Nebraska Judicial Branch

## Weighted Caseload Report

# **Separate Juvenile Courts**

**Reporting Period Fiscal Year 2019** 

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019





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This Weighted Separate Juvenile Court Caseload Report contains caseload statistics for Nebraska's three separate Juvenile Courts. The judiciary of Nebraska currently assesses the need for judicial positions using a weighted caseload method based on cases opened. Weighted caseload systems provide objective, standardized determinations of resource needs.

No quantitative judgeship assessment method, including a weighted caseload system will determine the exact number of judges required within a judicial district. But quantitative methods, such as weighted caseload can approximate the need for judgeships and provide a point of reference or standard for comparing relative need among judicial districts. Other measures, both qualitative and quantitative, may be used in conjunction with the weighted caseload standard calculation to support the assessment of judicial need. In particular, should the standard calculation show the need for a fractional judge (less than the full-time equivalent), additional assessments as to the relative workload per judge within a district and travel per judge may be useful. Also, other useful measures may include analyses of budget constraints, population trends, and other factors that may differentially affect the need for judges across districts.

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County court need for judges: 11.62 Current number of judges: 12



#### Judges of the Separate Juvenile Courts

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