



NORTH CAROLINA
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
of the COURTS

Duties of Magistrates Survey

December 2013

January 23, 2014

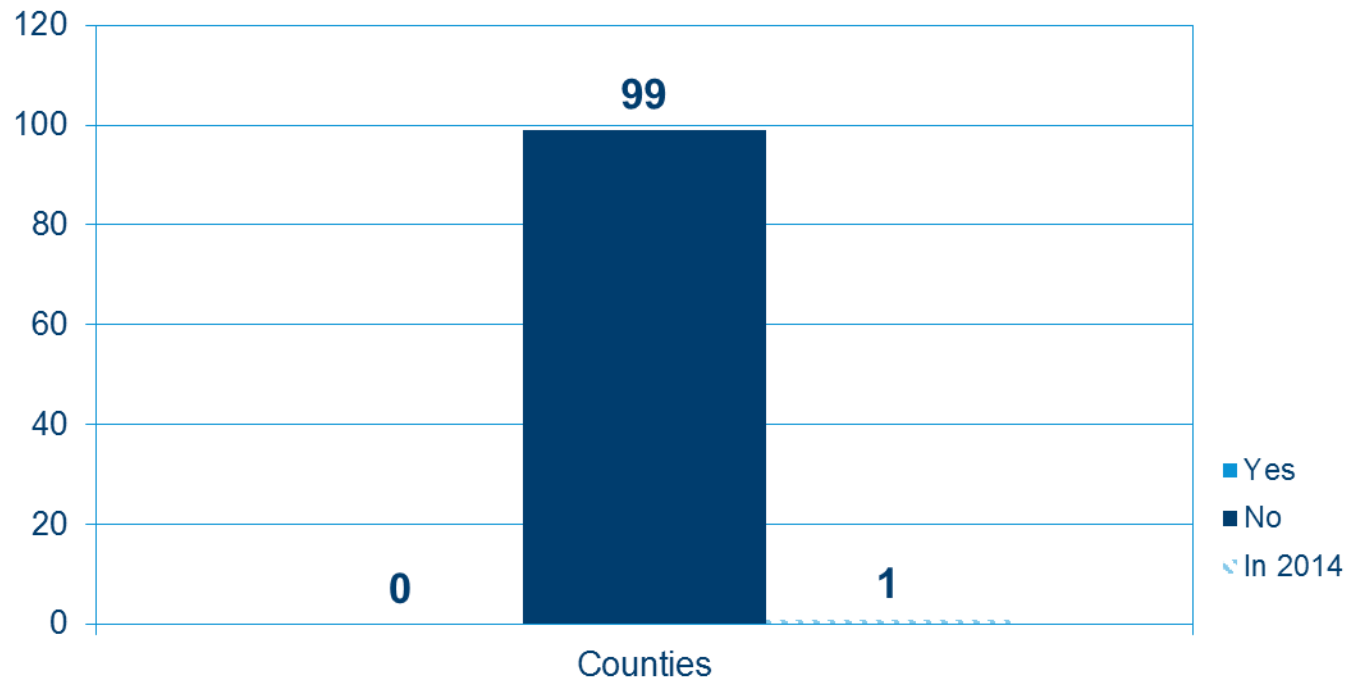
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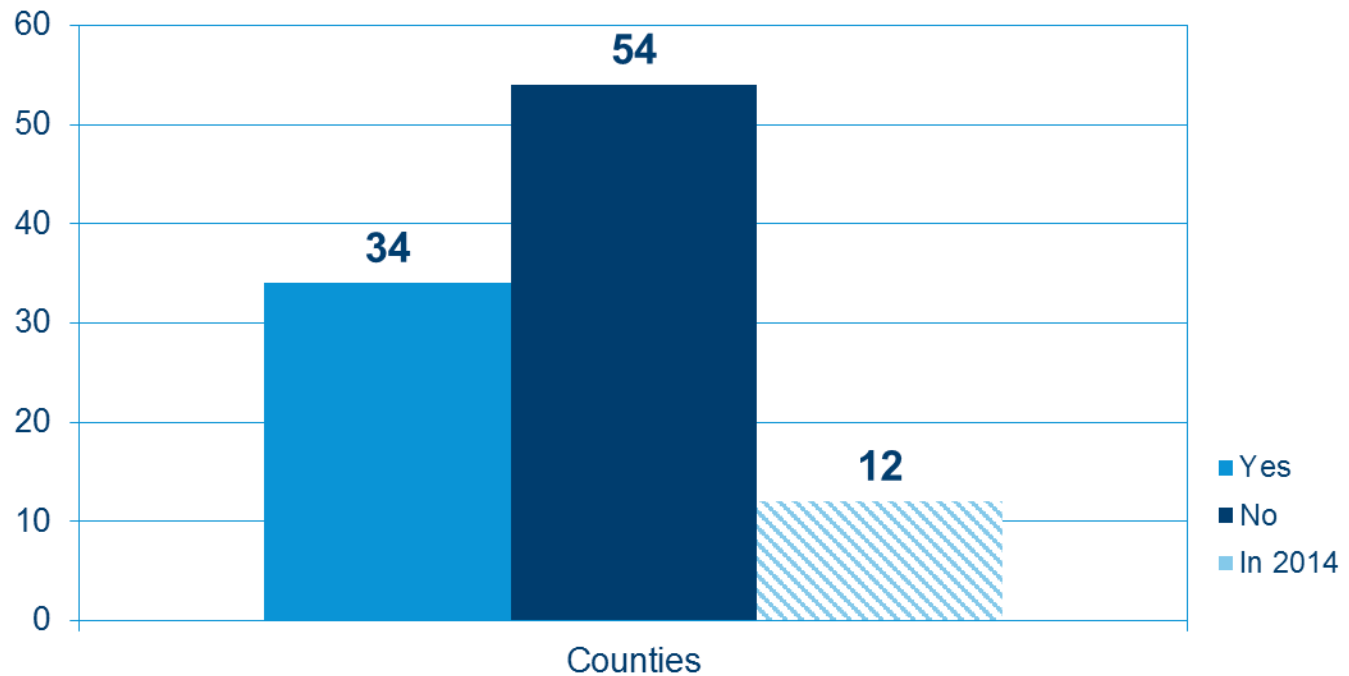
Survey Process

- Sent to chief district court judges on December 11, 2013
- Requested response for each county
- Response options generally were:
 - Yes
 - No
 - Not currently, but plan to add this authorization in 2014
- Chief district court judges were asked to indicate if at least one magistrate in the county had authorization to perform the task
- Responses have been received for all 100 counties

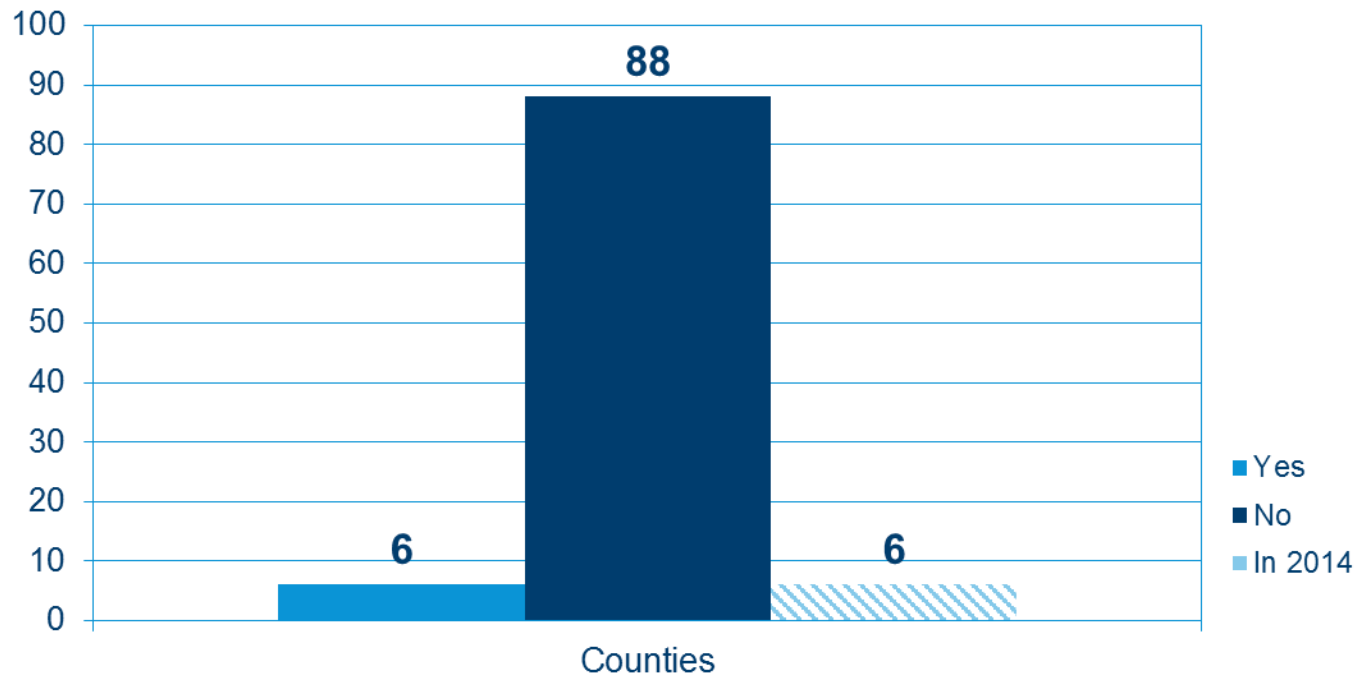
Serve as Child Support Hearing Officer



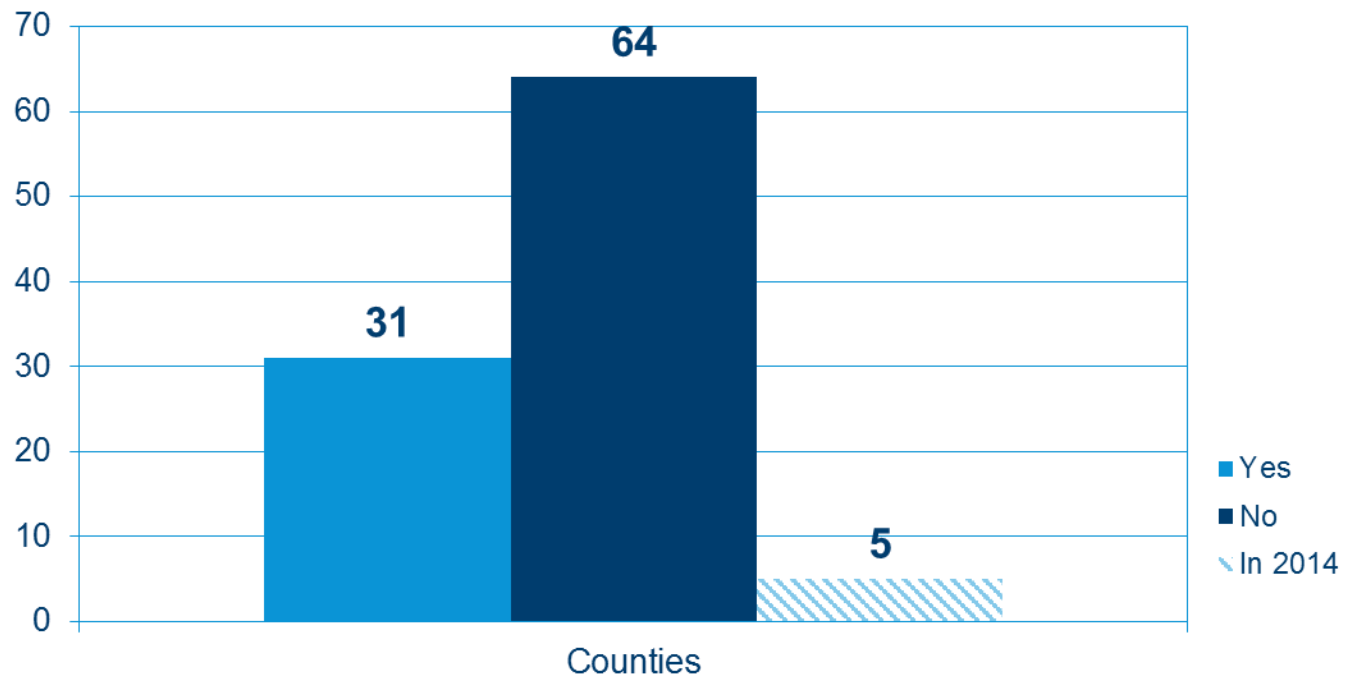
Enforce Motor Vehicle Mechanic and Storage Liens



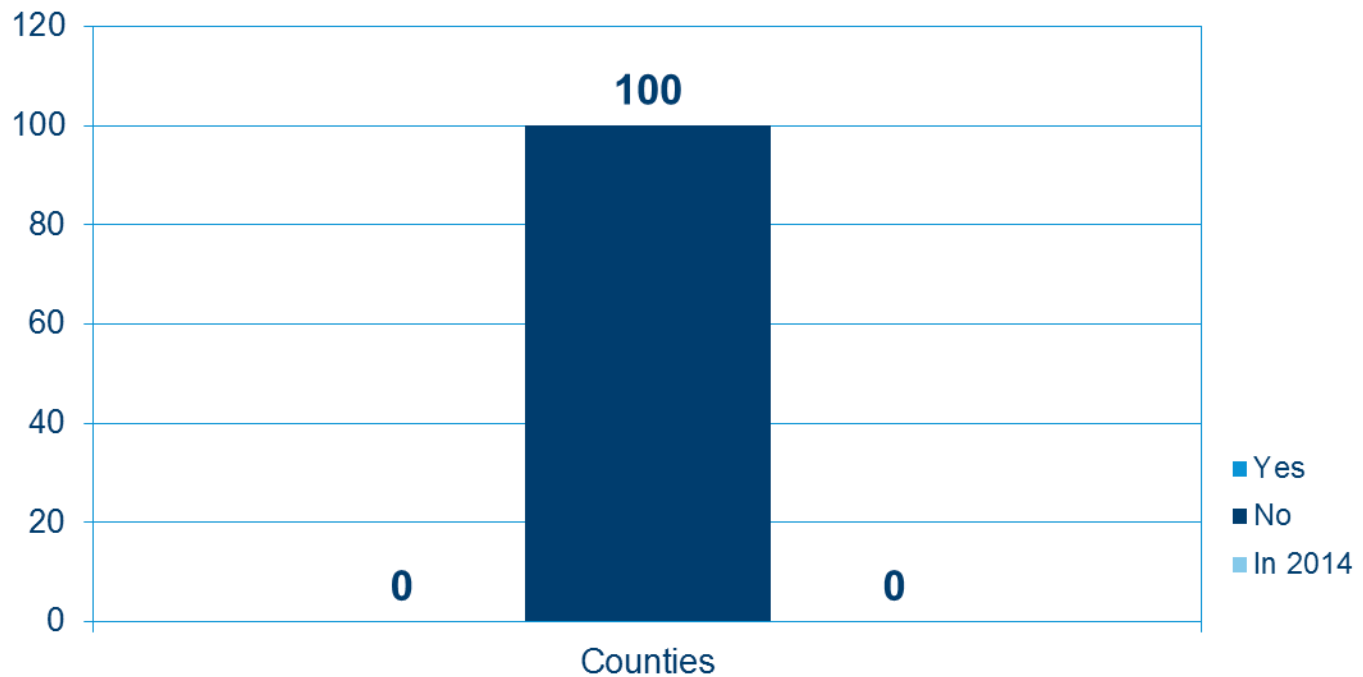
Hear Worthless Check Cases for \$2,000 or Less



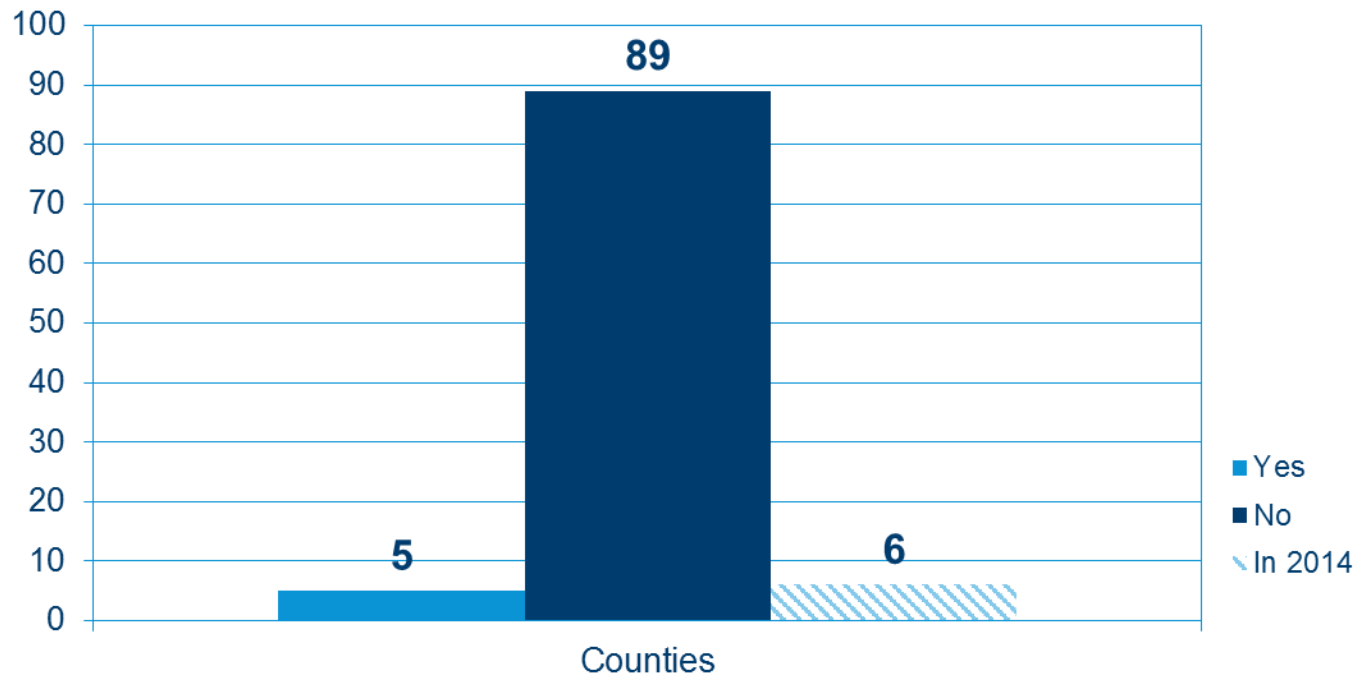
Accept Written Appearances for Worthless Check Cases for \$2,000 or Less



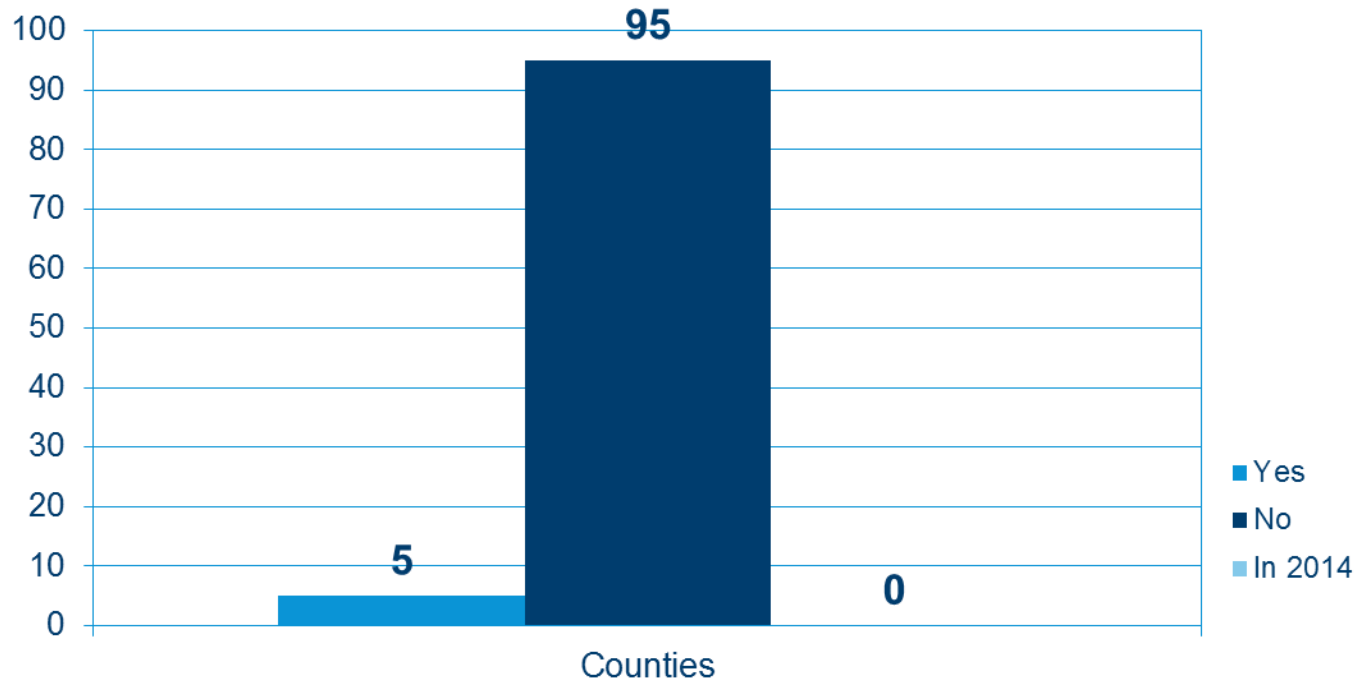
Take Depositions and Examinations Before Trial



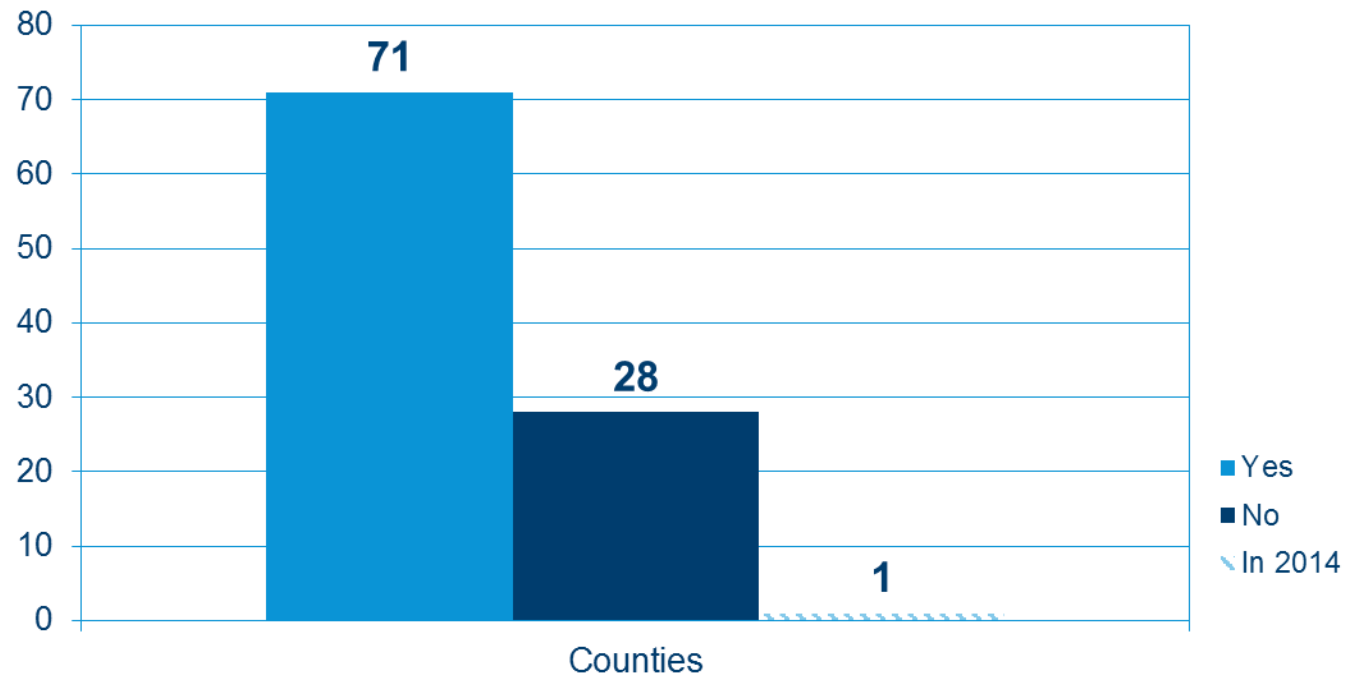
Provide for Appointment of Counsel



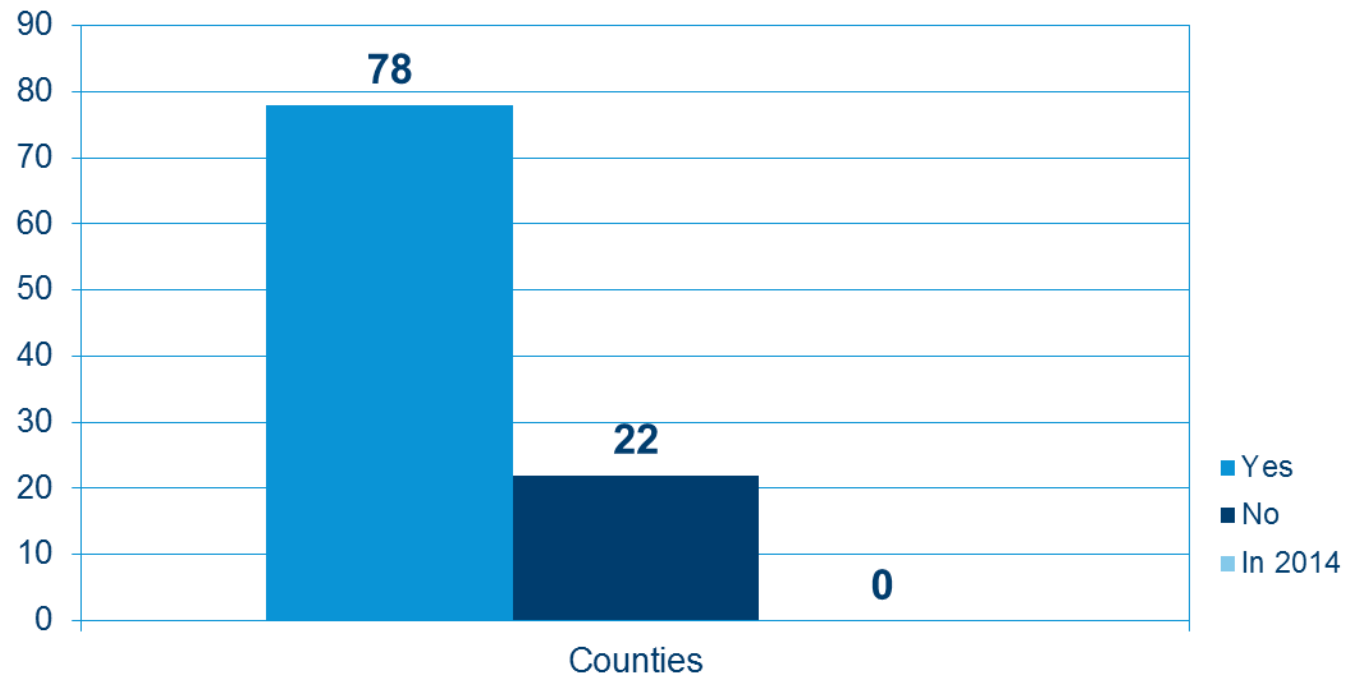
Serve Multi-County Municipality



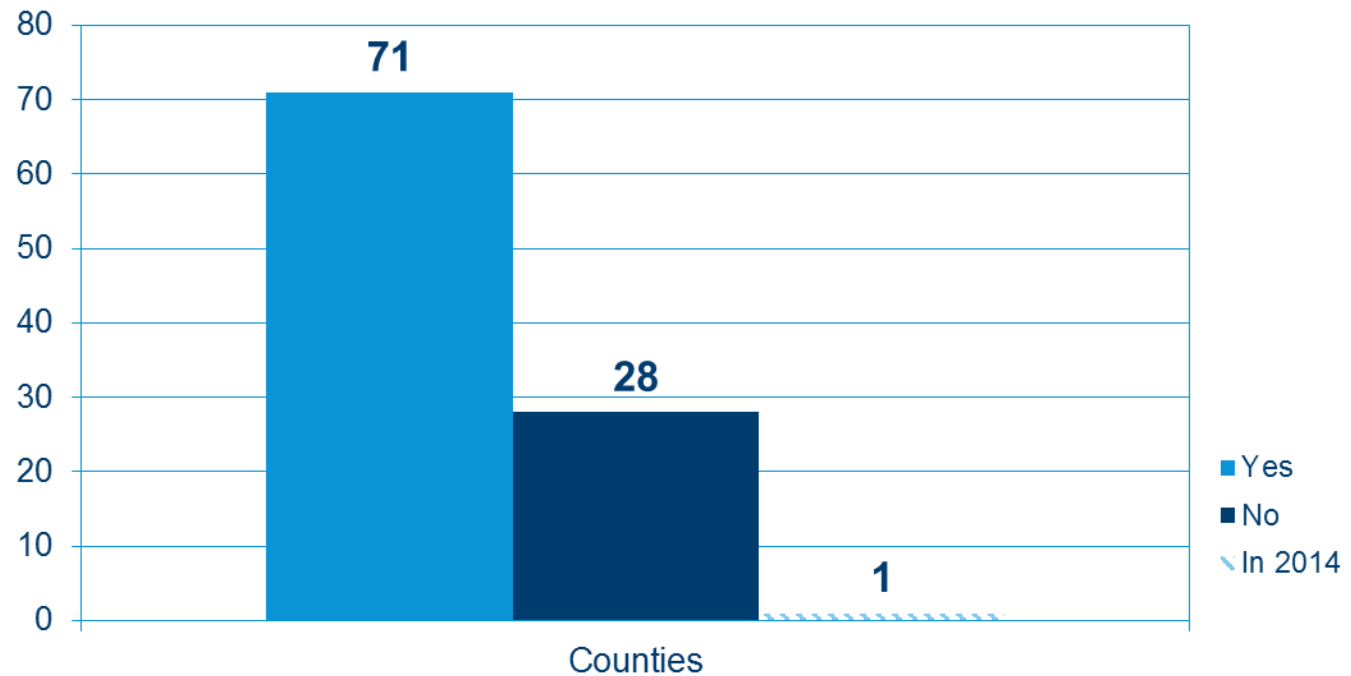
Draw, Verify, and Issue Abuse/ Neglect/Dependency Petitions



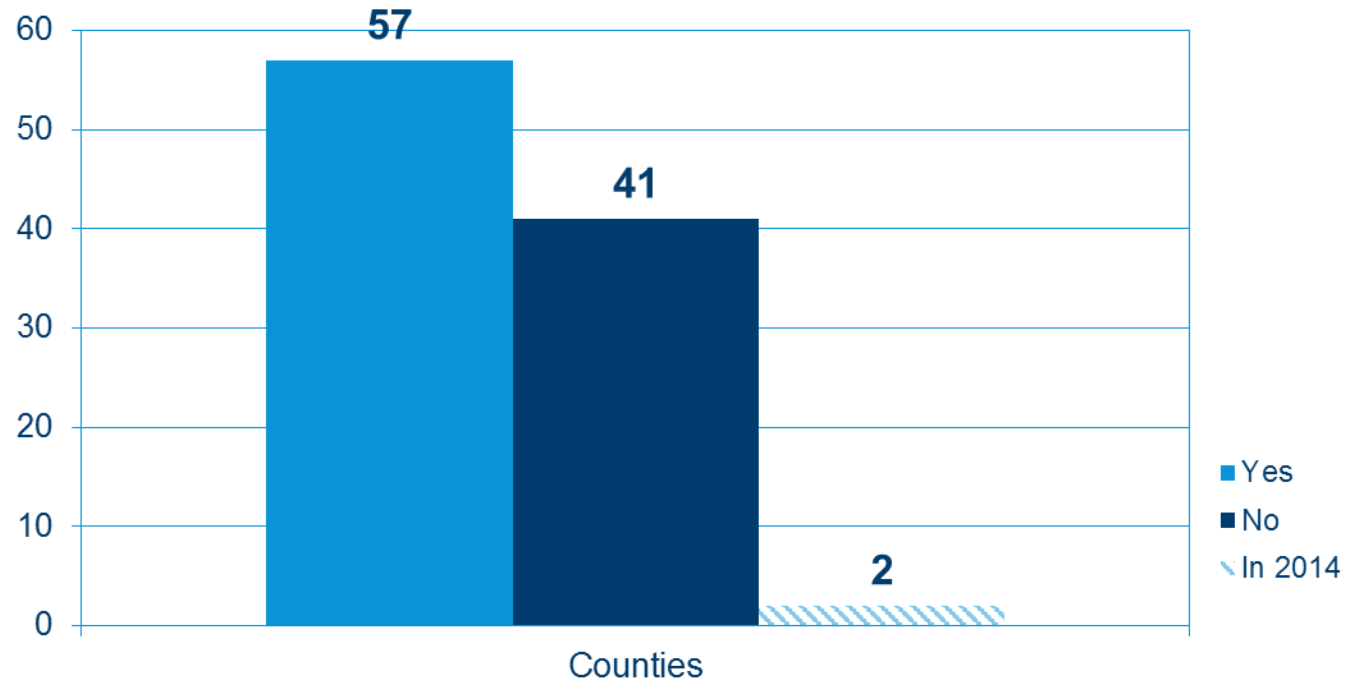
Draw, Verify, and Accept Juvenile Delinquency/Undisciplined Filings



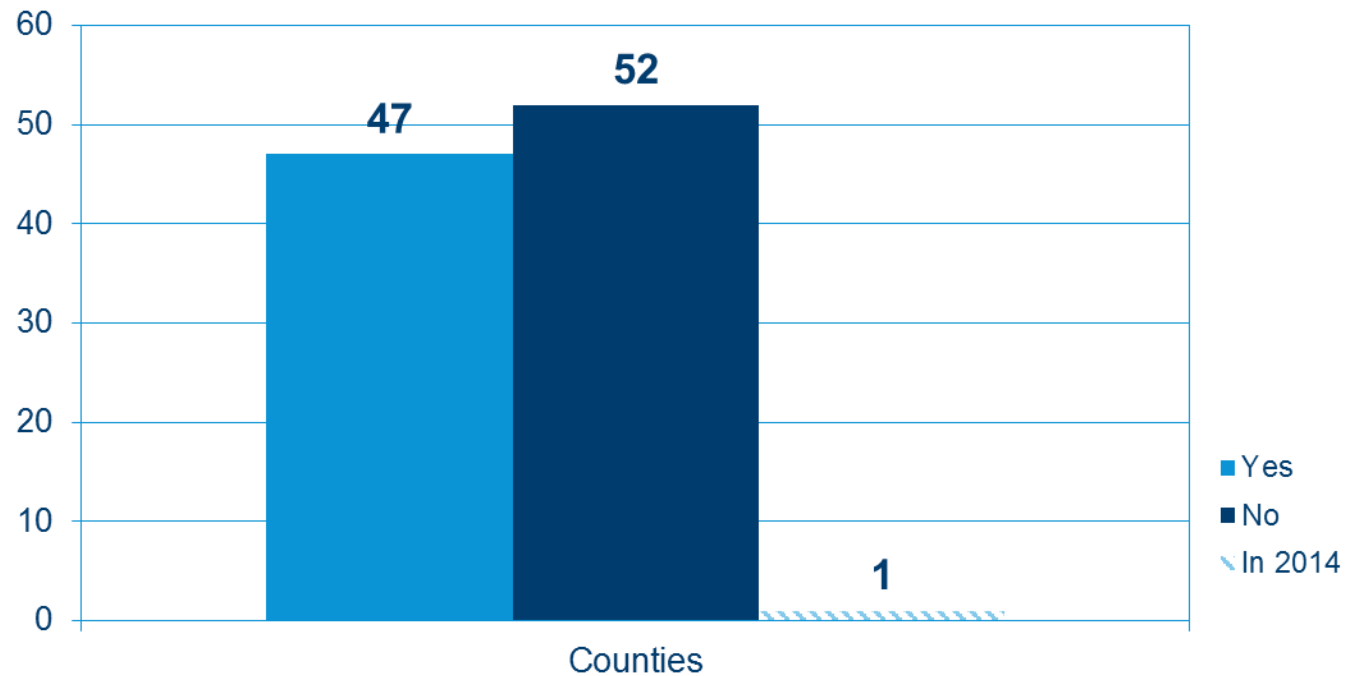
Issue Ex Parte Domestic Violence Orders



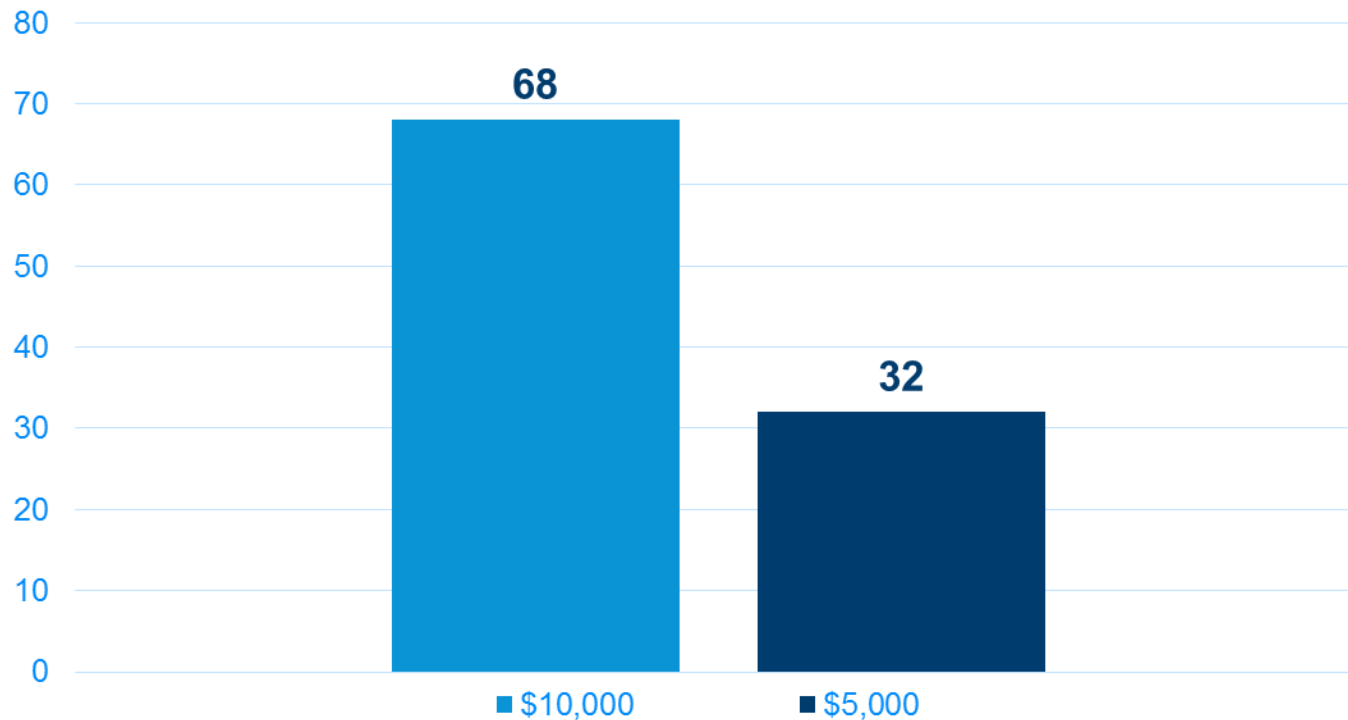
Award Temporary Child Custody in Domestic Violence Cases



Issue Temporary Civil No-Contact Orders



Magistrate Small Claims Jurisdiction Amount (includes planned increases to \$10,000 in 2014)





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