

Table 6.5
U.S. District Courts—Lengths of Civil and Criminal Trials Completed,
During the 12-Month Periods Ending June 30, 1990, and September 30, 1995 Through 2020

Fiscal Year	Total All Trials	Civil							Criminal					
		Total	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 to 9 Days	10 to 19 Days	20 Days or More	Total	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 to 9 Days	10 to 19 Days
2020	7,981	2,548	1,575	266	229	405	67	6	5,433	4,215	434	279	431	59
2019	11,415	3,862	2,114	397	406	847	88	10	7,553	5,470	644	469	796	139
2018	11,088	3,913	2,077	487	412	798	128	11	7,175	5,124	669	445	759	136
2017	11,134	4,234	2,266	483	432	916	126	11	6,900	4,903	617	462	774	120
2016	11,754	4,572	2,471	528	437	988	135	13	7,182	5,166	613	430	789	149
2015	11,568	4,734	2,556	580	487	979	118	14	6,834	4,890	595	424	754	144
2010	13,828	5,383	2,918	644	541	1,110	158	12	8,445	5,605	952	666	1,035	150
2005	12,788	5,305	2,326	787	647	1,339	173	33	7,483	3,710	1,295	920	1,261	220
2000	14,691	7,943	3,691	1,209	977	1,809	224	33	6,748	3,288	1,126	833	1,225	211
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
1990 ¹	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

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

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 motions, and other contested proceedings in which evidence is introduced.

¹Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table C-8 for 1990 - 2010 and Table T-2 for 2011 to present *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.

**20 Days
or More**

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