

Table 2.3
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Filed, by Type of Appeal
During the 12-Month Periods Ending June 30, 1990 and September 30, 1995 Through September 30, 2023

Fiscal Year	Total Appeals	Appeals from District Court										Other Appeals		
		Civil Appeals						Criminal Appeals						
		Total	Prisoner Petitions			Other Civil			Total	Drugs	Other Criminal	Administrative Agency	Bankruptcy	Original Proceedings ¹
			Total	U.S.	Private	Total	U.S.	Private						
2023	39,987	21,756	9,089	2,478	6,611	12,667	2,239	10,428	9,649	3,090	6,559	4,638	657	2,884
2022	41,839	22,181	9,401	2,802	6,599	12,780	2,456	10,324	9,973	3,328	6,645	5,282	839	3,056
2021	44,546	23,256	10,494	3,242	7,252	12,762	2,211	10,551	10,625	4,154	6,471	6,356	733	3,134
2020	48,190	25,526	11,738	4,014	7,724	13,788	2,642	11,146	9,668	3,699	5,969	7,105	621	4,853
2019	48,486	26,936	12,365	4,107	8,258	14,571	2,484	12,087	10,001	3,494	6,507	5,929	635	4,569
2015	52,698	28,550	13,900	4,187	9,713	14,650	2,748	11,902	11,380	4,378	7,002	7,141	841	4,203
2010	55,991	30,939	15,830	4,752	11,078	15,109	2,793	12,316	12,797	4,837	7,960	7,813	678	3,764
2005	68,473	32,814	17,034	6,258	10,776	15,780	2,969	12,811	16,060	6,099	9,961	13,713	865	5,017
1995	50,072	34,203	14,985	3,459	11,526	19,218	4,460	14,758	10,162	4,499	5,663	3,295	1,667	745
1990 ²	40,898	27,116	9,941	2,263	7,678	17,175	4,363	12,812	9,493	5,658	3,835	2,578	1,087	624

NOTE: Due to a change in methodology, numbers prior to 2015 may not match numbers previously published in this table.

This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

¹ Proceedings not dependent on prior action by lower court or administrative agency (e.g., writs of mandamus, motions to file second or successive habeas corpus petitions). The Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act, enacted April 1996, requires prisoners to seek permission from courts of appeals to file second or successive habeas corpus petitions. Data for these and other types of original proceedings were first reported on October 1, 1998. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

² Twelve-month period ending June 30.

Source: Table B-1 and B-7, Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts.