STATE-PAID TRIAL COURT CASELOAD TRENDS – DATA NOTES

- Due to a change in reporting systems, **Local Civil pending** is not available statewide before 2020. Thus, it is not included in the annual graphs on the Overview & Overall Trends tabs.
 - Pending counts for Small Claim and Commercial Claim cases are not available.
- There have been administrative cleanups of **pending cases in NYC Local Civil**. The data during the cleanup periods will show a large increase in dispositions and a decrease in pending counts.
 - NYC Housing in February 2023
 - NYC Civil Matters in August 2023
- Permanency Planning Hearings in Family Court are counted as both a filing and a disposition and does not get a pending count.
- **Family Court counts** will slightly differ from the <u>Family Caseload Activity by Case Type</u> dashboard because it is refreshed daily and this one is updated monthly.
- During 2023, all **Supreme & County courts** started using a case management system that allowed for automation of data collection.
 - Reporting of Local Accusatory Instrument dockets in Supreme & County criminal will increase October 2023 moving forward because not all cases were reported prior to the new system.
 - Prior to October 2023, only filings of indictments and superior court information (SCI) are reported seperately.
 - Beginning in 2024, more **detailed case types** become available statewide. Because the
 previous year does not have this detail statewide, the new case types will not be
 available on the YTD graphs until 2025.
- **Trials Commenced** counts are not available for Family & Surrogate's courts. Both courts do conduct non-jury trials, but the data is not available.
- Disposition outcomes are only available for Local Criminal, Supreme & County Criminal, and Supreme & County Civil courts. The reporting forms for Local Civil, Family, and Surrogate's courts were not designed to include a breakout of the type of dispositions.
- Surrogate's Court follows a month calendar instead of the term calendar. Thus, data for Surrogate's may become available earlier or later than the other courts.
 - Pending becomes available the day after the month ends.
 - o Filings and dispositions become available the Tuesday after the month ends.