



Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution Administrative Office of the Courts 2014/2015 Annual Caseload Report

Annual Caseload Statistics for ODR-Approved Mediation Centers. Nebraska's mediation centers had a case volume of 4,030 mediation cases in 2014/2015. Mediation referrals from the courts amounted to 63% of all new cases referred to the mediation centers. Parenting Plan cases continued to be the highest and most significant types of cases handled during the year, amounting to 2,116 or 53% of the total case volume for the period. Child welfare cases referred by Nebraska juvenile and county courts represented the second highest case volume of 770 or 19% of the total case volume. Juvenile justice cases referred by Nebraska juvenile and county courts, probation, and diversion made up 56 of the cases or a little over 1% of this year's total caseload.

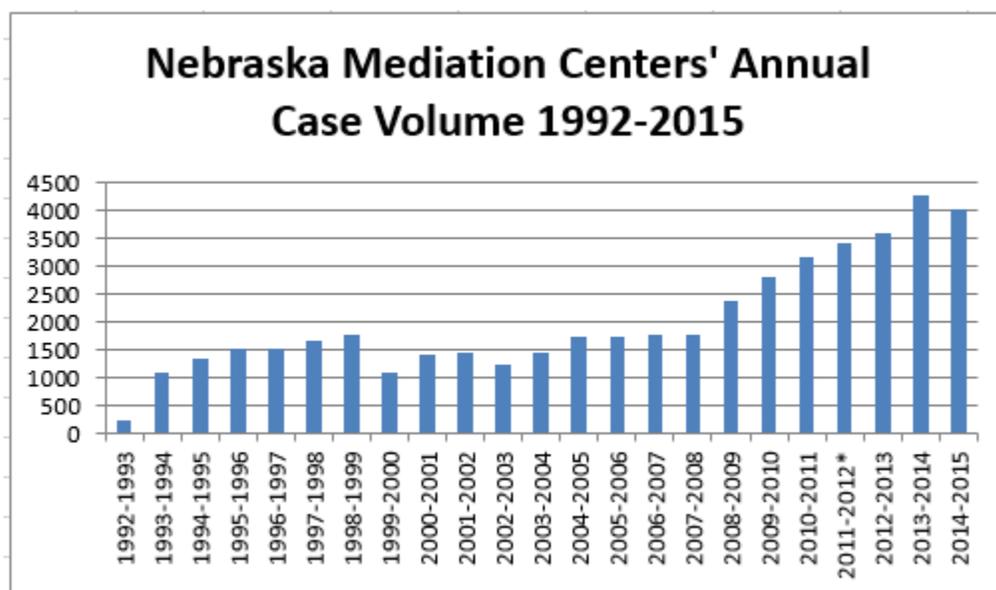


Figure 1: Nebraska ODR-approved Mediation Center Case Volume, 1992-2015.

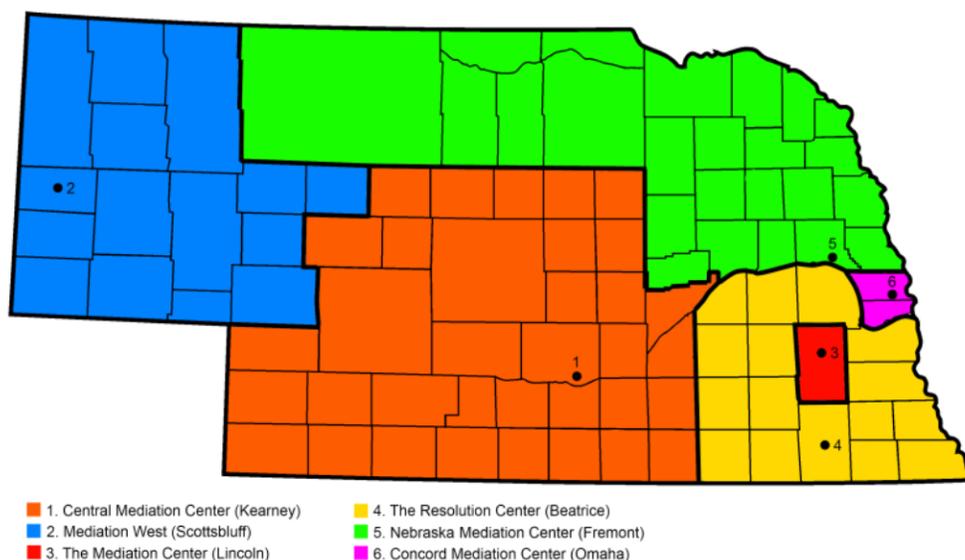
*estimated due to data system replacement

The six regional non-profit mediation centers' volume from 1992 through 2015 is shown above in Figure 1. Case volume represents the total number of cases that were open and worked on during the fiscal year. The dip in FY99-00 was a result of the closing down of a small claims mediation program for Douglas County based upon insufficient funds. Since that time, there has been a gradual, consistent increase in mediation cases from year-to-year; however, a slight

decrease is noted for 2014-2015, likely due to a shift in child welfare conferencing referrals from HHS to the courts, as well as an increase in private parenting mediations.

The ***Cumulative Mediation Case Data Report*** (below) provides a more detailed description of mediation services for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 according to mediation center, case type, referral source. The six ODR-approved mediation centers and their regions are shown in the map below.

Mediation Centers and Regions



In addition to providing direct mediation services to citizens, these non-profit mediation centers offer numerous public and community seminars, educational workshops, and presentations to address violence prevention, conflict resolution, collaborative practices, mediation and other facilitative processes.

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Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution

2014-2015 Cumulative Mediation Case Data Report

Report Period: 7/1/2014 - 6/30/2015

Report Date: 8/11/15

	Totals Statewide	Central Mediation Center <i>Kearney</i>	Concord Mediation Center <i>Omaha</i>	The Mediation Center <i>Lincoln</i>	Mediation West <i>Scottsbluff</i>	Nebraska Mediation Center <i>Fremont</i>	The Resolution Center <i>Beatrice</i>
Total Case Volume	4030	756	1171	1010	249	639	205
Total New Cases	3591	654	1101	896	210	549	181

CASE VOLUME BY CASE TYPE

PARENTING PLAN	1709	386	135	506	145	393	144
PARENTING PLAN-SPECIALIZED ADR	407	73	117	113	31	66	7
FAMILY-NON PP	146	12	42	58	16	9	9
GENERAL/COMMUNITY	898	134	531	172	4	53	4
CHILD WELFARE/JUVENILE JUSTICE	850	143	344	155	50	118	40
ADULT CRIMINAL	6	1	0	1	3	0	1
Unknown	14	7	2	5	0	0	0

NEW CASES BY REFERRAL SOURCE

Attorney	669	19%	190	29%	37	3%	263	29%	81	39%	80	15%	18	10%
Court	2260	63%	390	60%	921	84%	352	39%	57	27%	403	73%	137	76%
Gov. Agency/Org	174	5%	20	3%	92	8%	43	5%	15	7%	1	0%	3	2%
School	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%	1	1%
Self/Family/Friend	466	13%	54	8%	51	5%	237	26%	38	18%	64	12%	22	12%
Unknown	19	1%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	18	9%	0	0%	0	0%

CASE DISPOSITION

Cases Mediated	2083		473		525		515		107		340		123	
Resolution	1616	78%	340	72%	450	86%	369	72%	72	67%	288	85%	97	79%