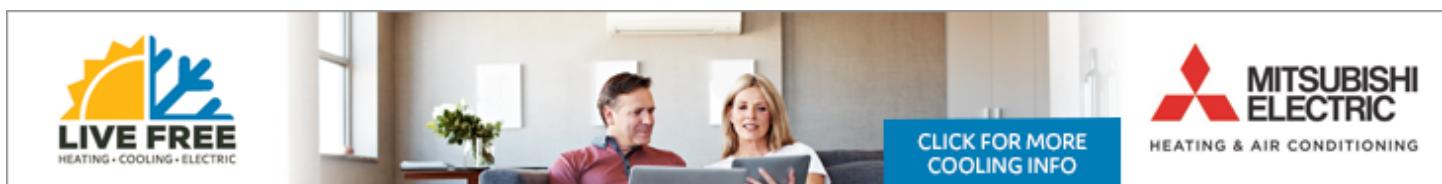


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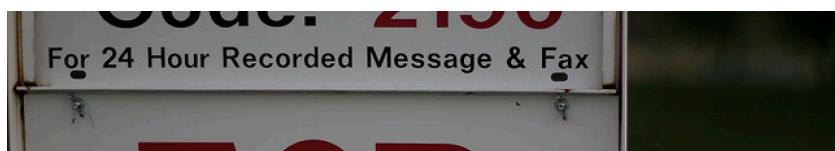


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Eviction Cases On The Rise In New Hampshire

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The New Hampshire Judicial Branch [has released court filings](#) related to landlords and tenants. [The data](#), released weekly, shows that eviction cases are on rise in New Hampshire since the state's coronavirus-related ban on evictions ended on July 1.

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Landlord-Tenant Writ Filings from the New Hampshire Judicial Branch show the number of cases filed to evict tenants in any given week. Manchester had 10 cases in the first week of July, after the state's ban on evictions ended. Cases more than doubled in the city by the second week, with 26 fresh cases filed.

([Scroll down or click here for a closer look at how COVID-19 has impacted landlord-tenant court filings.](#))

Despite the jump, Stephanie Bray of New Hampshire Legal Assistance says that the federal moratorium on evictions under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act still protects many in New Hampshire.

"If you are renting from a Section 8 voucher, or if you are renting in a subsidized complex, or if you are renting half a duplex that is financed with a loan backed by Freddie Mac...in all those situations the housing is touched by the federal government," says Bray.

Courts are also issuing forms to landlords to determine which properties are protected by the federal ban, which lasts until July 25. Eviction cases on properties protected under the federal ban will not be processed until after the ban expires.

Some tenants also have 30 days to pay rent after an eviction notice is issued, instead of the usual seven. Bray expects a fuller picture in the coming weeks.

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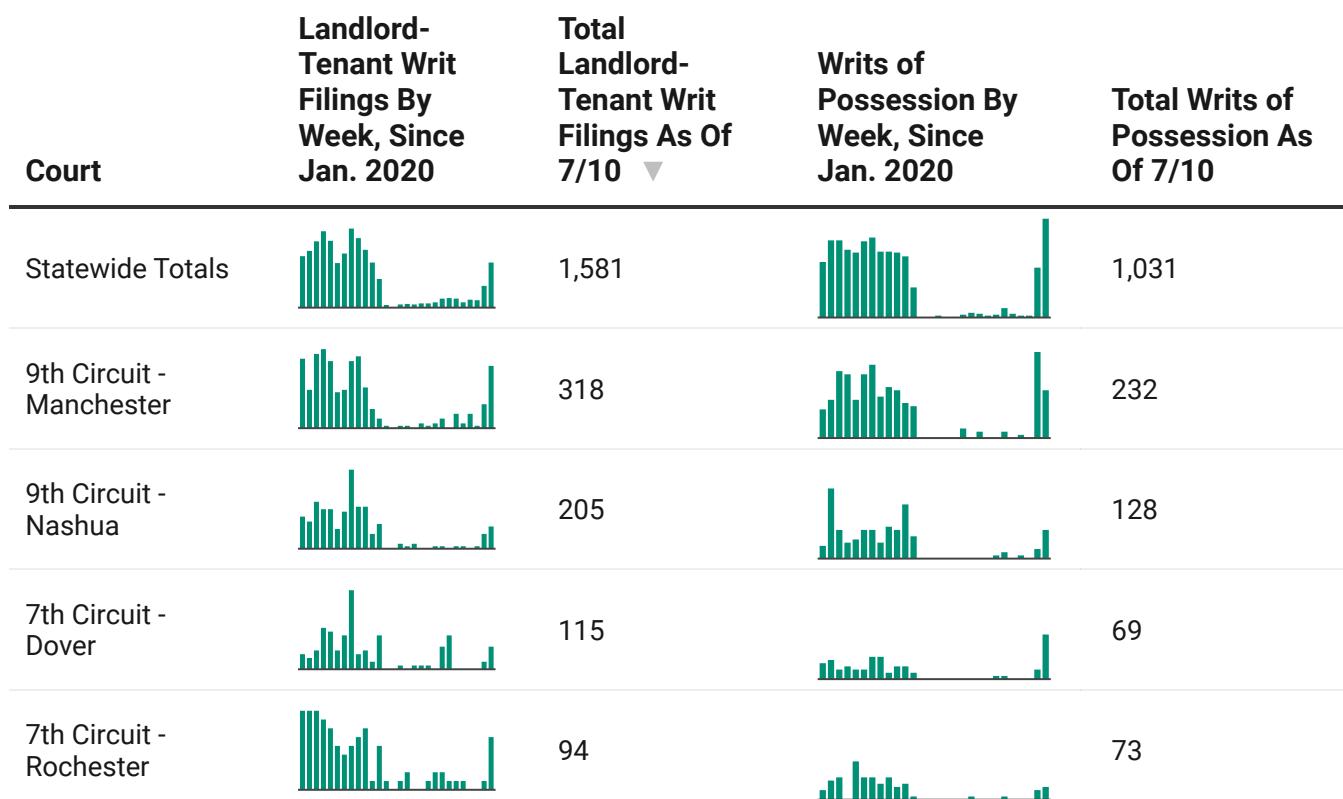
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N.H. Landlord-Tenant Disputes

The New Hampshire Judicial Branch is providing weekly data on housing-related court filings, which provide a window into the impact of the pandemic on renters. Landlord-tenant filings can cover a broad range of disputes, including "non-payment of rent, failure to comply with terms of the lease, damage to the premises, behavior adversely affecting health or safety," among other things. A writ of possession, according to New Hampshire Legal Aid, "is the court order that allows a landlord to have a tenant lawfully removed from the home." Please see below for additional notes on this data.

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*Please note: Because there are such large differences in the volume of filings seen by each court, the individual charts are plotted on different scales. This shows the changes more clearly on a week-to-week basis. We've included the total number of filings, per category and per court, to put each chart into further perspective. If you want to look more closely at the underlying data, you can find it at the links below. | Additional data notes from the New Hampshire Judicial Branch: "*Plaistow court closed 6/16/20. Writs of Possession issued by Plaistow are reported under the court to which the case was transferred (Brentwood or Salem). Counts reflect the Writs of Possession entered into the court's case management system as of the date the data was pulled. Data from recent weeks may have changed since the pull date. 12/30/19 - 7/3/20 data is as of 7/7/20 7/6/20 - 7/10/20 data is as of 7/14/20."*

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