

California Trial Courts
Effective Dates of Unification
(as of January 29, 2001)

Unification of the California trial courts is pursuant to the California Constitution,
article VI, 5(e), enacted through Proposition 220,
approved June 2, 1998 (Stats. 1996, ch. 36; SCA 4)

	County	Unification Effective Date
1	Alameda	7/31/98
2	Alpine	7/1/98
3	Amador	7/1/98
4	Butte	6/3/98
5	Calaveras	6/3/98
6	Colusa	9/1/98
7	Contra Costa	6/8/98
8	Del Norte	6/17/98
9	El Dorado	8/1/98
10	Fresno	7/1/98
11	Glenn	7/31/98
12	Humboldt	6/10/98
13	Imperial	6/22/98
14	Inyo	7/1/98
15	Kern	7/1/00
16	Kings*	2/8/01
17	Lake	6/30/98
18	Lassen	12/31/98
19	Los Angeles	1/22/00
20	Madera	7/1/98
21	Marin	6/11/98
22	Mariposa	6/3/98
23	Mendocino	8/1/98
24	Merced*	8/3/98
25	Modoc	9/20/99
26	Mono	2/1/99
27	Monterey*	12/18/00
28	Napa	6/3/98
29	Nevada	7/1/98
30	Orange	8/10/98
31	Placer	6/30/98
32	Plumas	7/1/98
33	Riverside	7/29/98
34	Sacramento	6/17/98
35	San Benito	9/1/98
36	San Bernardino	8/10/98
37	San Diego	12/1/98
38	San Francisco	12/31/98
39	San Joaquin	6/8/98
40	San Luis Obispo	7/1/98
41	San Mateo	6/12/98
42	Santa Barbara	8/3/98
43	Santa Clara	7/30/98
44	Santa Cruz	7/1/98
45	Shasta	6/3/98
46	Sierra	7/1/98
47	Siskiyou	6/4/98

	County	Unification Effective Date
48	Solano	8/3/98
49	Sonoma	6/12/98
50	Stanislaus	7/31/98
51	Sutter	6/3/98
52	Tehama	8/1/98
53	Trinity	7/1/98
54	Tulare	7/27/98
55	Tuolumne	4/23/99
56	Ventura	6/10/98
57	Yolo	6/3/98
58	Yuba*	4/16/99

Note: An asterisk(*) identifies counties that were designated by the U.S. Department of Justice as covered jurisdictions or preclearance counties (Kings, Merced, Monterey, Yuba) for the Voting Rights Act of 1965.