

Table C-12.

U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Pending Three Years or More, by Basis of Jurisdiction and Nature of Suit, on September 30, 2013 and 2014

| Nature of Suit | Cases Pending Three Years or More | | U.S. Cases | | Private Cases | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| | 2013 | 2014 | Plaintiff | Defendant | Federal Question | Diversity of Citizenship | Local Jurisdiction |
| Total Cases | 26,797 | 30,238 | 1,030 | 1,782 | 11,917 | 15,506 | 3 |
| Contract Actions, Total | 2,137 | 2,267 | 232 | 28 | 600 | 1,405 | 2 |
| Franchise | 18 | 14 | - | - | 3 | 11 | - |
| Insurance | 497 | 505 | 4 | 3 | 85 | 413 | - |
| Marine | 133 | 166 | - | 1 | 156 | 9 | - |
| Miller Act | 17 | 25 | 7 | - | 18 | - | - |
| Negotiable Instruments | 43 | 42 | 5 | - | 12 | 25 | - |
| Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments | 233 | 248 | 190 | 12 | 26 | 20 | - |
| Defaulted Student Loans | 68 | 80 | 78 | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Veterans' Overpayment | 77 | 77 | 77 | - | - | - | - |
| Other | 88 | 91 | 35 | 11 | 25 | 20 | - |
| Other Contract Actions | 1,196 | 1,267 | 26 | 12 | 300 | 927 | 2 |
| Real Property Actions, Total | 514 | 408 | 28 | 28 | 107 | 245 | - |
| Foreclosure | 98 | 116 | 16 | 8 | 27 | 65 | - |
| Rent, Lease, and Ejectment | 7 | 5 | 1 | - | 2 | 2 | - |
| Torts to Land, Including Product Liability | 293 | 160 | 4 | 9 | 31 | 116 | - |
| Other Real Property Actions | 116 | 127 | 7 | 11 | 47 | 62 | - |
| Tort Actions, Total | 12,238 | 15,249 | 20 | 118 | 1,351 | 13,759 | 1 |
| Personal Injury, Total | 11,671 | 14,635 | 2 | 106 | 1,193 | 13,333 | 1 |
| Personal Injury | | | | | | | |
| Product Liability, Total | 10,081 | 13,167 | - | 2 | 427 | 12,738 | - |
| Airplane | 5 | 4 | - | - | 1 | 3 | - |
| Marine | 7 | 9 | - | - | 7 | 2 | - |
| Motor Vehicle | 53 | 74 | - | - | 16 | 58 | - |
| Asbestos ¹ | 172 | 1,763 | - | - | 12 | 1,751 | - |
| Health Care/Pharma. | 1 | 6 | - | - | - | 6 | - |
| Other | 9,843 | 11,311 | - | 2 | 391 | 10,918 | - |
| Other Personal Injury, Total | 1,590 | 1,468 | 2 | 104 | 766 | 595 | 1 |
| Airplane | 28 | 23 | - | 4 | 15 | 4 | - |
| Marine | 74 | 110 | - | - | 104 | 6 | - |

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| | 2013 | 2014 | Plaintiff | Defendant | Federal Question | Diversity of Citizenship | Local Jurisdiction |
| Personal Injury Continued) | | | | | | | |
| Motor Vehicle | 152 | 173 | - | 15 | 38 | 120 | - |
| Assault, Libel, and Slander | 40 | 44 | - | 3 | 16 | 25 | - |
| Federal Employers Liability Act | 30 | 25 | - | - | 25 | - | - |
| Medical Malpractice | 124 | 143 | - | 45 | 1 | 97 | - |
| Other | 1,142 | 950 | 2 | 37 | 567 | 343 | 1 |
| Personal Property Damage, Total | 567 | 614 | 18 | 12 | 158 | 426 | - |
| Fraud, Including Truth in Lending | 300 | 295 | 16 | 3 | 85 | 191 | - |
| Other Personal Property Damage | 267 | 319 | 2 | 9 | 73 | 235 | - |
| Actions Under Statutes, Total | 11,908 | 12,314 | 750 | 1,608 | 9,859 | 97 | - |
| Antitrust | 779 | 669 | 4 | - | 665 | - | - |
| Bankruptcy, Total | 152 | 185 | - | 2 | 183 | - | - |
| Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158) | 76 | 90 | - | 2 | 88 | - | - |
| Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157) | 76 | 95 | - | - | 95 | - | - |
| Banks and Banking | 38 | 35 | 3 | 6 | 26 | - | - |
| Civil Rights, Total | 2,494 | 2,612 | 70 | 145 | 2,329 | 68 | - |
| Voting | 12 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 9 | - | - |
| Employment | 865 | 923 | 36 | 73 | 779 | 35 | - |
| Housing and Accommodations | 44 | 35 | 4 | 1 | 28 | 2 | - |
| Welfare | 2 | 3 | - | - | 3 | - | - |
| ADA—Employment | 52 | 61 | 6 | 1 | 50 | 4 | - |
| ADA—Other | 67 | 97 | 2 | - | 93 | 2 | - |
| Education | 0 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other Civil Rights | 1,452 | 1,479 | 18 | 69 | 1,367 | 25 | - |
| Environmental Matters | 311 | 334 | 39 | 38 | 257 | - | - |
| Deportation | 2 | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | - | - |
| Prisoner Petitions, Total | 3,830 | 4,053 | - | 804 | 3,249 | - | - |
| Motions to Vacate Sentence | 476 | 561 | - | 561 | - | - | - |
| Habeas Corpus—General | 1,142 | 1,155 | - | 125 | 1,030 | - | - |

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| | 2013 | 2014 | Plaintiff | Defendant | Federal Question | Diversity of Citizenship | Local Jurisdiction |
| Prisoner Petitions (Continued) | | | | | | | |
| Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty | 423 | 449 | - | 29 | 420 | - | - |
| Mandamus and Other | 39 | 39 | - | 21 | 18 | - | - |
| Civil Rights | 1,237 | 1,345 | - | 39 | 1,306 | - | - |
| Prison Condition | 504 | 481 | - | 22 | 459 | - | - |
| Habeas Corpus—Alien Detainees | 5 | 7 | - | 7 | - | - | - |
| Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement | 4 | 16 | - | - | 16 | - | - |
| Forfeiture and Penalty, Total | 158 | 166 | 162 | 4 | - | - | - |
| Agricultural Acts | 3 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - |
| Food and Drug Act | 3 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - |
| Drug-Related Seizure of Property | 59 | 60 | 59 | 1 | - | - | - |
| Air Traffic Regulations | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - |
| Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits | 92 | 101 | 98 | 3 | - | - | - |
| Labor Laws, Total | 889 | 908 | 30 | 2 | 876 | - | - |
| Fair Labor Standards Act | 340 | 344 | 7 | - | 337 | - | - |
| Labor Management Relations Act | 84 | 89 | 6 | - | 83 | - | - |
| Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act | 2 | 3 | - | - | 3 | - | - |
| Railway Labor Act | 3 | 4 | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| ERISA ² | 334 | 347 | 6 | 1 | 340 | - | - |
| FMLA ³ | 0 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other Labor Litigation | 126 | 121 | 11 | 1 | 109 | - | - |
| Immigration, Total⁴ | 9 | 11 | - | 11 | - | - | - |
| Naturalization Applications | 3 | 7 | - | 7 | - | - | - |
| Other Immigration Actions | 6 | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | - |
| Intellectual Property Rights, Total | 702 | 726 | 1 | 1 | 724 | - | - |
| Copyright | 82 | 80 | - | - | 80 | - | - |
| Patent | 455 | 482 | 1 | 1 | 480 | - | - |
| Trademark | 165 | 164 | - | - | 164 | - | - |
| Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges | 488 | 444 | 111 | 1 | 332 | - | - |

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| | 2013 | 2014 | Plaintiff | Defendant | Federal Question | Diversity of Citizenship | Local Jurisdiction |
| Social Security Laws, Total | 425 | 416 | 2 | 414 | - | - | - |
| Disability Insurance | 266 | 257 | 2 | 255 | - | - | - |
| Supplemental Security Income | 130 | 135 | - | 135 | - | - | - |
| Retirement and Survivors Benefits | 14 | 12 | - | 12 | - | - | - |
| Other | 15 | 12 | - | 12 | - | - | - |
| RICO ⁵ | 147 | 147 | 4 | - | 131 | 12 | - |
| State Reapportionment Suits | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Tax Suits | 93 | 91 | 43 | 48 | - | - | - |
| Customer Challenge | 0 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Consumer Credit | 112 | 126 | - | 2 | 111 | 13 | - |
| Cable/Satellite TV | 4 | 11 | - | - | 10 | 1 | - |
| Freedom of Information Act | 39 | 36 | - | 35 | 1 | - | - |
| Constitutionality of State Statutes | 38 | 42 | 2 | - | 37 | 3 | - |
| Other Statutory Actions | 1,197 | 1,298 | 279 | 93 | 926 | - | - |

NOTE: Land condemnation cases are omitted.

¹ Includes cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases that thereafter were severed into individual cases.

² ERISA = Employee Retirement Income Security Act.

³ FMLA = Family and Medical Leave Act.

⁴ Data collection for these categories began in December 2007.

⁵ RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.