



## **IDEA Dispute Resolution Data Summary for U.S. and Outlying Areas: 2010-11 to 2020-2021**

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) 2010-11 through 2020-21 drawn from CADRE's National Longitudinal Database. Data are collected from the following sources: [1] from SY 2010 to the present, Section 618 data collected by the Data Accountability Center (DAC) and, as of SY 2011, reported to ED Facts; [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 aims 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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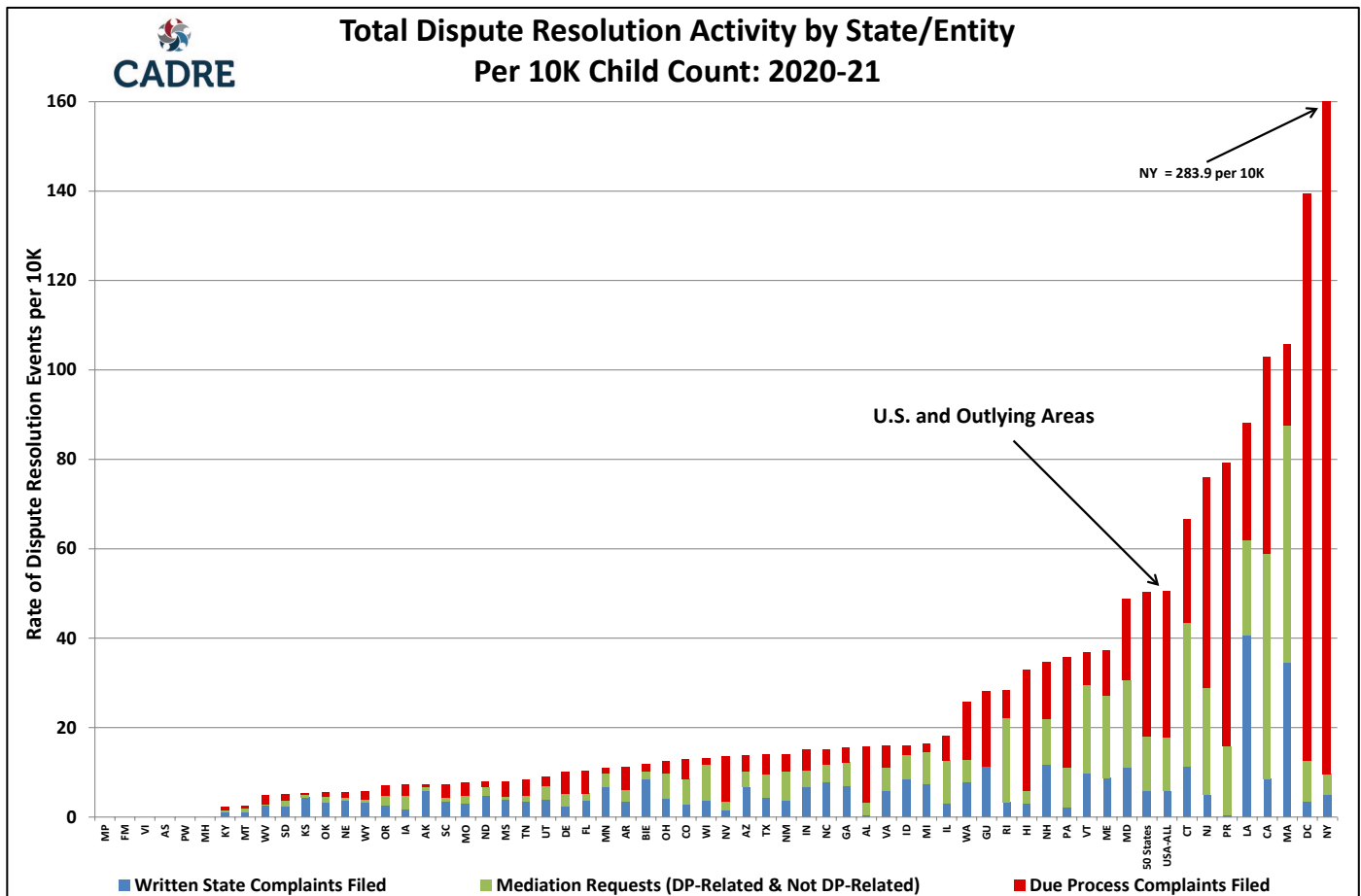
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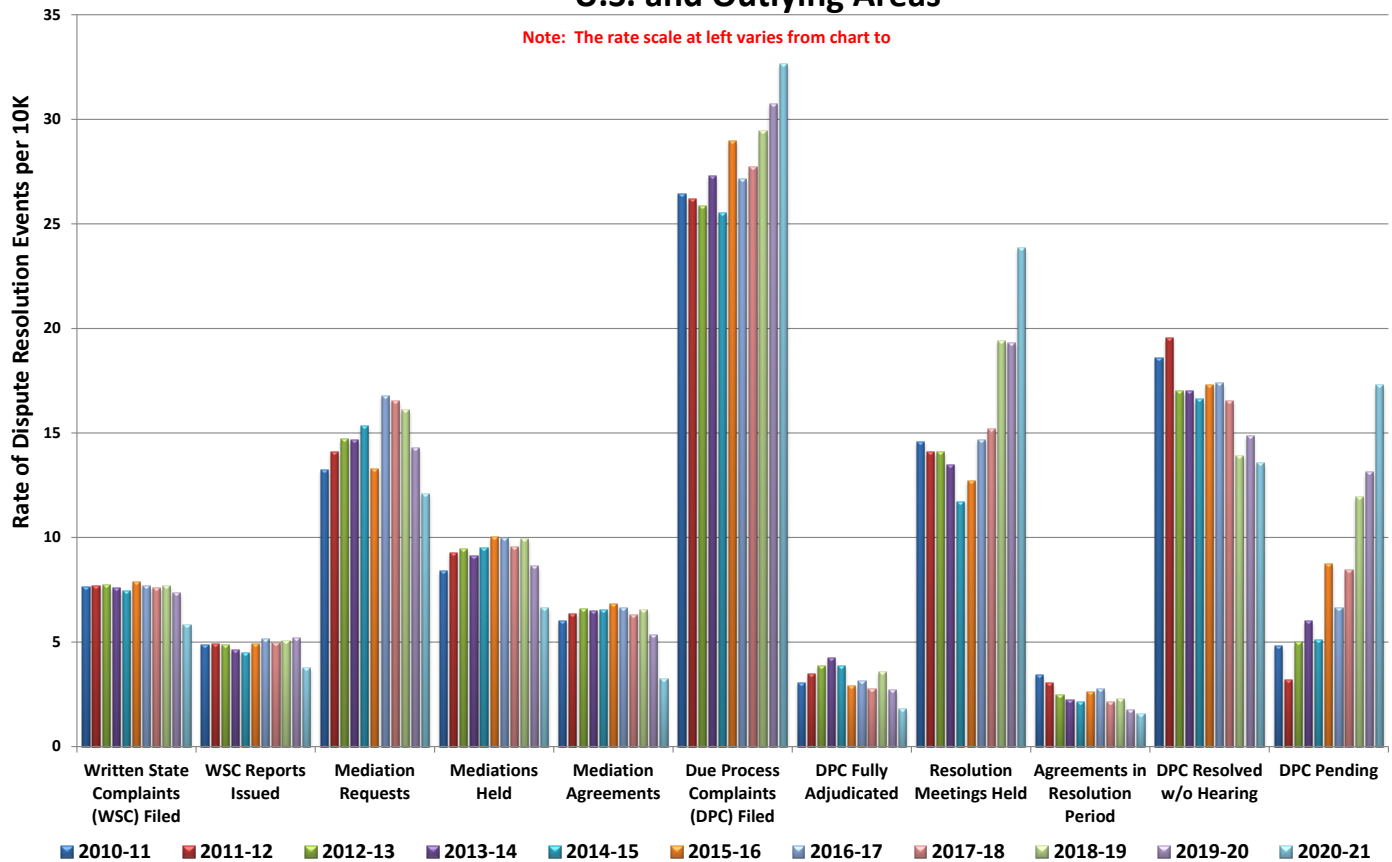
This report contains graphic charts and tables with IDEA Dispute Resolution Activity for the U.S. and Outlying Areas. The charts feature alternative text descriptions, and the tables contain data points and brief interpretation of the data. A table containing the data depicted in the chart follows each chart. Note: In this report, the abbreviation "DP" is used for due process, "DPC" for due process complaint, and "WSC" for written state complaint. The term "w/o" is used as an abbreviation for the word "without."



The table below displays the data represented in the chart above. The states/entities are ranked, from least to most, on the number of total events and rate of occurrence for each type of dispute resolution event.

State/Entity	Total Events per 10K	State/Entity	Total Events per 10K	State/Entity	Total Events per 10K	State/Entity	Total Events per 10K
MP	0.0	AK	7.4	AZ	13.8	PA	35.9
FM	0.0	SC	7.4	TX	14.0	VT	37.0
VI	0.0	MO	7.8	NM	14.1	ME	37.4
AS	0.0	ND	7.9	IN	15.3	MD	48.8
PW	0.0	MS	7.9	NC	15.3	50 States	50.2
MH	0.0	TN	8.4	GA	15.5	USA-ALL	50.6
KY	2.4	UT	9.1	AL	15.9	CT	66.7
MT	2.6	DE	10.1	VA	15.9	NJ	76.0
WV	4.8	FL	10.4	ID	16.0	PR	79.1
SD	5.1	MN	11.0	MI	16.5	LA	88.3
KS	5.4	AR	11.3	IL	18.2	CA	102.9
OK	5.6	BIE	12.0	WA	25.8	MA	105.9
NE	5.6	OH	12.5	GU	28.0	DC	139.5
WY	5.9	CO	12.9	RI	28.4	NY	283.9
OR	7.0	WI	13.3	HI	33.0		
IA	7.2	NV	13.5	NH	34.6		

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

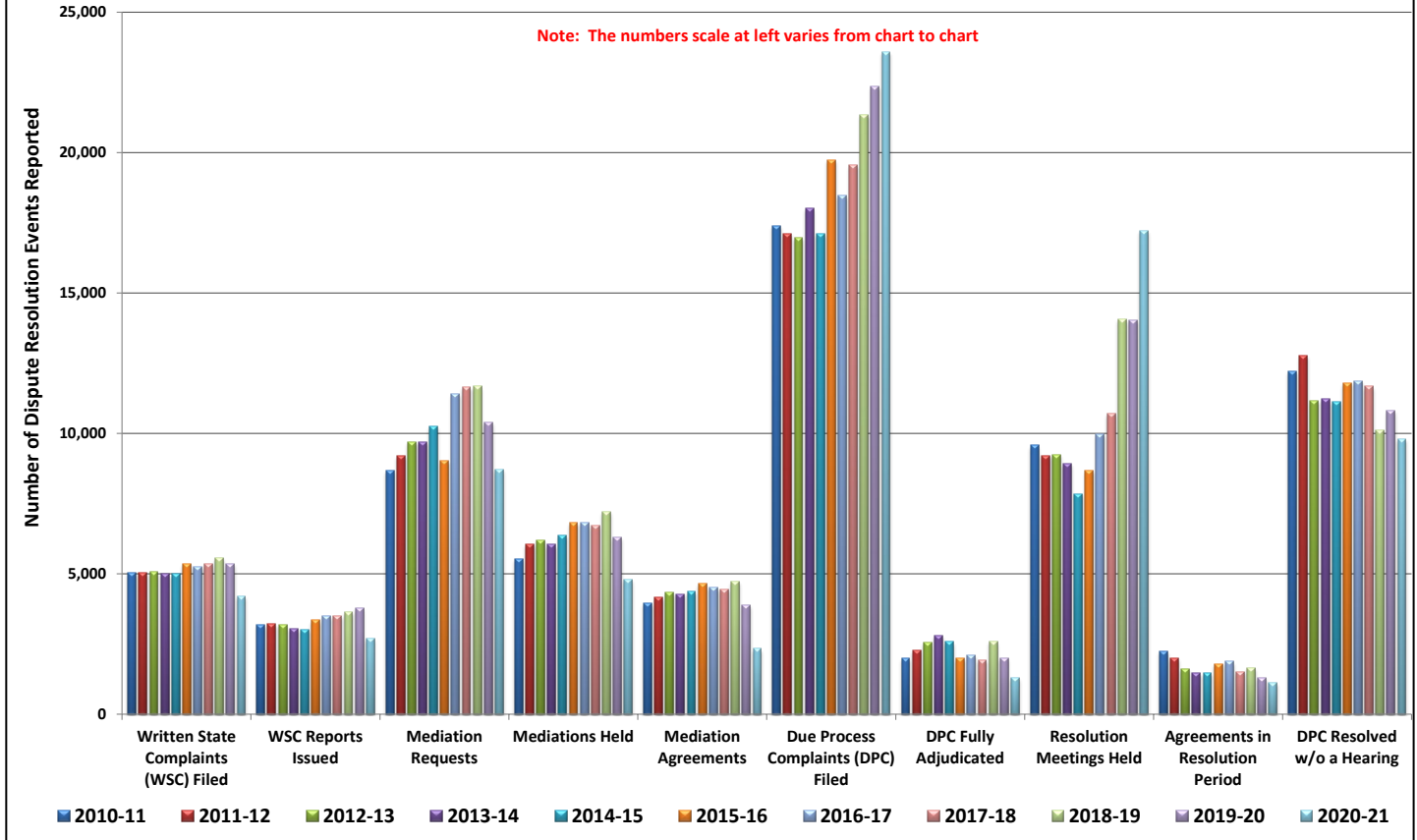


This table contains the data for the chart above, *IDEA Dispute Resolution Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas*.

Dispute Resolution Element	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Written State Complaints (WSC) Filed	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.3	5.8
WSC Reports Issued	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.2	3.8
Mediation Requests	13.2	14.1	14.7	14.7	15.3	13.3	16.8	16.5	16.1	14.3	12.1
Mediations Held	8.4	9.3	9.4	9.1	9.5	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.9	8.6	6.6
Mediation Agreements	6.0	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.3	6.5	5.4	3.2
Due Process Complaints (DPC) Filed	26.4	26.2	25.8	27.3	25.5	29.0	27.2	27.7	29.4	30.7	32.7
DPC Fully Adjudicated	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.3	3.8	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.6	2.7	1.8
Resolution Meetings Held	14.6	14.1	14.1	13.5	11.7	12.7	14.7	15.2	19.4	19.3	23.9
Agreements in Resolution Period	3.4	3.0	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.6	2.8	2.1	2.3	1.8	1.6
DPC Resolved w/o a Hearing	18.6	19.5	17.0	17.0	16.6	17.3	17.4	16.5	13.9	14.8	13.6
DPC Pending	4.8	3.2	5.0	6.0	5.1	8.8	6.6	8.4	11.9	13.2	17.3



## IDEA Dispute Resolution Activity: U.S. and Outlying Areas



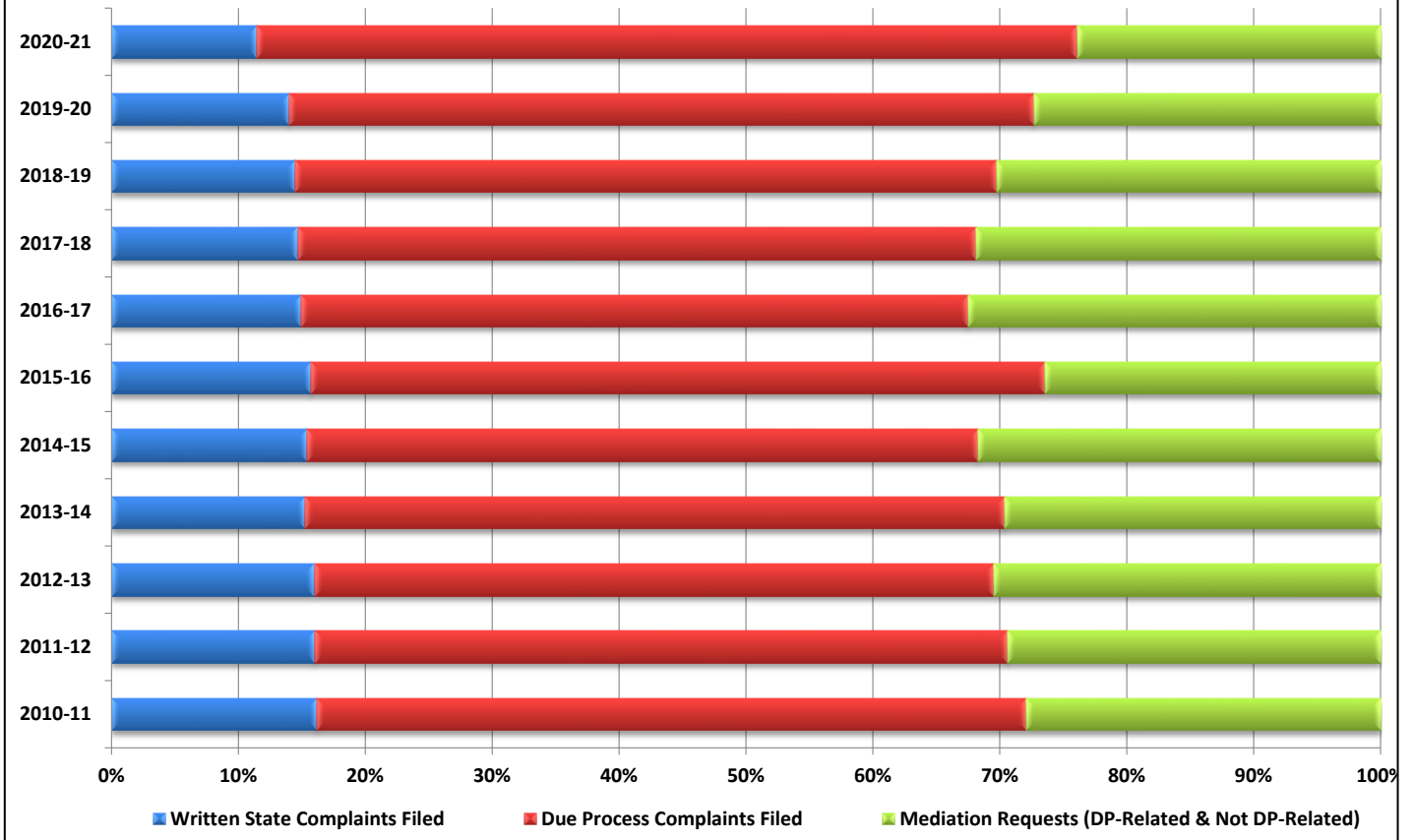
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Dispute Resolution Element	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Written State Complaints Filed	5,035	5,025	5,076	4,997	4,991	5,369	5,239	5,362	5,575	5,341	4,186
Complaint Reports Issued	3,201	3,223	3,198	3,043	3,016	3,344	3,504	3,502	3,654	3,774	2,714
Mediation Requests	8,693	9,219	9,680	9,688	10,260	9,034	11,413	11,666	11,671	10,406	8,725
Mediations Held	5,527	6,055	6,200	6,035	6,364	6,830	6,810	6,730	7,206	6,292	4,796
Mediation Agreements	3,950	4,149	4,338	4,289	4,359	4,654	4,518	4,441	4,734	3,898	2,330
Due Process Complaints (DPC) Filed	17,380	17,118	16,980	18,011	17,107	19,737	18,490	19,544	21,338	22,359	23,567
DPC Fully Adjudicated	1,997	2,262	2,543	2,813	2,571	1,990	2,119	1,933	2,579	1,981	1,293
Resolution Meetings Held	9,571	9,223	9,249	8,910	7,855	8,670	9,975	10,719	14,074	14,044	17,215
Agreements in Resolution Period	2,251	1,991	1,615	1,463	1,485	1,774	1,873	1,504	1,647	1,285	1,124
DPC Resolved w/o a Hearing	12,219	12,777	11,164	11,222	11,119	11,782	11,854	11,669	10,098	10,802	9,790



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

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



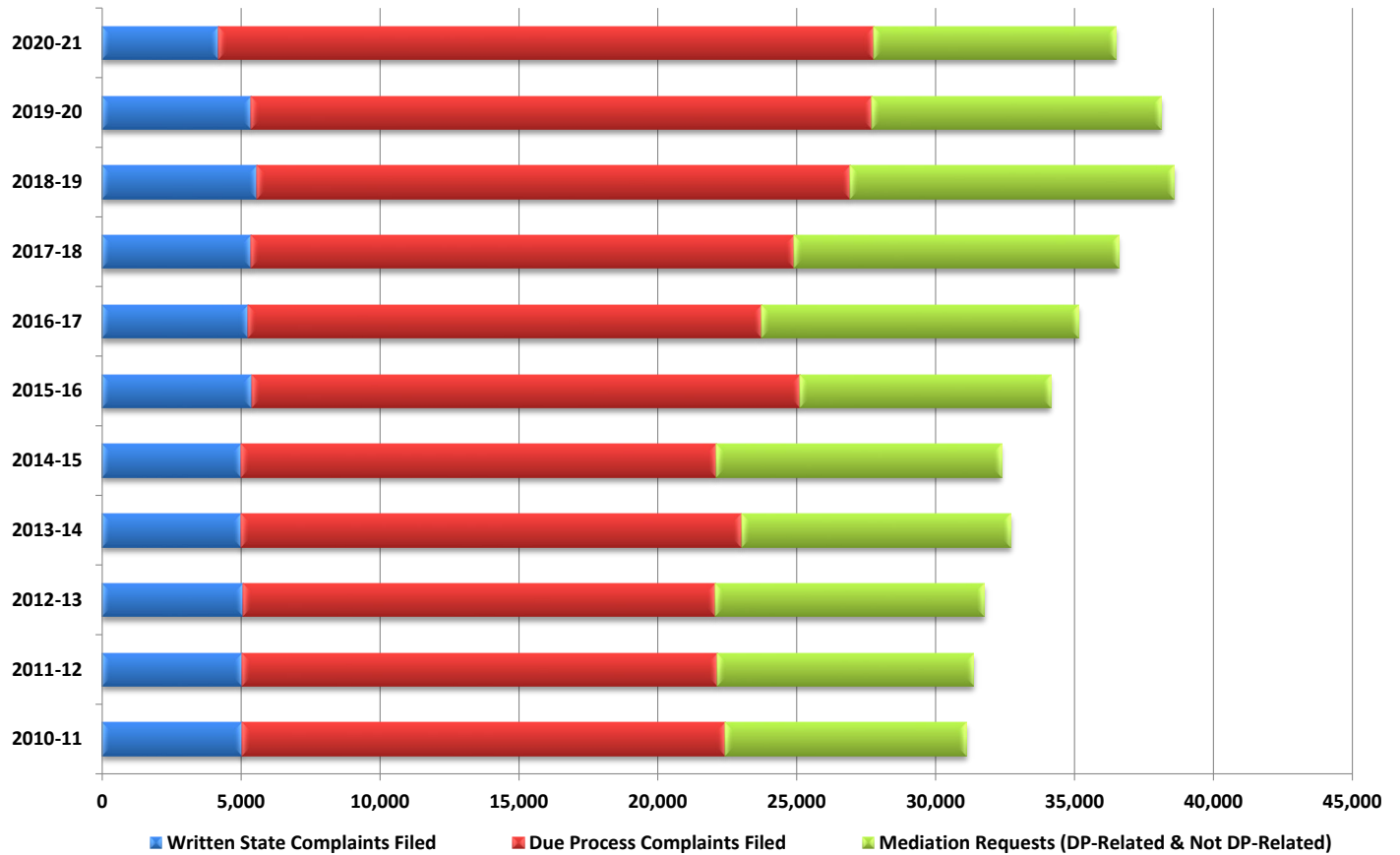
The number of dispute resolution events reported by process (written state complaints filed, due process complaints filed, and mediation requests) in the U.S. and Outlying Areas for the years 2010-11 to 2020-21 were used to create the *Relative Use of Dispute Resolution Options* chart shown above.

This table contains the data for the chart.

Year	Written State Complaints Filed	Written State Complaints Filed Percent of Total Activity	Due Process Complaints Filed	Due Process Complaints Filed Percent of Total Activity	Mediation Requests (DP-Related & Not DP-Related)	Mediation Requests Percentage of Total Activity
2010-11	5,035	16%	17,380	56%	8,693	28%
2011-12	5,025	16%	17,118	55%	9,219	29%
2012-13	5,076	16%	16,980	54%	9,680	31%
2013-14	4,997	15%	18,011	55%	9,688	30%
2014-15	4,991	15%	17,107	53%	10,260	32%
2015-16	5,369	16%	19,737	58%	9,034	26%
2016-17	5,239	15%	18,490	53%	11,413	32%
2017-18	5,362	15%	19,544	53%	11,666	32%
2018-19	5,575	14%	21,338	55%	11,671	30%
2019-20	5,341	14%	22,359	59%	10,406	27%
2020-21	4,186	11%	23,567	65%	8,725	24%



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

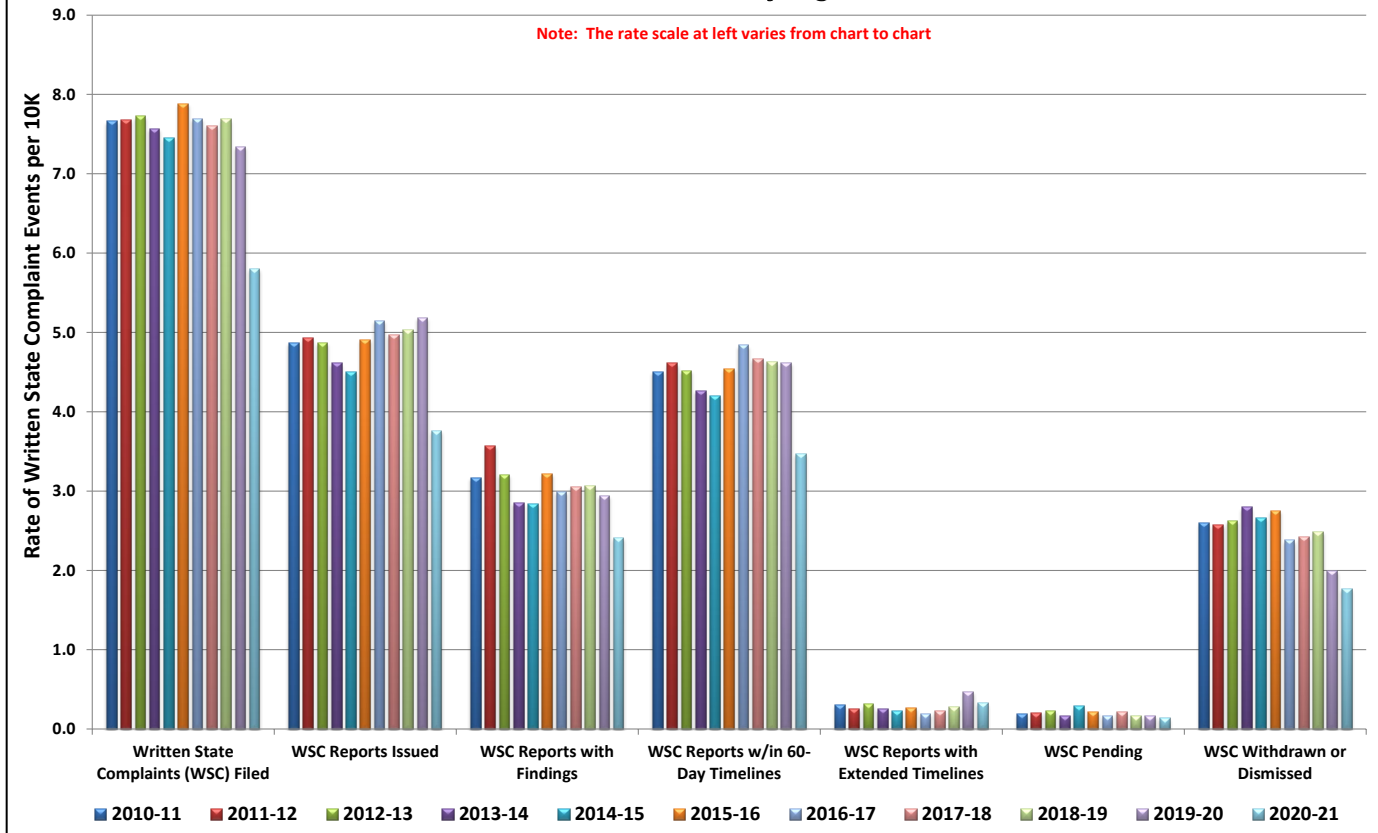


The number of dispute resolution events reported by process (written state complaints filed, due process complaints filed, and mediation requests) in the U.S. and Outlying Areas for the years 2010-11 to 2020-21 were used to create the chart shown above, and are displayed in the table below.

Year	Written State Complaints Filed	Due Process Complaints Filed	Mediation Requests (DP-Related and Not DP-Related)	Total Activity
2010-11	5,035	17,380	8,693	31,108
2011-12	5,025	17,118	9,219	31,362
2012-13	5,076	16,980	9,680	31,736
2013-14	4,997	18,011	9,688	32,696
2014-15	4,991	17,107	10,260	32,358
2015-16	5,369	19,737	9,034	34,140
2016-17	5,239	18,490	11,413	35,142
2017-18	5,362	19,544	11,666	36,572
2018-19	5,575	21,338	11,671	38,584
2019-20	5,341	22,359	10,406	38,106
2020-21	4,186	23,567	8,725	36,478



## Written State Complaint Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas

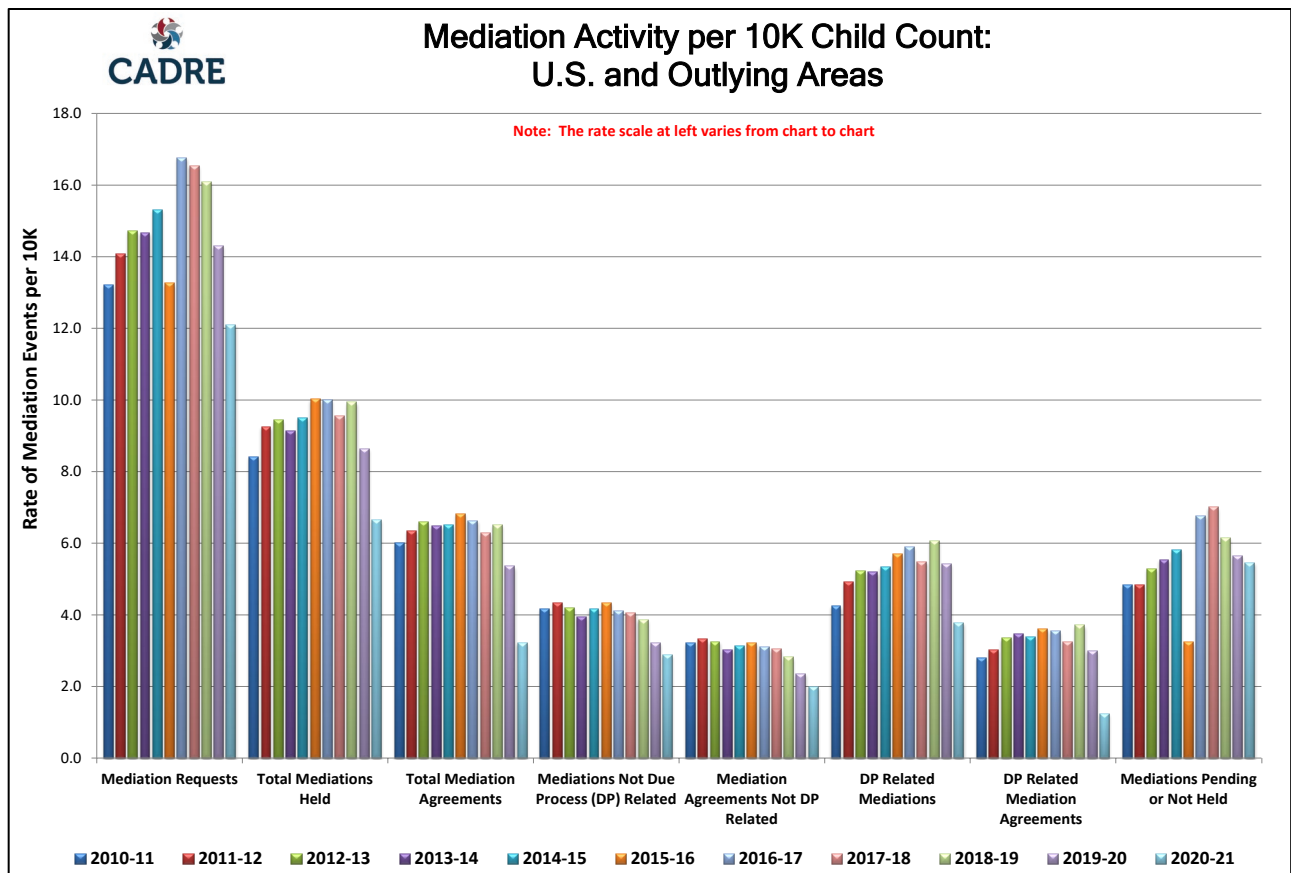


This table contains the data for the chart above, *Written State Complaint Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas*.

Written State Complaints Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Written State Complaints (WSC) Filed	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.3	5.8
WSC Reports Issued	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.2	3.8
WSC Reports with Findings	3.2	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.4
WSC Reports w/in 60-Day Timeline	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.6	3.5
WSC Reports with Extended Timelines	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3
WSC Pending	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
WSC Withdrawn or Dismissed	2.60	2.57	2.63	2.79	2.66	2.75	2.38	2.42	2.49	1.99	1.76

The table below contains the number of each type of written state complaint event reported between 2010-11 and 2020-21.

Written State Complaints Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Written State Complaints (WSC) Filed	5,035	5,025	5,076	4,997	4,991	5,369	5,239	5,362	5,575	5,341	4,186
WSC Reports Issued	3,201	3,223	3,198	3,043	3,016	3,344	3,504	3,502	3,654	3,774	2,714
WSC Reports with Findings	2,079	2,332	2,104	1,886	1,904	2,193	2,039	2,155	2,226	2,138	1,737
WSC Reports w/in 60-Day Timeline	2,958	3,017	2,969	2,814	2,814	3,096	3,293	3,288	3,361	3,357	2,501
WSC Reports with Extended Timelines	202	168	205	170	151	179	132	161	199	344	235
WSC Pending	127	130	150	109	191	148	116	154	117	117	99
WSC Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,707	1,683	1,728	1,845	1,784	1,877	1,619	1,706	1,804	1,450	1,273



This table contains the data for the chart above, *Mediation Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas*.

Mediation Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Mediation Requests	12.5	13.2	14.1	14.7	14.7	15.3	13.3	16.8	16.5	16.1	14.3
Total Mediations Held	8.1	8.4	9.3	9.4	9.1	9.5	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.9	8.6
Total Mediation Agreements	5.6	6.0	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.3	6.5	5.4
Mediations Not Due Process Related	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.2
Mediation Agreements Not Due Process Related	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.4
Due Process Related Mediations	4.1	4.2	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.7	5.9	5.5	6.1	5.4
Due Process Related Mediation Agreements	2.4	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.7	3.0
Mediations Pending or Not Held	4.3	4.8	4.8	5.3	5.5	5.8	3.2	6.8	7.0	6.2	5.7

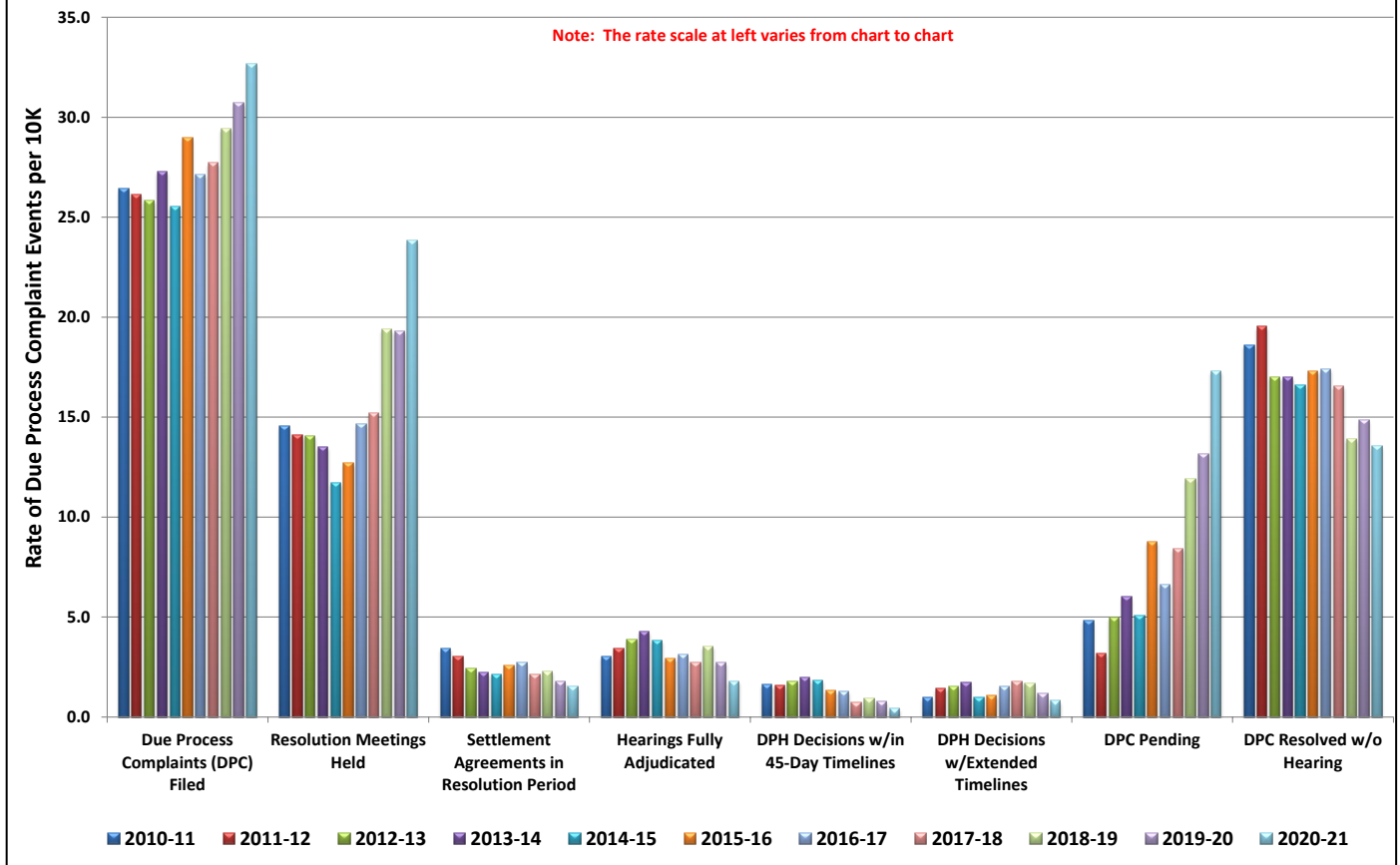
The table below contains the number of each type of mediation event reported between 2010-11 and 2020-21.

Mediation Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Mediation Requests	8,240	8,693	9,219	9,680	9,688	10,260	9,034	11,413	11,666	11,671	10,406
Total Mediations Held	5,378	5,527	6,055	6,200	6,035	6,364	6,830	6,810	6,730	7,206	6,292
Total Mediation Agreements	3,720	3,950	4,149	4,338	4,289	4,359	4,654	4,518	4,441	4,734	3,898
Mediations Not Due Process Related	2,665	2,735	2,832	2,763	2,611	2,790	2,954	2,798	2,859	2,803	2,340
Mediation Agreements Not Due Process Related	2,125	2,111	2,171	2,139	1,991	2,095	2,190	2,106	2,146	2,045	1,718
Due Process Related Mediations	2,714	2,792	3,223	3,437	3,425	3,574	3,876	4,012	3,871	4,403	3,952
Due Process Related Mediation Agreements	1,595	1,839	1,978	2,199	2,298	2,264	2,464	2,412	2,295	2,689	2,180
Mediations Pending or Not Held	2,860	3,174	3,164	3,480	3,653	3,896	2,204	4,603	4,936	4,465	4,114





## Due Process Complaint Activity per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas

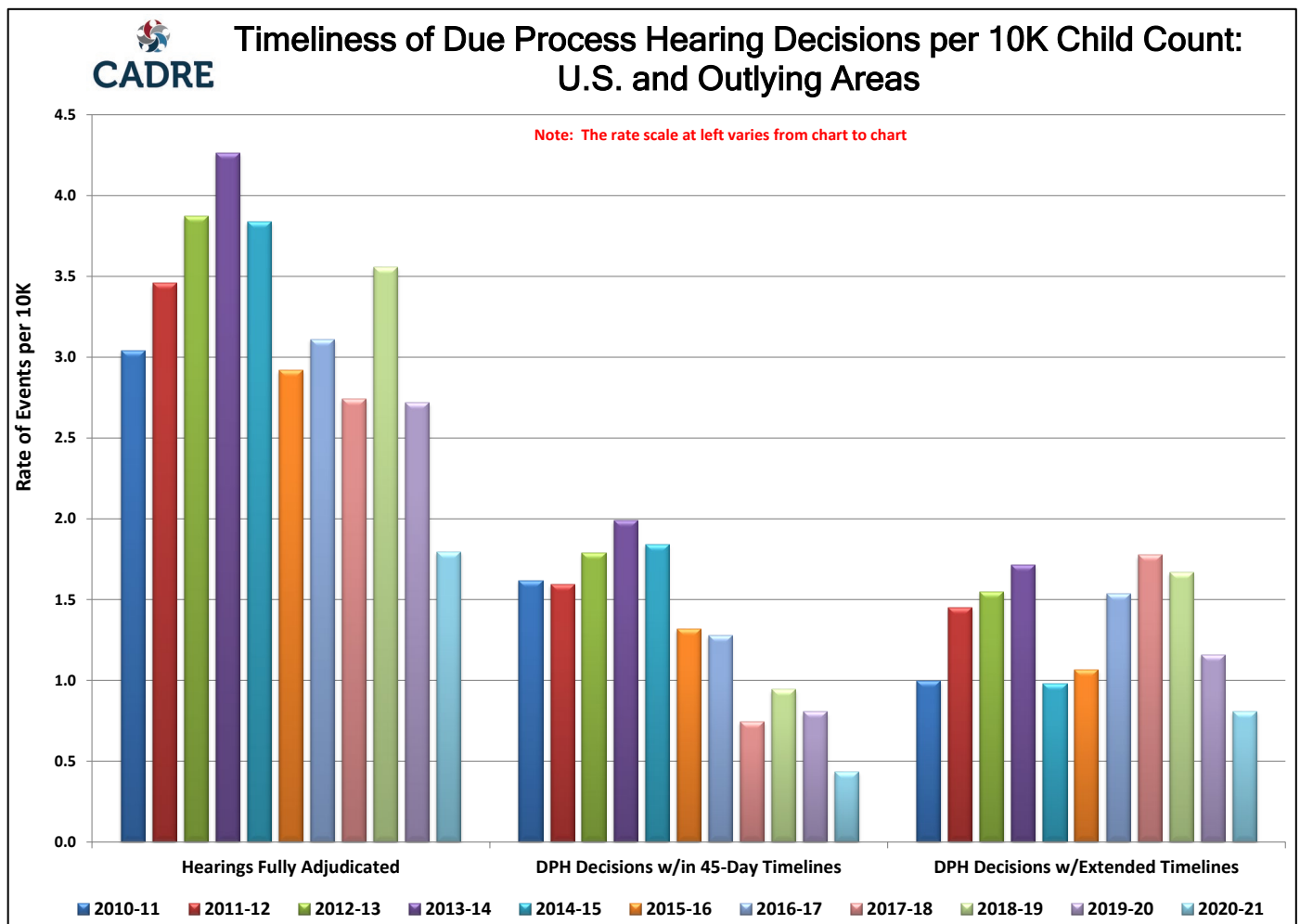


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Due Process Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Due Process Complaints (DPC) Filed	26.4	26.2	25.8	27.3	25.5	29.0	27.2	27.7	29.4	30.7	32.7
Resolution Meetings Held	14.6	14.1	14.1	13.5	11.7	12.7	14.7	15.2	19.4	19.3	23.9
Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	3.4	3.0	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.6	2.8	2.1	2.3	1.8	1.6
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.3	3.8	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.6	2.7	1.8
DP Hearing Decisions within 45-day Timelines	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.4
DP Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1.0	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.2	0.8
DPC Pending	4.8	3.2	5.0	6.0	5.1	8.8	6.6	8.4	11.9	13.2	17.3
DPC Resolved without Hearings	18.6	19.5	17.0	17.0	16.6	17.3	17.4	16.5	13.9	14.8	13.6

The table below contains the number of each type of due process event reported between 2010-11 and 2020-21.

Due Process Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Due Process Complaints (DPC) Filed	17,380	17,118	16,980	18,011	17,107	19,737	18,490	19,544	21,338	22,359	23,567
Resolution Meetings Held	9,571	9,223	9,249	8,910	7,855	8,670	9,975	10,719	14,074	14,044	17,215
Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	2,251	1,991	1,615	1,463	1,485	1,774	1,873	1,504	1,647	1,285	1,124
Fully Adjudicated Hearings	1,997	2,262	2,543	2,813	2,571	1,990	2,119	1,933	2,579	1,981	1,293
DP Hearing Decisions within 45-day Timelines	1,064	1,043	1,176	1,315	1,233	898	869	525	684	586	313
DP Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	655	948	1,016	1,133	656	727	1,047	1,252	1,210	845	583
DPC Pending	3,164	2,079	3,273	3,976	3,417	5,965	4,517	5,942	8,661	9,576	12,484
DPC Resolved without Hearings	12,219	12,777	11,164	11,222	11,119	11,782	11,854	11,669	10,098	10,802	9,790

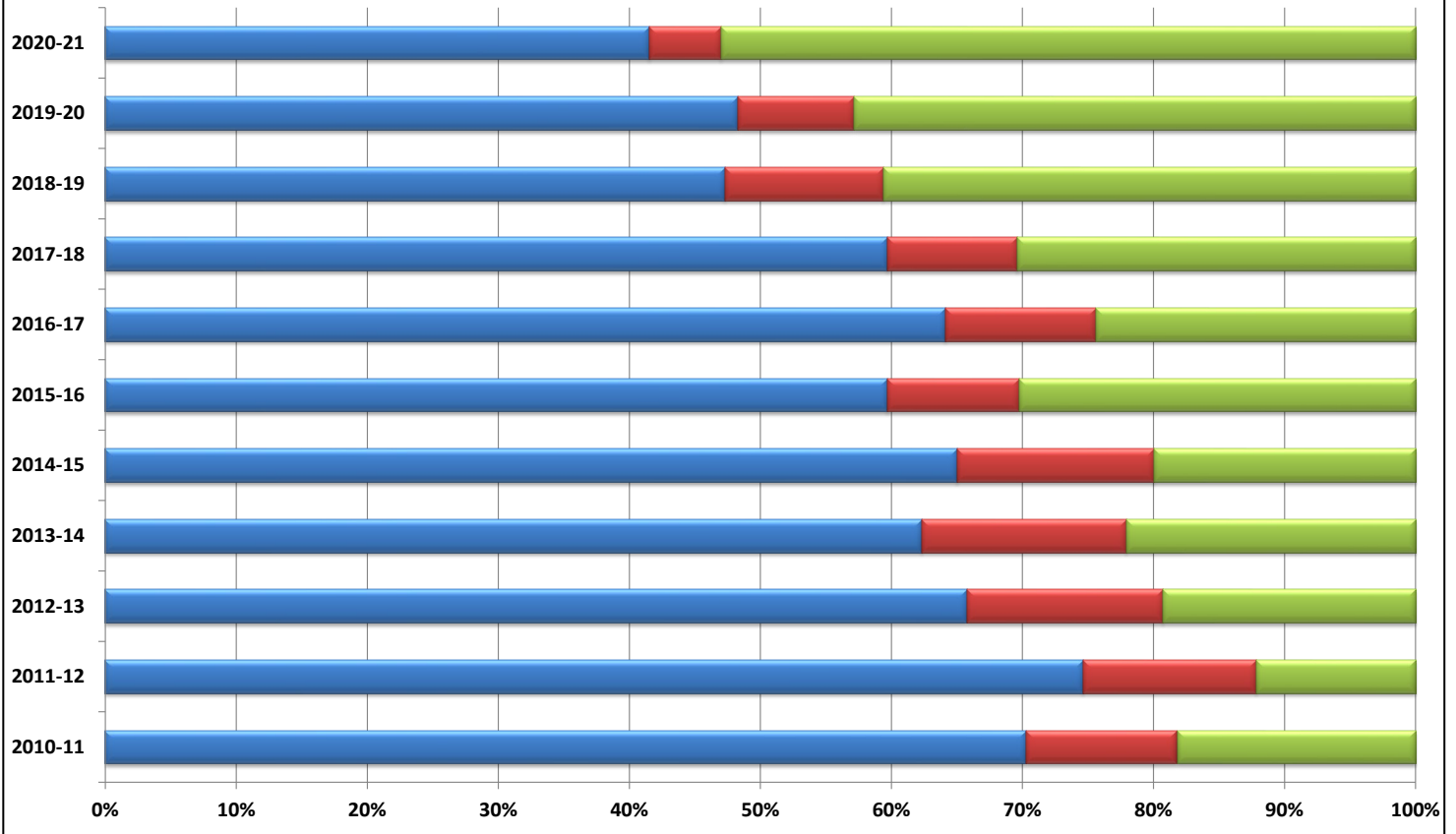


This table contains the data for the chart above, *Timeliness of Due Process Hearing Decisions per 10K Child Count: U.S. and Outlying Areas*.

Due Process Events	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.3	3.8	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.6	2.7	1.8
DPH Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.4
DPH Decisions with Extended Timelines	1.0	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.2	0.8



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



This table contains the data for the chart above, *Relative Disposition of Due Process Complaints: U.S. and Outlying Areas*.

Years	Due Process Complaints Resolved without a Hearing	Due Process Complaints Resolved without a Hearing as a Percent of Total Due Process Complaint Outcomes	Fully Adjudicated Hearings	Fully Adjudicated Hearings as a Percent of Total Due Process Complaint Outcomes	Hearings Pending	Hearings Pending as a Percent of Total Due Process Complaint Outcomes
2010-11	12,219	70%	1,997	11%	3,164	18%
2011-12	12,777	75%	2,262	13%	2,079	12%
2012-13	11,164	66%	2,543	15%	3,273	19%
2013-14	11,222	62%	2,813	16%	3,976	22%
2014-15	11,119	65%	2,571	15%	3,417	20%
2015-16	11,782	60%	1,990	10%	5,965	30%
2016-17	11,854	64%	2,119	11%	4,517	24%
2017-18	11,669	60%	1,933	10%	5,942	30%
2018-19	10,098	47%	2,579	12%	8,661	41%
2019-20	10,802	48%	1,981	9%	9,576	43%
2020-21	9,790	42%	1,293	5%	12,484	53%

## 2020-21 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints Filed	4,186	5.8	5.9	4,169
Reports Issued Total	2,714	3.8	3.8	2,697
Reports with Findings	1,737	2.4	2.4	1,727
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	2,501	3.5	3.5	2,489
Reports within Extended Timelines	235	0.3	0.3	230
Total Reports within Timelines	2,736	3.8	3.8	2,719
Written State Complaints Pending	99	0.1	0.1	99
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	47	0.1	0.1	47
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,273	1.8	1.8	1,273
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Mediation Requests Total	8,725	12.1	12.1	8,562
Mediations Held	4,796	6.6	6.6	4,659
Due Process-Related Mediations	2,720	3.8	3.7	2,591
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	896	1.2	1.1	790
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,076	2.9	2.9	2,068
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	1,434	2.0	2.0	1,427
Total Mediation Agreements	2,330	3.2	3.1	2,217
Mediations Pending	477	0.7	0.7	476
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,452	4.8	4.8	3,427
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	23,567	32.7	32.2	22,759
Resolution Meetings Held	17,215	23.9	23.6	16,659
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,124	1.6	1.2	870
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	1,293	1.8	1.5	1,047
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	896	0.4	0.3	223
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	313	0.8	0.6	430
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	583	1.2	0.9	653
Due Process Complaints Pending	12,484	17.3	17.6	12,435
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	9,790	13.6	13.1	9,277
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	89	0.1	0.1	88
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	30	0.0	0.0	29
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	12	0.0	0.0	12
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	8	0.0	0.0	7
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0	0.0	0
EHR Pending	9	0.0	0.0	9
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	69	0.1	0.1	69

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\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.

**2019-20 Dispute Resolution Statistics  
for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States**

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints Filed	5,341	7.3	7.4	5,297
Reports Issued Total	3,774	5.2	5.2	3,739
Reports with Findings	2,060	2.8	2.8	2,033
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,357	4.6	4.7	3,326
Reports within Extended Timelines	344	0.5	0.5	341
Total Reports within Timelines	3,701	5.1	5.1	3,667
Written State Complaints Pending	117	0.2	0.2	117
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	43	0.1	0.1	43
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,450	2.0	2.0	1,441
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Mediation Requests Total	10,406	14.3	14.0	9,983
Mediations Held	6,292	8.6	8.4	5,981
Due Process-Related Mediations	3,952	5.4	5.1	3,653
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,180	3.0	2.7	1,959
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,340	3.2	3.3	2,328
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	1,718	2.4	2.4	1,710
Total Mediation Agreements	3,898	5.4	5.1	3,669
Mediations Pending	548	0.8	0.8	547
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,566	4.9	4.8	3,455
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	22,359	30.7	29.2	20,887
Resolution Meetings Held	14,044	19.3	18.8	13,414
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,285	1.8	1.5	1,082
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	1,981	2.7	1.9	1,364
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,431	0.8	0.4	296
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	586	1.2	0.8	538
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	845	2.0	1.2	834
Due Process Complaints Pending	9,576	13.2	13.3	9,497
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	10,802	14.8	14.0	10,026
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	341	0.5	0.5	338
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	125	0.2	0.2	122
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	60	0.1	0.1	58
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	29	0.0	0.0	28
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	4	0.0	0.0	4
EHR Pending	17	0.0	0.0	17
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	295	0.4	0.4	293

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\*\* Except for EHR Change of Placement Ordered, all EHR data points are included in the numbers reported for Due Process Complaints.

\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.

**2018-19 Dispute Resolution Statistics  
for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States**

<b>Written State Complaints</b>	<b>U.S. and Outlying Areas</b>		<b>50 States</b>	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Written State Complaints Filed	5,575	7.7	7.8	5,533
Reports Issued Total	3,654	5.0	5.1	3,619
Reports with Findings	2,226	3.1	3.1	2,203
Reports within 60-Day Timeline	3,361	4.6	4.7	3,337
Reports within Extended Timelines	199	0.3	0.3	194
Total Reports within Timelines	3,560	4.9	5.0	3,531
Written State Complaints Pending	117	0.2	0.2	116
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	35	0.0	0.0	35
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,804	2.5	2.5	1,798
<b>Mediations</b>	<b>U.S. and Outlying Areas</b>		<b>50 States</b>	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Mediation Requests Total	11,671	16.1	15.5	11,053
Mediations Held	7,206	9.9	9.3	6,657
Due Process-Related Mediations	4,403	6.1	5.4	3,871
Due Process-Related Mediation Agreements	2,689	3.7	3.4	2,388
Mediations Not Related to Due Process	2,803	3.9	3.9	2,786
Mediation Agreements Not Related to Due Process	2,045	2.8	2.9	2,035
Total Mediation Agreements	4,734	6.5	6.2	4,423
Mediations Pending	923	1.3	1.3	918
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,542	4.9	4.9	3,478
<b>Due Process Complaints</b>	<b>U.S. and Outlying Areas</b>		<b>50 States</b>	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	21,338	29.4	27.0	19,224
Resolution Meetings Held	14,074	19.4	17.8	12,653
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,647	2.3	1.8	1,274
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,579	3.6	2.6	1,830
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,894	0.9	0.5	365
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	684	1.7	1.1	796
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1,210	2.6	1.6	1,161
Due Process Complaints Pending	8,661	11.9	12.0	8,568
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	10,098	13.9	12.4	8,826
<b>Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**</b>	<b>U.S. and Outlying Areas</b>		<b>50 States</b>	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	347	0.5	0.5	333
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	166	0.2	0.2	162
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	75	0.1	0.1	75
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	38	0.1	0.0	34
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	5	0.0	0.0	4
EHR Pending	33	0.0	0.0	32
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	276	0.4	0.4	267

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## 2017-18 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	56	0.1	0.1	56
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,706	2.4	2.5	1,696
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	967
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,968	5.6	5.5	3,829
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	19,544	27.7	26.0	18,001
Resolution Meetings Held	10,719	15.2	14.7	10,187
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,504	2.1	1.8	1,253
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	1,933	2.7	1.9	1,286
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,777	0.7	0.4	259
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	525	1.8	1.3	872
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1,252	2.5	1.6	1,131
Due Process Complaints Pending	5,942	8.4	8.5	5,854
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,669	16.5	15.7	10,861
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	470	0.7	0.6	448
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	196	0.3	0.3	188
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	100	0.1	0.1	98
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	63	0.1	0.1	54
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	15	0.0	0.0	12
EHR Pending	75	0.1	0.1	75
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	332	0.5	0.5	319

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\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.

## 2016-17 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	48	0.1	0.1	48
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,619	2.4	2.4	1,614
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	1,103
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	3,498	5.1	5.0	3,316
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	18,490	27.2	24.3	16,175
Resolution Meetings Held	9,975	14.7	13.7	9,107
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,873	2.8	2.2	1,458
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,119	3.1	1.6	1,099
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,916	1.3	0.4	257
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	869	1.5	1.1	733
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1,047	2.8	1.5	990
Due Process Complaints Pending	4,517	6.6	6.6	4,415
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,854	17.4	16.0	10,661
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	395	0.6	0.5	363
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	188	0.3	0.2	159
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	74	0.1	0.1	70
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	48	0.1	0.1	36
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	5
EHR Pending	49	0.1	0.1	46
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	298	0.4	0.4	281

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\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.



## 2015-16 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	55	0.1	0.1	55
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,877	2.8	2.8	1,870
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	480
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	1,722	2.5	2.2	1,484
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	19,737	29.0	26.0	17,325
Resolution Meetings Held	8,670	12.7	11.9	7,936
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,774	2.6	2.1	1,423
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	1,990	2.9	1.2	833
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,625	1.3	0.3	216
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	898	1.1	0.8	529
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	727	2.4	1.1	745
Due Process Complaints Pending	5,965	8.8	8.8	5,890
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,782	17.3	15.9	10,602
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	370	0.5	0.5	336
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	173	0.3	0.2	142
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	96	0.1	0.1	83
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	32	0.0	0.0	24
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	6	0.0	0.0	6
EHR Pending	39	0.1	0.1	34
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	299	0.4	0.4	278

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\*\* Except for EHR Change of Placement Ordered, all EHR data points are included in the numbers reported for Due Process Complaints.

\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.

## 2014-15 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	111	0.2	0.2	111
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,784	2.7	2.7	1,764
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	924
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,971	4.4	3.9	2,564
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	17,107	25.5	21.8	14,283
Resolution Meetings Held	7,855	11.7	10.9	7,123
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,485	2.1	1.8	1,194
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,571	3.8	1.2	805
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,889	1.8	0.3	209
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1,233	1.0	0.8	527
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	656	2.8	1.1	736
Due Process Complaints Pending	3,417	5.1	5.0	3,285
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,119	16.6	15.6	10,193
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	314	0.5	0.4	288
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	147	0.2	0.2	125
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	62	0.1	0.1	62
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	38	0.1	0.0	29
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	5	0.0	0.0	5
EHR Pending	26	0.0	0.0	24
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	250	0.4	0.4	235

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\*\*\* The counts reported under "Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines" represent the number of written decisions from a fully adjudicated hearing that were provided to the parties in the due process hearing more than 45 days after the expiration of the 30-day or adjusted resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. No data is collected on the length of these time extensions.

## 2013-14 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	78	0.1	0.1	77
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,845	2.8	2.8	1,820
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	799
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,852	4.3	3.9	2,547
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	18,011	27.3	23.2	14,940
Resolution Meetings Held	8,910	13.5	12.2	7,852
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,463	2.2	1.8	1,140
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,813	4.3	1.9	1,221
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	2,448	2.0	0.3	219
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1,315	1.7	1.4	875
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1,133	3.7	1.7	1,094
Due Process Complaints Pending	3,976	6.0	5.7	3,705
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,222	17.0	15.5	10,014
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	327	0.5	0.4	287
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	141	0.2	0.2	115
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	70	0.1	0.1	70
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	51	0.1	0.0	31
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	8	0.0	0.0	6
EHR Pending	18	0.0	0.0	15
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	258	0.4	0.4	241

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## 2012-13 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	49	0.1	0.1	49
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,728	2.6	2.6	1,698
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	973
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,502	3.8	3.5	2,274
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	16,980	25.8	21.8	13,987
Resolution Meetings Held	9,249	14.1	11.6	7,442
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,615	2.5	1.9	1,189
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,543	3.9	1.8	1,139
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	2,192	1.8	0.4	231
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1,176	1.5	1.2	770
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	1,016	3.3	1.6	1,001
Due Process Complaints Pending	3,273	5.0	4.8	3,100
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	11,164	17.0	15.2	9,748
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	364	0.6	0.5	298
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	194	0.3	0.2	150
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	74	0.1	0.1	72
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	59	0.1	0.1	40
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	9	0.0	0.0	6
EHR Pending	15	0.0	0.0	15
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	290	0.4	0.4	243

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## 2011-12 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	53	0.1	0.1	53
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,683	2.6	2.6	1,661
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	878
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,280	3.5	3.3	2,079
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	17,118	26.2	22.4	14,319
Resolution Meetings Held	9,223	14.1	12.0	7,659
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	1,991	3.0	2.1	1,339
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	2,262	3.5	1.7	1,106
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,991	1.6	0.4	231
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1,043	1.4	1.2	764
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	948	3.0	1.6	995
Due Process Complaints Pending	2,079	3.2	3.1	1,998
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,777	19.5	17.6	11,215
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	370	0.6	0.5	304
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	176	0.3	0.2	132
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	81	0.1	0.1	64
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	43	0.1	0.0	27
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	10
EHR Pending	19	0.0	0.0	19
EHR Withdrawn, Dismissed or Resolved Without a Hearing	308	0.5	0.4	258

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## 2010-11 Dispute Resolution Statistics for U.S. and Outlying Areas Compared to 50 States

Written State Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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
Written State Complaints Pending Due Process Hearing	72	0.1	0.1	72
Written State Complaints Withdrawn or Dismissed	1,707	2.6	2.6	1,673
Mediations	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
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	682
Mediations Withdrawn or Not Held	2,449	3.7	3.4	2,209
Due Process Complaints	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Due Process Complaints Filed	17,380	26.4	21.7	13,914
Resolution Meetings Held	9,571	14.6	12.2	7,841
Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	2,251	3.4	2.3	1,487
Hearings Fully Adjudicated	1,997	3.0	1.3	823
Hearings Held within 45-Day Timelines	1,719	1.6	0.3	201
Hearing Decisions within 45-Day Timelines	1,064	1.0	0.9	549
Hearing Decisions with Extended Timelines	655	2.6	1.2	750
Due Process Complaints Pending	3,164	4.8	4.4	2,840
DPC Withdrawn, Dismissed, or Resolved Without a Hearing	12,219	18.6	16.0	10,251
Expedited Due Process Hearing Requests (EHR)**	U.S. and Outlying Areas		50 States	
	Number Reported	Events Per 10K*	Events Per 10K*	Number Reported
Expedited Hearing Requests (EHR) Filed	374	0.6	0.5	311
EHR Resolution Meetings Held	197	0.3	0.2	153
EHR Written Settlement Agreements in Resolution Period	97	0.1	0.1	80
EHR Hearings Fully Adjudicated	47	0.1	0.1	35
EHR Change of Placement Ordered	11	0.0	0.0	10
EHR Pending	16	0.0	0.0	14

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