

**Table C-4.**  
**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Nature of Suit and Action Taken,**  
**During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2015**

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	
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>274,362</b>	<b>56,848</b>	<b>217,514</b>	<b>185,008</b>	<b>29,538</b>	<b>2,968</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>2,091</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>United States Cases</b>	<b>44,270</b>	<b>8,416</b>	<b>35,854</b>	<b>33,908</b>	<b>1,711</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negotiable Instruments	32	5	27	20	7	-	-	-	-
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	1,666	824	842	819	23	-	-	-	-
Other Contracts	605	122	483	347	134	2	1	1	0.3
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	12	1	11	7	3	1	-	1	8.3
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	456	111	345	226	104	15	14	1	3.3
Health Care/Pharma	12	1	11	11	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	1,141	224	917	649	216	52	48	4	4.6
Other Torts	216	59	157	136	19	2	1	1	0.9
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	14	2	12	10	2	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antitrust	16	3	13	11	1	1	1	-	6.3
<b>Civil Rights</b>									
ADA—Employment	80	12	68	39	25	4	2	2	5.0
ADA—Other	48	11	37	36	1	-	-	-	-
Employment	661	113	548	392	130	26	5	21	3.9
Education	6	-	6	5	1	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	898	192	706	633	54	19	9	10	2.1
Deportation	18	4	14	12	1	1	1	-	5.6
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>									
Motions to Vacate Sentence	6,462	972	5,490	5,469	19	2	2	-	-
Habeas Corpus—General	2,367	450	1,917	1,907	7	3	3	-	0.1
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	13	1	12	11	-	1	1	-	7.7
Mandamus and Other	320	62	258	239	2	17	17	-	5.3
Civil Rights	767	160	607	590	13	4	4	-	0.5
Prison Condition	285	62	223	222	-	1	1	-	0.4
Habeas Corpus—Alien Detainee	664	99	565	559	5	1	1	-	0.2
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	18	3	15	15	-	-	-	-	-

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			Total	Before Pretrial	During or After Pretrial	During or After Trial			Percent Reaching Trial
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<b>Actions Under Statutes (Continued)</b>									
Liquor Forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	1,900	574	1,326	1,172	140	14	10	4	0.7
Fair Labor Standards Act	160	35	125	101	21	3	2	1	1.9
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	16	4	12	8	4	-	-	-	-
Other Labor Litigation	216	61	155	137	15	3	2	1	1.4
Selective Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Security Laws									
Disability Insurance	8,779	1,225	7,554	7,389	163	2	1	1	-
Supplemental Security Income	10,090	1,367	8,723	8,591	125	7	2	5	0.1
Retirement and Services Benefits	723	113	610	602	7	1	-	1	0.1
Other	135	23	112	91	21	-	-	-	-
Tax Suits	942	196	746	592	145	9	7	2	1.0
Immigration									
Naturalization Applications	264	84	180	166	11	3	3	-	1.1
Other Immigration Actions	961	416	545	513	19	13	13	-	1.4
All Other U.S. Actions	2,453	644	1,809	1,562	224	23	12	11	0.9
<b>Federal Question</b>	<b>148,977</b>	<b>32,080</b>	<b>116,897</b>	<b>97,185</b>	<b>17,830</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	47	6	41	29	9	3	2	1	6.4
Marine	795	178	617	479	122	16	14	2	2.0
Miller Act	312	120	192	141	49	2	1	1	0.6
Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans	76	41	35	33	1	1	1	-	1.3
Other Contracts	4,250	662	3,588	2,394	1,156	38	22	16	0.9
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>2,576</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>2,145</b>	<b>2,015</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Federal Employers Liability Act	295	34	261	113	129	19	-	19	6.4
Marine Personal Injury	821	125	696	422	244	30	22	8	3.7
Medical Malpractice	141	27	114	102	12	-	-	-	-
Health Care/Pharma	171	29	142	125	17	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	3,055	435	2,620	1,682	898	40	7	33	1.3
Other Torts	3,829	2,267	1,562	1,385	172	5	4	1	0.1
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	8,649	3,004	5,645	4,525	1,098	22	4	18	0.3
Cable/Satellite TV	1,281	368	913	794	117	2	2	-	0.2
Bankruptcy Suits	2,695	478	2,217	2,096	104	17	12	5	0.6
Antitrust	631	167	464	397	60	7	1	6	1.1

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<b>Actions Under Statutes (Continued)</b>									
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	1,816	343	1,473	877	557	39	8	31	2.1
ADA—Other	4,814	1,093	3,721	3,262	432	27	13	14	0.6
Employment	10,184	1,550	8,634	5,682	2,683	269	19	250	2.6
Education	417	81	336	257	77	2	2	-	0.5
Other Civil Rights	15,969	2,433	13,536	10,336	2,714	486	56	430	3.0
Prisoner Petitions									
Habeas Corpus—General	15,926	2,866	13,060	12,997	56	7	2	5	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	211	24	187	182	5	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	574	86	488	484	3	1	1	-	0.2
Civil Rights	16,825	2,545	14,280	13,568	461	251	28	223	1.5
Prison Condition	8,774	1,166	7,608	7,285	228	95	31	64	1.1
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	302	86	216	209	4	3	-	3	1.0
Fair Labor Standards Act	7,701	1,417	6,284	4,631	1,548	105	34	71	1.4
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	1,081	208	873	488	368	17	1	16	1.6
Labor Management Relations Act	673	189	484	385	90	9	4	5	1.3
Other Labor Litigation	8,025	1,986	6,039	4,710	1,275	54	38	16	0.7
Copyright	4,903	1,891	3,012	2,621	359	32	12	20	0.7
Patent	5,962	1,846	4,116	3,154	853	109	42	67	1.8
Trademark	3,128	850	2,278	1,771	456	51	21	30	1.6
Constitutionality of State Statutes	962	116	846	777	65	4	3	1	0.4
<b>All Other Federal Question</b>	<b>11,106</b>	<b>2,932</b>	<b>8,174</b>	<b>6,777</b>	<b>1,286</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Diversity of Citizenship</b>	<b>81,107</b>	<b>16,346</b>	<b>64,761</b>	<b>53,915</b>	<b>9,996</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	377	66	311	231	76	4	3	1	1.1
Insurance	8,771	1,885	6,886	4,776	1,986	124	34	90	1.4
Negotiable Instruments	461	110	351	278	61	12	9	3	2.6
Other Contracts	10,830	2,391	8,439	6,098	2,079	262	131	131	2.4
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>4,413</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	319	60	259	218	35	6	3	3	1.9
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	3,438	676	2,762	1,704	976	82	1	81	2.4
Health Care/Pharma	8,098	3,647	4,451	3,846	600	5	2	3	0.1
Other Personal Injury	37,957	4,743	33,214	30,278	2,701	235	29	206	0.6
Other Torts	3,141	1,045	2,096	1,597	455	44	6	38	1.4

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<b>Diversity of Citizenship</b>									
Consumer Credit	257	49	208	169	35	4	3	1	1.6
Cable/Satellite TV	10	4	6	5	1	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	70	12	58	45	13	-	-	-	-
ADA—Other	27	3	24	22	2	-	-	-	-
Employment	1,737	372	1,365	942	397	26	4	22	1.5
Education	3	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	393	85	308	250	49	9	1	8	2.3
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Diversity	805	185	620	518	99	3	1	2	0.4
<b>Local Jurisdiction</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12.5</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Real Property</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	100.0
Other Torts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>									
Habeas Corpus—General	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>All Other Local</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

NOTE: Land condemnation cases omitted.

<sup>1</sup> FMLA = Family and Medical Leave Act.