

COMPETENCY EVALUATIONS ORDERED BY COURTS 2012-13

The following is the information requested by the Vermont House Judiciary Committee on Tuesday February 18, 2014.

Please note that these numbers include multiple orders for the same individual. With outpatient examinations, the defendant does not always show up (at times because the court fails to notify), so a second order goes out (and on rare occasions, a third). This number counts orders, not evaluations.

A. Total Competency Evaluations Ordered:



B. The following is the breakdown of where these evaluations were ordered to be done. Please note that Inpatient does indeed mean hospitals but Outpatients includes people detained in Corrections and those who are in the community.

	INPATIENT	OUTPATIENT
2012	60	365
2013	66	386

C. The chart below shows the outcome of these evaluations.

	COMPETENT	INCOMPETENT	COMPETENCY UNCLEAR	NO SHOWS
2012	198	114	7	106
2013	197	124	15	116

D. The average cost per evaluation in 2013 was \$1195.00. With 425 evaluations, the total cost of the evaluation is over \$500,000.00. It is important to note that the average is brought down by times the person refuses to meet with the psychiatrist. The average cost of a completed evaluation is closer to \$1800.