



IDEA Dispute Resolution Data Summary for: U.S. and Outlying Areas 2008-09 to 2017-18

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.cadeworks.org/resources/cadre-materials/state-part-b-dispute-resolution-data-summaries>

This summary features data for school years ("SY" July 1-June 30) 2008-09 through 2017-18 drawn from CADRE's National Longitudinal Database. Data are collected from the following sources: [1] from SY 2008 to the present, Section 618 data collected by the Data Accountability Center (DAC) and, as of SY 2011, reported to EDFacts; [2] data published in OSEP's Annual Report to Congress; and [3] data adjustments collected from states by CADRE after OSEP data were locked.

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. CADRE is looking to improve the usefulness of these reports. Please provide us your input by responding to a brief survey at :

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/datasummary>

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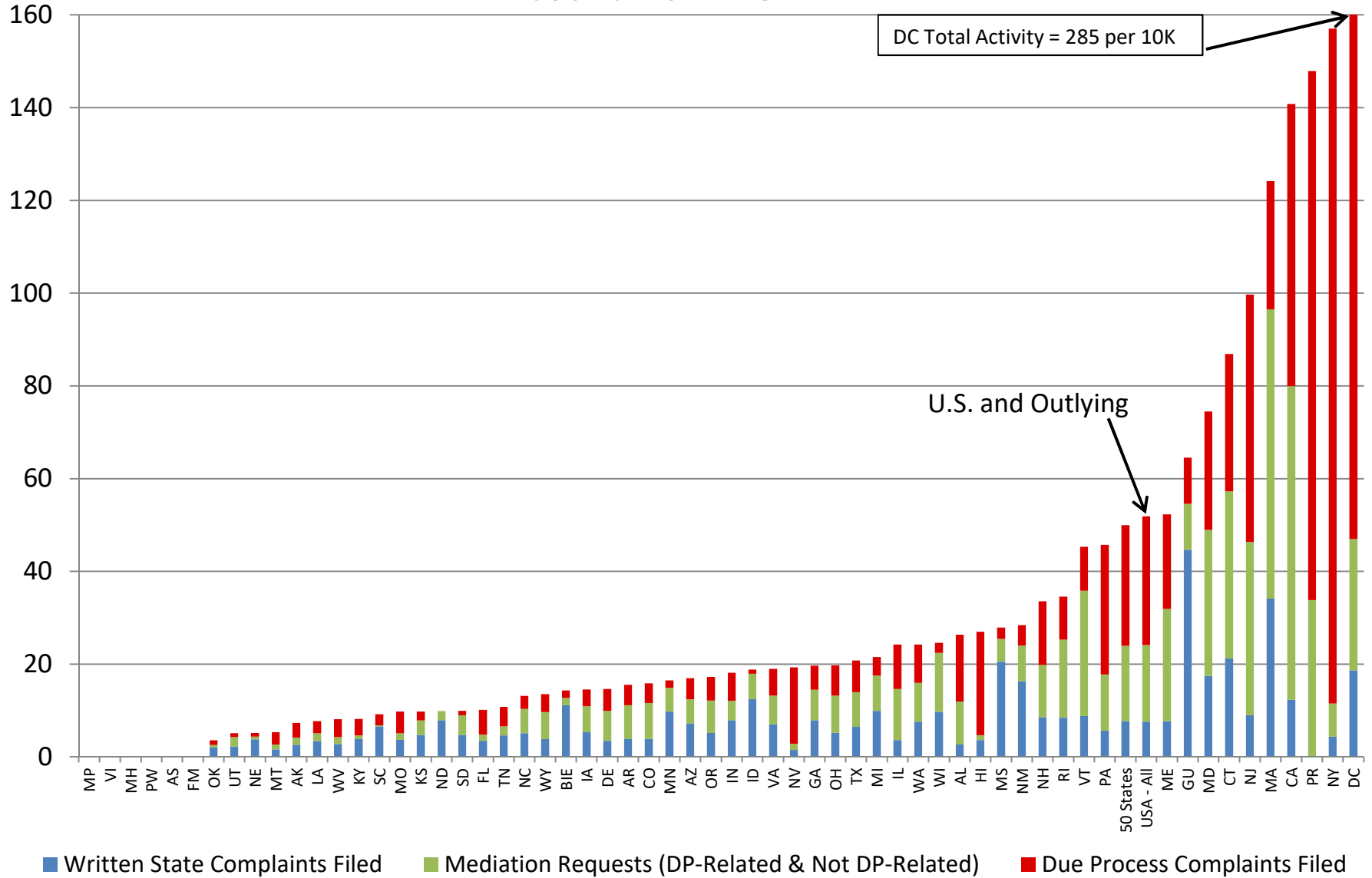
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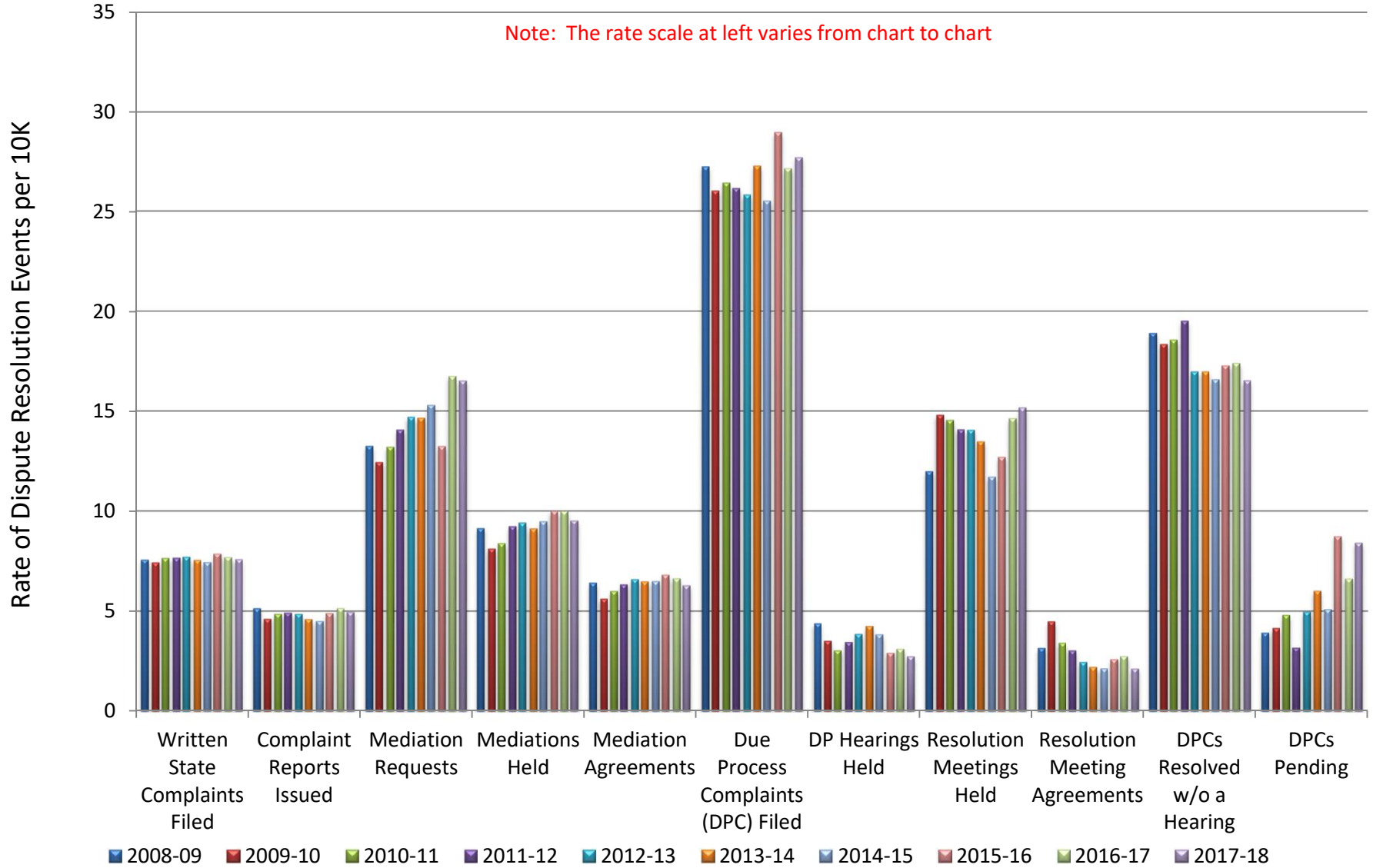


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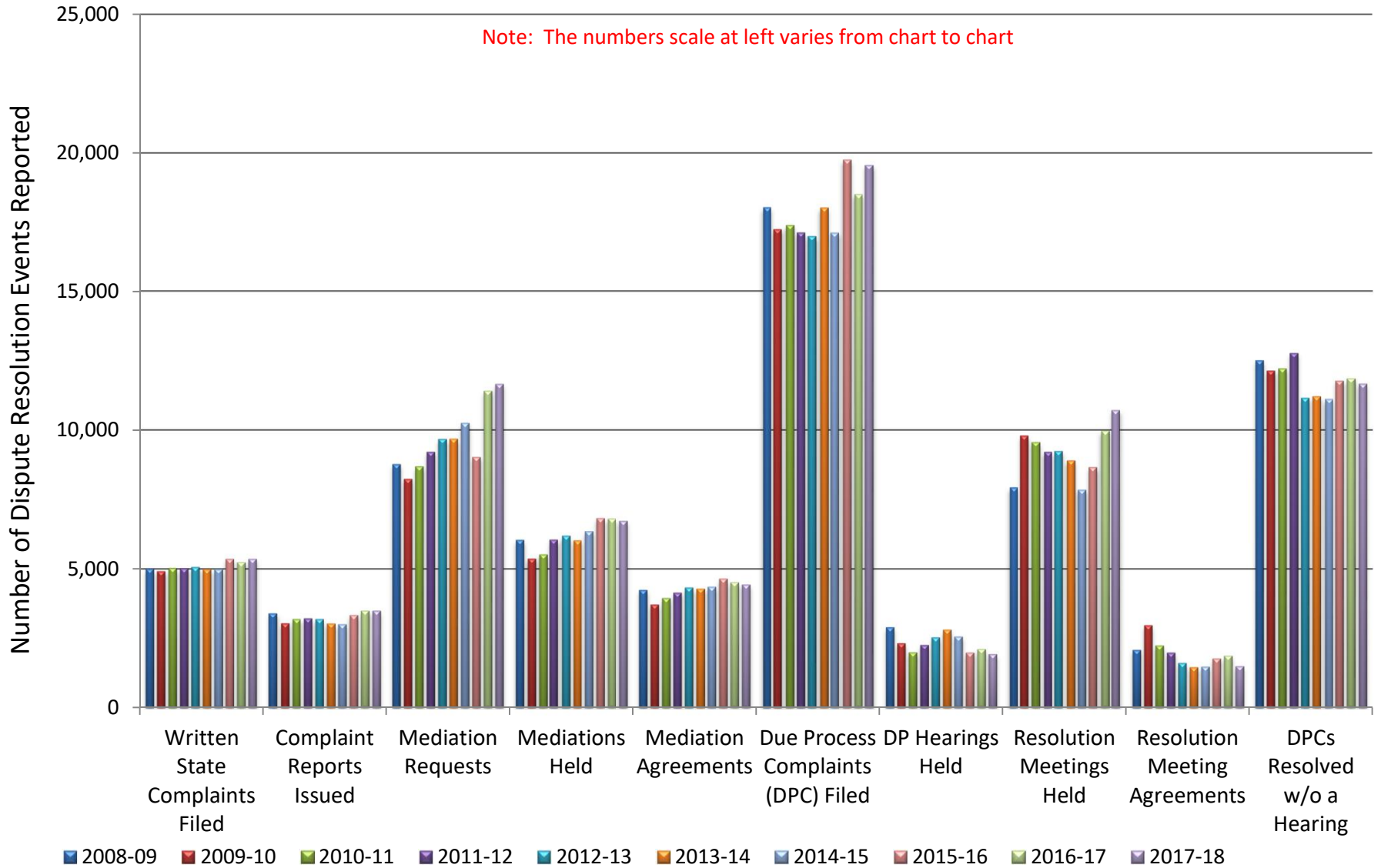


IDEA Dispute Resolution Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas





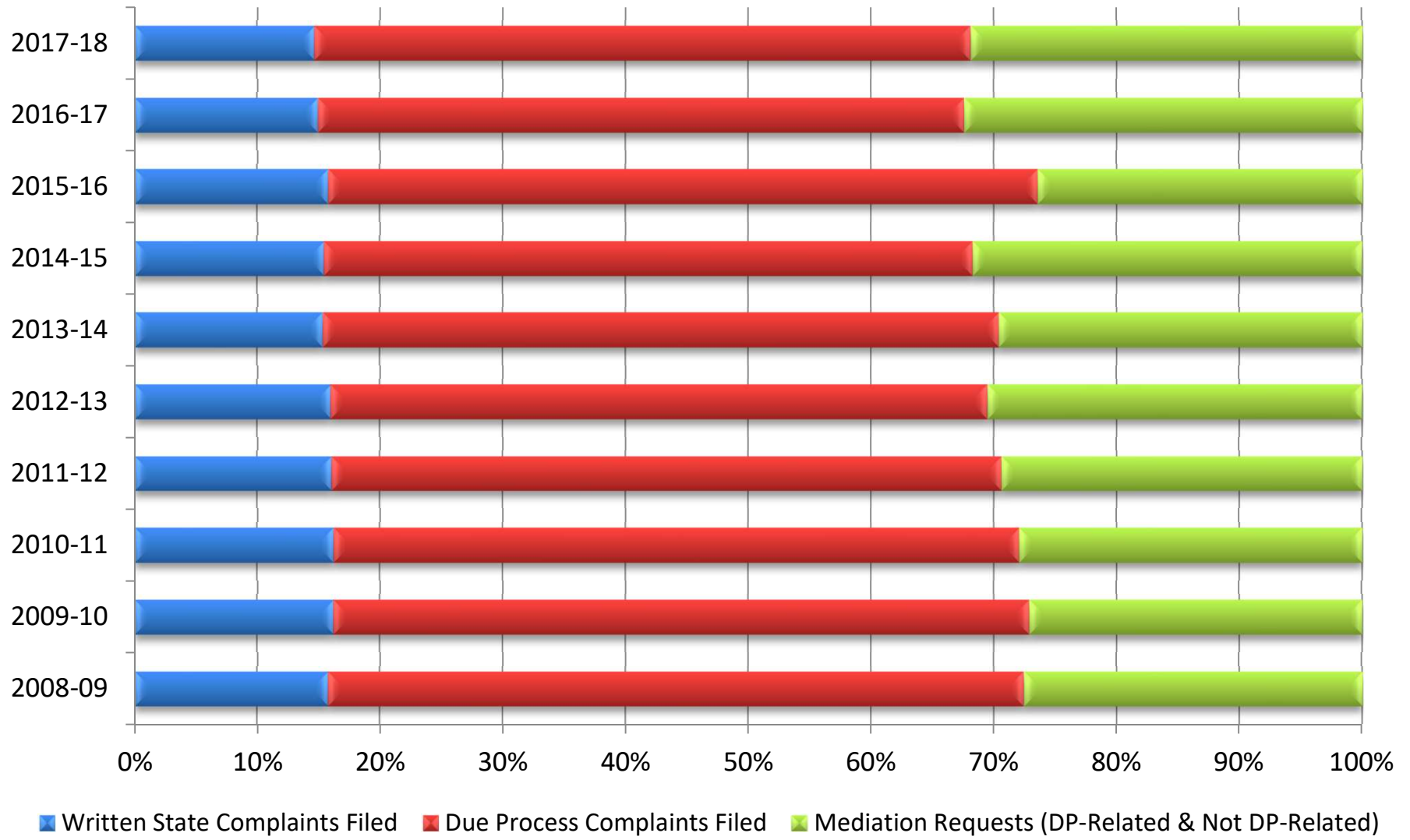
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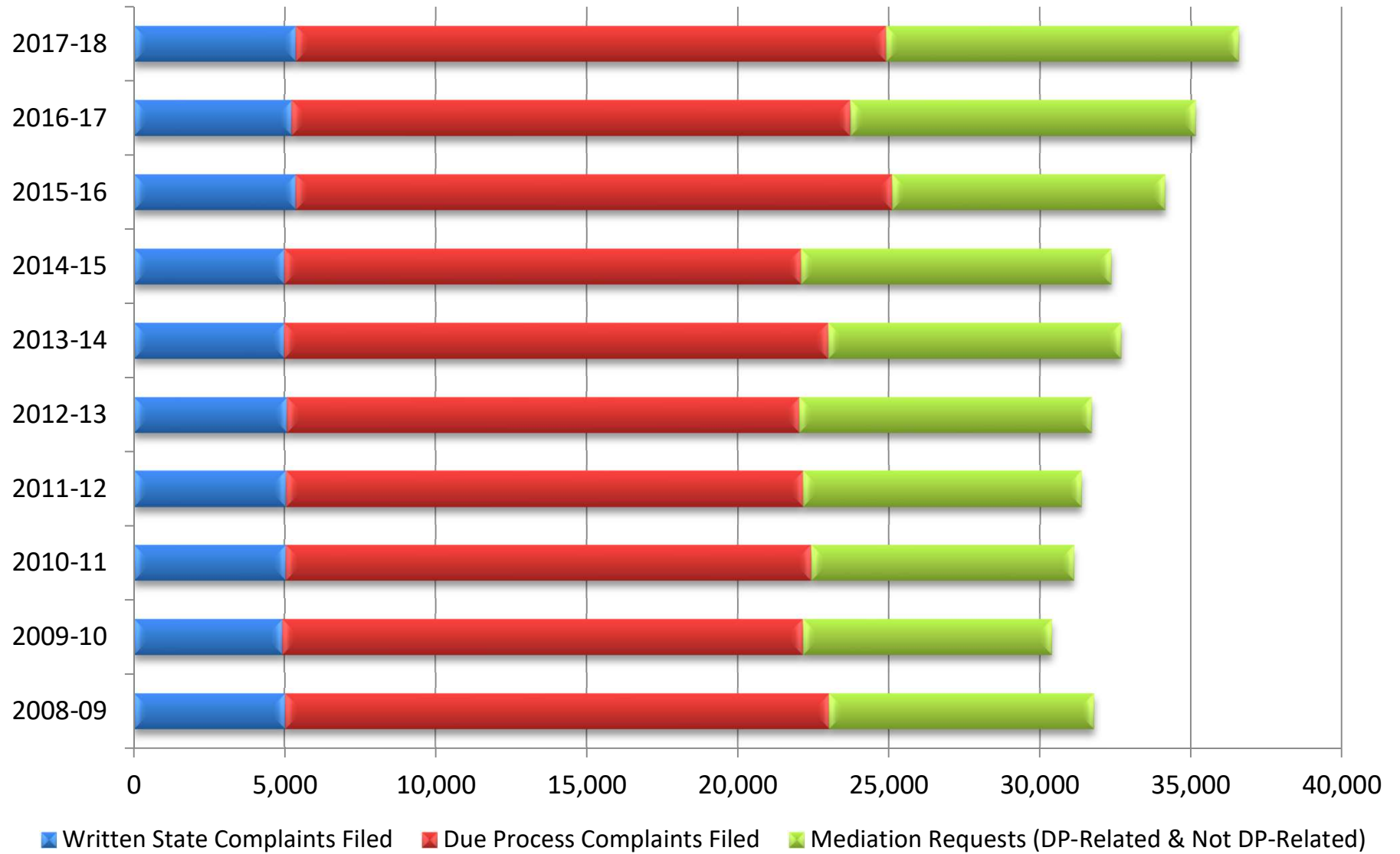
Relative Use of Dispute Resolution Options: U.S. and Outlying Areas

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



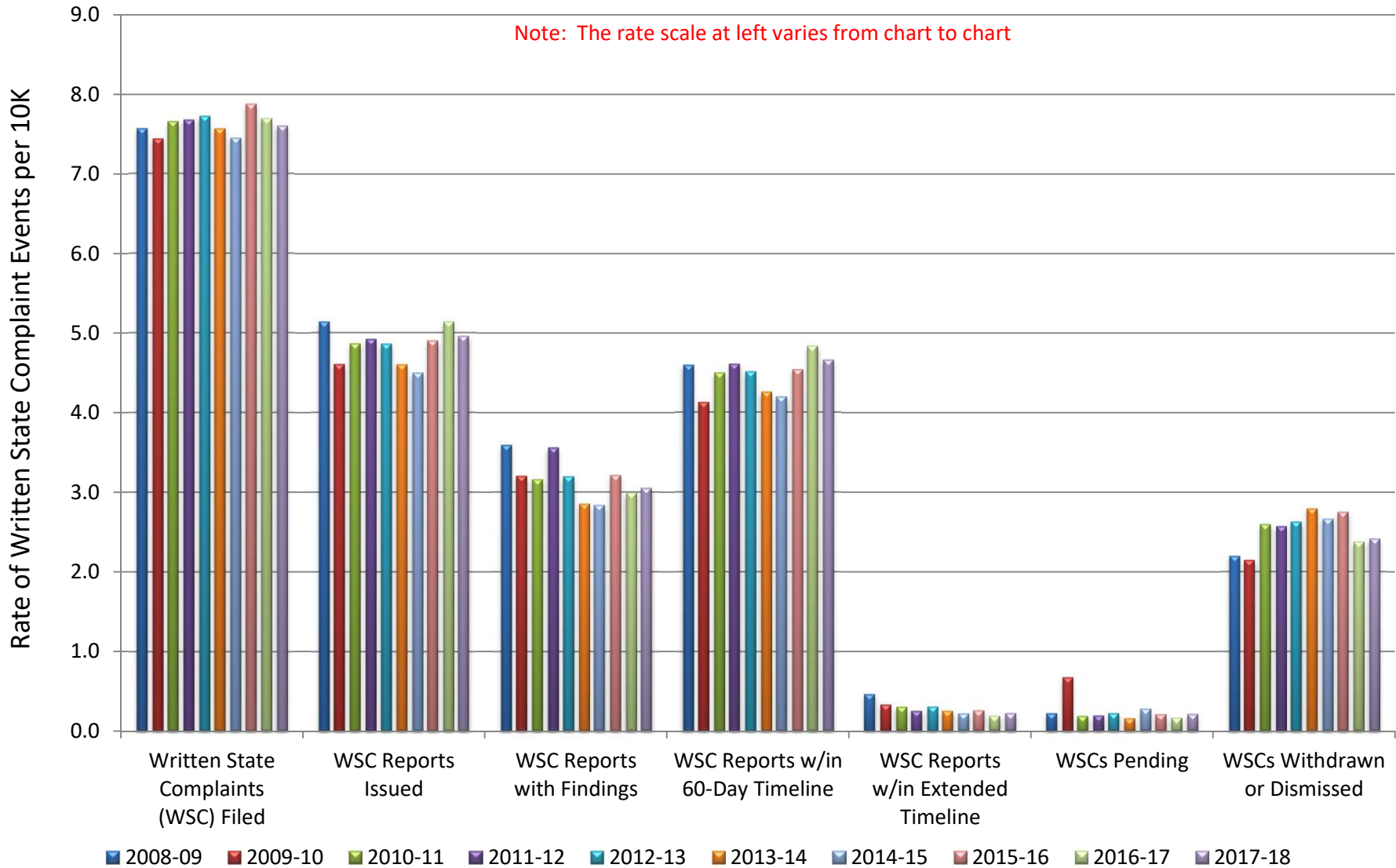


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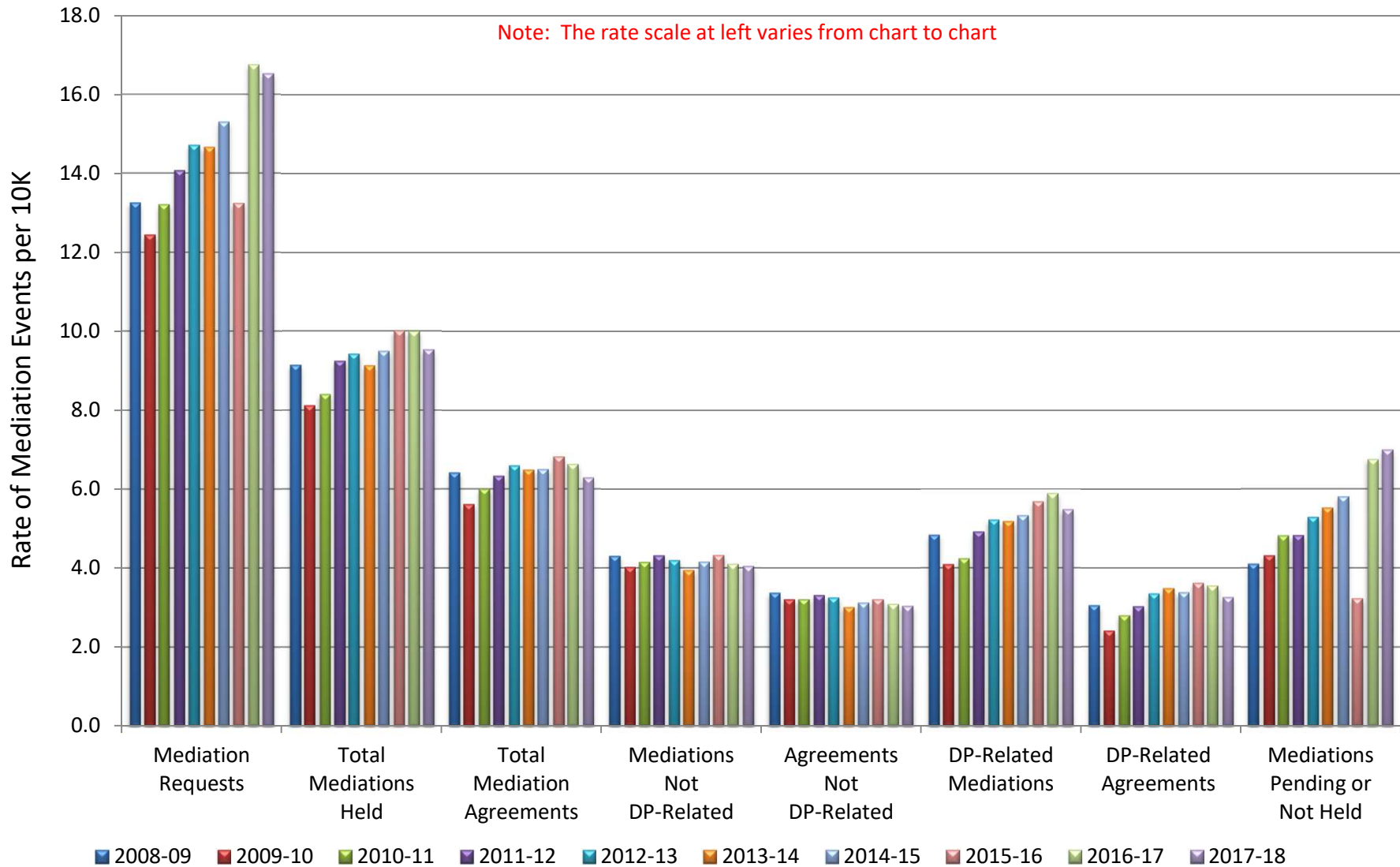


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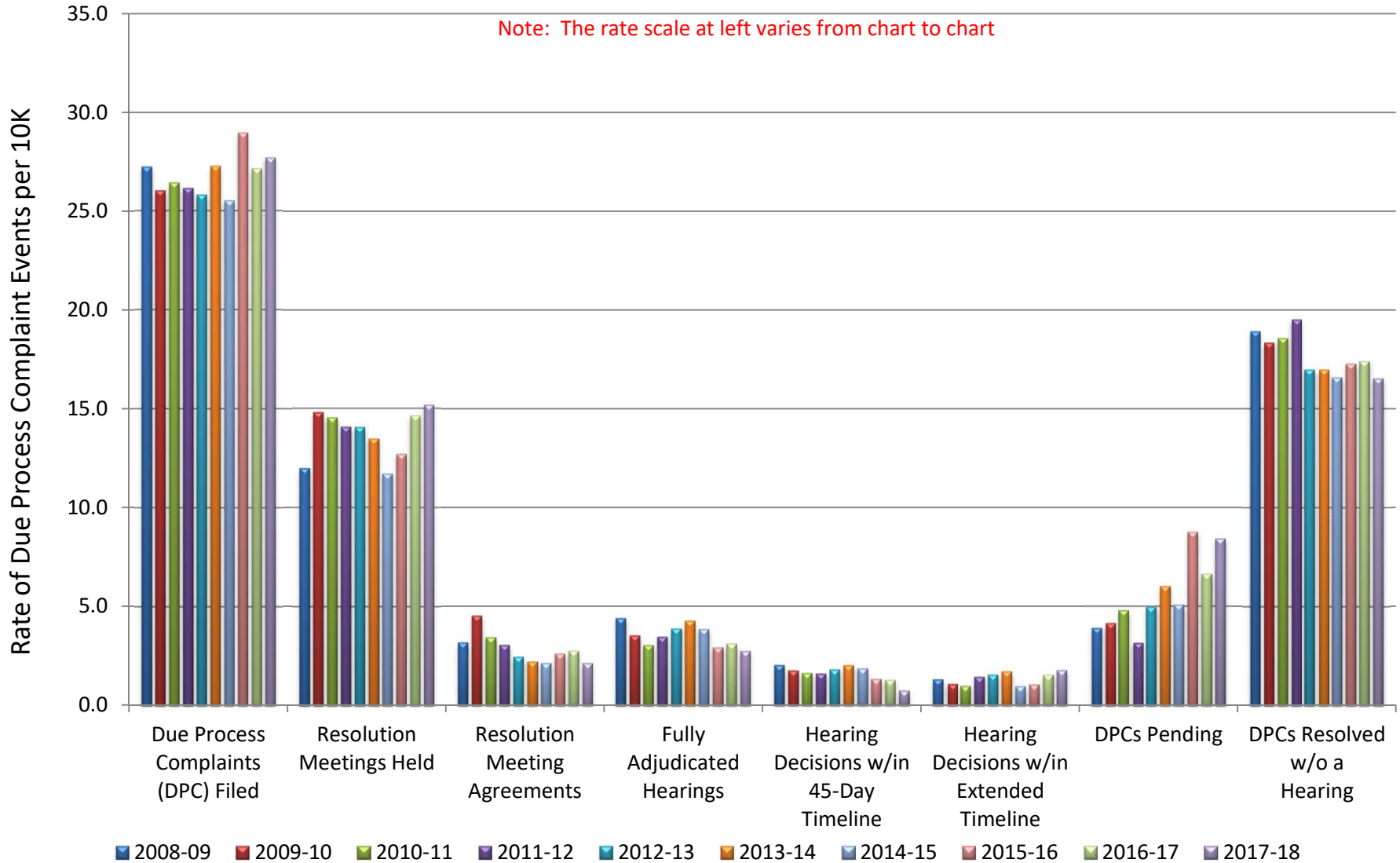


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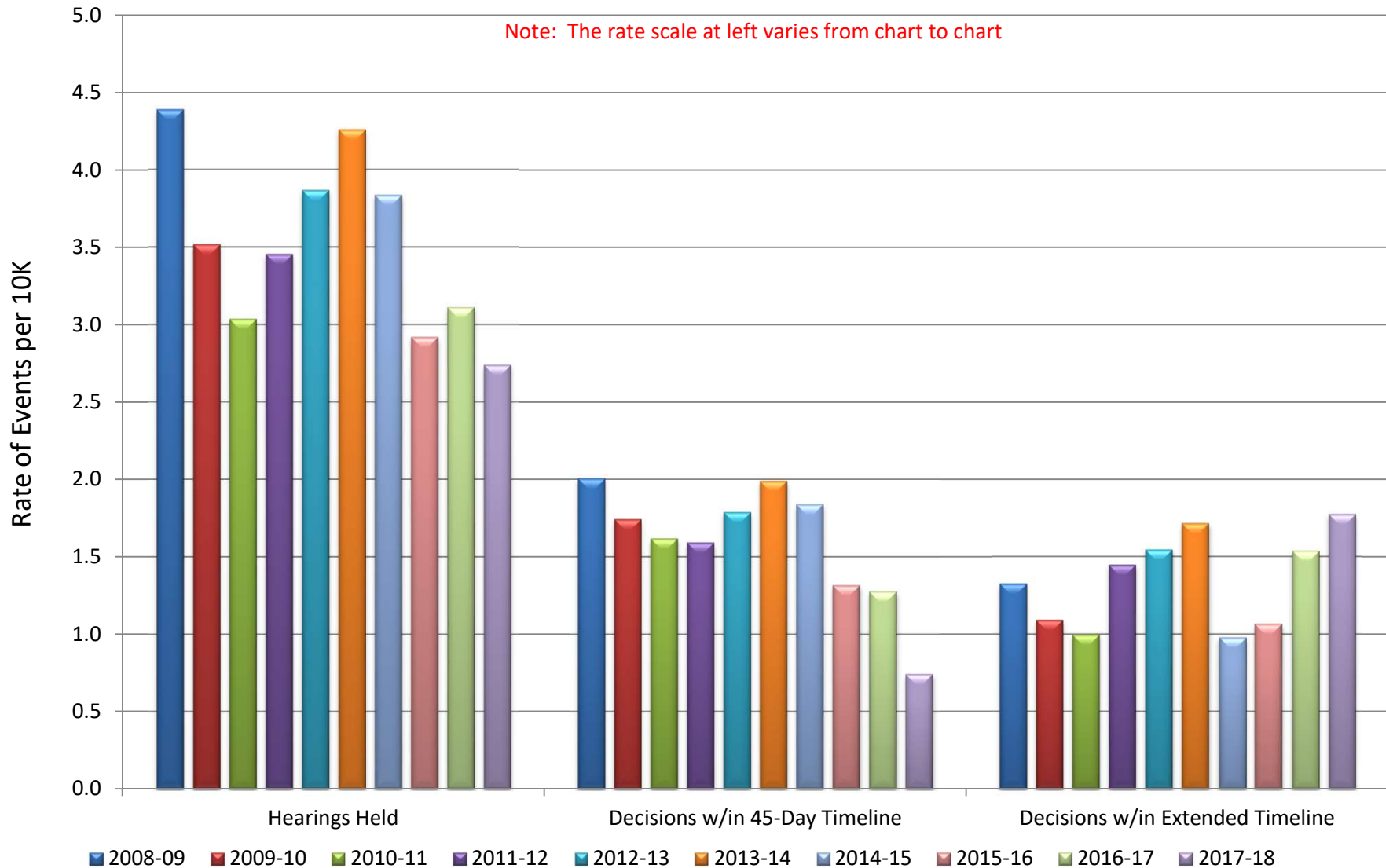


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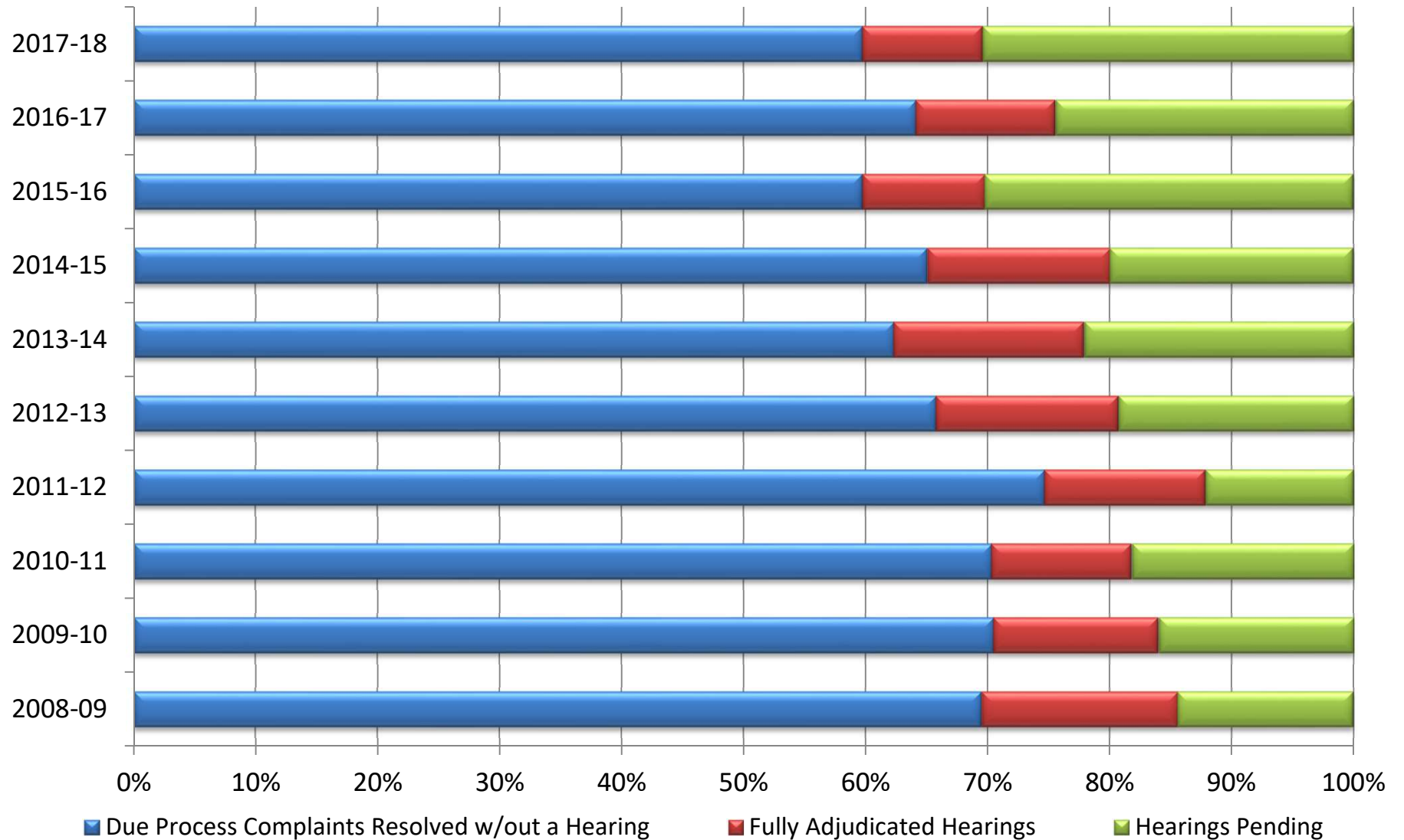


Timeliness of Due Process Hearing Decisions per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas





Relative Disposition of Due Process Complaints: U.S. and Outlying Areas





2017-18

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,362	7.6	7.7	5,320
Reports Issued Total	3,502	5.0	5.0	3,472
Reports with Findings	2,155	3.1	3.1	2,129
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,288	4.7	4.7	3,266
Reports within Extended Timelines	161	0.2	0.2	156
Total Reports within Timelines	3,449	4.9	4.9	3,422
Written State Complaints Pending	154	0.2	0.2	152
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	56	0.1	0.1	56
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,706	2.4	2.5	1,696

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	11,666	16.5	16.3	11,268
Mediations Held	6,730	9.5	9.4	6,472
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,871	5.5	5.3	3,642
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,295	3.3	3.0	2,090
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,859	4.1	4.1	2,830
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,146	3.0	3.1	2,124
Total Mediation Agreements	4,441	6.3	6.1	4,214
Mediations Pending	968	1.4	1.4	3,829
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,968	5.6	5.5	967

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	19,544	27.7	26.0	18,001
Resolution Meetings Held	10,719	15.2	14.7	10,187
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,504	2.1	1.8	1,253
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	1,933	2.7	1.9	1,286
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,777	0.7	0.4	259
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	525	1.8	1.3	872
Decisions within Extended Timelines	1,252	2.5	1.6	1,131
DP Complaints Pending	5,942	8.4	8.5	5,854
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,669	16.5	15.7	10,861

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	470	0.7	0.6	448
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	196	0.3	0.3	188
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	100	0.1	0.1	98
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	63	0.1	0.1	54
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	15	0.0	0.0	12
EHR DP Complaints Pending	75	0.1	0.1	75
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	332	0.5	0.5	319

Notes:

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2016-17

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,239	7.7	7.8	5,195
Reports Issued Total	3,504	5.1	5.2	3,465
Reports with Findings	2,039	3.0	3.0	2,010
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,293	4.8	4.9	3,273
Reports within Extended Timelines	132	0.2	0.2	127
Total Reports within Timelines	3,425	5.0	5.1	3,400
Written State Complaints Pending	116	0.2	0.2	116
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	48	0.1	0.1	48
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,619	2.4	2.4	1,614

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	11,413	16.8	16.0	10,634
Mediations Held	6,810	10.0	9.3	6,215
Due Process-Related Mediations	4,012	5.9	5.2	3,437
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,412	3.5	2.8	1,888
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,798	4.1	4.2	2,778
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,106	3.1	3.1	2,089
Total Mediation Agreements	4,518	6.6	6.0	3,977
Mediations Pending	1,105	1.6	1.7	3,316
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,498	5.1	5.0	1,103

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	18,490	27.2	24.3	16,175
Resolution Meetings Held	9,975	14.7	13.7	9,107
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,873	2.8	2.2	1,458
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,119	3.1	1.6	1,099
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,916	1.3	0.4	257
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	869	1.5	1.1	733
Decisions within Extended Timelines	1,047	2.8	1.5	990
DP Complaints Pending	4,517	6.6	6.6	4,415
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,854	17.4	16.0	10,661

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	395	0.6	0.5	363
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	188	0.3	0.2	159
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	74	0.1	0.1	70
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	48	0.1	0.1	36
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	5
EHR DP Complaints Pending	49	0.1	0.1	46
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	298	0.4	0.4	281

Notes:

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2015-16

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,369	7.9	8.0	5,301
Reports Issued Total	3,344	4.9	4.9	3,284
Reports with Findings	2,193	3.2	3.2	2,154
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,096	4.5	4.6	3,047
Reports within Extended Timelines	179	0.3	0.3	174
Total Reports within Timelines	3,275	4.8	4.8	3,221
Written State Complaints Pending	148	0.2	0.2	147
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	55	0.1	0.1	55
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,877	2.8	2.8	1,870

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	9,034	13.3	12.3	8,227
Mediations Held	6,830	10.0	9.4	6,263
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,876	5.7	5.0	3,360
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,464	3.6	3.0	1,981
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,954	4.3	4.4	2,903
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,190	3.2	3.2	2,146
Total Mediation Agreements	4,654	6.8	6.2	4,127
Mediations Pending	482	0.7	0.7	1,484
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	1,722	2.5	2.2	480

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	19,737	29.0	26.0	17,325
Resolution Meetings Held	8,670	12.7	11.9	7,936
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,774	2.6	2.1	1,423
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	1,990	2.9	1.2	833
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,625	1.3	0.3	216
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	898	1.1	0.8	529
Decisions within Extended Timelines	727	2.4	1.1	745
DP Complaints Pending	5,965	8.8	8.8	5,890
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,782	17.3	15.9	10,602

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	370	0.5	0.5	336
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	173	0.3	0.2	142
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	96	0.1	0.1	83
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	32	0.0	0.0	24
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	6	0.0	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	39	0.1	0.1	34
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	299	0.4	0.4	278

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2014-15

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	4,991	7.5	7.5	4,907
Reports Issued Total	3,016	4.5	4.5	2,952
Reports with Findings	1,904	2.8	2.8	1,857
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,814	4.2	4.2	2,777
Reports within Extended Timelines	151	0.2	0.2	142
Total Reports within Timelines	2,965	4.4	4.5	2,919
Written State Complaints Pending	191	0.3	0.3	191
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	111	0.2	0.2	111
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,784	2.7	2.7	1,764

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	10,260	15.3	14.5	9,482
Mediations Held	6,364	9.5	9.2	5,994
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,574	5.3	5.0	3,249
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,264	3.4	3.0	1,955
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,790	4.2	4.2	2,745
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,095	3.1	3.1	2,055
Total Mediation Agreements	4,359	6.5	6.1	4,010
Mediations Pending	925	1.4	1.4	2,564
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,971	4.4	3.9	924

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	17,107	25.5	21.8	14,283
Resolution Meetings Held	7,855	11.7	10.9	7,123
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,485	2.1	1.8	1,194
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,571	3.8	1.2	805
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,889	1.8	0.3	209
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,233	1.0	0.8	527
Decisions within Extended Timelines	656	2.8	1.1	736
DP Complaints Pending	3,417	5.1	5.0	3,285
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,119	16.6	15.6	10,193

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	314	0.5	0.4	288
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	147	0.2	0.2	125
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	62	0.1	0.1	62
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	38	0.1	0.0	29
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	5	0.0	0.0	5
EHR DP Complaints Pending	26	0.0	0.0	24
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	250	0.4	0.4	235

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2013-14

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			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	4,997	7.6	7.6	4,929
Reports Issued Total	3,043	4.6	4.7	3,001
Reports with Findings	1,886	2.9	2.9	1,859
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,814	4.3	4.3	2,775
Reports within Extended Timelines	170	0.3	0.3	167
Total Reports within Timelines	2,984	4.5	4.6	2,942
Written State Complaints Pending	109	0.2	0.2	108
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	78	0.1	0.1	77
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,845	2.8	2.8	1,820

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	9,688	14.7	13.6	8,799
Mediations Held	6,035	9.1	8.5	5,453
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,425	5.2	4.5	2,889
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,298	3.5	2.8	1,832
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,611	4.0	4.0	2,564
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	1,991	3.0	3.0	1,946
Total Mediation Agreements	4,289	6.5	5.9	3,778
Mediations Pending	801	1.2	1.2	2,547
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,852	4.3	3.9	799

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	18,011	27.3	23.2	14,940
Resolution Meetings Held	8,910	13.5	12.2	7,852
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,463	2.2	1.8	1,140
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,813	4.3	1.9	1,221
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	2,448	2.0	0.3	219
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,315	1.7	1.4	875
Decisions within Extended Timelines	1,133	3.7	1.7	1,094
DP Complaints Pending	3,976	6.0	5.7	3,705
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,222	17.0	15.5	10,014

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	327	0.5	0.4	287
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	141	0.2	0.2	115
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	70	0.1	0.1	70
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	51	0.1	0.0	31
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	8	0.0	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	18	0.0	0.0	15
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	258	0.4	0.4	241

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2012-13

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			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,076	7.7	7.7	4,943
Reports Issued Total	3,198	4.9	4.8	3,098
Reports with Findings	2,104	3.2	3.2	2,045
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,969	4.5	4.5	2,876
Reports within Extended Timelines	205	0.3	0.3	200
Total Reports within Timelines	3,174	4.8	4.8	3,076
Written State Complaints Pending	150	0.2	0.2	147
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	49	0.1	0.1	49
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,728	2.6	2.6	1,698

Mediations				
Mediation Requests Total	9,680	14.7	13.6	8,744
Mediations Held	6,200	9.4	8.6	5,497
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,437	5.2	4.3	2,786
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,199	3.3	2.6	1,699
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,763	4.2	4.2	2,711
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,139	3.3	3.3	2,089
Total Mediation Agreements	4,338	6.6	5.9	3,788
Mediations Pending	978	1.5	1.5	2,274
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,502	3.8	3.5	973

Due Process Complaints				
Due Process Complaints Filed	16,980	25.8	21.8	13,987
Resolution Meetings Held	9,249	14.1	11.6	7,442
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,615	2.5	1.9	1,189
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,543	3.9	1.8	1,139
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	2,192	1.8	0.4	231
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,176	1.5	1.2	770
Decisions within Extended Timelines	1,016	3.3	1.6	1,001
DP Complaints Pending	3,273	5.0	4.8	3,100
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,164	17.0	15.2	9,748

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**				
EHR DP Complaints Filed	364	0.6	0.5	298
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	194	0.3	0.2	150
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	74	0.1	0.1	72
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	59	0.1	0.1	40
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	9	0.0	0.0	6
EHR DP Complaints Pending	15	0.0	0.0	15
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	290	0.4	0.4	243

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2011-12

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,025	7.7	7.7	4,893
Reports Issued Total	3,223	4.9	4.9	3,113
Reports with Findings	2,332	3.6	3.5	2,261
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,017	4.6	4.6	2,917
Reports within Extended Timelines	168	0.3	0.2	159
Total Reports within Timelines	3,185	4.9	4.8	3,076
Written State Complaints Pending	130	0.2	0.2	130
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	53	0.1	0.1	53
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,683	2.6	2.6	1,661

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	9,219	14.1	13.4	8,533
Mediations Held	6,055	9.3	8.7	5,576
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,223	4.9	4.4	2,803
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	1,978	3.0	2.6	1,670
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,832	4.3	4.3	2,773
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,171	3.3	3.3	2,117
Total Mediation Agreements	4,149	6.3	5.9	3,787
Mediations Pending	884	1.4	1.4	2,079
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,280	3.5	3.3	878

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	17,118	26.2	22.4	14,319
Resolution Meetings Held	9,223	14.1	12.0	7,659
Resolution Meeting Agreements	1,991	3.0	2.1	1,339
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,262	3.5	1.7	1,106
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,991	1.6	0.4	231
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,043	1.4	1.2	764
Decisions within Extended Timelines	948	3.0	1.6	995
DP Complaints Pending	2,079	3.2	3.1	1,998
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,777	19.5	17.6	11,215

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	370	0.6	0.5	304
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	176	0.3	0.2	132
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	81	0.1	0.1	64
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	43	0.1	0.0	27
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	10
EHR DP Complaints Pending	19	0.0	0.0	19
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	308	0.5	0.4	258

Notes:

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2010-11

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,035	7.7	7.6	4,911
Reports Issued Total	3,201	4.9	4.8	3,111
Reports with Findings	2,079	3.2	3.1	2,021
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,958	4.5	4.5	2,873
Reports within Extended Timelines	202	0.3	0.3	200
Total Reports within Timelines	3,160	4.8	4.8	3,073
Written State Complaints Pending	127	0.2	0.2	127
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	72	0.1	0.1	72
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,707	2.6	2.6	1,673

Mediations

Mediation Requests Total	8,693	13.2	12.6	8,068
Mediations Held	5,527	8.4	8.1	5,177
Due Process-Related Mediations	2,792	4.2	3.9	2,501
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	1,839	2.8	2.4	1,569
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,735	4.2	4.2	2,676
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,111	3.2	3.2	2,054
Total Mediation Agreements	3,950	6.0	5.6	3,623
Mediations Pending	725	1.1	1.1	2,209
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,449	3.7	3.4	682

Due Process Complaints

Due Process Complaints Filed	17,380	26.4	21.7	13,914
Resolution Meetings Held	9,571	14.6	12.2	7,841
Resolution Meeting Agreements	2,251	3.4	2.3	1,487
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	1,997	3.0	1.3	823
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,719	1.6	0.3	201
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,064	1.0	0.9	549
Decisions within Extended Timelines	655	2.6	1.2	750
DP Complaints Pending	3,164	4.8	4.4	2,840
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,219	18.6	16.0	10,251

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**

EHR DP Complaints Filed	374	0.6	0.5	311
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	197	0.3	0.2	153
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	97	0.1	0.1	80
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	47	0.1	0.1	35
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	10
EHR DP Complaints Pending	16	0.0	0.0	14
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	311	0.5	0.4	262

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2009-10

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	4,922	7.4	7.4	4,781
Reports Issued Total	3,051	4.6	4.5	2,943
Reports with Findings	2,121	3.2	3.2	2,044
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,733	4.1	4.1	2,632
Reports within Extended Timelines	222	0.3	0.3	216
Total Reports within Timelines	2,955	4.5	4.4	2,848
Written State Complaints Pending	448	0.7	0.7	446
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	65	0.1	0.1	65
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,423	2.2	2.2	1,392

Mediations				
Mediation Requests Total	8,240	12.5	11.9	7,673
Mediations Held	5,378	8.1	7.7	4,956
Due Process-Related Mediations	2,714	4.1	3.6	2,343
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	1,595	2.4	2.1	1,334
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,665	4.0	4.0	2,614
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,125	3.2	3.2	2,078
Total Mediation Agreements	3,720	5.6	5.3	3,412
Mediations Pending	731	1.1	1.1	2,001
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,129	3.2	3.1	714

Due Process Complaints				
Due Process Complaints Filed	17,228	26.0	21.2	13,711
Resolution Meetings Held	9,806	14.8	11.7	7,569
Resolution Meeting Agreements	2,975	4.5	2.7	1,774
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,329	3.5	1.4	888
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	1,877	1.7	0.4	259
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,154	1.1	0.8	538
Decisions within Extended Timelines	723	2.8	1.2	797
DP Complaints Pending	2,757	4.2	4.1	2,681
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,142	18.4	15.7	10,142

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**				
EHR DP Complaints Filed	330	0.5	0.5	305
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	138	0.2	0.2	118
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	67	0.1	0.1	54
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	40	0.1	0.1	33
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	9	0.0	0.0	8
EHR DP Complaints Pending	35	0.1	0.1	35
EHR DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	254	0.4	0.4	236

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2008-09

	U.S. and Outlying Areas		Comparator	
			50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints				
Written State Complaints Filed	5,008	7.6	7.5	4,895
Reports Issued Total	3,403	5.1	5.1	3,312
Reports with Findings	2,378	3.6	3.6	2,308
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,041	4.6	4.6	2,954
Reports within Extended Timelines	308	0.5	0.5	304
Total Reports within Timelines	3,349	5.1	5.0	3,258
Written State Complaints Pending	150	0.2	0.2	144
Complaints Pending a Due Process Complaint	72	0.1	0.1	72
Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,455	2.2	2.2	1,439

Mediations				
Mediation Requests Total	8,773	13.3	12.1	7,854
Mediations Held	6,054	9.2	8.1	5,245
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,202	4.8	3.9	2,515
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,016	3.0	2.3	1,512
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,852	4.3	4.2	2,730
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,234	3.4	3.3	2,125
Total Mediation Agreements	4,250	6.4	5.6	3,637
Mediations Not Held (Including Pending)	2,719	4.1	4.0	2,609

Due Process Complaints				
Due Process Complaints Filed	18,020	27.2	21.6	14,017
Resolution Meetings Held	7,938	12.0	11.0	7,152
Resolution Meeting Agreements	2,090	3.2	2.6	1,686
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	2,904	4.4	1.6	1,024
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timeline	2,205	2.0	0.4	250
Decisions within 45-Day Timeline	1,328	1.3	1.0	645
Decisions within Extended Timelines	877	3.3	1.4	895
DP Complaints Pending	2,602	3.9	3.5	2,289
DP Complaints Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,514	18.9	16.5	10,704

Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**				
EHR DP Complaints Filed	312	0.5	0.5	305
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	128	0.2	0.2	128
EHR Resolution Meeting Agreements	73	0.1	0.1	73
EHR Fully Adjudicated Hearings	32	0.0	0.0	29
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	5	0.0	0.0	5

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