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Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Annual Caseload Report

Fiscal Year 2026
July 1, 2025, to
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This Annual Caseload Report contains caseload statistics for Nebraska's appellate level courts: The Nebraska Supreme Court and the Nebraska Court of Appeals.

Statistics are compiled through extracts from the Supreme Court of Appeals Legal Entry System (SCCALES) automated case management system. Providing court statistics ensures transparency to the public and assists administration in ensuring efficient court practices.

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Nebraska Supreme Court

Chief Justice Jeffrey J. Funke

Honorable Stephanie F. Stacy
Honorable William B. Cassel
Honorable Jason M. Bergevin
Honorable Derek R. Vaughn
Honorable Jonathan J. Papik
Honorable John R. Freudenberg

Supreme Court Caseload					
	FY 2022	**FY 2023**	**FY 2024**	**FY 2025**	**FY 2026**
New Cases Docketed	61	56	61	80	64
Petitions to Bypass Filed	42	35	35	24	31
Petitions to Bypass Granted	24	22	23	17	10
Petitions to Bypass Denied	18	15	9	12	20
Cases Transferred from Court of Appeals	127	102	105	88	85
Petitions for Further Review Filed	145	178	178	164	169
Petitions for Further Review Granted	6	8	15	14	24
Petitions for Further Review Denied	147	162	168	142	145
Cases Disposed by Opinion	140	177	130	129	140
Cases Disposed without Opinion	49	42	39	34	28
Total Cases Disposed	189	219	169	163	168

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Nebraska Court of Appeals

Chief Justice Francie C. Riedmann

Honorable Riko Bishop
Honorable PaTricia Freeman
Honorable Michael E. Piccolo
Honorable Michael W. Pirtle
Honorable Lawrence E. Welch, Jr.

Court of Appeals Caseload

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
New Cases Docketed	928	925	987	910	957
Transferred to Supreme Court	127	102	105	88	85
Petitions to Bypass Granted	24	22	23	17	10
Cases Disposed by Opinion	308	359	353	359	335
Total Cases Disposed	793	806	845	830	829

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