

Table 4.7
U.S. District Courts—Intellectual Property Rights Cases Filed
During the 12-Month Periods Ending June 30, 1990, and September 30, 1995 Through 2024

Fiscal Year	Total	U.S. Cases				Private Cases				
		Total	Patent	Trademark	Defend Trade Secrets Act	Total	Copyright	Patent	Trademark	Defend Trade Secrets Act
2024	14,959	39	39	0	0	14,920	7,250	3,599	3,363	708
2023	13,839	38	35	1	2	13,801	6,237	3,224	3,677	663
2022	12,742	29	22	3	4	12,713	5,151	3,874	3,056	632
2021	11,584	21	16	5	0	11,563	3,746	4,008	3,200	609
2020	9,964	9	7	2	0	9,955	3,224	3,902	2,829	0
2015	13,751	16	14	2	0	13,735	5,035	5,550	3,150	0
2010	8,966	85	81	4	0	8,881	2,013	3,220	3,648	0
2005	12,184	25	14	11	0	12,159	5,796	2,706	3,657	0
1995	6,866	27	17	10	0	6,839	2,417	1,706	2,716	0
1990 ¹	5,700	30	22	8	0	5,670	2,095	1,165	2,410	0

Note: Due to a change in methodology, numbers for years prior to 2015 may not match numbers previously published in this table.

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

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