

Table 11
Total legal aid applications by type of criminal and civil matter

	Total ¹		Criminal matters					
	applications		Adult		Youth		Provincial	
	number	percent	number	percent	number	percent	number	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador								
2004/2005	.	.	.	...	.	...	.	...
2005/2006	.	.	.	...	.	...	.	...
2006/2007	.	.	.	...	.	...	.	...
2007/2008	.	.	.	...	.	...	.	...
2008/2009	.	.	.	...	.	...	.	...
Prince Edward Island								
2004/2005	..	..	..	...	..	...	.	...
2005/2006	..	..	..	...	..	...	.	...
2006/2007	1,852 ^r	1,338 ^r	1,098 ^r	82	240 ^r	18	.	...
2007/2008	1,855 ^r	1,391 ^r	1,164 ^r	84	227 ^r	16	.	...
2008/2009	..	..	..	...	..	...	.	...
Nova Scotia								
2004/2005	19,458	11,429	9,207	81	2,118	19	104	1
2005/2006	19,948	11,913	9,327	78	2,469	21	117	1
2006/2007	20,327	12,915	10,035	78	2,823	22	57	0
2007/2008	21,184	13,953	10,963	79	2,939	21	51	0
2008/2009	22,311	14,474	12,034	83	2,406	17	34	0
New Brunswick								
2004/2005	2,220	1,838	1,594	87	147	8	97	5
2005/2006	2,321	1,964	1,751	89	212	11	1	0
2006/2007	2,499	2,117	1,926	91	191	9	0	0
2007/2008	2,574	2,173	1,997	92	169	8	7	0
2008/2009	2,511	2,179	1,966	90	198	9	15	1
Quebec								
2004/2005	257,949	113,420	93,884	83	13,259	12	6,277	6
2005/2006	261,504	116,729	96,346	83	12,909	11	7,474	6
2006/2007	259,594	120,924	100,089	83	13,341	11	7,494	6
2007/2008	256,255	121,381	100,287	83	14,304	12	6,790	6
2008/2009	264,151	126,405	104,497	83	14,923	12	6,985	6
Ontario²								
2004/2005	329,000	80,000	69,136	86	10,581	13	283	0
2005/2006	347,687	85,535	73,822	86	11,364	13	349	0
2006/2007	337,988	86,282	73,977	86	11,927	14	378	0
2007/2008	332,837	84,832	70,964	84	13,436	16	432	1
2008/2009	347,884	88,239	76,009	86	11,850	13	380	0
Manitoba³								
2004/2005	25,620	16,771	13,746	82	3,025	18	.	...
2005/2006	27,546	18,741	15,316	82	3,425	18	.	...
2006/2007	23,494	15,548	12,393	80	3,155	20	.	...
2007/2008	22,110	14,699	11,581	79	3,118	21	.	...
2008/2009	21,887	14,525	11,505	79	3,020	21	.	...
Saskatchewan								
2004/2005	23,184	17,029	13,551	80	3,466	20	12	0
2005/2006	23,801	17,749	13,937	79	3,802	21	10	0
2006/2007	22,585	17,584	13,660	78	3,906	22	18	0
2007/2008	21,765	17,234	12,945	75	4,272	25	17	0
2008/2009	23,190	18,533	14,393	78	4,123	22	17	0
Alberta								
2004/2005	49,682	32,197	25,937	81	5,709	18	551	2
2005/2006	47,477	33,490	27,081	81	5,898	18	511	2
2006/2007	44,835	33,229	26,988	81	5,662	17	579	2
2007/2008	45,398	33,839	27,491	81	5,795	17	553	2
2008/2009	49,145	35,994	29,453	82	6,033	17	508	1
British Columbia								
2004/2005	39,749	27,823	23,915	86	3,219	12	689	2
2005/2006	41,184	28,381	24,640	87	3,241	11	500	2
2006/2007	41,722	29,024	25,375	87	3,212	11	437	2
2007/2008	42,647	29,314	25,663	88	3,218	11	433	1
2008/2009	45,238	30,039	26,668	89	2,982	10	389	1

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	Total ¹ applications		Criminal matters					
	Total		Adult		Youth		Provincial	
	number	percent	number	percent	number	percent	number	percent
Yukon⁴								
2004/2005	1,439	982	872	89	110	11	0	0
2005/2006	1,442	943	836	89	107	11	0	0
2006/2007	1,467	1,095	943	86	152	14	0	0
2007/2008	1,464	1,088	903	83	184	17	1	0
2008/2009	1,855	1,395	1,202	86	193	14	0	0
Northwest Territories⁵								
2004/2005	1,433	770	695	90	75	10	.	...
2005/2006	1,522	848	742	88	106	13	.	...
2006/2007	1,455	788	721	91	67	9	.	...
2007/2008	1,523	873	804	92	69	8	.	...
2008/2009	1,569	958	892	93	66	7	.	...
Nunavut								
2004/2005	805	488	466	95	22	5	..	...
2005/2006	837	376	359	95	11	3	6	2
2006/2007	862	435	420	97	15	3	0	0
2007/2008	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	...
2008/2009	731	498	494	99	4	1	0	0
Total								
2004/2005	750,539	302,747	253,003	84	41,731	14	8,013	3
2005/2006	775,269	316,669	264,157	83	43,544	14	8,968	3
2006/2007	758,680 ^r	321,279 ^r	267,625 ^r	83	44,691 ^r	14	8,963	3
2007/2008	749,612 ^r	320,777 ^r	264,762 ^r	83	47,731 ^r	15	8,284	3
2008/2009	780,472	333,239	279,113	84	45,798	14	8,328	2

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Table 11 – continued

Total legal aid applications by type of criminal and civil matter

	Civil matters				
	Total		Family		Other
	number		percent	number	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador					
2004/2005	.	.	...	.	...
2005/2006	.	.	...	.	...
2006/2007	.	.	...	.	...
2007/2008	.	.	...	.	...
2008/2009	.	.	...	.	...
Prince Edward Island					
2004/2005	..	..	...	.	...
2005/2006	..	..	...	.	...
2006/2007	514 ^r	514 ^r	100	.	...
2007/2008	464 ^r	464 ^r	100	.	...
2008/2009	..	..	...	.	...
Nova Scotia					
2004/2005	8,029	7,547	94	482	6
2005/2006	8,035	7,513	94	522	6
2006/2007	7,412	7,015	95	397	5
2007/2008	7,231	6,655	92	576	8
2008/2009	7,837	7,065	90	772	10
New Brunswick					
2004/2005	382	382	100	0	0
2005/2006	357	357	100	0	0
2006/2007	382	382	100	0	0
2007/2008	401	401	100	0	0
2008/2009	332	332	100	0	0
Quebec					
2004/2005	144,529	90,809	63	53,720	37
2005/2006	144,775	90,741	63	54,034	37
2006/2007	138,670	86,503	62	52,167	38
2007/2008	134,874	82,381	61	52,493	39
2008/2009	137,746	83,560	61	54,186	39
Ontario²					
2004/2005	249,000	39,054	16	209,946	84
2005/2006	262,152	44,385	17	217,767	83
2006/2007	251,706	41,506	16	210,200	84
2007/2008	248,005	39,667	16	208,338	84
2008/2009	259,645	43,499	17	216,146	83
Manitoba³					
2004/2005	8,849	8,849	100	.	...
2005/2006	8,805	8,805	100	.	...
2006/2007	7,946	7,946	100	.	...
2007/2008	7,411	7,411	100	.	...
2008/2009	7,362	7,362	100	.	...
Saskatchewan					
2004/2005	6,155	6,147	100	8	0
2005/2006	6,052	6,049	100	3	0
2006/2007	5,001	4,999	100	2	0
2007/2008	4,531	4,527	100	4	0
2008/2009	4,657	4,656	100	1	0
Alberta					
2004/2005	17,485	14,355	82	3,130	18
2005/2006	13,987	12,093	86	1,894	14
2006/2007	11,606	9,662	83	1,944	17
2007/2008	11,559	9,760	84	1,799	16
2008/2009	13,151	11,030	84	2,121	16
British Columbia					
2004/2005	11,926	10,932	92	994	8
2005/2006	12,803	11,769	92	1,034	8
2006/2007	12,698	11,499	91	1,199	9
2007/2008	13,333	11,853	89	1,480	11
2008/2009	15,199	13,120	86	2,079	14

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Total legal aid applications by type of criminal and civil matter

	Civil matters				
	Total	Family		Other	
	number	number	percent	number	percent
Yukon ⁴					
2004/2005	457	344	75	113	25
2005/2006	499	311	62	188	38
2006/2007	372	321	86	51	14
2007/2008	376	313	83	63	17
2008/2009	460	377	82	83	18
Northwest Territories ⁵					
2004/2005	663	637	96	26	4
2005/2006	674	627	93	47	7
2006/2007	667	621	93	46	7
2007/2008	650	606	93	44	7
2008/2009	611	591	97	20	3
Nunavut					
2004/2005	317	296	93	21	7
2005/2006	461	374	81	87	19
2006/2007	427	367	86	60	14
2007/2008	..	..	...	..	...
2008/2009	233	215	92	18	8
Total					
2004/2005	447,792	179,352	40	268,440	60
2005/2006	458,600	183,024	40	275,576	60
2006/2007	437,401 ^r	171,335 ^r	39	266,066	61
2007/2008	428,835 ^r	164,038 ^r	38	264,797	62
2008/2009	447,233	171,807	38	275,426	62

1. The sum of approved and refused applications does not equal the total applications count for two reasons: (i) a decision to accept or reject an application may not occur in the same time period the application is made, although the number of applications carried into the next fiscal year is comparatively small. (ii) the approved application count refers to full service applications only, whereas the total applications count is the sum of applications for full and summary service.
2. Ontario has 79 legal aid clinics that are independent, non-profit organizations funded by the legal aid plan. Staff lawyers and community legal workers at these clinics provide legal aid services primarily in "other" civil matters, particularly in the area of poverty law which includes, social assistance/income maintenance, landlord and tenant, workers' compensation, criminal injuries compensation, and refugee and immigration matters. In 2008/2009, the legal aid plan received 60,940 written applications for civil certificate services. The clinic system does not record written applications in the way defined by the survey; however, that number can be inferred in that it provided 200,789 case, brief, advice and referral services of which 97% were for "other" civil legal aid. In 2005/2006, Ontario changed its method of calculating total applications. As a result, figures are not comparable to previous years.
3. In 2005/2006, Manitoba began to issue one legal aid certificate per matter. This led to an increase in the count for total, approved and refused legal aid applications. In 2006/2007, the use of certificate equivalents initiated by staff was discontinued, resulting in a decrease in the count for total and approved applications and an increase in refused applications.
4. No distinction is made between summary and full service applications in Yukon. All applications are counted as full service applications. Data for Yukon include duty counsel counts. In 2004/2005, Yukon opened a poverty law clinic, resulting in an increase in applications under civil matters "other".
5. Presumed eligibility counts are not included in the data for the Northwest Territories. Territorial offences are included with criminal matters.

Note(s): For more details on legal aid concepts and terminology please refer to the glossary.

Source(s): Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Legal Aid Survey 3308.