

ALDERMAN'S COURTS*

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2007-2008 - Total Filings				
	2007	2008	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark**	-	15,702	-	-
Newport	-	5,432	-	-
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	-	2,276	-	-
Dewey Beach***	894	990	96	10.7%
Laurel	1,864	4,536	2,672	143.3%
Rehoboth Beach	1,208	1,093	-115	-9.5%
State	3,966	30,029		

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2007-2008 - Total Dispositions				
	2007	2008	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark**	-	13,587	-	-
Newport	-	5,809	-	-
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	-	2,276	-	-
Dewey Beach***	894	990	96	10.7%
Laurel****	1,690	4,348	2,658	157.3%
Rehoboth Beach	1,141	1,047	-94	-8.2%
State	3,725	28,057		

The unit of count for criminal and traffic cases is the charge. For example, a defendant with three charges disposed of is counted as three dispositions

FY2007 data was not available for Newark, Newport, and Bethany Beach

* Alderman's Courts are not part of the Delaware court system. They are independent entities within their respective Municipalities. However, cases may be transferred or appealed to a State court.

** FY2008 data was revised on 8/5/2009 based on a revised report submitted by the Court.

*** Dewey Beach FY2008 does not include data for January and February 2008.

**** Laurel police force more than doubled from FY2007 to FY2008

Source: Alderman's Courts; Administrative Office of the Courts