Table B-4.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Months for Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2025

Circuit	Total	By Consolidation	Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date to Filing of Appellee's Last Brief [1]		Filing of Appellee's Last Brief to Oral Argument or Submission on Briefs		Oral Argument to Last Opinion or Final Order		Submission on Briefs to Last Opinion or Final Order		Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date to Last Opinion or Final Order [1]		Filing in Lower Court to Last Opinion or Final Order in Appeals Court	
			Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval
Total	**25,969**	**1,651**	**12,864**	**6.0**	**12,864**	**4.4**	**5,798**	**3.2**	**18,520**	**0.3**	**24,318**	**9.9**	**19,256**	**33.9**
DC	702	118	256	7.4	256	3.8	194	5.4	390	0.3	584	11.8	462	36.1
1st	617	45	319	6.5	319	2.8	205	4.4	367	3.2	572	14.1	454	40.8
2nd	2,564	178	1,687	7.2	1,687	6.7	1,211	5.0	1,175	0.2	2,386	15.3	1,918	48.9
3rd	1,617	85	774	5.6	774	3.1	148	3.8	1,384	1.0	1,532	8.5	1,219	40.7
4th	2,520	124	492	5.3	492	6.9	414	3.7	1,982	0.2	2,396	8.5	2,054	33.1
5th	3,546	443	1,475	5.0	1,475	3.9	851	1.4	2,252	0.5	3,103	8.3	2,654	28.5
6th	2,345	153	1,310	5.0	1,310	3.2	298	3.0	1,894	1.2	2,192	8.7	1,700	34.8
7th	1,177	70	653	5.8	653	3.0	386	4.4	721	0.1	1,107	9.8	902	41.5
8th	1,984	99	712	4.8	712	5.1	318	3.8	1,567	0.2	1,885	4.6	1,639	27.1
9th	5,378	178	3,276	6.7	3,276	5.6	1,132	1.4	4,068	0.0	5,200	11.9	3,410	32.0
10th	1,052	6	656	5.3	656	4.1	337	3.2	709	1.2	1,046	10.2	889	30.5
11th	2,467	152	1,254	5.4	1,254	4.5	304	4.4	2,011	0.7	2,315	9.5	1,955	32.6

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous applications not included previously.

Cases terminated include appeals, original proceedings, and miscellaneous applications.

[1] Docket date is used when computing the mean time intervals for original proceedings, miscellaneous applications, and appeals from administrative agencies.