



13th Judicial Circuit of Missouri
Serving Boone and Callaway Counties

Jury Service

Jury Panel & Trial Data
2024

Annual Overview from the Jury Supervisor

I am happy to report that 2024 has been another great year for the Jury Commission, with continued progress in policy and public services for the people in Boone and Callaway counties. Specific advancements included a revision to the wording and orientation of our Jury Registration Notice and Summons. The Summons was also updated with a QR Code, which directs a user to our local website. This project was recommended by the National Center for State Courts, and applied by the 13th Circuit with the goal of improving juror response. Another revision was dedicated to further the accessibility of our electronic material, in accordance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act. As such, we have directed our focus to ensure all of our PDF documents are following these guidelines. Our Boone County seating charts were also revised, to provide for the utilization of other courtrooms, and to enhance accuracy.



We recognize the importance of being able to adapt and update our policies as time, law, and society continue to change. It is my pleasure to work with the Court and Community, upholding the integrity of 13th Circuit Jury Commission Board for years to come. Below are the statistics for 2024, presented in transparency, for the best interest of the public.

Thank you,

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Martin Hoy
Jury Supervisor

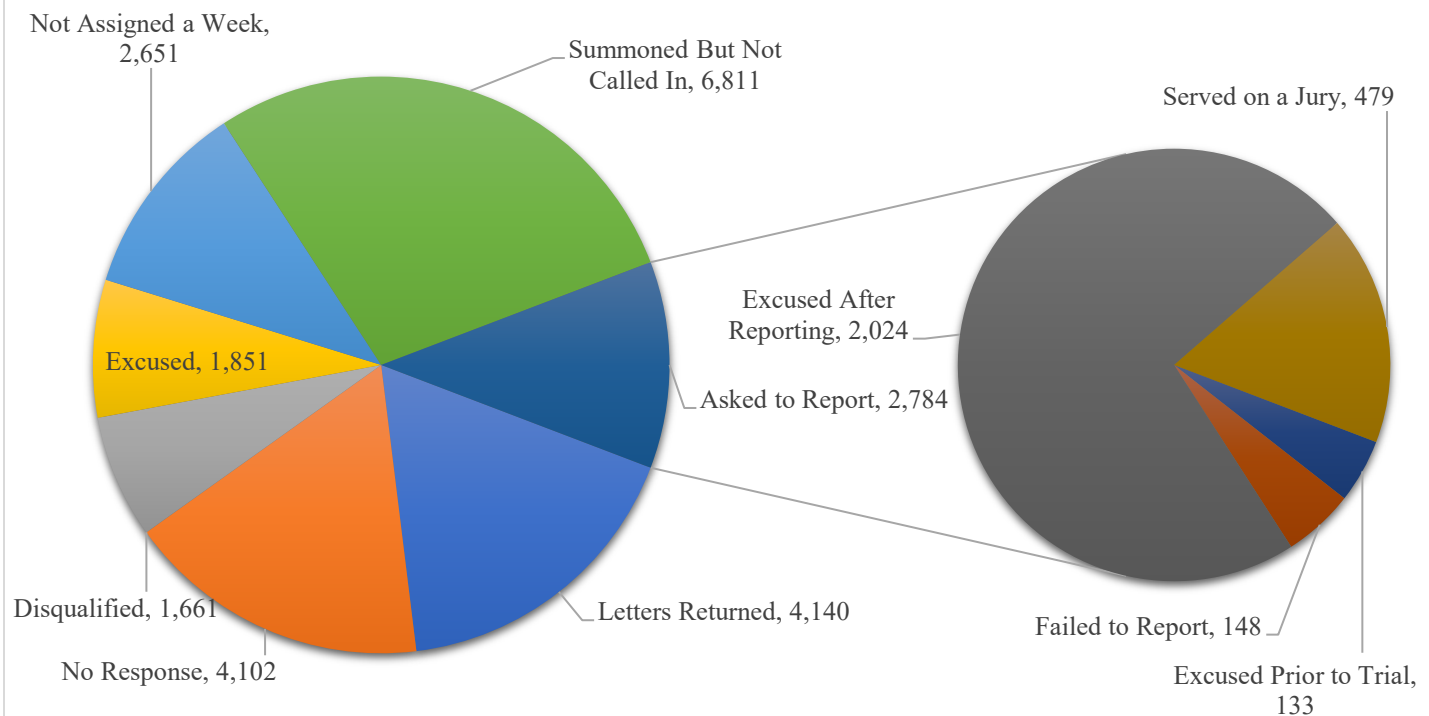
Jury Service Boone County



Jury service in Boone County consists of a two-month term of service. If selected, individuals are assigned one week during that two-month term. They are assigned a juror number and asked to call or check online every evening during their assigned week to see if they are needed for jury service.

As shown below, 24,000 questionnaires were sent out to potential jurors in Boone County in 2024. Many jurors are disqualified, excused or deferred before actually being called to serve. For 2024, 9,595 individuals were assigned a week of service but only 2,784 were asked to report. The total number of individuals who actually served on a jury was 479. The 148 jurors who failed to report were either placed in a future term or asked to report to the courthouse and appear before a judge to state why they were unable to appear for jury service.

Boone County Citizens Called for Jury Service
Total = 24,000



Boone County Jury Panel Service Overview

	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Questionnaires Sent	23,000	100%	25,625	100%	24,000	100%	24,000	100%	24,000	100%
Letters Returned	3,630	16%	4,494	17%	4,283	18%	4,197	18%	4,140	17%
No Response	4,380	19%	4,338	17%	4,162	17%	4,237	18%	4,102	17%
Disqualified	1,605	7%	1,727	7%	1,606	7%	1,552	6%	1,661	7%
Excused	1,861	8%	2,017	8%	1,810	8%	1,668	7%	1,851	8%
Eligible	11,524	50%	13,049	51%	12,139	50%	12,346	51%	12,246	51%
Eligible	11,524	100%	13,049	100%	12,139	100%	12,346	100%	12,246	100%
Reserve – Not Assigned	3,481	30%	3,724	29%	3,199	26%	2,421	20%	2,651	22%
Assigned a Week	8,043	70%	9,325	71%	8,940	74%	9,925	80%	9,595	78%
Assigned a Week	8,043	100%	9,325	100%	8,940	100%	9,925	100%	9,595	100%
Not Called In	7,033	87%	7,757	83%	7,555	85%	6,828	69%	6,811	71%
Asked to Report	1,010	13%	1,568	17%	1,385	15%	3,097	31%	2,784	29%
Asked to Report	1,010	100%	1,568	100%	1,385	100%	3,097	100%	2,784	100%
Excused Prior to Trial	12	1%	57	4%	59	4%	154	5%	133	5%
Absent	127	13%	205	13%	189	14%	189	6%	148	5%
Reported for a Panel	871	86%	1,306	83%	1,137	82%	2,754	89%	2,503	90%
Reported for a Panel	871	100%	1,306	100%	1,137	100%	2,754	100%	2,503	100%
One Panel	871	100%	1,306	100%	1,137	100%	2,645	96%	2,368	95%
Two Panels	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	109	4%	135	5%
Three or more Panels	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Excused after Reporting	685	78%	1,038	79%	882	78%	2,244	81%	2,024	81%
Served on a Jury	186	22%	268	21%	255	22%	510	19%	479	19%
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One Day	64	34%	90	34%	90	35%	182	36%	205	43%
Two Days	93	50%	94	35%	53	21%	175	34%	161	34%
Three Days	0	0%	39	15%	84	32%	54	11%	69	14%
Four Days	17	9%	14	5%	14	6%	99	19%	29	6%
More than Four Days	12	7%	31	11%	14	6%	0	0%	15	3%
Questionnaires Sent	23,000	100%	25,625	100%	24,000	100%	24,000	100%	24,000	100%
Asked to Report	1,010	4%	1,568	6%	1,385	6%	3,097	13%	2,784	12%
Served on a Jury	186	0.8%	268	1%	255	1%	510	2.1%	479	2%

Trial Statistics

Boone County

2024 carried the pace of jury trials compared to the previous year. Of the 35 jury trials held, there were 2 civil and 33 criminal verdicts returned. There was a total of 8 jury trials in the month of July 2024, which accounted for almost 21% of the yearly jury trials. Data regarding Courtrooms for 2024 presented a favoring of 3 West, showing that 38% of all jury trials were heard in the Ceremonial courtroom, 59% being heard in 3 West, and 3% being heard in 1 West.

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of Panels Reporting	15	21	19	41	38
Panels Dismissed Before Verdict Rendered	1	1	0	3	3
Number of Actual Trials	14	20	19	38	35

Divisions which had Panels Reporting for Trial

I	5	7	6	10	7
II	2	4	4	8	7
III	6	4	4	10	10
IV	2	3	3	8	6
V	0	0	1	3	3
IX	0	1	1	0	1
X	0	0	0	0	3
XI	0	2	1	1	1
Visiting Judge	0	0	0	0	0

Courtrooms Utilized

Ceremonial	10	21	17	21	14
1 West	0	1	0	2	1
3 West	4	0	2	18	22

Civil Verdicts

Plaintiff	1	5	1	1	1
Defendant	2	2	4	3	1

Criminal Verdicts

Guilty	10	8	9	22	26
Not Guilty	1	5	5	10	7

Gender of Jurors Reporting

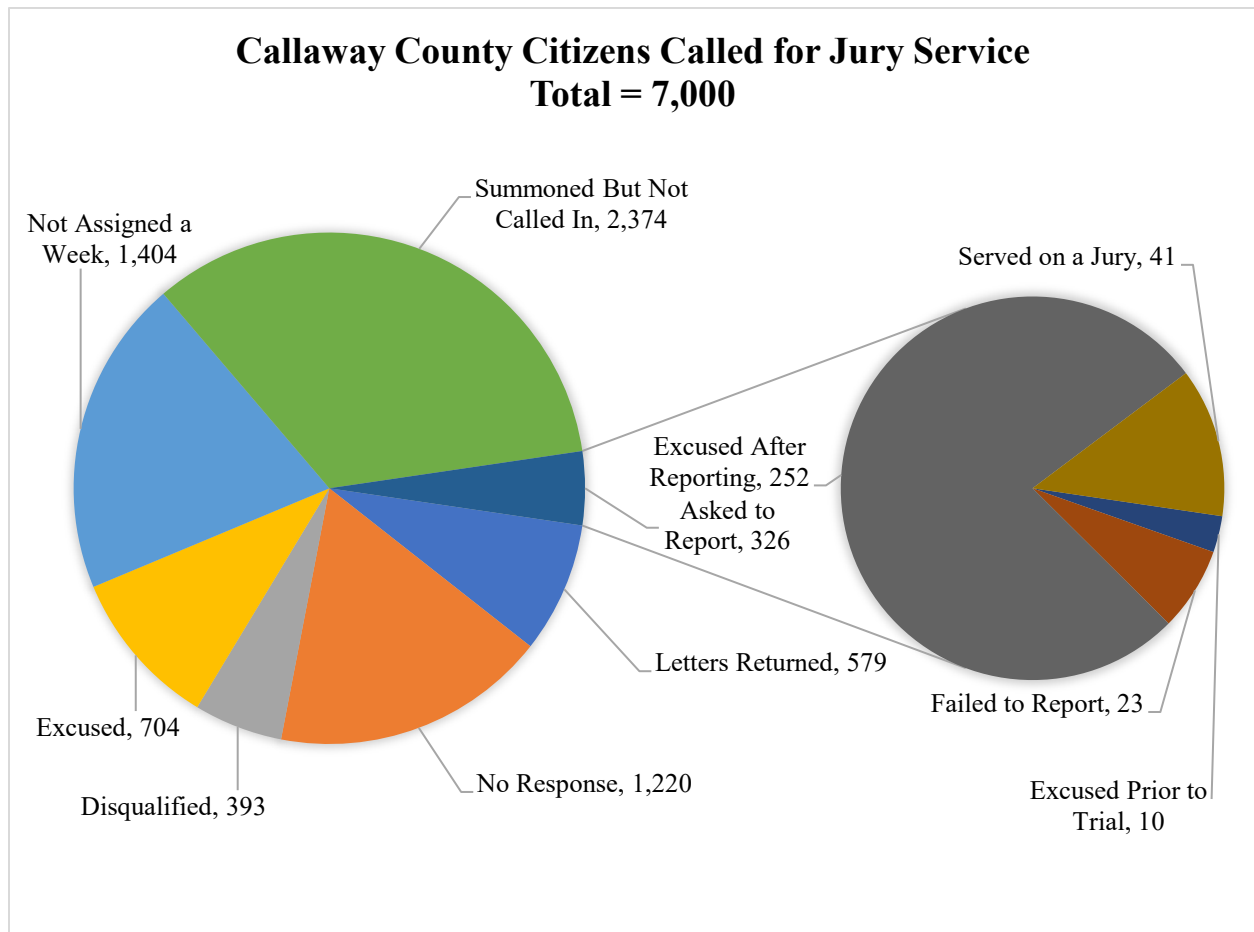
Male	331	597	523	1232	1102
Female	420	709	614	1522	1401



Jury Service Callaway County

Jury service in Callaway County consists of a three-month term of service. If selected, individuals are assigned two weeks during the quarter. They are assigned a juror number and asked to call or check online every evening during that two-week period to see if they are needed for jury service.

As shown below, 7,000 questionnaires were sent out for qualifying potential jurors in 2024. Of the 7,000 questionnaires, 2,700 individuals were assigned a two-week term of service, but only 326 were actually asked to report. The total number of individuals that served on a jury was 41. The 23 jurors who failed to report were either placed in a future term or asked to report to the courthouse and appear before a judge to state why they were unable to appear for jury service.



Callaway County Jury Panel Service Overview

	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Questionnaires Sent	7,250	100%	6,750	100%	7,000	100%	7,000	100%	7,000	100%
Letters Returned	714	10%	735	11%	759	11%	608	9%	579	8%
No Response	1,186	16%	1,112	16%	1,172	17%	1,164	17%	1,220	17%
Disqualified	524	7%	411	6%	422	6%	398	6%	393	6%
Excused	719	10%	712	11%	729	10%	687	9%	704	10%
Eligible	4,107	57%	3,780	56%	3,918	56%	4,143	59%	4,104	59%
Eligible	4,107	100%	3,780	100%	3,918	100%	4,143	100%	4,104	100%
Reserve – Not Assigned	2,436	59%	1,035	27%	1,553	40%	1,623	39%	1,404	34%
Assigned a Week	1,671	41%	2,745	73%	2,365	60%	2,520	61%	2,700	66%
Assigned a Week	1,671	100%	2,745	100%	2,365	100%	2,520	100%	2,700	100%
Not Called In	1,471	88%	2,070	75%	1,774	75%	2,210	88%	2,374	88%
Asked to Report	200	12%	675	25%	591	25%	310	12%	326	12%
Asked to Report	200	100%	675	100%	591	100%	310	100%	326	100%
Excused Prior to Trial	5	3%	20	3%	19	3%	11	3%	10	3%
Absent	34	17%	119	18%	112	19%	24	8%	23	7%
Reported for a Panel	161	80%	536	79%	460	78%	275	89%	293	90%
Reported for a Panel	161	100%	536	100%	460	100%	275	100%	293	100%
One Panel	161	100%	536	100%	428	93%	232	84%	293	100%
Two Panels	0	0%	0	0%	32	7%	43	16%	0	0%
Three or more Panels	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Excused after Reporting	122	76%	428	80%	344	75%	234	85%	252	86%
Served on a Jury	39	24%	108	20%	116	25%	41	15%	41	14%
Served on a Jury	39	100%	108	100%	116	100%	41	100%	41	100%
One Day	39	100%	26	24%	90	76%	13	32%	13	32%
Two Days	0	0%	13	12%	13	12%	13	32%	14	34%
Three Days	0	0%	55	51%	13	12%	15	36%	0	0%
Four Days	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	14	34%
More than Four Days	0	0%	14	13%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Questionnaires Sent	7,250	100%	6,750	100%	7,000	100%	7,000	100%	7,000	100%
Asked to Report	200	3%	675	10%	591	8%	310	4%	326	5%
Served on a Jury	39	0.5%	108	1.6%	116	1.7%	41	0.6%	41	0.6%

Trial Statistics Callaway County

During 2024, Callaway had an equal number of trials from the previous year. A point of interest, 2024 marks the third year in a row where Callaway heard no civil jury trials. Regarding the criminal trials heard in Callaway, all but 1 jury trial resulted in a verdict being rendered. Of the verdicts rendered in 2024, 33% returned a verdict of guilty. Of the 4 panels reporting in Callaway, the largest reported on November 5, 2024, making it the busiest month of the year. During 2024, the most jurors (180 in total) reported for trials in Division 2, accounting for 61% of all jurors reporting.

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of Panels Reporting	3	8	9	4	4
Panels Dismissed Before Verdict Rendered	0	0	1	1	1
Number of Actual Trials	3	8	8	3	3

Divisions which had Panels Reporting for Trial

I	0	2	2	1	0
II	1	3	1	0	2
III	2	2	4	0	0
IV	0	1	2	2	1
VI	0	0	0	0	1
VII	0	0	0	0	0
Visiting Judge	0	0	0	1	0

Civil Verdicts

Plaintiff	0	1	0	0	0
Defendant	0	0	0	0	0

Criminal Verdicts

Guilty	2	5	4	3	1
Not Guilty	1	2	4	0	2

Gender of Jurors Reporting

Male	77	240	196	109	116
Female	84	296	264	166	177

Jury Exit Questionnaires

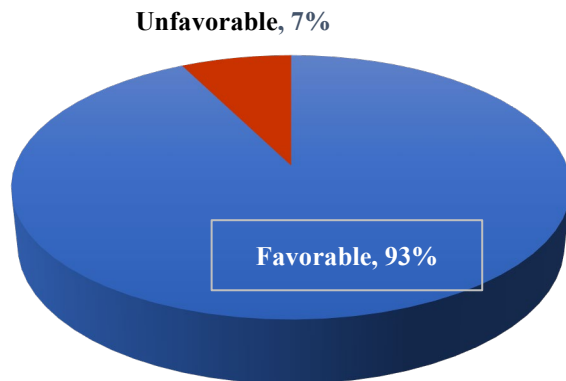
When individuals are called for jury service, it is important that they receive courteous, responsive, and respectful treatment. Exit Questionnaires were developed as a way to improve jury service throughout the 13th Judicial Circuit.

As jurors report for service, the Court Marshals and Jury Administration assist with checking attendance, preparing seating charts, and creating rosters for the judge and attorneys. After attendance has been verified, Deputy Marshals instruct panel members on how the day will proceed, the courtroom location and judge, and type of case they will be hearing that day. Those panel members assembled are presented with an Orientation Video, which provides an overview of the jury selection process. During this orientation, jurors are informed of, and provided with, an Exit Questionnaire, which they may return confidentially. Panel members are then escorted into the courtroom to begin the selection process.

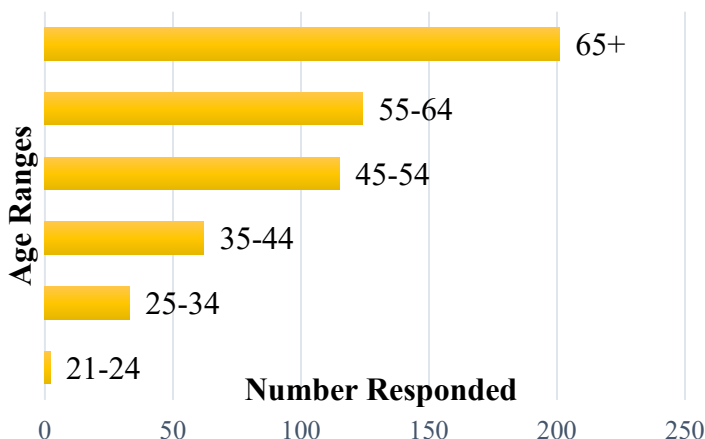
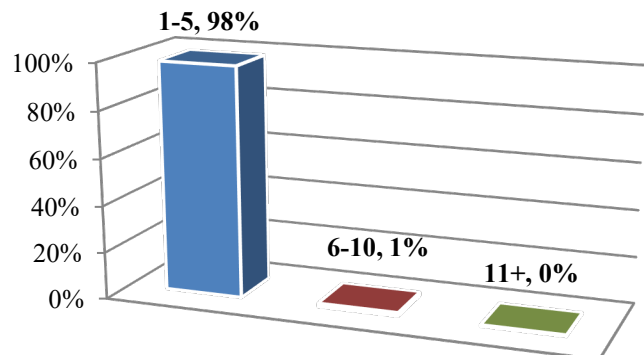
The following charts and data were compiled from answers indicated on all Exit Questionnaires returned for the year 2024. Certain categories indicate the percentage of Excellent or Good responses, out of the total 100% returned.

CHARTS ARE COMPRISED OF DATA COMBINED FROM BOONE & CALLAWAY

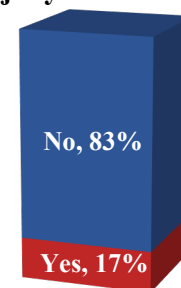
Overall Impression of Jury Service



How many days did you report to the courthouse during this period of jury service?



Did you lose any income as a result of jury service?



Jury Exit Questionnaires	¹					Boone	Callaway
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024	2024
Gender							
Men	35%	37%	37%	34%	35%	34%	37%
Women	65%	63%	63%	66%	65%	66%	66%
Age Group							
21 – 24	2%	1%	1%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%	1%
25 – 34	9%	4%	6%	7%	6%	5%	10%
35 – 44	13%	12%	17%	10%	12%	12%	10%
45 – 54	18%	17%	15%	18%	21%	21%	23%
55 – 64	24%	29%	28%	28%	23%	23%	25%
65 and over	34%	37%	33%	36%	37%	39%	30%
Prior Service							
Yes	48%	49%	49%	50%	48%	50%	39%
No	52%	51%	51%	50%	52%	50%	61%
Federal	18%	10%	11%	6%	8%	8%	9%
State	78%	84%	85%	85%	83%	85%	71%
Grand Jury	4%	6%	4%	9%	9%	7%	20%
Number of Days Reporting							
1 – 5 Days	97%	92%	85%	96%	98%	100%	91%
6 – 10 Days	3%	7%	7%	3.6%	1.3%	0.2%	6%
More than 10 Days	0%	1%	8%	0.3%	0.4%	0%	2%
Type of Case							
Civil	26%	38%	28%	5%	7%	8%	0%
Criminal	74%	62%	72%	95%	93%	92%	100%
Loss of Income							
Yes	15%	12%	14%	17%	17%	16%	17%
No	85%	88%	86%	83%	83%	84%	83%
Impression of Service							
Favorable	89%	92%	95%	92%	93%	93%	91%
Unfavorable	11%	8%	5%	8%	7%	7%	9%
²							
Scheduling of Time	79%	74%	72%	74%	75%	76%	70%
Clarity of Call-In Instructions	95%	96%	97%	95%	95%	96%	92%
Parking	86%	89%	74%	74%	79%	81%	69%
Handouts/Booklets	90%	91%	92%	91%	92%	93%	91%
Initial Orientation	96%	98%	97%	97%	97%	97%	98%
Orientation Video	80%	86%	87%	84%	90%	91%	85%
Treatment by Staff	98%	95%	98%	98%	98%	98%	99%
Treatment by Marshals	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	99%
Assembly Room	87%	83%	84%	83%	88%	89%	85%
Courtroom	80%	75%	81%	84%	86%	86%	87%
Deliberation Room	88%	89%	88%	79%	89%	90%	86%
Restrooms	90%	88%	93%	90%	88%	95%	53%
Personal Safety	95%	94%	96%	97%	97%	99%	91%

¹ These columns contain combined totals from both Boone and Callaway Counties.

² Sections below this line contain the percentage of Jurors whom responded Excellent or Good, out of 100%.