

Table B-6.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Cases Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit and Nature of Proceeding,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2015

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Commenced		Terminated		Pending	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
Total	52,698	100.0	53,213	100.0	40,808	100.0
Criminal	11,380	21.6	11,214	21.1	9,715	23.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	4,187	7.9	4,684	8.8	2,188	5.4
Other U.S. Civil	2,748	5.2	2,681	5.0	2,364	5.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	9,713	18.4	9,563	18.0	5,609	13.7
Other Private Civil	11,902	22.6	11,992	22.5	10,359	25.4
Bankruptcy	841	1.6	860	1.6	718	1.8
Administrative Agency Appeals	7,141	13.6	7,301	13.7	8,648	21.2
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	4,786	9.1	4,918	9.2	1,207	3.0
DC	1,125	100.0	1,134	100.0	1,394	100.0
Criminal	66	5.9	85	7.5	136	9.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	86	7.6	70	6.2	82	5.9
Other U.S. Civil	247	22.0	245	21.6	218	15.6
Private Prisoner Petitions	10	0.9	5	0.4	8	0.6
Other Private Civil	142	12.6	173	15.3	147	10.5
Bankruptcy	4	0.4	9	0.8	3	0.2
Administrative Agency Appeals	476	42.3	454	40.0	760	54.5
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	94	8.4	93	8.2	40	2.9
1st	1,504	100.0	1,589	100.0	1,258	100.0
Criminal	522	34.7	563	35.4	563	44.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	88	5.9	122	7.7	82	6.5
Other U.S. Civil	78	5.2	78	4.9	53	4.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	112	7.4	91	5.7	83	6.6
Other Private Civil	446	29.7	460	28.9	302	24.0
Bankruptcy	34	2.3	29	1.8	27	2.1
Administrative Agency Appeals	139	9.2	162	10.2	121	9.6
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	85	5.7	84	5.3	27	2.1

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Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Commenced		Terminated		Pending	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
2nd	4,416	100.0	4,942	100.0	3,335	100.0
Criminal	705	16.0	700	14.2	818	24.5
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	232	5.3	371	7.5	98	2.9
Other U.S. Civil	249	5.6	255	5.2	153	4.6
Private Prisoner Petitions	525	11.9	563	11.4	221	6.6
Other Private Civil	1,547	35.0	1,631	33.0	1,132	33.9
Bankruptcy	66	1.5	86	1.7	44	1.3
Administrative Agency Appeals	822	18.6	1,003	20.3	818	24.5
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	270	6.1	333	6.7	51	1.5
3rd	3,251	100.0	3,315	100.0	2,634	100.0
Criminal	441	13.6	464	14.0	402	15.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	343	10.6	401	12.1	201	7.6
Other U.S. Civil	126	3.9	142	4.3	93	3.5
Private Prisoner Petitions	630	19.4	633	19.1	410	15.6
Other Private Civil	988	30.4	967	29.2	1,193	45.3
Bankruptcy	69	2.1	52	1.6	62	2.4
Administrative Agency Appeals	287	8.8	262	7.9	200	7.6
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	367	11.3	394	11.9	73	2.8
4th	4,662	100.0	4,499	100.0	2,432	100.0
Criminal	1,122	24.1	1,131	25.1	779	32.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	729	15.6	754	16.8	325	13.4
Other U.S. Civil	222	4.8	217	4.8	117	4.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	961	20.6	901	20.0	351	14.4
Other Private Civil	882	18.9	810	18.0	547	22.5
Bankruptcy	52	1.1	54	1.2	30	1.2
Administrative Agency Appeals	272	5.8	251	5.6	182	7.5
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	422	9.1	381	8.5	101	4.2

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Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Commenced		Terminated		Pending	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
5th	7,443	100.0	7,330	100.0	4,830	100.0
Criminal	2,620	35.2	2,543	34.7	2,116	43.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	586	7.9	577	7.9	362	7.5
Other U.S. Civil	214	2.9	238	3.2	106	2.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,453	19.5	1,372	18.7	892	18.5
Other Private Civil	1,268	17.0	1,362	18.6	828	17.1
Bankruptcy	65	0.9	71	1.0	48	1.0
Administrative Agency Appeals	466	6.3	393	5.4	318	6.6
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	771	10.4	774	10.6	160	3.3
6th	4,478	100.0	4,654	100.0	3,145	100.0
Criminal	1,056	23.6	1,000	21.5	862	27.4
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	319	7.1	370	8.0	190	6.0
Other U.S. Civil	181	4.0	183	3.9	149	4.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,021	22.8	1,064	22.9	642	20.4
Other Private Civil	994	22.2	1,113	23.9	754	24.0
Bankruptcy	34	0.8	43	0.9	28	0.9
Administrative Agency Appeals	316	7.1	279	6.0	261	8.3
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	557	12.4	602	12.9	259	8.2
7th	2,926	100.0	2,842	100.0	1,857	100.0
Criminal	513	17.5	517	18.2	420	22.6
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	308	10.5	285	10.0	153	8.2
Other U.S. Civil	184	6.3	167	5.9	129	6.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	625	21.4	583	20.5	335	18.0
Other Private Civil	805	27.5	831	29.2	607	32.7
Bankruptcy	48	1.6	54	1.9	27	1.5
Administrative Agency Appeals	164	5.6	150	5.3	135	7.3
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	279	9.5	255	9.0	51	2.7

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Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Commenced		Terminated		Pending	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
8th	2,952	100.0	2,978	100.0	1,511	100.0
Criminal	844	28.6	786	26.4	485	32.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	279	9.5	344	11.6	82	5.4
Other U.S. Civil	144	4.9	143	4.8	94	6.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	617	20.9	630	21.2	212	14.0
Other Private Civil	562	19.0	561	18.8	399	26.4
Bankruptcy	25	0.8	34	1.1	19	1.3
Administrative Agency Appeals	142	4.8	130	4.4	131	8.7
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	339	11.5	350	11.8	89	5.9
9th	11,870	100.0	12,048	100.0	13,708	100.0
Criminal	1,549	13.0	1,641	13.6	1,628	11.9
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	411	3.5	466	3.9	247	1.8
Other U.S. Civil	705	5.9	620	5.1	980	7.1
Private Prisoner Petitions	2,287	19.3	2,273	18.9	1,732	12.6
Other Private Civil	2,198	18.5	2,116	17.6	3,084	22.5
Bankruptcy	249	2.1	221	1.8	344	2.5
Administrative Agency Appeals	3,615	30.5	3,786	31.4	5,440	39.7
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	856	7.2	925	7.7	253	1.8
10th	1,956	100.0	1,907	100.0	1,211	100.0
Criminal	451	23.1	444	23.3	304	25.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	174	8.9	206	10.8	65	5.4
Other U.S. Civil	144	7.4	129	6.8	119	9.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	306	15.6	306	16.0	124	10.2
Other Private Civil	608	31.1	543	28.5	481	39.7
Bankruptcy	23	1.2	26	1.4	18	1.5
Administrative Agency Appeals	109	5.6	123	6.4	82	6.8
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	141	7.2	130	6.8	18	1.5

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Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Commenced		Terminated		Pending	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
11th	6,115	100.0	5,975	100.0	3,493	100.0
Criminal	1,491	24.4	1,340	22.4	1,202	34.4
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	632	10.3	718	12.0	301	8.6
Other U.S. Civil	254	4.2	264	4.4	153	4.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,166	19.1	1,142	19.1	599	17.1
Other Private Civil	1,462	23.9	1,425	23.8	885	25.3
Bankruptcy	172	2.8	181	3.0	68	1.9
Administrative Agency Appeals	333	5.4	308	5.2	200	5.7
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	605	9.9	597	10.0	85	2.4

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Totals include reopened, remanded, and reinstated appeals as well as original appeals. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.