

**Case Participations¹ in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
On Cases Submitted On Briefs Or Orally Argued
During The 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2012 Through 2017**

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								
2012	100,579	76,158	75.7	20,627	20.5	3,794	3.8	8,127
2013	99,856	76,648	76.8	19,238	19.3	3,970	4.0	7,527
2014	96,664	73,753	76.3	19,142	19.8	3,769	3.9	8,088
2015	90,172	69,224	76.8	17,737	19.7	3,211	3.6	7,861
2016	105,479	82,754	78.5	18,782	17.8	3,943	3.7	8,071
2017	98,040	71,215	72.6	23,132	23.6	3,693	3.8	7,272
District Of Columbia								
2012	1,467	1,237	84.3	230	15.7	-	0.0	672
2013	1,311	1,083	82.6	228	17.4	-	0.0	294
2014	1,460	1,148	78.6	312	21.4	-	0.0	459
2015	1,553	1,221	78.6	332	21.4	-	0.0	858
2016	1,701	1,355	79.7	346	20.3	-	0.0	647
2017	1,463	1,153	78.8	310	21.2	-	0.0	543
First Circuit								
2012	2,920	2,397	82.1	457	15.7	66	2.3	240
2013	2,810	2,195	78.1	388	13.8	227	8.1	183
2014	2,609	1,885	72.2	250	9.6	474	18.2	216
2015	2,746	2,011	73.2	277	10.1	458	16.7	237
2016	2,833	2,115	74.7	266	9.4	452	16.0	171
2017	2,712	1,967	72.5	250	9.2	495	18.3	183

Second Circuit									
2012	10,315	6,513	63.1	3,349	32.5	453	4.4	841	
2013	9,191	6,217	67.6	2,328	25.3	646	7.0	939	
2014	8,389	5,932	70.7	2,112	25.2	345	4.1	833	
2015	7,818	5,595	71.6	1,990	25.5	233	3.0	848	
2016	7,791	5,540	71.1	1,870	24.0	381	4.9	988	
2017	7,000	4,263	60.9	2,242	32.0	495	7.1	874	
Third Circuit									
2012	7,582	5,762	76.0	1,546	20.4	274	3.6	264	
2013	8,164	6,539	80.1	1,553	19.0	72	0.9	390	
2014	7,215	5,747	79.7	1,348	18.7	120	1.7	273	
2015	6,340	4,895	77.2	1,428	22.5	17	0.3	201	
2016	6,779	4,751	70.1	2,011	29.7	17	0.3	255	
2017	7,983	5,591	70.0	2,312	29.0	80	1.0	234	
Fourth Circuit									
2012	11,444	10,652	93.1	717	6.3	75	0.7	660	
2013	11,501	10,631	92.4	759	6.6	111	1.0	609	
2014	10,819	9,620	88.9	1,143	10.6	56	0.5	552	
2015	9,618	8,472	88.1	1,126	11.7	20	0.2	521	
2016	14,636	13,257	90.6	1,322	9.0	57	0.4	917	
2017	10,249	9,691	94.6	525	5.1	33	0.3	441	
Fifth Circuit									
2012	10,835	9,013	83.2	1,792	16.5	30	0.3	1,672	
2013	11,414	9,515	83.4	1,857	16.3	42	0.4	1,732	
2014	11,642	9,531	81.9	2,067	17.8	44	0.4	2,707	
2015	11,076	9,060	81.8	1,926	17.4	90	0.8	1,995	
2016	12,542	10,578	84.3	1,907	15.2	57	0.5	1,516	
2017	12,410	9,816	79.1	2,560	20.6	34	0.3	2,041	

Sixth Circuit									
2012	9,760	6,465	66.2	1,923	19.7	1,372	14.1	703	
2013	9,525	6,323	66.4	1,834	19.3	1,368	14.4	654	
2014	8,625	5,678	65.8	1,779	20.6	1,168	13.5	664	
2015	8,344	5,689	68.2	1,772	21.2	883	10.6	468	
2016	8,870	6,114	68.9	2,043	23.0	713	8.0	585	
2017	9,502	6,668	70.2	2,455	25.8	379	4.0	374	
Seventh Circuit									
2012	4,349	3,314	76.2	927	21.3	108	2.5	429	
2013	4,824	3,761	78.0	954	19.8	109	2.3	509	
2014	4,919	3,848	78.2	964	19.6	107	2.2	490	
2015	4,525	3,402	75.2	1,048	23.2	75	1.7	444	
2016	6,113	4,752	77.7	1,244	20.4	117	1.9	353	
2017	4,741	3,716	78.4	944	19.9	81	1.7	381	
Eighth Circuit									
2012	6,548	5,370	82.0	1,098	16.8	80	1.2	409	
2013	6,500	5,133	79.0	1,305	20.1	62	1.0	405	
2014	6,763	5,902	87.3	839	12.4	22	0.3	338	
2015	6,842	5,617	82.1	1,170	17.1	55	0.8	354	
2016	7,264	5,522	76.0	1,677	23.1	65	0.9	396	
2017	7,482	5,467	73.1	1,917	25.6	98	1.3	389	
Ninth Circuit									
2012	22,038	15,231	69.1	5,839	26.5	968	4.4	1,400	
2013	20,178	14,223	70.5	5,003	24.8	952	4.7	1,051	
2014	20,308	13,863	68.3	5,511	27.1	934	4.6	905	
2015	18,882	12,991	68.8	4,895	25.9	996	5.3	1,153	
2016	19,302	12,818	66.4	4,726	24.5	1,758	9.1	1,093	
2017	21,449	11,656	54.3	8,139	37.9	1,654	7.7	1,256	

Tenth Circuit									
2012	3,969	2,936	74.0	988	24.9	45	1.1	108	
2013	4,378	2,905	66.4	1,445	33.0	28	0.6	90	
2014	4,271	2,920	68.4	1,331	31.2	20	0.5	99	
2015	3,811	3,030	79.5	775	20.3	6	0.2	102	
2016	4,713	4,065	86.3	647	13.7	1	0.0	99	
2017	3,869	3,177	82.1	689	17.8	3	0.1	69	
Eleventh Circuit									
2012	9,352	7,268	77.7	1,761	18.8	323	3.5	729	
2013	10,060	8,123	80.7	1,584	15.7	353	3.5	671	
2014	9,644	7,679	79.6	1,486	15.4	479	5.0	552	
2015	8,617	7,241	84.0	998	11.6	378	4.4	680	
2016	12,935	11,887	91.9	723	5.6	325	2.5	1,051	
2017	9,180	8,050	87.7	789	8.6	341	3.7	487	

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.