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**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Pending Three Years or More, by Basis of Jurisdiction and Nature of Suit,**  
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Nature of Suit	Cases Pending Three Years or More		U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
	2024	2025	Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>210,747</b>	<b>122,605</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>3,573</b>	<b>19,658</b>	<b>98,080</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Contract Actions, Total</b>	<b>3,554</b>	<b>3,702</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>2,584</b>	-
Franchise	27	26	-	-	4	22	-
Insurance	967	1,020	4	4	126	886	-
Marine	147	191	-	1	183	7	-
Miller Act	60	58	11	1	46	-	-
Negotiable Instruments	69	67	7	1	9	50	-
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	348	377	173	131	25	48	-
Defaulted Student Loans	58	56	51	1	4	-	-
Veterans' Overpayment	88	88	88	-	-	-	-
Other	202	233	34	130	21	48	-
Other Contract Actions	1,936	1,963	27	21	344	1,571	-
<b>Real Property Actions, Total</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>770</b>	-
Foreclosure	213	208	36	14	29	129	-
Rent, Lease, and Ejectment	20	23	1	-	10	12	-
Torts to Land, Including Product Liability	464	671	4	13	127	527	-
Other Real Property Actions	175	195	4	35	54	102	-
<b>Tort Actions, Total</b>	<b>184,783</b>	<b>96,071</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>94,120</b>	-
<b>Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>183,641</b>	<b>94,904</b>	-	<b>214</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>93,161</b>	-
<b>Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total</b>	<b>179,736</b>	<b>91,186</b>	-	<b>35</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>90,649</b>	-
Airplane	50	25	-	-	12	13	-
Marine	5	6	-	-	3	3	-
Motor Vehicle	67	70	-	-	16	54	-
Asbestos <sup>1</sup>	179	175	-	-	41	134	-
Health Care/Pharma	76,312	78,339	-	27	275	78,037	-
Other	103,123	12,571	-	8	155	12,408	-
<b>Other Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>3,905</b>	<b>3,718</b>	-	<b>179</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>2,512</b>	-
Airplane	48	36	-	2	25	9	-
Marine	139	134	-	2	118	14	-

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Motor Vehicle	376	415	-	48	52	315	-
Assault, Libel, and Slander	79	82	-	4	24	54	-
Federal Employers Liability Act	100	98	-	6	92	-	-
Medical Malpractice	305	253	-	78	16	159	-
Other	2,858	2,700	-	39	700	1,961	-
<b>Personal Property Damage, Total</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>959</b>	-
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	805	841	4	2	104	731	-
Other Personal Property Damage	337	326	-	8	90	228	-
<b>Actions Under Statutes, Total</b>	<b>21,538</b>	<b>21,735</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>3,128</b>	<b>16,978</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Antitrust</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>8</b>	-	<b>776</b>	-	-
<b>Bankruptcy, Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>152</b>	-	-	<b>152</b>	-	-
Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158)	104	113	-	-	113	-	-
Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157)	46	39	-	-	39	-	-
<b>Banks and Banking</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>	-	-
<b>Civil Rights, Total</b>	<b>4,440</b>	<b>4,454</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>4,004</b>	<b>155</b>	-
Voting	15	23	1	-	22	-	-
Employment	1,365	1,343	28	137	1,082	96	-
Housing and Accommodations	61	75	5	2	65	3	-
ADA--Employment	188	179	4	11	155	9	-
ADA--Other	181	187	2	1	182	2	-
Education	92	85	1	-	82	2	-
Other Civil Rights	2,538	2,562	16	87	2,416	43	-
<b>Environmental Matters</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>125</b>	-	-
<b>Deportation</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	-	<b>9</b>	-	-	-
<b>Prisoner Petitions, Total</b>	<b>6,265</b>	<b>6,397</b>	-	<b>1,367</b>	<b>5,030</b>	-	-
Motions to Vacate Sentence	1,079	1,066	-	1,066	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus--General	1,498	1,561	-	118	1,443	-	-
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	413	387	-	13	374	-	-
Mandamus and Other	70	79	-	32	47	-	-

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Civil Rights	2,065	2,144	-	71	2,073	-	-
Prison Condition	1,081	1,111	-	40	1,071	-	-
Habeas Corpus--Alien Detainees	38	27	-	27	-	-	-
Civil Detainee--Conditions of Confinement	21	22	-	-	22	-	-
<b>Forfeiture and Penalty, Total</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>3</b>	-	-	-
Agricultural Acts	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
Food and Drug Act	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
Drug-Related Seizure of Property	78	74	72	2	-	-	-
Air Traffic Regulations	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	165	149	148	1	-	-	-
<b>Labor Laws, Total</b>	<b>1,608</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>123</b>	-
Fair Labor Standards Act	709	746	18	3	725	-	-
Labor Management Relations Act	154	153	5	-	148	-	-
Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act	3	3	-	-	3	-	-
Railway Labor Act	11	6	-	-	6	-	-
Employee Retirement Income Security Act	465	481	11	-	470	-	-
Family and Medical Leave Act	36	43	-	-	43	-	-
Other Labor Litigation	230	234	11	3	97	123	-
<b>Immigration, Total <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>63</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>75</b>	-	-	-
Naturalization Applications	10	11	-	11	-	-	-
Other Immigration Actions	53	69	5	64	-	-	-
<b>Intellectual Property Rights, Total</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>1,164</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>3</b>	-
Copyright	173	175	-	-	175	-	-
Patent	565	653	1	16	636	-	-
Patent--Abbreviated New Drug Application	35	36	-	-	36	-	-
Trademark	257	238	-	-	238	-	-
Defend Trade Secrets Act	49	62	-	-	59	3	-
<b>Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>370</b>	-	-
<b>Social Security Laws, Total</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>725</b>	-	-	-

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Disability Insurance	425	424	4	420	-	-	-
Supplemental Security Income	276	261	-	261	-	-	-
Retirement and Survivors Benefits	27	26	-	26	-	-	-
Other	19	18	-	18	-	-	-
<b>Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>1,995</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,694</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>State Reapportionment Suits</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Tax Suits</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Consumer Credit</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cable/Sat. TV</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Freedom of Information Act</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Constitutionality of State Statutes</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Statutory Actions</b>	<b>2,440</b>	<b>2,429</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-</b>

Note: Total number of land condemnation cases omitted were 128.

The number of pending cases in this report includes cases that have been transferred under a Multidistrict Litigation (MDL) order. Large numbers of civil cases may be temporarily assigned by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation to a district judge for pretrial management. As MDL cases vary greatly among districts, it is advisable to check with the relevant district court before drawing statistical conclusions about the number of pending cases for that district.

The higher number of pending cases reported for the Southern District of West Virginia is the result of reconciliation efforts conducted for pretrial management for the three-month period ending June 30, 2018.

<sup>1</sup> Includes cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases that thereafter were severed into individual cases.

<sup>2</sup> Data collection for these categories began in December 2007.