

**Table C-2.**  
**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Basis of Jurisdiction and Nature of Suit,**  
**During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2023 and 2024**

Nature of Suit	2023	2024					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>339,731</b>	<b>290,896</b>	<b>3,069</b>	<b>42,567</b>	<b>141,000</b>	<b>104,254</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Contract Actions, Total</b>	<b>31,372</b>	<b>29,102</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>24,332</b>	<b>0</b>
Franchise	175	222	0	0	50	172	0
Insurance	17,620	13,488	18	39	1,098	12,333	0
Marine	701	562	1	3	493	65	0
Miller Act	195	185	52	1	132	0	0
Negotiable Instruments	425	544	29	3	164	348	0
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	614	604	75	95	108	326	0
Defaulted Student Loans	10	13	11	1	1	0	0
Veterans' Overpayment	8	3	2	1	0	0	0
Other	596	588	62	93	107	326	0
Other Contract Actions	11,642	13,497	49	102	2,258	11,088	0
<b>Real Property Actions, Total</b>	<b>4,515</b>	<b>4,787</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>2,253</b>	<b>2,229</b>	<b>0</b>
Condemnation of Land	79	150	31	2	111	6	0
Foreclosure	1,353	1,215	43	70	353	749	0
Rent, Lease, and Ejectment	742	1,046	19	9	896	122	0
Torts to Land, Including Product Liability	1,249	1,162	5	31	448	678	0
Other Real Property Actions	1,092	1,214	12	83	445	674	0
<b>Tort Actions, Total</b>	<b>131,770</b>	<b>80,982</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2,981</b>	<b>5,104</b>	<b>72,858</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>127,437</b>	<b>76,390</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2,810</b>	<b>4,051</b>	<b>69,506</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total</b>	<b>104,060</b>	<b>54,192</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>53,683</b>	<b>0</b>
Airplane	44	27	0	1	4	22	0
Marine	12	9	0	0	1	8	0
Motor Vehicle	306	277	0	4	21	252	0
Asbestos	128	88	0	1	58	29	0
Health Care/Pharma	37,797	17,276	0	10	121	17,145	0
Other	65,773	36,515	0	32	256	36,227	0
<b>Other Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>23,377</b>	<b>22,198</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2,762</b>	<b>3,590</b>	<b>15,823</b>	<b>2</b>
Airplane	158	181	0	7	85	89	0

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Nature of Suit	2023	2024					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
Marine	1,042	1,167	0	14	627	526	0
Motor Vehicle	5,836	6,394	5	927	395	5,067	0
Assault, Libel, and Slander	650	718	0	38	203	477	0
Federal Employers Liability Act	340	328	0	34	294	0	0
Medical Malpractice	1,022	783	0	295	201	287	0
Other	14,329	12,627	16	1,447	1,785	9,377	2
<b>Personal Property Damage, Total</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,592</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>0</b>
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	2,495	2,624	13	38	764	1,809	0
Other Personal Property Damage	1,838	1,968	3	133	289	1,543	0
<b>Actions Under Statutes, Total</b>	<b>172,074</b>	<b>176,025</b>	<b>2,698</b>	<b>39,148</b>	<b>129,340</b>	<b>4,835</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Antitrust</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bankruptcy, Total</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158)	1,346	1,248	1	6	1,241	0	0
Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157)	140	139	0	0	139	0	0
<b>Banks and Banking</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Civil Rights, Total</b>	<b>41,404</b>	<b>45,781</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>1,601</b>	<b>40,719</b>	<b>3,239</b>	<b>0</b>
Voting	109	159	3	8	147	1	0
Employment	12,152	13,526	103	427	10,513	2,483	0
Housing and Accommodations	977	922	23	9	875	15	0
Welfare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ADA--Employment	2,566	3,018	30	59	2,849	80	0
ADA--Other	8,776	9,030	12	37	8,942	39	0
Education	744	932	2	3	917	10	0
Other Civil Rights	16,080	18,194	49	1,058	16,476	611	0
<b>Environmental Matters</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Deportation</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Prisoner Petitions, Total</b>	<b>50,353</b>	<b>49,182</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,341</b>	<b>40,841</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Motions to Vacate Sentence	3,763	3,764	0	3,764	0	0	0
Habeas Corpus--General	14,224	12,825	0	2,450	10,375	0	0

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	123	121	0	5	116	0	0
Mandamus and Other	1,614	1,848	0	720	1,128	0	0
Civil Rights	19,618	19,386	0	633	18,753	0	0
Prison Condition	10,476	10,599	0	321	10,278	0	0
Habeas Corpus--Alien Detainees	356	432	0	432	0	0	0
Civil Detainee--Conditions of Confinement	179	207	0	16	191	0	0
<b>Forfeiture and Penalty, Total</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Agricultural Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food and Drug Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug-Related Seizure of Property	345	301	299	2	0	0	0
Air Traffic Regulations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occupational Safety and Health Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	497	485	448	37	0	0	0
<b>Labor Laws, Total</b>	<b>13,287</b>	<b>12,869</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>11,680</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>0</b>
Fair Labor Standards Act	5,794	5,252	144	10	5,098	0	0
Labor Management Relations Act	382	423	7	6	410	0	0
Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Railway Labor Act	38	43	0	1	42	0	0
Employee Retirement Income Security Act	4,716	4,758	31	5	4,722	0	0
Family and Medical Leave Act	851	945	0	3	942	0	0
Other Labor Litigation	1,506	1,448	20	15	466	947	0
<b>Immigration, Total<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>11,134</b>	<b>12,218</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>12,183</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Naturalization Applications	442	340	0	340	0	0	0
Other Immigration Actions	10,692	11,878	35	11,843	0	0	0
<b>Intellectual Property Rights, Total</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>14,959</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14,872</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>
Copyright	6,237	7,250	0	0	7,250	0	0
Patent	3,016	3,356	3	36	3,317	0	0
Patent--Abbreviated New Drug Application	243	282	0	0	282	0	0
Trademark	3,678	3,363	0	0	3,363	0	0

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
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Defend Trade Secrets Act	665	708	0	0	660	48	0
<b>Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Social Security Laws, Total</b>	<b>15,017</b>	<b>13,881</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13,845</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Disability Insurance	7,745	7,285	36	7,249	0	0	0
Supplemental Security Income	6,556	5,962	0	5,962	0	0	0
Retirement and Survivors Benefits	628	547	0	547	0	0	0
Other	88	87	0	87	0	0	0
<b>Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>State Reapportionment Suits</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Tax Suits</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Customer Challenge</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Consumer Credit</b>	<b>8,108</b>	<b>8,731</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8,525</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cable/Sat. TV</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Freedom of Information Act</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Constitutionality of State Statutes</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other Statutory Actions</b>	<b>10,580</b>	<b>10,282</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>1,805</b>	<b>7,309</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other Actions, Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

NOTE: Data collection for the categories of health care/pharmaceuticals, education, civil detainee—conditions of confinement, and Family and Medical Leave Act began on October 1, 2011.

<sup>1</sup> Data collection for these categories began in December 2007.