

**Case Participations¹ in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
On Cases Submitted On Briefs Or Orally Argued
During The 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 2016 Through 2021**

Circuit and Year	Total Case Participations	Resident Circuit Judges		Resident Senior Circuit Judges		Visiting Judges		Cases Disposed of by Consolidations ²
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Nation								
2016	91,686	70,881	77.3	17,693	19.3	3,112	3.4	7,735
2017	110,137	83,316	75.6	23,019	20.9	3,802	3.5	8,146
2018	92,192	66,254	71.9	21,823	23.7	4,115	4.5	7,083
2019	85,525	60,464	70.7	21,589	25.2	3,472	4.1	7,014
2020	86,356	63,357	73.4	20,374	23.6	2,625	3.0	9,010
2021	85,584	65,069	76.0	17,727	20.7	2,788	3.3	6,645
District Of Columbia								
2016	1,627	1,273	78.2	354	21.8	-	0.0	996
2017	1,648	1,315	79.8	333	20.2	-	0.0	659
2018	1,534	1,215	79.2	319	20.8	-	0.0	537
2019	1,636	1,328	81.2	305	18.6	3	0.2	453
2020	1,461	1,189	81.4	272	18.6	-	0.0	1,206
2021	1,374	1,180	85.9	194	14.1	-	0.0	458
First Circuit								
2016	2,763	2,065	74.7	282	10.2	416	15.1	252
2017	2,820	2,094	74.3	267	9.5	459	16.3	162
2018	2,559	1,904	74.4	213	8.3	442	17.3	165
2019	2,220	1,600	72.1	228	10.3	392	17.7	174
2020	2,918	2,313	79.3	178	6.1	427	14.6	141
2021	2,618	1,891	72.2	230	8.8	497	19.0	195

Second Circuit									
2016	7,851	5,696	72.6	1,853	23.6	302	3.8	743	
2017	7,408	4,917	66.4	2,043	27.6	448	6.0	958	
2018	6,719	4,166	62.0	2,069	30.8	484	7.2	885	
2019	6,636	3,976	59.9	2,080	31.3	580	8.7	820	
2020	6,996	4,183	59.8	2,384	34.1	429	6.1	621	
2021	7,860	4,878	62.1	2,782	35.4	200	2.5	610	
Third Circuit									
2016	6,779	4,973	73.4	1,786	26.3	20	0.3	204	
2017	8,089	5,663	70.0	2,392	29.6	34	0.4	255	
2018	5,927	4,121	69.5	1,689	28.5	117	2.0	216	
2019	5,385	3,878	72.0	1,429	26.5	78	1.4	198	
2020	6,456	5,165	80.0	1,253	19.4	38	0.6	1,941	
2021	5,657	4,677	82.7	936	16.5	44	0.8	339	
Fourth Circuit									
2016	9,754	8,517	87.3	1,203	12.3	34	0.3	756	
2017	14,832	13,573	91.5	1,197	8.1	62	0.4	620	
2018	9,638	8,748	90.8	854	8.9	36	0.4	642	
2019	8,744	7,359	84.2	1,327	15.2	58	0.7	534	
2020	8,490	7,156	84.3	1,310	15.4	24	0.3	579	
2021	8,249	7,376	89.4	818	9.9	55	0.7	553	
Fifth Circuit									
2016	11,572	9,627	83.2	1,874	16.2	71	0.6	1,835	
2017	13,267	11,013	83.0	2,220	16.7	34	0.3	2,003	
2018	11,376	8,665	76.2	2,674	23.5	37	0.3	1,500	
2019	10,953	8,269	75.5	2,670	24.4	14	0.1	1,607	
2020	10,671	8,456	79.2	2,198	20.6	17	0.2	1,472	
2021	9,615	7,709	80.2	1,901	19.8	5	0.1	1,652	

Sixth Circuit									
2016	8,093	5,638	69.7	1,763	21.8	692	8.6	394	
2017	9,868	6,469	65.6	2,796	28.3	603	6.1	616	
2018	8,785	5,967	67.9	2,503	28.5	315	3.6	392	
2019	7,287	4,863	66.7	2,152	29.5	272	3.7	406	
2020	7,361	4,680	63.6	2,603	35.4	78	1.1	607	
2021	8,136	5,495	67.5	2,635	32.4	6	0.1	634	
Seventh Circuit									
2016	4,761	3,644	76.5	1,021	21.4	96	2.0	372	
2017	6,309	4,933	78.2	1,263	20.0	113	1.8	373	
2018	4,054	3,089	76.2	877	21.6	88	2.2	351	
2019	4,258	3,586	84.2	607	14.3	65	1.5	313	
2020	4,074	3,483	85.5	588	14.4	3	0.1	323	
2021	3,941	3,505	88.9	436	11.1	-	0.0	370	
Eighth Circuit									
2016	6,849	5,287	77.2	1,507	22.0	55	0.8	360	
2017	7,509	5,658	75.3	1,756	23.4	95	1.3	377	
2018	7,130	5,326	74.7	1,708	24.0	96	1.3	373	
2019	6,624	5,645	85.2	944	14.3	35	0.5	353	
2020	6,346	5,494	86.6	850	13.4	2	0.0	332	
2021	7,351	6,519	88.7	809	11.0	23	0.3	384	
Ninth Circuit									
2016	18,599	12,999	69.9	4,519	24.3	1,081	5.8	1,115	
2017	20,788	11,827	56.9	7,357	35.4	1,604	7.7	1,029	
2018	21,539	12,137	56.3	7,239	33.6	2,163	10.0	1,475	
2019	19,734	10,504	53.2	7,516	38.1	1,714	8.7	1,617	
2020	19,177	11,395	59.4	6,422	33.5	1,360	7.1	1,261	
2021	19,362	12,548	64.8	5,056	26.1	1,758	9.1	1,004	

Tenth Circuit									
2016	3,942	3,281	83.2	659	16.7	2	0.1	111	
2017	4,750	4,075	85.8	674	14.2	1	0.0	66	
2018	3,748	2,982	79.6	763	20.4	3	0.1	87	
2019	3,407	2,662	78.1	745	21.9	-	0.0	51	
2020	3,680	2,993	81.3	687	18.7	-	0.0	57	
2021	3,367	2,759	81.9	608	18.1	-	0.0	60	
Eleventh Circuit									
2016	9,096	7,881	86.6	872	9.6	343	3.8	597	
2017	12,849	11,779	91.7	721	5.6	349	2.7	1,028	
2018	9,183	7,934	86.4	915	10.0	334	3.6	460	
2019	8,641	6,794	78.6	1,586	18.4	261	3.0	488	
2020	8,726	6,850	78.5	1,629	18.7	247	2.8	470	
2021	8,054	6,532	81.1	1,322	16.4	200	2.5	386	

¹ A case participation by an individual judge is defined as an appeal in which the judge hears oral arguments or the appeal is submitted on briefs. Thus, when a single appeal is heard before a panel of three judges, the number of case participations is three. This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

² Beginning in December 2011, cases disposed of by consolidation and cross appeals are counted under procedural and merit terminations and shown as subset of merit terminations here.