

Table 4.7
U.S. District Courts—Copyright, Patent, and Trademark Cases Filed
During the 12-Month Periods Ending June 30, 1990, and September 30, 1995 Through 2018

Fiscal Year	Grand Total	U.S. Cases			Private Cases			
		Total	Patent	Trademark	Total	Copyright	Patent	Trademark
2018	12,353	9	8	1	12,344	5,756	3,485	3,103
2017	10,631	15	11	4	10,616	3,451	4,171	2,994
2016	12,111	10	10	-	12,101	3,936	5,070	3,095
2015	13,751	16	14	2	13,735	5,035	5,550	3,150
2014	13,420	18	18	-	13,402	4,041	5,668	3,693
2010	8,966	85	81	4	8,881	2,013	3,220	3,648
2005	12,184	25	14	11	12,159	5,796	2,706	3,657
2000	8,738	41	24	17	8,697	2,050	2,460	4,187
1995	6,866	27	17	10	6,839	2,417	1,706	2,716
1990 ¹	5,700	30	22	8	5,670	2,095	1,165	2,410

Note: Due to a change in methodology, numbers for years prior to 2015 may not match numbers previously published in this table.

¹ Twelve-month period ending June 30.

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