

**Caseload Statistics for All Levels of Court
(2021 to 2025)**

Court Level and List Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Court of Final Appeal					
application for leave to appeal	599	728	395	229	243
appeals	16	18	23	24	11
miscellaneous proceedings	0	0	0	0	0
Court of Appeal of the High Court					
criminal appeals	316	249	251	277	535
civil appeals	599	501	439	577	1 260
miscellaneous proceedings	602	556	381	249	261
Court of First Instance of the High Court					
criminal cases	256	223	446	452	447
confidential miscellaneous proceedings ¹	545	883	749	698	697
miscellaneous proceedings (criminal) ²	724	637	882	1 012	1 034
appeals from Magistrates' Courts	608	460	496	506	458
civil jurisdiction	15 080	14 412	17 094	20 126	21 051
probate applications	21 978	23 006	26 298	28 335	26 305
Competition Tribunal	2	3	3	0	0
District Court					
criminal cases	1 171	1 193	1 331	1 623	1 876
civil cases	22 827	21 377	24 826	30 270	31 958
family court cases	18 132	16 802	20 914	20 326	19 205
lands tribunal cases	4 358	3 998	4 739	5 281	6 067
Magistrates' Courts	372 456	383 512	386 776	379 547	363 567
Coroner's Court	154	131	195	138	204
Labour Tribunal	4 278	3 378	4 348	4 879	5 180
Small Claims Tribunal	45 649	41 514	52 304	57 454	56 059
Obscene Articles Tribunal	38	34	14	163	148
Total	510 388	513 615	542 904	552 166	536 566

¹ This case type mostly covers Application for Production Orders which is processed under confidential procedures. The notable increase in caseload is partly attributed to the growing number of anti-extradition amendment bill incidents / national security (anti-EAB/NS) related cases in recent years.

² This is a new case type added since 1 July 2017 to mainly cover Applications for Bail, Extension of Time to Appeal and Confiscation Order. It was added to capture the caseload of criminal miscellaneous matters which were formerly subsumed under High Court Miscellaneous Proceedings (HCMP) and categorised as civil in nature. The notable increase in caseload is partly attributed to the growing number of anti-EAB/NS related cases in recent years.

**Average Court Waiting Times for All Levels of Court
(2021 to 2025)**

Court Level And List Type	Definition	Target (days)	2021 (days)	2022 (days)	2023 (days)	2024 (days)	2025 (days)
Court of Final Appeal							
Application for leave to appeal (criminal)	from notice of hearing to hearing	45	34	37	36	37	37
Application for leave to appeal (civil)	from notice of hearing to hearing	35	34	30	31	31	30
Substantive appeal (criminal)	from notice of hearing to hearing	100	82	99	89	97	92
Substantive appeal (civil)	from notice of hearing to hearing	120	88	95	89	95	94
Court of Appeal of the High Court							
Criminal	from setting down of a case to hearing	50	48	48	47	47	47
Civil	from application to fix date to hearing	90	86	81	64	66	73
Court of First Instance of the High Court							
Criminal Fixture List	from filing of indictment to hearing	-*	383	323	352	369	368
Civil Fixture List	from application to fix date to hearing	180	176	178	158	172	151
Civil Running List	from not-to-be warned date to hearing	30	16	15	26	16	26
Appeals from Magistrates' Courts	from lodging of "Notice of Appeal" to hearing	90	168	160	208	131	115
District Court							
Criminal	from first appearance of defendants in District Court to hearing	100	287	350	442	397	337
Civil Fixture List	from date of listing to hearing	120	108	116	115	110	113

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Civil Running List	from not-to-be warned date to hearing	30	20	18	14	14	20
Family Court							
Special Procedure List	from setting down of a case to hearing	35	35	35	35	35	34
Defended List (all hearings)	from setting down of a case to hearing	110	59	58	53	42	37
Financial applications	from setting down of a case to hearing	110-140	74	49	71	73	74
Lands Tribunal							
Appeal cases	from setting down of a case to hearing	90	N.A. #	N.A. #	8	6	N.A. #
Compensation cases	from setting down of a case to hearing	90	64	45	15	46	52
Building management cases	from setting down of a case to hearing	90	25	20	32	34	55
Tenancy cases	from setting down of a case to hearing	50	16	16	15	18	35
Magistrates' Courts							
Summonses	from plea to date of trial	50	79	101	74	45	41
Charge cases except for Juvenile Court - for defendants in custody - for defendants on bail	from plea to date of trial	30-45 45-60	48 70	62 82	48 66	40 53	40 46
Charge cases for Juvenile Court - for defendants in custody - for defendants on bail	from plea to date of trial	30-45 45-60	56 74	94 89	40 76	54 69	N.A. # 57
Coroner's Court	from date of listing to hearing	42	64	42	34	32	32
Labour Tribunal	from appointment to filing of a case	30	25	28	38	36	32
	from filing of a case to first hearing	30	22	24	23	23	23
Small Claims Tribunal	from filing of a case to first hearing	60	39	37	35	41	41
Obscene Articles Tribunal	from receipt of application to classification	5	2	2	2	3	2
	from referral by a magistrate to determination	21	N.A. #	N.A. #	N.A. #	18	N.A. #

Remarks:

1. Figures in bold **green** fonts denote average court waiting time exceeding target
 2. Figures in bold **blue** italic fonts represent the court waiting times for Criminal Fixture List in the CFI with target pending for determination
- * The target average waiting time for the Criminal Fixture List will be reviewed later at an appropriate juncture.
 - # Not applicable as there was no relevant application filed / trial listed.