

**Table 15-1**  
**Approved legal aid applications, staff and private lawyers by type of civil matter — Total<sup>1</sup>**

	Total		Staff lawyers		Private lawyers	
	number		percent		number	percent
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>						
2004/2005	.	.	...	.	...	
2005/2006	.	.	...	.	...	
2006/2007	.	.	...	.	...	
2007/2008	.	.	...	.	...	
2008/2009	.	.	...	.	...	
<b>Prince Edward Island<sup>2</sup></b>						
2004/2005	329	212	64	117	36	
2005/2006	..	..	...	..	...	
2006/2007	189 <sup>r</sup>	133 <sup>r</sup>	70	56 <sup>r</sup>	30	
2007/2008	189 <sup>r</sup>	136 <sup>r</sup>	72	53 <sup>r</sup>	28	
2008/2009	..	..	...	..	...	
<b>Nova Scotia</b>						
2004/2005	5,611	3,397	61	2,214	39	
2005/2006	5,498	3,591	65	1,907	35	
2006/2007	5,302	3,580	68	1,722	32	
2007/2008	5,128	3,482	68	1,646	32	
2008/2009	5,710	3,500	61	2,210	39	
<b>New Brunswick<sup>3</sup></b>						
2004/2005	264	97	37	167	63	
2005/2006	260	88	34	172	66	
2006/2007	267	100	37	167	63	
2007/2008	268	71	26	197	74	
2008/2009	233	57	24	176	76	
<b>Quebec</b>						
2004/2005	121,413	66,826	55	54,587	45	
2005/2006	121,867	67,364	55	54,503	45	
2006/2007	117,114	64,699	55	52,415	45	
2007/2008	114,589	62,778	55	51,811	45	
2008/2009	116,895	63,603	54	53,292	46	
<b>Ontario<sup>4</sup></b>						
2004/2005	61,805	16,942	27	44,863	73	
2005/2006	62,510	16,987	27	45,523	73	
2006/2007	62,270	18,955	30	43,315	70	
2007/2008	61,714	18,750	30	42,964	70	
2008/2009	68,255	19,540	29	48,715	71	
<b>Manitoba<sup>5</sup></b>						
2004/2005	6,756	3,463	51	3,293	49	
2005/2006	6,589	3,311	50	3,278	50	
2006/2007	6,282	3,838	61	2,444	39	
2007/2008	5,690	3,420	60	2,270	40	
2008/2009	5,627	3,286	58	2,341	42	
<b>Saskatchewan</b>						
2004/2005	4,928	4,671	95	257	5	
2005/2006	4,827	4,630	96	197	4	
2006/2007	3,963	3,701	93	262	7	
2007/2008	3,628	3,360	93	268	7	
2008/2009	3,949	3,732	95	217	5	
<b>Alberta</b>						
2004/2005	13,270	3,001	23	10,269	77	
2005/2006	9,659	2,197	23	7,462	77	
2006/2007	8,063	1,627	20	6,436	80	
2007/2008	8,028	1,636	20	6,392	80	
2008/2009	10,040	2,082	21	7,958	79	
<b>British Columbia</b>						
2004/2005	7,114	666	9	6,448	91	
2005/2006	7,877	644	8	7,233	92	
2006/2007	7,839	558	7	7,281	93	
2007/2008	8,430	387	5	8,043	95	
2008/2009	8,898	371	4	8,527	96	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 15-1 – continued

 Approved legal aid applications, staff and private lawyers by type of civil matter — Total<sup>1</sup>

	Total		Staff lawyers		Private lawyers	
	number		percent		number	percent
<b>Yukon</b> <sup>6</sup>						
2004/2005	405		395	98	10	2
2005/2006	354		342	97	12	3
2006/2007	323		310	96	13	4
2007/2008	328		314	96	14	4
2008/2009	405		397	98	8	2
<b>Northwest Territories</b> <sup>7</sup>						
2004/2005	438		207	47	231	53
2005/2006	301		196	65	105	35
2006/2007	405		228	56	177	44
2007/2008	436		302	69	134	31
2008/2009	296		255	86	41	14
<b>Nunavut</b>						
2004/2005	109		95	87	14	13
2005/2006	461		444	96	17	4
2006/2007	143		98	69	45	31
2007/2008	..		..	...	..	...
2008/2009	233		132	57	101	43
<b>Total</b>						
2004/2005	222,442		99,972	45	122,470	55
2005/2006	220,203		99,794	45	120,409	55
2006/2007	212,160 <sup>r</sup>		97,827 <sup>r</sup>	46	114,333 <sup>r</sup>	54
2007/2008	208,428 <sup>r</sup>		94,636 <sup>r</sup>	45	113,792 <sup>r</sup>	55
2008/2009	220,541		96,955	44	123,586	56

1. Approved legal aid application counts refer to full service applications only. An approved application for full service refers to an application for legal assistance which is granted as described in a certificate, referral, or any other authorization denoting that the applicant is entitled to legal aid services. For civil cases, there is one matter per application.
2. In Prince Edward Island in 2004/2005, all approved applications for civil matters were counted as full service applications.
3. In New Brunswick in 2004/2005, many members of the private bar refused to take legal aid cases.
4. 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. The figures in Table 16 represent summary legal advice services provided by these clinics. Summary legal advice services provided by the legal aid plan are included in duty counsel services (Table 21).
5. 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.
6. 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".
7. 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.