

Merits Opinions

This chart places the number of merits opinions from OT13 into historical perspective. The Court released seventy-three merits opinions, including sixty-seven signed opinions, which is a dramatic decline from only a few decades ago. Except for the data from OT13, the data in this chart is drawn from the Supreme Court's annual Journals, which have included useful statistics since the 1930s. This chart displays the number of cases disposed of by signed opinion and, unlike most of the tables and graphs in our Stat Pack, counts cases consolidated as separate decisions. The chart runs from October Term 1932 to October Term 2013.

