

Table C-4.
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Nature of Suit and Action Taken,
During the 12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2012

Nature of Suit	Total	No Court Action	Court Action						
			Total	Before Pretrial	During or After Pretrial	During or After Trial			Percent Reaching Trial
						Total	Nonjury	Jury	
Total Cases	288,151	55,009	233,142	204,684	25,311	3,147	942	2,205	1.1
United States Cases	45,029	10,072	34,957	33,199	1,496	262	187	75	0.6
Contract Actions									
Franchise	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negotiable Instruments	35	9	26	17	9	-	-	-	-
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	4,369	2,429	1,940	1,884	52	4	3	1	0.1
Other Contracts	481	143	338	275	53	10	7	3	2.1
Real Property	1,275	244	1,031	968	61	2	2	-	0.2
Tort Actions									
Marine Personal Injury	28	9	19	10	8	1	1	-	3.6
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	427	111	316	210	90	16	16	-	3.7
Health Care/Pharma.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	1,292	280	1,012	771	191	50	47	3	3.9
Other Torts	243	68	175	154	20	1	-	1	0.4
Actions Under Statutes									
Consumer Credit	21	5	16	13	3	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antitrust	32	8	24	21	3	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	83	13	70	53	16	1	-	1	1.2
ADA—Other	39	1	38	33	3	2	1	1	5.1
Employment	949	168	781	587	159	35	4	31	3.7
Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	874	204	670	624	42	4	2	2	0.5
Deportation	21	4	17	16	-	1	1	-	4.8
Prisoner Petitions									
Motions to Vacate Sentence	6,109	726	5,383	5,355	20	8	8	-	0.1
Habeas Corpus—General	3,131	722	2,409	2,402	6	1	1	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	3	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	411	63	348	326	1	21	21	-	5.1
Civil Rights	830	139	691	673	13	5	1	4	0.6
Prison Condition	312	41	271	268	2	1	1	-	0.3

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Actions Under Statutes (Continued)									
Habeas Corpus—Alien Detainee	866	195	671	664	7	-	-	-	-
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liquor Forfeitures	4	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	2,298	544	1,754	1,565	170	19	14	5	0.8
Fair Labor Standards Act	181	55	126	118	7	1	1	-	0.6
FMLA ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Labor Litigation	279	67	212	193	18	1	1	-	0.4
Selective Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Security Laws									
Disability Insurance	6,526	1,021	5,505	5,432	69	4	2	2	0.1
Supplemental Security Income	7,763	1,259	6,504	6,418	81	5	2	3	0.1
Retirement and Services Benefits	709	122	587	582	5	-	-	-	-
Other	-	66	8	58	54	4	-	-	-
Tax Suits	1,227	296	931	767	137	27	20	7	2.2
Immigration									
Naturalization Applications	313	106	207	190	11	6	6	-	1.9
Other Immigration Actions	741	271	470	449	20	1	1	-	0.1
All Other U.S. Actions	3,091	741	2,350	2,100	215	35	24	11	1.1
Federal Question	141,821	31,248	110,573	93,204	15,457	1,912	485	1,427	1.3
Contract Actions									
Franchise	73	13	60	49	10	1	-	1	1.4
Marine	1,049	232	817	664	137	16	14	2	1.5
Miller Act	274	98	176	142	30	4	2	2	1.5
Other Contracts	3,482	773	2,709	2,207	466	36	16	20	1.0
Real Property	3,848	789	3,059	2,802	248	9	4	5	0.2
Tort Actions									
Federal Employers Liability Act	404	69	335	145	158	32	2	30	7.9
Marine Personal Injury	988	152	836	519	277	40	26	14	4.0
Health Care/Pharma.	6	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	2,721	629	2,092	1,710	351	31	6	25	1.1
Other Torts	1,608	439	1,169	956	193	20	7	13	1.2
Actions Under Statutes									
Consumer Credit	9,385	3,733	5,652	4,798	839	15	6	9	0.2
Cable/Satellite TV	1,324	414	910	769	139	2	2	-	0.2
Bankruptcy Suits	2,657	503	2,154	2,081	67	6	5	1	0.2
Antitrust	590	109	481	408	69	4	1	3	0.7

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Actions Under Statutes (Continued)									
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	1,425	254	1,171	791	357	23	3	20	1.6
ADA—Other	2,654	769	1,885	1,596	272	17	10	7	0.6
Employment	12,486	2,021	10,465	7,176	3,009	280	33	247	2.2
Education	5	2	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	15,999	2,664	13,335	9,741	3,000	594	54	540	3.7
Prisoner Petitions									
Habeas Corpus—General	17,166	3,476	13,690	13,603	78	9	3	6	0.1
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	173	12	161	150	11	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	602	98	504	502	2	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	15,541	2,715	12,826	12,214	398	214	41	173	1.4
Prison Condition	8,145	1,161	6,984	6,698	196	90	33	57	1.1
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair Labor Standards Act	6,424	1,132	5,292	4,174	1,035	83	35	48	1.3
FMLA ¹	8	3	5	2	3	-	-	-	-
Labor Management Relations Act	1,183	260	923	796	121	6	5	1	0.5
Other Labor Litigation	10,017	2,696	7,321	5,899	1,353	69	49	20	0.7
Copyright	2,244	704	1,540	1,228	277	35	6	29	1.6
Patent	3,896	1,022	2,874	2,136	614	124	58	66	3.2
Trademark	3,666	1,122	2,544	2,036	459	49	20	29	1.3
Constitutionality of State Statutes	282	59	223	192	27	4	3	1	1.4
All Other Federal Question	11,496	3,122	8,374	7,014	1,261	99	41	58	0.9
Diversity of Citizenship	101,296	13,688	87,608	78,281	8,354	973	270	703	1.0
Contract Actions									
Franchise	358	79	279	209	65	5	5	-	1.4
Insurance	8,250	1,707	6,543	5,019	1,385	139	39	100	1.7
Negotiable Instruments	721	171	550	464	80	6	2	4	0.8
Other Contracts	13,169	2,823	10,346	7,716	2,306	324	162	162	2.5
Real Property	5,153	1,182	3,971	3,537	399	35	17	18	0.7
Tort Actions									
Marine Personal Injury	330	43	287	249	33	5	1	4	1.5
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	3,369	660	2,709	1,731	854	124	8	116	3.7
Health Care/Pharma.	148	84	64	63	-	1	-	1	0.7
Other Personal Injury ²	64,369	5,630	58,739	56,172	2,310	257	16	241	0.4
Other Torts	2,549	596	1,953	1,479	425	49	14	35	1.9

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Diversity of Citizenship (Continued)									
Actions Under Statutes									
Consumer Credit	521	149	372	293	79	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	10	6	4	1	3	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	74	13	61	46	15	-	-	-	-
ADA—Other	24	5	19	17	2	-	-	-	-
Employment	1,649	434	1,215	872	322	21	4	17	1.3
Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	481	83	398	329	64	5	1	4	1.0
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Diversity	121	23	98	84	12	2	1	1	1.7
Local Jurisdiction	5	1	4	-	4	-	-	-	-
Contract Actions	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Real Property	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions									
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Torts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Petitions									
Habeas Corpus—General	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Local	3	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-

NOTE: Land condemnation cases omitted.

¹ FMLA = Family and Medical Leave Act.

² Includes cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases that thereafter were severed into individual cases.