

Nebraska Judicial Branch

Annual Caseload Report

**Supreme Court and
Court of Appeals**

Reporting Period

Fiscal Year 2021

July 1, 2020 to
June 30, 2021



Nebraska Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Annual Caseload Report

This Annual Caseload Report contains caseload statistics for Nebraska’s appellate level courts: The Nebraska Supreme Court and the Nebraska Court of Appeals.

Statistics are compiled through extracts from the SSCALES automated case management system. Providing court statistics ensures transparency to the public and assists administration in ensuring efficient court practices.

Reports are available for all levels of state appellate and trial courts at www.supremecourt.ne.gov > Administration > Publications and Reports.

Mission of the Nebraska Administrative Office of the Courts:

Under the direction of the Nebraska Supreme Court, the Administrative Office of the Courts’ mission is to ensure the public has equal access to justice, using leadership, education, technology, and administrative services to implement consistent, efficient, and effective court practices.



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Nebraska Supreme Court

Nebraska Supreme Court Justices

Chief Justice Michael G. Heavican

Honorable Lindsey Miller-Lerman

Honorable William B. Cassel

Honorable Stephanie F. Stacy

Honorable Jeffrey J. Funke

Honorable Jonathan J. Papik

Honorable John R. Freudenberg

Supreme Court Caseload				
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
New Cases Docketed	67	56	52	61
Petitions to Bypass Filed	48	42	53	50
Petitions to Bypass Granted	30	30	30	37
Petitions to Bypass Denied	19	20	20	16
Cases Transferred from Court of Appeals	182	184	171	108
Petitions for Further Review Filed	235	238	258	216
Petitions for Further Review Granted	14	15	13	11
Petitions for Further Review Denied	177	218	246	207
Cases Disposed by Opinion	270	222	206	219
Cases Disposed without Opinion	33	55	52	36
Total Cases Disposed	303	277	258	255

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Nebraska Court of Appeals

Chief Judge Michael W. Pirtle

Honorable David K. Arterburn
Honorable Frankie J. Moore
Honorable Lawrence E. Welch, Jr.

Honorable Riko Bishop
Honorable Francie C. Riedmann

Supreme Court Caseload				
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
New Cases Docketed	1,226	1,133	1,007	932
Transferred to Supreme Court	182	184	171	108
Petitions to Bypass Granted	30	24	36	37
Cases Disposed by Opinion	407	434	486	401
Total Cases Disposed	962	978	968	819