



Explanatory Notes on Main Statistical Indicators

Lawyers refer to professionals who have obtained a lawyer's practice certificate in accordance with the law, and act as legal advisers, agents in criminal or civil lawsuits, or defenders in criminal lawsuits, to handle non-litigious legal affairs, to advise on legal inquiries, to draft legal documents, or to provide the public with legal services.

Notarization refers to legally binding judicial notary documents, developed at the request of the interested party based on facts and the law following certain legal proceedings.

Notary Personnel refer to people working for notary offices including: directors, deputy directors, notaries, assistant notaries and other people providing assistance.

Assistant Notary refers to the full-time staff who assist the notary in the notary office to complete different auxiliary tasks of notarization.

Approval for Arrest refers to the decision made by the People's Procuratorates, in accordance with the law and relevant facts and after due investigation, to approve the arrest of the

suspect(s) as proposed by the public security departments, state security departments or prisons authority. This indicator reflects approved arrests made by the People's Procuratorates that are proposed by related departments.

Decision on Arrest refers to decision made by the People's Procuratorates, in accordance with laws, to arrest the suspect(s) in the cases that are accepted and to be investigated by the People's Procuratorates. This indicator mainly reflects the decision on execution of the authority of arrests by the People's Procuratorates.

Initiation of Public Prosecution refers to the prosecution submitted to the People's Court for trial on behalf of the country by the People's Procuratorates, based on the fact that the suspect(s) is deemed to meet the legal requirements for prosecution after the People's Procuratorates have conducted investigations on the cases transferred by the public security organs.