

CIRCUIT PROFILES AND CASELOAD ACTIVITY

Eleventh Judicial Circuit

(Ford and McLean Counties)

Arbitration Program Information

In March of 1996, the Supreme Court of Illinois entered an order which authorized Ford and McLean Counties in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit to begin operating arbitration programs. The arbitration program center for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit is located near the McLean County Law and Justice Center in Bloomington, Illinois and it hosts hearings for both counties. A supervising judge from each county is assigned to oversee arbitration matters and both are assisted by arbitration program staff.

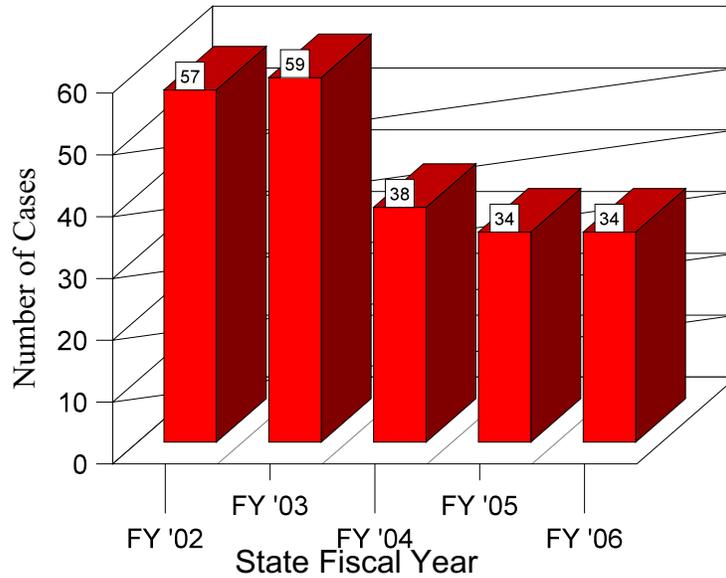
DATA PROFILES

Ford County

Following are charts and diagrams which contain data from State Fiscal Year 2006.

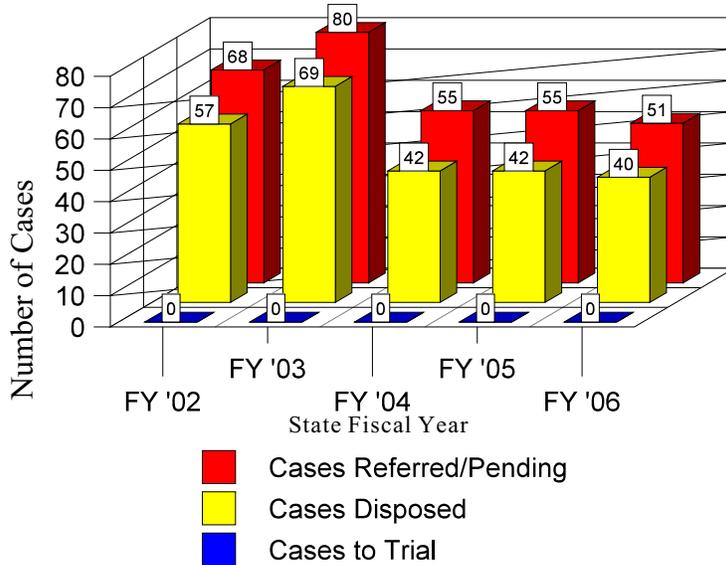
State Fiscal Year 2006 Ford County At A Glance Arbitration Caseload Information	
Number of Cases Pending / Referred to Arbitration	51
Number of Cases Settled /Dismissed	40
Number of Cases Pending	11
Number of Arbitration Hearings	5
Number of Awards Accepted	2
Number of Awards Rejected	0
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration which Proceeded to Trial	0

Ford County
Cases Referred to Mandatory Arbitration
Five - Year Trend



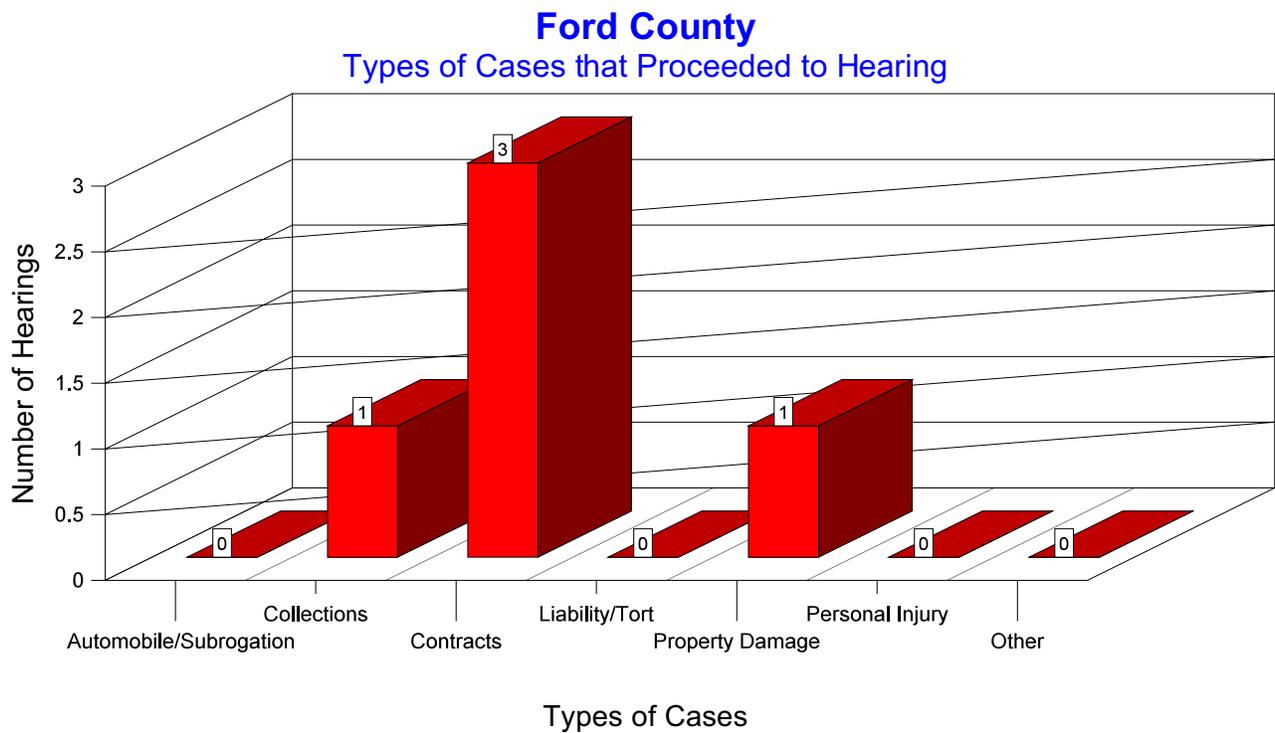
While the number of cases referred to Ford County's arbitration program vary annually, an average of 44 cases per year were referred to arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

Ford County
Five - Year Disposition Trend



The chart above presents information regarding the total number of cases litigated in arbitration which yielded either a disposition or, ultimately went to trial. Program data indicates that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 78% (40 of 51 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the Ford County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2006. This disposition rate is slightly lower than the five year average of 81% and is less than the statewide average of 86%.

In Ford County, all cases filed in arbitration have been either settled or dismissed without proceeding to trial.



The graph above provides information on the types of cases that are heard in arbitration. The data indicates that contract cases account for a majority (60%) of the arbitration hearings in Ford County.

Ford County
Average Award for Arbitration Hearing and
Average Age (Number of Days) Pending in
Arbitration System by Case Type

<i>Case Type</i>	<i>Average Award</i>	<i>Average Age (Days)</i>
Automobile/Subrogation		
Collections	\$10,051	124
Contracts		
Liability/Torts		
Property Damage	-0-	176
Personal Injury		
Other		

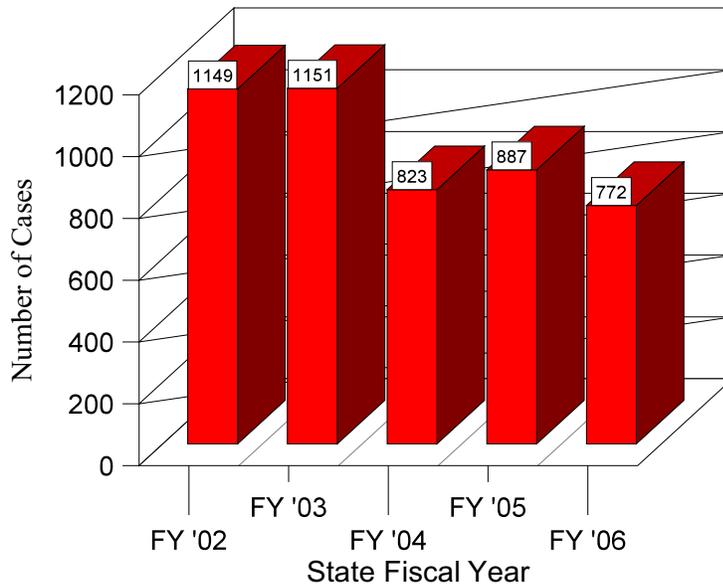
The table above offers information on the types of cases processed in mandatory arbitration and the average award granted at the time of the hearing. The table also presents data regarding the average amount of time each case type remains pending in the arbitration system. When all of the county's arbitration cases are combined, the average period that an arbitration case pends is 150 days. All cases heard in arbitration were resolved in less than one year.

McLean County

Following are charts and diagrams which contain data from State Fiscal Year 2006.

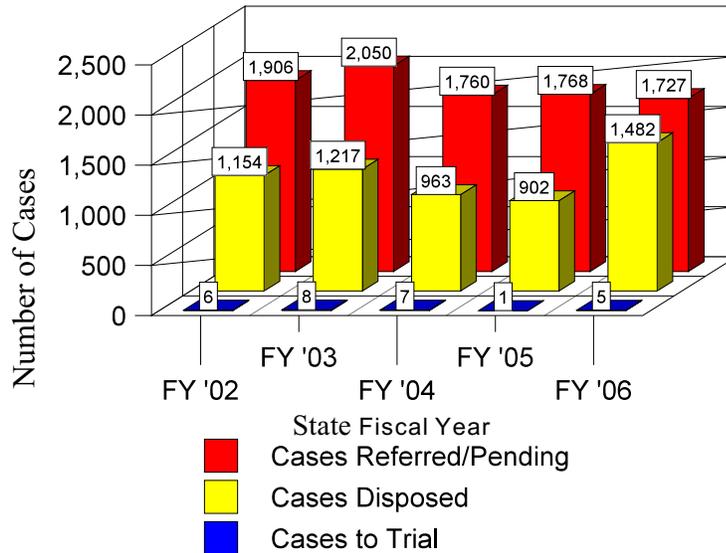
State Fiscal Year 2006 McLean County At A Glance Arbitration Caseload Information	
Number of Cases Pending / Referred to Arbitration	1,727
Number of Cases Settled /Dismissed	1,487
Number of Cases Pending	240
Number of Arbitration Hearings	63
Number of Awards Accepted	31
Number of Awards Rejected	28
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration which Proceeded to Trial	5

**McLean County
Cases Referred to Mandatory Arbitration
Five - Year Trend**



While cases referred to McLean County's arbitration program vary annually, an average of 956 cases per year were referred to arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

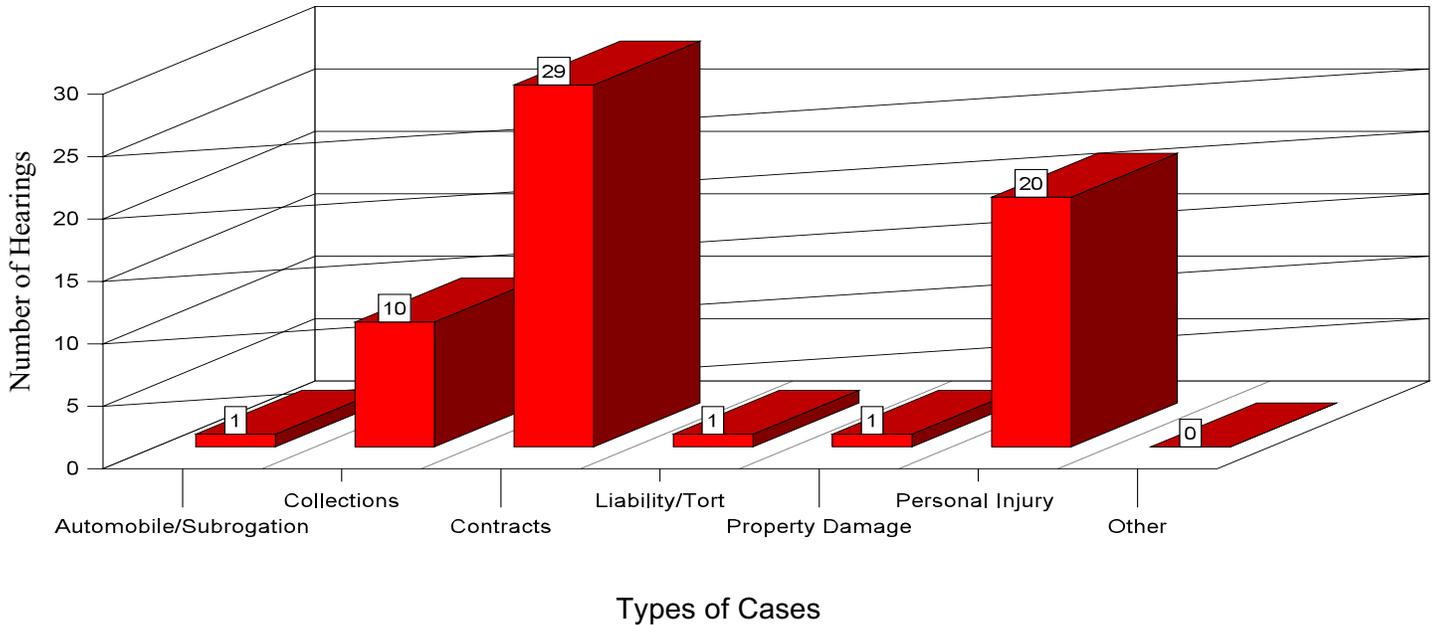
McLean County Five - Year Disposition Trend



The chart above presents information on a five year trend for the total number of cases litigated in arbitration which yielded either a disposition, or ultimately went to trial. Program data indicates that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 86% (1,482 of 1,727 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the McLean County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2006. This disposition rate is significantly higher than the five year average of 62% and tracks the statewide average of 86%.

In McLean County, less than one percent (1%) of the cases litigated in arbitration proceeded to trial.

McLean County Types of Cases that Proceeded to Hearing



The graph above provides information on the types of cases that are heard in arbitration. The data indicates that contract cases account for a majority (47%) of the arbitration hearings in McLean County.

McLean County Average Award for Arbitration Hearing and Average Age (Number of Days) Pending in Arbitration System by Case Type

Case Type	Average Award	Average Age (Days)
Automobile/Subrogation	Case Pending	N/A
Collections	\$9,980	264
Contracts	\$11,990	362
Liability/Tort	\$5,630	258
Property Damage	-0-	489
Personal Injury	\$12,341	327
Other	-0-	-0-

The table above offers information on the types of cases processed in mandatory arbitration and the average award granted at the time of the hearing. The table also presents data regarding the average amount of time each case type remains pending in the arbitration system. When all of the county's arbitration cases are combined, the average period that an arbitration case pends is 335 days.