

**Table B-19.**  
**U.S. Courts of Appeals—Pro Se Cases Commenced, By Source,**  
**During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2018**

| Source  | 2017          |               | 2018          |               | Pro Se Cases<br>Percent Change 2017<br>- 2018 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---|
|   | Total         | Pro Se        | Total         | Pro Se        |   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>50,506</b> | <b>25,366</b> | <b>49,276</b> | <b>24,680</b> | <b>-2.7</b>                                   |
| U.S. District Courts                                |               |               |               |               |   |
| Criminal  | 9,917         | 1,799         | 9,792         | 1,695         | -5.8  |
| Civil—Total   | 28,221        | 16,809        | 27,696        | 16,566        | -1.4  |
| Prisoner Petitions                                  | 14,317        | 11,889        | 13,475        | 11,508        | -3.2  |
| U.S. Civil  | 2,484         | 1,088         | 2,515         | 1,079         | -0.8  |
| Private Civil                                       | 11,420        | 3,832         | 11,706        | 3,979         | 3.8   |
| Bankruptcy Appeals                                  | 729           | 287           | 658           | 290           | 1.0   |
| Administrative Appeals                              | 6,153         | 1,832         | 6,089         | 1,752         | -4.4  |
| Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications | 5,486         | 4,639         | 5,041         | 4,377         | -5.6  |

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.