

**Case Participations¹ in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
On Cases Submitted On Briefs Or Orally Argued
During The 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2016 Through 2021**

Circuit and Year	Total Case Participations	Resident Circuit Judges		Resident Senior Circuit Judges		Visiting Judges		Cases Disposed of by Consolidations ²
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Nation								
2016	105,479	82,754	78.5	18,782	17.8	3,943	3.7	8,071
2017	98,040	71,215	72.6	23,132	23.6	3,693	3.8	7,272
2018	88,980	63,411	71.3	21,847	24.6	3,722	4.2	6,883
2019	85,037	61,227	72.0	20,950	24.6	2,860	3.4	7,689
2020	87,088	64,551	74.1	19,817	22.8	2,720	3.1	8,218
2021	82,334	63,590	77.2	16,188	19.7	2,556	3.1	6,233
District Of Columbia								
2016	1,701	1,355	79.7	346	20.3	-	0.0	647
2017	1,463	1,153	78.8	310	21.2	-	0.0	543
2018	1,708	1,370	80.2	338	19.8	-	0.0	567
2019	1,434	1,157	80.7	274	19.1	3	0.2	1,137
2020	1,420	1,199	84.4	221	15.6	-	0.0	462
2021	1,425	1,200	84.2	225	15.8	-	0.0	392
First Circuit								
2016	2,833	2,115	74.7	266	9.4	452	16.0	171
2017	2,712	1,967	72.5	250	9.2	495	18.3	183
2018	2,280	1,681	73.7	216	9.5	383	16.8	156
2019	2,795	2,159	77.2	209	7.5	427	15.3	168
2020	2,661	2,054	77.2	196	7.4	411	15.4	153
2021	2,462	1,689	68.6	266	10.8	507	20.6	249

Second Circuit									
2016	7,791	5,540	71.1	1,870	24.0	381	4.9	988	
2017	7,000	4,263	60.9	2,242	32.0	495	7.1	874	
2018	6,755	4,276	63.3	1,892	28.0	587	8.7	554	
2019	6,483	3,787	58.4	2,231	34.4	465	7.2	870	
2020	7,287	4,407	60.5	2,582	35.4	298	4.1	640	
2021	7,016	4,212	60.0	2,549	36.3	255	3.6	515	
Third Circuit									
2016	6,779	4,751	70.1	2,011	29.7	17	0.3	255	
2017	7,983	5,591	70.0	2,312	29.0	80	1.0	234	
2018	5,376	3,744	69.6	1,519	28.3	113	2.1	183	
2019	6,215	4,836	77.8	1,320	21.2	59	0.9	369	
2020	6,001	4,920	82.0	1,061	17.7	20	0.3	1,911	
2021	5,062	4,131	81.6	863	17.0	68	1.3	303	
Fourth Circuit									
2016	14,636	13,257	90.6	1,322	9.0	57	0.4	917	
2017	10,249	9,691	94.6	525	5.1	33	0.3	441	
2018	9,160	7,918	86.4	1,187	13.0	55	0.6	654	
2019	8,744	7,311	83.6	1,391	15.9	42	0.5	657	
2020	8,396	7,372	87.8	983	11.7	41	0.5	496	
2021	8,471	7,515	88.7	924	10.9	32	0.4	630	
Fifth Circuit									
2016	12,542	10,578	84.3	1,907	15.2	57	0.5	1,516	
2017	12,410	9,816	79.1	2,560	20.6	34	0.3	2,041	
2018	11,190	8,360	74.7	2,811	25.1	19	0.2	1,536	
2019	10,520	8,157	77.5	2,349	22.3	14	0.1	1,534	
2020	10,501	8,409	80.1	2,080	19.8	12	0.1	1,608	
2021	10,087	8,146	80.8	1,918	19.0	23	0.2	1,463	

Sixth Circuit									
2016	8,870	6,114	68.9	2,043	23.0	713	8.0	585	
2017	9,502	6,668	70.2	2,455	25.8	379	4.0	374	
2018	8,038	5,368	66.8	2,393	29.8	277	3.4	401	
2019	7,040	4,569	64.9	2,314	32.9	157	2.2	539	
2020	8,012	5,321	66.4	2,646	33.0	45	0.6	553	
2021	7,410	5,054	68.2	2,353	31.8	3	0.0	648	
Seventh Circuit									
2016	6,113	4,752	77.7	1,244	20.4	117	1.9	353	
2017	4,741	3,716	78.4	944	19.9	81	1.7	381	
2018	4,044	3,204	79.2	752	18.6	88	2.2	297	
2019	4,298	3,726	86.7	550	12.8	22	0.5	338	
2020	3,891	3,345	86.0	546	14.0	-	0.0	378	
2021	3,945	3,566	90.4	379	9.6	-	0.0	330	
Eighth Circuit									
2016	7,264	5,522	76.0	1,677	23.1	65	0.9	396	
2017	7,482	5,467	73.1	1,917	25.6	98	1.3	389	
2018	6,753	5,552	82.2	1,151	17.0	50	0.7	359	
2019	6,433	5,440	84.6	979	15.2	14	0.2	309	
2020	6,855	6,038	88.1	796	11.6	21	0.3	378	
2021	7,194	6,521	90.6	668	9.3	5	0.1	368	
Ninth Circuit									
2016	19,302	12,818	66.4	4,726	24.5	1,758	9.1	1,093	
2017	21,449	11,656	54.3	8,139	37.9	1,654	7.7	1,256	
2018	21,232	11,920	56.1	7,477	35.2	1,835	8.6	1,638	
2019	19,122	10,597	55.4	7,092	37.1	1,433	7.5	1,281	
2020	19,537	11,509	58.9	6,425	32.9	1,603	8.2	1,143	
2021	18,420	12,665	68.8	4,188	22.7	1,567	8.5	879	

Tenth Circuit									
2016	4,713	4,065	86.3	647	13.7	1	0.0	99	
2017	3,869	3,177	82.1	689	17.8	3	0.1	69	
2018	3,627	2,840	78.3	787	21.7	-	0.0	63	
2019	3,430	2,696	78.6	734	21.4	-	0.0	57	
2020	3,701	3,089	83.5	612	16.5	-	0.0	57	
2021	3,286	2,547	77.5	739	22.5	-	0.0	60	
Eleventh Circuit									
2016	12,935	11,887	91.9	723	5.6	325	2.5	1,051	
2017	9,180	8,050	87.7	789	8.6	341	3.7	487	
2018	8,817	7,178	81.4	1,324	15.0	315	3.6	475	
2019	8,523	6,792	79.7	1,507	17.7	224	2.6	430	
2020	8,826	6,888	78.0	1,669	18.9	269	3.0	439	
2021	7,556	6,344	84.0	1,116	14.8	96	1.3	396	

¹ A case participation by an individual judge is defined as an appeal in which the judge hears oral arguments or the appeal is submitted on briefs. Thus, when a single appeal is heard before a panel of three judges, the number of case participations is three. This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

² Beginning in December 2011, cases disposed of by consolidation and cross appeals are counted under procedural and merit terminations and shown as subset of merit terminations here.