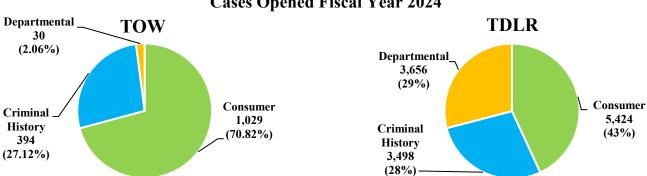
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Tow Companies and Operators (TOW)

Key Statistics	TOW Fiscal Year 2024	TDLR Fiscal Year 2024
Complaints Received by Source	9,425	122,942
Consumer complaints	2,512	13,669
Department initiated complaints	30	3,733
Criminal History Records reviewed for licensure	6,883	105,540
Cases Opened	1,453	12,578
Consumer	1,029	5,424
Departmental	30	3,656
Criminal History	394	3,498
Cases Closed	1,299	13,449
Consumer	908	5,511
Departmental	22	4,554
Criminal History	369	3,384
Average Time to Close (days)	228.12	199.58
% of Cases Resolved Within 6 Months	54.12%	57.67%
% of Cases Resulting in Disciplinary Action	4.93%	9.56%
% of Cases Not Resulting in Disciplinary Action	95.07%	90.44%
Open Cases Pending at End of Fiscal Year	1,095	7,433
Cases Referred to SOAH	17	52
Contested Cases Heard at SOAH	9	22
Formal Case Outcomes	TOW Fiscal Year 2024	TDLR Fiscal Year 2024
Final Orders	65	1,287
Agreed Orders	28	672
Commission Orders	5	14
Default Orders	27	496
Denied by Operation of Law	0	3
Revocation by Operation of Law	5	100
Suspension by Operation of Law	0	2
Average Penalty Assessed on Orders	\$1,286.44	\$3,205.97
Total Penalties Assessed	\$75,900.00	\$3,792,665.00
Total Penalties Collected	\$38,100.00	\$2,092,876.00
Total Disciplinary Suspensions and Revocations	4	110
Licenses Revoked (Disciplinary)	3	103
Licenses Suspended (Disciplinary)	1	7
Licenses Denied/Suspended/Revoked (Criminal History)	16	176
Restricted Licenses Granted	0	7
Cases Filed in District Court	0	2
Other Case Actions	TOW Fiscal Year 2024	TDLR Fiscal Year 2024
Consumer Restitution	\$42,694.80	\$402,875.87
Warning Letters	144	4,907
Other Cases Closed without Disciplinary Actions	1,091	7,256
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Cease & Desist Orders	2	5

Cases Opened Fiscal Year 2024



Top TOW Alleged Violations at Opening

Fiscal Year 2024		
Alleged Violation at Opening	Count	
Towed without authority, an illegal tow	570	
Criminal history	393	
Lacked honesty, trustworthiness, or integrity	108	
Charged more than allowed for a tow	93	
Failed tow in safe or competent manner	66	
Towed without proper signage	60	
No tow company license	44	
Charged for things not related to tow	39	
Expired tow company license	30	
Failed to have proper information on ticket	28	

Top TOW Violations Resulting in Disciplinary Action

Fiscal Year 2024		
Violation Resulting in Disciplinary Action	Count	
Criminal history	14	
Failed to cooperate with Department	12	
Towed without authority, an illegal tow	10	
Employed unlicensed person	5	
Failed to issue ticket	4	
No tow company license	4	
Lacked honesty, trustworthiness, or integrity	3	
Towed without proper signage	3	
Failed to maintain insurance	2	
Exceeded maximum charge for drop fee	2	
Failed to pay judgement	2	
Charged more than allowed for tow	2	
Failed to pay dishonored check	2	
Expired tow company license	2	
Towed without proper notice	2	