

Case Participations ¹ in the U.S. Courts of Appeals On Cases Submitted On Briefs Or Orally Argued During The 12-Month Periods Ending December 31, 2020 Through 2025								
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								
2020	85,710	64,394	75.1	18,510	21.6	2,806	3.3	6,465
2021	81,696	63,081	77.2	16,171	19.8	2,444	3.0	6,198
2022	75,255	56,563	75.2	16,412	21.8	2,280	3.0	6,130
2023	71,726	53,281	74.3	16,745	23.3	1,700	2.4	5,237
2024	68,073	52,494	77.1	14,003	20.6	1,576	2.3	5,241
2025	72,792	56,624	77.8	14,867	20.4	1,301	1.8	5,210
District Of Columbia								
2020	1,435	1,221	85.1	214	14.9	-	0.0	420
2021	1,410	1,177	83.5	233	16.5	-	0.0	359
2022	1,383	1,128	81.6	252	18.2	3	0.2	444
2023	1,186	991	83.6	195	16.4	-	0.0	381
2024	1,524	1,383	90.7	141	9.3	-	0.0	600
2025	1,704	1,581	92.8	120	7.0	3	0.2	309
First Circuit								
2020	2,633	1,945	73.9	207	7.9	481	18.3	152
2021	2,545	1,709	67.2	250	9.8	586	23.0	283
2022	2,094	1,275	60.9	418	20.0	401	19.1	166
2023	2,013	958	47.6	725	36.0	330	16.4	109
2024	2,088	1,362	65.2	360	17.2	366	17.5	194
2025	1,736	1,284	74.0	236	13.6	216	12.4	135

Second Circuit									
2020	7,060	4,339	61.5	2,503	35.5	218	3.1	640	
2021	6,729	3,965	58.9	2,526	37.5	238	3.5	527	
2022	5,553	3,349	60.3	2,132	38.4	72	1.3	446	
2023	5,614	3,416	60.8	2,096	37.3	102	1.8	561	
2024	5,481	3,296	60.1	1,980	36.1	205	3.7	536	
2025	7,144	4,924	68.9	2,094	29.3	126	1.8	594	
Third Circuit									
2020	5,580	4,667	83.6	897	16.1	16	0.3	333	
2021	5,010	4,116	82.2	823	16.4	71	1.4	300	
2022	4,910	3,986	81.2	885	18.0	39	0.8	168	
2023	4,743	3,700	78.0	1,043	22.0	-	0.0	321	
2024	4,604	3,596	78.1	998	21.7	10	0.2	300	
2025	4,440	3,499	78.8	941	21.2	-	0.0	240	
Fourth Circuit									
2020	8,295	7,376	88.9	869	10.5	50	0.6	466	
2021	8,641	7,557	87.5	1,063	12.3	21	0.2	642	
2022	8,322	7,015	84.3	1,275	15.3	32	0.4	449	
2023	8,090	6,363	78.7	1,644	20.3	83	1.0	438	
2024	7,100	5,825	82.0	1,217	17.1	58	0.8	469	
2025	7,381	6,271	85.0	1,036	14.0	74	1.0	429	
Fifth Circuit									
2020	9,944	7,954	80.0	1,978	19.9	12	0.1	1,584	
2021	10,506	8,576	81.6	1,907	18.2	23	0.2	1,420	
2022	11,243	9,218	82.0	2,024	18.0	1	0.0	1,619	
2023	10,004	8,123	81.2	1,841	18.4	40	0.4	1,441	
2024	8,644	7,278	84.2	1,316	15.2	50	0.6	1,407	
2025	9,265	7,844	84.7	1,368	14.8	53	0.6	1,305	

Sixth Circuit									
2020	8,410	5,597	66.6	2,769	32.9	44	0.5	531	
2021	7,011	4,829	68.9	2,179	31.1	3	0.0	633	
2022	6,131	4,302	70.2	1,828	29.8	1	0.0	465	
2023	5,960	4,081	68.5	1,879	31.5	-	0.0	463	
2024	5,790	4,089	70.6	1,700	29.4	1	0.0	311	
2025	6,483	4,443	68.5	2,040	31.5	-	0.0	473	
Seventh Circuit									
2020	3,941	3,483	88.4	458	11.6	-	0.0	396	
2021	3,951	3,563	90.2	388	9.8	-	0.0	303	
2022	3,601	3,264	90.6	337	9.4	-	0.0	260	
2023	3,398	2,698	79.4	700	20.6	-	0.0	184	
2024	3,454	3,045	88.2	409	11.8	-	0.0	225	
2025	3,314	2,886	87.1	428	12.9	-	0.0	238	
Eighth Circuit									
2020	7,041	6,215	88.3	803	11.4	23	0.3	337	
2021	6,895	6,368	92.4	524	7.6	3	0.0	470	
2022	5,814	5,505	94.7	294	5.1	15	0.3	806	
2023	5,990	5,693	95.0	294	4.9	3	0.1	363	
2024	5,557	5,408	97.3	149	2.7	-	0.0	258	
2025	5,689	5,603	98.5	86	1.5	-	0.0	289	
Ninth Circuit									
2020	19,457	12,071	62.0	5,680	29.2	1,706	8.8	1,114	
2021	18,290	12,396	67.8	4,467	24.4	1,427	7.8	786	
2022	16,565	9,571	57.8	5,387	32.5	1,607	9.7	818	
2023	14,814	8,956	60.5	4,835	32.6	1,023	6.9	656	
2024	14,067	8,849	62.9	4,365	31.0	853	6.1	501	
2025	15,788	9,983	63.2	5,021	31.8	784	5.0	640	

Tenth Circuit									
2020	3,460	2,873	83.0	587	17.0	-	0.0	63	
2021	3,371	2,588	76.8	783	23.2	-	0.0	54	
2022	2,982	2,339	78.4	643	21.6	-	0.0	75	
2023	3,363	2,702	80.3	661	19.7	-	0.0	81	
2024	3,239	2,631	81.2	608	18.8	-	0.0	48	
2025	3,107	2,631	84.7	475	15.3	1	0.0	27	
Eleventh Circuit									
2020	8,454	6,653	78.7	1,545	18.3	256	3.0	429	
2021	7,337	6,237	85.0	1,028	14.0	72	1.0	421	
2022	6,657	5,611	84.3	937	14.1	109	1.6	414	
2023	6,551	5,600	85.5	832	12.7	119	1.8	239	
2024	6,525	5,732	87.8	760	11.6	33	0.5	392	
2025	6,741	5,675	84.2	1,022	15.2	44	0.7	531	

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.