

Table 4.9

U.S. District Courts—Diversity of Citizenship Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

Nature of Suit	Fiscal Year							
	1995	2000	2005	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
TOTAL	53,350	49,733	62,175	101,366	85,742	89,305	100,472	86,358
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	20,992	21,581	19,266	22,505	20,693	19,914	20,603	19,589
Franchise ¹	-	-	-	353	300	409	407	350
Insurance	6,528	6,259	6,591	8,483	7,623	7,793	9,006	8,304
Marine	157	149	93	91	72	68	61	68
Negotiable Instruments	771	401	338	727	644	539	468	403
Recovery of Overpayments & Enforcement of Judgments, Total	106	96	105	363	359	412	361	336
Other Contract Actions	13,430	14,676	12,139	12,488	11,695	10,693	10,300	10,128
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	1,531	2,085	1,622	5,502	7,798	6,598	4,252	5,399
Condemnation of Land	11	20	17	9	14	11	9	8
Foreclosure	798	1,430	928	3,719	4,997	3,883	2,139	2,486
Rent, Lease, Ejectment	137	86	87	145	140	137	138	110
Torts to Land, Including Prod. Liability	240	258	226	437	877	509	525	1,425
Other Real Property Actions	345	291	364	1,192	1,770	2,058	1,441	1,370
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	30,709	24,702	40,866	70,401	54,286	60,002	72,286	57,811
Personal Injury, Total	28,659	22,399	38,588	67,671	51,714	57,739	69,931	54,168
Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total	12,059	10,176	27,212	58,443	42,280	48,546	58,496	39,309
Airplane	99	133	57	92	59	23	27	28
Marine	28	33	19	8	7	16	5	5
Motor Vehicle	541	388	491	270	259	214	261	354
Asbestos ²	2,098	3,501	1,029	37,444	14,883	8,780	189	112
Other	9,293	6,121	25,616	20,629	20,334	39,181	44,754	23,300
Other Personal Injury, Total	16,600	12,223	11,376	9,228	9,434	9,193	11,435	14,859
Airplane	432	367	219	154	97	112	94	85
Marine	356	208	226	342	345	296	296	274
Motor Vehicle	4,305	3,821	3,356	2,914	2,856	2,863	3,082	3,110
Assault, Libel, & Slander	568	535	416	381	356	385	331	342
Federal Employers Liability Act	1,903	1,108	748	413	412	352	330	0
Medical Malpractice	800	857	631	524	504	458	408	380
Other ³	8,236	5,327	6,528	4,913	5,276	5,079	7,224	10,668

Table 4.9 (Continued)**U.S. District Courts—Diversity of Citizenship Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit**

Nature of Suit	Fiscal Year							
	1995	2000	2005	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Personal Property Damage, Total	2,050	2,303	2,278	2,730	2,572	2,263	2,355	3,643
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	1,091	1,149	1,292	1,491	1,323	1,145	1,238	1,553
Other Personal Property Damage	959	1,154	986	1,239	1,249	1,118	1,117	2,090
OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL	118	1,365	421	2,955	2,965	2,791	3,331	3,559

¹ Collection of data for this category began in 2008.

² Increases beginning in 2008 occurred because cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases thereafter were severed into individual cases.

³ A significant increase in other personal injury cases in 1995 was mostly attributable to a large number of cases related to an oil refinery explosion in Louisiana.

Source: Table C-2, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.