

Table 4.9

U.S. District Courts—Diversity of Citizenship Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit

| Nature of Suit | Fiscal Year | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| TOTAL | 51,447 | 48,625 | 62,175 | 97,209 | 101,202 | 101,366 | 85,742 | 89,305 |
| CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL | 20,992 | 21,581 | 19,266 | 24,500 | 22,570 | 22,505 | 20,693 | 19,914 |
| Franchise ¹ | - | - | - | 357 | 293 | 353 | 300 | 409 |
| Insurance | 6,528 | 6,259 | 6,591 | 9,117 | 8,278 | 8,483 | 7,623 | 7,793 |
| Marine | 157 | 149 | 93 | 122 | 119 | 91 | 72 | 68 |
| Negotiable Instruments | 771 | 401 | 338 | 597 | 693 | 727 | 644 | 539 |
| Recovery of Overpayments & Enforcement of Judgments, Total | 106 | 96 | 105 | 344 | 315 | 363 | 359 | 412 |
| Other Contract Actions | 13,430 | 14,676 | 12,139 | 13,963 | 12,872 | 12,488 | 11,695 | 10,693 |
| REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL | 1,531 | 2,085 | 1,622 | 1,996 | 3,035 | 5,502 | 7,798 | 6,598 |
| Condemnation of Land | 11 | 20 | 17 | 14 | 12 | 9 | 14 | 11 |
| Foreclosure | 798 | 1,430 | 928 | 856 | 1,471 | 3,719 | 4,997 | 3,883 |
| Rent, Lease, Ejectment | 137 | 86 | 87 | 103 | 141 | 145 | 140 | 137 |
| Torts to Land, Including Prod. Liability | 240 | 258 | 226 | 401 | 470 | 437 | 877 | 509 |
| Other Real Property Actions | 345 | 291 | 364 | 622 | 941 | 1,192 | 1,770 | 2,058 |
| TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL | 28,806 | 23,594 | 40,866 | 68,503 | 73,150 | 70,401 | 54,286 | 60,002 |
| Personal Injury, Total | 26,756 | 21,291 | 38,588 | 65,732 | 70,516 | 67,671 | 51,714 | 57,739 |
| Personal Injury/Product Liability, Total | 12,059 | 10,176 | 27,212 | 56,303 | 61,179 | 58,443 | 42,280 | 48,546 |
| Airplane | 99 | 133 | 57 | 93 | 168 | 92 | 59 | 23 |
| Marine | 28 | 33 | 19 | 13 | 21 | 8 | 7 | 16 |
| Motor Vehicle | 541 | 388 | 491 | 371 | 431 | 270 | 259 | 214 |
| Asbestos ² | 2,098 | 3,501 | 1,029 | 41,412 | 40,916 | 37,444 | 14,883 | 8,780 |
| Other | 9,293 | 6,121 | 25,616 | 14,414 | 19,643 | 20,629 | 20,334 | 39,181 |
| Other Personal Injury, Total | 14,697 | 11,115 | 11,376 | 9,429 | 9,337 | 9,228 | 9,434 | 9,193 |
| Airplane | 432 | 367 | 219 | 317 | 177 | 154 | 97 | 112 |
| Marine | 356 | 208 | 226 | 269 | 320 | 342 | 345 | 296 |
| Motor Vehicle | 4,305 | 3,821 | 3,356 | 2,976 | 2,920 | 2,914 | 2,856 | 2,863 |
| Assault, Libel, & Slander | 568 | 535 | 416 | 333 | 339 | 381 | 356 | 385 |
| Medical Malpractice | 800 | 857 | 631 | 482 | 519 | 524 | 504 | 458 |
| Other ³ | 8,236 | 5,327 | 6,528 | 5,052 | 5,062 | 4,913 | 5,276 | 5,079 |

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| | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Personal Property Damage, Total | 2,050 | 2,303 | 2,278 | 2,771 | 2,634 | 2,730 | 2,572 | 2,263 |
| Fraud, Including Truth in Lending | 1,091 | 1,149 | 1,292 | 1,401 | 1,339 | 1,491 | 1,323 | 1,145 |
| Other Personal Property Damage | 959 | 1,154 | 986 | 1,370 | 1,295 | 1,239 | 1,249 | 1,118 |
| OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL | 118 | 1,365 | 421 | 2,207 | 2,447 | 2,955 | 2,965 | 2,791 |

¹ Collection of data for this category began in 2008.

² Increases beginning in 2008 occurred because cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases thereafter were severed into individual cases.

³ A significant increase in other personal injury cases in 1995 was mostly attributable to a large number of cases related to an oil refinery explosion in Louisiana.

Source: Table C-2, *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*