

Table C-3.
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Nature of Suit and District,
During the Twelve-Month Period Ended September 30, 1997

Circuit and District	Total Civil Cases	U.S. Cases														
		Total U.S. Civil	Contract	Real Property	Tort Actions	Antitrust	Civil Rights	Prisoner Petitions				Forfeitures and Penalties	Labor Suits	Social Security	Tax Suits	All Other
								Motions to Vacate Sentence	Habeas Corpus	Civil Rights*	Mandamus and Other					
TOTAL	272,027	60,004	12,754	2,780	3,324	28	2,917	11,675	1,902	974	401	2,384	624	13,605	2,272	4,364
DC	3,003	1,597	382	11	64	12	267	126	33	189	32	26	14	14	15	412
1ST	7,694	2,178	330	347	143	-	101	412	54	28	6	89	37	373	43	215
ME	750	181	17	51	9	-	7	39	-	-	-	14	4	26	6	8
MA	3,542	899	225	43	61	-	59	149	37	18	2	32	29	84	19	141
NH	655	150	14	1	16	-	6	31	2	1	-	4	1	47	13	14
RI	767	158	15	2	11	-	9	56	5	4	2	10	-	19	4	21
PR	1,980	790	59	250	46	-	20	137	10	5	2	29	3	197	1	31
2ND	24,480	4,872	1,279	177	322	4	213	787	133	66	94	228	76	997	159	337
CT	2,861	536	188	41	48	-	23	72	5	1	-	9	14	78	23	34
NY,N	1,910	330	57	3	31	-	14	47	2	2	2	32	10	104	6	20
NY,E	7,397	2,037	723	53	129	1	61	255	35	12	81	78	17	427	71	94
NY,S	10,271	1,414	189	20	86	1	99	337	83	47	10	46	25	268	46	157
NY,W	1,595	427	111	40	24	2	15	41	8	4	1	55	8	87	9	22
VT	446	128	11	20	4	-	1	35	-	-	-	8	2	33	4	10
3RD	22,402	3,974	698	158	303	1	164	724	166	106	15	135	51	1,067	125	261
DE	774	120	22	-	15	-	3	33	-	-	-	7	-	13	17	10
NJ	6,514	1,309	301	25	128	-	56	166	40	7	2	65	14	341	61	103
PA,E	9,400	1,033	183	25	101	-	56	299	4	1	4	13	19	237	20	71
PA,M	2,040	577	41	35	27	-	17	102	104	88	9	10	6	105	12	21
PA,W	3,240	855	145	69	23	1	31	101	8	10	-	38	12	371	14	32
VI	434	80	6	4	9	-	1	23	10	-	-	2	-	-	1	24
4TH	20,784	5,805	685	447	485	-	234	1,593	95	67	32	206	34	1,489	146	292
MD	4,443	898	32	9	276	-	71	179	10	6	3	48	9	126	50	79
NC,E	1,549	572	107	6	22	-	15	168	22	16	19	48	5	90	21	33
NC,M	1,274	574	74	1	7	-	10	302	-	2	1	18	3	133	10	13
NC,W	1,234	404	43	1	11	-	13	184	4	1	1	20	3	108	7	8
SC	4,045	1,193	243	403	49	-	22	146	6	3	-	22	2	259	10	28
VA,E	4,405	744	68	14	88	-	69	309	5	6	4	28	4	49	33	67
VA,W	1,851	613	30	3	7	-	11	130	25	2	-	13	6	345	8	33
WV,N	710	225	37	8	10	-	6	50	21	24	3	4	-	46	3	13
WV,S	1,273	582	51	2	15	-	17	125	2	7	1	5	2	333	4	18

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											Habeas Corpus	Civil Rights*	Mandamus and Other			
TOTAL	212,023	28,082	2,693	1,825	2,271	4,869	41,996	4,004	570	40,361	19,956	27,661	397	7,536	14,884	14,918
DC	1,406	180	10	4	-	40	161	28	2	420	35	172	1	57	163	133
1ST	5,516	1,065	112	18	106	203	998	103	22	1,038	222	299	5	285	443	597
ME	569	86	8	4	14	36	164	18	-	114	21	45	-	14	20	25
MA	2,643	558	30	10	57	74	292	50	12	444	124	145	4	174	286	383
NH	505	91	5	1	1	20	82	17	5	122	33	46	-	22	25	35
RI	609	123	8	3	7	18	121	8	1	129	20	13	-	40	51	67
PR	1,190	207	61	-	27	55	339	10	4	229	24	50	1	35	61	87
2ND	19,608	3,468	154	225	165	673	1,892	451	63	3,787	1,708	1,757	24	1,145	2,055	2,041
CT	2,325	439	25	40	8	57	183	178	3	589	58	311	1	79	140	214
NY,N	1,580	120	11	41	3	36	99	17	4	335	196	438	2	43	135	100
NY,E	5,360	646	46	73	33	302	689	59	25	991	680	140	17	234	719	706
NY,S	8,857	2,087	55	64	118	233	732	171	24	1,557	579	678	3	748	951	857
NY,W	1,168	119	8	6	3	22	120	15	4	262	179	169	1	32	98	130
VT	318	57	9	1	-	23	69	11	3	53	16	21	-	9	12	34
3RD	18,428	3,134	160	586	139	755	3,593	395	69	3,227	1,237	1,770	9	626	1,403	1,325
DE	654	68	1	1	2	25	31	8	1	132	62	147	3	88	31	54
NJ	5,205	1,110	38	83	60	228	636	248	19	947	252	275	-	289	531	489
PA,E	8,367	1,361	62	328	40	353	2,484	83	24	1,350	495	697	3	160	498	429
PA,M	1,463	201	8	27	1	82	174	20	3	267	175	316	2	29	79	79
PA,W	2,385	320	16	146	32	57	205	29	22	502	243	329	-	60	261	163
VI	354	74	35	1	4	10	63	7	-	29	10	6	1	-	3	111
4TH	14,979	2,096	79	74	92	596	2,156	244	55	2,572	1,481	2,813	56	479	1,191	995
MD	3,545	487	19	34	16	161	360	55	5	634	397	576	32	98	359	312
NC,E	977	159	1	1	12	21	96	13	3	200	123	201	-	50	26	71
NC,M	700	75	3	2	-	9	80	7	1	154	121	108	-	61	36	43
NC,W	830	112	3	1	-	12	108	10	1	233	59	113	-	45	56	77
SC	2,852	430	17	8	26	198	544	42	4	533	291	444	8	41	171	95
VA,E	3,661	468	16	3	35	82	524	53	39	499	341	789	14	148	371	279
VA,W	1,238	99	8	15	-	42	243	16	2	153	100	399	-	20	76	65
WV,N	485	92	4	-	1	35	84	7	-	66	20	117	1	8	26	24
WV,S	691	174	8	10	2	36	117	41	-	100	29	66	1	8	70	29

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5TH	34,032	5,684	1,203	170	329	3	274	1,474	334	93	26	256	39	962	152	369
LA,E	3,895	561	136	9	56	-	34	109	10	1	6	23	4	104	16	53
LA,M	1,256	152	37	28	12	-	7	8	3	1	-	2	-	36	5	13
LA,W	2,660	629	161	47	40	-	17	54	75	22	5	1	1	175	9	22
MS,N	1,181	164	30	25	9	-	4	44	2	-	-	8	1	30	-	11
MS,S	2,431	408	151	25	30	-	13	60	2	-	-	28	5	75	4	15
TX,N	5,739	1,004	109	8	29	2	85	301	127	30	8	38	14	159	37	57
TX,E	6,183	392	30	2	14	-	7	137	10	3	-	17	2	119	6	45
TX,S	7,009	1,211	310	7	42	-	51	391	36	14	7	84	8	132	36	93
TX,W	3,678	1,163	239	19	97	1	56	370	69	22	-	55	4	132	39	60
6TH	40,388	7,717	2,515	262	226	-	248	1,011	100	50	5	241	69	2,499	180	311
KY,E	2,313	1,254	52	128	16	-	12	74	52	30	2	7	1	832	8	40
KY,W	1,635	404	58	58	23	-	12	52	2	-	-	4	3	156	7	29
MI,E	16,500	2,634	1,740	15	42	-	58	249	13	-	1	55	18	316	41	86
MI,W	1,871	412	80	6	19	-	16	88	-	-	-	17	4	144	9	29
OH,N	9,585	1,024	205	15	53	-	52	191	4	4	-	30	21	376	30	43
OH,S	3,137	624	104	14	30	-	36	79	5	1	-	37	9	239	26	44
TN,E	2,193	662	92	8	18	-	28	106	3	-	-	26	5	348	12	16
TN,M	1,650	302	81	11	13	-	10	53	-	-	-	29	7	52	36	10
TN,W	1,504	401	103	7	12	-	24	119	21	15	2	36	1	36	11	14
7TH	19,657	3,314	705	252	162	1	145	734	120	60	20	143	55	561	101	255
IL,N	9,580	1,121	266	21	81	-	80	228	39	14	11	44	28	107	45	157
IL,C	1,408	395	80	52	14	-	8	94	21	-	-	22	5	70	11	18
IL,S	1,511	364	51	42	17	-	6	132	15	22	1	12	4	42	5	15
IN,N	1,882	306	78	55	7	-	11	53	-	-	-	1	3	71	11	16
IN,S	2,988	621	114	53	21	1	25	91	22	18	8	24	12	189	12	31
WI,E	1,409	323	74	9	16	-	6	106	1	-	-	20	2	69	9	11
WI,W	879	184	42	20	6	-	9	30	22	6	-	20	1	13	8	7
8TH	16,212	4,766	891	301	173	-	183	758	99	35	8	145	36	1,812	97	228
AR,E	2,505	902	59	110	18	-	23	56	1	1	1	10	2	592	6	23
AR,W	1,088	401	42	59	5	-	9	29	-	-	-	9	2	238	4	4
IA,N	728	232	54	14	3	-	4	58	-	-	-	6	2	80	5	6
IA,S	1,164	381	47	25	14	-	8	84	1	-	-	17	6	162	8	9
MN	2,890	735	290	11	26	-	43	112	37	9	-	26	4	117	22	38
MO,E	2,929	640	154	2	36	-	45	149	6	6	1	43	7	147	12	32
MO,W	3,008	877	86	2	25	-	22	162	49	16	6	21	7	390	18	73
NE	1,105	302	105	18	14	-	19	66	4	-	-	9	4	27	15	21
ND	332	155	33	41	12	-	3	11	1	-	-	2	1	35	4	12
SD	463	141	21	19	20	-	7	31	-	3	-	2	1	24	3	10

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5TH	28,348	3,698	184	74	850	629	5,652	512	42	4,061	3,236	6,095	45	570	1,117	1,583
LA,E	3,334	584	20	10	462	138	526	144	3	398	311	368	7	46	112	205
LA,M	1,104	94	10	1	32	22	163	21	-	149	85	309	4	15	53	146
LA,W	2,031	211	14	1	166	88	330	46	6	320	215	410	1	19	102	102
MS,N	1,017	127	9	-	2	55	115	18	1	280	90	256	-	7	34	23
MS,S	2,023	383	32	-	9	110	322	50	2	339	145	441	-	10	69	111
TX,N	4,735	662	32	5	1	47	357	57	6	730	793	1,278	12	187	226	342
TX,E	5,791	226	16	12	16	56	2,996	27	4	304	480	1,459	11	26	87	71
TX,S	5,798	1,034	39	40	161	65	684	111	15	947	736	1,062	9	184	293	418
TX,W	2,515	377	12	5	1	48	159	38	5	594	381	512	1	76	141	165
6TH	32,671	2,125	124	284	52	497	18,002	316	27	3,765	1,810	2,315	22	562	1,608	1,162
KY,E	1,059	163	13	36	5	72	200	19	-	180	88	130	2	21	62	68
KY,W	1,231	179	6	11	9	41	212	19	2	242	105	226	5	16	89	69
MI,E	13,866	568	31	46	18	32	10,675	43	8	657	460	325	4	172	495	332
MI,W	1,459	123	5	7	1	7	108	15	3	255	251	438	4	55	102	85
OH,N	8,561	392	29	91	9	122	5,957	66	3	768	296	116	3	120	371	218
OH,S	2,513	251	10	23	4	63	319	71	5	723	311	259	2	67	239	166
TN,E	1,531	168	20	67	1	81	309	28	2	288	98	240	-	55	92	82
TN,M	1,348	142	7	-	3	35	105	37	3	324	117	323	2	41	110	99
TN,W	1,103	139	3	3	2	44	117	18	1	328	84	258	-	15	48	43
7TH	16,343	1,802	1,318	213	50	271	1,191	217	45	3,843	1,452	1,983	24	612	2,030	1,292
IL,N	8,459	1,011	1,264	131	21	72	400	131	23	1,820	406	614	13	394	1,338	821
IL,C	1,013	65	9	7	1	17	55	11	3	232	100	256	2	17	99	139
IL,S	1,147	94	11	32	22	44	186	12	-	181	101	272	2	10	122	58
IN,N	1,576	139	10	10	-	58	132	9	-	497	244	201	-	26	183	67
IN,S	2,367	240	15	30	4	51	271	28	5	645	350	413	6	50	160	99
WI,E	1,086	131	6	2	1	14	86	17	9	318	162	109	1	68	87	75
WI,W	695	122	3	1	1	15	61	9	5	150	89	118	-	47	41	33
8TH	11,446	1,281	52	78	26	324	1,147	282	31	3,113	1,498	1,710	78	343	791	692
AR,E	1,603	129	4	8	1	55	120	37	1	510	198	374	51	17	51	47
AR,W	687	93	5	8	1	40	94	11	-	170	27	147	-	9	52	30
IA,N	496	65	4	2	-	12	30	7	1	118	64	112	-	9	38	34
IA,S	783	76	2	10	1	18	47	13	1	190	101	213	8	13	44	46
MN	2,155	317	12	25	4	23	300	118	10	647	114	32	4	145	210	194
MO,E	2,289	213	7	-	14	76	243	39	6	610	467	219	4	62	195	134
MO,W	2,131	158	6	1	3	39	194	34	8	475	471	436	8	51	144	103
NE	803	135	8	16	2	25	46	14	1	300	38	109	1	25	29	54
ND	177	47	4	4	-	9	30	1	1	27	4	5	1	8	15	21
SD	322	48	-	4	-	27	43	8	2	66	14	63	1	4	13	29

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9TH	38,934	9,066	1,742	241	720	2	527	1,466	199	46	104	460	138	1,376	999	1,046
AK	635	151	32	11	19	-	8	28	4	1	-	10	3	4	7	24
AZ	3,522	645	139	11	70	-	37	131	-	2	-	45	8	91	38	73
CA,N	5,900	1,149	303	15	97	-	99	101	23	10	6	38	26	159	70	202
CA,E	3,544	805	161	39	77	-	46	191	5	-	-	29	9	152	33	63
CA,C	11,029	3,292	778	52	164	-	121	379	120	10	8	161	53	483	660	303
CA,S	2,550	713	57	2	85	-	69	183	16	10	21	74	9	72	47	68
HI	1,840	244	81	17	26	-	18	40	5	1	1	8	1	3	17	26
ID	627	147	11	23	12	-	10	30	-	2	-	4	3	21	6	25
MT	680	234	21	30	24	-	10	34	3	1	1	5	-	69	5	31
NV	2,481	358	54	4	26	-	22	77	12	1	1	25	4	9	41	82
OR	2,399	564	34	13	31	2	35	132	8	4	65	19	3	139	26	53
WA,E	658	192	23	10	25	-	9	37	-	-	-	13	-	53	9	13
WA,W	2,922	509	30	10	61	-	38	89	3	3	-	25	13	121	39	77
GUAM	82	37	9	1	1	-	2	14	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	5
NMI	65	26	9	3	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	2	6	-	-	1
10TH	12,533	3,564	511	257	144	1	227	536	220	128	14	110	22	969	145	280
CO	2,921	694	61	26	32	-	97	70	121	65	9	30	7	71	44	61
KS	2,032	592	124	47	13	-	24	101	65	57	5	16	3	92	9	36
NM	1,822	585	51	16	39	-	40	85	-	-	-	16	5	276	11	46
OK,N	1,256	451	65	26	10	-	9	77	-	1	-	19	3	206	12	23
OK,E	765	286	39	20	8	1	4	36	1	-	-	19	-	150	3	5
OK,W	2,174	613	133	105	21	-	30	82	32	4	-	2	2	135	25	42
UT	1,171	268	35	15	17	-	18	61	1	1	-	8	2	31	37	42
WY	392	75	3	2	4	-	5	24	-	-	-	-	-	8	4	25
11TH	31,908	7,467	1,813	157	253	4	334	2,054	349	106	45	345	53	1,486	110	358
AL,N	4,978	512	84	8	23	-	39	4	12	5	1	19	11	274	9	23
AL,M	1,871	271	54	3	12	-	18	52	2	-	-	19	1	104	1	5
AL,S	1,251	391	68	2	6	-	6	140	-	-	-	17	2	127	2	21
FL,N	1,621	556	69	68	20	1	13	201	45	12	5	16	2	88	5	11
FL,M	7,125	1,637	334	13	63	1	89	459	55	9	8	86	10	394	41	75
FL,S	7,361	2,385	816	36	69	2	82	770	177	35	13	84	17	95	40	149
GA,N	4,877	1,031	270	20	33	-	51	222	44	37	16	65	6	210	9	48
GA,M	1,576	366	80	6	12	-	15	93	-	-	1	19	2	126	2	10
GA,S	1,248	318	38	1	15	-	21	113	14	8	1	20	2	68	1	16

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9TH	29,868	4,504	225	113	677	253	1,803	448	116	6,326	3,813	4,385	68	1,955	2,435	2,747
AK	484	98	11	-	44	5	74	7	4	48	88	38	1	1	28	37
AZ	2,877	337	7	3	3	24	168	33	5	584	477	726	11	113	102	284
CA,N	4,751	661	22	2	35	18	218	76	39	1,048	513	684	11	437	512	475
CA,E	2,739	248	15	11	3	13	101	23	5	563	431	953	1	54	144	174
CA,C	7,737	1,513	77	46	29	33	414	113	36	1,087	1,285	497	5	910	848	844
CA,S	1,837	324	15	1	15	5	154	18	8	368	235	271	8	149	73	193
HI	1,596	147	18	-	186	10	83	24	1	868	25	60	-	17	90	67
ID	480	81	6	1	2	15	43	16	2	79	79	76	-	17	24	39
MT	446	76	6	6	-	28	96	17	1	83	34	23	-	12	28	36
NV	2,123	293	18	-	3	24	115	35	4	429	179	614	4	58	94	253
OR	1,835	263	15	2	21	44	153	38	6	537	214	172	24	62	184	100
WA,E	466	54	4	6	1	11	56	5	-	96	67	102	1	11	26	26
WA,W	2,413	394	10	35	333	23	124	38	5	516	184	161	1	111	271	207
GUAM	45	8	-	-	2	-	3	3	-	7	2	8	1	2	-	9
NMI	39	7	1	-	-	-	1	2	-	13	-	-	-	1	11	3
10TH	8,969	1,285	117	83	3	242	1,097	150	30	2,462	1,010	975	20	275	489	731
CO	2,227	299	27	46	-	24	193	28	10	692	130	244	6	117	144	267
KS	1,440	188	16	7	-	49	224	26	5	387	125	217	1	37	91	67
NM	1,237	145	7	14	2	31	141	23	1	472	130	98	-	19	47	107
OK,N	805	161	10	-	-	11	90	11	1	195	138	71	1	12	44	60
OK,E	479	44	5	9	-	36	60	9	1	85	113	78	-	4	14	21
OK,W	1,561	228	43	-	-	48	199	31	2	327	316	160	11	27	64	105
UT	903	165	6	2	1	22	138	18	8	218	27	77	1	55	71	94
WY	317	55	3	5	-	21	52	4	2	86	31	30	-	4	14	10
11TH	24,441	3,444	158	73	111	386	4,304	858	68	5,747	2,454	3,387	45	627	1,159	1,620
AL,N	4,466	477	79	8	1	48	1,716	208	2	890	173	499	-	19	210	136
AL,M	1,600	323	3	2	-	48	109	167	5	386	138	290	1	5	54	69
AL,S	860	193	11	2	26	14	98	68	3	181	61	115	1	4	29	54
FL,N	1,065	112	4	3	6	10	70	13	23	200	206	330	2	8	32	46
FL,M	5,488	779	18	7	23	44	766	51	10	1,340	897	719	20	158	253	403
FL,S	4,976	990	14	-	50	32	422	96	18	1,316	428	450	8	267	350	535
GA,N	3,846	390	9	3	-	110	514	229	7	1,064	322	581	11	147	177	282
GA,M	1,210	88	10	2	-	43	436	10	-	208	142	202	2	12	18	37
GA,S	930	92	10	46	5	37	173	16	-	162	87	201	-	7	36	58

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