



Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas

Trial Date Certainty Summary Report

Start Date: 1/1/2017 - End Date: 10/25/2017

The Court makes every effort to avoid continuing a trial date. However, when necessary the Court continues trials at the request of the County Prosecutor’s Office, defense counsel/Public Defender’s Office or when a judge is unavailable due to being engaged in another trial/hearing or due to illness.

Trials are continued by the Court for a number of reasons. Some common examples include (not in any particular order):

- Assistant Prosecutor or defense counsel is in trial in another courtroom or unavailable;
- Discovery request not yet completed;
- Victim is unavailable;
- The Coroner’s Report has not been completed;
- Police Officer and/or detective is not available;
- Witness is not available;
- Assistant Prosecutor or defense counsel is not prepared for trial;
- DNA evidence has not been examined;
- Expert witness is not available or reports have not been completed;
- Drugs and/or evidence has not been tested;
- Assistant Prosecutor or defense counsel is not available due to illness;
- Hospital records have not been received;
- Case has been re-indicted;
- No deputies available;
- Defendant referred for Psych evaluation;

Case-Trial Type	Total Cases	Average Number of Settings	Percentage With 2 Settings or Less	Number of Settings								
				One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight +	
Civil-Bench	35	1.9	74%	16	10	5	3	1	0	0	0	
Civil-Jury	37	2.6	49%	10	8	11	4	2	0	2	0	
Criminal-Bench	113	2.8	51%	30	28	20	18	10	1	2	4	
Criminal-Jury	174	3.3	41%	36	36	35	19	23	13	3	9	