

Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court
Annual Caseload Report

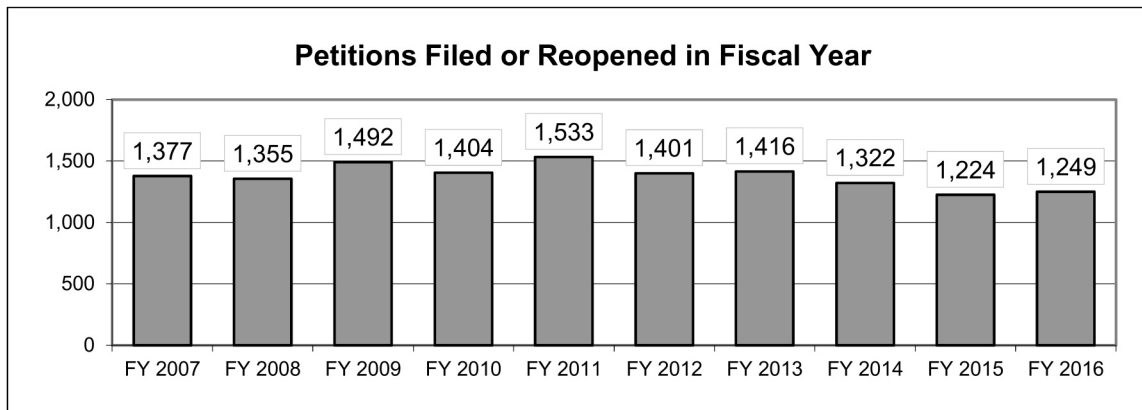


Fiscal Year 2016

July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Litigation Summary

| Petitions in Fiscal Year | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Petitions Pending at Beginning of Fiscal Year | 1,330 | 1,367 | 1,356 | 1,316 | 1,329 |
| Petitions Filed in Fiscal Year | 1,100 | 1,084 | 1,151 | 1,232 | 1,168 |
| Reopened Petitions Filed in Fiscal Year | 149 | 140 | 171 | 184 | 233 |
| Total Petitions | 2,579 | 2,591 | 2,678 | 2,732 | 2,730 |
| Dispositions in Fiscal Year | | | | | |
| Decisions Issued | 152 | 165 | 181 | 223 | 241 |
| Stipulated Awards | 32 | 34 | 30 | 50 | 40 |
| Lump Sum Settlements Approved | 173 | 210 | 258 | 251 | 253 |
| Releases of Liability Filed | 523 | 515 | 529 | 520 | 492 |
| Voluntary or Summary Dismissals | 333 | 337 | 313 | 332 | 388 |
| Total Dispositions | 1,213 | 1,261 | 1,311 | 1,376 | 1,414 |
| Total Petitions Pending at End of Fiscal Year | 1,366 | 1,330 | 1,367 | 1,356 | 1,316 |



Settlement Summary

| Applications for Lump Sum Settlement in Fiscal Year ¹ | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Applications Pending at Beginning of Fiscal Year | 31 | 55 | 54 | 48 | 36 |
| Applications Filed in Fiscal Year | 851 | 844 | 943 | 994 | 1,001 |
| Total Applications | 882 | 899 | 997 | 1,042 | 1,037 |
| Dispositions in Fiscal Year | | | | | |
| Applications Approved – No Litigation | 539 | 529 | 534 | 570 | 593 |
| Applications Approved – Litigation | 254 | 308 | 368 | 390 | 360 |
| Applications – Total Approved | 793 | 837 | 902 | 960 | 953 |
| Applications – Total Disapproved | 31 | 31 | 39 | 28 | 36 |
| Total Dispositions | 824 | 868 | 941 | 988 | 989 |
| Total Applications Pending at End of Fiscal Year | 58 | 31 | 55 | 54 | 48 |

| Releases of Liability in Fiscal Year ¹ | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Releases Filed – No Litigation | 333 | 285 | 261 | 269 | 284 |
| Releases Filed – Litigation | 671 | 642 | 630 | 619 | 604 |
| Total Releases Filed | 1,004 | 927 | 891 | 888 | 888 |

¹ LB 630, which became effective May 27, 2009, amended § 48-139 to eliminate mandatory court approval of some settlement agreements and to require the filing of a release for those settlements no longer requiring court approval.

