

Restitution Ordered for Felony Cases Closed in 2023¹⁵

For the purposes of this report restitution is defined as money the Court orders an individual to pay to a victim as part of a criminal sentence. This is an equitable remedy to restore a person to the position they would have been in if not for the improper action of the individual.

To obtain the population of individuals who have restitution ordered, the Statewide Supervision System¹⁶ was used to extract adults with a felony-level supervision case closed in 2023. Supervision included probation and supervised release.

- Statewide there were 1,995 adult felony closed cases that showed restitution ordered.
- A total of 36% was paid in full.
- The total restitution paid for cases closed in 2023 was \$9,374,593.

Table 1

Number of Adult Felony Cases Closed in 2023 with Restitution Ordered	State-Wide Totals	% of Total Number of Cases Closed with Restitution Ordered
Total Number of Cases Closed with Restitution Ordered	1,995	100%
Total Number Closed With Restitution Paid In Full	715	35.8%
Closed With Some Restitution Paid	362	18.1%
Closed With \$0 Restitution Paid ¹⁷	913	45.8%

Table 2

Restitution Collected from Adult Felony Cases Closed in 2023	State-Wide Totals	Total Restitution Ordered	Total Restitution Paid
Total Number of Cases Closed with Restitution Ordered	1,995	\$44,953,160	\$9,374,593
Total Number Closed With Restitution Paid In Full	715	\$7,074,634	\$7,074,634
Closed With Some Restitution Paid	362	\$29,336,472	\$1,416,630
Closed With \$0 Restitution Paid ¹⁸	913	\$8,526,754	\$0

¹⁵ Restitution collection in Hennepin County has been moved from Community Corrections to the County Attorney's office.

¹⁶ Hennepin and Ramsey Counties compiled their statistics utilizing internal financial tracking software.

¹⁷ Completion amounts are as reported in S3 and do not include any subsequent payments via revenue recapture or other civil remedies.

Table 3 reflects the changes of restitution ordered and paid over the past five years. COVID-19 had a large impact on the ordering and collection of restitution in 2020-2022. In 2023 restitution ordered reflects amounts comparable to pre-COVID.

Table 3

Years of Collection 2019—2023	% of Cases Closed with Restitution Paid in Full	Total Restitution Ordered	Total Restitution Paid
2023	35.8%	\$44,953,160	\$9,374,593
2022	28.9%	\$13,768,905	\$2,910,832
2021	30.8%	\$16,793,917	\$3,020,118
2020	37.1%	\$9,629,981	\$2,690,731
2019	28.9%	\$42,033,347	\$4,054,647