

Table 7.3

U. S. Bankruptcy Courts. Business and Non-business Bankruptcy Cases Filed by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code

Fiscal Year	Total Filings					Business Filings					Non-Business Filings			
	Total (1)	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 12 (2)	Chapter 13	Total*	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 12 (2)	Chapter 13	Total	Chapter 7	Chapter 11	Chapter 13
1990	749,981	521,358	20,067	1,320	207,211	64,552**	36,687	17,789	1,320	8,731	685,429	484,671	2,278	198,480
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
2002	1,547,669	1,084,336	11,669	322	451,258	39,091	22,574	10,702	322	5,414	1,508,578	1,061,762	967	445,844
2003	1,661,996	1,177,292	10,144	698	473,763	36,183	21,008	9,185	698	5,201	1,625,813	1,156,284	959	468,562
2004	1,618,987	1,153,865	10,368	238	454,412	34,817	20,243	9,436	238	4,799	1,584,170	1,133,622	932	449,613
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

*The figure shown in the total column includes business filings that are not shown under major filing chapters.

Chapter 7: "Straight Bankruptcy" - Liquidation.

Chapter 11: Reorganization.

Chapter 12: Adjustment of Debts of Family Farmers with Regular Income.

Chapter 13: Adjustment of Debts of an Individual and Businesses.

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(1) Bankruptcy filings declined 38 percent in 2006, most likely in response to the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 which took effect on October 17, 2005. The Act also made Chapter 12 a permanent part of the Bankruptcy Code.

(2) Filings under Chapter 12 declined significantly between 1990 and 2002, primarily because the statutory provisions for Chapter 12 expired and were re-enacted several times. In 2003, these filings more than doubled, most likely due to the retroactive extension of provisions for filing under Chapter 12. See 2003 Annual Report, pg. 25. In 2005, the BAPCPA made chapter 12 a permanent part of the Bankruptcy Code.

Source: Statistical Table F-2 (1990 to present)