

Table C-2.

U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Basis of Jurisdiction and Nature of Suit, During the 12-Month Period Ending June 30, 2005

Nature of Suit	2004	2005					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
TOTAL CASES	258,117	282,758	10,385	44,117	161,723	66,532	1
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	29,687	28,590	3,365	327	5,311	19,587	-
INSURANCE	8,551	7,871	18	44	1,144	6,665	-
MARINE	1,789	1,449	7	12	1,325	105	-
MILLER ACT	389	380	109	8	263	-	-
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	448	459	45	6	70	338	-
RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS	2,914	3,380	3,004	119	158	99	-
DEFAULTED STUDENT LOANS	2,525	2,950	2,921	29	-	-	-
VETERANS' OVERPAYMENT	12	16	13	3	-	-	-
OTHER	377	414	70	87	158	99	-
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	15,596	15,051	182	138	2,351	12,380	-
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	6,341	4,541	1,861	362	708	1,610	-
CONDEMNATION OF LAND	237	210	119	9	65	17	-
FORECLOSURE	4,778	3,047	1,658	169	265	955	-
RENT, LEASE, AND EJECTMENT	168	158	11	8	49	90	-
TORTS TO LAND, INCLUDING PRODUCT LIABILITY	426	356	25	43	87	201	-
OTHER REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	732	770	48	133	242	347	-
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	51,881	75,273	82	2,008	28,387	44,796	-
PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	45,948	52,215	29	1,840	7,785	42,561	-
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PRODUCT LIABILITY, TOTAL	29,089	35,615	-	31	2,849	32,735	-
AIRPLANE	100	73	-	-	10	63	-
MARINE	30	46	-	2	20	24	-
MOTOR VEHICLE	620	533	-	5	26	502	-
ASBESTOS	1,208	1,628	-	6	506	1,116	-
OTHER	27,131	33,335	-	18	2,287	31,030	-
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	16,859	16,600	29	1,809	4,936	9,826	-
AIRPLANE	646	346	-	24	121	201	-
MARINE	1,859	1,707	4	44	1,417	242	-
MOTOR VEHICLE	4,328	4,106	-	465	245	3,396	-
ASSAULT, LIBEL, AND SLANDER	674	666	-	51	198	417	-
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS LIABILITY ACT	809	769	-	78	691	-	-
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	1,359	1,279	-	603	-	676	-
OTHER	7,184	7,727	25	544	2,264	4,894	-

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Nature of Suit	2004	2005					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE, TOTAL	5,933	23,058	53	168	20,602	2,235	-
FRAUD, INCLUDING TRUTH IN LENDING	4,341	2,448	37	30	1,139	1,242	-
OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE	1,592	20,610	16	138	19,463	993	-
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES, TOTAL	170,168	171,922	5,061	41,365	125,093	402	1
ANTITRUST	692	719	14	5	700	-	-
BANKRUPTCY, TOTAL	3,982	3,428	13	20	3,395	-	-
APPEAL (28 U.S.C. 158)	2,807	2,621	9	16	2,596	-	-
WITHDRAWAL (28 U.S.C. 157)	1,175	807	4	4	799	-	-
BANKS AND BANKING	332	291	4	7	280	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS, TOTAL	40,118	36,724	553	2,189	33,712	270	-
VOTING	162	183	7	16	160	-	-
EMPLOYMENT	19,670	17,998	443	1,213	16,126	216	-
HOUSING AND ACCOMMODATIONS	1,220	1,023	41	21	956	5	-
WELFARE	57	60	1	4	54	1	-
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	19,009	17,460	61	935	16,416	48	-
COMMERCE	483	492	4	4	484	-	-
ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS	999	726	147	271	308	-	-
DEPORTATION	318	237	-	205	32	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS, TOTAL	53,132	62,698	-	19,429	43,264	4	1
MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE	5,742	11,318	-	11,318	-	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	22,760	25,402	-	6,183	19,218	-	1
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	228	223	-	9	214	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	1,161	1,356	-	620	736	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS	15,113	16,037	-	1,022	15,015	-	-
PRISON CONDITION	8,128	8,362	-	277	8,081	4	-
FORFEITURE AND PENALTY, TOTAL	2,112	2,214	2,070	144	-	-	-
AGRICULTURAL ACTS	42	31	8	23	-	-	-
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	48	47	45	2	-	-	-
DRUG-RELATED SEIZURE OF PROPERTY	1,256	1,359	1,305	54	-	-	-
AIR TRAFFIC REGULATIONS	7	5	3	2	-	-	-
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT	8	5	4	1	-	-	-
OTHER FORFEITURE AND PENALTY SUITS	751	767	705	62	-	-	-

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
LABOR LAWS, TOTAL	18,189	18,643	368	132	18,143	-	-
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	3,583	3,913	127	20	3,766	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT	1,589	1,793	22	18	1,753	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE ACT	91	81	7	9	65	-	-
RAILWAY LABOR ACT	120	97	1	1	95	-	-
ERISA ¹	11,336	11,476	177	23	11,276	-	-
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	1,470	1,283	34	61	1,188	-	-
PROTECTED PROPERTY RIGHTS, TOTAL	9,289	11,809	14	11	11,784	-	-
COPYRIGHT	2,663	5,445	-	-	5,445	-	-
PATENT	3,046	2,788	4	11	2,773	-	-
TRADEMARK	3,580	3,576	10	-	3,566	-	-
SECURITIES, COMMODITIES, AND EXCHANGES	3,081	2,371	337	6	2,028	-	-
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS, TOTAL	15,935	16,066	73	15,993	-	-	-
DISABILITY INSURANCE	7,114	7,170	73	7,097	-	-	-
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME	7,778	8,044	-	8,044	-	-	-
RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORS BENEFITS	975	774	-	774	-	-	-
OTHER	68	78	-	78	-	-	-
RICO²	735	781	4	-	688	89	-
STATE REAPPORTIONMENT SUITS	5	6	-	-	6	-	-
TAX SUITS	1,291	1,348	585	763	-	-	-
CUSTOMER CHALLENGE	11	22	-	22	-	-	-
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT	300	426	-	296	130	-	-
CONSTITUTIONALITY OF STATE STATUTES	306	314	3	15	257	39	-
OTHER STATUTORY ACTIONS	18,858	12,607	872	1,853	9,882	-	-
OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL	40	2,432	16	55	2,224	137	-

¹ ERISA = EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT.

² RICO = RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS.