

Table 4.9

## U.S. District Courts—Diversity Of Citizenship Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

Nature of Suit	Fiscal Year							
	1995	2000	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,447</b>	<b>48,625</b>	<b>62,175</b>	<b>72,586</b>	<b>88,457</b>	<b>97,209</b>	<b>101,202</b>	<b>101,366</b>
<b>CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL</b>	<b>20,992</b>	<b>21,581</b>	<b>19,266</b>	<b>23,298</b>	<b>23,211</b>	<b>24,500</b>	<b>22,570</b>	<b>22,505</b>
Franchise	-	-	-	-	291	357	293	353
Insurance	6,528	6,259	6,591	10,430	9,955	9,117	8,278	8,483
Marine	157	149	93	110	99	122	119	91
Negotiable Instruments	771	401	338	309	434	597	693	727
Recovery of Overpayments & Enforcement of Judgments, Total	106	96	105	189	233	344	315	363
Other Contract Actions	13,430	14,676	12,139	12,260	12,199	13,963	12,872	12,488
<b>REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,531</b>	<b>2,085</b>	<b>1,622</b>	<b>2,527</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,996</b>	<b>3,035</b>	<b>5,502</b>
Condemnation of Land	11	20	17	29	30	14	12	9
Foreclosure	798	1,430	928	1,521	756	856	1,471	3,719
Rent, Lease, Ejectment	137	86	87	75	105	103	141	145
Torts to Land, Including Prod. Liability	240	258	226	401	352	401	470	437
Other Real Property Actions	345	291	364	501	596	622	941	1,192
<b>TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL</b>	<b>28,806</b>	<b>23,594</b>	<b>40,866</b>	<b>46,437</b>	<b>62,427</b>	<b>68,503</b>	<b>73,150</b>	<b>70,401</b>
Personal Injury, Total	26,756	21,291	38,588	43,975	60,153	65,732	70,516	67,671
Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total	12,059	10,176	27,212	34,974	50,995	56,303	61,179	58,443
Airplane	99	133	57	64	82	93	168	92
Marine	28	33	19	18	18	13	21	8
Motor Vehicle	541	388	491	405	360	371	431	270
Asbestos <sup>1</sup>	2,098	3,501	1,029	12,254	33,568	41,412	40,916	37,444
Other	9,293	6,121	25,616	22,233	16,967	14,414	19,643	20,629
Other Personal Injury, Total	14,697	11,115	11,376	9,001	9,158	9,429	9,337	9,228
Airplane	432	367	219	260	157	317	177	154
Marine	356	208	226	252	265	269	320	342
Motor Vehicle	4,305	3,821	3,356	3,113	3,012	2,976	2,920	2,914
Assault, Libel, & Slander	568	535	416	327	368	333	339	381
Medical Malpractice	800	857	631	567	698	482	519	524
Other <sup>2</sup>	8,236	5,327	6,528	4,482	4,658	5,052	5,062	4,913

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Personal Property Damage, Total	2,050	2,303	2,278	2,462	2,274	2,771	2,634	2,730
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	1,091	1,149	1,292	1,024	1,095	1,401	1,339	1,491
Other Personal Property Damage	959	1,154	986	1,438	1,179	1,370	1,295	1,239
<b>OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,955</b>

<sup>1</sup> The increase in 2008 occurred because cases filed in previous years as consolidated caes thereafter were severed into individual cases.

<sup>2</sup> A significant increase in other personal injury cases in 1995 was mostly attributable to a large number cases related to an oil refinery explosion in explosion in Louisiana. Louisiana.

Source: Table C-2, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.