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Multi-year Statistical Compilations of Federal Court Caseload Through Fiscal Year 2009



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INTRODUCTION

Judicial Facts and Figures is a set of tables containing historical caseload data for the federal Judiciary for fiscal years 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2005 through 2009. This publication includes data on the U.S. Courts of Appeals, the U.S. District Courts, and the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts. These tables are also available on the J-Net (http://jnet.ao.dcn/Statistics/Judicial Facts and Figures.html) and the uscourts.gov site (http://www.uscourts.gov/judicialfactsfigures/contents.html) in PDF or Excel format.

The sources for the data are the *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts, Federal Court Management Statistics,* and unpublished statistical tables. Specific data sources are noted on each table. Except where specifically stated otherwise, data were compiled from reports published for the fiscal years noted (i.e., 1995 data are from the 1995 editions of *Judicial Business of the United States Courts*). Sometimes minor revisions are made to data in subsequent publications. For example, data on pending cases for one year are frequently revised in the subsequent year's publication. When the fiscal year reporting period was changed in 1992 from the twelve-month period ending June 30 to the twelve-month period ending September 30, some filing data for fiscal year 1990 were revised and reported in *Judicial Business of the United States Courts for 1991.* Several tables in this report include data that reflect those revisions.

Judicial Facts and Figures does not offer an analysis of federal judicial caseload, although tables may note and explain significant fluctuations in the data. More detailed information appears in *Judicial Business* of the United States Courts. If you have questions or comments on the statistical data presented in this report, please contact the Statistics Division at 202-502-1440 or via e-mail at sdinformation@ao.uscourts.gov.

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Table 1.1
Total Judicial Officers—Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Bankruptcy Courts

							District (ourts					
	Courts	s of Appeal	S	District	Court Jud	ges		Mag	istrate Judges		Banl	ruptcy Cοι	ırts
								Authorized I	Positions				
Fiscal	Authorized	Active	Senior	Authorized	Active	Senior			Clerk/	Recalled	Authorized	Active	Recalled
Year	Judgeships ¹	Judges	Judges ²	Judgeships ³	Judges	Judges 4	Full-Time	Part-Time	Magistrate Judge	Judges	Judgeships	Judges	Judges
1990 ⁵	168	158	63	575	541	201	329	146	8	5	291	289	13
1995	179	168	81	649	603	255	416	78	3	16	326	315	23
2000	179	156	86	655	612	274	466	60	3	23	325	307	30
2005	179	166 ⁶	106 ⁶	678	642	300 ⁶	503	45	3	34	324	315	32
2006	179	165	103	678	645	311	505	45	3	36	352	337	25
2007	179	163	107	678	647	310	505	45	3	36	352	339	27
2008	178	166	91	678	651	324	514	43	2	38	352	338	24
2009	179	159	93	678	603	347	523	41	3	43	352	332	22
Percent C	Change 2008 over	1990											
	6.5%	0.6%	47.6%	17.9%	11.5%	72.6%	59.0%	-71.9%	*	760.0%	21.0%	14.9%	69.2%

Source: Text narrative and tables, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Public Law No. 110-117, January 7, 2008, transferred one judgeship from the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The loss of the judgeship in D.C. became effective the date the bill became law, but the effective date of the additional judgeship for the Ninth Circuit was January 21, 2009.

² Sitting senior judges who participated in appeals dispositions.

³ Positions in the Districts of Virgin Islands, Guam, and Northern Mariana Islands are included.

⁴ Senior judges with staff.

⁵ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

⁶ Revised.

 $[\]ensuremath{^{\star}}\xspace Percentage$ is not computed when the total for the previous period is less than 10.

Table 2.1
U.S. Courts of Appeals – Appeals Filed, Terminated, and Pending (Summary)

	Authorized					Per Panel ²	
Fiscal Year	Judgeships ¹	Filed	Terminated	Pending	Filed	Terminated	Pending
1990 ³	156	40,893	38,961	32,589	786	749	627
1995	167	50,072	49,805	37,536	899	895	674
2000	167	54,697	56,512	40,410	983	1,015	726
2005	167	68,473	61,975	57,724	1,230	1,113	1,037
2006	167	66,618	67,582	56,486	1,197	1,214	1,015
2007	167	58,410	62,846	51,063	1,049	1,129	917
2008	166	61,104	59,096	53,071	1,104	1,068	959
2009	167	57,740	60,508	50,564	1,037	1,087	908

Source: Table B, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Public Law No. 110-117, January 7, 2008, transferred one judgeship from the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The loss of the judgeship in D.C. became effective the date the bill became law, but the effective date of the of the additional judgeship for the Ninth Circuit was January 21, 2009.

² Assumes every case required a three-judge panel.

³ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 2.2
U.S. Courts of Appeals — Appeals Filed, Terminated, and Pending — Detail

					-		Case	es Terminat	ted				
	Ca	ses Comme	enced			Proced	dural Termir	nations		Termination	ns on the Meri	s	
					Cases Disposed						Bri	efs	
Fiscal					of by					After Oral			Cases
Year	Total	Original	Reopened*	Total	Consolidation	Total	By Judge	By Staff	Total	Hearing	Number	Percent	Pending
1990**	40,898	40,299	599	38,520	3,314	14,200	5,766	8,434	21,006	9,447	11,559	55.0	32,396
1995	50,072	49,184	888	49,805	3,177	18,856	6,817	12,039	27,772	11,080	16,692	60.1	37,536
2000	54,697	53,385	1,312	56,512	2,740	26,256	12,330	13,926	27,516	9,752	17,764	64.6	40,410
2005	68,473	66,917	1,556	61,975	2,317	29,745	12,409	17,336	29,913	9,018	20,895	69.9	57,724
2006	66,618	64,427	2,191	67,582	2,356	30,646	12,321	18,325	34,580	8,956	25,624	74.1	56,486
2007	58,410	55,997	2,413	62,846	2,374	28,755	12,412	16,343	31,717	8,662	23,055	72.7	51,063
2008	61,104	59,127	1,977	59,096	2,327	27,161	11,929	15,232	29,608	8,983	20,625	69.7	53,071
2009	57,740	56,140	1,600	60,508	2,319	28,029	13,198	14,831	30,160	8,593	21,567	71.5	50,564

Source: Table B-1, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*}Beginning in 2007, the category entitled "reopened," which includes all reopened appeals, replaced the category entitled "reinstated." Therefore, data on reopened cases for 2007 and thereafter are not comparable to data published previously on reinstated cases.

^{**} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 2.3
U.S. Courts of Appeals — Appeals Filed, by Type of Appeal and Originating Agency

					Appeals	From Distr	ict Court						Other Appeals	
				C	ivil Appeal	S			(Criminal Ap	peals		Other Appeals	
Fiscal	Total		Pris	oner Petit	ions		Other Civi				Other	Administrative		Original
Year	Appeals	Total	Total	U.S.	Private	Total	U.S.	Private	Total	Drugs	Criminal	Agency	Bankruptcy	Proceedings*
1990**	40,898	27,116	9,941	2,263	7,678	17,175	4,363	12,812	9,493	5,658	3,835	2,578	1,087	624
1995	50,072	34,203	14,985	3,459	11,526	19,218	4,460	14,758	10,162	4,499	5,663	3,295	1,667	745
2000	54,697	35,780	17,252	4,955	12,297	18,528	3,740	14,788	10,707	4,450	6,257	3,237	1,007	3,966
2005	68,473	32,818	17,034	6,258	10,776	15,784	2,971	12,813	16,060	6,099	9,961	13,713	865	5,017
2006	66,618	31,991	16,776	5,647	11,129	15,215	2,880	12,335	15,246	5,858	9,388	13,102	821	5,458
2007	58,410	30,241	15,472	4,481	10,991	14,769	2,931	11,838	13,167	5,001	8,166	10,382	845	3,775
2008	61,104	31,454	16,853	5,186	11,667	14,601	2,914	11,687	13,667	6,048	7,619	11,583	773	3,627
2009	57,740	30,967	16,249	5,467	10,782	14,718	2,943	11,775	13,710	5,898	7,812	8,570	793	3,700

*Proceedings not dependent on prior action by lower court or administrative agency (e.g., writs of mandamus, motions to file second or successive habeas petitions). The Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act, enacted April 1996, requires prisoners to seek permission from courts of appeals to file second or successive habeas corpus motions. Data for these and other types of original proceedings were first reported on October 1, 1998.

Source: Table B-1 and B-7, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{**}Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 2.4
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Pro Se Cases Filed

								Pro	Se Se					
					Арр	eals From D	istrict Court	S			0	ther Appeals		
						Civil Ap	peals				0			
Fiscal	Total			Pris	oner Petitio	ns	Other Civil			Criminal	Administrative		Original	Percent
Year	Appeals	Total	Total	Total	U.S.	Private	Total	U.S.	Private	Appeals	Agency	Bankruptcy	Proceedings*	Pro Se
1995	50,072	19,973	17,842	13,083	2,763	10,320	4,759	1,364	3,395	803	622	438	268	39.89
2000	54,697	24,938	19,945	15,027	4,045	10,982	4,918	1,361	3,557	945	797	248	3,003	45.59
2005	68,473	28,559	19,545	15,030	5,426	9,604	4,515	1,110	3,405	1,215	3,501	236	4,062	41.71
2006	66,618	28,671	19,421	14,970	5,039	9,931	4,451	1,110	3,341	1,109	3,395	261	4,485	43.04
2007	58,410	25,167	18,102	13,766	3,998	9,768	4,336	1,156	3,180	1,078	2,699	252	3,036	43.09
2008	61,104	28,055	19,588	14,993	4,493	10,500	4,595	1,167	3,428	2,369	2,899	243	2,956	45.91
2009	57,740	28,879	27,805	14,513	4,914	9,599	4,820	1,249	3,571	2,375	2,406	314	3,377	50.02

*Proceedings not dependent on prior action by lower court or administrative agency (e.g., writs of mandamus, motions seeking permission to file second or successive habeas petitions). The Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act (AEDPA), enacted April 1996, requires prisoners to seek permission from courts of appeals to file second or successive habeas corpus motions. Data for these and other types of original proceedings were first reported on October 1, 1998.

Source: Table B-9, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

Table 2.5
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Type of Opinion or Order Filed In Cases Terminated on the Merits After Oral Hearing or Submission on Briefs

			Written, Reasoned,				Written, Unsigned, With			
Fiscal			Written, S	Signed*	Uns	igned*	Cor	nment	Total	Percent
Year	Total	Oral	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Unpublished	Unpublished
1990**	21,006	103	5,942	2,540	689	9,507	4	2,221	14,268	68.41
1995	27,772	99	6,118	3,814	566	14,233	5	2,937	20,984	75.91
2000	27,516	63	5,099	4,281	427	16,510	32	1,104	21,895	79.80
2005	29,913	3	5,043	5,211	396	18,254	60	946	24,411	81.62
2006	34,580	1	5,082	7,277	353	20,763	71	1,033	29,073	84.08
2007	31,717	2	4,844	5,997	305	19,607	72	890	26,494	83.54
2008	29,608	0	4,949	5,870	388	17,399	40	962	24,231	81.84
2009	30,160	0	4,598	6,210	442	17,726	15	1,169	25,105	83.24

Source: Table S-3, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*}Includes only those opinions and orders that expound on the law as applied to the facts of each case and that detail the judicial reasons upon which the judgment is based.

^{**}Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 2.6
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Total Participations in Cases Terminated on the Merits After Oral Hearings or Submission on Briefs

					Case Participat	ions by		
			active Circuit	Resident Se Jud		Visitin	g Judges	Percent by Senior
Fiscal Year	Total	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	and Visiting Judges
1990*	63,828	52,643	82.5	6,792	10.6	4,393	6.9	17.5
1995	84,335	66,059	78.3	12,185	14.4	6,091	7.2	21.7
2000	83,475	64,209	76.9	14,281	17.1	4,985	6.0	23.1
2005	90,409	69,989	77.4	15,733	17.4	4,687	5.2	22.6
2006	104,645	81,460	77.8	18,468	17.6	4,717	4.5	22.2
2007	94,984	72,097	75.9	17,979	18.9	4,908	5.2	24.1
2008	89,436	68,569	76.7	16,141	18.0	4,726	5.3	23.3
2009	91,051	69,929	76.8	16,804	18.5	4,318	4.7	23.2

This table does not include data for the U.S.Courts of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Due to rounding, percents may not add up to 100.0.

Source: Federal Court Management Statistics (1990); Statistical Table S-2, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 2.7
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Other Workload in the Courts of Appeals

			Pro Se	Petitio	ons for Rehearing	g Filed	Р	Per Judgeship			
Fiscal Year	Authorized Judgeships*	Applications for Interlocutory Appeals Terminated	Mandamus Petitions Terminated**	Total	Panel	En Banc	Applications for Interlocutory Appeals	Pro Se Mandamus Petitions**	Petitions for Rehearing		
1995	167	217	1,175	8,840	4,777	4,063	1	7	53		
2000	167	280	-	9,400	4,950	4,450	2	-	56		
2005	167	198	-	8,572	4,105	4,467	1	-	51		
2006	167	309	-	9,007	4,345	4,662	2	-	54		
2007	167	347	-	8,811	4,213	4,598	2	-	53		
2008	166	292	-	8,346	3,491	4,855	2	-	50		
2009	167	334	-	8,866	4,431	4,435	2	-	53		

Source: Text table from *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts* and Unpublished Table 3.

^{*} Public Law No. 110-117, January 7, 2008, transferred from the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The loss of the judgeship in D.C. became effective the date the bill became law, but the effective date of the additional judgeship for the Ninth Circhit was January 21, 2009.

^{**} Effective October 1, 1998, in response to the Prison Litigation Reform Act, reporting procedures were changed to record pro se mandamus petitions for which filing fees were not paid at filing as original proceedings requiring judicial review on the merits. Thus, these pro se mandamus petitions are no longer reported separately, but are now included in the original proceedings category.

Table 3.1
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit—Appeals Filed, Terminated, and Pending

	Authorized			Termir	nated		
Fiscal Year	Judgeships	Filed	Total	By Judges	Other	% Reversed	Pending
1990*	12	1,466	1,393	842	551	11	708
1995	12	1,847	1,780	1,192	588	12	1,056
2000	12	1,509	1,518	1,139	379	15	1,103
2005	12	1,555	1,662	1,065	597	11	1,094
2006	12	1,772	1,460	1,015	445	12	1,406
2007	12	1,545	1,718	1,257	461	14	1,233
2008	12	1,459	1,745	1,275	470	13	947
2009	12	1,367	1,417	973	444	11	897

^{*}Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table G-2 (1990) and Table B-8 (1995, 2000, and 2005-2009) Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts; History of Federal Judgeships.

Table 3.2 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit—Appeals Filed by, Agency

Fiscal Year	Total	Board of Contract Appeals	Court of International Trade	U.S. Court of Federal Claims ¹	U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims ²	U.S. District Courts	U.S. Department of Justice	Department of Veterans' Affairs	International Trade Commission	Merit Systems Protection Board	Office of Compliance ³	Patent & Trademark Office	Writs
1990 ⁴	1,466	84	39	172	2	308	0	5	8	687	0	131	30
1995	1,847	58	68	173	75	373	0	3	5	970	2	85	35
2000	1,509	38	43	144	186	455	0	9	2	501	3	91	37
2005	1,555	29	62	191	202	488	0	2	7	479	3	64	28
2006	1,772	33	58	154	384	522	0	3	9	508	0	72	29
2007	1,545	16	67	188	319	439	0	3	38	389	4	52	30
2008	1,459	24	45	205	170	459	0	3	24	419	1	82	27
2009	1,367	25	47	154	156	445	7	1	28	381	2	95	26

Source: Table G-2 (1990), Table B-8 (1995, 2000 - 2009), Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ In accordance with Public Law 102-572 of October 29, 1990, the name of the U.S. Claims Court was changed to the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.
² In 1998, the U.S. Court of Veterans' Appeals was renamed the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, pursuant to P.L. 105-368 of November 11, 1998.
³ Petitions prior to 2005 were from the Senate Select Committee on Ethics.

⁴ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 4.1
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, Terminated, and Pending

Fiscal	Authorized		<u> </u>	
Year	Judgeships	Filed	Terminated	Pending
1990*	575	217,879	213,922	244,570
1995	649	248,335	229,820	234,008
2000	655	259,517	259,637	250,202
2005	678	253,273	271,753	265,484
2006	678	259,541	273,193	247,253
2007	678	257,507	239,678	265,443
2008	678	267,257	234,571	294,122
2009	678	276,397	263,703	306,816

NOTE: Since the omnibus judgeship bill was passed in 1990 (P.L. 101-650), 34 additional judgeships have been created in the district courts, and 5 temporary judgeships have lapsed as of September 30, 2008.

Source: Table 3, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 4.2
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, by District

	Fiscal	Year					
1990 ¹	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
217,879	248,335	259,517	253,273	259,541	257,507	267,257	282,760
3,281	2,717	3,356	2,698	2,382	2,415	2,438	2,564
7,853	7,385	6,906	6,319	5,887	5,890	6,504	6,027
661 4,129 594 689 1,780	746 3,484 691 709 1,755	670 3,241 667 674 1,654	478 3,270 483 572 1,516	385 3,085 501 583 1,333	449 3,131 450 593 1,267	427 2,901 501 1259 1,416	598 2,688 432 1057 1,252
19,070	22,676	26,526	23,679	23,369		22,815	23,368
2,414 1,488 4,432 8,772 1,599 365	2,799 1,852 5,570 10,273 1,761 421	2,705 2,341 8,664 10,389 1,915 512	2,172 1,659 6,343 11,453 1,661 391	2,087 1,590 6,993 10,793 1,631 275	2,056 1,453 5,751 16,125 1,492 288	1,957 1,395 5,459 12,124 1,599 281	2,131 1,498 5,700 11,974 1,760 305
21,158	21,713	22,396	29,986	44,792	32,521	52,327	61,004
779 5,439 9,271 2,234 2,869 566	837 6,892 8,500 2,260 2,873 351	1,227 6,485 8,548 2,402 3,278 456	1,055 6,572 16,427 2,740 2,801 391	930 6,274 31,997 2,745 2,472 374	870 6,657 19,739 2,416 2,476 363	984 6,652 39,296 2,454 2,596 345	1122 6,998 47,606 2,515 2,493 270
17,424	19,808	21,260	18,765	17,610	17,331	18,167	17,087
3,500 1,288 711 715 2,977 4,614 1,604 549 1,466	3,993 1,494 914 914 4,214 4,372 2,111 597 1,199	4,002 1,497 1,288 1,108 4,195 5,328 1,910 674 1,258	3,779 1,440 1,190 987 3,969 4,054 1,334 670 1,342	3,391 1,264 1,176 1,068 3,625 3,891 1,339 598 1,258	3,601 1,367 1,003 1,049 4,403 3,239 1,146 633 890	3,463 1,432 978 1,191 4,454 3,173 1,177 769 1530	3,576 1,412 1,006 1,181 3,568 3,240 1,065 613 1426
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Table 4.2 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, by District

Circuit and		Fiscal	Year					
District	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
5TH	29,173	36,942	31,412	32,671	34,310	34,662	31,707	30,125
LA,E	4.040	4.010	3,753	4,774	9,805	10,484	0.225	7 240
LA,E LA,M	4,860 1,125	4,010 2,913	1,035	1,421	1,064	999	8,325 917	7,268 1,081
LA,W	3,174	2,432	2,935	2,458	2,337	2,468	2,102	2,307
MS,N	1,214	1,159	1,371	1,194	1,128	947	981	854
MS,S	1,831	2,376	2,467	4,145	2,780	2,702	2,996	2,455
TX,N	4,962	4,937	6,352	4,790	4,516	4,213	4,055	4,319
TX,E	3,020	3,437	3,127	3,004	3,001	3,222	2,866	3,188
TX,S	5,983	12,564	7,141	7,172	6,467	6,434	6,300	5,670
TX,W	3,004	3,114	3,231	3,713	3,212	3,193	3,165	2,983
177,00	0,001	0,111	0,201	3,713	0,212	3,173	3,100	2,700
6TH	24,543	26,315	27,428	25,759	21,394	21,322	20,778	21,423
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KY,E	1,732	1,989	2,278	2,287	1,940	1,604	1,720	1,477
KY,W	1,626	1,577	1,634	1,443	1,411	1,309	1,336	1,549
MI,E	4,824	5,153	5,807	5,625	5,655	5,580	5,442	4,915
MI,W	1,841	1,745	1,574	1,619	1,578	1,593	1,581	1,542
OH,N	7,032	8,184	7,850	7,951	4,393	4,543	4,068	5,247
OH,S	2,450	2,821	3,373	2,552	2,374	2,836	2,666	2,668
TN,E	2,238	1,841	1,742	1,484	1,257	1,181	1,223	1,344
TN,M	1,500	1,554	1,531	1,369	1,535	1,548	1,525	1,470
TN,W	1,300	1,451	1,639	1,429	1,251	1,128	1,217	1,211
7TH	17,007	17,753	18,989	17,602	16,096	15,594	15,783	16,766
IL,N	7,989	7,859	8,843	8,128	7,265	7,620	7,681	8,305
IL,IN IL,C	1,131	1,391	1,263	1,139	1,021	1,009	1,047	1,237
IL,C IL,S	1,131	1,351	1,382	1,134	1,160	1,009	929	1,237
IN,N	1,385	2,042	2,119	1,927	1,100	1,516	1,471	1,504
IN,S	2,907	2,779	2,833	2,887	2,673	2,411	2,704	2,522
WI,E	1,476	1,357	1,747	1,394	1,396	1,231	1,154	1,317
WI,W	895	966	802	861	738	782	797	826
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8TH	14,328	14,739	13,948	16,246	16,516	15,569	18,708	14,433
4D E	0.074	2.007	2 217	2.700	2.007	2.072	4.700	2.440
AR,E	2,274	2,086	2,317	3,700	2,987	2,063	4,723	2,440
AR,W	975	924	1,171	844	848	803	860	853
IA,N	557	884	663	666	551	549	551	534
IA,S	1,036	1,310	1,031	965	845	779	765	743
MN MO E	2,089	2,283	2,878	3,215	4,714	5,412 2,414	6,186	4,005
MO,E	2,772	2,694	2,427	2,637	2,455		2,250	2,428
MO,W	2,399	2,571	1,633	2,518	2,401	2,037	2,013	2,148
NE	1,361	1,112	1,053	1,020	1,086	891	751 267	723
ND SD	447 418	369 506	331 444	269	211	203	267	212
SD	410	000	444	412	418	418	342	347

Table 4.2 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, by District

Circuit and		Fiscal	Year					
District	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
9TH	30,699	36,953	44,533	41,662	41,178	40,637	39,909	49,819
AK	595	700	484	360	363	347	361	382
AZ	2,863	3,660	3,268	4,887	4,369	3,477	3,539	3,629
CA,N	4,801	5,223	5,810	5,465	7,812	7,074	6,175	6,059
CA,E	2,549	3,382	4,675	4,290	4,534	4,595	4,807	5,698
CA,C	8,824	10,303	16,533	12,598	11,104	11,904	12,130	13,607
CA,S	1,923	2,881	2,782	2,708	2,860	2,829	2,650	3,175
HI	1,025	1,050	892	791	726	663	578	622
ID	618	570	760	591	538	542	576	664
MT	772	683	729	652	624	620	610	621
NV	1,625	2,140	2,351	2,410	2,282	2,463	2,588	3,326
OR	1,964	2,592	2,396	2,614	2,396	2,524	2,239	2,158
WA,E	714	729	729	808	701	640	650	7,069
WA,W	2,323	2,855	3,034	3,411	2,772	2,874	2,938	2,720
GU.	81	130	53	41	44	38	22	35
NMI	22	55	37	36	53	47	46	54
IVIVII	22	33	37	30	33	77	40	34
10TH	11,340	12,545	12,263	10,612	10,000	9,994	9,916	10,530
CO	2,355	3,286	2,600	2,661	2,809	2,796	2,877	3,163
KS	1,931	1,898	1,800	1,700	1,498	1,551	1,517	1,589
NM	1,295	1,564	1,888	1,424	1,328	1,449	1,267	1,318
OK,N	1,136	1,292	1,200	821	730	745	791	857
OK,E	684	620	795	572	549	487	498	519
OK,W	2,288	2,168	2,395	1,768	1,506	1,536	1,450	1,482
UT	1,240	1,323	1,200	1,294	1,272	1,141	1,190	1,304
WY	411	394	385	372	308	289	326	298
11TH	22,003	28,789	30,500	27,274	26,007	34,407	28,205	29,614
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AL,N	2,785	6,880	3,716	2,937	2,675	4,843	2,461	2,686
AL,M	1,493	1,690	1,741	1,296	1,226	1,187	1,102	1,178
AL,S	1,170	1,120	1,148	788	822	980	792	839
FL,N	1,075	1,663	1,586	1,505	1,633	1,635	1,732	1,734
FL,M	4,248	5,547	7,017	7,009	6,739	12,660	7,593	8,064
FL,S	5,100	5,331	8,188	7,138	6,716	7,072	7,815	8,641
GA,N	3,432	3,953	4,314	4,210	3,879	3,900	4,621	4,370
GA,M	1,099	1,396	1,438	1,159	1,167	1,210	1,132	1,214
GA,S	1,601	1,209	1,352	1,232	1,150	920	957	888

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table C, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States

² In 2006, the court issued an order requiring the transfer of all pending and future asbestos product liability cases filed under multidistrict litigation number MDL 875 to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which led to an increase of over 14,000 cases filed.

³ In 2004, the district experienced significant growth in civil filings due to an influx of approximately 20,000 filings related to one case in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina.

Table 4.3
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, by Origin

Fiscal Year	Total ¹	Original Filings ²	Removals from State Courts	Remands from Courts of Appeals	Reopens ²	Transfers
1990 ³	217,879	177,684	25,924	1,149	9,108	4,065
1995	248,335	190,843	39,901	796	7,727	9,068
2000	259,517	212,454	30,194	914	9,135	6,820
2005	253,249	198,130	30,178	583	9,407	14,951
2006	259,520	183,511	29,437	602	25,841	20,129
2007	257,490	189,311	30,282	615	10,238	27,044
2008	267,257	184,370	30,065	597	8,572	43,643
2009	276,397	185,900	30,161	616	15,732	43,974

Data include unknown origin; thus, the totals may not match original filings data in Table S-7 of the Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts.

Source: Table S-4 (1990) and S-7 (1995, 2000, 2005-2009), Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

² In 2006, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania accounted for 65 percent of the reopened cases with over 16,900 personal injury product liability cases. Thirty-six percent of the transfers were a result of 7,208 multi-district litigation asbestos cases.

Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 4.4

U.S. District Courts - Civil Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

		Fiscal Y						
Nature of Suit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
TOTAL	218,258	248,335	259,517	253,273	259,541	257,507	267,257	276,39
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	46,039	31,182	53,625	28,020	30,044	33,939	34,172	35,63
Insurance	6,884	7,540	7,517	7,804	9,792	13,287	12,697	11,15
Marine	3,313	2,622	2,446	1,435	1,700	1,969	2,349	3,498
Miller Act	1,569	775	769	387	359	302	225	249
Negotiable Instruments	2,997	1,536	495	447	336	377	504	87.
Recovery of Overpayments and								
Enforcement of Judgments, Total	10,878	1,822	24,838	3,309	2,872	2,693	3,447	3,04
Medicare Benefits		66	114	126	152			
Student Loans ¹	5,365	1,142	24,404	2,883	2,395	2,673	2,910	2,40
Veterans' Benefits ²	4,963	253	43	8	13	20	9	1:
Other	550	361	277	292	312	511	528	620
Other Contract Actions	20,398	16,887	17,560	14,638	14,985	14,800	14,559	16,38
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	9,505	6,869	6,711	4,561	4,414	5,180	5,072	5,998
Condemnation of Land	462	334	1,243	251	316	321	944	31
Foreclosure	7,196	4,972	4,209	3,012	2,644	2,960	2,144	3,12
Rent, Lease, and Ejectments	349	310	175	154	142	135	172	18
Torts to Land	405	401	377	380	467	842	510	579
Other Real Property Actions	1,093	852	707	764	845	922	1,302	1,78
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	43,919	53,986	36,586	51,335	68,804	61,359	72,011	78,09
Personal Injury, Total ³	40,753	50,565	32,621	47,364	64,743	57,244	68,121	7289
Personal Injury/Product Liability	18,839	27,547	14,428	29,537	48,739	36,469	52,110	58,33
Other Personal Injury, Total	21,914	23,018	18,193	17,827	16,004	20,775	16,011	14,562
Airplane	834	683	747	351	294	478	386	440
Marine	2,961	2,277	2,006	1,667	1,584	1,597	1,393	1,34
Motor Vehicle	6,157	5,374	4,690	4,091	3,938	3,764	3,636	3,588
Assault, Libel, and Slander	644	826	801	647	587	533	557	530
Fed. Employers Liability Act	2,741	1,903	1,108	748	700	585	511	54!
Medical Malpractice	1,375	1,328	1,526	1,221	1,221	1,164	1,255	1,059
Other	7,202	10,627	7,315	9,102	7,680	12,654	8,273	7,04
Personal Property Damage, Total	3,166	3,421	3,965	3,971	4,061	4,115	3,890	5,19
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	1,492	1,881	2,265	2,465	2,313	2,129	2,245	3,320
Other Personal Property Damage	1,674	1,540	1,700	1,506	1,748	1,986	1,645	1,87
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES, TOTAL	118,669	156,209	162,583	169,265	156,177	156,916	155,939	156,629
Antitrust	472	781	858	818	986	1,038	1,318	812
Bankruptcy, Total	5,056	5,046	3,361	3,000	3,389	3,164	2,383	2,31
Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158)	4,231	4,312	2,785	2,435	2,475	2,290	1,954	1,90
Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157)	825	734	576	565	914	874	429	40
Banks and Banking	700	432	205	258	201	234	258	44

Table 4.4 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

U.S. District Courts – Civil Cases Filed		Fiscal Y	'ear					
Nature of Suit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Civil Rights, Total ⁴	18,793	36,600	40,908	36,096	32,865	31,756	32,132	33,761
Voting	130	208	167	166	150	118	145	127
Employment	8,413	19,059	21,032	16,930	14,353	13,375	13,219	14,036
Accommodations	341	735	1,284	885	643	665	644	746
Welfare	129	116	80	54	56	27	48	71
Other Civil Rights	9,780	16,482	18,345	18,061	17,663	17,571	18,076	18,781
Environmental Matters	958	1,081	886	714	871	767	920	741
Deportation	61	106	213	201	130	115	130	91
Prisoner Petitions	42,630	63,550	58,257	61,238	54,955	53,995	54,786	52,304
Forfeiture and Penalty, Total	8,739	2,517	2,320	2,298	2,224	2,272	2,331	2,371
Agricultural Acts	84	155	57	27	18	29	26	22
Food and Drug Act	2,608	197	110	49	42	55	47	34
Drug-Related Seizure of Property	0.400	1,042	1,117	1,359	1,328	1,355	1,389	1,441
Air Traffic Regulations	2,608	11	7	6	2	5	4	1
Occupational Safety and Health Act	61	33	4	5	8	7	8	12
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	3,378	1,079	1,025	852	826	821	847	861
Labor Laws, Total	13,841	14,954	14,142	18,322	16,659	18,674	16,788	17,719
Fair Labor Standards Act	1,282	1,580	1,935	4,039	4,207	7,310	5,393	6,073
Labor Management Relations Act Labor Management Reporting &	2,342	1,984	1,542	1,674	1,239	1,079	1,051	1,066
Disclosure Act	181	161	101	88	63	82	66	57
Railway Labor Act	199	172	137	104	108	92	83	74
E.R.I.S.A. ⁵		9,517	9,124	11,171	9,748	8,986	8,983	9,129
Other Labor Litigation	9,837	1,540	1,303	1,246	1,294	1,125	1,212	1,320
Protected Property Rights	5,738	6,866	8,738	12,184	11,514	10,783	9,592	8,365
Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges	2,629	1,906	2,678	2,038	1,621	1,394	1,637	1,674
Social Security Laws, Total	7,439	9,354	15,829	15,487	13,847	12,974	13,138	13,622
Health Insurance	121	81	70	58	53	56	-	-
Black Lung Cases	21	11	20	20	7	2	-	-
Disability Insurance	5,212	5,501	8,122	7,024	6,480	6,187	6,080	6,389
Supplemental Security Income	1,836	3,347	6,762	7,675	6,649	6,135	6,373	6,472
Retirement and Survivors Benefits	249	414	855	710	658	594	603 82	665 96
RICO ⁶		900	829	781	687	653	684	786
State Reapportionment Suits	2,604	7	2	8	6	6	4	3
Tax Suits	38	2,202	907	1,385	1,490	1,522	1,451	1,306
Customer Challenge	38	33	12	21	17	12	8	19
Freedom of Information Act	407	467	341	404	312	335	639	626
Constitutionality of State Statutes	315	309	288	310	304	277	280	314
Other Statutory Actions	8,211	9,098	11,809	13,702	14,099	16,995	11,326	10,345

Table 4.4 (Continued)

U.S. District Courts - Civil Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

FOOTNOTES

- ' Filings for recovery of defaulted student loans decreased from 1990 to 1995 due to a change in Department of Education (DOE) policy on collection of delinquent loans. Renewed growth peaked in 2000 as a result of streamlining of the loan-processing system. In 2001, DOE implemented new administrative measures that caused fewer student loan cases to be filed in federal courts.
- ² Filings for recovery of overpayments of veterans' benefits have decreased significantly as the Department of Veterans' Affairs has used administrative actions and the Internal Revenue Service to recover overpayments rather than filing suit in district court. For additional information, see the 1991 *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts,* page 86.
- 3 The increase in personal injury filings between 1990 and 1995 was attributable mostly to breast implant cases and a large number of cases related to an oil refinery explosion in Louisiana. In 2006, personal injury/product liability filings rose 64 percent, primarily as a result of 15,000 additional asbestos cases, over 14,000 of which were MDL filings in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
- ⁴ Civil rights filings increased significantly after 1990 largely because of the Civil Rights Act of 1991 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
- ⁵ Employee Retirement Income Security Act filings in 1990 were included in "other labor litigation."
- ⁶ Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organization Act data not reported in 1990.

Sources: Table C-2.Tables S-8 for 1995, 2000, and 2002 through 2004; Table S-5 for 2005 and 2006; Table C-2 for 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2003; and Table S-6 for 2005 and 2006, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.

Table 4.5
U.S. District Courts—Product Liability Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

					Personal Injury					
Fiscal Year	Total	Contract Actions	Torts to Land	Property Damage	Airplane	Marine	Motor Vehicle	Asbestos	Other	
1990	19,428	361	65	323	196	330	575	13,687	3,891	
1995	28,226	249	64	366	155	53	566	6,916	19,857	
2000	15,318	350	72	468	164	54	421	7,187	6,602	
2005	30,295	224	103	431	79	46	531	1,243	27,638	
2006	49,743	265	148	591	74	37	561	16,547	31,520	
2007	37,566	249	348	500	114	44	447	12,404	23,460	
2008	53,102	226	247	519	101	33	390	33,780	17,806	
2009	59,504	238	252	679	131	27	401	41,785	15,991	

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Personal injury/product liability data from Table C-2, Table S-7 (1990), and Table S-10 (1995, 2000, 2004-2009), *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.

² Data for 2006 through 2008 resulted from new influxes of asbestos cases filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Table 4.6
U.S. District Courts—Prisoner Petitions Filed, by Nature of Suit

				U.S. Cases	6				Private Ca	ses	
Fiscal Year	Grand Total	Total	Motions to Vacate Sentence	Habeas Corpus General*	Prison Condition & Civil Rights	Mandamus and Other	Total	Habeas Corpus General	Death Penalty	Prison Condition & Civil Rights	Mandamus and Other
1990**	42,684	6,611	2,970	1,967	1,149	525	36,073	10,823	54	24,843	353
1995	63,550	8,951	5,988	1,343	1,110	510	54,599	13,462	170	40,569	398
2000	58,257	11,880	6,341	3,870	1,041	628	46,377	21,090	259	24,464	564
2005	61,238	18,010	10,361	5,683	1,286	680	43,228	18,961	229	23,328	710
2006	54,955	12,032	6,515	3,789	1,116	612	42,923	18,959	236	23,123	605
2007	53,945	11,296	5,896	3,299	1,246	855	42,649	18,907	232	22,779	731
2008	54,781	11,284	6,352	3,035	1,304	598	43,497	18,268	187	24,375	667
2009	52,304	10,457	5,771	2,883	1,315	488	41,847	17,454	227	23,573	593

Note: Prisoner petitions increased 47 percent between 1990 and 1995. Since 1995, fluctuations have occurred in prisoner petitions as a result of legislation (the Prison Litigation Reform Act and Title I of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act, both of which were passed in April 1996) and Supreme Court decisions (*Bailey v. United States* in 1995, *Apprendi v. New Jersey* in 2000; and *United States v. Booker* in 2005). The 45 percent increase in motions to vacate sentence in 2005 likely resulted from the *Booker* decision. In 2006, motions to vacate sentence and habeas corpus petitions filed by federal prisoners both declined more than 30 percent. The total provided here for prisoner petitions does not match exactly the data reported on the C-3 Table for 1990 because the data for this table were recomputed for the fiscal year.

Source: Table C-3, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*} Includes U.S. death penalty cases.

^{**} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 4.7
U.S. District Courts—Copyright, Patent, and Trademark Cases Filed

			U.S. Cases			Private	Cases	
Fiscal Year	Grand Total	Total	Patent	Trademark	Total	Copyright	Patent	Trademark
1990 ¹	5,700	30	22	8	5,670	2,095	1,165	2,410
1995	6,866	27	17	10	6,839	2,417	1,706	2,716
2000	8,738	41	24	17	8,697	2,050	2,460	4,187
2005	12,184	25	14	11	12,159	5,796	2,706	3,657
2006	11,514	28	23	5	11,486	4,944	2,807	3,735
2007	10,783	22	18	4	10,761	4,400	2,878	3,483
2008	6,358	19	14	5	6,339	3,234 ²	2,895	3,444
2009	8,365	47	41	6	8,318	2,192	2,751	3,375

Note: Filings increased steadily from 1990 through 2000 due to rapid growth in advanced technology and an increase in the number of companies and individuals who view intellectual property as an asset to be protected. Between 2000 and 2005, much of the increase occurred after a judge ruled that a case originally filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania against more than 200 defendants must be refiled as individual cases against each defendant. Filings declined 5 percent in 2006 primarily due to a 15 percent drop in copyright filings. The 2005 increase likely resulted from music companies filing infringement cases against individuals for downloading copyrighted recordings.

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

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

² Over the past year, 70 percent of the U.S. district courts reported lower filings. Their filings are now returning to levels reported prior to 2004.

Table 4.8
U.S. District Courts — Civil Cases Filed, by Jurisdiction

		U.S. (Cases		Private Cases	
Fiscal Year	Total	Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
1990 *	217,879	31,763	24,537	103,938	57,183	458
1995	248,335	14,130	29,028	153,489	51,448	240
2000	259,517	34,124	36,985	139,624	48,626	158
2005	253,273	10,400	41,986	138,696	62,191	-
2006	259,541	9,257	35,037	134,877	80,370	-
2007	257,507	9,564	35,900	139,424	72,619	-
2008	267,257	9,649	34,515	134,582	88,457	54
2009	276,397	8,834	34,310	136,041	97,209	3

Note: Overall filings increased from 2000 to 2002 due primarily to increases in private cases, particularly those involving asbestos; many of those cases were remanded to state court. The growth in civil filings in 2004 resulted from a 16 percent increase in federal question cases; approximately 20,000 of those filings related to one case in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina. In addition, diversity of citizenship filings rose significantly due to a 58 percent increase in personal injury/product liability filings. In 2006, diversity of citizenship filings rose 29 percent, mainly in response to an increase of over 14,000 asbestos cases filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Source: Table 4 and Table C-2, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 4.9
U.S. District Courts – Diversity Of Citizenship Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

0.5. District Courts—Diversity Of Cit			Fiscal Yea				
Nature of Suit	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
TOTAL	51,447	48,625	62,175	80,351	72,586	88,457	97,209
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	20,992	21,581	19,266	20,970	23,298	23,211	24,500
Franchise	-	-	-	-	-	291	357
Insurance	6,528	6,259	6,591	7,870	10,430	9,955	9,117
Marine	157	149	93	111	110	99	122
Negotiable Instruments	771	401	338	276	309	434	597
Recovery of Overpayments &							
Enforcement of Judgments, Total	106	96	105	144	189	233	344
Other Contract Actions	13,430	14,676	12,139	12,569	12,260	12,199	13,963
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	1,531	2,085	1,622	1,798	2,527	1,839	1,996
Condemnation of Land	11	20	17	13	29	30	14
Foreclosure	798	1,430	928	945	1,521	756	856
Rent, Lease, Ejectment	137	86	87	86	75	105	103
Torts to Land, Including Prod. Liability	240	258	226	304	401	352	401
Other Real Property Actions	345	291	364	450	501	596	622
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	28,806	23,594	40,866	57,240	46,437	62,427	68,503
Personal Injury, Total	26,756	21,291	38,588	54,888	43,975	60,153	65,732
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Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total	12,059	10,176	27,212	45,485	34,974	50,995	56,303
Airplane	99	133	57	60	64	82	93
Marine	28	33	19	14	18	18	13
Motor Vehicle	541	388	491	523	405	360	371
Asbestos ¹	2,098	3,501	1,029	16,030	12,254	33,568	41,412
Other ²	9,293	6,121	25,616	28,858	22,233	16,967	14,414
Other Personal Injury, Total	14,697	11,115	11,376	9,403	9,001	9,158	9,429
Airplane	432	367	219	157	260	157	317
Marine	356	208	226	255	252	265	269
Motor Vehicle	4,305	3,821	3,356	3,271	3,113	3,012	2,976
Assault, Libel & Slander	568	535	416	378	327	368	333
Medical Malpractice	800	857	631	588	567	698	482
Other ³	8,236	5,327	6,528	4,754	4,482	4,658	5,052
Personal Property Damage, Total	2,050	2,303	2,278	2,352	2,462	2,274	2,771
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	1,091	1,149	1,292	1,229	1,024	1,095	1,401
Other Personal Property Damage	959	1,154	986	1,123	1,438	1,179	1,370
OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL ⁴	118	1,365	421	343	324	980	2,207

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

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

²The increase in 2006 and 2008 primarily resulted from influxes of asbestos filings in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

³ Other personal injury/product liability filings continued to increase in 2003 as a large number of plaintiffs alleged injurious side effects of the anticholesterol drug Baycol. In 2004, total diversity of citizenship filings rose significantly due to a 55 percent increase in personal injury product/liability filings. Most of the growth resulted from the transfer of several thousand cases to the Northern District of Ohio as part of multidistrict litigation involving welding products that contained manganese. In addition, many district courts experienced an influx of cases related to multidistrict litigation involving either Baycol or Phentermine/Fenfluramine/Dexfenfluramine (Fen-

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The significant increase in other personal injury cases in 1995 was mostly attributable to a large number cases related to an oil refinery explosion in explosion in Louisiana.

Table 4.10
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Action Taken

		No Court		1	During or After		During or After Trial			
Fiscal Year	Total	Action	Total	Before Pretrial	Pretrial	Total	Nonjury	Jury	% Reaching Trial	
1990 ¹	213,429	51,630	161,799	127,017	25,519	9,263	4,480	4,783	4.3%	
1995	229,325	36,558	192,767	166,017	19,307	7,443	3,317	4,126	3.2%	
2000	259,234	43,281	215,953	189,808	20,365	5,780	2,001	3,779	2.2%	
2005	270,973	62,661	208,312	183,072	21,341	3,899	1,289	2,610	1.4%	
2006	272,644	60,863	211,781	170,028	38,198	3,555	1,140	2,415	1.3%	
2007	229,460	55,275	174,185	150,756	23,429	9,832 ²	1,093	8,739 ²	0.0%	
2008	229,103	55,024	174,079	151,404	22,675	4,723 ³	2,510 ³	2,213	0.0%	
2009	263,049	54,840	208,209	181,111	23,827	3,271	997	2,274	1.2%	

Note: Land condemnation cases omitted.

Source: Table C-4, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

 $^{^{2}}$ These increases resulted from terminations of oil refinery explosion cases in the Middle District of Louisiana.

 $^{^{3}}$ More than 1, 400 of the cases were related to oil refinery explosions in the Middle District of Louisiana.

Table 4.11
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Pending, by Length of Time Pending

		Length of Time							
		Less Than 1			3 Years or More				
Fiscal Year	Total	Year	1 to 2 Years	2 to 3 Years	Number	Percent			
1990*	242,346	135,334	53,933	27,872	25,207	10.4%			
1995	242,274	156,254	51,119	21,363	13,538	5.6%			
2000	249,261	153,033	45,651	20,143	30,434	12.2%			
2005	266,216	151,485	52,796	22,335	39,600	14.9%			
2006	251,832	150,363	50,434	23,458	27,577	11.0%			
2007	265,082	162,516	62,059	23,061	17,446	6.6%			
2008	298,129	169,162	71,543	35,604	21,820	7.3%			
2009	306,816	172,848	56,556	41,584	35,828	11.7%			

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table C-6, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

Table 4.12
U.S. District Courts – Civil Consent Cases Terminated by U.S. Magistrate Judges Under 28 U.S.C. Section 636(c)

Fiscal Years	Total	Without Trial	Jury Trial	NonJury Trial
1990*	4,958	3,950	495	513
1995	8,967	7,371	813	783
2000	11,481	10,181	750	550
2005	12,282	11,669	399	214
2006	11,521	10,944	379	198
2007	10,575	10,065	322	188
2008	10,814	10,290	313	211
2009	11,402	10,943	305	154

*Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table M-5, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

Table 5.1
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases and Defendants Filed, Terminated, and Pending (Including Transfers)

		Filed			Tern	ninated	Pending		
				Defendants per				•	
Fiscal Year	Authorized Judgeships	Cases	Defendants	Case Ratio	Cases	Defendants	Cases	Defendants	
1990 *	575	47,962	66,341	1.4	43,364	60,179	35,019	52,568	
1995	649	45,788	64,771	1.4	41,527	57,275	30,589	47,978	
2000	655	62,745	83,963	1.3	58,102	77,185	47,609	69,286	
2005	678	69,575	92,226	1.3	66,561	86,616	68,914	96,668	
2006	678	66,860	88,216	1.3	67,499	88,601	69,293	96,909	
2007	678	68,413	89,306	1.3	67,851	88,471	72,478	100,315	
2008	678	70,896	92,355	1.3	70,629	91,817	73,685	101,936	
2009	678	76,655	97,982	1.3	75,077	95,598	76,918	105,723	

Note: Pending totals for 1994 and thereafter exclude each case in which the defendant has been a fugitive for more than one year. However, no case with multiple defendants has been excluded unless all defendants in the case have been fugitives for more than one year.

This table includes all felony and Class A misdemeanor cases, but includes only those petty offense cases that have been assigned to district judges.

Note: Table D (1990) exludes transfers.

Source: Tables D (Cases & Defendants), 1990 (Defendants is from Table D-1), 1995, and 2005 - 2009, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 5.2
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by District (Including Transfers)

Circuit and							
District	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
TOTAL	45,788	62,745	69,575	66,860	68,413	70,896	76,655
DC	451	399	462	380	321	407	332
1ST	1,119	1,682	1,286	1,327	1,352	1,336	1,274
ME	125	181	199	178	194	216	168
MA	402	432	378	342	378	373	328
NH	110	148	212	273	224	177	196
RI	109	132	134	126	122	107	164
PR	373	789	363	408	434	463	418
2ND	3,526	3,661	3,421	3,302	3,273	3,408	3,628
CT	200	236	275	303	248	262	253
NY,N	514	528	443	407	462	617	635
NY,E	1,117	1,096	817	735	820	698	811
NY,S	1,216	1,267	1,153	1,021	1,026	1,054	1,147
NY,W	330	420	583	709	561	634	654
VT	149	114	150	127	156	143	128
3RD	2,583	3,142	2,980	2,845	3,035	3,056	2,731
DE	105	97	133	126	176	196	111
NJ	831	881	1,026	1,032	1,004	1,037	926
PA,E	652	719	701	627	713	701	703
PA,M	317	359	509	447	488	495	431
PA,W	252	302	461	493	530	543	470
VI	426	784	150	120	124	84	90
4TH	5,708	7,199	8,699	8,175	8,826	8,092	8,695
MD	512	1,165	1,541	1,755	1,522	1,389	1,515
NC,E	678	889	1,343	978	1,087	1,001	1,459
NC,M	325	388	392	395	358	415	402
NC,W	493	394	540	518	419	454	389
SC	649	674	775	821	885	818	829
VA,E	2,429	3,011	3,207	2,803	3,701	3,267	3,248
VA,W	280	319	397	374	320	239	279
WV,N WV,S	107 235	127 232	273 231	278 253	305 229	264 245	289 285
5TH	4,936	10,856	14,559	13,820	13,951	16,054	18,212
LA,E	288	320	348	318	414	320	369
LA,M	98	177	236	243	257	161	147
LA,W	243	244	484	502	353	310	313
MS,N	114	135	132	152	173	122	138
MS,S	187 753	365 963	345 747	460 784	421 840	450 749	322 676
TX,N TX,E	344	498	585	662	664	642	546
TX,E TX,S	1,381	3,720	6,262	5,379	5,253	6,586	7,775
TX,S TX,W	1,528	4,434	5,420	5,379	5,253 5,576	6,714	7,775 7,926
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U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by District (Including Transfers)

Circuit and	Courts — Cr	IIIIIIai Ca	Ses File	a, by Dist	net (inci	uding mansi	ers)
District	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
6TH	3,420	3,709	4,485	4,536	4,393	4,460	4,640
KY,E	318	442	427	492	452	552	485
KY,W	584	578	627	742	815	762	671
MI,E	604	515	556	554	478	518	498
MI,W	231	305	365	346	359	333	413
OH,N	476	507	690	592	558	529	531
OH,S	369	383	554	598	503	502	561
TN,E	342	434	466	425	461	464	544
TN,M	127	209	287	262	250	257	307
TN,W	369	336	513	525	517	543	630
7TH	1,733	2,151	2,502	2,390	2,320	2,251	2,397
IL,N	521	700	769	611	546	579	652
IL,C	231	295	384	374	464	349	398
IL,S	225	317	229	243	237	205	243
IN,N	207	348	382	416	364	428	449
IN,S	242	172	224	232	180	200	168
WI,E	202	206	280	288	340	311	316
WI,W	105	113	234	226	189	179	171
8TH	2,354	3,431	4,488	4,530	4,449	4,583	4,288
AR,E	256	199	291	353	334	363	307
AR,W	130	163	216	229	225	205	268
IA,N	140	279	340	420	312	542	260
IA,S	172	296	376	331	437	354	364
MN	247	348	393	388	383	344	319
MO,E	432	647	829	925	872	890	926
MO,W	334	515	725	676	638	589	551
NE	213	468	611	558	584	618	571
ND	160	178	280	250	224	215	270
SD	270	338	427	400	440	463	452
9TH	11,182	14,912	14,140	12,819	14,497	14,695	17,534
AK	195	223	166	158	178	171	163
AZ	1,142	3,117	4,050	3,446	4,349	3,145	5,261
CA,N	729	1,057	688	661	614	725	1,053
CA,E	893	1,007	945	942	877	959	967
CA,C	1,183	1,407	1,388	1,149	1,464	1,888	1,557
CA,S	2,290	3,953	2,540	2,731	3,319	4,036	4,859
HI 	1,003	477	456	377	364	567	411
ID	107	153	249	216	239	275	277
MT	409	429	518	408	448	413	363
NV	330	518	615	497	355	372	558
OR	616	790	690	662	619	709	674
WA,E	406	451	445	393	352	361	363
WA,W	1,688	1,180	1,232	1,086	1,122	977	942
GU	170	112	131	77	169	78	68
NMI	21	38	27	16	28	19	18

Table 5.2 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by District (Including Transfers)

Circuit and		1	1		1		
District	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
10TH	2,742	4,362	6,577	6,629	5,965	6,159	6,763
CO	444	588	658	598	497	462	490
KS	336	489	714	774	702	732	541
NM	939	1,720	2,915	2,826	2,392	2,693	3,489
OK,N	169	137	205	191	198	206	165
OK,E	65	80	93	67	72	82	98
OK,W	412	570	709	881	877	736	640
UT	271	635	1,042	952	915	973	976
WY	106	143	241	340	312	275	364
11TH	6,034	7,241	5,976	6,107	6,031	6,395	6,161
AL,N	331	436	479	579	503	464	464
AL,M	249	171	267	283	274	259	206
AL,S	237	238	312	282	346	409	255
FL,N	290	349	454	538	533	508	533
FL,M	808	1,210	1,148	1,243	1,129	1,377	1,229
FL,S	1,436	1,705	1,595	1,373	1,608	1,763	1,619
GA,N	811	970	641	666	522	545	609
GA,M	1,500	1,787	500	495	522	455	463
GA,S	372	375	580	648	594	615	783

Source: Table D (Cases), Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

Table 5.3
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

	Fiscal Year										
Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009				
TOTAL	45,053	62,152	68,996	66,365	67,910	70,429	76,222				
VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL	2,452	2,632	2,483	2,435	2,264	2,232	2,376				
Homicide	215	147	158	157	132	120	123				
Robbery, Total	1,225	1,256	1,004	1,058	911	899	953				
Bank	1,165	1,218	976	1,019	881	868	891				
Other Robbery Offenses	60	38	28	39	30	31	62				
Assault	619	845	928	828	813	773	842				
Kidnapping	82	77	73	70	68	72	77				
Racketeering - Violent	151	171	171	145	176	173	183				
Carjacking	152	102	83	89	95	115	97				
Terrorism	-	4	20	30	32	25	34				
Other Violent Offenses	8	30	46	58	37	55	67				
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL	13,214	13,457	11,765	11,810	12,621	12,048	12,488				
Burglary	61	59	54	38	41	33	41				
Larceny and Theft, Total	3,385	3,276	2,658	2,816	2,964	2,769	2,517				
Bank	216	272	82	63	58	62	62				
Postal Service	312	441	274	314	304	269	219				
Interstate Shipments	108	63	34	30	28	22	10				
Theft - U.S. Property	2,026	1,828	1,752	1,913	2,140	2,024	1,854				
Theft - Maritime Jurisdiction	331	340	200	190	175	137	149				
Transportation, Etc., Stolen Property	318	240	132	129	128	130	108				
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	74	92	184	177	131	125	115				
Embezzlement, Total	1,256	1,096	634	664	549	621	641				
Bank	724	656	213	259	194	186	169				
Postal Service	243	242	228	193	182	220	257				
Financial Institutions	98	54	26	24	18	37	27				
Other Embezzlement Offenses	191	144	167	188	155	178	188				
Fraud, Total	7,234	7,566	7,397	7,169	8,101	7,746	8,355				
Tax	783	603	574	514	520	556	566				
Financial Institutions	1,243	1,257	705	721	569	524	532				
Securities and Exchange	52	104	101	65	70	66	70				
Mail	941	706	556	530	464	483	467				
Wire, Radio, or Television	317	372	344	387	340	298	350				
Bankruptcy	98	138	87	72	72	52	55				
Social Security	243	641 39	653	589	763	756	524				
False Personation	47		48	40	56	47	45				
Citizenship and Naturalization Passport	67 233	364 281	290 381	184 298	179 352	222 476	298 504				
Identification Documents and Information	771	619	1,069	1,077	1,943	1,345	2,202				
False Claims and Services - Government	272	168	1,069	355	242	1,343	159				
False Statements	542	545	832	669	638	796	612				
Conspiracy to Defraud the United States	289	742	628	578	649	580	540				
Unauthorized Access Devices	937	619	523	561	594	612	583				
Computer	24	77	104	106	95	101	112				
Health Care		200	242	246	261	322	277				
Other Fraud Offenses	375	91	62	177	294	318	459				

Table 5.3 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL (Cont'd)							
Forgery and Counterfeiting	1,014	1,213	898	962	825	723	775
Auto Theft	109	92	23	28	26	28	36
Other Property Offenses	155	155	101	133	115	128	123
DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL	11,475	17,449	18,198	17,429	17,046	15,784	16,636
Marijuana, Total	3,292	6,081	4,994	4,818	5,040	4,418	5,411
Sell, Distribute, Or Dispense	1,671	3,439	2,447	2,495	2,491	2,285	2,637
Import/Export	323	1,690	1,122	1,114	1,473	1,137	1,616
Manufacture	142	120	118	111	161	186	164
Possession	1,156	832	1,307	1,098	915	810	994
All Other Drugs, Total	8,041	11,267	13,102	12,534	11,953	11,297	11,164
Sell, Distribute, Or Dispense	6,397	8,592	10,147	10,732	10,442	9,954	9,605
Import/Export	802	1,032	936	983	877	757	937
Manufacture	194	420	502	332	199	223	298
Possession	648	1,223	1,517	487	435	363	324
Other Drug Offenses	142	101	102	77	53	69	61
FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES	0.074	5.045	0.007	0.070	0.007	0.045	7.005
OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,871	5,615	9,207	8,678	8,287	8,045	7,805
Firearms, Total	3,665	5,410	9,008	8,472	8,103	7,891	7,650
Possession by Prohibited Persons Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking	1,454	3,137	5,685	5,314	5,119	5,030	4,899
Crimes	1,097	1,148	2,007	1,962	1,777	1,709	1,652
Other Firearms Offenses	1,114	1,125	1,316	1,196	1,207	1,152	1,099
Explosives	206	205	199	206	184	154	155
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	406	922	1,779	1,885	2,460	2,674	2,808
Sexual Abuse of Adults	105	115	99	98	124	94	105
Sexual Abuse of Minors	167	237	333	373	409	407	438
Sexually Explicit Material	85	453	1,102	1,156	1,544	1,691	1,806
Transportation for Illegal Sexual Activity	-	109	242	251	230	204	161
Sex Offender Registry	-	- al	-	-	-	269	294
Other Sex Offenses	49	8	3	7	153	9	4
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,079	1,061	979	961	884	993	841
Aiding, Abetting, Accessory, Etc.	189	151	215	196	160	193	141
Obstruction of Justice	166	159	208	223	203	180	199
Escape from Custody	281	233	247	251	235	310	238
Failure to Appear Perjury	289 85	299 113	183 62	182 54	186 48	225 41	177 35
Contempt	69	106	64	55	52	44	51
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,960	12,163	17,134	16,353	16,722	21,313	25,804
Alien Smuggling	678	1,949	2,728	2,714	2,688	2,779	2,239
Improper Entry by Alien	410	2,546	2,000	1,100	1,157	1,779	1,540
Improper Reentry by Alien	2,649	7,188	11,648	11,827	12,315	15,626	20,662
Fraud and Misuse of Visa/Permit	209	354	719	679	533	1,080	1,315
Other Immigration Offenses	14	126	39	33	29	49	48

Table 5.3 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,694	2,510	1,685	1,527	1,539	1,659	1,449
Bribery	213	145	123	136	95	122	122
Money Laundering	570	623	589	588	545	552	446
RICO	54	37	29	28	18	22	19
Racketeering - General	35	45	40	34	27	42	32
Extortion and Threats	185	174	180	126	138	124	118
Gambling and Lottery	89	92	52	25	21	22	11
Failure to Pay Child Support	35	291	92	80	75	91	83
Other General Offenses	513	1,103	580	510	620	684	618
REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,688	1,664	1,626	1,661	1,660	1,692	1,643
Civil Rights	74	80	81	74	77	83	86
Copyright	11	-	-	56	38	72	48
Food and Drug	51	48	41	51	55	34	48
Hazardous Waste Treatment, Disposal,							
and Storage	43	27	27	23	29	30	22
Telegraph, Telephone, and Radiograph	17	43	11	11	15	8	5
National Defense	18	20	29	38	28	29	25
Antitrust	38	43	25	18	16	21	29
Labor	83	134	75	85	68	72	83
Game and Conservation	188	132	141	217	221	217	223
National Parks	204	174	104	103	132	111	110
Customs	96	96	55	44	51	78	79
Postal Service	199	112	104	105	103	108	86
Reporting of Monetary Transactions	213	242	231	189	210	196	207
Migratory Bird	26	52	69	38	65	51	68
Maritime and Shipping	67	73	88	94	98	100	101
Aircraft Regulations	12	57	88	84	69	69	58
Other Regulatory Offenses	348	331	457	431	385	413	365
TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL	5,214	4,679	4,140	3,626	4,427	3,989	4,372
Drunk Driving	1,507	1,250	1,808	1,545	1,583	1,472	1,583
Other Traffic Offenses	3,707	3,429	2,332	2,081	2,844	2,517	2,789

^{*} RICO - Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations

Note: In 2005, the classification of criminal filings was amended to categorize more accurately the major offenses charged.

Data in this table reflect these revisions. Therefore, data for earlier years are not comparable to the data in the current year's Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

Source: Table D-2 (Cases). In 2005, the classification of criminal filings was amended to more accurately categorize the major offense charged. All data on this table reflect these revisions. Therefore data for earlier years are not comparable to the data in the current year's *Annual Report of the Director:* year's Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts

Table 5.4
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
TOTAL	63,986	83,303	91,632	87,699	88,780	91,866	97,529
VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,050	3,277	3,092	2,950	2,837	2,853	3,065
Homicide	275	174	204	186	147	146	142
Robbery, Total	1,408	1,506	1,181	1,223	1,076	1,099	1,121
Bank	1,332	1,460	1,139	1,171	1,032	1,065	1,043
Other Robbery Offenses	76	46	42	52	44	34	78
Assault	698	940	988	885	873	850	918
Kidnapping	138	128	137	138	130	142	166
Racketeering - Violent	295	329	364	258	351	347	423
Carjacking	220	158	134	132	160	173	155
Terrorism	-	5	26	59	59	25	55
Other Violent Offenses	16	37	58	69	41	71	85
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL	17,023	17,177	15,292	15,379	16,277	15,771	16,021
Burglary	83	75	76	48	57	52	53
Larceny and Theft, Total	3,975	3,775	3,012	3,116	3,345	3,067	2,773
Bank	239	290	96	72	70	81	75
Postal Service	414	603	387	401	436	345	279
Interstate Shipments	193	135	56	44	39	39	29
Theft - U.S. Property	2,183	1,925	1,859	2,022	2,258	2,145	1,958
Theft - Maritime Jurisdiction	348	350	208	207	192	145	159
Transportation, Etc., Stolen Property	520	380	218	177	210	183	151
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	78	92	188	193	140	129	122
Embezzlement, Total	1,318	1,171	710	719	608	681	690
Bank	745	674	225	263	198	188	174
Postal Service	248	249	232	196	185	221	260
Financial Institutions	102	54	26	26	20	37	27
Other Embezzlement Offenses	223	194	227	234	205	235	229
Fraud, Total	9,850	10,034	9,929	9,818	10,804	10,680	11,147
Tax	905	654	644	588	570	622	618
Financial Institutions	1,599	1,661	1,016	994	779	748	787
Securities and Exchange	80	256	142	97	112	91	107
Mail	1,511	942	883	770	658	762	610
Wire, Radio, or Television	537	515	495	535	531	498	490
Bankruptcy	120	157	112	89	83	62	69
Social Security False Personation	289 47	768	738	651 45	817 57	956 47	568 47
	70	43 367	49 307	193	191	226	307
Citizenship and Naturalization Passport	242	292	394	304	358	483	517
Identification Documents and Information	856	721	1,338	1,358	2,185	1,591	2,383
False Claims and Services - Government	431	233	259	440	2,103	252	2,303
False Statements	682	658	960	786	747	899	693
Conspiracy to Defraud the United States	552	1,393	1,168	1,262	1,349	1,175	1,044
Unauthorized Access Devices	1,259	849	744	823	871	883	871
Computer	30	92	115	125	108	115	149
Health Care	_	310	447	391	415	482	458
Attempt and Conspiracy to Defraud	_	-	188	235	540	716	1055
Other Fraud Offenses	640	123	118	132	139	72	136

Table 5.4 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL (Cont'd)							
Forgery and Counterfeiting	1,397	1,778	1,394	1,468	1,284	1,080	1,131
Auto Theft	225	164	57	42	48	62	72
Other Property Offenses	175	180	114	161	131	149	155
DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL	22,789	30,412	32,637	30,567	29,885	28,932	30,144
Marijuana, Total	5,561	8,492	7,349	6,764	6,948	6,263	7,631
Sell, Distribute, Or Dispense	3,545	5,376	4,233	4,181	3,950	3,749	4,398
Import/Export	470	1,981	1,327	1,260	1,705	1,281	1,840
Manufacture	278	203	227	188	355	409	377
Possession	1,268	932	1,562	1,135	938	824	1,016
All Other Drugs, Total	16,948	21,731	25,121	23,693	22,866	22,572	22,424
Sell, Distribute, Or Dispense	14,451	17,679	20,672	21,289	20,769	20,571	20,149
Import/Export	1,211	1,376	1,279	1,259	1,174	1,012	1,218
Manufacture	403	870	1,040	630	465	609	718
Possession	883	1,806	2,130	515	458	380	339
Other Drug Offenses	280	189	167	110	71	97	89
FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES	4.700	0.507	40.000	0.000	0.404	0.000	0.040
OFFENSES, TOTAL	4,780	6,527	10,328	9,800	9,401	9,068	8,942
Firearms, Total	4,480	6,251	10,083	9,510	9,161	8,868	8,717
Possession by Prohibited Persons Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking	1,554	3,288	5,973	5,606	5,390	5,274	5,165
Crimes	1,529	1,606	2,527	2,447	2,282	2,255	2,193
Other Firearms Offenses	1,397	1,357	1,583	1,457	1,489	1,339	1,359
Explosives	300	276	245	290	240	200	225
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	428	976	1,828	1,975	2,572	2,760	2,896
Sexual Abuse of Adults	118	117	104	101	130	97	106
Sexual Abuse of Minors	169	247	353	417	466	449	497
Sexually Explicit Material	86	462	1,112	1,170	1,552	1,708	1,826
Transportation for Illegal Sexual Activity	-	142	256	278	270	228	169
Sex Offender Registry	-	-	-	-	-	269	294
Other Sex Offenses	55	8	3	9	154	9	4
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,314	1,237	1,229	1,144	1,028	1,174	1,016
Aiding, Abetting, Accessory, Etc.	275	202	307	253	201	247	196
Obstruction of Justice	253	246	336	332	283	286	310
Escape from Custody	295	243	257	254	235	318	241
Failure to Appear	295	300	184	187	191	228	179
Perjury Contempt	110 86	135 111	73 72	61 57	54 64	49 46	38 52
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL	4,472	13,067	18,322	17,651	17,948	22,685	26,961
Alien Smuggling	1,044	2,743	3,773	3,831	3,752	3,789	3,217
Improper Entry by Alien	470	2,588	2,067	1,184	1,257	2,023	1,628
Improper Reentry by Alien	2,654	7,196	11,653	11,837	12,340	15,672	20,707
Fraud and Misuse of Visa/Permit	280	406	782	743	562	1133	1,356
Other Immigration Offenses	24	134	47	56	37	68	53

Table 5.4 (Continued)
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Filed, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers)

Nature of Offense	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL.	2,709	3,838	2,800	2,585	2,373	2,512	2,112
Bribery	288	327	182	182	148	173	159
Money Laundering	1,183	1,443	1,303	1,347	1,121	1,082	873
RICO	193	139	159	173	97	150	130
Racketeering - General	51	55	72	49	41	61	45
Extortion and Threats	243	236	222	150	176	155	147
Gambling and Lottery	182	213	159	61	74	99	39
Failure to Pay Child Support	35	292	92	80	75	91	83
Other General Offenses	534	1,133	611	543	641	701	636
REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL	2,205	2,101	1,962	2,021	2,030	2,115	1,998
Civil Rights	138	126	116	122	115	125	127
Copyright	11	-	-	97	40	81	60
Food and Drug	68	64	44	61	62	46	61
Hazardous Waste Treatment, Disposal,							
and Storage	64	38	37	30	37	41	28
Telegraph, Telephone, and Radiograph	19	47	11	20	15	8	5
National Defense	32	25	41	54	34	45	32
Antitrust	48	75	37	32	23	29	37
Labor	87	139	78	91	78	79	96
Game and Conservation	267	192	202	274	270	262	271
National Parks	252	183	110	112	153	120	113
Customs	151	164	79	60	101	108	108
Postal Service	210	112	110	106	103	109	90
Reporting of Monetary Transactions	266	318	292	244	244	245	251
Migratory Bird	48	80	107	52	90	161	102
Maritime and Shipping	99	94	96	110	129	129	141
Aircraft Regulations	16	64	96	91	73	75	66
Other Regulatory Offenses	429	380	506	472	463	452	410
TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL	5,216	4,691	4,142	3,627	4,429	3,996	4,374
Drunk Driving	1,509	1,252	1,809	1,546	1,584	1,473	1,583
Other Traffic Offenses	3,707	3,439	2,333	2,081	2,845	2,523	2,791

Source: Table D-2 (Defendants). In 2005, the classification of criminal filings was amended to more accurately categorize the major offense charged. All data on this table reflect these revisions. Therefore, data for earlier years are not comparable to the data in the current year's *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.

Table 5.5
U.S. District Courts. Criminal Defendants Disposed of, by Method of Disposition (Excluding Transfers)

			١	Not Convicted	Convicted and Sentenced						
Fiscal	Total		Percent of Total		Acquitted by			Percent of	Plea of	Convid	ted by
Year	Defendants	Total	Defendants	Dismissed	Court	Jury	Total	Total	Guilty*	Court	Jury
1990**	56,519	9,794	17%	8,193	630	971	46,725	83%	40,452	1,063	5,210
1995	54,980	8,207	15%	7,112	482	613	46,773	85%	43,103	467	3,203
2000	75,071	8,035	11%	6,992	603	440	67,036	89%	63,863	632	2,541
2005	86,000	8,661	10%	8,141	159	361	77,339	90%	74,024	291	3,024
2006	87,985	8,260	9%	7,755	141	364	79,725	91%	76,610	245	2,870
2007	88,014	9,153	10%	8,651	174	328	78,861	90%	75,949	323	2,589
2008	91,390	8,939	10%	8,400	184	355	82,451	90%	79,842	244	2,365
2009	95,206	8,892	9%	8,408	152	332	86,314	91%	83,707	279	2,328

^{*}Includes nolo contendere cases.

Source: Table D-4, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{**} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 6.1
U.S. District Courts – Total Civil and Criminal Cases Filed, Terminated, and Pending (Including Transfers)

Fiscal	Authorized		District Court Caseload	-
Year	Judgeships	Filed	Terminated	Pending
1990*	575	266,783	258,217	277,865
1995	649	294,123	271,347	272,863
2000	655	322,225	318,355	300,928
2005	678	322,848	338,314	335,130
2006	678	326,401	340,692	321,125
2007	678	325,920	307,529	337,560
2008	678	338,153	305,200	371,814
2009	678	353,052	338,780	383,734

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Text table; Table C, Table D-1 (Cases) (1990), and Table D (Cases) 1995, and 2005-2009, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.*

Table 6.2
U.S. District Courts—Total Weighted and Unweighted Filings per Authorized Judgeship

			Weighte	d Filings	<u> </u>	•	Unweigh	nted Filings	
Fiscal Year	Authorized Judgeships ¹	Total	Civil	Criminal	Supervised Release Hearings ²	Total	Civil	Criminal	Supervised Release Hearings ²
1990 ³	575	448	390	58	-	436	380	56	-
1995	649	448	320	128	-	444	364	80	-
2000	655	486	383	103	-	505	378	127	-
2005	678	489	374	111	4.23	511	346	135	29.41
2006	678	464	354	106	4.48	482	321	130	30.94
2007	678	477	366	106	4.72	495	331	131	32.44
2008	678	472	359	109	4.87	494	325	136	33.41
2009	678	480	363	112	4.97	507	328	145	33.98

Note: Weighted filings for 1990 and 1995 were derived from the 1987-1993 district court time study by the Federal Judicial Center (FJC). Weighted filings for 2003 have been revised based on the current case weights developed through the FJC's 2003-2004 district court case weighting study. Criminal filings include reopens and transfers. For 1990 and 1995, criminal weighted filings excluded felony defendants. Civil cases reopened, remanded, or transferred to the district by order of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation are excluded.

Source: Text table 11 and Table X-1A, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Authorized judgeships include territorial courts although data for these courts are not reflected in the total weighted filings per authorized judgeship. Territorial courts are excluded from the district court case weight studies.

² Beginning in 2002, supervised release hearings were included in weighted filing totals.

³ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 6.3
U.S. District Courts – Median Times Intervals (in Months) From Filing to Disposition of Civil and Criminal Cases

			Civil				C	riminal		
				Court Action						_
Fiscal	Overall Civil	No Court	Before	During or After	•					
Year	Median	Action	Pretrial	Pretrial ¹	Trial ²	All Defendants	Dismissed	Guilty Plea	Court Trial	Jury Trial
1990 ³	8	6	7	14	19	4.5	3.3	4.3	0.1	7.1
1995	8	7	7	13	18	5.7	6.5	5.4	1.6	9.6
2000	8.2	7.9	7.8	13.6	20.1	5.9	5.8	5.8	0.1	10.9
2005	9.5	7.0	9.5	13.1	21.8	6.8	6.2	6.6	7.3	14.0
2006	8.3	6.3	7.2	33.9	23.5	7.1	6.5	6.9	6.7	15.7
2007	9.6	6.9	8.6	14.2	128.2	7.0	9.0	6.8	6.1	14.4
2008	8.1	5.0	7.8	13.6	32.9	6.8	6.9	6.6	7.2	14.4
2009	8.9	4.9	9.1	15	23.4	6.5	7.0	6.3	6.1	15.0

Note: Prior to 2000, civil median disposition time intervals were rounded to whole months.

Source: Table C-5 and Table D-6, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ The significant increase in median disposition time for civil cases closed by court action during or after pretrial in 2006 resulted from the termination of more than 15,000 breast implant cases originally filed in 1998 in the Eastern District of Michigan.

² The substantial increase in 2007 resulted from the disposition of more than 6,300 oil refinery explosion cases in the Middle District of Louisiana that had been pending more than 10 years.

³ 12-month period ending June 30.

Table 6.4
U. S. District Courts—Civil and Criminal Trials Completed

			Civil			Criminal		
Fiscal Year	Grand Total	Total	Non-Jury	Jury	Total	Non-Jury	Jury	
1990*	20,433	11,502	6,737	4,765	8,931	3,870	5,061	
1995	17,816	10,395	6,146	4,249	7,421	3,176	4,245	
2000	14,679	7,933	4,529	3,404	6,746	3,257	3,489	
2005	12,771	5,294	2,982	2,312	7,477	3,709	3,768	
2006	12,612	5,121	3,024	2,097	7,491	4,125	3,366	
2007	13,449	5,600	3,331	2,269	7,849	4,636	3,213	
2008	13,256	5,283	3,108	2,175	7,973	4,823	3,150	
2009	13,360	5,309	3,171	2,138	8,051	4,999	3,052	

Note: Includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only. All trials conducted by magistrate judges are excluded. Includes hearings on temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions, hearings on contested motions, and other contested proceedings in which evidence is introduced. Civil trials include trials of miscellaneous cases.

Source: Table C-7, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

^{*12-}month period ending June 30.

Table 6.5
U. S. District Courts—Lengths of Civil and Criminal Trials Completed

					Civil							Crimina	al		
Fiscal Year	Total All Trials	Total	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 to 9 Days	10 to 19 Days	20 Days & Over	Total	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 to 9 Days	10 to 19 Days	20 Days & Over
1990*	20,433	11,502	4,996	2,251	1,430	2,393	347	85	8,931	3,922	1,714	1,203	1,693	289	110
1995	17,816	10,395	4,718	1,732	1,256	2,288	338	63	7,421	3,173	1,249	939	1,653	297	110
2000	14,679	7,933	3,639	1,209	976	1,831	238	40	6,746	3,260	1,135	832	1,227	222	70
2005	12,771	5,294	2,240	800	657	1,367	194	36	7,477	3,662	1,308	924	1,270	227	86
2006	12,612	5,121	2,381	748	541	1,217	207	27	7,491	4,055	1,147	846	1,185	184	74
2007	13,449	5,600	2,822	712	588	1,254	198	26	7,849	4,552	1,081	731	1,230	180	75
2008	13,256	5,283	2,652	673	561	1,194	182	21	7,973	4,786	1,016	760	1,144	206	61
2009	13,360	5,309	2,758	632	493	1,216	196	14	8,051	5,039	989	690	1,096	185	52

Note: Includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only. All trials conducted by magistrate judges are excluded. Includes trials of miscellaneous cases, hearings on temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions, hearings on contested motions, and other contested proceedings in which evidence is introduced.

Source: Table C-8, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts .

^{*} Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 6.6
U.S. District Courts—Cases and Defendants Terminated by Senior, Visiting, and Magistrate Judges

			Dist	rict Court Termina	tions	Assistance to Courts Provided By				
Fiscal Year	Authorized Judgeships	Vacant Judgeship Months	Total	Civil Cases	Criminal Defendants	Total	Senior Judges ¹	Visiting Judges ²	Magistrate Judges Section 636 (c) Consent Cases	
1990 ³	575	540.1	274,101	213,922	60,179	39,350	32,878	1,514	4,958	
1995	649	642.0	287,095	229,820	57,275	49,459	38,833	1,659	8,967	
2000	655	597.5	336,822	259,637	77,185	69,526	55,726	2,319	11,481	
2005	678	309.2	358,369	271,753	86,616	69,129	54,358	2,489	12,282	
2006	678	399.3	361,794	273,193	88,601	72,417	58,366	2,530	11,521	
2007	678	427.7	345,978	257,507	88,471	72,762	53,412	8,775	10,575	
2008	678	397.9	359,074	267,257	91,817	69,492	54,988	3,690	10,814	
2009	678	602.7	371,995	276,397	95,598	72,456	58,875	2,179	11,402	

¹ Does not include the work of senior circuit judges in the district courts during each time period.

Source: Text table 11; unpublished senior judge activity report; Table C, Table D-1 (Defendants), Table M-5, and Table V-1, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts.*

² Includes senior judges.

³ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Table 7.1
U.S. Bankruptcy Courts—Bankruptcy Petitions Filed, Terminated, and Pending

Fiscal Year	Filed	Terminated	Pending
1990 ¹	725,484	620,649	974,593
1995	883,457	892,796	1,101,089
2000	1,262,102	1,256,874	1,383,213
2005	1,782,643	1,581,287	1,859,437
2006	1,112,542	1,619,142	1,349,241
2007	801,269	864,588	1,298,016
2008 ²	1,042,806	975,296	1,350,175
2009	1,402,816	1,197,649	1,555,368

Note: The general effective date of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (BAPCPA) was October 17, 2005.

Source: Table F, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

² Revised.

Table 7.2
U.S. Bankruptcy Courts — Voluntary and Involuntary Cases Filed, by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code

			1	Involuntary					
Fiscal Year	Total Filings 1	Total	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 12 ²	Chapter 13	Total	Chapter 7	Chapter 11
1990 ³	749,981	748,344	520,047	19,741	1,320	207,211	1,637	1,311	326
1995	883,457	882,315	597,302	12,445	883	271,650	1,142	948	194
2000	1,262,102	1,261,372	870,183	9,728	551	380,880	730**	622	107
2005	1,782,643	1,782,080	1,345,723	6,552	364	429,316	563	478	85
2006	1,112,542	1,112,064	832,758	5,914	376	272,937	478	389	89
2007	801,269	800,728	483,750	5,759	361	310,802	541	412	129
2008	1,042,993	1,042,233	679,507	8,514	332	353,828	760	475	285
2009	1,402,816	1,401,971	988,496	14,631	487	398,210	845	731	114

Note: The general effective date of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (BAPCPA) was October 17, 2005.

Source: Tables F-2A and F-2B (unpublished)

¹ Totals may include cases filed under provisions of the Bankruptcy Code other than chapters 7, 11, 12, or 13.

² In 2005, BAPCPA made chapter 12 a permanent part of the bankruptcy code and added debts of family fishermen to the chapter.

³ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

⁴ Total includes one case filed under Section 304 and not reported under chapter 7 or chapter 11.

Table 7.3

U. S. Bankruptcy Courts—Business and Nonbusiness Bankruptcy Cases Filed, by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code

	Total Filings						Business Filings ¹					Non-Business Filings ¹			
Fiscal Year	Total ²	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 12 ³	Chapter 13	Total ²	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 12 ³	Chapter 13	Total ²	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 13	
1990 ⁴	725,484	505,332	19,591	1,351	199,186	64,688	37,161	17,475	1,351	8,677	660,796	468,171	2,116	190,509	
1995	883,457	598,250	12,639	883	271,650	51,042**	28,800	11,168	883	10,156	832,415	569,450	1,471	261,494	
2000	1,262,102	870,805	9,835	551	380,880	36,065**	20,687	9,135	551	5,661	1,226,037	850,118	700	375,219	
2005	1,782,643	1,346,201	6,637	364	429,316	34,222	23,313	5,776	364	4,649	1,748,421	1,322,888	861	424,667	
2006	1,112,542	833,147	6,003	376	272,937	27,333	18,258	5,345	376	3,277	1,085,209	814,889	658	269,660	
2007	801,269	484,162	5,888	361	310,802	25,925	16,914	5,317	361	3,281	775,344	467,248	571	307,521	
2008 5	1,042,806	679,898	8,785	332	353,739	38,635	26,579	7,948	332	3,724	1,004,171	653,319	837	350,015	
2009	1,402,816	989,227	14,745	487	398,210	58,721	40,225	13,439	487	4,424	1,344,095	949,002	1,306	393,786	

Note: The general effective date of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Act of 2005 (BAPCPA) was October 17, 2005.

Source: Statistical Table F-2 (1990 to present), Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.

¹ Section 101 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code defines consumer (nonbusiness) debt as that incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose. If the debtor is a corporation or partnership, or if debt related to operation of a business predominates, the nature of debt is business.

² Totals may include cases filled under provisions of the Bankruptcy Code other than chapters 7, 11, 12, or 13.

³ In 2005, BAPCPA made chapter 12 a permanent part of the Bankruptcy code and added debts of family fishermen to the chapter.

⁴ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

⁵ Revised.