Pace of Opinions

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court releases merits opinions throughout the Term, beginning in October and ending in June. This chart includes both opinions released after full briefing and summary reversals. Here, as in the Pace of Grants chart, cases are categorized by their release within a given sitting, rather than by calendar month. For example, opinions for Feb #3 could be released during the first week of March.

Pace of Grants

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court fills its merits docket for a given Term. Each date marker represents the conference within a given sitting. For instance, Feb #3 is the third February conference, which actually took place on March 5, 2012. Categorizing grants by their conference within a given sitting ensures more accurate cross-term comparisons. Towards the same end, the chart below counts *Kiobel* as a OT11 “grant,” rather than as a OT12 grant.