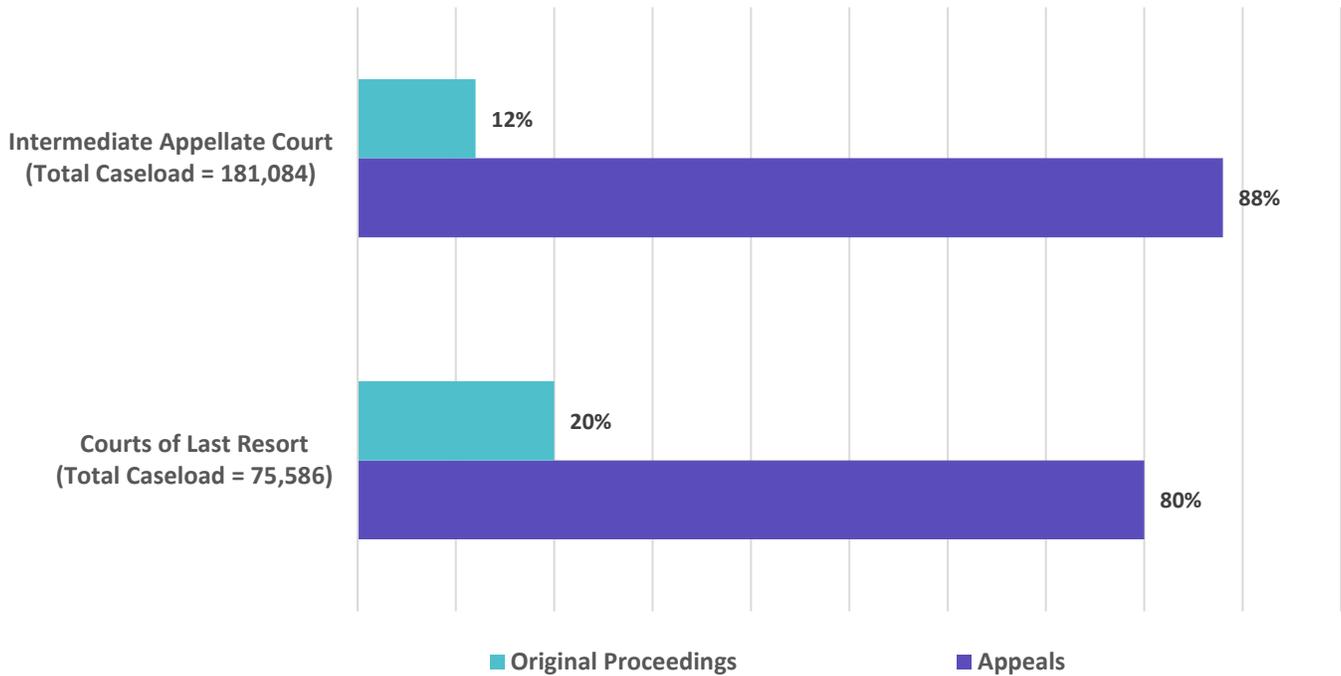


**Distribution of Caseloads, by Case Category, 2016**



Courts of Last Resort process a somewhat higher percentage of original proceeding cases than do Intermediate Appellate Courts as they are more likely to have jurisdiction for the licensing and disciplining of professionals such as judges, attorneys, interpreters, and guardians. They are also more likely to have jurisdiction for certified questions and advisory opinions, cases in which the court is asked to interpret or resolve a question of law.