STRENGTHS SESSION

Achievements and Lessons Learned in Data Collection in Maryland, New Jersey, and California

How and Why to Collect and Use Data for Language Access Programs

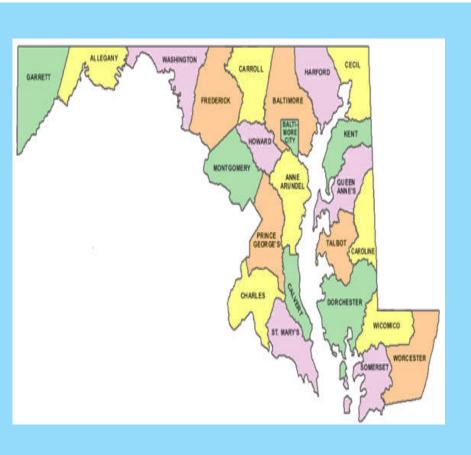
POINTS OF DISCUSSION

HOW WE COLLECT DATA

• WHAT INFORMATION WE CAPTURE

WHAT WE DO WITH THE COLLECTED DATA

MARYLAND



Unified Court System

Language Access Plan or functional equivalent since 2010

Publically posted Interpreting statistics since 2015

https://mdcourts.gov/accesstojustice/publications

15, 429 Interpreter invoices submitted in FY 2018

Data obtained from the internal accounting system GEARS

Case Management System captures interpreted events, but not the financial data

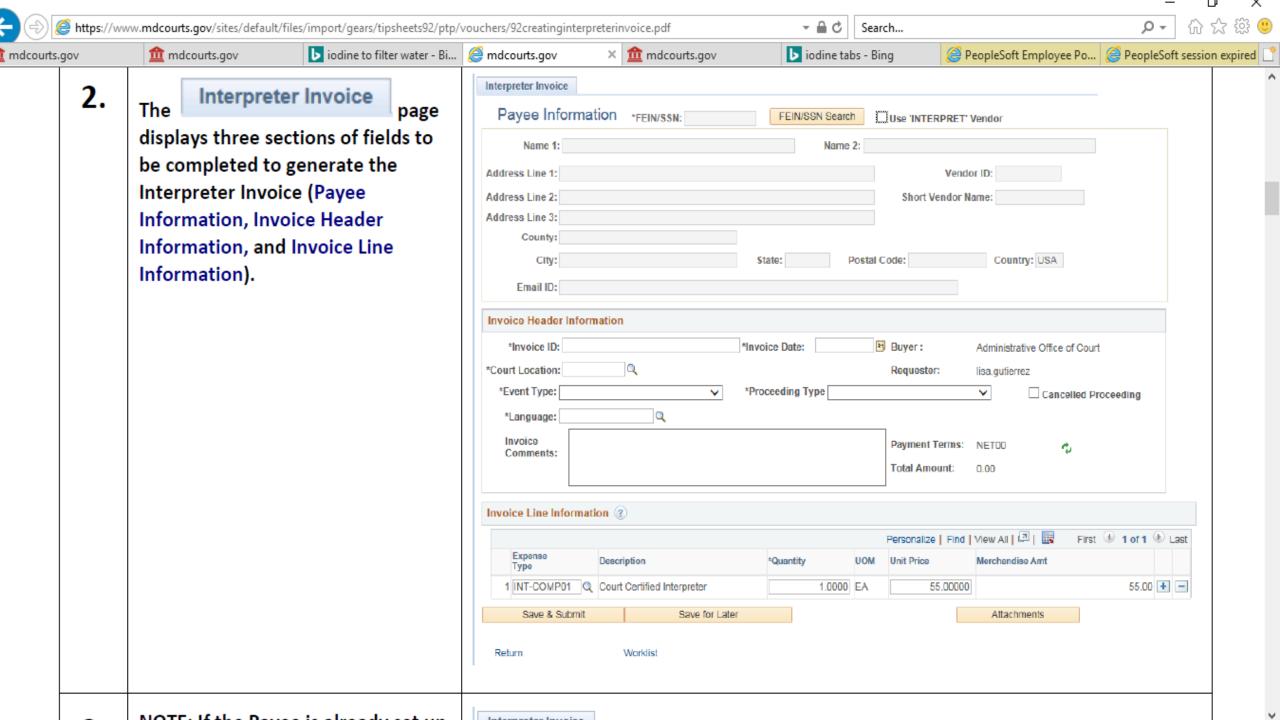
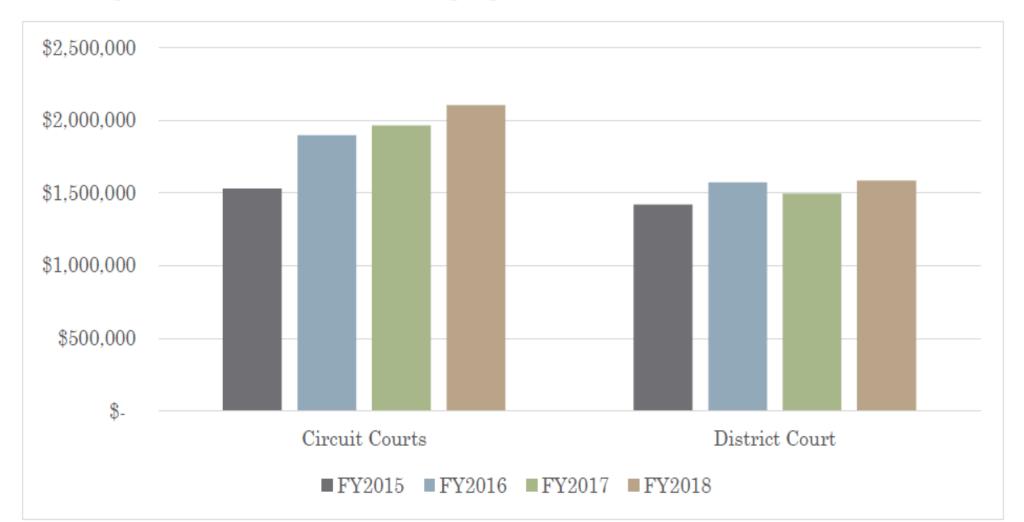
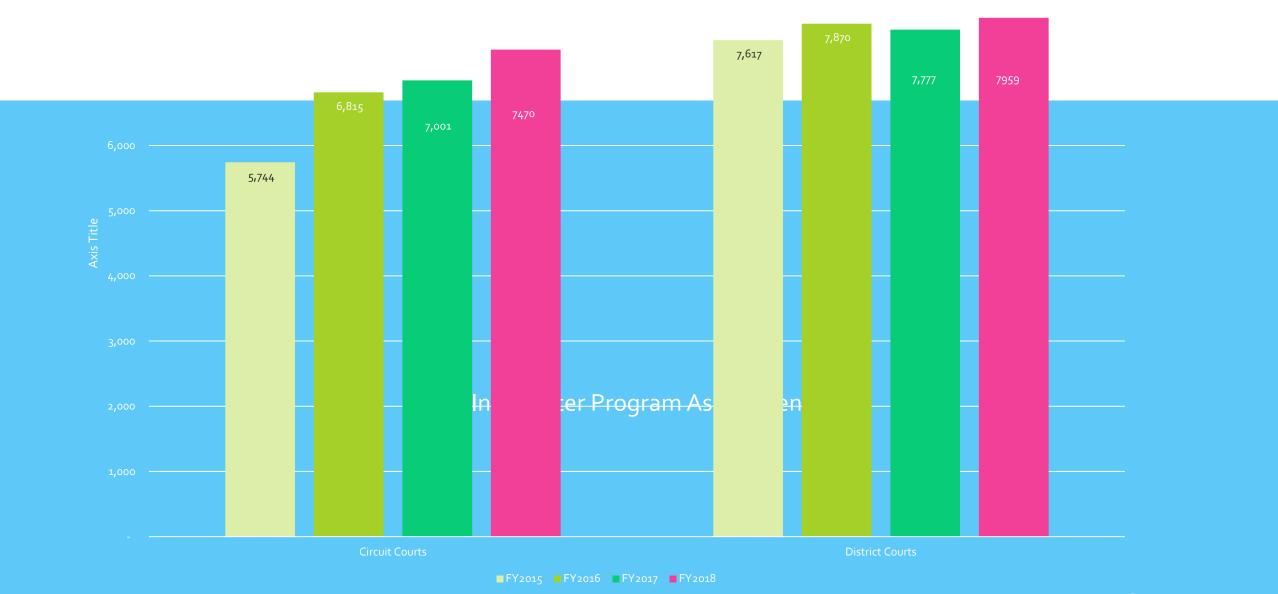
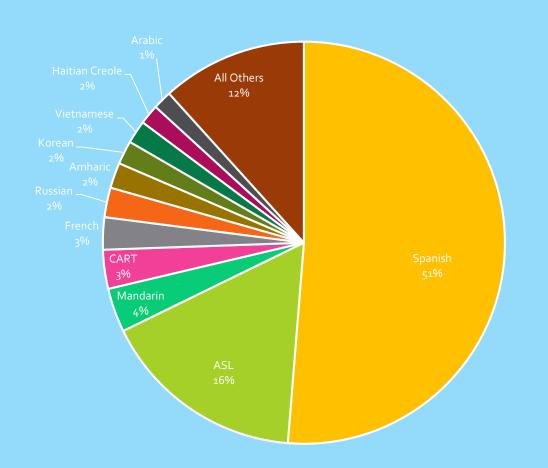


FIGURE 2. COURT INTERPRETER PROGRAM (IN-PERSON) ASSIGNMENTS - FY18

Both the numbers of assignments and the costs of those services grew in Fiscal Year 2018, reflecting an increase in demand for language services.









Circuit Court Interpreter Usage FY18 (In Person)

Get the report at

www.mdcourts.gov/accesstojustice/publications

COLLECTED DATA

- Number of interpreter assignments based on their invoices; languages by counties; total costs by counties/languages
- Types of Proceedings (Civil Family, Civil Non-Family, Juvenile, Criminal, Outside of the Courtroom Event, Juror)
- Travel expenses (mileage, travel time, parking, etc.)
- Individual interpreter costs
- Cancellations
- Telephonic interpretation costs

DATA NOT COLLECTED

- Types of Cases (divorce; domestic violence, traffic, special immigrant status, etc.)
- Interpreted Events <u>within</u> an interpreter's assignment (previously unscheduled events; walk-ins, etc.)
- Case Management System can be utilized to track all cases requiring interpreters.

NEW JERSEY



Unified court system (except Municipal courts)

Language Access Plan or functional equivalent since 2004

Publically posted Interpreting statistics since 1997 https://www.njcourts.gov/public/cistats.html

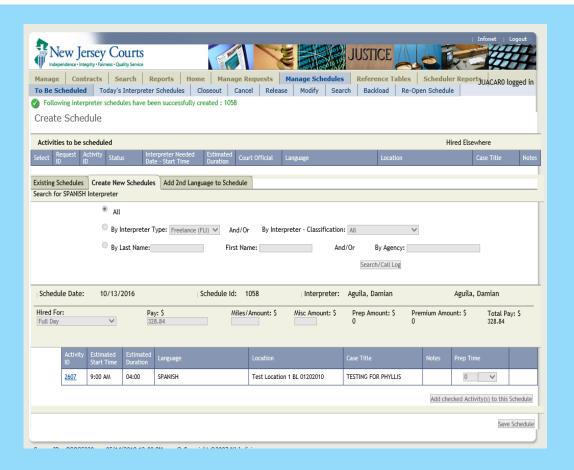
About 75,000 interpreted activities annually; 85% Spanish; 15% in 100 other languages

Starting court year ending June 30, 2016, data is from an internally developed scheduling system called:

Official Strategic Management Of Statewide Interpreting Services (OSMOSIS)

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SAMPLE REPORTS COMPLETED AND CANCELLED ACTIVITIES

Court Interpreter System Statewide Completed Activities by Division

07/01/2017 to 06/30/2018

	Civil	Criminal	Family	Probation	Operations	Total
Hudson	2,326	2,674	6.805	402	211	12,418
Middlesex	2,013	2,494	5,135	72	907	10,621
Passaic	1,847	2,273	4,320	17	39	8,496
Essex	979	1,386	4,883	16	141	7,405
Union	1,149	1,598	3,544	155	9	6,455
Bergen	884	1,744	2,825	99	202	5,754
Camden	488	1,629	2,005	35	63	4,220
Mercer	287	1,207	1,946	176	9	3,625
Cumberland	174	1,156	1,148	95	6	2,579
Monmouth	297	715	1,271	17	55	2,355
Atlantic	260	916	805	49	15	2,045
Morris	210	660	1,018	33	22	1,943
Ocean	137	791	893	112	8	1,941
Somerset	249	394	959	64	2	1,668
Burlington	156	243	447	12	18	876
Cape May	30	529	153	92	1	805
Gloucester	32	169	145	1	4	351
Hunterdon	14	171	134	26	0	345
Warren	8	83	88	18	0	197
Salem	8	47	132	1	0	188
Sussex	23	30	83	3	0	139
Total	11,571	20,909	38,739	1,495	1,712	74,426

Court Interpreter System Statewide Cancelled Activities by Division

07/01/2017 to 06/30/2018

	Civil	Criminal	Family	Probation	Operations	Total
Hudson	1,191	523	753	325	4	2,796
Bergen	593	863	978	57	26	2,517
Atlantic	696	803	405	8	0	1,912
Union	418	410	650	82	32	1,592
Ocean	186	437	461	51	84	1,219
Middlesex	362	282	339	11	91	1,085
Somerset	163	318	530	54	0	1,065
Camden	494	223	231	2	12	962
Mercer	230	197	499	35	0	961
Morris	109	228	346	7	2	692
Cumberland	73	238	321	51	. 0	683
Essex	146	123	314	0	8	591
Cape May	91	317	72	84	0	564
Burlington	274	66	157	6	20	523
Passaic	149	142	197	3	1	492
Gloucester	75	75	64	4	40	258
Monmouth	23	57	67	0	0	147
Salem	29	36	69	0	4	138
Hunterdon	12	48	35	2	0	97
Warren	9	40	34	4	8	95
Sussex	16	17	31	2	2	68
Total	5,339	5,443	6,553	788	334	18,457

SAMPLE REPORTS ON COSTS

Court Interpreter System Statewide FLI and Agency Costs by County

07/01/2017 to 06/30/2018 Costs (\$)

	Costs (\$)		
	Agency	Freelance(FLI)	Total
Essex	159,008	266,108	425,116
Middlesex	120,546	273,228	393,774
Bergen	74,639	234,734	309,373
Mercer	58,363	135,323	193,686
Passaic	76,559	113,126	189,685
Hudson	48,636	127,981	176,617
Union	74,644	100,028	174,672
Camden	62,239	102,936	165,175
Morris	63,400	58,094	121,494
Monmouth	31,381	87,614	118,995
Ocean	28,952	69,741	98,693
Atlantic	75,817	18,930	94,747
Burlington	28,779	60,067	88,846
Somerset	21,895	59,897	81,792
Cumberland	43,799	28,390	72,189
Gloucester	26,992	36,793	63,785
Hunterdon	4,742	26,732	31,474
Salem	12,383	16,377	28,760
Sussex	8,479	15,306	23,785
Warren	8,677	13,890	22,567
Cape May	7,212	3,590	10,802
Total \$	1,037,140	1,848,884	2,886,024
Percentage %	36	64	100

Courts ss-Quality Service		St		t Interprete incellation	r System Fees by Div	rision
			07/0	1/2017 to 06	3/30/2018	
	Civil	Family	Criminal	Probation	Operations	Total
Middlesex	\$20,908	\$10,640	\$4,475	\$371	\$545	\$36,939
Bergen	\$16,434	\$9,961	\$6,051	\$355		\$32,801
Camden	\$8,434	\$5,856	\$2,352			\$16,642
Morris	\$4,894	\$9,869	\$583			\$15,346
Union	\$7,422	\$3,166	\$2,995	\$197	\$548	\$14,328
Ocean	\$3,299	\$2,575	\$6,385	\$1,720		\$13,979
Mercer	\$8,579	\$3,680	\$1,222			\$13,481
Atlantic	\$11,096	\$457	\$1,694			\$13,247
Burlington	\$3,349	\$6,089	\$1,548	\$230		\$11,216
Essex	\$4,421	\$4,483	\$1,025		\$844	\$10,773
Passaic	\$2,910	\$5,233	\$1,828	\$240		\$10,211
Monmouth	\$1,258	\$4,339	\$4,328			\$9,925
Hudson	\$6,464	\$2,246	\$859	\$147		\$9,716
Gloucester	\$1,285	\$3,388	\$2,106	\$314		\$7,093
Somerset	\$2,397	\$2,656	\$675	\$53		\$5,781
Salem	\$1,192	\$1,476	\$2,313			\$4,981
Cumberland	\$2,199	\$970	\$220			\$3,389
Sussex	\$912	\$1,220	\$346			\$2,478
Warren		\$380	\$460			\$840
Cape May		\$350	\$275			\$625
Hunterdon	\$137	\$210				\$347
	\$107,590	\$79,244	\$41,740	\$3,627	\$1,937	\$234,138

SAMPLE REPORTS BY COURT OFFICER AND INTERPRETER TYPE

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			07/01	/2017 to 06/30	/2018			
	Judge	Hearing Officer	Mediator/ Arbitrator	Probation Officer	Ombudsman	Staff Member	Other *	Tot
Hudson	8.708	1.065	611	947	143	217	727	12.4
Middlesex	5.286	511	647	527	6	3.029	624	10.6
Passaic	6.564	761	605	46	4	47	469	8.4
Essex	4,945	730	224	250	16	1,147	94	7.4
Union	5,203	698	146	205	2	58	143	6,4
Bergen	4,531	323	79	189	198	111	323	5,7
Camden	2,934	319	103	136	58	288	382	4,2
Mercer	2,766	489	126	68	0	82	94	3,6
Cumberland	1,944	202	14	119	0	74	226	2,5
Monmouth	1,680	123	139	65	9	276	63	2,3
Atlantic	1,668	198	60	14	2	82	21	2,0
Morris	1,463	144	108	45	23	22	138	1,9
Ocean	1,241	98	74	211	3	56	258	1,8
Somerset	1,209	147	30	0	1	161	120	1,6
Burlington	627	32	30	7	3	40	137	8
Cape May	613	22	23	117	0	23	7	8
Gloucester	285	18	5	2	2	39	0	3
Hunterdon	258	23	0	4	0	29	31	3
Warren	153	13	0	14	0	5	12	1
Salem	149	19	1	5	0	8	6	1
Sussex	118	7	4	7	0	1	2	1
Total	52,345	5,942	3,029	2,978	470	5,795	3,877	74,4

Court Interpreter System Statewide Completed Activities by Interpreter Type 07/01/2017 to 06/30/2018

Counts

	Agency	Freelance(FLI)	Staff	Total
Hudson	278	1,776	10.364	12,418
Middlesex	429	3,068	7.133	10,630
Passaic	384	1,778	6,332	8,494
Essex	432	3,519	3,455	7.406
Union	294	906	5,254	6,454
Bergen	399	2,192	3,159	5,750
Camden	276	1,478	2,466	4,220
Mercer	353	1,485	1.787	3,625
Cumberland	215	505	1,858	2,578
Monmouth	73	880	1,402	2,355
Atlantic	351	123	1,571	2.045
Morris	168	674	1,101	1,943
Ocean	117	394	1.430	1,941
Somerset	105	593	970	1,668
Burlington	105	332	439	876
Cape May	30	45	730	805
Gloucester	92	242	17	351
Hunterdon	45	286	14	345
Warren	44	113	40	197
Salem	33	146	9	188
Sussex	20	92	27	139
Total Count	4,243	20,627	49,558	74,428
Percentage %	6	28	67	100

USE OF DATA

- Vicinage (county) staff generate daily payment requests sent to finance, which include a daily activity sheet, close out sheet and payment voucher
- Statewide reports are automatically generated and sent monthly to vicinage management in multiple divisions; local staff generate vicinage-specific reports on demand
- Inform hiring decisions regarding interpreters and qualified bilingual staff
- Trend analysis. For example, trend analysis informed a pay hike for freelancers
- Increase staff awareness of the Judiciary's extensive language access services and policies
- Strengthen training modules and cross divisional communication and coordination

CHALLENGES AND FUTURE GOALS

- Challenge: How to modernize existing reports and create new reports
- Future goal: Shift reporting to Web Focus 8; currently underway
- Challenge: No centralized data source at the Municipal Court level
- Future goal: Update Municipal's centralized case management system to collect data on dispositions and whether interpreting services were provided and, if so, in what language

CALIFORNIA



- Unified court system although courts still use separate Case Management Systems
- Language Access Plan since 2015 (https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents /jc-20150122-itemK.pdf)
- Language Need and Interpreter Use Study, legislatively mandated report to be conducted every 5 years. Last report released 2015 (https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/lr-2015-Language-Need-and-Interpreter-Use-Study.pdf)
- Most data collected via Court Interpreter Data Collection System
- We estimate between 1.35 1.43 million interpreter assignments each year

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INTERPRETATIONS AND COST



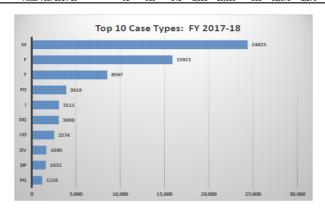
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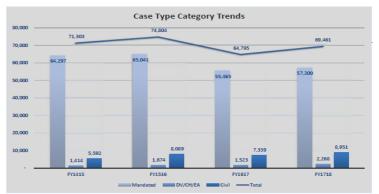
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Fiscal Year 2017-18 Total Number of Interpretations by Case Type and Language

Time Period: July 2017 - June 2018

		Civil				1	Criminal					Family				Juver	ile		Oth	ner types				Total
Language	CH	DV	UD	co	F	DR	M	1	T	FC	FD	EA	EF	FT	FO	DP	DQ	MH	PG	PO	0	PA	UN	
Spanish	369	1,520	460	2,466	15,126	385	23,590	3,106	8,137	322	0	40	0	13	3,656	1,567	3,065	29	1,223	182	815	98	0	66,16
American Sign Language	157	53	14	46	276	0	374	0	131	25	0	1	0	0	111	47	23	19	2	3	229	1	0	1,51
Mandarin	5	18	6	20	94	0	108	3	99	5	0	0	0	0	30	4	0	0	2	0	11	0	0	40
Arabic	0	38	0	2	49	0	107	0	76	3	0	1	0	0	28	5	1	8	1	0	23	0	0	34
Vietnamese	0	4	0	13	60	0	43	0	15	4	0	0	0	2	16	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	16
Tagalog	0	10	0	1	53	0	44	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	12
Korean	0	0	0	9	11	0	24	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7
Cantonese	0	0	0	1	52	0	7	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	7
Dari (Persian of Afghanistan)	0	11	0	6	30	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	5
Deaf Interpreter (CDI)	0	0	0	1	15	0	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	5	0	0	6	0	0	5
Punjabi	3	9	1	1	8	0	4	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5
Lao	0	0	0	0	26	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	4
Kanjobal	0	0	0	0	9	0	13	0	8	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Khmer (Cambodian)	0	1	0	0	13	0	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	3
Tongan	0	0	0	0	17	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3
Other	2	26	1	8	82	0	69	0	46	3	0	0	0	3	24	7	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	28
Fiscal Year 2017-18 Total	536	1,690	482	2,574	15,921	387	24,425	3,111	8,567	364	0	42	0	19	3,919	1,632	3,090	67	1,228	186	1,122	99	0	69,46
Fiscal Year 2016-17	338	1,167	336	1,446	14,667	279	26,690	1,366	7,855	322	18	0	0	21	3,409	1,681	2,873	54	694	226	1,168	185	0	64,79
Fiscal Year 2015-16	218	1,429	500	1,366	17,164	504	30,934	2,276	8,694	688	7	20	0	41	3,964	2,183	3,232	54	415	112	909	94	0	74,8
Fiscal Year 2014-15	92	986	341	1,088	15,086	538	32,078	2,270	8,844	314	324	10	2	20	2,907	2,226	3,223	32	226	99	507	51	39	71,3





Note: DV/CH/EA Includes Case Types Civil Harassment, Domestic Violence, Family (Marital with DV) and both Elder Abuse case types

- Civil
 CH Civil Harassment
- DV Domestic Violence (Civil) UD Unlawful Detainer
- CO Civil (Other)
- Criminal F Felony
- DR Drug Court M Misdemeanor I Infraction
- Family FC Family (Child Support)
 - FD Family (Marital w/DV)
 - EA Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse (Physical or Mental) EF Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse (Financial Only)
 - FT Family (Termination of Parental Rights)
 - FO Family (Other)

- <u>Juvenile</u> Other types DP Dependency MH Mental Health DO Delinguency
 - PG Probate (Guardianship/Conservatorship)
 - PO Probate (Other) O Other (Specify)
 - PA Public Assistance

- The Judicial Council of California issues usage reports to each county annually
- These reports summarize the interpreter activity in each county for the fiscal year

LANGUAGE PROPORTIONALITY



- Spanish accounts for roughly 89% of all interpretations statewide
- Outside of Spanish, our most common languages are Vietnamese, ASL, Cantonese, Mandarin, Punjabi, Russian, Arabic, Korean, Hmong and Tagalog
- Languages that are outside of the top 14 most common languages statewide are aggregated into the "Other" category.

DATA COLLECTION

Current Data Collected:

- Detailed case type specificity such as domestic violence and juvenile cases
- Manner of interpretation (in-person, telephonic, VRI)

Data Collection Challenges:

- Courts must report all data and stats to JCC – no shared system across courts and locations, making data reporting very labor intensive
- Extremely high language access demand in some counties necessitates business practices that make accurate data collection almost impossible
- Reimbursement and expenditure reporting conducted by separate department (Budgets) making it difficult to correlate usage to cost

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California Language Need and Interpreter Use Study - https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/lr-2015-Language-Need-and-Interpreter-Use-Study.pdf