



# MICHIGAN'S JUDICIARY: JURY MANAGEMENT

Michigan Supreme Court 2019

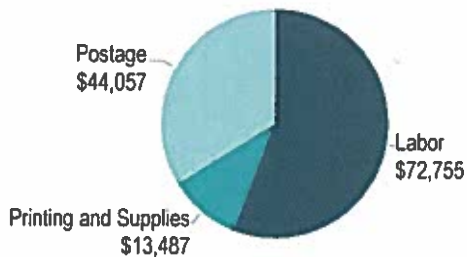
## LIVES IMPROVED, TIME (AND MONEY) SAVED

The Jury Management Performance Measure improved the lives of 113,789 Michigan residents who were not sent a questionnaire, summons or appeared for jury duty in 2017:

- 84,270 fewer people received a juror questionnaire  
[Saving \$125,000 - 4,213 staff hours]
- 5,643 fewer people received jury summons  
[Saving \$5,200 - 94 staff hours]
- 23,876 fewer people were told to report for jury duty and 4,882 fewer people actually reported for jury duty  
[Saving \$4 million in lost income/productivity and \$94,000 juror pay]

### Jury Efficiency Improved in 2017:

- Rate of jurors responding rose 3.6%.
- Rate of jurors qualified & able to serve rose 5.2%.
- Trial courts summoned 20% fewer jurors.
- Jurors who said time at court was unreasonable amount of time fell 3%.
- Trial courts told 11% fewer jurors to report to court.



## Improvements Save Courts \$130K

Michigan's 242 trial courts sent out 84,270 fewer qualification questionnaires and 5,643 fewer summonses in 2017 than in 2016. This resulted in an estimated cost savings to the local funding units of \$130,299 in postage, supplies, and labor that would have been necessary to print, mail, and process those materials.

## Nearly \$4 Million Saved for the Public

A larger improvement was realized by the fact that 4,882 fewer jurors statewide actually reported. This saved the local funding units and the juror compensation reimbursement fund at least \$94,027 in compensation and mileage. More importantly, having fewer jurors saved the jurors and their employers an estimated \$4 million in lost income and loss of productivity.

