

STATISTICS ON WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT DECISIONS, 1969-1970

Four-to-Three Decisions

4-3 Alignments

Justices	Total	Case Names
Wilkie, Hallows, Heffernan, Beilfuss	1	<i>State ex rel. Furlong v. County Court for Waukesha County</i>
Beilfuss, C. Hansen, Hanley, R. Hansen	2	<i>Garcia v. Hargrove; Ver Hagen v. Gibbons</i>
Wilkie, Hallows, Heffernan, Hanley	1	<i>Klinzing v. Huck</i>
Heffernan, Beilfuss, C. Hansen, Hanley	1	<i>Luber v. Milwaukee County</i>
Hallows, C. Hansen, Hanley, R. Hansen	1	<i>Williams v. Rank &amp; Son Buick</i>

4-3 Membership in the Majority

Justice	Votes
Wilkie	2
Hallows	3
Heffernan	3
Beilfuss	4
C. Hansen	4
Hanley	5
R. Hansen	3

4-3 Majority Opinions Authored

	Opinions
Wilkie	2
Hallows	0
Heffernan	0
Beilfuss	0
C. Hansen	1
Hanley	3
R. Hansen	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>

Decisions by Vote Split<sup>1</sup>

7-0 (or 6-0, 5-0)	6-1	5-2	4-3
272/293 (93%)	8/293 (3%)	7/293 (2%)	6/293 (2%)
<i>Dillon v. Dillon</i>	<i>State ex rel. Lewis v. Lutheran Social Services</i>	<i>Entzminger v. Ford Motor Co.</i>	<i>State ex rel. Furlong v. County Court for Waukesha County</i>
<i>Hayes v. State</i>	<i>Vincent v. Pabst Brewing Co.</i>	<i>Mequon v. Bruseth</i>	<i>Garcia v. Hargrove</i>
<i>Cole v. Sears Roebuck &amp; Co.</i>	<i>State ex rel. Schopf v. Schubert</i>	<i>Jones v. State</i>	<i>Luber v. Milwaukee County</i>
<i>Gibson v. State</i>	<i>State ex rel. Hippler v. Baraboo</i>	<i>Beloit v. Towns of Beloit, Turtle &amp; Rock</i>	<i>Williams v. Rank &amp; Son Buick, Inc.</i>
<i>State ex rel. Cullen v. Ceci</i>	<i>Riley v. State</i>	<i>Lorenz v. Wolff</i>	<i>Ver Hagen v. Gibbons</i>
<i>Larson v. Fetherston</i>	<i>State v. Williams</i>	<i>Dickhut v. Norton</i>	<i>Klinzing v. Huck</i>
<i>Ernst v. State</i>	<i>Henricksen v. McCarroll</i>	<i>State ex rel. Hartwig's Poultry Farm, Inc. v. Bunde</i>	
<i>Sahloff v. Western Casualty &amp; Surety Co.</i>	<i>Czarnik v. Sampson Enterprises, Inc.</i>		
<i>Cramer v. Theda Clark Memorial Hospital</i>			
<i>Molloy v. Molloy</i>			
<i>Premonstratensian Fathers v. Badger Mut. Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Chayka</i>			
<i>Kemp v. Wisconsin Electric Power Co.</i>			
<i>Breunig v. American Family Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Jost v. Dairyland Power Cooperative</i>			
<i>Lacey v. Lacey</i>			
<i>Amidzich v. Charter Oak Fire Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Wright v. State</i>			
<i>Copeland v. Larson</i>			
<i>State v. Dombrowski</i>			
<i>State v. Wolfe</i>			
<i>State v. Davidson</i>			
<i>Reese v. Associated Hospital Service, Inc.</i>			
<i>Morales v. State</i>			
<i>State v. Richardson</i>			

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<sup>1</sup> In few instances, a justice authored a separate opinion that concurred in part and dissented in part. For this and other tables, each such vote has been categorized as either a dissent or a concurrence according to the following guidelines. If a justice's opinion dissented from the result on one or more issues, it was classified as a dissent. If the opinion concurred with the result on all issues but disputed the majority's reasoning on one or more issues, it was classified as a concurrence.

<i>Grognet v. Fox Valley Trucking Service</i>			
<i>Kachian v. Optometry Examining Bd.</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Warren v. Reuter</i>			
<i>Mortgage Associates, Inc. v. Monona Shores, Inc.</i>			
<i>Insurance Co. of North America v. Department of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Zupancic v. Schimenz</i>			
<i>Posnanski v. Hood</i>			
<i>Heaston v. Austin</i>			
<i>Rabata v. Dohner</i>			
<i>Schnuth v. Harrison</i>			
<i>State v. Ritchie</i>			
<i>Herbst v. Hansen</i>			
<i>Voeltzke v. Kenosha Memorial Hospital, Inc.</i>			
<i>Chart v. Gutmann</i>			
<i>State v. Weidner</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Mueller</i>			
<i>White v. State</i>			
<i>Embry v. State</i>			
<i>Interstate Fire &amp; Casualty Co. v. Milwaukee</i>			
<i>Jonas v. Northeastern Mut. Fire Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>State v. Carter</i>			
<i>Williams v. State</i>			
<i>Beverly v. State</i>			
<i>Dobs v. State</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Jefferson v. Roraff</i>			
<i>Britton v. State</i>			
<i>Hagen v. Parker</i>			
<i>Ekstrom v. State</i>			
<i>Kruse v. State</i>			
<i>Schuster v. St. Vincent Hospital, etc.</i>			
<i>State v. Kramer</i>			
<i>Goff v. Massachusetts Protective Asso.</i>			
<i>Kamikawa v. Keskinen</i>			
<i>McDonald v. Aetna Casualty &amp; Surety Co.</i>			
<i>Mercantile Contract Purchase Corp. v. Melnick</i>			
<i>Menard v. Jiffy Self-Service Dry Cleaning, Inc.</i>			
<i>Schipper v. Schipper</i>			
<i>Sharlow v. State</i>			
<i>State v. Guiden</i>			
<i>State v. Knoblock</i>			
<i>Columbia International Corp. v. Kempler</i>			
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<i>Cary v. Cary</i>			
<i>Capitol Indem. Corp. v. Morris</i>			
<i>Novak v. Agenda</i>			
<i>State v. Christopher</i>			
<i>State v. La Fernier</i>			
<i>State v. McCarty</i>			
<i>United Farm Agency, Inc. v. Niemuth</i>			
<i>Quality Lumber &amp; Coal Co. v. Kemp</i>			
<i>Milwaukee v. Christopher</i>			
<i>Taylor v. State Highway Com.</i>			
<i>Margoles v. Wisconsin State Bd. of Medical Examiners</i>			
<i>State v. Towne</i>			
<i>Martin v. Martin</i>			
<i>Gochenaur v. Gochenaur</i>			
<i>In re Guardianship of Claus</i>			
<i>Leeder v. Leeder</i>			
<i>Schramski v. Hanson</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Polk v. Johnson</i>			
<i>Tuschel v. Haasch</i>			
<i>Neely v. State</i>			
<i>All Electric Service, Inc. v. Matousek</i>			
<i>Cheney v. State</i>			
<i>Heup v. Heup</i>			
<i>Munyon v. Moe</i>			
<i>Dahl v. K-Mart</i>			
<i>Gonzales v. State</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Rosenstein</i>			
<i>Kamp v. Curtis</i>			
<i>Nadolinski v. State</i>			
<i>Sartin v. State</i>			
<i>Seraphine v. Hardiman</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Conn v. Board of Trustees</i>			
<i>State v. Blake</i>			
<i>State v. Watson</i>			
<i>Schwamb v. State</i>			
<i>State v. Schneidewind</i>			
<i>International Trading Co. v. J. C. Penney Co.</i>			
<i>A. O. Smith Corp. v. Bartelt</i>			
<i>Brisk v. State</i>			
<i>Crummel v. State</i>			
<i>Fond Du Lac v. Dep't of Natural Resources</i>			
<i>Frisbie v. Department of Indus., Labor &amp; Human Rels.</i>			
<i>Hajec v. Novitzke</i>			
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<i>Plummer v. Leonhard</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Cabott, Inc. v. Wojcik</i>			
<i>State v. Carmody</i>			
<i>State v. Stockman</i>			
<i>Sturgis v. Margetts</i>			
<i>Wittka v. Hartnell</i>			
<i>Waukesha Memorial Hospital, Inc. v. Baird</i>			
<i>Bostonian Homes, Inc. v. Struck</i>			
<i>Burks v. Dep't of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
<i>Commercial Discount Corp. v. Larson</i>			
<i>Everlite Mfg. Co. v. Grand Valley Machine &amp; Tool Co.</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Boerner</i>			
<i>In re Estates of Beisbier</i>			
<i>Komorowski v. Kozicki</i>			
<i>Kramer Heating &amp; Mfg., Inc. v. United Bonding Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Lasnicka v. Lasnicka</i>			
<i>More-Way North Corp. v. State Highway Com.</i>			
<i>Mutual Federal Sav. &amp; Loan Ass'n v. Savings &amp; Loan Review Board</i>			
<i>Price County Tel. Co. v. Lord</i>			
<i>Rank v. Lease Associates, Inc.</i>			
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<i>State v. James</i>			
<i>State v. Kitowski</i>			
<i>State v. Zick</i>			
<i>Hicks v. State</i>			
<i>Will v. Dep't of Health &amp; Social Services</i>			
<i>Wilkins v. Durand</i>			
<i>Beaulieu v. Minnehoma Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Edwards v. State</i>			
<i>Gray v. Rural Casualty Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Harte v. Eagle River</i>			
<i>Heaney v. Oshkosh</i>			
<i>Huset v. Milwaukee Dressed Beef Co.</i>			
<i>Madison v. McManus</i>			
<i>Strozewski v. American Family Mut. Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Thornbery v. MGS Co.</i>			
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<i>Karlin v. State</i>			
<i>Johnson v. State</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Kradwell</i>			
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<i>Madgett v. Monroe County Mut. Tornado Ins. Co.</i>			
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<i>Lakeshore Commercial Finance Corp. v. Bradford Arms Corp.</i>			
<i>York v. State</i>			
<i>Wisconsin Dep't of Revenue v. Dziubek</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Nottingham</i>			
<i>Abraham v. State</i>			
<i>Capello v. Janeczko</i>			
<i>Heritage Mut. Ins. Co. v. Thoma</i>			
<i>H &amp; P Co., Inc. v. Pabst Motors, Inc.</i>			
<i>Chicago, M., S. P. &amp; P. R. Co. v. Milwaukee</i>			
<i>In re Estate of MacLean</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Molay</i>			
<i>Sams v. Nowak</i>			
<i>Worsch v. Dep't of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
<i>Bliwas v. Bliwas</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Markarian v. Cudahy</i>			
<i>Fuchs v. Old Line Life Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Kjellsen v. Stonecrest, Inc.</i>			
<i>Lovesee v. Allied Development Corp.</i>			
<i>Sportservice Corp. v. Freehold Racing Asso.</i>			
<i>Williams v. Williams</i>			
<i>Schroeder v. Northern States Power Co.</i>			
<i>Look v. Zignego Contractors, Inc.</i>			
<i>Estate of Markofske v. Cotter</i>			
<i>Kimball v. Swanson</i>			
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<i>Madison Metropolitan Sewerage Dist. v. Stein</i>			
<i>State v. Moffett</i>			
<i>Bethards v. State</i>			
<i>Carr v. Amusement, Inc.</i>			
<i>Estate of McGonigal v. Pribnow</i>			
<i>Freyer v. Mutual Ben. Health &amp; Acci. Ass'n</i>			
<i>Goetsch v. State</i>			
<i>In re Estate of Hillery</i>			
<i>Kiefer v. State Highway Com.</i>			
<i>Lemerond v. State</i>			
<i>Meunier v. State</i>			
<i>Olson v. Hardware Dealers Mut. Fire Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>State v. Helnik</i>			
<i>Wozniak v. United Electrical, Radio &amp; Machine Workers</i>			
<i>Broadbent v. Hegge</i>			
<i>Cadden v. Milwaukee County</i>			
<i>Chicago Title Ins. Co. v. Milwaukee</i>			
<i>Grefco, Inc. v. Franklin Roofing Supply, Inc.</i>			
<i>Heyse v. Heyse</i>			
<i>Petroski v. Eaton Yale &amp; Towne, Inc.</i>			
<i>Pitsch v. Dep't of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
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<i>Cross v. Hebl</i>			
<i>Maziasz v. Anderson</i>			
<i>Milwaukee v. Berry</i>			
<i>Mitchell v. State</i>			
<i>Phoenix Ins. Co. v. Wisconsin Southern Gas Co.</i>			
<i>Price v. Ross</i>			
<i>Schwartz v. Evangelical Deaconess Soc.</i>			
<i>State v. Smith</i>			
<i>Wangen v. Leum</i>			
<i>Wisconsin Power &amp; Light Co. v. Public Service Com.</i>			
<i>Witzel v. State</i>			
<i>Boyles v. State</i>			
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<i>Allied Mfg., Inc. v. Dep't of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
<i>Sperbeck v. Dep't of Industry, Labor &amp; Human Relations</i>			
<i>Wilder v. Classified Risk Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>Burnside v. Evangelical Deaconess Hospital</i>			
<i>Haines v. Mid-Century Ins. Co.</i>			
<i>State ex rel. Groppi v. Leslie</i> (per curiam, 7-0)			
<i>Monroe v. Zentner</i> (per curiam, 7-0)			
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<i>Cross v. State</i> (6-0)			
<i>Mason v. Mason</i> (6-0)			
<i>Winton v. Gersmehl</i> (6-0)			
<i>Rust v. Rust</i> (6-0)			
<i>State v. Mueller</i> (6-0)			
<i>Berkoff v. Dep't of Bldg. Inspection &amp; Safety Engineering</i> (6-0)			
<i>State ex rel. Lyons v. De Valk</i> (6-0)			
<i>Martineau v. State Conservation Com.</i> (6-0)			
<i>Waldo v. Journal Co.</i> (6-0)			
<i>Gramling v. Wauwatosa</i> (6-0)			
<i>Metropolitan Sav. &amp; Loan Ass'n v. Zuelke's, Inc.</i> (6-0)			
<i>Jolin v. Oster</i> (6-0)			
<i>Krause v. Milwaukee Mut. Ins. Co.</i> (6-0)			
<i>Fond Du Lac Plaza, Inc. v. H. C. Prange Co.</i> (6-0)			
<i>State ex rel. Singer v. Boos</i> (5-0)			
<i>Rausser v. Rausser</i> (5-0)			



Frequency in the Majority

These tables display how frequently each justice voted in the majority in decisions filed during the 1969-70 term. The first table includes all cases in which a justice voted, while the second table includes only cases decided by split votes.

## All Cases

Justice	Majority Votes Cast	Total Votes Cast	Percent in Majority
Wilkie	285	290	<b>98%</b>
Hallows	280	290	<b>97%</b>
Heffernan	287	291	<b>99%</b>
Beilfuss	285	288	<b>99%</b>
C. Hansen	289	293	<b>99%</b>
Hanley	285	289	<b>99%</b>
R. Hansen	281	291	<b>97%</b>

## Non-Unanimous Decisions

Justice	Majority Votes Cast	Total Votes Cast	Percent in Majority
Wilkie	16	21	<b>76%</b>
Hallows	11	21	<b>52%</b>
Heffernan	17	21	<b>81%</b>
Beilfuss	18	21	<b>86%</b>
C. Hansen	17	21	<b>81%</b>
Hanley	17	21	<b>81%</b>
R. Hansen	11	21	<b>52%</b>

Opinions Authored

The first table indicates how many majority opinions a justice authored in cases decided by each of the four possible majority vote totals. The second table shows how many concurrences and dissents each justice wrote.<sup>2</sup>

Opinion Author	7-0 (or 6-0, 5-0)	6-1	5-2	4-3
Wilkie	37	1	3	2
Hallows	41	0	1	0
Heffernan	40	1	1	0
Beilfuss	37	3	1	0
C. Hansen	37	1	1	1
Hanley	37	2	0	3
R. Hansen	41	0	0	0

Opinion Author	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions
Wilkie	2	4
Hallows	1	8
Heffernan	1	0
Beilfuss	0	1
C. Hansen	0	1
Hanley	0	0
R. Hansen	5	7

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<sup>2</sup> *Per curiam* decisions are not included.



Days Between Oral Argument and Opinion Filing

This table shows the average number of days between oral argument and the filing of majority (or lead) opinions authored by each of the justices. Given that a variety of factors could influence the length of time between oral argument and the filing of an opinion in a particular case—including the time taken by other justices to write concurring or dissenting opinions—averages for individual justices should be compared over an extended period. (Of course, the table does not include *per curiam* decisions.)

	<b>Number of Majority/Lead Opinions Authored in Cases that Included Oral Argument</b>	<b>Ave. No. of Days From Oral Argument to Opinion Filing</b>
Wilkie	43	31
Hallows	42	30
Heffernan	42	29
Beilfuss	41	31
C. Hansen	40	33
Hanley	42	28
R. Hansen	41	29