264	262	251	249	248	235	238	244	239	240	244
Burglary/Theft/Larceny													
Number of Pending Cases	1253	1159	1259	1300	1297	1285	1248	1209	1191	1173	1169	1148	1111
Median Days (50%tile)	201	208	189	182	179	174	191	192	200	212	225	241	245
Average Days	297	305	291	283	286	289	306	304	312	318	322	331	327
Motor Vehicle Theft													
Number of Pending Cases	104	98	107	96	100	103	103	104	103	99	95	86	81
Median Days (50%tile)	234	247	216	235	210	213	151	159	170	183	195	211	213
Average Days	320	331	313	328	324	309	282	277	278	290	313	315	314
Controlled Substance													
Number of Pending Cases	246	249	269	554	317	333	315	307	321	322	292	288	272
Median Days (50%tile)	176	189	175	43	159	169	164	176	191	219	245	255	285
Median Days (50%tile)	331	329	325	183	306	310	315	324	313	328	349	362	392
Drug Court													
Number of Pending Cases	176	164	162	182	174	184	194	172	176	167	154	152	134
Median Days (50%tile)	592	524	531	544	574	605	575	541	515	541	528	575	598
Average Days	661	636	647	630	657	679	668	647	648	675	668	698	721
Other*													
Number of Pending Cases	729	702	754	731	714	754	719	697	746	759	752	746	708
Median Days (50%tile)	157	163	166	164	175	161	158	154	137	143	160	170	173
Average Days	251	262	256	253	255	238	239	233	223	225	237	245	251
Criminal RALJ													
Number of Pending Cases	42	44	46	46	47	45	47	47	49	49	50	55	55
Median Days (50%tile)	109	123	135	149	164	182	184	215	235	243	211	161	145
Average Days	165	139	150	172	179	190	198	222	234	238	248	222	209

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Table 7. Age Intervals of Pending Criminal Cases
King County Superior Court

Crime Category	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Total # Cases	4340	4184	4384	4681	4407	4429	4333	4246	4291	4271	4194	4126	3974
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	1465	1320	1477	1748	1511	1525	1386	1371	1389	1332	1314	1206	1118
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	451	500	504	478	477	485	559	557	510	518	452	474	515
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	526	506	543	600	579	598	542	540	624	639	622	628	569
> 270 days (> 9 months)	1898	1858	1860	1855	1840	1821	1846	1778	1768	1782	1806	1818	1772
Homicide # Cases	214	210	213	215	215	212	211	211	215	214	207	204	194
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	27	21	23	29	31	40	41	39	40	38	34	35	29
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	18	22	15	10	10	7	11	21	21	19	19	17	17
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	13	13	24	27	27	19	13	12	17	22	26	30	27
> 270 days (> 9 months)	156	154	151	149	147	146	146	139	137	135	128	122	121
Sex Crime* # Cases	509	517	523	520	516	517	505	497	495	495	475	473	466
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	99	99	110	102	100	91	86	94	96	98	97	94	87
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	38	46	41	44	48	50	52	40	39	42	31	37	51
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	63	59	54	60	57	65	61	68	67	58	53	53	45
> 270 days (> 9 months)	309	313	318	314	311	311	306	295	293	297	294	289	283
Robbery # Cases	219	225	244	234	237	229	232	222	221	214	208	207	204
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	78	76	87	80	77	66	65	55	60	65	61	62	67
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	22	32	36	25	27	31	34	30	23	14	15	19	20
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	24	18	26	34	39	38	33	33	41	37	28	21	17
> 270 days (> 9 months)	95	99	95	95	94	94	100	104	97	98	104	105	100
Aggravated Assault # Cases	848	816	807	803	790	767	759	780	774	779	792	767	749
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	324	288	298	299	312	313	300	335	317	308	327	304	289
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	95	112	100	90	98	96	96	98	101	108	95	101	106
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	118	105	110	121	112	103	102	99	117	113	118	103	108
> 270 days (> 9 months)	311	311	299	293	268	255	261	248	239	250	252	259	246
Burglary/Theft/Larceny # Cases	1253	1159	1259	1300	1297	1285	1248	1209	1191	1173	1169	1148	1111
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	457	395	473	518	522	496	430	391	369	353	351	305	312
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	132	139	145	130	131	155	180	185	176	143	127	142	133
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	158	150	159	170	154	153	144	153	170	207	199	205	164
> 270 days (> 9 months)	506	475	482	482	490	481	494	480	476	470	492	496	502
Motor vehicle Theft # Cases	104	98	107	96	100	103	103	104	103	99	95	86	81
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	33	31	35	29	33	36	45	40	40	38	35	23	20
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	13	8	13	13	11	8	10	18	13	10	9	15	13
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	13	15	13	13	12	17	11	8	15	16	15	16	18
> 270 days (> 9 months)	45	44	46	41	44	42	37	38	35	35	36	32	30
Controlled Substance # Cases	246	249	269	554	317	333	315	307	321	322	292	288	272
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	99	98	109	371	137	136	98	94	100	88	78	74	46
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	26	26	30	41	34	35	68	63	38	45	31	24	38
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	33	34	32	39	38	48	42	47	72	68	62	54	47
> 270 days (> 9 months)	88	91	98	103	108	114	107	103	111	121	121	136	141
Drug Court # Cases	176	164	162	182	174	184	194	172	176	167	154	152	134
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	15	18	15	16	13	13	12	9	10	8	7	5	2
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	5	3	6	10	6	5	11	10	7	6	10	9	5
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	16	21	18	14	13	15	15	17	20	19	12	11	14
> 270 days (> 9 months)	140	122	123	142	142	151	156	136	139	134	125	127	113
Other* # Cases	729	702	754	731	714	754	719	697	746	759	752	746	708
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	311	272	305	288	269	322	295	300	343	321	311	281	242
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	93	103	107	103	102	88	89	88	87	124	107	105	126
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	84	83	101	111	116	125	108	89	96	94	104	129	121
> 270 days (> 9 months)	241	244	241	229	227	219	227	220	220	220	230	231	219
Criminal RALJ # Cases	42	44	46	46	47	45	47	47	49	49	50	55	55
0 - 120 days (0 - 4 months)	22	22	22	16	17	12	14	14	14	15	13	23	24
121-180 days (5 - 6 months)	9	9	11	12	10	10	8	4	5	7	8	5	6
181-270 days (7 - 9 months)	4	8	6	11	11	15	13	14	9	5	5	6	8
> 270 days (> 9 months)	7	5	7	7	9	8	12	15	21	22	24	21	17

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Table 8. Comparison between SEA/KNT: Filings, Resolutions, and Pending Caseload

King County Superior Court

	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Total Filings	432	473	417	477	431	451	432	455	467	338	346	327	341
SEA - # of Cases Filed	253	294	288	339	270	311	297	297	306	215	219	194	169
MRJC - # of Cases Filed	179	179	129	138	161	140	135	158	161	123	127	133	172
SEA %	59%	62%	69%	71%	63%	69%	69%	65%	66%	64%	63%	59%	50%
MRJC %	41%	38%	31%	29%	37%	31%	31%	35%	34%	36%	37%	41%	50%
Total Resolutions	363	450	374	460	399	446	475	481	474	391	401	443	377
SEA - # of Cases Resolved	220	275	235	259	220	272	270	292	309	236	249	281	229
MRJC - # of Cases Resolved	143	175	139	201	179	174	205	189	165	155	152	162	148
SEA %	61%	61%	63%	56%	55%	61%	57%	61%	65%	60%	62%	63%	61%
MRJC %	39%	39%	37%	44%	45%	39%	43%	39%	35%	40%	38%	37%	39%
Total Pending	4340	4184	4384	4681	4407	4429	4333	4246	4291	4271	4194	4126	3974
SEA - # of Cases Pending	2563	2476	2622	2919	2717	2765	2746	2718	2739	2735	2682	2626	2504
MRJC - # of Cases Pending	1777	1708	1762	1762	1690	1664	1587	1528	1552	1536	1512	1500	1470
SEA %	59%	59%	60%	62%	62%	62%	63%	64%	64%	64%	64%	64%	63%
MRJC %	41%	41%	40%	38%	38%	38%	37%	36%	36%	36%	36%	36%	37%

Table 9. Drug Court Statistics

King County Superior Court

Categories	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Referrals	41	30	18	39	15	27	34	23	18	23	26	14	26
<i>Directly from PA</i>	2	0	2	5	1	9	11	15	2	10	0	6	6
<i>From Mainstream</i>	39	30	16	34	14	18	23	8	16	13	26	8	20
Opt-in ⁽¹⁾	20	16	12	22	2	2	16	8	4	9	14	6	5
Resolutions	3	8	20	7	11	5	6	14	21	21	22	19	4
Graduations ⁽²⁾	1	8	17	5	11	2	1	7	7	8	20	16	2
Terminations ⁽³⁾	2	0	3	2	0	3	5	7	14	13	2	3	2
Drug Court Pending	176	164	162	182	174	184	194	172	176	167	154	152	134
<i>SEA Drug Court</i>	119	117	112	125	122	134	142	125	122	115	108	105	84
<i>KNT Drug Court</i>	57	47	50	57	52	50	52	47	54	52	46	47	50

- (1) Opt-in reflects the court order of participation.
- (2) Graduations are dismissals of opted-in cases after the completion of program.
- (3) Terminations are cases that fail in drug court.