

Table C-4.
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Nature of Suit and Action Taken,
During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2003

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	250,681	41,619	209,062	184,621	20,333	4,108	1,469	2,639	1.6
UNITED STATES CASES	49,753	7,582	42,171	40,295	1,467	409	302	107	0.8
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	59	13	46	44	2	-	-	-	-
RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS	3,923	1,650	2,273	2,214	57	2	1	1	0.1
OTHER CONTRACTS	777	224	553	479	62	12	11	1	1.5
REAL PROPERTY	2,763	399	2,364	2,307	51	6	6	-	0.2
TORT ACTIONS									
MARINE PERSONAL INJURY	66	12	54	35	14	5	5	-	7.6
MOTOR VEHICLE PERSONAL INJURY	619	138	481	343	102	36	33	3	5.8
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	1,640	301	1,339	1,068	198	73	69	4	4.5
OTHER TORTS	235	49	186	163	18	5	5	-	2.1
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES									
ANTITRUST	32	4	28	26	1	1	1	-	3.1
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	1,677	269	1,408	1,084	253	71	20	51	4.2
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	1,151	177	974	879	71	24	10	14	2.1
DEPORTATION	235	53	182	179	3	-	-	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS									
MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE	5,869	479	5,390	5,359	22	9	7	2	0.2
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	4,278	539	3,739	3,717	20	2	2	-	0.0
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	13	1	12	12	-	-	-	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	571	58	513	504	6	3	3	-	0.5
CIVIL RIGHTS	829	109	720	708	6	6	5	1	0.7
PRISON CONDITION	265	17	248	242	1	5	4	1	1.9
LIQUOR FORFEITURES	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORFEITURE AND PENALTY SUITS.	1,966	306	1,660	1,513	134	13	13	-	0.7
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	185	26	159	145	13	1	-	1	0.5
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	331	68	263	235	19	9	6	3	2.7
SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT	2	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-

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ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES (CONTINUED)									
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS									
HEALTH INSURANCE	69	9	60	58	2	-	-	-	-
BLACK LUNG	12	1	11	11	-	-	-	-	-
DISABILITY INSURANCE	8,335	821	7,514	7,404	70	40	37	3	0.5
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME	7,981	817	7,164	7,095	46	23	21	2	0.3
RETIREMENT AND SERVICES BENEFITS	1,183	81	1,102	1,093	7	2	2	-	0.2
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TAX SUITS	1,214	207	1,007	893	89	25	14	11	2.1
ALL OTHER U.S. ACTIONS	3,471	754	2,717	2,482	199	36	27	9	1.0
FEDERAL QUESTION	145,783	23,350	122,433	107,680	12,333	2,420	777	1,643	1.7
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
MARINE	1,870	387	1,483	1,232	223	28	27	1	1.5
MILLER ACT	335	108	227	174	39	14	12	2	4.2
OTHER CONTRACTS	3,790	886	2,904	2,440	409	55	32	23	1.5
REAL PROPERTY	580	115	465	431	31	3	3	-	0.5
TORT ACTIONS									
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ACT	869	211	658	461	154	43	3	40	4.9
MARINE PERSONAL INJURY	1,704	264	1,440	1,005	383	52	27	25	3.1
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	13,327	581	12,746	12,425	262	59	21	38	0.4
OTHER TORTS	1,583	338	1,245	941	276	28	13	15	1.8
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES									
BANKRUPTCY SUITS	3,430	415	3,015	2,931	74	10	6	4	0.3
ANTITRUST	723	227	496	408	79	9	2	7	1.2
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	17,837	3,223	14,614	10,576	3,361	677	116	561	3.8
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	17,924	3,278	14,646	11,566	2,497	583	112	471	3.3
PRISONER PETITIONS									
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	19,033	1,624	17,409	17,296	90	23	22	1	0.1
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	207	16	191	188	3	-	-	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	631	55	576	571	3	2	-	2	0.3
CIVIL RIGHTS	13,148	1,189	11,959	11,514	257	188	57	131	1.4
PRISON CONDITION	8,961	1,029	7,932	7,583	186	163	73	90	1.8
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	2,407	405	2,002	1,655	305	42	19	23	1.7
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT	1,446	327	1,119	940	166	13	11	2	0.9
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	12,173	3,086	9,087	7,677	1,316	94	67	27	0.8
COPYRIGHT	2,365	609	1,756	1,465	246	45	20	25	1.9
PATENT	2,618	734	1,884	1,419	377	88	21	67	3.4
TRADEMARK	3,415	950	2,465	2,046	365	54	28	26	1.6
CONSTITUTIONALITY									
OF STATE STATUTES	219	37	182	157	21	4	4	-	1.8

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ALL OTHER FEDERAL QUESTION	15,188	3,256	11,932	10,579	1,210	143	81	62	0.9
DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP	55,088	10,678	44,410	36,599	6,532	1,279	390	889	2.3
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
INSURANCE	7,280	1,641	5,639	4,329	1,114	196	80	116	2.7
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	401	74	327	271	49	7	5	2	1.7
OTHER CONTRACTS	14,245	3,137	11,108	8,624	2,065	419	194	225	2.9
REAL PROPERTY	3,087	438	2,649	2,510	119	20	10	10	0.6
TORT ACTIONS									
MARINE PERSONAL INJURY	182	29	153	115	30	8	2	6	4.4
MOTOR VEHICLE PERSONAL INJURY	4,096	863	3,233	2,200	867	166	17	149	4.1
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	22,348	3,800	18,548	16,367	1,815	366	54	312	1.6
OTHER TORTS	2,226	462	1,764	1,373	327	64	23	41	2.9
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	846	183	663	539	108	16	2	14	1.9
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	257	32	225	191	23	11	1	10	4.3
PRISON CONDITION	4	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER DIVERSITY	116	19	97	76	15	6	2	4	5.2
LOCAL JURISDICTION	57	9	48	47	1	-	-	-	-
CONTRACT ACTIONS	12	3	9	9	-	-	-	-	-
REAL PROPERTY	14	2	12	12	-	-	-	-	-
TORT ACTIONS									
MOTOR VEHICLE PERSONAL INJURY	3	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	25	2	23	22	1	-	-	-	-
OTHER TORTS	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS									
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRISON CONDITION	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INSANITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER LOCAL	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

NOTE: LAND CONDEMNATION CASES OMITTED.