

The Annual Court Report

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The Court Reporting School

Indeed the year 1999/2000 has been a challenging year for the Court as many efforts have been made to steer the Court and its administrations towards efficiency and technological advancement. The Court statistics plays a vital role as it assists in giving direction to the future.

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ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE COURT

"Timely Delivery of a High Standard of Justice for All"

The Honourable, Chief Justice Lensley Wolfe has introduced the above mission statement for the court system. The statement indicates that efforts are being made to ensure efficiency in the justice system of the highest standard. The aim is to reduce the backlog of cases therefore making justice more accessible. To meet this target, a number of new courts have been created and the disposal rates of earlier courts are much improved. These Courts include:

THE NIGHT COURT

This Court was started on September 4, 1995 in the parishes of St. James, Corporate Area Criminal, Clarendon and St. Catherine; Night Court was introduced in Traffic Court in November of the same year. In February 1999, the Court was introduced in St. Thomas, St. Ann, Trelawny, Westmoreland and a second court was established in St. James.

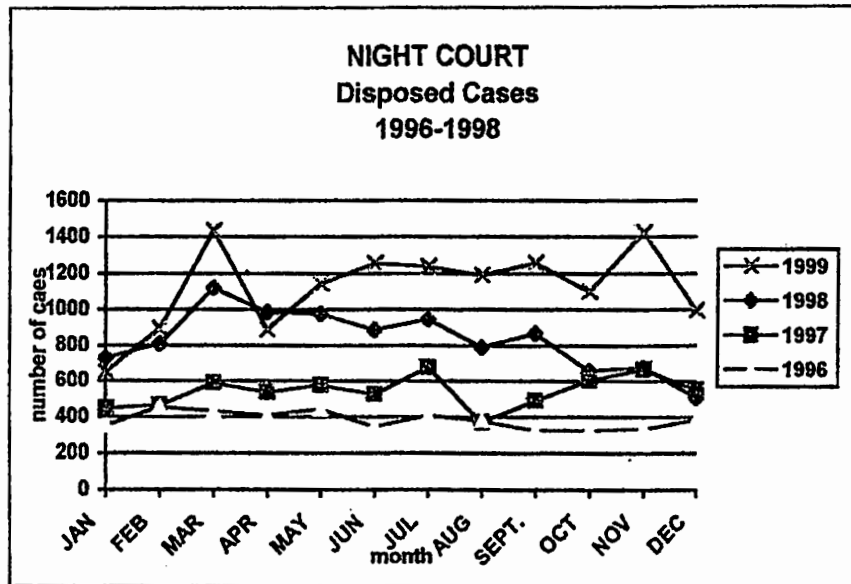
Night Court was created to deal with both civil and criminal cases. Civil matters included Monies Owed, Rent Owed, and Recovery of Tenement, Default Judgement, Judgement Summons and Damages. Whilst criminal cases included breaches of the Public Utilities Act, Affiliation, Tourist Related Offences, Assault at common-law, Assault Occasioning Bodily Harm, Ganja and Cocaine related cases, Housebreaking and Larceny, Simple Larceny, Traffic violations and others.

To date, there have been sharp increases in filed cases as more cases are being referred to this Court; disposal rates are also on the increase. Deferrals are below thirty percent (30%) on a monthly basis. Please view Table 1A and Graph 1 to depict the flow of cases since its inception.

Table 1A

NIGHT COURT CASE FLOW FOR THE PERIOD 1996-1999				
	1996	1997	1998	1999
B/f	477	533	283	305
New Cases	4,638	6,253	9,947	17,790
Disposed Cases	4,582	6,503	9,927	13,484
Deferred Cases	533	283	305	411

Graph 1



THE REGIONAL GUN COURT

The Gun Court Act of 1974 allowed all Gun Court offences to be tried in the Gun Court located in Kingston. The number of offences to be tried increased tremendously creating a heavy backlog in the Gun Court. In an effort to reduce the backlog, the Gun Court Act was amended to provide for trial of Gun Court cases in the Circuit Court's sittings in the rural parishes. However, there was a colossal increase in the Circuit Court cases in the parishes of St. James, Trelawny, Westmoreland and Hanover. The result was that a large number of these cases remained untried for an extended period.

A decision was then taken to establish a Gun Court for these parishes. The intention was to reduce the build-up of cases and have speedier trials. The Gun Court Amendment Act sought to give effect to that decision.

The Regional Gun Court had its inception on the March 26, 1999 and has made an impact on the case flow in the western section of the island. Since then, the Court has surpassed the objective of case disposal time being no longer than eighteen (18) months. Already, the Court has achieved a record disposal time of less than six (6) weeks from the time the case is filed to the time of case disposal.

THE ST. CATHERINE RESIDENT MAGISTRATE COURT- Portmore Division

The St. Catherine Resident Magistrates Court- Portmore Division had its official launch on January 31, 2000. This Court is located at the former police post in Greater Portmore that was converted to a courthouse and began operations on February 1, 2000. The Court has special emphasis on family cases in the parish of St. Catherine.

There are sittings every Tuesday, and on Thursdays a Deputy Clerk of Court is at the courthouse to facilitate the filing of complaints by persons living in Portmore. This establishment is necessary in catering to the needs of a rapidly expanding community. The result will culminate in a quick movement of family cases and a higher disposal rate in the court system of St. Catherine.

THE DRUG COURT

The Minister of National Security and Justice had appointed July 17, 2000 as the date for the Drug Court to become operational. Legislation has created a Drug Court, which will help in the control of substance abuse among juvenile and non-violent substance abuse offenders. The Chief Justice and a committee set up to implement the programme are putting in place the relevant infrastructure for the targeted date.

The preparation for the Court includes attendance to the International Association of Drug Court Professional (IADCP) which was held May-30- June 3, 2000. Two representatives were sent as participants. The participants are Her Honour, Miss Paulette Williams, a Resident Magistrate to Westmoreland and Mrs. Clover Thompson-Gordon, the President of the Lay Magistrate's Association and she is also the Principal of Denham Town Comprehensive High School.

There are continuous meetings with the Chief Justice, a selected committee and the treatment providers (represented by the National Council on Drug Abuse) to improve and to create additional facilities for treatment. Already, Custodes have made recommendations for the Justices of the Peace to work in the Drug Court. Two Justices of the Peace are required per sitting.

THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT

Since the legislated date of the Small Claims Court, December 17, 1999, the Chief Justice has been making preparation for the effective operation of the Court. The Court is targeted to deal with claims not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50, 000) for parties not being represented by Counsel. The Chief Justice is in discussions with the Dispute Resolution Foundation and the Law School in order to work out the details of the referral process.

The Court is projected to work simultaneously with the Dispute Resolution Foundation. The procedure is that whenever the judge is of the opinion that mediation may be of assistance, the judge may refer the parties to a mediator approved by the Dispute Resolution Foundation.

INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF JUDGES

The accessibility to justice is important; however, the quality of justice is given as much consideration within this court year. In due consideration, the Cabinet has given approval for an increase in the number of posts of the judges in the Supreme Court. This legislation has moved the number of Supreme Court judges from twenty (20) to twenty-four (24) judges. This move will not only ease the case flow but also allow more timely and efficient judgement. However, the additional judges have not been placed as the Ministry of National Security and Justice awaits the permission for financing from the Ministry of Finance.

THE COURT REPORTING SCHOOL

This is a new initiative that began operations on January 3, 2000 in an effort to introduce Real Time Court Reporting to our court system. This type of Court Reporting takes verbatim notes using software to translate the shorthand notes into English and immediately generates a document for the judge and a copy on the computer for further editing. It should be noted that the first batch of graduates from the eighteen- (18) months course will be finished by June 2001 and will be deployed to their respective courts by August 2001. The projection for the school is that it will provide the staffing of reporters for the court system. There will be a pilot project to test the effectiveness of the Real Time Reporting in the Resident Magistrate's Court. The overall benefit will be a faster draft of the transcripts for the perusal of the judges and quickens the pace of the issuing of justice. This will expedite trials in the court system.

The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has been a sponsor of this venture. CIDA has provided funding for the training and the provision of amenities such as software and equipment. The agency has also given assistance to train technicians for the maintenance of the equipment. To date, six persons have been identified for training as technicians; these include two (2) Jamaica Defence Force soldiers, two teachers from the Court Reporting School and two persons from the Supreme Court.

- **Acquiring a database for the Court system**

- **Commercial Court**

- **Legislation**

- ⇒ Domestic Violence Act

- ⇒ Coroner's Act

- ⇒ Justice Protection Act

- ⇒ Fitness to Plead Act

- ⇒ Legal Profession Act

- ⇒ Criminal Justice Reform Act

- ⇒ The Law Reform Act

- ⇒ The Family Property (Right of Spouses) Bill

INTRODUCTION

The Court Statistics Report for 1999/2000 gives a presentation of the case management for the year in the Court of Jamaica. The report aims at producing information on the structure and statistics of each Court. It should be noted that the Court Statistics is ordinal data and is therefore a simple count of cases filed, pending and disposed of. This compilation is of significance as it caters for:

Administration: - As an organization, the Court should be able to monitor its activities, productivity and efficiency. Proper management demands this information in order to determine whether the objectives and goals are being met; hence the Minister of National Security and Justice and the Chief Justice will find the data useful to discern performance levels and effectiveness thus making projections for the future.

Planning: - The information is relevant to government, non-government and private entities that are decision-makers in planning issues. (These issues may encompass social, education, and economic issues.) The statistics gives added insight to the role of the Court in our society.

Policy Research and Analysis: - The statistics assists to display the effects of changes in law and policy and also helps to discern the impact of these changes on a branch of the Criminal Justice System (the Court).

There are areas to be improved upon and this can be achieved with the infusion of technology and personnel within the section. Despite the odds, the Court Statistics Unit has presented the Statistics for the Court year and hopes the information will be deemed valuable.

METHODOLOGY

A number of strategies have been used to collect the data for the Court. These strategies are varied for the different levels of the Court system and according to the idiosyncrasies of each Court. The data is collected manually with the exception being the Court of Appeal.

The Resident Magistrate's Court operates on a quarterly basis and the Business Done Returns are produced from the parishes for each quarter. The Court Statistic Unit collects the Business Done Returns and then compiles and generates the statistics for the Resident Magistrate's Court.

The Night Court data is submitted by the participating parishes for the Night Court Bulletin that is prepared by the Court Statistics Unit on a monthly basis. The statistics is presented in this report by the breakdown of case filings and disposals for each parish. The statistics also presents the breakdown of the type of offences filed and disposed in the Night Court.

The Supreme Court's data is collected in terms – Michaelmas, Hilary and Easter. The Supreme Civil data is collated at the Supreme Civil Registry. An electronic filing system has been designed to process civil cases. However the system can only monitor case filings and need to be developed to monitor disposals. The disposed cases are still being tallied manually. The Supreme Criminal's data is derived from the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. This data is also collected by the named terms. The Gun Court's data is collected on a monthly basis.

The Court of Appeal has a more technological method for collection. A database has been created to process the cases and therefore cases can be tracked from the initial filing to disposal. The system is designed for close monitoring.

The Manpower data is obtained via the Personnel Department of the Ministry of the National Security and Justice.

*Court
of
Appeal*

COURT OF APPEAL

CASES FILED, DISPOSED OF AND PENDING September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 1

	FILED	DISPOSED	PENDING
TOTAL	324	44	280
SUPREME COURT			
CIVIL	114	6	108
CRIMINAL	157	5	152
TOTAL	271	11	260
RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT			
CIVIL	21	9	12
CRIMINAL	32	24	8
TOTAL	53	33	20
SUPREME COURT			
CIVIL	35.2	13.6	38.6
CRIMINAL	48.5	11.4	54.3
RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT			
CIVIL	6.5	20.5	4.3
CRIMINAL	9.9	54.5	2.9
	100.0	100.0	100.0

LEAVE TO APPEAL TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 2

	CONDITIONAL LEAVE	FINAL LEAVE
CIVIL	13	9
CRIMINAL	1	0
TOTAL	14	9

COURT OF APPEAL

**SUPREME COURT
CRIMINAL APPEALS FILED AND DISPOSED OF
September 1999- June 2000**

TABLE 3

OFFENCE	FILED	DISPOSED
OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSONS ACT		
ASSAULT	1	0
CAPITAL MURDER	11	0
CARNAL ABUSE & INCEST	7	0
CAUSING DEATH BY DANGEROUS DRIVING	1	0
MANSLAUGHTER	6	0
NON-CAPITAL MURDER	41	1
RAPE	13	0
WOUNDING	7	1
BUGGERY	0	0
FIREARMS ACT		
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARM	66	3
SHOOTING WITH INTENT	1	0
INFLECTING GREVIOUS BODILY HARM	0	0
OFFENCES AGAINST THE PROPERTY ACT		
BURGLARY/LARCENY	0	0
ROBBERY	3	0
SACRILEGE	0	0
ARSON	0	0
TOTAL	157	5

COURT OF APPEAL

**RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
CRIMINAL APPEALS FILED AND DISPOSED OF
September 1999- July 2000**

TABLE 4

OFFENCE	FILED	DISPOSED
OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSONS ACT		
ASSAULT AT COMMON LAW	1	1
ASSAULT OCCASSIONING BODILY HARM	3	3
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0
INDECENT ASSAULT	0	0
UNLAWFUL WOUNDING	6	4
BREACHES IN THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT		
POSSESSION OF GANJA	0	0
POSSESSION OF COCAINE	0	0
DEALING IN COCAINE	2	1
DEALING IN GANJA	3	1
OFFENCES AGAINST THE PROPERTY ACT		
HOUSEBREAKING AND LARCENY	0	0
MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	1	1
OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCE	0	0
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY	1	1
SHOPBREAKING AND LARCENY	1	1
SIMPLE LARCENY	4	4
FORGERY	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0
UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF PROPERTY	0	0
BREACH OF THE CUSTOMS ACT	1	0
BREACH OF RENT RESTRICTION ACT	1	1
BREACH OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS AND INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE ACT	1	1
BREACH OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION ACT	1	0
BREACH OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT		
ABSTRACTING ELECTRICITY	0	0
TRESPASS ON THE WORKS OF NWC	1	1
BREACH OF THE FIREARMS ACT		
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARM & AMMUNITION	1	1
SOLICITING PROSTITUTION	0	0
WORKING WITHOUT PERMIT	0	0
DISOBEYING POLICE ORDER	0	0
FALSE DECLARATION	0	0
FRAUDULENT CONVERSION	0	0
OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC	1	1
OTHERS	3	2
TOTAL	32	24

COURT OF APPEAL

**RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
CIVIL APPEALS FILED AND DISPOSED
September 1999- July 2000****TABLE 5**

MATTER	FILED	DISPOSED
RECOVERY OF POSSESSION	2	-
BREACH OF CONTRACT	1	1
DAMAGES	8	5
MONEY OWED	1	-
TRESPASS AND INJUNCTION	3	1
ASSAULT	2	1
MARRIED WOMAN PROPERTY ACT	-	-
NEGLIGENCE	1	-
RECOVERY OF RENT	-	-
WORK DONE	1	1
FALSE IMPRISONMENT	1	-
WRONGFUL TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT	1	-
TOTAL	21	9

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THE JUSTICE TRAINING INSTITUTE

Quality has been an emphasis as the Justice Training Institute continues to co-ordinate training programmes for persons within the court system. The Institute has been established for three (3) years and has trained over two thousand (2,000) persons within the Criminal Justice System.

The major training programmes include:

- ❖ A Certificate in Legal Administration
- ❖ The Criminal Justice Studies Programme
- ❖ Deputy Clerks Qualifying Course
- ❖ Justice of the Peace Training

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Courts have embarked on a major technological development process in the justice system as the Supreme Court has become computerized. Approximately thirty-five computers were given to the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal by the Ministry of National Security and Justice, allowing judges to have access to personal computers, in their chambers, that is connected to the internet; each judge also has an e-mail address.

A web site (sc.gov.jm) has been established with the help of Mr. Peter Wright – Consultant to the Supreme Court. The web site displays scheduled cases for the Supreme Court. Mr. Wright has also designed an electronic telemanagement system that has simplified the filing system and allows the legal fraternity and the public to file and access data electronically in the Supreme Court. The immediate benefit is the swift and easy filing of cases and the quick search and retrieval of data by the Court.

THE BAIL ACT

An Act entitled “An Act to Make provisions Respecting Bail and for Connected Matters” was passed on July 14, 2000. The objective of the Act is to ensure that accused persons are not denied bail unless the denial is in the interest of justice, in the interest of the community and promotes consistency in the approach taken by bail decision-makers in this regard. These provisions refer to the grant or denial of bail in criminal proceedings.

MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION

There are a number of issues that are being reviewed for the new Court year (September 2000- June 2001). Below is a listing of both projects and legislation affecting the Court. These include:

COURT OF APPEAL

CRIMINAL CASES
COURT OF ORIGIN
September 1999- July 2000

TABLE 6

PARISH	FILED	DISPOSED
CIRCUIT COURT		
CORPORATE AREA	43	0
CLARENDON	3	0
HANOVER	1	0
MANCHESTER	5	0
PORTLAND	2	0
ST. ANN	7	0
ST. CATHERINE	13	0
ST. ELIZABETH	3	1
ST. JAMES	30	1
ST. MARY	5	0
ST. THOMAS	2	0
TRELAWNY	2	0
WESTMORELAND	0	0
GUN COURT	41	3
TOTAL	157	5

COURT OF APPEAL

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURTS
COURT OF ORIGIN FOR CRIMINAL CASES
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 7

PARISH	FILED	DISPOSED
CRIMINAL		
CLARENDON	0	0
CORPORATE AREA	7	4
MANCHESTER	0	0
PORTLAND	0	0
ST. CATHERINE	8	8
ST. ELIZABETH	4	2
ST. ANN	2	1
ST. JAMES	6	5
ST. MARY	0	0
ST. THOMAS	2	2
TRELAWNY	1	0
WESTMORELAND	2	2
TOTAL	32	24

COURT OF APPEAL

OUTCOME OF APPEALS September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 8

	ALLOWED	DISMISSED	WITHDRAWN ABANDONED	VARIED
TOTAL	10	17	14	3
SUPREME COURT				
CIVIL	1	1	4	-
CRIMINAL	-	1	4	-
TOTAL	1	2	8	-
RM COURT				
CIVIL	1	5	1	2
CRIMINAL	8	10	5	1
TOTAL	9	15	6	3

*Supreme
Court*

SUPREME CRIMINAL

CASES SET FOR TRIAL
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 1

PARISH	MICHAELMAS	HILARY	EASTER
CLARENDON	48	41	43
HANOVER	14	19	21
HOME CIRCUIT	261	250	243
MANCHESTER	36	34	33
PORTLAND	12	14	9
ST. ANN	50	51	28
ST. CATHERINE	121	135	116
ST. ELIZABETH	17	20	19
ST. JAMES	35	17	34
ST. MARY	8	6	3
ST. THOMAS	24	22	18
TRELAWNY	12	15	13
WESTMORELAND	35	22	32
TOTAL	673	646	612

CASES DISPOSED OF
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 2

PARISH	MICHAELMAS	HILARY	EASTER
CLARENDON	23	21	18
HANOVER	8	6	9
HOME CIRCUIT	55	64	59
MANCHESTER	9	14	8
PORTLAND	9	9	7
ST. ANN	35	38	10
ST. CATHERINE	29	46	44
ST. ELIZABETH	10	10	11
ST. JAMES	29	16	26
ST. MARY	7	4	2
ST. THOMAS	9	11	4
TRELAWNY	7	7	8
WESTMORELAND	14	14	13
TOTAL	244	260	219

SUPREME CRIMINAL

**PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN OF CASES
SET FOR TRIAL
September 1999- June 2000**

TABLE 3

PARISH	HILARY	EASTER	MICHAELMAS
CLARENDON	7.1	6.3	7.0
HANOVER	2.1	2.9	3.4
HOME CIRCUIT	38.8	38.7	39.7
MANCHESTER	5.3	5.3	5.4
PORTLAND	1.8	2.2	1.5
ST. ANN	7.4	7.9	4.6
ST. CATHERINE	18.0	20.9	19.0
ST. ELIZABETH	2.5	3.1	3.1
ST. JAMES	5.2	2.6	5.6
ST. MARY	1.2	0.9	0.5
ST. THOMAS	3.6	3.4	2.9
TRELAWNY	1.8	2.3	2.1
WESTMORELAND	5.2	3.4	5.2
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 4

**CASES DISPOSED OF AS A PERCENTAGE
OF THOSE SET FOR TRIAL 1999**

PARISH	HILARY	EASTER	MICHAELMAS
CLARENDON	9.4	8.1	8.2
HANOVER	3.3	2.3	4.1
HOME CIRCUIT	22.5	24.6	26.9
MANCHESTER	3.7	5.4	3.7
PORTLAND	3.7	3.5	3.2
ST. ANN	14.3	14.6	4.6
ST. CATHERINE	11.9	17.7	20.1
ST. ELIZABETH	4.1	3.8	5.0
ST. JAMES	11.9	6.2	11.9
ST. MARY	2.9	1.5	0.9
ST. THOMAS	3.7	4.2	1.8
TRELAWNY	2.9	2.7	3.7
WESTMORELAND	5.7	5.4	5.9
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0

SUPREME CRIMINAL

**GUN COURT CASES
September 1999- July 2000**

TABLE 5

	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
<i>BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD</i>	2,993	3,022	3,034	3,017	3,027	3,036	3,055
<i>NEW CASES FILED</i>	67	61	45	46	58	59	49
(A) <i>No Evidence Offered</i>	7	15	7	1	4	11	20
<i>Dismissal</i>	1	5	12	-	7	-	4
(B) <i>Acquittals</i>	7	5	2	6	1	2	7
<i>For want of Prosecution</i>	6	4	24	17	23	11	8
<i>Deceased</i>	-	3	-	-	-	2	1
<i>No Order Made</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Nolle prosequi</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>CONVICTED</i>	17	16	16	11	12	10	6
<i>COMMITTED TO CIRCUIT COURT</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>ADJOURNED SINE DIE</i>	-	1	1	-	2	2	-
<i>TRANSFER TO RM COURT</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
<i>TRANSFER TO CIRCUIT COURT</i>	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
<i>BENCH WARRANT ISSUED</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>PENDING</i>	3,022	3,034	3,017	3,027	3,036	3,055	3,057

SUPREME CRIMINAL

GUN COURT CASES
September 1999- August 2000

TABLE 5 cont'd

APR	MAY	JUNE	JUL	AUG	TOTAL	
3,057	3,061	3,096	3,143	3,153	3,172	BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD
55	65	82	47	55	689	NEW CASES FILED
8	14	9	4	12	112	No Evidence Offered
7	4	-	3	2	45	Dismissal No Order Made
4	-	5	4	2	45	(B) Acquittals
13	3	12	13	8	142	For want of Prosecution
2	-	1	3	-	12	Deceased
1	-	-	-	-	1	No Order Made
-	-	-	-	-	-	Nolle prosequi
16	8	7	5	9	133	CONVICTED
-	-	-	-	-	-	COMMITTED TO CIRCUIT COURT
-	-	1	1	1	9	ADJOURNED SINE DIE
-	1	-	2	-	4	TRANSFER TO RM COURT
-	-	-	2	2	7	TRANSFER TO CIRCUIT COURT
-	-	-	-	-	-	BENCH WARRANT ISSUED
3,061	3,096	3,143	3,153	3,172	3,172	PENDING

SUPREME CRIMINAL

**PERSONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE GUN COURT
September 1999- August 2000**

TABLE 6

	SEPT.	OCT	NOV.	DEC.	JAN	FEB	MAR
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	4,114	4,150	4,177	4,172	4,187	4,207	4,239
NEW CASES FILED	79	82	59	51	80	75	61
<i>No Evidence Offered</i>	9	20	7	1	9	12	27
<i>Dismissal</i>	1	5	12	7	9	-	4
(B) <i>Acquittals</i>	8	5	2	-	2	2	9
<i>For want of Prosecution</i>	8	4	23	17	25	13	9
<i>Deceased</i>	-	3	-	-	-	2	1
No order Made	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONVICTED	17	17	18	11	13	10	6
COMMITTED TO CIRCUIT COURT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ADJOURNED SINE DIE	-	1	2	-	2	2	-
TRANSFER TO RM COURT	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TRANSFER TO CIRCUIT COURT	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
BENCH WARRANTS ISSUED	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PENDING	4,150	4,177	4,172	4,187	4,207	4,239	4,243

SUPREME CRIMINAL

PERSONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE GUN COURT
September 1999- August 2000

TABLE 6 cont'd

APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	TOTAL	
4,243	4,252	4,291	4,350	4,367	4,394	<i>BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD</i>
67	77	98	60	68	857	<i>NEW CASES FILED</i>
11	20	9	5	15	145	<i>No Evidence Offered</i>
7	6	-	4	2	57	<i>Dismissal</i>
4	-	5	5	2	44	<i>(B) Acquittals</i>
17	3	16	14	8	157	<i>For want of Prosecution</i>
1	-	2	2	-	11	<i>Deceased</i>
1	-	-	-	-	1	<i>No order Made</i>
17	8	7	5	9	138	<i>CONVICTED</i>
-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>COMMITTED TO CIRCUIT COURT</i>
-	-	-	1	3	11	<i>ADJOURNED SINE DIE</i>
-	1	-	5	-	7	<i>TRANSFER TO RM COURT</i>
-	-	-	2	2	6	<i>TRANSFER TO CIRCUIT COURT</i>
-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>BENCH WARRANTS ISSUED</i>
4,252	4,291	4,350	4,367	4,394	4,394	<i>PENDING</i>

*Western
Regional
Gun
Court*

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT
SEPTEMBER 1999- MAY 2000

Table 1

PARISH	FILED	DISPOSED
ST. JAMES	87	80
TRELAWNY	14	11
WESTMORELAND	49	40
HANOVER	13	10
TOTAL	163	141

ACQUITTALS	# OF CASES
NOT GUILTY	28
NO EVIDENCE OFFERED	17
NO FURTHER EVIDENCE	14
WITHDRAWN	3
NOLLE PROSI	1
	63

CONVICTIONS	
ADMONISHED AND DISCHARGE	3
TRANSFERRED	8
SUSPENDED SENTENCE	5
PROBATION ORDER	4
FINED	7
IMPRISONMENT	47
	74

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT
For Sessions held September 1999- July 2000

Table 2

SESSIONS	Filed	B/F	Disposed	No Further Evidence	No Evidence Offered	Imprison.	Fined
September 6 - October 8, 1999	31	N/A	18	8	1	5	1
October 11-29, 1999	22	13	4	1	-	2	-
November 1-19, 1999	2	31	6	-	-	-	-
November 22- December 3, 1999	2	27	5	2	-	-	1
December 6 - 17, 1999	8	24	7	-	-	3	1
January 3 -28, 2000	16	25	24	1	8	8	-
January 31- February 18, 2000	6	17	4	-	-	4	-
February 21- March 10, 2000	16	19	20	1	2	6	2
March 13 - 31, 2000	11	15	13	-	1	4	2
April 3 - 14, 2000	1	13	3	-	-	2	-
April 26- May 12, 2000	11	11	8	-	-	5	-
May 15 - June 2, 2000	14	14	8	2	-	2	-
June 5 - 23, 2000	14	20	10	1	0	4	0
June 26- July 14, 2000	9	24	11	1	2	2	0
TOTAL	163	22	141	17	14	47	7

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT

WESTERN REGIONAL GUN COURT
For Sessions held September 1999- July 2000

Table 2 (cont'd)

Not Guilty	Suspended	Probation Order	Admonished & Discharged	Withdrawn	Nolle Prosi	Transfer	Warrants
3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
1	1	1	1	-	-	2	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
4	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
28	5	4	3	3	1	8	4

SUPREME CIVIL

CASES FILED, DISPOSED AND DISCONTINUED August 1999- July 2000

Table 1

MATTER	FILED	DISPOSED	DISCONTINUED
ADMIRALTY	4	0	-
ATTORNEY AT LAW	86	86	-
BANKRUPTCY	22	0	-
COMMON LAW	3,053	0	-
EQUITY	463	84	5
RESTRICTIVE COVENANT	140	85	-
FAMILY	1,839	92	4
MISCELLANEOUS	138	33	2
PROBATE	1,333	386	-
TOTAL	7,078	766	11

SUPREME CIVIL

MATTERS HEARD IN CHAMBERS

TABLE 2

CASE TYPE	MICHAELMAS	HILARY	EASTER
ADMIRALTY	-	1	1
BANKRUPTCY	11	8	3
COMMON LAW	1626	1450	2032
EQUITY	328	368	752
FAMILY	96	153	352
MISCELLANEOUS	68	50	66
PROBATE	51	53	44
RESTRICTIVE COVENANT	166	177	314
TOTAL	2346	2260	3564

DISPOSAL METHOD OF MATTERS HEARD IN CHAMBERS

TABLE 3

METHOD	HILARY	EASTER	MICHAELMAS
ADJOURNED SINE	1471	1644	2669
APPEAL WITHDRAWN	0	0	0
NOTICE OF DISCONTINUANCE	3	6	5
TOTAL	1474	1650	2674

SUPREME CIVIL

FAMILY DIVISION CASES
for August 1999- June 2000

TABLE 4

CASE TYPE	DECREE NISI	DECREE ABSOLUTE
GRANTED	1407	1210
ADJOURNED SINE DIE	337	190
NULLIFIED	1	-
DISMISSED	4	-
WITHDRAWN	2	-
TOTAL	1751	1400

*Resident
Magistrate's
Court*

RM CIVIL

**R. M CIVIL CASES
CASES FILED AND DISPOSED
September 1999 - June 2000**

TABLE 1

PARISH	FILED	DISPOSED
CORPORATE AREA	8,213	8,415
ST. THOMAS	1,098	909
PORTLAND	651	711
ST. MARY	1,120	922
ST. ANN	2,008	2,141
HANOVER	792	847
TRELAWNY	1,094	1,119
ST. JAMES	3,723	3,734
WESTMORELAND	1,974	1,875
ST. ELIZABETH	1,836	1,273
MANCHESTER	2,102	2,075
CLARENDON	1,200	1,329
ST. CATHERINE	3,905	3,527
TOTAL	29,716	28,877

RM CRIMINAL

**R.M. CRIMINAL CASES
CASES FILED AND DISPOSED
September 1999- June 2000**

TABLE 2

PARISH	FILED	DISPOSED
CORPORATE AREA	18,657	17,299
ST. THOMAS	9,663	9,889
PORTLAND	5,749	4,193
ST. MARY	7,502	7,451
ST. ANN	23,470	24,289
HANOVER	6,094	6,183
TRELAWNY	8,649	8,601
ST. JAMES	30,840	29,616
WESTMORELAND	15,003	15,608
ST. ELIZABETH	4,710	4,835
MANCHESTER	38,607	34,914
CLARENDON	28,470	28,818
ST. CATHERINE	24,490	8,984
TOTAL	221,904	200,680

RESIDENT MAGISTRATES' COURTS

NUMBER OF CASES FILED AND DISPOSED OF
FOR THE YEAR SEPTEMBER 1999-JUNE 2000

Table 3

	CRIMINAL					CIVIL				
	Prelim. Exams	Indictments	RM Summary	Petty Sessions	Tax Cases	Plaints	Judgement Summons	Probates & Administ.	Bank- ruptcy	Coroners
HANOVER										
Brought Forward	113	515	204	976	148	304	4	63	-	84
Cases Filed	137	571	789	4,337	260	635	139	5	-	13
Total	250	1,086	993	5,313	408	939	143	68	-	97
Disposed of	129	566	822	4,362	304	662	136	16	-	33
Arrears	121	520	171	951	104	277	7	52	-	64
WESTMORELAND										
Brought Forward	405	2,537	1,065	1,637	59	686	71	8	-	269
Cases Filed	192	1,884	1,388	11,072	487	1,410	502	8	-	54
Total	597	4,421	2,453	12,709	526	2,296	573	16	-	323
Disposed of	192	2,196	1,546	11,236	438	1,311	507	8	-	51
Arrears	405	2,225	907	1,473	88	685	66	10	-	272
ST. ELIZABETH										
Brought Forward	240	2,506	1,449	324	3,521	6,910	1,702	133	80	749
Cases Filed	141	1,268	2,128	627	546	1,349	377	85	-	25
Total	381	3,774	3,577	951	4,067	8,259	2,079	218	80	774
Disposed of	130	1,479	2,184	634	398	849	313	69	-	12
Arrears	251	2,295	1,393	317	3,669	7,410	1,766	119	80	762
MANCHESTER										
Brought Forward	188	1,214	571	4,767	844	1,810	-	98	-	544
Cases Filed	167	1,831	5,124	31,200	485	1,504	445	85	-	68
Total	355	2,845	5,695	35,967	1,129	3,314	445	183	-	612
Disposed of	184	1,598	4,791	28,137	224	1,519	445	56	-	55
Arrears	201	1,247	904	7,830	905	1,795	-	127	-	557
CLARENDON										
Brought Forward	442	1,504	1,835	824	122	369	29	147	-	688
Cases Filed	338	1,673	4,058	21,926	477	912	184	29	-	75
Total	778	3,177	5,893	22,750	599	1,281	213	176	-	761
Disposed of	341	1,860	4,185	21,950	472	910	203	23	-	103
Arrears	437	1,317	1,698	800	127	371	10	153	-	558
ST. CATHERINE										
Brought Forward	2,115	4,662	3,288	30,884	502	1,178	-	102	0	258
Cases Filed	538	2,730	3,810	15,488	1,924	3,446	417	27	0	15
Total	2,653	7,392	7,098	46,372	2,426	4,624	417	129	0	273
Disposed of	254	1,933	1,735	3,408	1,654	3,126	336	10	0	55
Arrears	2,399	5,459	5,363	42,964	772	1,498	81	119	0	218
TOTAL										
Brought Forward	8,129	28,222	16,191	71,376	6,976	20,854	3,059	1,218	159	4,535
Cases Filed	4,232	24,144	36,968	146,052	10,480	24,035	4,633	440	24	584
Total	12,361	52,366	53,177	217,428	17,466	44,889	7,692	1,658	183	5,119
Disposed of	4,139	24,235	35,068	128,798	8,442	23,253	4,437	408	2	777
Arrears	8,222	28,131	18,109	88,632	9,024	21,636	3,255	1,248	181	4,342

RESIDENT MAGISTRATES' COURTS**NUMBER OF CASES FILED AND DISPOSED OF
FOR THE YEAR SEPTEMBER 1999-JUNE 2000**

Table 3

	CRIMINAL					CIVIL				
	Prelim. Exams	Indictments	RM Summary	Petty Sessions	Tax Cases	Plaints	Judgement Summons	Probates & Administ.	Bank- ruptcy	Coroners
CORPORATE AREA										
Brought Forward	3023	5606	1736	2374	1271	2,974	26	152	-	1,049
Cases Filed	1757	6893	4815	3162	2030	7,369	577	70	-	197
Total	4780	12559	6551	5536	3301	10,343	603	222	-	1,246
Disposed of	1877	6422	4757	2107	2136	7,628	583	38	-	166
Arrears	2903	6137	1794	3429	1165	2,715	20	184	-	1,080
ST. THOMAS										
Brought Forward	323	854	790	10,834	164	1,571	936	9	-	36
Cases Filed	138	1,205	1,415	6,358	547	791	284	18	-	7
Total	461	2,059	2,205	17,292	711	2,362	1,220	29	-	43
Disposed of	143	1,445	1,692	6,278	331	655	231	10	-	13
Arrears	318	614	513	11,014	380	1,707	989	15	-	30
PORTLAND*										
Brought Forward	435	3,701	1,243	14,723	48	1,035	44	92	79	102
Cases Filed	148	682	985	3,721	213	492	123	10	24	2
Total	583	4,383	2,228	18,444	261	1,527	167	102	103	104
Disposed of	176	913	750	2,152	202	546	143	20	2	-
Arrears	407	3,470	1,478	16,292	59	981	24	82	101	104
ST. MARY										
Brought Forward	204	1,080	412	751	82	912	87	83	-	131
Cases Filed	110	1,209	1,630	4,268	285	851	237	10	-	22
Total	314	2,289	2,042	5,019	367	1,763	324	93	-	153
Disposed of	106	1,195	1,452	4,422	276	687	202	26	-	27
Arrears	208	1,094	590	597	91	1,096	122	67	-	126
ST. ANN										
Brought Forward	191	1,525	2,499	2,159	263	1,485	102	215	-	431
Cases Filed	224	1,589	4,779	16,428	450	1,412	534	35	-	27
Total	415	3,114	7,278	18,587	713	2,897	636	250	-	458
Disposed of	244	1,792	4,974	16,954	325	1,491	541	40	-	69
Arrears	171	1,322	2,304	1,633	388	1,406	95	210	-	389
TRELAHNY										
Brought Forward	137	456	444	348	2	370	4	82	-	61
Cases Filed	96	753	2,071	5,727	2	862	185	15	-	32
Total	233	1,209	2,515	6,075	4	1,232	189	97	-	93
Disposed of	96	781	1,892	5,732	-	898	184	14	-	23
Arrears	137	428	523	343	4	334	5	83	-	70
ST. JAMES										
Brought Forward	303	1,802	655	675	150	1,050	54	32	-	135
Cases Filed	248	2,056	3,994	21,738	2,804	3,002	629	45	-	47
Total	551	3,858	4,649	22,413	2,954	4,052	683	77	-	182
Disposed of	287	2,055	4,108	21,424	1,682	2,891	613	50	-	80
Arrears	264	1,803	481	989	1,272	1,061	70	27	-	102

**KINGSTON & ST. ANDREW FAMILY COURT
CASES HEARD IN THE JUDICIAL SECTION BY TYPE
SEPTEMBER 1999 - JUNE 2000**

Table 1

TYPE OF CASE	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER		QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER		QUARTER ENDED MARCH		QUARTER ENDED JUNE		COURT YEAR TOTAL		TOTAL
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
Care & Protection	377	258	326	284	385	269	313	217	1,401	1,028	4,858
Criminal	148	415	132	328	139	344	93	303	512	1,390	3,804
Affiliation	720	532	1,532	37	762	711	737	566	3,751	1,846	11,194
Maintenance	286	188	446	9	257	144	134	150	1,123	491	3,228
Custody	196	198	270	219	285	181	270	141	1,021	739	3,520
Adoption	10	9	12	14	10	9	6	9	38	41	158
Married Women	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Declaration of Paternity	97	41	108	43	54	55	36	27	295	166	923
Domestic Violence	216	27	206	22	164	27	126	41	712	117	1,658
TOTAL	2,050	1,668	3,032	956	2,056	1,740	1,716	1,454	8,853	5,818	29,342

**ST. JAMES/HANOVER/WESTMORELAND FAMILY COURT
CASES HEARD IN THE JUDICIAL SECTION BY TYPE
SEPTEMBER 1999 - JUNE 2000**

Table 2

TYPE OF CASE	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER		QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER		QUARTER ENDED MARCH		QUARTER ENDED JUNE		COURT YEAR TOTAL		TOTAL
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
Care & Protection	182	143	124	103	148	151	142	169	596	566	2,324
Criminal	320	101	236	66	363	137	334	94	1,253	398	3,302
Affiliation	9	3,441	2	3,488	10	3,401	25	3,272	46	13,602	27,296
Maintenance	9	838	22	766	29	810	23	902	83	3,316	6,798
Custody	358	264	300	285	419	290	311	233	1,388	1,072	4,920
Adoption	7	14	-	1	1	3	9	14	17	32	98
Married Women	18	184	26	192	39	48	29	66	112	490	1,204
Declaration of Paternity	33	21	34	47	29	180	27	143	123	391	1,028
Domestic Violence	32	264	32	285	14	301	15	204	93	1,054	2,294
TOTAL	1,005	5,025	1,002	4,892	968	5,270	776	5,233	3,751	20,447	24,198

KINGSTON & ST. ANDREW FAMILY COURT
CLIENTS INTERVIEWED BY INTAKE COUNSELLORS
SEPTEMBER 1999 - JUNE 2001

Table 3

REFERRAL AGENCIES	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER		QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER		QUARTER ENDED MARCH		QUARTER ENDED JUNE		COURT YEAR TOTAL		TOTAL
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
COURT	420	123	297	124	397	138	669	169	1,783	554	2,337
POLICE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CHILDREN'S SERVICES	62	23	64	31	118	47	118	28	362	129	491
LEGAL AID CLINIC	6	4	23	6	25	20	28	16	82	46	128
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	-	-	7	-	8	-	9	2	24	2	26
POOR RELIEF	11	3	12	-	16	-	14	3	53	6	59
HEALTH	4	1	5	-	5	2	12	4	26	7	33
FAMILY COUNSELLORS	611	146	567	135	719	159	669	169	2,566	609	3,175
ADOPTION	5	1	5	-	26	1	28	1	64	3	67
INTAKE/OTHER AGENCY	123	36	90	40	104	67	77	34	394	177	571
CHILD ABUSE CLINIC	11	2	4	-	7	8	16	10	38	20	58
TEENAGE PREGNANCY PROJECT	132	-	152	-	120	-	127	-	531	-	531
PROBATION	12	3	11	-	18	7	10	6	51	16	67
TOTAL	1,397	342	1,237	336	1,563	449	1,777	442	5,974	1,569	7,543

ST. JAMES/HANOVER AND WESTMORELAND FAMILY COURT
CLIENT INTERVIEWED BY INTAKE COUNSELLORS
SEPTEMBER 1999 - JUNE 2000

Table 4

REFERRAL AGENCIES	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER		QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER		QUARTER ENDED MARCH		QUARTER ENDED JUNE		COURT YEAR TOTAL		TOTAL
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
COURT	133	897	156	965	125	960	130	813	544	3,635	4,179
POLICE	1	8	-	7	2	4	-	6	3	25	28
CHILDREN'S SERVICES	23	85	30	109	17	109	10	73	80	376	456
LEGAL AID CLINIC	4	9	-	6	4	4	3	2	11	21	32
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
POOR RELIEF	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
HEALTH	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
FAMILY COUNSELLORS	141	560	96	43	147	407	117	545	501	1,555	2,056
ADOPTION	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
INTAKE/OTHER AGENCY	55	193	68	25	71	268	81	322	275	808	1,083
CHILD ABUSE CLINIC	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
TEENAGE PREGNANCY PROJECT	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	2	1	3
PROBATION	1	2	2	5	3	2	-	-	6	9	15
TOTAL	358	1,754	353	1,161	372	1,756	341	1,761	1,424	6,432	7,856

R.M. GUN COURT

QUARTERLY REPORTS ON THE
RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S DIVISION OF THE GUN COURT

	July-September 1999		Oct- December 1999		Jan- March 2000		April- June 2000	
	Cases	Persons	Cases	Persons	Cases	Persons	Cases	Persons
B/F	166	175	161	172	148	147	151	145
New Cases Filed	52	63	34	45	36	41	30	36
Total	218	238	195	217	184	188	181	181
No Evidence Offered	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
Dismissals for want of Prosecu	2	2	1	1	3	5	9	10
No Prima Facie Case	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	1
Deceased	2	2	0	0	1	1	3	3
Voluntary Bill	3	3	1	1	1	1	0	0
Transferred to other Courts	3	3	3	3	4	7	0	0
Adjourned Sine Die	28	32	24	43	12	12	9	10
Committed to Circuit	17	22	13	16	10	14	11	13
Bench Warrant	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2
No Order Made	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0
Disposals	57	66	47	70	33	43	35	39
Pending	161	172	148	147	151	145	146	142

*Night
Court*

NIGHT COURT

NIGHT COURT
CASES FILED AND DISPOSED
September 1999- July 2000

Table 1

	1999 SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	2000 JAN	FEB
CASES BROUGHT FORWARD	419	454	436	416	411	450
NEW CASES FILED	1268	1093	1387	965	1319	1508
CLARENDON	114	102	107	81	115	172
CORPORATE AREA	223	191	180	133	198	146
ST. CATHERINE	78	86	6	45	116	93
ST. JAMES 1	145	143	178	100	70	117
TRAFFIC	251	189	395	160	235	224
ST. ANN	146	53	107	53	137	128
TRELAWNY	88	84	115	136	136	124
ST. THOMAS	44	36	69	68	16	46
WESTMORELAND	60	85	123	101	37	89
ST. JAMES 2	119	124	107	88	259	371
TOTAL CASES	1687	1547	1823	1381	1730	1958
DISPOSED CASES	1233	1111	1407	970	1280	1590
CLARENDON	111	133	105	84	125	141
CORPORATE AREA	233	180	204	139	170	184
ST. CATHERINE	84	54	55	44	89	114
ST. JAMES 1	118	136	175	92	117	98
TRAFFIC	239	243	336	190	229	229
ST. ANN	142	62	113	44	134	127
TRELAWNY	83	98	101	112	73	228
ST. THOMAS	43	37	57	56	35	55
WESTMORELAND	53	70	138	103	61	54
ST. JAMES 2	127	98	123	106	247	362
DISPOSAL RATE PER MONTH	73.1	71.8	77.2	70.2	74.0	81.2

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**NIGHT COURT
CASES FILED AND DISPOSED
September 1999- Julyugust 2000**

1999						Table 1 (continued)
MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	1999	
368	584	455	420	374	374	DEFERRED CASES
1713	1372	1510	1333	1423	14,891	NEW CASES FILED
198	119	137	101	0	1,246	CLARENDON
200	92	131	124	86	1,684	CORPORATE AREA
95	71	55	90	82	817	ST. CATHERINE
172	131	70	151	234	1,511	ST. JAMES 1
159	147	215	229	446	2,650	TRAFFIC
167	160	202	187	130	1,448	ST. ANN
355	233	221	175	199	1,866	TRELAWNY
60	88	38	54	37	556	ST. THOMAS
87	99	98	51	43	873	WESTMORELAND
220	232	343	191	188	2,240	ST. JAMES 2
2081	1956	1965	1753	1797		TOTAL CASES
1497	1501	1545	1379	1094	14,607	DISPOSED CASES
185	154	147	117	0	1,302	CLARENDON
158	135	146	109	73	1,731	CORPORATE AREA
92	71	62	85	63	813	ST. CATHERINE
118	120	121	132	232	1,457	ST. JAMES 1
140	161	190	229	313	2,499	TRAFFIC
148	169	190	188	134	1,431	ST. ANN
331	233	211	180	195	1,845	TRELAWNY
63	59	47	67	33	552	ST. THOMAS
99	111	79	73	51	892	WESTMORELAND
163	288	352	219	0	2,085	ST. JAMES 2
71.9	76.7	78.6	78.7	60.9		DISPOSAL RATE PER MONTH

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NIGHT COURT
BREAKDOWN OF CRIMINAL CASES FILED
For September 1999- July 2000

TABLE 2

OFFENCES	1999 SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
ABSTRACTING UTILITY	-	-	1	3	1	4
FAMILY COURT CASES	200	222	241	222	172	210
AFFRAY	10	12	4	-	3	13
ASSAULT AT COMMON-LAW	36	30	23	27	23	26
ASSAULT OB HARM	118	104	110	74	87	119
DEALING IN & POSSESSION OF GANJA	78	107	77	63	93	61
HOUSE BREAKING & LARCENY	8	7	14	7	7	9
LARCENY FROM PERSON	12	12	15	13	8	15
MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	61	66	64	56	65	78
POSSESSION OF COCAINE	17	20	12	15	22	19
ROBBERY/AGGRAVATION	9	12	10	13	7	6
SHOP BREAKING & LARCENY	22	9	5	8	10	4
OTHER LARCENY	60	59	55	56	53	65
TRAFFIC	369	297	363	334	497	676
UNLAWFUL WOUNDING	184	156	139	97	144	151
OTHER	129	98	157	112	98	124
TOTAL	1,313	1,211	1,290	1,100	1,290	1,580

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NIGHT COURT
BREAKDOWN OF CRIMINAL CASES FILED
For September 1999- July 2000

TABLE 2 (continued)

MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	TOTAL	OFFENCES
2	1	1	4	-	17	ABSTRACTING UTILITY
215	193	211	187	148	2,221	FAMILY COURT CASES
16	9	10	20	33	130	AFFRAY
27	20	23	22	18	275	ASSAULT AT COMMON-LAW
155	99	97	101	61	1,125	ASSAULT OB HARM
89	75	64	75	16	808	DEALING IN & POSSESSION OF GANJA
10	12	15	11	3	103	HOUSE BREAKING & LARCENY
9	7	5	4	7	107	LARCENY FROM PERSON
65	35	41	38	30	599	MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY
16	13	12	9	12	167	POSSESSION OF COCAINE
15	9	13	8	6	108	ROBBERY/AGGRAVATION
4	12	-	8	4	86	SHOP BREAKING & LARCENY
54	46	19	39	17	523	OTHER LARCENY
788	874	855	583	646	6,282	TRAFFIC
143	154	129	145	73	1,515	UNLAWFUL WOUNDING
148	105	119	104	109	1,303	OTHER
1,766	1,664	1,614	1,358	1,183	15,369	

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NIGHT COURT
BREAKDOWN OF CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF
For September 1999- July 2000

TABLE 3

OFFENCES	1999 SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
ABSTRACTING UTILITY	-	-	-	3	1	3
FAMILY COURT CASES	103	121	137	120	82	115
AFFRAY	12	12	3	2	4	9
ASSAULT AT COMMON-LAW	26	25	18	22	17	21
ASSAULT OB HARM	88	77	85	54	68	89
DEALING IN & POSSESSION OF GANJA	64	92	56	50	74	52
HOUSE BREAKING & LARCENY	6	6	11	6	6	6
LARCENY FROM PERSON	6	12	9	4	4	9
MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	39	43	51	39	39	64
POSSESSION OF COCAINE	15	15	9	3	9	9
ROBBERY/AGGRAVATION	6	10	4	9	7	6
SHOP BREAKING & LARCENY	8	8	3	6	8	3
OTHER LARCENY	43	41	39	45	31	54
TRAFFIC	307	230	300	256	471	617
UNLAWFUL WOUNDING	135	105	117	61	100	109
OTHER	90	73	120	86	79	105
TOTAL	948	870	962	766	1,000	1,271

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NIGHT COURT
BREAKDOWN OF CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF
For September 1999- July 2000

TABLE 3 (continued)

MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	TOTAL	OFFENCES
1	1	1	4	-	14	ABSTRACTING UTILITY
125	112	113	119	83	1,230	FAMILY COURT CASES
11	6	10	7	20	96	AFFRAY
17	14	20	15	14	209	ASSAULT AT COMMON-LAW
91	78	85	86	48	849	ASSAULT OR HARM
78	60	48	63	12	649	DEALING IN & POSSESSION OF GANJA
8	6	12	9	3	79	HOUSE BREAKING & LARCENY
6	6	3	2	4	65	LARCENY FROM PERSON
47	30	33	33	17	435	MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY
9	8	10	7	8	102	POSSESSION OF COCAINE
9	6	12	5	5	79	ROBBERY/AGGRAVATION
1	7	-	7	1	52	SHOP BREAKING & LARCENY
32	23	14	31	15	368	OTHER LARCENY
616	755	753	517	576	5,398	TRAFFIC
107	119	103	122	65	1,143	UNLAWFUL WOUNDING
120	83	98	91	79	1,024	OTHER
1,278	1,314	1,315	1,118	950	11,792	

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RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 1

NUMBER OF JUDGES	PARISH								
	CORPORATE AREA CRIMINAL	CORPORATE AREA CIVIL	ST. THOMAS	PORTLAND	ST. MARY	ST. ANN	HANOVER	TRELAWAY	ST. JAMES
Senior RM	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1
RM	6	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Family	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Juvenile	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL	9	3	2	1	2	2	1	1	5

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 2

	PARISH								
	CORPORATE AREA CRIMINAL	CORPORATE AREA CIVIL	ST. THOMAS	PORTLAND	ST. MARY	ST. ANN	HANOVER	TRELAWAY	ST. JAMES
CLERKS	8	2	1	1	2	3	1	2	2
DEPUTY CLERKS	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	3
ASST. CLERKS	15	9	4	4	6	8	4	4	9

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THE SUPREME COURT
September 1999 - June 2000

TABLE 3

PERSONNEL	NUMBER
CHIEF JUSTICE	1
SENIOR PUISNE JUDGE	1
PUISNE JUDGES	19
MASTER	1
REGISTRAR	2
DEPUTY REGISTRAR CIVIL	2
DEPUTY REGISTRAR CRIMINAL	1
LEGAL OFFICER- CLERK TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE	1
LEGAL OFFICER - REVENUE	1

THE COURT OF APPEAL
September 1999 - June 2000

TABLE 4

PERSONNEL	NUMBER
PRESIDENT	1
JUDGES OF APPEAL	6
REGISTRAR	1
DEPUTY REGISTRAR	3
JUDICIAL CLERK	2
TOTAL	13

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RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 1 cont'd

PARISH								NUMBER OF JUDGES
WESTMORELAND	ST. ELIZABETH	MANCHESTER	CLARENDON	ST. CATHERINE	CORONERS	KINGSTON TRAFFIC COURT	TOTAL	
1	-	-	1	1	-	-	6	Senior RM
1	1	2	1	5	1	1	29	RM
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	Family
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	Juvenile
2	1	2	2	6	1	1	41	TOTAL

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT
September 1999- June 2000

TABLE 2 cont'd

PARISH								
WESTMORELAND	ST. ELIZABETH	MANCHESTER	CLARENDON	ST. CATHERINE	CORONERS	KINGSTON TRAFFIC COURT	TOTAL	
3	2	2	3	3	-	1	38	CLERKS
2	1	1	2	4	1	2	31	DEPUTY CLERKS
7	7	7	8	9	2	6	110	ASST. CLERKS