

**ALDERMAN'S COURTS\***

<b>Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2011-2012 - Total Filings</b>				
	2011	2012	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark	16,523	16,157	-366	-2.2%
Newport	6,776	1,075	-5,701	-84.1%
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	2,618	2,496	-122	-4.7%
Dewey Beach**	2,024	1,160	-864	-42.7%
Laurel	2,254	1,802	-452	-20.1%
Rehoboth Beach***	1,581	1,753	172	10.9%
<b>State</b>	<b>31,776</b>	<b>24,443</b>		

<b>Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2011-2012 - Total Dispositions</b>				
	2011	2012	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark	17,714	17,956	242	1.4%
Newport	6,776	6,074	-702	-10.4%
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	2,618	2,496	-122	-4.7%
Dewey Beach**	1,902	1,737	-165	-8.7%
Laurel	2,151	1,808	-343	-15.9%
Rehoboth Beach***	1,394	1,561	167	12.0%
<b>State</b>	<b>32,555</b>	<b>31,632</b>		

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

\* 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.

\*\* Incomplete -FY2011 February report is unavailable.

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