



**IDEA Dispute Resolution Data Summary for:
Pennsylvania
2004-05 to 2015-16**

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires states and entities receiving IDEA grants to make available four dispute resolution processes and report annually on each to the U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). The four dispute resolution processes include written state complaints, mediation, due process complaints, and resolution meetings associated with due process.

The purpose of this summary is to provide an historical look at dispute resolution data and to assist with the identification of trends and changes in the use of the IDEA dispute resolution processes over time. Additional summaries can be found on the CADRE website at: <http://www.cadnetworks.org/resources/cadre-materials/state-part-b-dispute-resolution-data-summaries>

This summary features data for school years ("SY" July 1-June 30) 2004-05 through 2015-16 drawn from CADRE's National Longitudinal Database. Data are collected from the following sources: [1] from SY 2004 to the present, dispute resolution activity reported in states' Annual Performance Reports (APRs), first as Attachment 1 and later as Table 7; [2] from SY 2006 to the present, Section 618 data collected by the Data Accountability Center (DAC) and now (as of SY 2011) reported to EDFacts; [3] data published in OSEP's Annual Report to Congress; and [4] data adjustments collected from states by CADRE after OSEP and DAC data were locked. Westat/DAC raw data files for SY 2005-2010 are available at: <http://tadnet.public.tadnet.org/pages/712>.

CADRE examines dispute resolution data for internally inconsistent values (based on report element definitions). When inconsistent values are found, they are reconciled with OSEP. States are encouraged to submit notes or explanations regarding any conditions, anomalies, or corrections relating to the data included herein. In addition, CADRE invites readers to provide input on the usefulness of these reports, including suggestions and adjustments.

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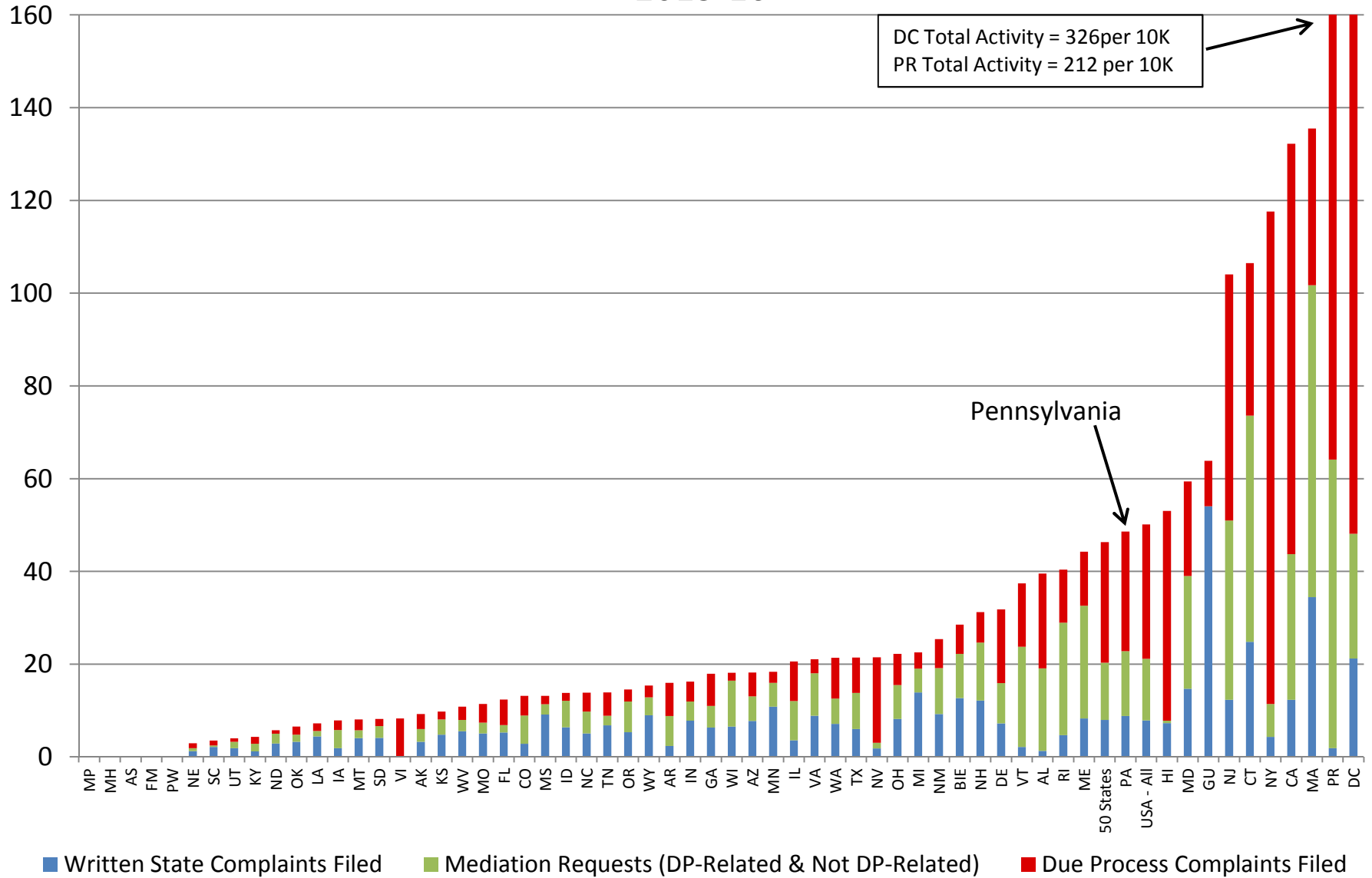
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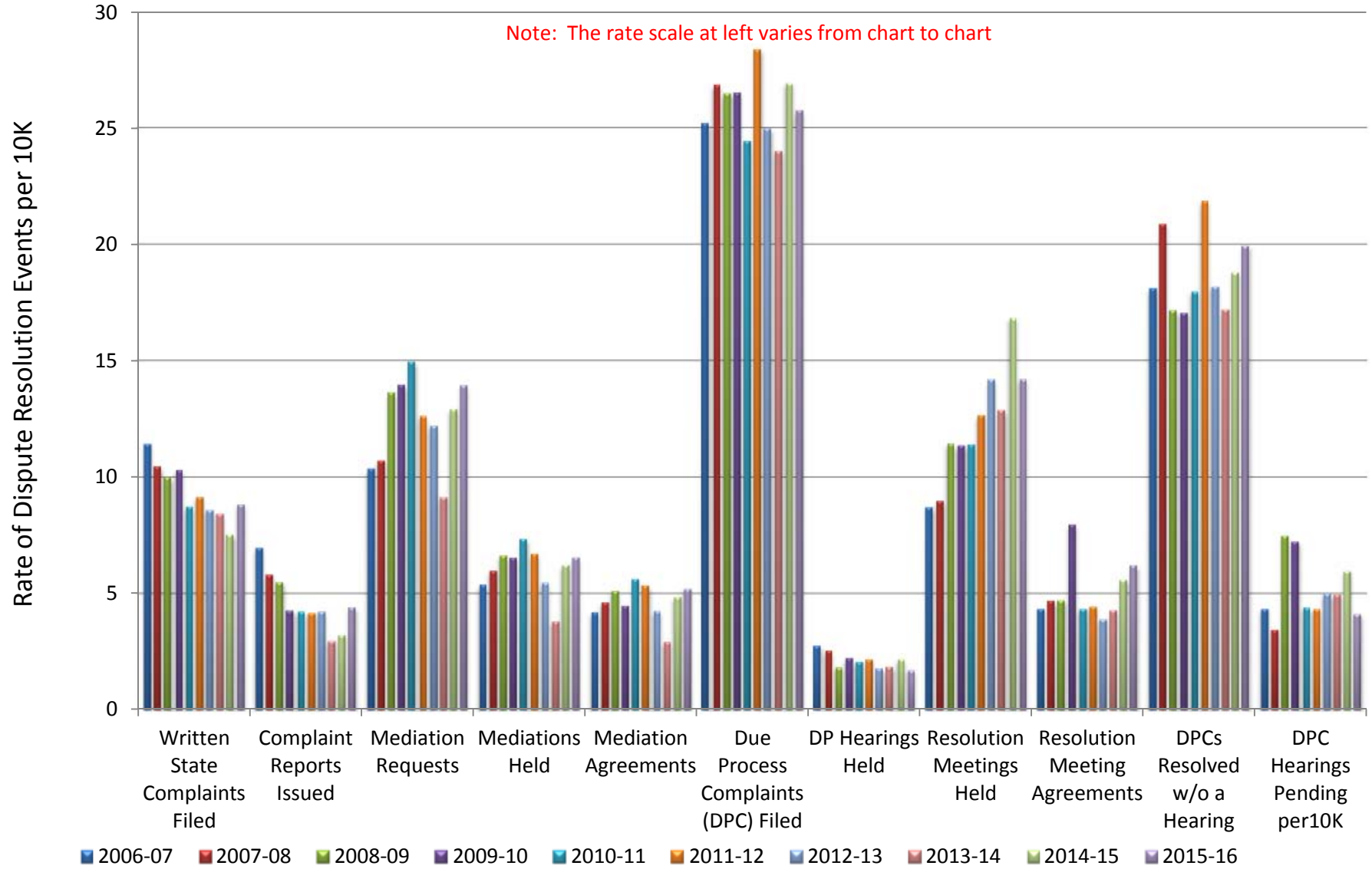


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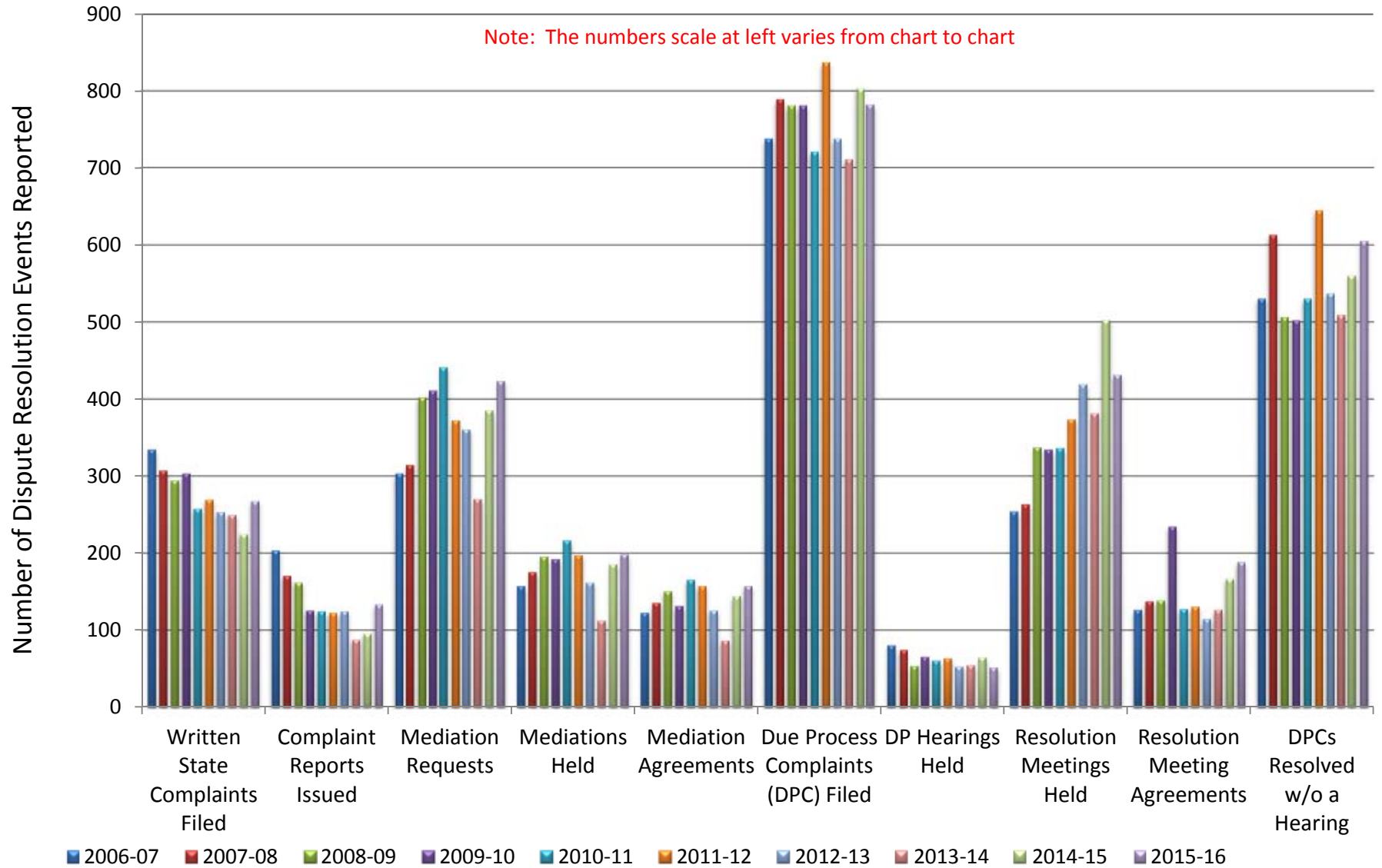


IDEA Dispute Resolution Activity per 10K Childcount: Pennsylvania





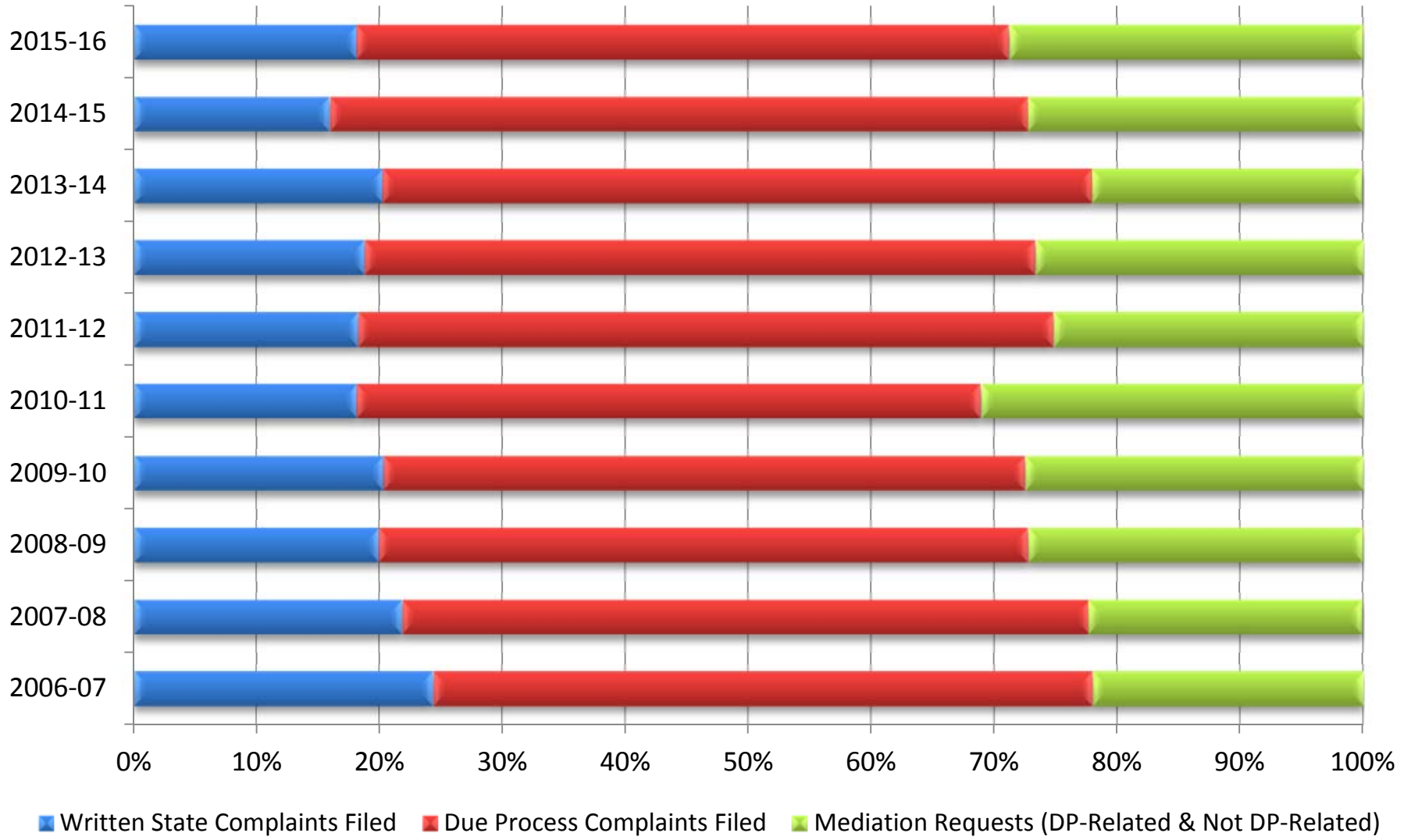
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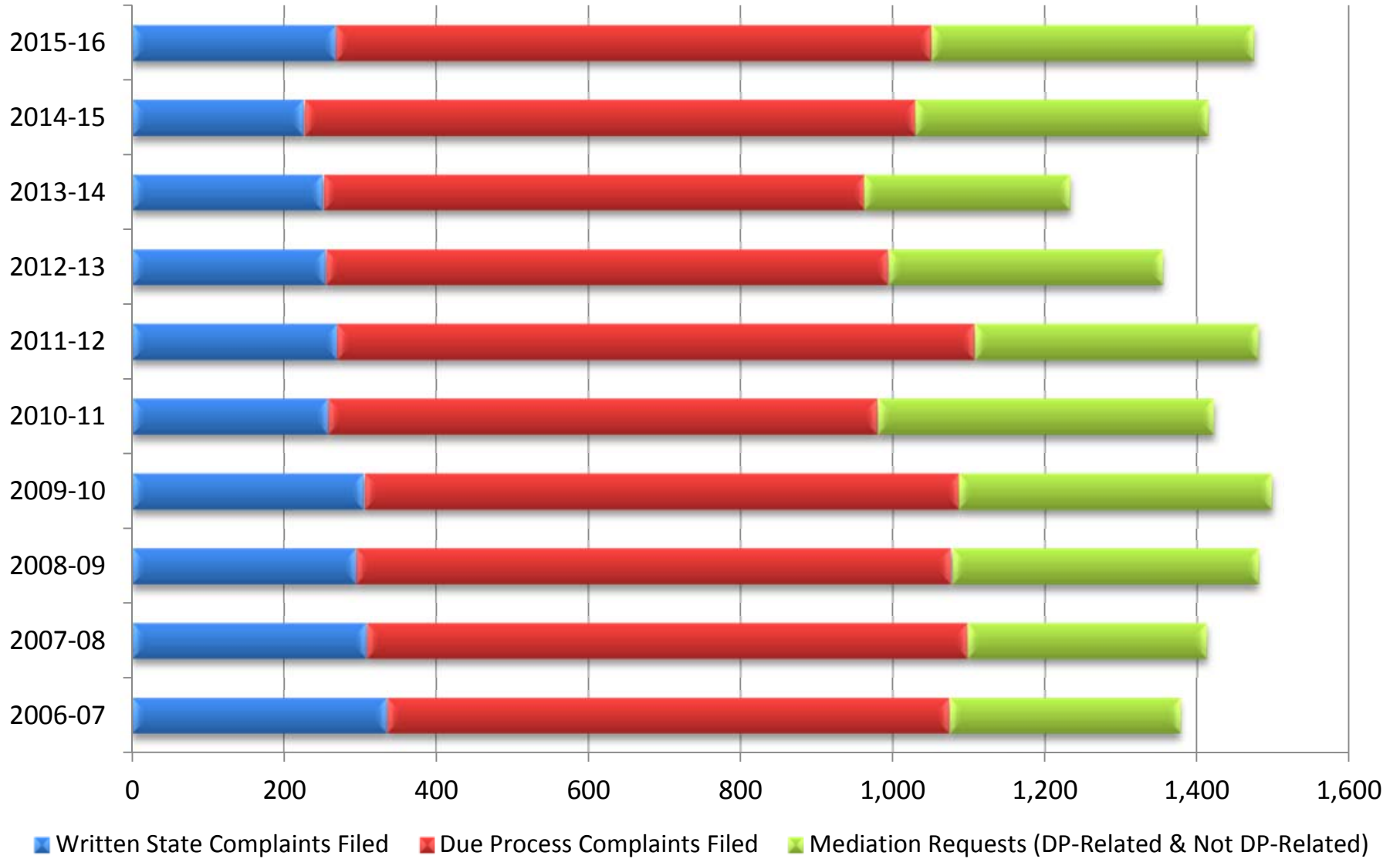
Relative Use of Dispute Resolution Options: Pennsylvania

Note: 100% = The sum of requests for all dispute resolution processes



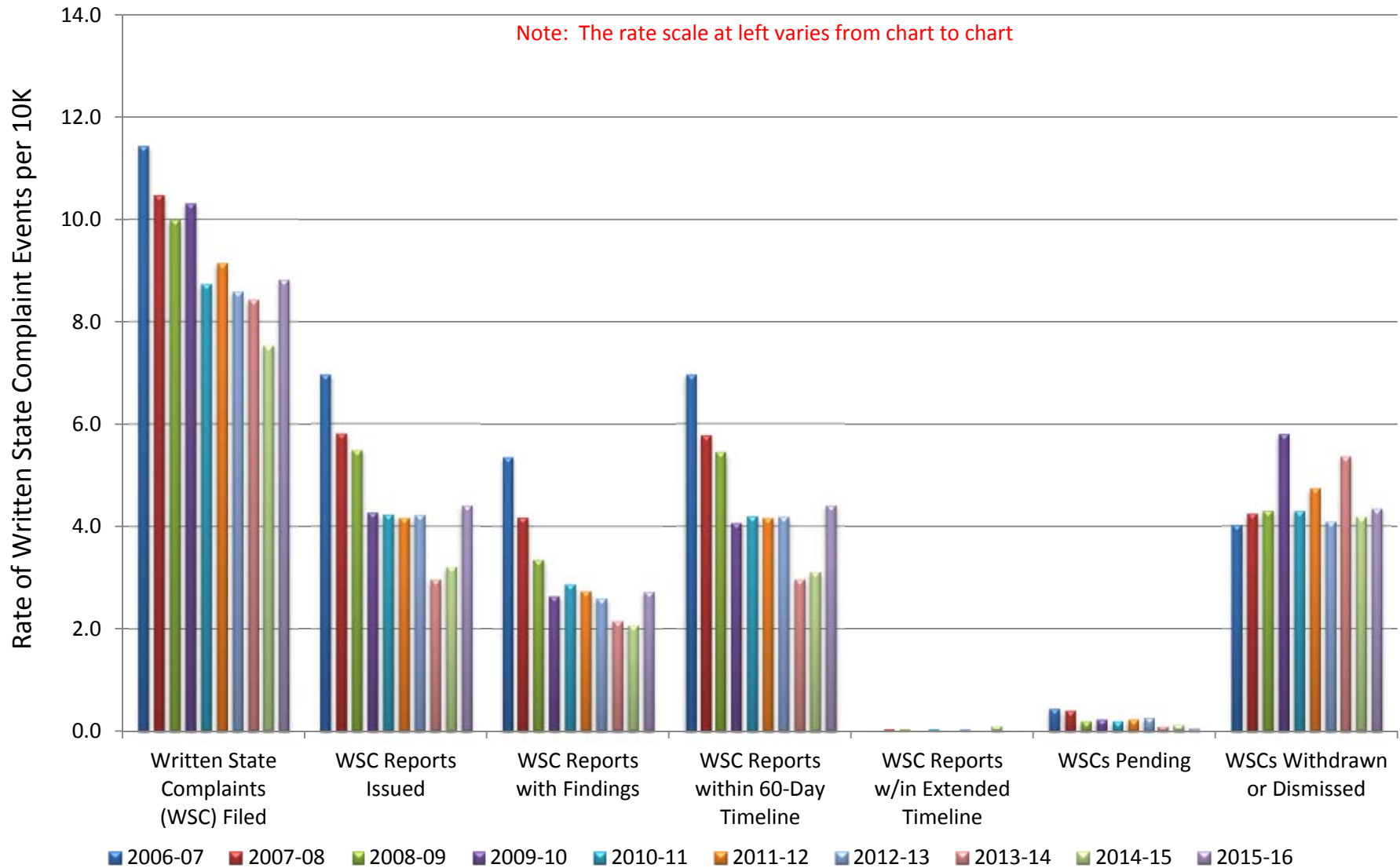


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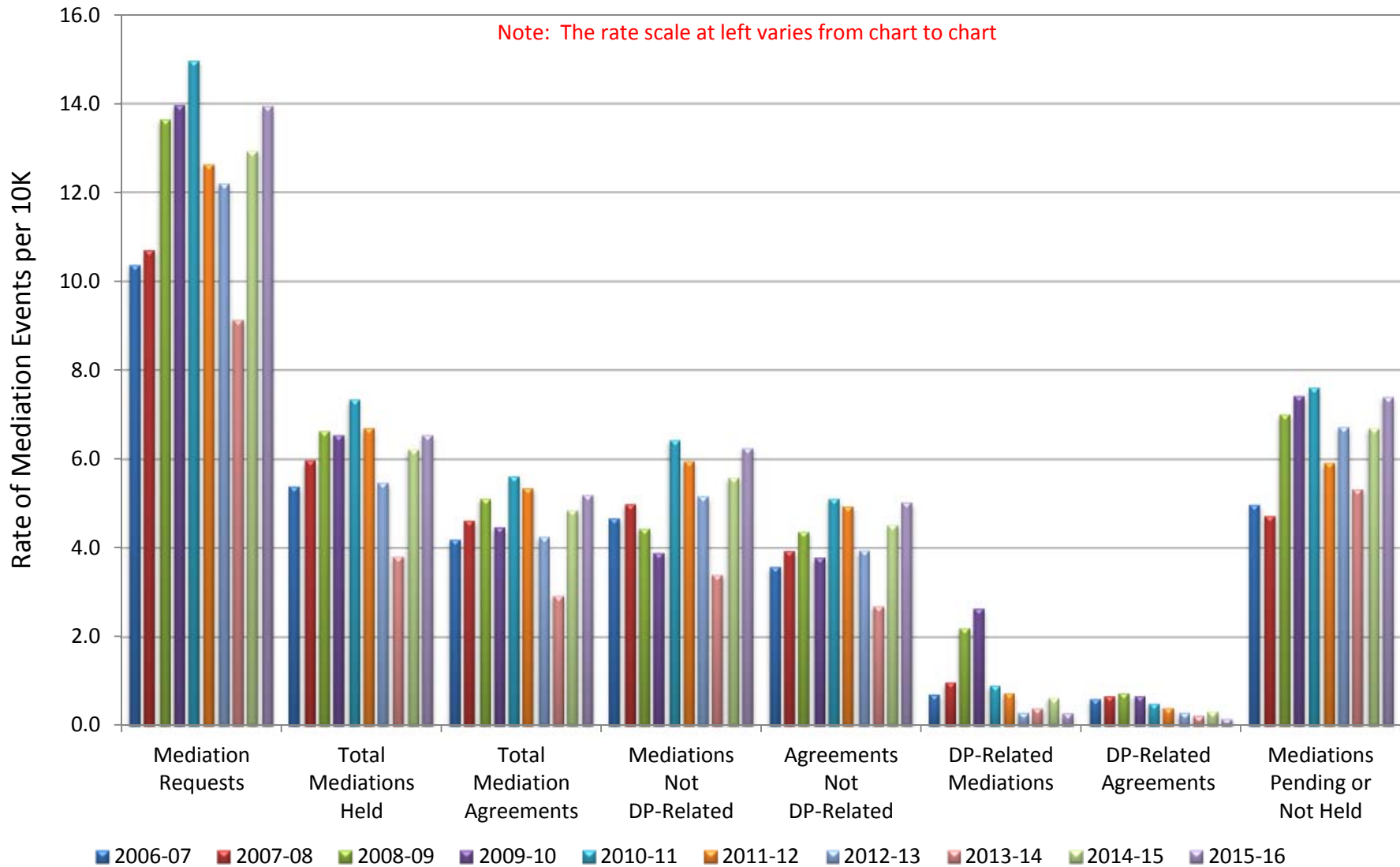


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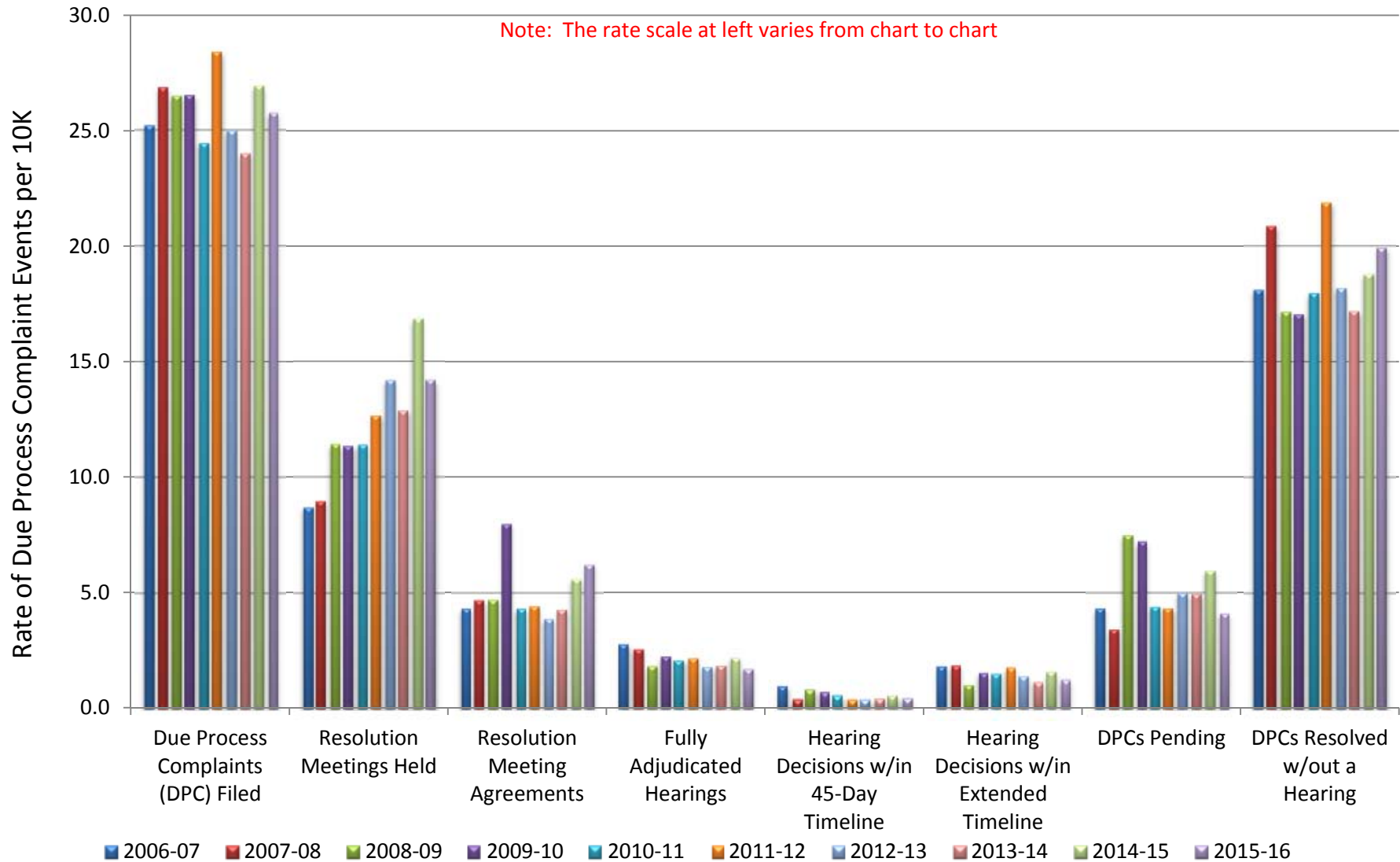


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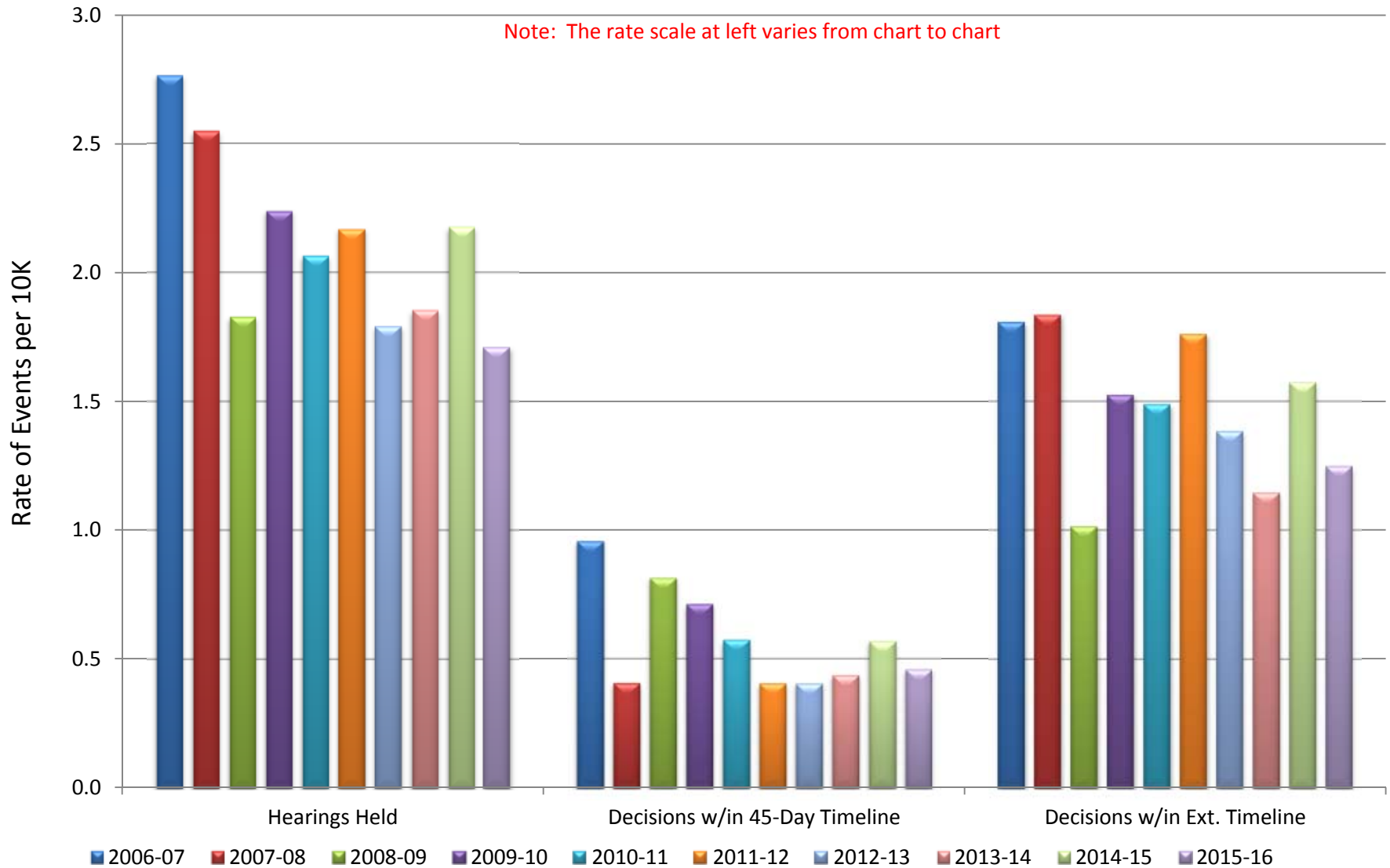


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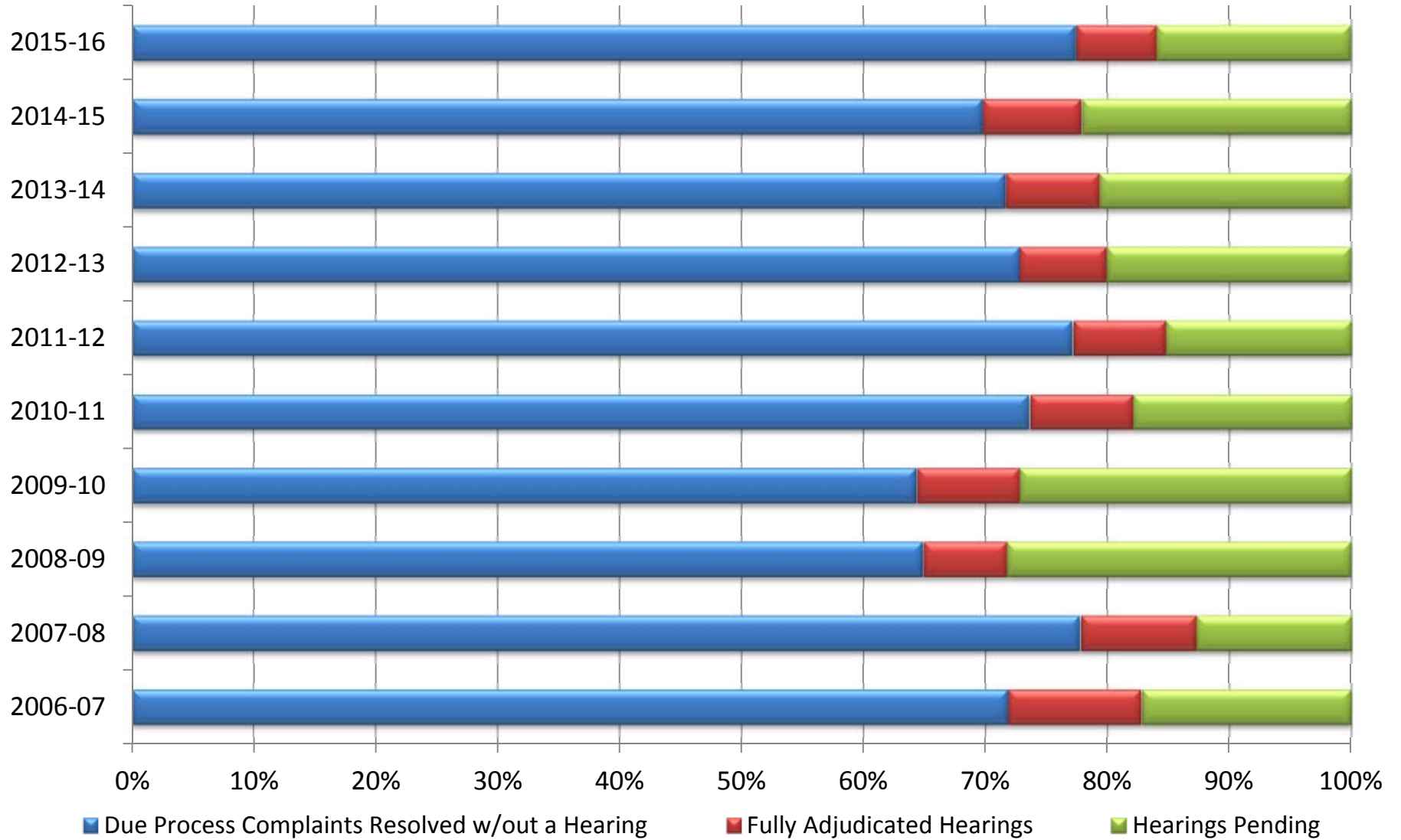


Timeliness of Due Process Hearing Decisions per 10K Childcount: Pennsylvania





Relative Disposition of Due Process Complaints: Pennsylvania





2015-16

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	50 States	
			Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	268	8.8	8.0	5,301
Reports Issued Total	134	4.4	4.9	3,284
Reports with Findings	83	2.7	3.2	2,154
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	134	4.4	4.6	3,047
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.3	174
Total Reports within Timelines	134	4.4	4.8	3,221
Written State Complaints Pending	2	0.1	0.2	147
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	2	0.1	0.1	55
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	132	4.3	2.8	1,870

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	424	14.0	12.3	8,227
Mediations Held	199	6.6	9.4	6,263
Due Process-Related Mediations	9	0.3	5.0	3,360
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	5	0.2	3.0	1,981
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	190	6.3	4.4	2,903
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	153	5.0	3.2	2,146
Total Mediation Agreements	158	5.2	6.2	4,127
Mediations Pending	45	1.5	0.7	1,484
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	180	5.9	2.2	480

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	783	25.8	26.0	17,325
Resolution Meetings Held	432	14.2	11.9	7,936
Resolution Meeting Agreements	189	6.2	2.1	1,423
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	52	1.7	1.2	833
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	52	0.5	0.3	216
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	14	1.3	0.8	529
Decisions within Extended Timelines	38	1.7	1.1	745
DP Complaints Pending	125	4.1	8.8	5,890
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	606	20.0	15.9	10,602

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	17	0.6	0.5	336
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	6	0.2	0.2	142
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	5	0.2	0.1	83
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2	0.1	0.0	24
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	0	0.0	0.1	34
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	15	0.5	0.4	278

Notes:

* "Per 10K" values are computed by dividing the number of events by childcount (3-21 years) times 10,000; these "per capita" rates allow comparisons of activity across states.

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2014-15

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	50 States	
			Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	225	7.5	7.5	4,907
Reports Issued Total	96	3.2	4.5	2,952
Reports with Findings	62	2.1	2.8	1,857
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	93	3.1	4.2	2,777
Reports within Extended Timelines	3	0.1	0.2	142
Total Reports within Timelines	96	3.2	4.5	2,919
Written State Complaints Pending	4	0.1	0.3	191
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	4	0.1	0.2	111
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	125	4.2	2.7	1,764

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	386	12.9	14.5	9,482
Mediations Held	186	6.2	9.2	5,994
Due Process-Related Mediations	19	0.6	5.0	3,249
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	10	0.3	3.0	1,955
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	167	5.6	4.2	2,745
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	135	4.5	3.1	2,055
Total Mediation Agreements	145	4.9	6.1	4,010
Mediations Pending	57	1.9	1.4	2,564
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	143	4.8	3.9	924

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	804	27.0	21.8	14,283
Resolution Meetings Held	503	16.9	10.9	7,123
Resolution Meeting Agreements	167	5.6	1.8	1,194
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	65	2.2	1.2	805
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	64	0.6	0.3	209
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	17	1.6	0.8	527
Decisions within Extended Timelines	47	2.1	1.1	736
DP Complaints Pending	178	6.0	5.0	3,285
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	561	18.8	15.6	10,193

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	20	0.7	0.4	288
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	12	0.4	0.2	125
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	5	0.2	0.1	62
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	5	0.2	0.0	29
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	5
EHR DP Complaints Pending	0	0.0	0.0	24
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	15	0.5	0.4	235

Notes:

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2013-14

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	50 States	
			Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	250	8.4	7.6	4,929
Reports Issued Total	88	3.0	4.7	3,001
Reports with Findings	64	2.2	2.9	1,859
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	88	3.0	4.3	2,775
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.3	167
Total Reports within Timelines	88	3.0	4.6	2,942
Written State Complaints Pending	3	0.1	0.2	108
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	3	0.1	0.1	77
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	159	5.4	2.8	1,820

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	271	9.1	13.6	8,799
Mediations Held	113	3.8	8.5	5,453
Due Process-Related Mediations	12	0.4	4.5	2,889
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	7	0.2	2.8	1,832
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	101	3.4	4.0	2,564
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	80	2.7	3.0	1,946
Total Mediation Agreements	87	2.9	5.9	3,778
Mediations Pending	21	0.7	1.2	2,547
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	137	4.6	3.9	799

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	712	24.0	23.2	14,940
Resolution Meetings Held	382	12.9	12.2	7,852
Resolution Meeting Agreements	127	4.3	1.8	1,140
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	55	1.9	1.9	1,221
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	47	0.4	0.3	219
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	13	1.1	1.4	875
Decisions within Extended Timelines	34	1.6	1.7	1,094
DP Complaints Pending	147	5.0	5.7	3,705
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	510	17.2	15.5	10,014

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	17	0.6	0.4	287
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	4	0.1	0.2	115
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	0	0.0	0.1	70
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	3	0.1	0.0	31
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	2	0.1	0.0	15
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	12	0.4	0.4	241

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2012-13

			Comparator	
	Pennsylvania		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	254	8.6	7.7	4,943
Reports Issued Total	125	4.2	4.8	3,098
Reports with Findings	77	2.6	3.2	2,045
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	124	4.2	4.5	2,876
Reports within Extended Timelines	1	0.0	0.3	200
Total Reports within Timelines	125	4.2	4.8	3,076
Written State Complaints Pending	8	0.3	0.2	147
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	8	0.3	0.1	49
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	121	4.1	2.6	1,698

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	361	12.2	13.6	8,744
Mediations Held	162	5.5	8.6	5,497
Due Process-Related Mediations	9	0.3	4.3	2,786
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	9	0.3	2.6	1,699
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	153	5.2	4.2	2,711
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	117	4.0	3.3	2,089
Total Mediation Agreements	126	4.3	5.9	3,788
Mediations Pending	45	1.5	1.5	2,274
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	154	5.2	3.5	973

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	739	25.0	21.8	13,987
Resolution Meetings Held	420	14.2	11.6	7,442
Resolution Meeting Agreements	115	3.9	1.9	1,189
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	53	1.8	1.8	1,139
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	53	0.4	0.4	231
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	12	1.4	1.2	770
Decisions within Extended Timelines	41	1.8	1.6	1,001
DP Complaints Pending	148	5.0	4.8	3,100
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	538	18.2	15.2	9,748

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	18	0.6	0.5	298
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	12	0.4	0.2	150
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	4	0.1	0.1	72
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	5	0.2	0.1	40
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	2	0.1	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	0	0.0	0.0	15
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	13	0.4	0.4	243

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2011-12

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	270	9.2	7.7	4,893
Reports Issued Total	123	4.2	4.9	3,113
Reports with Findings	81	2.7	3.5	2,261
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	123	4.2	4.6	2,917
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.2	159
Total Reports within Timelines	123	4.2	4.8	3,076
Written State Complaints Pending	7	0.2	0.2	130
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	7	0.2	0.1	53
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	140	4.7	2.6	1,661

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	373	12.6	13.4	8,533
Mediations Held	198	6.7	8.7	5,576
Due Process-Related Mediations	22	0.7	4.4	2,803
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	12	0.4	2.6	1,670
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	176	6.0	4.3	2,773
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	146	4.9	3.3	2,117
Total Mediation Agreements	158	5.4	5.9	3,787
Mediations Pending	38	1.3	1.4	2,079
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	137	4.6	3.3	878

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	838	28.4	22.4	14,319
Resolution Meetings Held	374	12.7	12.0	7,659
Resolution Meeting Agreements	131	4.4	2.1	1,339
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	64	2.2	1.7	1,106
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	64	0.4	0.4	231
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	12	1.8	1.2	764
Decisions within Extended Timelines	52	2.2	1.6	995
DP Complaints Pending	128	4.3	3.1	1,998
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	646	21.9	17.6	11,215

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	26	0.9	0.5	304
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	6	0.2	0.2	132
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	3	0.1	0.1	64
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	3	0.1	0.0	27
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.0	0.0	10
EHR DP Complaints Pending	1	0.0	0.0	19
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	22	0.7	0.4	258

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2010-11

	Comparator			
	Pennsylvania		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	258	8.7	7.6	4,911
Reports Issued Total	125	4.2	4.8	3,111
Reports with Findings	85	2.9	3.1	2,021
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	124	4.2	4.5	2,873
Reports within Extended Timelines	1	0.0	0.3	200
Total Reports within Timelines	125	4.2	4.8	3,073
Written State Complaints Pending	6	0.2	0.2	127
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	6	0.2	0.1	72
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	127	4.3	2.6	1,673

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	442	15.0	12.6	8,068
Mediations Held	217	7.4	8.1	5,177
Due Process-Related Mediations	27	0.9	3.9	2,501
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	15	0.5	2.4	1,569
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	190	6.4	4.2	2,676
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	151	5.1	3.2	2,054
Total Mediation Agreements	166	5.6	5.6	3,623
Mediations Pending	64	2.2	1.1	2,209
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	161	5.5	3.4	682

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	722	24.5	21.7	13,914
Resolution Meetings Held	337	11.4	12.2	7,841
Resolution Meeting Agreements	128	4.3	2.3	1,487
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	61	2.1	1.3	823
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	61	0.6	0.3	201
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	17	1.5	0.9	549
Decisions within Extended Timelines	44	2.1	1.2	750
DP Complaints Pending	130	4.4	4.4	2,840
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	531	18.0	16.0	10,251

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	20	0.7	0.5	311
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	12	0.4	0.2	153
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	11	0.4	0.1	80
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	3	0.1	0.1	35
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	2	0.1	0.0	10
EHR DP Complaints Pending	0	0.0	0.0	14
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	17	0.6	0.4	262

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2009-10

			Comparator	
	Pennsylvania		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	304	10.3	7.4	4,781
Reports Issued Total	126	4.3	4.5	2,943
Reports with Findings	78	2.6	3.2	2,044
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	120	4.1	4.1	2,632
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.3	216
Total Reports within Timelines	120	4.1	4.4	2,848
Written State Complaints Pending	7	0.2	0.7	446
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	7	0.2	0.1	65
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	171	5.8	2.2	1,392

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	412	14.0	11.9	7,673
Mediations Held	193	6.6	7.7	4,956
Due Process-Related Mediations	78	2.6	3.6	2,343
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	20	0.7	2.1	1,334
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	115	3.9	4.0	2,614
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	112	3.8	3.2	2,078
Total Mediation Agreements	132	4.5	5.3	3,412
Mediations Pending	56	1.9	1.1	2,001
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	163	5.5	3.1	714

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	782	26.5	21.2	13,711
Resolution Meetings Held	335	11.4	11.7	7,569
Resolution Meeting Agreements	235	8.0	2.7	1,774
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	66	2.2	1.4	888
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	66	0.7	0.4	259
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	21	1.5	0.8	538
Decisions within Extended Timelines	45	2.2	1.2	797
DP Complaints Pending	213	7.2	4.1	2,681
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	503	17.1	15.7	10,142

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	28	1.0	0.5	305
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	8	0.3	0.2	118
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	6	0.2	0.1	54
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	3	0.1	0.1	33
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.0	0.0	8
EHR DP Complaints Pending	2	0.1	0.1	35
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	23	0.8	0.4	236

Notes:

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2008-09

	Comparator			
	Pennsylvania		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	295	10.0	7.5	4,895
Reports Issued Total	162	5.5	5.1	3,312
Reports with Findings	99	3.4	3.6	2,308
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	161	5.5	4.6	2,954
Reports within Extended Timelines	1	0.0	0.5	304
Total Reports within Timelines	162	5.5	5.0	3,258
Written State Complaints Pending	6	0.2	0.2	144
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	6	0.2	0.1	72
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	127	4.3	2.2	1,439

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	403	13.7	12.1	7,854
Mediations Held	196	6.6	8.1	5,245
Due Process-Related Mediations	65	2.2	3.9	2,515
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	22	0.7	2.3	1,512
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	131	4.4	4.2	2,730
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	129	4.4	3.3	2,125
Total Mediation Agreements	151	5.1	5.6	3,637
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	207	7.0	4.0	2,609

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	782	26.5	21.6	14,017
Resolution Meetings Held	338	11.5	11.0	7,152
Resolution Meeting Agreements	139	4.7	2.6	1,686
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	54	1.8	1.6	1,024
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	54	0.8	0.4	250
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	24	1.0	1.0	645
Decisions within Extended Timelines	30	1.8	1.4	895
DP Complaints Pending	221	7.5	3.5	2,289
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	507	17.2	16.5	10,704

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	22	0.7	0.5	305
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	6	0.2	0.2	128
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	6	0.2	0.1	73
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	4	0.1	0.0	29
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.0	0.0	5

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2007-08

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	308	10.5	8.3	5,497
Reports Issued Total	171	5.8	5.9	3,895
Reports with Findings	123	4.2	4.2	2,761
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	170	5.8	5.2	3,410
Reports within Extended Timelines	1	0.0	0.6	398
Total Reports within Timelines	171	5.8	5.8	3,808
Written State Complaints Pending	12	0.4	0.2	154
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	12	0.4	0.1	83
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	125	4.3	2.2	1,448

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	315	10.7	12.0	7,951
Mediations Held	176	6.0	7.5	4,989
Due Process-Related Mediations	29	1.0	3.1	2,070
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	20	0.7	2.1	1,362
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	147	5.0	4.4	2,919
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	116	3.9	3.4	2,269
Total Mediation Agreements	136	4.6	5.5	3,631
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	139	4.7	4.5	2,962

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	790	26.9	21.0	13,894
Resolution Meetings Held	264	9.0	12.2	8,090
Resolution Meeting Agreements	138	4.7	2.9	1,932
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	75	2.6	1.6	1,064
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	66	0.4	0.4	288
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	12	1.8	1.0	647
Decisions within Extended Timelines	54	2.2	1.4	935
DP Complaints Pending	101	3.4	4.9	3,228
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	614	20.9	14.5	9,612

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	21	0.7	0.5	302
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	10	0.3	0.3	180
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	10	0.3	0.1	76
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	1	0.0	0.0	30
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	11

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2006-07

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	335	11.4	8.2	5,500
Reports Issued Total	204	7.0	5.6	3,768
Reports with Findings	157	5.4	3.8	2,521
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	204	7.0	4.8	3,182
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.6	397
Total Reports within Timelines	204	7.0	5.4	3,579
Written State Complaints Pending	13	0.4	0.3	167
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	13	0.4	0.1	86
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	118	4.0	2.3	1,565

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	304	10.4	11.7	7,806
Mediations Held	158	5.4	8.1	5,377
Due Process-Related Mediations	21	0.7	3.7	2,449
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	18	0.6	1.7	1,158
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	137	4.7	4.4	2,928
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	105	3.6	3.4	2,252
Total Mediation Agreements	123	4.2	5.1	3,410
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	146	5.0	3.6	2,429

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	739	25.2	20.7	13,828
Resolution Meetings Held	255	8.7	13.0	8,704
Resolution Meeting Agreements	127	4.3	2.9	1,912
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	81	2.8	2.1	1,370
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	81	1.0	0.5	332
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	28	1.8	1.3	865
Decisions within Extended Timelines	53	2.8	1.8	1,197
DP Complaints Pending	127	4.3	2.5	1,683
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	531	18.1	16.1	10,775

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	27	0.9	0.4	289
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	10	0.3	0.3	167
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	4	0.1	0.1	98
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	5	0.2	0.1	37
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.0	0.0	13

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2005-06

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	441	15.3	8.7	5,798
Reports Issued Total	303	10.5	6.2	4,165
Reports with Findings	182	6.3	4.3	2,905
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	302	10.5	4.9	3,287
Reports within Extended Timelines	1	0.0	0.9	586
Total Reports within Timelines	303	10.5	5.8	3,873
Written State Complaints Pending	17	0.6	0.4	271
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	17	0.6	0.2	142
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	121	4.2	2.0	1,362

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	344	11.9	11.4	7,666
Mediations Held	188	6.5	8.0	5,335
Due Process-Related Mediations	17	0.6	3.7	2,480
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	13	0.5	2.5	1,659
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	171	5.9	4.3	2,854
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	136	4.7	3.4	2,273
Total Mediation Agreements	149	5.2	5.9	3,932
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	156	5.4	3.1	2,085

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	760	26.3	21.8	14,583
Resolution Meetings Held	368	12.7	5.5	3,678
Resolution Meeting Agreements	246	8.5	2.5	1,705
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	113	3.9	2.6	1,718
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	109	1.2	0.6	382
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	36	2.5	1.6	1,060
Decisions within Extended Timelines	73	3.8	2.2	1,442
DP Complaints Pending	128	4.4	3.7	2,466
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	519	18.0	15.5	10,399

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	34	1.2	0.4	251
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	14	0.5	0.1	97
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	13	0.5	0.1	43
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	9	0.3	0.0	30
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	6

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2015-16

	Pennsylvania		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	268	8.8	8.0	5,301
Reports Issued Total	134	4.4	4.9	3,284
Reports with Findings	83	2.7	3.2	2,154
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	134	4.4	4.6	3,047
Reports within Extended Timelines	0	0.0	0.3	174
Total Reports within Timelines	134	4.4	4.8	3,221
Written State Complaints Pending	2	0.1	0.2	147
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	2	0.1	0.1	55
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	132	4.3	2.8	1,870

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	424	14.0	12.3	8,227
Mediations Held	199	6.6	9.4	6,263
Due Process-Related Mediations	9	0.3	5.0	3,360
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	5	0.2	3.0	1,981
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	190	6.3	4.4	2,903
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	153	5.0	3.2	2,146
Total Mediation Agreements	158	5.2	6.2	4,127
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	225	7.4	2.9	1,964

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	783	25.8	26.0	17,325
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	52	1.7	1.2	833
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	52	0.5	0.3	216
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	14	1.3	0.8	529
Decisions within Extended Timelines	38	1.7	1.1	745
DP Complaints Pending	125	4.1	8.8	5,890
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	606	20.0	15.9	10,602

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	17	0.6	0.5	336
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2	0.1	0.0	24
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	6

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