

Table C-3.

**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Nature of Suit and District,
During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2008**

Circuit and District	Total Civil Cases	U.S. Cases															
		Total U.S. Civil	Contract	Real Property	Tort Actions	Civil Rights	Prisoner Petitions							Forfeitures and Penalties	Labor Suits	Social Security	All Other
							Motions to Vacate Sentence	Habeas Corpus General	Death Penalty	Prison Civil Rights	Prison Condition	Mandamus and Other					
TOTAL	265,178	43,194	3,311	1,604	1,863	2,083	6,089	2,876	7	924	402	505	2,344	386	13,097	7,703	
DC	2,399	1,316	67	1	32	255	42	173	-	200	10	19	24	11	20	462	
1ST	6,392	1,383	64	79	79	54	176	54	-	18	1	8	85	24	365	376	
ME	449	130	7	3	7	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	5	2	81	5	
MA	2,808	659	27	6	35	17	67	49	-	10	-	7	22	8	124	287	
NH	506	139	16	2	2	3	15	1	-	1	1	-	23	2	49	24	
RI	1,257	126	7	1	3	1	21	3	-	1	-	-	7	3	49	30	
PR	1,372	329	7	67	32	33	53	1	-	6	-	1	28	9	62	30	
2ND	22,680	3,051	166	68	184	148	372	103	-	26	32	64	225	55	878	730	
CT	2,007	333	37	1	17	20	33	14	-	1	-	4	28	13	63	99	
NY,N	1,420	308	6	5	18	12	29	3	-	-	-	-	36	7	179	13	
NY,E	5,382	981	71	12	71	46	87	31	-	16	1	17	39	18	231	341	
NY,S	11,973	952	27	6	59	51	177	43	-	7	12	43	46	14	223	244	
NY,W	1,608	384	22	22	17	16	42	8	-	2	19	-	67	2	141	26	
VT	290	93	3	22	2	3	4	1	-	-	-	-	9	1	41	7	
3RD	51,565	3,048	139	115	155	154	299	454	-	143	11	64	125	29	823	537	
DE	1,048	76	-	1	5	4	6	-	-	-	-	1	9	-	36	14	
NJ	6,757	918	29	3	56	59	86	171	-	34	2	30	33	16	174	225	
PA,E	38,567	812	36	15	44	48	114	64	-	-	-	27	10	7	274	173	
PA,M	2,405	651	19	36	21	21	43	191	-	104	2	5	19	3	102	85	
PA,W	2,496	566	55	55	24	17	48	28	-	5	5	1	53	2	237	36	
VI	292	25	-	5	5	5	2	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	4	
4TH	18,146	3,928	164	54	182	181	880	313	-	96	25	146	229	14	1,217	427	
MD	3,557	882	37	8	61	74	100	6	-	8	-	55	81	3	286	163	
NC,E	1,436	576	48	1	13	12	78	73	-	27	4	81	37	-	185	17	
NC,M	953	245	11	-	4	12	97	9	-	2	-	1	32	1	62	14	
NC,W	1,241	258	15	-	3	10	118	4	-	-	-	-	10	1	84	13	
SC	4,400	548	28	38	31	10	142	33	-	9	13	2	23	2	178	39	
VA,E	3,139	578	5	2	36	42	161	56	-	11	7	5	33	4	68	148	
VA,W	1,151	401	5	1	12	7	107	62	-	19	-	-	5	-	161	22	
WV,N	739	177	7	2	2	5	36	41	-	10	1	2	1	2	61	7	
WV,S	1,530	263	8	2	20	9	41	29	-	10	-	-	7	1	132	4	

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										Habeas Corpus General	Death Penalty	Conditions and Civil Rights	Mandamus and Other			
TOTAL	221,984	29,183	3,349	492	1,368	3,555	61,475	3,802	30,461	18,133	171	24,232	660	9,293	16,434	19,376
DC	1,083	121	35	-	-	17	168	20	304	17	-	61	3	56	127	154
1ST	5,009	805	247	19	47	64	1,165	134	792	229	-	322	14	275	368	528
ME	319	73	4	1	5	6	34	16	72	14	-	22	-	26	15	31
MA	2,149	396	30	17	31	25	214	87	351	148	-	136	14	184	222	294
NH	367	61	7	-	-	8	44	11	59	39	-	53	-	25	20	40
RI	1,131	81	122	-	3	12	716	15	72	15	-	18	-	19	27	31
PR	1,043	194	84	1	8	13	157	5	238	13	-	93	-	21	84	132
2ND	19,629	4,549	112	95	124	403	2,537	326	3,609	910	-	1,445	38	1,092	1,960	2,429
CT	1,674	286	21	16	3	28	158	44	434	46	-	127	-	103	117	291
NY,N	1,112	105	11	15	-	21	59	24	245	158	-	256	-	54	68	96
NY,E	4,401	475	31	19	81	169	422	76	1,163	250	-	184	9	165	722	635
NY,S	11,021	3,528	41	44	40	146	1,799	159	1,495	310	-	618	27	701	972	1,141
NY,W	1,224	108	6	1	-	26	67	16	224	134	-	249	2	63	75	253
VT	197	47	2	-	-	13	32	7	48	12	-	11	-	6	6	13
3RD	48,517	2,463	308	85	70	527	33,857	335	3,314	1,050	14	1,830	25	861	1,469	2,309
DE	972	89	3	1	2	20	126	4	98	83	-	161	1	204	20	160
NJ	5,839	927	70	15	44	173	746	147	1,026	165	-	623	3	342	810	748
PA,E	37,755	902	40	58	9	214	32,735	127	1,346	367	11	471	9	230	341	895
PA,M	1,754	260	107	6	-	78	86	24	352	188	1	304	7	28	77	236
PA,W	1,930	245	31	5	5	31	108	28	460	243	2	259	-	56	217	240
VI	267	40	57	-	10	11	56	5	32	4	-	12	5	1	4	30
4TH	14,218	1,914	170	8	60	336	2,748	280	1,756	1,278	5	3,093	179	555	891	945
MD	2,675	420	43	1	10	100	249	67	424	98	-	531	131	101	232	268
NC,E	860	122	13	-	12	11	82	26	137	58	3	149	2	128	50	67
NC,M	708	84	31	-	1	6	137	9	115	98	1	106	3	43	30	44
NC,W	983	167	11	-	1	10	361	17	139	45	-	72	-	55	33	72
SC	3,852	433	15	-	17	90	710	59	378	459	-	1,253	16	57	260	105
VA,E	2,561	405	24	1	11	51	343	56	328	312	1	414	22	143	182	268
VA,W	750	61	2	1	-	22	62	18	89	83	-	303	2	17	42	48
WV,N	562	79	10	-	-	26	59	4	69	76	-	182	3	8	19	27
WV,S	1,267	143	21	5	8	20	745	24	77	49	-	83	-	3	43	46

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5TH	28,140	4,985	682	369	224	220	891	491	-	122	17	24	212	26	903	804	
LA,E	5,529	300	44	17	63	31	32	2	-	2	2	3	2	2	48	52	
LA,M	869	102	3	1	4	1	15	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	19	56	
LA,W	2,065	445	38	11	25	8	61	60	-	23	3	-	2	-	154	60	
MS,N	876	118	7	1	8	3	16	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	65	6	
MS,S	3,020	243	43	7	27	15	40	40	-	12	3	1	15	5	20	15	
TX,N	4,140	909	22	6	16	49	160	144	-	26	4	8	16	7	173	278	
TX,E	2,842	467	5	-	8	15	91	121	-	39	2	2	23	-	133	28	
TX,S	5,720	1,541	427	304	32	54	251	68	-	18	3	6	59	7	133	179	
TX,W	3,079	860	93	22	41	44	225	56	-	2	-	4	81	4	158	130	
6TH	21,742	4,447	607	269	130	153	507	96	2	68	104	25	258	55	1,739	434	
KY,E	1,713	861	16	141	29	14	48	56	1	39	92	3	11	1	394	16	
KY,W	1,269	286	19	62	3	6	26	4	1	8	5	2	28	2	105	15	
MI,E	5,176	1,021	395	10	27	36	65	8	-	5	1	12	75	7	239	141	
MI,W	1,575	242	30	9	9	9	39	6	-	2	-	1	10	3	107	17	
OH,N	5,375	592	60	11	22	32	80	10	-	3	-	4	35	18	251	66	
OH,S	2,626	616	57	10	13	26	62	1	-	5	-	3	47	12	316	64	
TN,E	1,273	315	23	12	6	6	85	3	-	1	-	-	-	4	159	16	
TN,M	1,497	271	5	11	7	16	39	-	-	-	-	-	25	4	86	78	
TN,W	1,238	243	2	3	14	8	63	8	-	5	6	-	27	4	82	21	
7TH	15,998	2,209	121	153	107	131	353	100	-	36	16	13	133	35	578	433	
IL,N	7,819	790	13	8	56	63	109	22	-	12	7	11	31	23	127	308	
IL,C	1,087	232	12	27	2	12	44	6	-	1	3	-	12	6	90	17	
IL,S	961	204	18	20	17	5	33	45	-	6	2	-	18	-	26	14	
IN,N	1,422	234	21	30	8	14	36	-	-	1	-	-	19	2	95	8	
IN,S	2,731	393	35	56	10	20	65	10	-	5	3	-	19	2	143	25	
WI,E	1,173	186	12	3	10	11	34	3	-	1	1	1	18	2	62	28	
WI,W	805	170	10	9	4	6	32	14	-	10	-	1	16	-	35	33	
8TH	19,604	3,011	214	109	73	121	446	188	1	27	30	8	129	26	1,327	312	
AR,E	5,160	388	13	14	3	17	29	64	-	2	21	-	1	-	209	15	
AR,W	843	305	15	5	2	4	10	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	255	12	
IA,N	537	254	14	20	-	2	58	4	-	-	-	-	14	1	135	6	
IA,S	732	233	4	28	5	7	52	8	-	1	1	2	7	-	102	16	
MN	6,563	363	52	11	16	14	29	42	-	13	-	-	18	5	59	104	
MO,E	2,339	465	39	4	16	31	84	4	-	5	1	4	52	6	192	27	
MO,W	2,078	626	45	-	16	25	73	54	1	3	7	1	13	11	292	85	
NE	772	208	25	11	6	10	57	6	-	2	-	1	17	1	42	30	
ND	245	64	6	15	2	3	20	1	-	-	-	-	5	2	6	4	
SD	335	105	1	1	7	8	34	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	35	13	

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5TH	23,155	5,856	376	46	545	737	3,174	453	2,505	2,680	34	3,083	57	944	916	1,749
LA,E	5,229	2,483	21	11	332	195	1,019	85	249	187	-	208	3	29	85	322
LA,M	767	116	18	4	23	65	122	15	106	47	-	176	2	8	23	42
LA,W	1,620	220	56	7	93	97	375	25	181	109	-	339	1	20	56	41
MS,N	758	121	11	-	-	38	83	80	173	82	1	116	1	8	28	16
MS,S	2,777	1,014	79	1	11	114	667	30	194	150	1	384	6	11	52	63
TX,N	3,231	529	57	4	2	46	158	53	512	677	10	569	13	187	167	247
TX,E	2,375	256	32	9	13	82	209	25	204	400	6	521	9	336	81	192
TX,S	4,179	828	67	7	70	58	394	92	477	631	7	475	11	175	283	604
TX,W	2,219	289	35	3	1	42	147	48	409	397	9	295	11	170	141	222
6TH	17,295	2,210	305	52	67	306	3,602	305	3,140	1,934	16	1,624	36	636	1,483	1,579
KY,E	852	194	17	-	2	41	145	32	150	40	2	81	2	27	50	69
KY,W	983	174	8	3	20	37	127	16	186	87	1	153	4	23	78	66
MI,E	4,155	633	103	20	33	50	166	91	719	778	1	347	3	199	439	573
MI,W	1,333	127	17	2	5	6	35	16	180	254	-	379	3	43	95	171
OH,N	4,783	428	84	14	3	43	2,515	56	438	359	3	127	20	122	301	270
OH,S	2,010	283	43	10	2	17	121	31	588	238	4	114	-	101	241	217
TN,E	958	120	19	2	1	51	150	19	224	40	1	112	-	32	79	108
TN,M	1,226	131	7	-	-	24	234	26	340	76	2	156	2	57	121	50
TN,W	995	120	7	1	1	37	109	18	315	62	2	155	2	32	79	55
7TH	13,789	1,569	135	55	33	177	757	306	3,069	1,216	3	1,841	14	669	2,071	1,874
IL,N	7,029	896	54	11	18	75	291	186	1,603	173	-	587	7	381	1,438	1,309
IL,C	855	71	30	7	-	9	41	9	162	63	-	298	1	16	84	64
IL,S	757	73	7	16	14	18	110	15	110	40	-	179	2	21	65	87
IN,N	1,188	137	7	11	1	31	83	21	306	212	1	172	-	32	89	85
IN,S	2,338	220	28	7	-	40	184	26	532	543	2	299	-	98	207	152
WI,E	987	112	6	3	-	2	29	38	220	114	-	148	2	58	121	134
WI,W	635	60	3	-	-	2	19	11	136	71	-	158	2	63	67	43
8TH	16,593	1,344	117	40	12	205	8,857	347	1,549	751	6	1,356	13	382	950	664
AR,E	4,772	128	12	11	2	35	3,706	20	242	105	4	404	-	15	53	35
AR,W	538	98	8	5	-	16	54	17	86	22	1	162	-	13	21	35
IA,N	283	52	9	-	-	5	22	5	60	24	-	53	-	8	17	28
IA,S	499	67	2	4	-	8	43	8	105	44	-	104	3	26	45	40
MN	6,200	329	23	3	1	16	4,436	142	332	120	-	83	-	134	385	196
MO,E	1,874	299	18	1	6	50	288	86	282	169	1	196	5	104	239	130
MO,W	1,452	210	24	1	3	45	185	49	242	176	-	235	3	33	122	124
NE	564	96	9	8	-	14	45	7	143	42	-	60	2	34	52	52
ND	181	20	9	5	-	5	48	10	27	13	-	13	-	6	11	14
SD	230	45	3	2	-	11	30	3	30	36	-	46	-	9	5	10

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9TH	40,032	8,288	599	161	411	367	903	443	2	82	8	85	491	66	2,614	2,056
AK	371	129	7	4	30	7	18	1	-	1	-	1	15	1	20	24
AZ	3,298	873	43	34	50	30	300	76	-	4	3	-	30	4	111	188
CA,N	5,907	785	66	8	54	65	33	8	-	13	1	3	30	15	84	405
CA,E	4,974	745	15	7	28	19	63	72	-	36	1	9	62	5	320	108
CA,C	12,551	2,757	330	19	92	92	116	160	2	16	1	12	153	22	1,013	729
CA,S	2,776	600	29	33	45	33	119	18	-	1	-	44	64	2	58	154
HI	604	117	15	4	15	19	16	1	-	-	-	-	5	2	3	37
ID	563	132	14	11	5	5	19	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	47	26
MT	594	167	14	12	13	6	56	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	30	31
NV	2,658	270	10	9	20	21	42	6	-	4	-	9	49	2	14	84
OR	2,195	668	35	8	14	20	37	4	-	3	-	3	23	7	438	76
WA,E	668	293	4	9	10	9	35	4	-	1	-	1	11	-	185	24
WA,W	2,798	730	17	3	33	37	40	93	-	3	2	3	38	4	291	166
GUAM	21	8	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
NMI	54	14	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	4
10TH	9,890	2,356	123	76	115	113	342	178	1	23	106	9	119	25	759	367
CO	2,903	661	10	9	22	38	42	120	-	14	86	1	22	6	137	154
KS	1,570	425	20	12	12	19	59	52	1	7	18	6	28	7	154	30
NM	1,251	270	18	3	35	21	67	4	-	-	2	-	31	3	60	26
OK,N	783	220	15	12	9	-	42	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	118	19
OK,E	496	184	7	11	14	4	18	-	-	1	-	-	5	-	114	10
OK,W	1,446	285	35	22	12	16	44	-	-	1	-	1	6	5	99	44
UT	1,152	244	12	5	8	12	43	1	-	-	-	1	15	3	72	72
WY	289	67	6	2	3	3	27	1	-	-	-	-	7	1	5	12
11TH	28,590	5,172	365	150	171	186	878	283	1	83	42	40	314	20	1,874	765
AL,N	2,541	479	27	10	8	17	55	22	-	4	-	1	27	-	273	35
AL,M	1,059	228	13	1	6	12	26	3	-	2	-	3	8	1	147	6
AL,S	761	191	22	-	7	4	37	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	85	28
FL,N	1,726	443	42	3	14	16	58	26	-	-	10	-	67	1	158	48
FL,M	7,719	1,614	66	99	63	44	216	127	1	55	19	16	31	7	655	215
FL,S	7,939	1,184	127	10	48	42	285	67	-	8	13	11	65	5	236	267
GA,N	4,696	609	46	24	9	36	102	34	-	14	-	8	70	5	153	108
GA,M	1,162	242	13	-	4	7	42	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	106	40
GA,S	987	182	9	3	12	8	57	4	-	-	-	1	8	1	61	18

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9TH	31,744	3,870	902	45	137	200	1,637	744	4,935	5,316	36	5,098	172	2,643	2,374	3,635
AK	242	64	10	-	7	6	32	3	39	37	-	6	2	2	14	20
AZ	2,425	342	30	-	-	39	112	52	453	287	3	535	1	160	95	316
CA,N	5,122	480	68	-	20	12	388	87	668	799	2	890	11	484	562	651
CA,E	4,229	238	48	5	5	21	101	64	793	1,183	2	1,258	18	78	141	274
CA,C	9,794	1,192	471	3	9	30	361	288	1,181	1,859	4	863	6	1,324	894	1,309
CA,S	2,176	245	81	-	12	3	98	56	315	395	2	347	3	188	128	303
HI	487	104	11	-	20	8	38	15	139	22	-	48	1	14	32	35
ID	431	75	9	-	-	3	18	7	66	57	-	124	-	18	21	33
MT	427	99	14	1	-	9	38	12	72	44	-	87	4	5	16	26
NV	2,388	425	112	1	1	34	159	81	405	237	22	434	24	129	109	215
OR	1,527	209	11	5	4	20	88	36	346	218	-	142	98	74	117	159
WA,E	375	41	6	11	-	3	27	6	87	35	-	100	-	14	7	38
WA,W	2,068	348	31	19	59	11	169	37	350	140	1	264	4	152	232	251
GUAM	13	2	-	-	-	-	4	-	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
NMI	40	6	-	-	-	1	4	-	20	1	-	-	-	-	5	3
10TH	7,534	1,292	105	36	6	236	685	120	1,821	652	11	874	14	403	361	918
CO	2,242	366	20	11	2	49	147	33	390	206	1	324	-	141	95	457
KS	1,145	178	13	9	-	64	114	29	279	82	-	152	5	49	78	93
NM	981	140	16	3	-	40	79	9	408	62	-	93	-	18	36	77
OK,N	563	122	9	1	-	13	57	9	162	53	3	33	2	19	47	33
OK,E	312	38	11	5	-	13	30	5	85	40	-	55	1	4	9	16
OK,W	1,161	201	12	3	1	27	138	12	299	139	7	106	4	32	42	138
UT	908	209	21	3	2	11	87	19	160	39	-	79	2	135	45	96
WY	222	38	3	1	1	19	33	4	38	31	-	32	-	5	9	8
11TH	23,418	3,190	537	11	267	347	2,288	432	3,667	2,100	46	3,605	95	777	3,464	2,592
AL,N	2,062	297	25	-	-	58	157	34	490	163	4	365	1	41	194	233
AL,M	831	92	5	-	-	46	66	23	175	114	3	225	7	6	35	34
AL,S	570	162	14	1	15	14	48	14	107	47	-	74	-	5	23	46
FL,N	1,283	129	11	-	6	16	52	8	304	233	6	385	4	22	66	41
FL,M	6,105	769	76	1	23	72	690	82	947	650	17	576	12	220	1,352	618
FL,S	6,755	1,085	230	3	213	32	735	112	730	366	14	384	32	262	1,540	1,017
GA,N	4,087	492	157	1	1	59	424	142	666	251	-	950	32	184	199	529
GA,M	920	75	9	-	-	30	79	11	152	108	1	346	5	24	38	42
GA,S	805	89	10	5	9	20	37	6	96	168	1	300	2	13	17	32

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