

**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, 2022 and 2023**

Nature of Suit	2022	2023					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>274,771</b>	<b>339,731</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>43,671</b>	<b>138,311</b>	<b>154,629</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Contract Actions, Total</b>	<b>29,134</b>	<b>31,372</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>3,961</b>	<b>27,020</b>	<b>0</b>
Franchise	212	175	0	0	45	130	0
Insurance	16,969	17,620	17	42	1,055	16,506	0
Marine	817	701	2	5	637	57	0
Miller Act	181	195	40	0	155	0	0
Negotiable Instruments	289	425	11	17	109	288	0
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	540	614	56	86	179	293	0
Defaulted Student Loans	7	10	7	1	2	0	0
Veterans' Overpayment	4	8	3	5	0	0	0
Other	529	596	46	80	177	293	0
Other Contract Actions	10,126	11,642	28	87	1,781	9,746	0
<b>Real Property Actions, Total</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>4,515</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>1,932</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>0</b>
Condemnation of Land	233	79	17	9	46	7	0
Foreclosure	1,286	1,353	75	46	349	883	0
Rent, Lease, and Ejectment	463	742	5	3	649	85	0
Torts to Land, Including Product Liability	856	1,249	5	16	520	708	0
Other Real Property Actions	1,135	1,092	12	95	368	617	0
<b>Tort Actions, Total</b>	<b>80,957</b>	<b>131,770</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3,070</b>	<b>7,783</b>	<b>120,882</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>76,825</b>	<b>127,437</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,942</b>	<b>6,773</b>	<b>117,705</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total</b>	<b>60,062</b>	<b>104,060</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>102,934</b>	<b>0</b>
Airplane	23	44	0	0	7	37	0
Marine	12	12	0	0	6	6	0
Motor Vehicle	224	306	0	4	49	253	0
Asbestos	153	128	0	3	75	50	0
Health Care/Pharma	16,287	37,797	0	9	251	37,537	0
Other	43,363	65,773	0	23	699	65,051	0
<b>Other Personal Injury, Total</b>	<b>16,763</b>	<b>23,377</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,903</b>	<b>5,686</b>	<b>14,771</b>	<b>0</b>
Airplane	119	158	0	6	71	81	0

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Nature of Suit	2022	2023					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
Marine	763	1,042	2	15	599	426	0
Motor Vehicle	5,429	5,836	9	737	362	4,728	0
Assault, Libel, and Slander	569	650	0	30	199	421	0
Federal Employers Liability Act	353	340	0	37	303	0	0
Medical Malpractice	1,000	1,022	0	386	251	385	0
Other	8,530	14,329	6	1,692	3,901	8,730	0
<b>Personal Property Damage, Total</b>	<b>4,132</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>3,177</b>	<b>0</b>
Fraud, Including Truth in Lending	2,395	2,495	13	35	711	1,736	0
Other Personal Property Damage	1,737	1,838	5	93	299	1,441	0
<b>Actions Under Statutes, Total</b>	<b>160,707</b>	<b>172,074</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>40,195</b>	<b>124,635</b>	<b>4,427</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Antitrust</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bankruptcy, Total</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1,482</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Appeal (28 U.S.C. 158)	1,440	1,346	1	3	1,342	0	0
Withdrawal (28 U.S.C. 157)	169	140	0	0	140	0	0
<b>Banks and Banking</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Civil Rights, Total</b>	<b>39,126</b>	<b>41,404</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>1,418</b>	<b>37,053</b>	<b>2,696</b>	<b>0</b>
Voting	177	109	1	6	102	0	0
Employment	10,037	12,152	114	426	9,586	2,026	0
Housing and Accommodations	823	977	27	14	915	21	0
Welfare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ADA--Employment	2,119	2,566	50	53	2,383	80	0
ADA--Other	10,240	8,776	6	27	8,705	38	0
Education	790	744	0	3	736	5	0
Other Civil Rights	14,940	16,080	39	889	14,626	526	0
<b>Environmental Matters</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Deportation</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Prisoner Petitions, Total</b>	<b>46,941</b>	<b>50,353</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,425</b>	<b>40,927</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Motions to Vacate Sentence	3,392	3,763	0	3,763	0	0	0
Habeas Corpus--General	13,225	14,224	0	3,518	10,706	0	0

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
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Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	116	123	0	6	117	0	0
Mandamus and Other	1,664	1,614	0	595	1,018	0	1
Civil Rights	18,638	19,618	0	861	18,757	0	0
Prison Condition	9,429	10,476	0	304	10,172	0	0
Habeas Corpus--Alien Detainees	327	356	0	356	0	0	0
Civil Detainee--Conditions of Confinement	150	179	0	22	157	0	0
<b>Forfeiture and Penalty, Total</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>41</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	443	345	341	4	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	518	497	460	37	0	0	0
<b>Labor Laws, Total</b>	<b>13,529</b>	<b>13,287</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>12,073</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>0</b>
Fair Labor Standards Act	6,133	5,794	135	10	5,649	0	0
Labor Management Relations Act	422	382	11	3	368	0	0
Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Railway Labor Act	40	38	0	1	37	0	0
Employee Retirement Income Security Act	4,742	4,716	46	7	4,663	0	0
Family and Medical Leave Act	938	851	3	3	845	0	0
Other Labor Litigation	1,254	1,506	30	18	511	947	0
<b>Immigration, Total'</b>	<b>7,763</b>	<b>11,134</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11,108</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Naturalization Applications	390	442	0	442	0	0	0
Other Immigration Actions	7,373	10,692	26	10,666	0	0	0
<b>Intellectual Property Rights, Total</b>	<b>12,742</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13,757</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>
Copyright	5,151	6,237	0	0	6,237	0	0
Patent	3,639	3,016	0	35	2,981	0	0
Patent--Abbreviated New Drug Application	257	243	0	0	243	0	0
Trademark	3,059	3,678	1	0	3,677	0	0

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
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Defend Trade Secrets Act	636	665	1	1	619	44	0
<b>Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges</b>	<b>1,955</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,268</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Social Security Laws, Total</b>	<b>13,385</b>	<b>15,017</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15,005</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Disability Insurance	7,123	7,745	12	7,733	0	0	0
Supplemental Security Income	5,599	6,556	0	6,556	0	0	0
Retirement and Survivors Benefits	569	628	0	628	0	0	0
Other	94	88	0	88	0	0	0
<b>Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,042</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>State Reapportionment Suits</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Tax Suits</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</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>9,423</b>	<b>8,108</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7,954</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cable/Sat. TV</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Freedom of Information Act</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Constitutionality of State Statutes</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other Statutory Actions</b>	<b>9,512</b>	<b>10,580</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>7,415</b>	<b>362</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.