



**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
AGENDA**

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, June 20, 2024, from 8:00 - 9:00a.m.**

Meeting Location: **Employee Resources Conference Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI**

Committee members: Suzanne O’Neil Chair; Kurt Gibbs, Lance Leonhard, Chad Billeb

**Marathon County Mission Statement:** *Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)*

**Council Mission Statement:** *To improve the administration of justice and promote public safety through community collaboration, planning, research, education, and systemwide coordination of criminal justice initiatives.*

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Public Comment (15 Minutes)**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from the April 18, 2024, meeting.**
- 4. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
  - A. 2023 Justice Program Infographics and Court Statistics – Michal Schultz
- 5. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action**
  - A. Review of the 2024 CJCC Work Plan
- 6. Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution**
  - A. Discussion of agenda items for July 18, 2024, Marathon County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Meeting Agenda.
- 7. Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements, and Future Agenda Items:**
  - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
  - B. Next Executive Committee Meeting: **August 15, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. Employee Resources Conference Room**
- 8. Adjournment**

*\*Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation to participate should call the County Clerk’s Office at 261-1500 or e-mail [countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us](mailto:countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us) one business day before the meeting*

**SIGNED: /s/, Judge Suzanne O’Neill  
Presiding Officer or Designee**

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EMAILED BY: Toshia Ranallo  
DATE & TIME: 6/13/2024 at 4:00 pm

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**MARATHON COUNTY  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 am  
Human Resources Conference Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI**

Members	Present	Absent
Judge Suzanne O’Neill (Chair)		X
Board Chair Kurt Gibbs (Vice Chair)	X	
County Administrator Lance Leonhard	X	
Chief Deputy Billeb	X	

**Staff Present:** Ruth Heinzl, Dana Buettner

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

Vice Chair Gibbs called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**2. Public Comment (not to exceed 15 minutes) - None.**

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the December 21, 2023, CJCC Executive meeting**

**MOTION BY BILLEB; SECOND BY LEONHARD TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 21, 2023, EXECUTIVE CJCC MEETING MINUTES.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**4. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**

**A. Deflection/Diversion Program Updates**

**Discussion:**

Ruth Heinzl and Dana Buettner from the District Attorney’s Office provide committee members with information and data relative to the operation of the DA-led Deflection Program since operation began in the fourth quarter of 2023. Ruth and Dana presented information regarding referrals, overdoses, wait times for service, and other service data for the fourth quarter of 2023 and the first quarter of 2024. Moreover, Ruth and Dana discussed summary demographic information for the population that they have served through the program during these same time periods. Staff explain that the referrals have been primary from Law Enforcement and overdose response, along with District Attorney initiated referrals; however, there is a push from the State of Wisconsin to expand pathways for referrals. Staff also explained the significant increase in referrals during the program and the corresponding increase in wait times. Questions are asked and answered, and discussion is had relative to the topic.

**Follow up:**

The Chair will consider requesting a formal presentation on the program at the next CJCC meeting. Ruth and Dana will be continuing to evaluate opportunities to reduce barriers to access and outreach to partners.

**5. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action - None**

**A. Discussion of Budget Preparation for 2024.**

**Discussion:**

Administrator Leonhard explains that the bylaws for the CJCC call for the holding of System Budgeting meetings with representatives of the Justice System to allow stakeholders to provide insight to Administration in the development of the 2025 budget. Administrator Leonhard indicates that said meetings will be scheduled in the near future.

**6. Operational functions required by bylaws, Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution -**

**A. Discussion of potential items for the May 16, 2024, Marathon County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Meeting Agenda, and potential recommendations for consideration.**

**Discussion:**

Due to a lack of time, this item was not discussed.

**7. Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:**

**A. Next meeting June 20, 2024, at 8:00 a.m., Human Resources Conference Room. Members asked to bring agenda ideas for future discussion.**

**8. Adjournment**

**MOTION BY BILLEB, SECOND BY LEONHARD TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:17 A.M. MOTION CARRIED.**



# Marathon County Court Statistics Criminal Cases (2017-2023)

**DRAFT**

The following data visualizations provide summary statistical information on Wisconsin circuit court Criminal Traffic, Felony, and Misdemeanor caseload for Marathon County between 2017 and 2023.

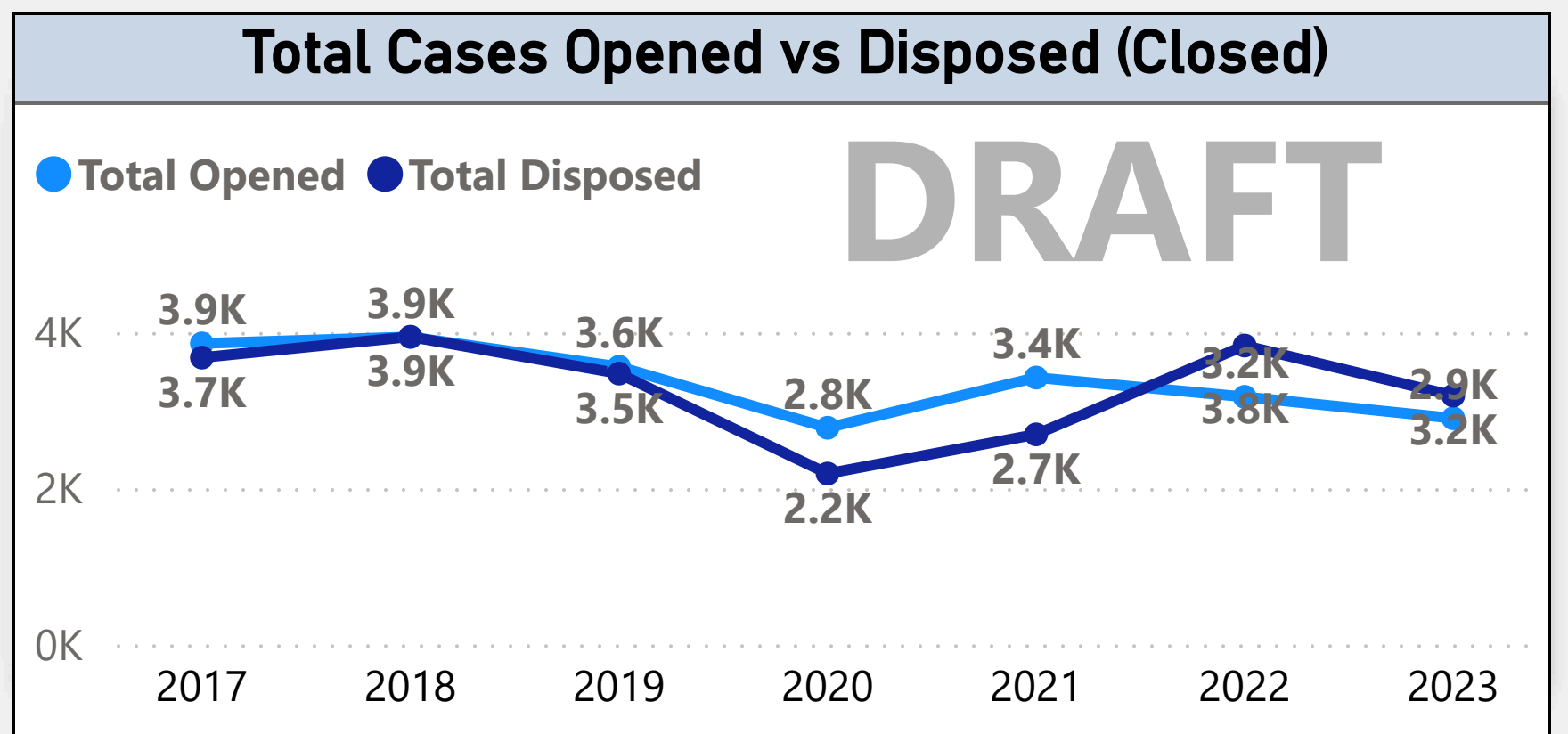
### Filter by Type of Criminal Case

- Criminal Traffic
- Felony
- Misdemeanor

## How much did we do?

What this measures:

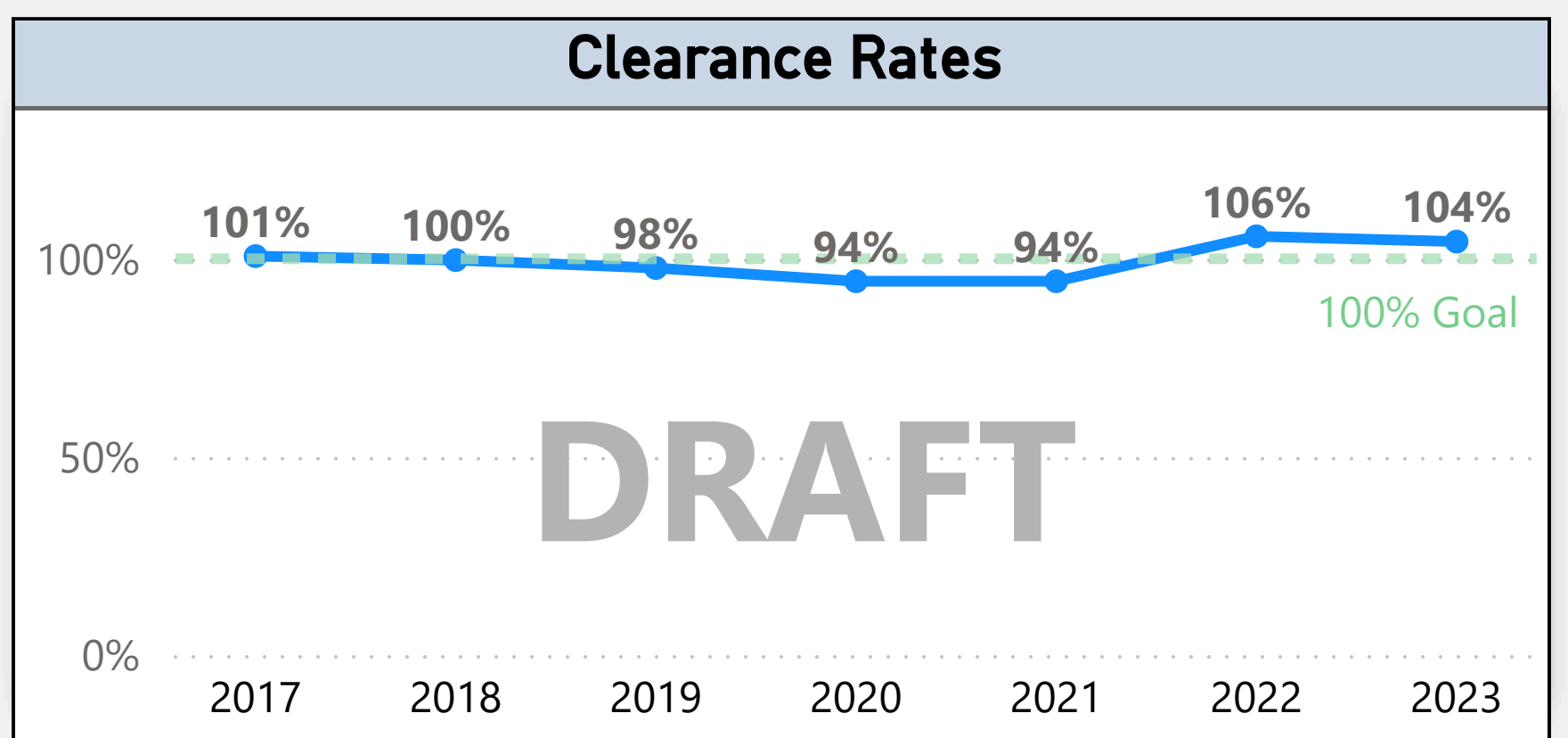
**Total Cases Opened** is the number of new cases accepted in circuit court. **Total Disposed** is the number of cases moved to closed status, which generally occurs when the court reaches a decision and enters a judgment in a case.



## How well did we do it?

What this measures:

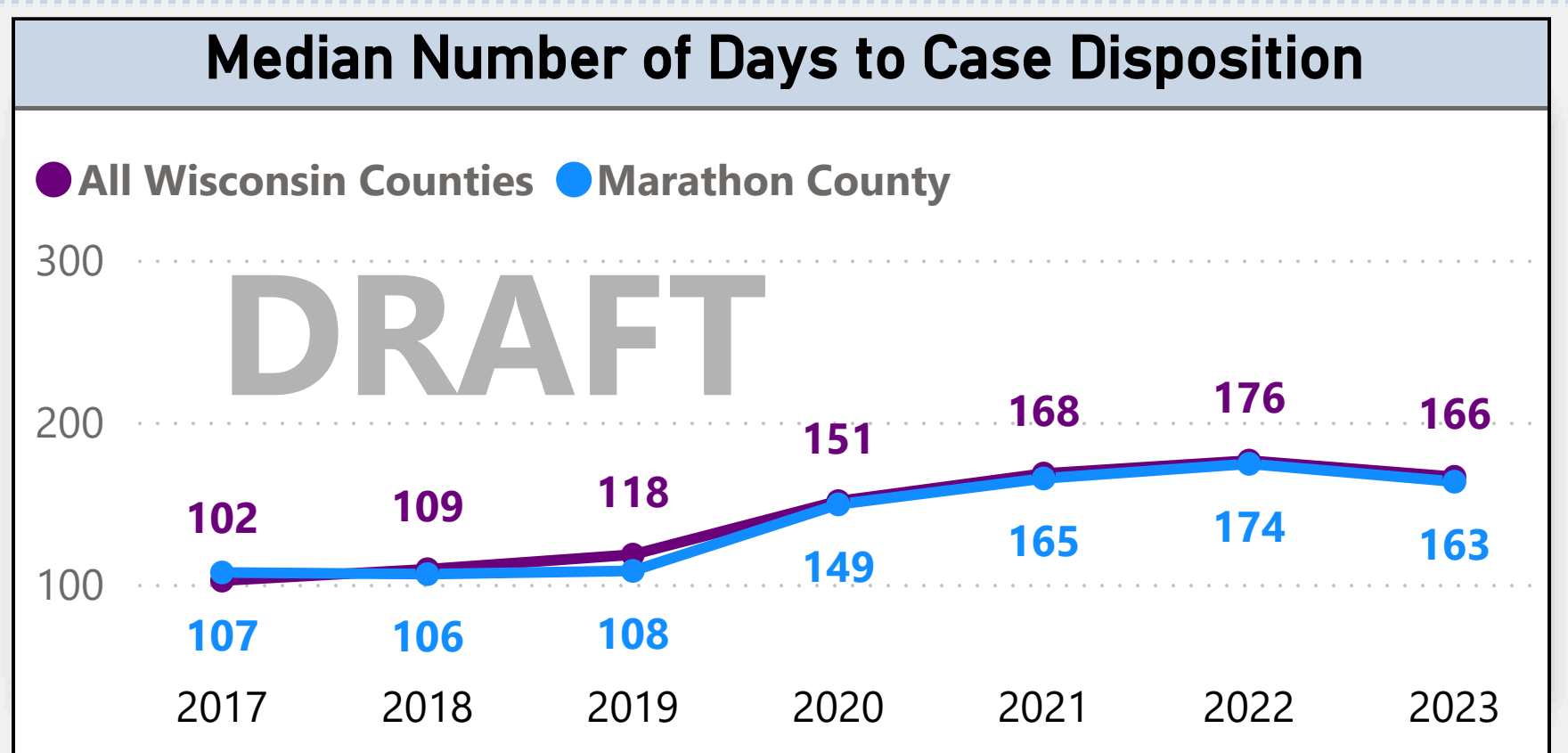
A **Clearance Rate** of 100% or higher indicates that the court is keeping up with its incoming cases, while a lower rate suggests a backlog.



## Is anyone better off?

What this measures:

How quickly cases are resolved. The **Median Number of Days** cases that were eventually closed during the reporting period were in open status. The median is the midpoint of a particular list of values, not the average, and is not skewed by uncharacteristically high or low values.



Data Source: [www.wicourts.gov/publications/statistics/](http://www.wicourts.gov/publications/statistics/)

Notes: Caution should be used when comparing pre-2022 data to post-2022 data. A new statistical reporting system was adopted in 2022, which may impact how cases are counted. In 2016-2019, the "disposed" metrics were calculated differently than all other reports. For more information, please visit <https://www.wicourts.gov/publications/statistics/circuit/historicalcircuitstats.htm>