

**Table C-2A.**  
**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Nature of Suit,**  
**During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2021 through 2025**

Nature of Suit	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Percent Change <sup>1</sup> 2024-2025
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>344,567</b>	<b>274,771</b>	<b>339,731</b>	<b>290,896</b>	<b>303,563</b>	<b>4.4</b>
<b>Contract Actions, Total</b>	<b>26,455</b>	<b>29,134</b>	<b>31,372</b>	<b>29,102</b>	<b>30,331</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Franchise	181	212	175	222	212	-4.5
Insurance	13,985	16,969	17,620	13,488	13,161	-2.4
Marine	583	817	701	562	593	5.5
Miller Act	166	181	195	185	143	-22.7
Negotiable Instruments	353	289	425	544	481	-11.6
<b>Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>28.8</b>
Defaulted Student Loans	12	7	10	13	36	176.9
Veterans' Overpayment	-	4	8	3	4	-
Other	505	529	596	588	738	25.5
Other Contract Actions	10,670	10,126	11,642	13,497	14,963	10.9
<b>Real Property Actions, Total</b>	<b>3,249</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>4,515</b>	<b>4,787</b>	<b>5,439</b>	<b>13.6</b>
Condemnation of Land	237	233	79	150	186	24.0
Foreclosure	1,004	1,286	1,353	1,215	2,126	75.0
Rent, Lease, and Ejectment	416	463	742	1,046	1,139	8.9
Torts to Land, Including Product Liability	672	856	1,249	1,162	733	-36.9
Other Real Property Actions	920	1,135	1,092	1,214	1,255	3.4
<b>Tort Actions, Total</b>	<b>145,562</b>	<b>80,957</b>	<b>131,770</b>	<b>80,982</b>	<b>73,200</b>	<b>-9.6</b>
<b>Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>141,682</b>	<b>76,825</b>	<b>127,437</b>	<b>76,390</b>	<b>68,522</b>	<b>-10.3</b>
<b>    Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total</b>	<b>123,644</b>	<b>60,062</b>	<b>104,060</b>	<b>54,192</b>	<b>44,363</b>	<b>-18.1</b>
Airplane	63	23	44	27	26	-3.7
Marine	10	12	12	9	12	-
Motor Vehicle	223	224	306	277	360	30.0
Asbestos	164	153	128	88	77	-12.5
Health Care/Pharma	28,880	16,287	37,797	17,276	21,009	21.6
Other	94,304	43,363	65,773	36,515	22,879	-37.3
<b>    Other Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>18,038</b>	<b>16,763</b>	<b>23,377</b>	<b>22,198</b>	<b>24,159</b>	<b>8.8</b>
Airplane	184	119	158	181	288	59.1
Marine	1,069	763	1,042	1,167	1,087	-6.9
Motor Vehicle	5,590	5,429	5,836	6,394	6,927	8.3
Assault, Libel, and Slander	577	569	650	718	848	18.1

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Nature of Suit	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Percent Change <sup>1</sup> 2024-2025
Federal Employers Liability Act	372	353	340	328	310	-5.5
Medical Malpractice	1,152	1,000	1,022	783	847	8.2
Other	9,094	8,530	14,329	12,627	13,852	9.7
<b>Personal Property Damage, Total</b>	<b>3,880</b>	<b>4,132</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,592</b>	<b>4,678</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	2,250	2,395	2,495	2,624	2,715	3.5
Other Personal Property Damage	1,630	1,737	1,838	1,968	1,963	-0.3
<b>Actions Under Statutes, Total</b>	<b>169,301</b>	<b>160,707</b>	<b>172,074</b>	<b>176,025</b>	<b>194,593</b>	<b>10.5</b>
<b>Antitrust</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>-26.1</b>
<b>Bankruptcy, Total</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>1,734</b>	<b>25.0</b>
Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158)	1,629	1,440	1,346	1,248	1,570	25.8
Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157)	236	169	140	139	164	18.0
<b>Banks and Banking</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>7.9</b>
<b>Civil Rights, Total</b>	<b>43,333</b>	<b>39,126</b>	<b>41,404</b>	<b>45,781</b>	<b>52,431</b>	<b>14.5</b>
Voting	172	177	109	159	133	-16.4
Employment	11,802	10,037	12,152	13,526	14,540	7.5
Housing and Accommodations	742	823	977	922	1,124	21.9
Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-
ADA--Employment	2,629	2,119	2,566	3,018	3,422	13.4
ADA--Other	12,545	10,240	8,776	9,030	9,718	7.6
Education	828	790	744	932	985	5.7
Other Civil Rights	14,615	14,940	16,080	18,194	22,509	23.7
<b>Environmental Matters</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>Deportation</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Prisoner Petitions, Total</b>	<b>47,669</b>	<b>46,941</b>	<b>50,353</b>	<b>49,182</b>	<b>53,781</b>	<b>9.4</b>
Motions to Vacate Sentence	3,395	3,392	3,763	3,764	3,218	-14.5
Habeas Corpus--General	14,064	13,225	14,224	12,825	14,317	11.6
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	135	116	123	121	92	-24.0
Mandamus and Other	1,626	1,664	1,614	1,848	2,132	15.4
Civil Rights	17,983	18,638	19,618	19,386	20,870	7.7
Prison Condition	9,301	9,429	10,476	10,599	10,610	0.1
Habeas Corpus--Alien Detainees	964	327	356	432	2,305	433.6
Civil Detainee--Conditions of Confinement	201	150	179	207	237	14.5

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<b>Nature of Suit</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Percent Change<sup>1</sup> 2024-2025</b>
<b>Forfeiture and Penalty, Total</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
Agricultural Acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food and Drug Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug-Related Seizure of Property	623	443	345	301	252	-16.3
Air Traffic Regulations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Occupational Safety and Health Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	564	518	497	485	520	7.2
<b>Labor Laws, Total</b>	<b>13,442</b>	<b>13,529</b>	<b>13,287</b>	<b>12,869</b>	<b>12,759</b>	<b>-0.9</b>
Fair Labor Standards Act	5,563	6,133	5,794	5,252	4,893	-6.8
Labor Management Relations Act	446	422	382	423	444	5.0
Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Railway Labor Act	38	40	38	43	45	4.7
Employee Retirement Income Security Act	4,658	4,742	4,716	4,758	4,690	-1.4
Family and Medical Leave Act	1,308	938	851	945	1,044	10.5
Other Labor Litigation	1,429	1,254	1,506	1,448	1,643	13.5
<b>Immigration, Total</b>	<b>4,602</b>	<b>7,763</b>	<b>11,134</b>	<b>12,218</b>	<b>10,157</b>	<b>-16.9</b>
Naturalization Applications	304	390	442	340	373	9.7
Other Immigration Actions	4,298	7,373	10,692	11,878	9,784	-17.6
<b>Intellectual Property Rights, Total</b>	<b>11,584</b>	<b>12,742</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>14,959</b>	<b>17,350</b>	<b>16.0</b>
Copyright	3,746	5,151	6,237	7,250	7,933	9.4
Patent	3,802	3,639	3,016	3,356	4,121	22.8
Patent--Abbreviated New Drug Application	222	257	243	282	301	6.7
Trademark	3,205	3,059	3,678	3,363	4,217	25.4
Defend Trade Secrets Act	609	636	665	708	778	9.9
<b>Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges</b>	<b>2,449</b>	<b>1,955</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>-22.0</b>
<b>Social Security Laws, Total</b>	<b>19,541</b>	<b>13,385</b>	<b>15,017</b>	<b>13,881</b>	<b>15,641</b>	<b>12.7</b>
Disability Insurance	10,715	7,123	7,745	7,285	8,259	13.4
Supplemental Security Income	7,979	5,599	6,556	5,962	6,690	12.2
Retirement and Survivors Benefits	725	569	628	547	604	10.4
Other	122	94	88	87	88	1.1
<b>Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>80.8</b>
<b>State Reapportionment Suits</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>

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<b>Nature of Suit</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Percent Change<sup>1</sup> 2024-2025</b>
<b>Tax Suits</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>22.1</b>
<b>Customer Challenge</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Consumer Credit</b>	<b>9,968</b>	<b>9,423</b>	<b>8,108</b>	<b>8,731</b>	<b>9,726</b>	<b>11.4</b>
<b>Cable/Sat. TV</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>-34.0</b>
<b>Freedom of Information Act</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Constitutionality of State Statutes</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>14.9</b>
<b>Other Statutory Actions</b>	<b>9,862</b>	<b>9,512</b>	<b>10,580</b>	<b>10,282</b>	<b>13,980</b>	<b>36.0</b>
<b>Other Actions, Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

<sup>1</sup> Percent change is not computed when the total for the previous year is fewer than 10 cases.