

Table B-1A.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Civil and Criminal Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Nature of Suit or Offense, in Appeals Arising from the U.S. District Courts
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023

Nature of Suit or Offense	Filed			Terminated									Pending
				On Procedural Grounds					On the Merits				
	Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Total	31,405	30,538	867	31,381	11,201	111	2,497	8,593	20,180	1,596	4,726	13,858	24,870
Total Criminal Appeals	9,649	9,531	118	9,267	2,183	4	349	1,830	7,084	537	1,239	5,308	8,820
Total Civil Appeals	21,756	21,007	749	22,114	9,018	107	2,148	6,763	13,096	1,059	3,487	8,550	16,050
U.S. Appeals	4,717	4,557	160	5,120	1,809	35	380	1,394	3,311	206	642	2,463	3,386
U.S. Plaintiff	229	221	8	231	77	-	17	60	154	32	79	43	192
Other Contract Actions	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1
Other Real Property Actions	2	2	-	7	2	-	1	1	5	3	2	-	1
Tort Actions	8	7	1	12	9	-	1	8	3	-	2	1	4
Civil Rights	25	24	1	18	8	-	1	7	10	2	5	3	31
Employment	3	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	8
Other Civil Rights	22	21	1	16	8	-	1	7	8	2	3	3	23
Forfeiture And Penalty	23	22	1	29	8	-	2	6	21	3	10	8	16
Fair Labor Standards Act	4	3	1	6	1	-	-	1	5	1	4	-	2
Other Labor	6	6	-	6	1	-	-	1	5	1	3	1	5
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	60	58	2	44	11	-	3	8	33	6	18	9	56
Tax Suits	16	16	-	28	10	-	3	7	18	4	5	9	13
All Other	83	81	2	80	27	-	6	21	53	12	30	11	63
U.S. Defendant	4,488	4,336	152	4,889	1,732	35	363	1,334	3,157	174	563	2,420	3,194
Contract Actions	41	41	-	27	14	-	2	12	13	1	9	3	37
Real Property Actions	23	23	-	23	8	2	-	6	15	1	9	5	30
Tort Actions	182	174	8	246	130	28	12	90	116	12	33	71	129
Civil Rights	634	615	19	663	266	-	88	178	397	20	91	286	430
Employment	160	156	4	170	44	-	8	36	126	7	30	89	139
Other Civil Rights	474	459	15	493	222	-	80	142	271	13	61	197	291
Prisoner Petitions	2,478	2,386	92	2,716	960	1	199	760	1,756	75	131	1,550	1,601
Motions to Vacate Sentence	1,398	1,338	60	1,617	408	-	103	305	1,209	57	84	1,068	898
Habeas Corpus--General	493	480	13	510	204	-	40	164	306	12	17	277	334
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	5	5	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	4
Prisoner Civil Rights	333	322	11	285	159	-	24	135	126	3	9	114	215
Prison Condition	146	140	6	182	112	-	18	94	70	-	12	58	68
Other Prisoner Petitions	103	101	2	120	76	1	13	62	44	3	9	32	82
Labor Suits	12	12	-	13	6	-	2	4	7	-	2	5	13
Social Security Laws	459	450	9	527	105	-	23	82	422	3	86	333	356
Tax Suits	44	42	2	44	16	-	-	16	28	-	9	19	34
Environmental Matters	66	62	4	80	32	-	-	32	48	10	30	8	58
Freedom of Information Act	49	49	-	43	12	-	3	9	31	1	17	13	57
All Other	500	482	18	507	183	4	34	145	324	51	146	127	449
Total Private Appeals	17,039	16,450	589	16,994	7,209	72	1,768	5,369	9,785	853	2,845	6,087	12,664
Federal Question	14,360	13,850	510	14,485	6,175	47	1,588	4,540	8,310	697	2,170	5,443	10,135
Marine Contract	17	17	-	19	3	-	-	3	16	2	9	5	21

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Filed			Terminated									Pending
				On Procedural Grounds					On the Merits				
	Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Other Contract Actions	274	271	3	297	125	6	21	98	172	11	79	82	206
Federal Employers Liability Act	10	10	-	8	4	-	-	4	4	-	3	1	11
Marine Injury	70	62	8	49	29	-	7	22	20	5	8	7	63
Other Tort Actions	454	437	17	479	251	1	52	198	228	19	62	147	371
Antitrust	61	60	1	89	23	1	4	18	66	17	35	14	75
Civil Rights	4,432	4,300	132	4,333	1,768	20	482	1,266	2,565	161	976	1,428	3,396
Employment	857	838	19	858	345	3	75	267	513	24	169	320	717
Other Civil Rights	3,575	3,462	113	3,475	1,423	17	407	999	2,052	137	807	1,108	2,679
Prisoner Petitions	6,611	6,352	259	6,803	3,035	3	818	2,214	3,768	150	372	3,246	3,816
Habeas Corpus--General	2,656	2,558	98	2,746	749	-	276	473	1,997	59	148	1,790	1,636
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	75	64	11	93	7	-	4	3	86	13	39	34	147
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,399	2,330	69	2,452	1,348	2	336	1,010	1,104	55	133	916	1,297
Prison Condition	1,381	1,302	79	1,401	861	1	172	688	540	22	51	467	721
Other Prisoner Petitions	100	98	2	111	70	-	30	40	41	1	1	39	15
Labor Management Relations Act	42	40	2	45	21	1	4	16	24	4	13	7	49
Other Labor	434	413	21	462	205	4	25	176	257	22	148	87	401
Intellectual Property Rights	305	292	13	295	121	5	25	91	174	31	86	57	275
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	82	79	3	83	26	-	7	19	57	2	43	12	84
Constitutionality of State Statutes	128	126	2	137	37	-	11	26	100	12	61	27	139
All Other	1,440	1,391	49	1,386	527	6	132	389	859	261	275	323	1,228
Diversity of Citizenship	2,679	2,600	79	2,509	1,034	25	180	829	1,475	156	675	644	2,529
Insurance	559	533	26	618	243	12	35	196	375	43	189	143	519
Other Contract Actions	735	726	9	674	286	12	33	241	388	45	202	141	730
Real Property Actions	153	149	4	207	76	-	18	58	131	26	30	75	125
Personal Injury/Product Liability	191	185	6	131	54	1	9	44	77	3	47	27	252
Other Personal Injury	513	489	24	412	167	-	40	127	245	26	91	128	464
Personal Property Damage	215	212	3	194	84	-	16	68	110	6	58	46	196
All Other	313	306	7	273	124	-	29	95	149	7	58	84	243
Total Criminal Appeals	9,649	9,531	118	9,267	2,183	4	349	1,830	7,084	537	1,239	5,308	8,820
Violent Offenses	684	673	11	626	163	-	25	138	463	34	110	319	676
Homicide	83	82	1	65	20	-	2	18	45	1	18	26	87
Robbery	116	115	1	107	37	-	5	32	70	4	8	58	86
Assault	84	84	-	77	24	-	2	22	53	3	16	34	87
Kidnapping	69	68	1	53	10	-	3	7	43	5	8	30	70
Racketeering--Violent Crime	137	133	4	132	24	-	4	20	108	9	26	73	152
Carjacking	111	108	3	121	31	-	5	26	90	7	15	68	111
Terrorism	22	22	-	27	5	-	2	3	22	4	8	10	24
Other Violent Offenses	62	61	1	44	12	-	2	10	32	1	11	20	59
Property Offenses	992	979	13	869	260	-	54	206	609	60	141	408	913

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	Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Burglary	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
Larceny & Theft, Total	81	81	-	72	27	-	6	21	45	2	6	37	61
Bank	2	2	-	4	3	-	1	2	1	-	-	1	3
Postal	14	14	-	13	2	-	-	2	11	-	1	10	12
Theft, U.S. Property	47	47	-	38	17	-	4	13	21	1	3	17	31
Transportation of Stolen Property	12	12	-	14	4	-	-	4	10	1	1	8	11
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	6	6	-	3	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	1	4
Embezzlement	27	27	-	24	8	-	3	5	16	2	5	9	20
Fraud, Total	864	851	13	730	214	-	41	173	516	54	125	337	817
Tax	44	44	-	31	10	-	-	10	21	1	9	11	38
Financial Institutions	33	33	-	36	14	-	3	11	22	3	3	16	26
Securities and Exchange	30	29	1	24	11	-	7	4	13	-	6	7	29
Mail	22	22	-	16	2	-	1	1	14	2	4	8	20
Wire, Radio, or Television	53	53	-	48	10	-	-	10	38	-	9	29	50
Social Security	4	4	-	6	1	-	-	1	5	1	-	4	6
Citizenship and Naturalization	6	6	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	1	9
Passport	6	6	-	3	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	1	5
Identification Documents and Information	54	54	-	54	23	-	3	20	31	2	5	24	51
False Claims and Services, Government	16	16	-	8	2	-	-	2	6	-	-	6	15
False Statements	24	24	-	26	7	-	2	5	19	1	3	15	25
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	56	55	1	46	13	-	1	12	33	1	10	22	48
Unauthorized Access Devices	38	38	-	48	14	-	2	12	34	3	5	26	33
Health Care	87	86	1	61	22	-	1	21	39	5	11	23	94
Other Fraud Offenses	391	381	10	320	84	-	20	64	236	35	57	144	368
Forgery and Counterfeiting	13	13	-	29	9	-	4	5	20	1	2	17	7
Other Property Offenses	5	5	-	13	2	-	-	2	11	1	3	7	6
Drug Offenses	3,090	3,060	30	3,093	721	2	102	617	2,372	184	324	1,864	2,776
Marijuana, Total	171	168	3	180	37	-	1	36	143	13	21	109	140
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	155	152	3	158	34	-	1	33	124	10	19	95	134
Import/Export	10	10	-	16	2	-	-	2	14	3	2	9	3
Manufacture	6	6	-	6	1	-	-	1	5	-	-	5	3
All Other Drugs, Total	2,860	2,835	25	2,869	672	2	99	571	2,197	170	298	1,729	2,575
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	2,757	2,735	22	2,758	650	2	99	549	2,108	164	278	1,666	2,481
Import/Export	72	71	1	83	16	-	-	16	67	5	15	47	73
Manufacture	31	29	2	28	6	-	-	6	22	1	5	16	21
Other Drug Offenses	59	57	2	44	12	-	2	10	32	1	5	26	61
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	2,256	2,218	38	2,176	480	2	81	397	1,696	79	324	1,293	2,142
Firearms, Total	2,206	2,169	37	2,125	472	2	81	389	1,653	77	319	1,257	2,093
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,073	1,060	13	987	197	2	40	155	790	27	173	590	1,046

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	Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking	806	788	18	825	202	-	31	171	623	31	102	490	713
Other Firearms Offenses	327	321	6	313	73	-	10	63	240	19	44	177	334
Explosives	50	49	1	51	8	-	-	8	43	2	5	36	49
Sex Offenses	868	861	7	856	170	-	43	127	686	29	152	505	786
Sexual Abuse of Adults	39	39	-	27	1	-	-	1	26	1	6	19	43
Sexual Abuse of Minors	392	390	2	383	54	-	13	41	329	11	86	232	381
Sexually Explicit Material	313	308	5	310	73	-	15	58	237	14	39	184	263
Other Sex Offenses	124	124	-	136	42	-	15	27	94	3	21	70	99
Justice System Offenses	203	198	5	147	36	-	4	32	111	18	25	68	188
Obstruction of Justice	149	144	5	91	19	-	-	19	72	12	20	40	153
Escape from Custody	26	26	-	28	7	-	1	6	21	2	1	18	16
Failure to Appear	7	7	-	7	3	-	-	3	4	2	-	2	4
Other Justice System Offenses	21	21	-	21	7	-	3	4	14	2	4	8	15
Immigration Offenses	533	528	5	572	88	-	5	83	484	51	50	383	383
Alien Smuggling	91	91	-	82	15	-	1	14	67	3	16	48	69
Improper Entry by Alien	0	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	2
Improper Reentry by Alien	432	427	5	482	71	-	4	67	411	48	30	333	304
Other Immigration Offenses	10	10	-	5	2	-	-	2	3	-	1	2	8
General Offenses	287	283	4	225	66	-	8	58	159	17	44	98	285
Money Laundering	176	172	4	130	39	-	7	32	91	13	25	53	180
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and	46	46	-	37	15	-	-	15	22	4	9	9	49
Extortion and Threats	33	33	-	37	10	-	1	9	27	-	4	23	24
Other General Offenses	32	32	-	21	2	-	-	2	19	-	6	13	32
Regulatory Offenses	164	162	2	102	32	-	7	25	70	7	22	41	163
Traffic Offenses	1	1	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Unclassified Offenses	571	568	3	601	167	-	20	147	434	58	47	329	506

NOTE: This table includes Appeals reopened and remanded as well as Original Appeals. This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in 2005, Categories for Criminal Offenses were modified. Therefore, offense data for 2005 and thereafter are not comparable to offense data published in previous years.