

**Table 69**  
**Circuit Court, FY14**  
**Child Abuse and Neglect Hearings - Timeliness**

| <b>Circuit</b> | <b>Hearings Held<br/>Timely</b> |             | <b>Hearings Held<br/>Late</b> |            | <b>Hearings Due<br/>Not Held</b> |            | <b>Total</b>  |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|---------------|
|                | <b>#</b>                        | <b>(%)</b>  | <b>#</b>                      | <b>(%)</b> | <b>#</b>                         | <b>(%)</b> |               |
| 1              | 222                             | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 222           |
| 2              | 500                             | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 500           |
| 3              | 374                             | (100)       | 1                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 375           |
| 4              | 312                             | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 312           |
| 5              | 261                             | (99)        | 2                             | (1)        | 0                                | (0)        | 263           |
| 6              | 122                             | (98)        | 0                             | (0)        | 2                                | (2)        | 124           |
| 7              | 502                             | (98)        | 10                            | (2)        | 1                                | (0)        | 513           |
| 8              | 64                              | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 64            |
| 9              | 339                             | (94)        | 7                             | (2)        | 13                               | (4)        | 359           |
| 10             | 473                             | (99)        | 7                             | (1)        | 0                                | (0)        | 480           |
| 11             | 1,143                           | (98)        | 19                            | (2)        | 8                                | (1)        | 1,170         |
| 12             | 513                             | (95)        | 19                            | (4)        | 6                                | (1)        | 538           |
| 13             | 1,726                           | (100)       | 1                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 1,727         |
| 14             | 516                             | (99)        | 4                             | (1)        | 0                                | (0)        | 520           |
| 15             | 356                             | (99)        | 2                             | (1)        | 1                                | (0)        | 359           |
| 16             | 5,254                           | (98)        | 80                            | (1)        | 45                               | (1)        | 5,379         |
| 17             | 1,206                           | (91)        | 47                            | (4)        | 66                               | (5)        | 1,319         |
| 18             | 382                             | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 382           |
| 19             | 569                             | (99)        | 6                             | (1)        | 1                                | (0)        | 576           |
| 20             | 1,084                           | (94)        | 55                            | (5)        | 19                               | (2)        | 1,158         |
| 21             | 3,162                           | (92)        | 107                           | (3)        | 184                              | (5)        | 3,453         |
| 22             | 2,333                           | (100)       | 2                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 2,335         |
| 23             | 2,526                           | (98)        | 26                            | (1)        | 15                               | (1)        | 2,567         |
| 24             | 1,535                           | (99)        | 11                            | (1)        | 2                                | (0)        | 1,548         |
| 25             | 1,234                           | (100)       | 4                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 1,238         |
| 26             | 1,383                           | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 1,383         |
| 27             | 501                             | (97)        | 10                            | (2)        | 4                                | (1)        | 515           |
| 28             | 233                             | (99)        | 2                             | (1)        | 0                                | (0)        | 235           |
| 29             | 1,891                           | (97)        | 55                            | (3)        | 11                               | (1)        | 1,957         |
| 30             | 687                             | (100)       | 0                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 687           |
| 31             | 3,264                           | (100)       | 8                             | (0)        | 5                                | (0)        | 3,277         |
| 32             | 698                             | (97)        | 17                            | (2)        | 6                                | (1)        | 721           |
| 33             | 582                             | (98)        | 9                             | (2)        | 2                                | (0)        | 593           |
| 34             | 621                             | (98)        | 9                             | (1)        | 5                                | (1)        | 635           |
| 35             | 1,086                           | (99)        | 1                             | (0)        | 6                                | (1)        | 1,093         |
| 36             | 1,070                           | (98)        | 9                             | (1)        | 8                                | (1)        | 1,087         |
| 37             | 275                             | (99)        | 2                             | (1)        | 0                                | (0)        | 277           |
| 38             | 1,149                           | (100)       | 2                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 1,151         |
| 39             | 1,601                           | (99)        | 8                             | (0)        | 2                                | (0)        | 1,611         |
| 40             | 1,318                           | (96)        | 40                            | (3)        | 19                               | (1)        | 1,377         |
| 41             | 260                             | (98)        | 5                             | (2)        | 0                                | (0)        | 265           |
| 42             | 854                             | (96)        | 26                            | (3)        | 13                               | (1)        | 893           |
| 43             | 439                             | (97)        | 4                             | (1)        | 9                                | (2)        | 452           |
| 44             | 782                             | (100)       | 1                             | (0)        | 0                                | (0)        | 783           |
| 45             | 477                             | (98)        | 9                             | (2)        | 3                                | (1)        | 489           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>45,879</b>                   | <b>(98)</b> | <b>627</b>                    | <b>(1)</b> | <b>456</b>                       | <b>(1)</b> | <b>46,962</b> |

Data are based on reports submitted by the presiding judge of each circuit as required by Court Operating Rule 23.01.

**Table 70**  
**Circuit Court, FY14**  
**Child Abuse and Neglect Hearings - Reason for Delay**

| <b>Reason for Delay</b>             | <b>#</b>     | <b>(%)</b>    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Unavailable Court Date              | 178          | 16.4%         |
| Unavailable Judicial Officer        | 21           | 1.9%          |
| Unavailable Counsel/GAL             | 106          | 9.8%          |
| Unavailable Lay Witness             | 2            | 0.2%          |
| Unavailable Professional Witness    | 4            | 0.4%          |
| Unavailable Medical Evidence        | 25           | 2.3%          |
| Unavailable Child Service Worker    | 15           | 1.4%          |
| Unavailable Juvenile Officer        | 2            | 0.2%          |
| Unavailable Parent                  | 57           | 5.3%          |
| Unavailable Report from Third Party | 0            | 0.0%          |
| Unavailable Report from DSS CD      | 9            | 0.8%          |
| Change of Judge                     | 42           | 3.9%          |
| Contested Hearing Requested         | 136          | 12.6%         |
| Parent Requesting Attorney          | 131          | 12.1%         |
| Unsuccessful Service                | 72           | 6.6%          |
| Order for Publication Issued        | 18           | 1.7%          |
| Other                               | 261          | 24.1%         |
| Reason Not Reported*                | 4            | 0.4%          |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>1,083</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

\*Category "Reason Not Reported" is now being reported when delay reasons are not provided.