

Table B-4.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Cases Terminated After Hearing or Submission, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2002

Circuit	Total Cases	From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Filing Last Brief		From Filing of Last Brief to Hearing or Submission		From Hearing to Final Disposition		From Submission to Final Disposition		From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Final Disposition		From Filing in Lower Court to Final Disposition in Appellate Court	
		Cases	Interval in Months	Cases	Interval in Months	Cases	Interval in Months	Cases	Interval in Months	Cases	Interval in Months	Cases	Interval in Months
ALL CASES													
TOTAL	27,758	17,693	5.3	18,722	3.6	9,146	2.1	18,612	.6	23,020	10.7	23,020	25.9
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	534	190	8.5	314	2.8	255	1.9	279	.5	348	9.7	348	25.4
FIRST	645	517	5.6	531	2.0	349	2.4	296	2.0	595	10.7	595	28.2
SECOND	1,951	1,273	5.4	1,297	3.6	1,063	.7	888	.2	1,630	10.9	1,630	31.4
THIRD	1,965	1,338	5.8	1,402	3.0	491	3.0	1,474	2.0	1,656	12.2	1,656	29.2
FOURTH	2,628	1,159	4.6	1,215	2.6	476	2.2	2,152	.5	2,247	7.1	2,247	19.5
FIFTH	3,941	2,445	5.6	2,513	3.3	1,024	1.8	2,917	.4	3,369	9.7	3,369	21.1
SIXTH	2,605	1,732	5.9	1,786	7.5	904	2.6	1,701	1.3	2,068	16.0	2,068	30.4
SEVENTH	1,476	989	4.9	1,034	2.5	749	2.5	727	.2	1,264	9.8	1,264	25.3
EIGHTH	1,875	1,046	3.6	1,091	3.4	609	2.7	1,266	.3	1,507	8.0	1,507	21.8
NINTH	5,190	3,217	5.9	3,671	6.2	2,011	1.5	3,179	.3	3,947	15.1	3,947	30.5
TENTH	1,365	1,047	5.1	1,073	3.5	410	3.5	955	1.1	1,191	11.4	1,191	25.8
ELEVENTH	3,583	2,740	4.4	2,795	2.7	805	2.2	2,778	1.1	3,198	9.1	3,198	24.4
PRISONER PETITIONS													
TOTAL	5,341	2,858	5.7	2,858	3.6	967	2.1	4,374	.6	5,341	8.9	5,341	22.9
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	76	22	9.6	22	2.4	13	1.8	63	.6	76	6.5	76	20.8
FIRST	95	74	5.8	74	1.4	38	2.3	57	2.5	95	10.2	95	25.2
SECOND	298	151	7.6	151	3.6	103	.7	195	.2	298	10.3	298	29.4
THIRD	373	165	11.6	165	3.4	54	4.4	319	1.1	373	13.5	373	26.2
FOURTH	662	43	4.5	43	2.0	34	2.1	628	.4	662	4.6	662	15.4
FIFTH	686	324	5.7	324	3.4	100	1.1	586	.5	686	8.2	686	19.9
SIXTH	555	352	5.0	352	4.0	93	3.7	462	1.3	555	9.0	555	21.0
SEVENTH	327	197	6.1	197	2.8	66	2.4	261	.3	327	8.8	327	20.8
EIGHTH	402	178	4.9	178	3.0	65	2.7	337	.3	402	6.0	402	17.3
NINTH	775	611	7.0	611	5.4	268	1.4	507	.3	775	14.6	775	33.7
TENTH	390	276	4.1	276	3.0	57	4.2	333	1.0	390	8.7	390	19.5
ELEVENTH	702	465	5.0	465	2.8	76	1.6	626	1.1	702	8.4	702	22.1

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OTHER CIVIL													
TOTAL	9,183	7,901	4.8	7,901	4.0	4,860	2.1	4,323	1.0	9,183	11.3	9,183	29.7
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	229	129	8.6	129	2.5	98	1.8	131	.6	229	10.2	229	28.4
FIRST	290	270	5.1	270	2.3	185	2.6	105	2.7	290	10.1	290	28.4
SECOND	866	703	5.2	703	3.5	666	.7	200	.2	866	10.5	866	32.5
THIRD	794	716	5.4	716	3.1	271	2.6	523	2.2	794	11.5	794	30.6
FOURTH	704	421	4.3	421	3.0	285	2.2	419	.4	704	7.6	704	21.4
FIFTH	1,081	1,000	4.5	1,000	4.6	551	2.0	530	1.2	1,081	10.5	1,081	28.1
SIXTH	902	844	5.4	844	8.6	485	2.6	417	1.3	902	17.0	902	33.2
SEVENTH	573	526	4.5	526	2.7	413	2.6	160	.2	573	10.1	573	29.3
EIGHTH	604	507	3.5	507	3.7	321	2.9	283	.3	604	9.1	604	26.1
NINTH	1,673	1,397	5.6	1,397	7.5	982	1.8	691	.3	1,673	16.4	1,673	33.7
TENTH	424	410	4.5	410	4.4	194	4.0	230	2.2	424	12.5	424	32.0
ELEVENTH	1,043	978	3.2	978	2.8	409	2.0	634	1.4	1,043	8.5	1,043	26.6
CRIMINAL													
TOTAL	7,978	6,493	5.9	6,493	3.1	2,409	1.9	5,569	.7	7,978	10.8	7,978	23.5
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	43	39	7.6	39	2.6	28	1.9	15	.8	43	11.7	43	27.0
FIRST	196	160	7.2	160	1.9	101	1.9	95	1.2	196	12.1	196	29.2
SECOND	438	396	5.6	396	3.9	244	.8	194	.3	438	12.0	438	31.1
THIRD	453	422	6.0	422	2.2	120	3.0	333	2.4	453	12.2	453	30.0
FOURTH	840	676	4.9	676	2.3	110	2.1	730	.7	840	8.9	840	20.5
FIFTH	1,517	1,041	6.7	1,041	2.7	277	1.4	1,240	.1	1,517	9.6	1,517	17.8
SIXTH	566	493	7.7	493	7.4	262	2.3	304	1.4	566	18.0	566	32.0
SEVENTH	342	245	5.3	245	1.7	216	2.4	126	.0	342	9.9	342	22.9
EIGHTH	460	327	3.5	327	2.9	177	2.4	283	.3	460	7.8	460	20.0
NINTH	1,355	1,097	6.1	1,097	4.6	463	1.4	892	.3	1,355	13.6	1,355	25.7
TENTH	356	340	6.1	340	2.6	140	2.8	216	1.0	356	11.9	356	23.9
ELEVENTH	1,412	1,257	5.1	1,257	2.7	271	2.3	1,141	1.2	1,412	9.7	1,412	23.5

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ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY													
TOTAL	1,374	-	-	1,029	5.0	581	1.9	793	.4	-	-	-	-
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	139	-	-	124	3.2	114	2.1	25	.5	-	-	-	-
FIRST	21	-	-	14	1.7	12	2.8	9	.5	-	-	-	-
SECOND	74	-	-	24	4.1	23	.6	51	.1	-	-	-	-
THIRD	78	-	-	64	2.7	22	3.5	56	2.4	-	-	-	-
FOURTH	87	-	-	56	2.8	28	2.5	59	.6	-	-	-	-
FIFTH	129	-	-	68	3.5	33	2.1	96	1.1	-	-	-	-
SIXTH	61	-	-	54	8.3	30	2.2	31	1.2	-	-	-	-
SEVENTH	53	-	-	45	2.5	38	2.6	15	.1	-	-	-	-
EIGHTH	61	-	-	45	4.4	30	3.1	31	.3	-	-	-	-
NINTH	579	-	-	454	8.3	211	.9	368	.3	-	-	-	-
TENTH	30	-	-	26	4.3	13	1.8	17	1.7	-	-	-	-
ELEVENTH	62	-	-	55	3.5	27	2.5	35	1.1	-	-	-	-
BANKRUPTCY													
TOTAL	518	441	4.8	441	4.6	307	2.3	211	.7	518	13.0	518	22.9
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FIRST	14	13	5.2	13	1.6	11	2.6	3	.0	14	12.8	14	19.5
SECOND	28	23	5.0	23	2.7	21	.6	7	.0	28	9.1	28	22.5
THIRD	36	35	5.6	35	4.0	22	3.2	14	2.3	36	12.9	36	21.3
FOURTH	41	19	3.5	19	3.3	17	2.0	24	.2	41	6.9	41	16.7
FIFTH	85	80	5.6	80	4.5	63	2.3	22	1.6	85	13.3	85	21.1
SIXTH	45	43	6.1	43	7.8	33	3.2	12	1.4	45	16.5	45	25.6
SEVENTH	22	21	3.4	21	2.1	16	3.1	6	.3	22	8.1	22	16.9
EIGHTH	41	34	3.2	34	3.8	16	3.5	25	.2	41	7.8	41	16.7
NINTH	144	112	5.1	112	9.1	80	1.2	64	.3	144	16.4	144	26.5
TENTH	21	21	4.2	21	4.2	6	1.3	15	2.9	21	11.9	21	25.2
ELEVENTH	41	40	3.8	40	3.4	22	2.0	19	1.7	41	9.4	41	23.2

NOTE: THE SUBTOTALS DO NOT ADD UP TO THE NUMBER FOR TOTAL CASES BECAUSE TOTAL CASES INCLUDE ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS NOT REPORTED SEPARATELY IN THIS TABLE. THIS TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE DATA FOR THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT. BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998, DATA ARE REPORTED FOR TYPES OF ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS PREVIOUSLY NOT PRESENTED IN THIS TABLE.