

Table 7.3

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

Fiscal Year	Total Filings					Business Filings ¹					Nonbusiness Filings ¹			
	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
2011	1,467,221	1,036,950	11,979	676	417,503	49,895	35,137	10,168	676	3,804	1,417,326	1,001,813	1,811	413,699
2012	1,261,140	874,337	10,597	541	375,521	42,008	28,867	9,070	541	3,389	1,219,132	845,470	1,527	372,132
2013	1,107,699	753,995	9,564	405	343,651	34,892	23,403	8,158	405	2,844	1,072,807	730,592	1,406	340,807
2014	963,739	642,366	7,658	372	313,262	28,319	19,017	6,504	372	2,348	935,420	623,349	1,154	310,914
2015	860,182	550,036	7,040	383	302,642	24,895	16,464	5,945	383	2,114	835,197	533,572	1,095	300,528

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

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 bankruptcies involving debts of family fishermen to the chapter.

⁴ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

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