DRG Court Action Table Methodology Changes for FY2017

For the FY2017 Data Resource Guide the methodology for presenting court actions for formaled cases was revised. The DJS ASSIST data system records many actions related to a case, often showing multiple subsequent actions for a single case, actions for multiple charges in a single petition, and includes interim, processing actions that are not properly classified as a final disposition. There are also many actions captured that are more common or even unique to some courts. The table rolls up the varieties of actions into meaningful and comparable categories, and these have also been revised to better group like actions. The revised methodology:

- 1. Selects the most final court action for each case where there are multiple actions. The "Rankings" below show the old and new methodologies for selecting among multiples. The old methodology only selected the highest ranked action on the date of the first court action, rather than across any court action dates related to the petition.
- 2. Orders the categories of court actions not alphabetically, but logically according to how deep into the court process the case progressed. For example cases that did not make it to court are now grouped: those not petitioned, those denied by the States Attorney, and Non Est cases.
- Reduces the number of cases under "Other"

2016 Old Categories and Ranking

Shows most serious result on the first court "disposition" date, except Continued/STET which are categorized as Probation/Commitment if a later such disposition exists.

Jurisdiction Waived to Adult Court

Committed to DJS

Probation

Continuance with DJS Supervision

Probation to DJS

Protective Supervision - DJS

Dismissed

Case Closed by Court

Dismissed

Petition Withdrawn

Blank - Null Petition

Petition Denied

Nolle Pros

Transfer

Writ Pending

Other

Commitment Rescinded-Aftercare Supervision

Committed to DHMH

Committed to DHR/DSS

Committed to Other Agency

Continuance without DJS Supervision

Interstate Courtesy

Intra-Region Courtesy

Non Est

Other

Services Not Ordered

Unsupervised Probation

Waiver from Juvenile to Adult - Denied

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Continued/STET

Continued Case

STET

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Pending Dispositions

2017 New Categories and Ranking

Shows highest ranked result as of the data run date of 10/31/2017, regardless of court action date. Highlight shows actions that were re-categorized.

Jurisdiction Waived to Adult Court

Committed to DJS

Probation

Continuance with DJS Supervision

Probation to DJS

Protective Supervision - DJS

Unsupervised Probation

Committed to Other Agency

Committed to DHMH

Committed to DHR/DSS

Committed to Other Agency

Sustained, Services Not Ordered

Dismissed/Closed/Nolle Pros

Case Closed by Court

Dismissed

Nolle Pros

Petition Withdrawn/Non Est/Denied by SAO

Non Est

Blank - Null Petition

Petition Denied by States Attorney

Petition Withdrawn

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Stet

Pending Adjudication/Pending Disposition

Continuance without DJS Supervision

Continued Case

Pending Disposition

Waiver from Juvenile to Adult - Denied

Writ Pending

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Commitment Rescinded-Aftercare Supervision

Interstate Courtesy

Jurisdiction Transferred

Other