

Anti Spam Filter Statistics
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Since the anti spam server was installed on August 28, 2003:

- The Judicial Branch email system received 705,138 messages.
- 481,810 of the above 705,138 (68.3%) were blocked by the anti spam server.

Another way to look at the “cost” of spam would be:

481,810 messages stopped by the anti spam server
5 seconds would have otherwise been spent deleting each spam message
Resulting in 2,409,050 seconds saved / 40,151 minutes saved / 669.2 hours saved
\$26.07 average state court employee hourly wage
\$17,446.04 saved through the use of the anti-spam filter's use.

It is also interesting to note that there is an upward trend in the ratio of spam to legitimate email being received.

- Testing in late 2002/early 2003 showed roughly 30% of the email being spam.
- Implementation of the server in 8/2003, showed roughly 60% of the email being spam.
- Now on average, over 68% of the email being sent to the judicial email server is spam. Including 70% during November, 2003 and 74% during December, 2003.