

Table B-7.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Nature of Suit or Offense in Cases Arising From the U.S. District Courts, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2012

Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
TOTAL CASES	43,812	550	1,270	3,844	2,906	4,088	6,406	3,860	2,631	2,529	8,082	1,983	5,663
TOTAL CRIMINAL CASES	13,045	80	511	820	751	1,558	2,593	1,155	708	863	1,725	516	1,765
TOTAL CIVIL CASES	30,767	470	759	3,024	2,155	2,530	3,813	2,705	1,923	1,666	6,357	1,467	3,898
U.S. CASES	7,468	320	218	510	572	797	925	543	492	449	1,130	415	1,097
U.S. PLAINTIFF	409	7	17	50	20	19	46	43	11	13	104	20	59
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	31	1	-	5	1	1	6	2	-	-	4	-	11
CONDEMNATION OF LAND	3	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
OTHER REAL PROP. ACTIONS	9	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	2	-
TORT ACTIONS	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1
CIVIL RIGHTS													
EMPLOYMENT	25	-	-	4	-	5	2	9	1	-	4	-	-
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	26	1	-	4	-	4	-	2	1	1	5	5	3
FORFEITURE AND PENALTY	51	1	5	3	1	4	6	7	-	1	20	-	3
FAIR LABOR STAND. ACT	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-
OTHER LABOR	17	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	3	-	9	-	1
SECUR., COMMOD., & EXCHG.	54	-	1	14	2	-	7	2	1	-	11	3	13
TAX SUITS	58	-	4	-	7	1	10	2	1	2	15	5	11
ALL OTHER	127	4	7	17	7	3	12	15	3	8	32	4	15
U.S. DEFENDANT	7,059	313	201	460	552	778	879	500	481	436	1,026	395	1,038
CONTRACT ACTIONS	48	8	3	5	-	1	2	4	1	2	7	1	14
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	37	1	-	2	2	-	3	6	2	3	12	3	3
TORT ACTIONS	212	6	15	13	11	21	35	15	8	8	46	10	24
CIVIL RIGHTS													
EMPLOYMENT	233	31	8	20	13	27	21	12	19	3	35	15	29
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	434	25	11	55	60	40	17	32	25	13	65	13	78
PRISONER PETITIONS													
MOTIONS TO VACATE SEN.	2,879	6	86	159	180	377	432	233	219	255	255	131	546
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	1,043	31	14	18	127	83	206	78	67	43	148	81	147
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS	426	39	11	28	57	79	52	26	1	16	50	22	45

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
U.S. DEFENDANT (CONTINUED)													
PRISON CONDITION	169	-	1	4	11	22	7	15	38	13	12	33	13
OTHER PRIS. PETITIONS	228	15	1	33	10	43	19	3	39	6	42	8	9
LABOR SUITS	23	3	-	1	1	5	-	2	-	-	7	1	3
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS	570	2	28	53	30	39	27	49	37	42	141	54	68
TAX SUITS	99	2	1	8	9	6	21	8	2	4	26	3	9
ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS	137	15	5	3	3	9	1	4	1	2	82	8	4
FREEDOM OF INFOR. ACT	61	23	2	8	1	3	3	-	2	1	12	1	5
ALL OTHER	460	106	15	50	37	23	33	13	20	25	86	11	41
TOTAL PRIVATE CASES	23,299	150	541	2,514	1,583	1,733	2,888	2,162	1,431	1,217	5,227	1,052	2,801
FEDERAL QUESTION	20,229	128	396	2,246	1,328	1,494	2,452	1,941	1,306	1,055	4,665	868	2,350
MARINE CONTRACT	65	-	3	16	-	4	16	3	2	-	4	-	17
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	588	17	12	157	18	23	55	35	46	38	80	29	78
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS LIABILITY ACT	17	-	1	5	1	-	3	3	1	2	-	1	-
MARINE INJURY	81	-	4	8	1	-	55	-	-	-	5	2	6
OTHER TORT ACTIONS	539	12	23	70	34	41	37	42	62	45	101	16	56
ANTITRUST	112	1	4	25	12	5	3	3	3	11	40	2	3
CIVIL RIGHTS													
EMPLOYMENT	1,512	18	32	242	112	137	165	148	145	90	135	74	214
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	3,660	18	119	471	326	270	324	367	301	186	607	224	447
PRISONER PETITIONS													
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	6,023	2	57	423	339	378	848	667	223	222	1,946	223	695
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH	152	-	-	-	4	7	35	28	1	3	23	13	38
PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS	2,981	4	28	276	186	302	561	235	11	200	831	104	243
PRISON CONDITION	1,438	-	4	50	136	137	73	164	333	142	117	83	199
OTHER PRIS. PETITIONS	59	3	-	7	5	15	10	6	1	1	6	-	5
LABOR MGMT. RELAT. ACT	109	3	1	18	14	1	8	22	9	7	20	2	4
OTHER LABOR	640	5	19	81	31	50	55	92	53	33	142	16	63
CPYRGHT., PATENT, & TRDMRK.	378	1	18	68	16	26	28	22	8	9	137	14	31
SECUR., COMMOD., & EXCHG.	204	1	6	69	7	7	26	7	3	1	32	6	39
CONST. OF STATE STATS.	143	3	15	17	4	13	6	7	8	9	44	8	9
ALL OTHER	1,528	40	50	243	82	78	144	90	96	56	395	51	203
DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP	3,067	22	145	268	252	239	436	221	125	162	562	184	451
INSURANCE	660	1	23	39	57	51	97	46	52	38	111	33	112
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	1,074	4	51	120	80	83	146	85	73	53	140	71	168
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	249	5	13	6	5	13	42	12	-	14	77	20	42

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP (CONTINUED)													
PERSONAL INJURY/PROD.													
LIABILITY	216	-	7	14	29	6	34	13	-	21	64	4	24
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	454	10	35	34	46	38	69	30	-	17	71	38	66
PERSONAL PROP. DAMAGE	215	1	7	40	24	17	18	15	-	7	49	4	33
ALL OTHER	199	1	9	15	11	31	30	20	-	12	50	14	6
GENERAL LOCAL JURISDICTION	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONTRACT ACTIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TORT ACTIONS	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CRIMINAL CASES	13,045	80	511	820	751	1,558	2,593	1,155	708	863	1,725	516	1,765
VIOLENT OFFENSES	621	16	18	45	60	74	74	80	28	27	105	36	58
HOMICIDE	45	1	-	-	4	5	5	5	-	1	16	8	-
ROBBERY	213	2	9	4	23	26	23	38	19	6	32	10	21
ASSAULT	91	-	-	1	6	8	15	4	1	6	33	12	5
KIDNAPPING	54	9	1	8	-	3	14	4	3	3	6	-	3
RACKETEERING—VIOLENT CRIME	147	3	4	23	22	28	11	20	2	5	7	4	18
CARJACKING	22	1	3	-	-	1	4	5	-	1	-	-	7
TERRORISM	23	-	-	9	1	-	2	1	1	1	2	2	4
OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES	26	-	1	-	4	3	-	3	2	4	9	-	-
PROPERTY OFFENSES	1,672	16	62	156	151	134	274	147	114	62	222	57	277
BURGLARY	5	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
LARCENY & THEFT, TOTAL	105	4	4	7	9	9	15	7	8	10	13	3	16
BANK	4	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
POSTAL	18	-	-	-	1	1	7	3	-	1	4	-	1
THEFT, U.S. PROPERTY TRANSPORT, ETC. OF STOLEN PROPERTY	48	3	3	5	2	4	7	-	1	6	8	1	8
OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES	22	1	1	1	4	4	1	2	3	1	-	-	4
THEFT OFFENSES	13	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	4	2	1	2	2

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
EMBEZZLEMENT	39	-	6	2	1	2	8	7	4	-	3	3	3
FRAUD, TOTAL	1,433	12	51	142	133	117	232	119	93	48	191	48	247
TAX	81	4	2	4	3	10	11	8	7	1	15	9	7
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	127	2	3	19	21	11	10	16	7	8	13	1	16
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	29	-	1	12	2	-	6	1	-	1	3	1	2
MAIL	134	1	9	4	22	9	21	6	20	3	17	2	20
WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION	164	2	5	24	15	12	9	14	25	5	18	11	24
SOCIAL SECURITY	29	-	1	3	2	3	2	2	-	4	9	1	2
CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION	13	-	1	2	1	-	4	1	-	-	3	-	1
PASSPORT	26	-	1	-	-	1	12	-	-	-	5	-	7
IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS & INFO.	99	-	7	12	9	7	10	8	9	3	12	2	20
FALSE CLAIMS AND SERVICES, GOV'T.	29	-	1	1	6	1	5	3	4	-	3	-	5
FALSE STATEMENTS CONSPIRACY TO	65	-	2	11	8	6	6	2	2	3	7	5	13
DEFRAUD THE U.S. UNAUTHORIZED	170	3	6	10	15	16	33	11	9	5	22	4	36
ACCESS DEVICES	117	-	5	17	13	4	19	15	2	4	13	2	23
HEALTH CARE	79	-	3	2	5	7	24	3	3	4	14	2	12
OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES	271	-	4	21	11	30	60	29	5	7	37	8	59
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	73	-	1	2	8	5	17	11	5	3	8	3	10
OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES	17	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	4	-	7	-	-
DRUG OFFENSES	5,151	25	278	286	262	700	859	458	362	359	507	203	852
MARIJUANA, TOTAL	391	-	6	7	2	13	176	23	13	27	81	17	26
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	309	-	4	6	2	10	155	22	6	21	49	16	18
IMPORT/EXPORT	43	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	17	1	4
MANUFACTURE	35	-	2	-	-	2	-	1	7	6	3	-	4
POSSESSION	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL	4,685	23	270	271	251	674	680	429	347	329	421	170	820
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	4,423	20	255	250	245	659	628	412	338	301	373	167	775
IMPORT/EXPORT	146	3	9	19	4	6	25	1	1	6	41	-	31
MANUFACTURE	101	-	5	2	2	8	23	15	6	21	4	1	14
POSSESSION	15	-	1	-	-	1	4	1	2	1	3	2	-
OTHER DRUG OFFENSES	75	2	2	8	9	13	3	6	2	3	5	16	6

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
FIREARMS, EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES	1,706	4	81	81	113	241	200	259	96	128	163	93	247
FIREARMS, TOTAL	1,679	4	81	80	112	240	197	244	96	126	161	92	246
POSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS	1,019	3	50	30	59	117	124	170	64	105	101	67	129
FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/ DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIMES	411	1	19	26	33	64	39	51	21	14	38	17	88
OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES	249	-	12	24	20	59	34	23	11	7	22	8	29
EXPLOSIVES	27	-	-	1	1	1	3	15	-	2	2	1	1
SEX OFFENSES	740	6	20	50	33	41	127	97	48	89	115	23	91
SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS	25	-	-	1	1	3	-	2	-	3	14	1	-
SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS	167	1	1	13	7	8	19	15	20	28	29	2	24
SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL	364	-	9	27	16	19	75	58	18	39	46	15	42
OTHER SEX OFFENSES	184	5	10	9	9	11	33	22	10	19	26	5	25
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES	157	1	7	14	17	17	18	21	5	12	23	9	13
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	74	1	6	7	9	12	5	13	-	4	8	4	5
ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY	22	-	-	2	3	2	5	3	-	3	4	-	-
FAILURE TO APPEAR	24	-	-	2	1	-	6	1	3	2	5	-	4
OTHER JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES	37	-	1	3	4	3	2	4	2	3	6	5	4
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	1,716	1	22	47	21	40	880	42	35	21	447	54	106
ALIEN SMUGGLING	115	-	3	3	-	-	63	4	1	1	28	2	10
IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN	11	-	-	-	2	1	2	-	-	-	5	-	1
IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN	1,538	1	18	41	15	39	791	35	33	17	407	51	90
OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	52	-	1	3	4	-	24	3	1	3	7	1	5
GENERAL OFFENSES	352	2	10	52	30	49	46	20	10	19	52	14	48
MONEY LAUNDERING	187	2	2	18	17	22	31	13	5	7	29	6	35
RICO ¹	63	-	2	24	6	15	4	1	1	2	3	-	5
EXTORTION AND THREATS	43	-	3	3	5	2	3	3	3	5	9	3	4
OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES	59	-	3	7	2	10	8	3	1	5	11	5	4
REGULATORY OFFENSES	146	3	5	14	15	8	34	12	4	3	27	4	17
TRAFFIC OFFENSES	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
UNCLASSIFIED OFFENSES	781	6	8	75	49	254	79	19	6	143	63	23	56

NOTE: This table includes appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals. This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in 2005, categories for criminal offenses were modified. Therefore, offense data for 2005 and thereafter are not comparable to offense data published in previous years.

¹ RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.