

**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, 2017**

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>286,738</b>	<b>52,531</b>	<b>234,207</b>	<b>202,144</b>	<b>29,298</b>	<b>2,765</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>United States Cases</b>	<b>49,902</b>	<b>9,009</b>	<b>40,893</b>	<b>39,255</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Contract Actions									
Franchise	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negotiable Instruments	7	1	6	5	-	1	-	1	14.3
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	1,046	431	615	600	12	3	-	3	0.3
Other Contracts	362	85	277	217	57	3	3	-	0.8
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	18	2	16	10	5	1	1	-	5.6
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	442	122	320	209	87	24	24	-	5.4
Health Care/Pharma	9	2	7	7	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	1,091	192	899	634	215	50	46	4	4.6
Other Torts	175	42	133	117	14	2	-	2	1.1
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	15	4	11	9	2	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antitrust	27	4	23	20	1	2	2	-	7.4
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	98	13	85	53	30	2	-	2	2.0
ADA—Other	35	5	30	28	2	-	-	-	-
Employment	585	95	490	376	96	18	2	16	3.1
Education	7	2	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	755	175	580	526	45	9	5	4	1.2
Deportation	9	3	6	3	2	1	1	-	11.1
Prisoner Petitions									
Motions to Vacate Sentence	14,970	2,740	12,230	12,204	19	7	2	5	-
Habeas Corpus—General	2,391	379	2,012	2,003	5	4	-	4	0.2
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	7	1	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	342	48	294	253	5	36	36	-	10.5
Civil Rights	780	146	634	613	19	2	2	-	0.3
Prison Condition	253	44	209	208	1	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Alien Detainee	1,102	178	924	914	9	1	1	-	0.1
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	6	1	5	4	1	-	-	-	-

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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	1,048	222	826	751	68	7	2	5	0.7
Fair Labor Standards Act	129	21	108	80	23	5	3	2	3.9
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	10	1	9	7	2	-	-	-	-
Other Labor Litigation	157	40	117	100	14	3	3	-	1.9
Selective Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Security Laws									
Disability Insurance	8,585	1,138	7,447	7,340	106	1	1	-	-
Supplemental Security Income	8,953	1,233	7,720	7,542	171	7	3	4	0.1
Retirement and Services Benefits	726	108	618	606	11	1	-	1	0.1
Other	89	14	75	67	8	-	-	-	-
Tax Suits	932	218	714	578	119	17	11	6	1.8
Immigration									
Naturalization Applications	296	120	176	160	13	3	3	-	1.0
Other Immigration Actions	1,366	434	932	893	33	6	6	-	0.4
All Other U.S. Actions	2,279	587	1,692	1,507	165	20	15	5	0.9
<b>Federal Question</b>	<b>150,382</b>	<b>30,842</b>	<b>119,540</b>	<b>99,739</b>	<b>18,066</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	40	9	31	23	8	-	-	-	-
Marine	777	164	613	464	140	9	8	1	1.2
Miller Act	238	83	155	124	29	2	1	1	0.8
Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans	73	43	30	27	3	-	-	-	-
Other Contracts	3,001	693	2,308	1,746	527	35	16	19	1.2
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>2,817</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>2,188</b>	<b>2,076</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Federal Employers Liability Act	258	28	230	102	114	14	-	14	5.4
Marine Personal Injury	1,054	135	919	617	268	34	19	15	3.2
Medical Malpractice	171	44	127	113	13	1	1	-	0.6
Health Care/Pharma	339	27	312	262	49	1	-	1	0.3
Other Personal Injury	3,728	709	3,019	2,679	316	24	1	23	0.6
Other Torts	1,514	293	1,221	940	277	4	1	3	0.3
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	9,367	2,800	6,567	5,018	1,524	25	6	19	0.3
Cable/Satellite TV	777	238	539	442	96	1	1	-	0.1
Bankruptcy Suits	2,247	467	1,780	1,702	72	6	3	3	0.3
Antitrust	558	138	420	372	42	6	-	6	1.1

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<b>Actions Under Statutes (Continued)</b>									
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	2,000	316	1,684	1,059	591	34	3	31	1.7
ADA—Other	6,962	2,207	4,755	4,134	601	20	7	13	0.3
Employment	9,719	1,480	8,239	5,500	2,510	229	28	201	2.4
Education	483	82	401	300	97	4	4	-	0.8
Other Civil Rights	15,079	2,440	12,639	9,618	2,578	443	62	381	2.9
Prisoner Petitions									
Habeas Corpus—General	15,374	2,713	12,661	12,616	39	6	4	2	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	229	24	205	195	7	3	2	1	1.3
Mandamus and Other	516	64	452	451	1	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	19,017	2,917	16,100	15,389	519	192	21	171	1.0
Prison Condition	9,900	1,138	8,762	8,389	251	122	28	94	1.2
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	306	91	215	209	3	3	-	3	1.0
Fair Labor Standards Act	8,212	1,348	6,864	4,888	1,877	99	38	61	1.2
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	1,187	210	977	595	366	16	1	15	1.3
Labor Management Relations Act	623	178	445	342	99	4	1	3	0.6
Other Labor Litigation	7,499	1,745	5,754	4,432	1,271	51	35	16	0.7
Copyright	3,818	1,370	2,448	1,971	454	23	7	16	0.6
Patent	5,063	1,749	3,314	2,553	586	175	120	55	3.5
Trademark	3,655	891	2,764	1,761	955	48	16	32	1.3
Constitutionality of State Statutes	955	155	800	731	67	2	2	-	0.2
<b>All Other Federal Question</b>	<b>12,826</b>	<b>3,224</b>	<b>9,602</b>	<b>7,899</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>Diversity of Citizenship</b>	<b>86,443</b>	<b>12,676</b>	<b>73,767</b>	<b>63,145</b>	<b>9,834</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	302	41	261	194	65	2	1	1	0.7
Insurance	8,077	1,831	6,246	4,410	1,704	132	40	92	1.6
Negotiable Instruments	362	76	286	224	59	3	1	2	0.8
Other Contracts	10,284	2,245	8,039	5,741	2,056	242	110	132	2.4
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>4,334</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>3,077</b>	<b>2,550</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	265	46	219	185	27	7	1	6	2.6
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	3,446	691	2,755	1,691	984	80	4	76	2.3
Health Care/Pharma	11,858	1,320	10,538	9,532	998	8	-	8	0.1
Other Personal Injury	41,351	3,615	37,736	35,248	2,296	192	15	177	0.5
Other Torts	2,702	684	2,018	1,447	514	57	20	37	2.1

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<b>Diversity of Citizenship (Continued)</b>									
Consumer Credit	200	44	156	126	30	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	10	5	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	65	17	48	34	13	1	-	1	1.5
ADA—Other	32	6	26	20	4	2	2	-	6.3
Employment	1,693	436	1,257	866	376	15	1	14	0.9
Education	9	2	7	7	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	394	76	318	259	57	2	1	1	0.5
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Diversity	1,059	284	775	606	162	7	3	4	0.7
<b>Local Jurisdiction</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Real Property</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Torts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>									
Habeas Corpus—General	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>All Other Local</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

NOTE: Land condemnation cases omitted.

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