

**Table 4.5**  
**U.S. District Courts—Product Liability Cases Filed, by Nature of Suit**

Fiscal Year	Total	Contract Actions	Torts to Land	Property Damage	Personal Injury				
					Airplane	Marine	Motor Vehicle	Asbestos	Other
1990 <sup>1</sup>	19,428	361	65	323	196	330	575	13,687	3,891
1995	28,226	249	64	366	155	53	566	6,916	19,857
2000	15,318	350	72	468	164	54	421	7,187	6,602
2006 <sup>2</sup>	49,743	265	148	591	74	37	561	16,547	31,520
2007 <sup>2</sup>	37,566	249	348	500	114	44	447	12,404	23,460
2008 <sup>2</sup>	53,102	226	247	519	101	33	390	33,780	17,806
2009	59,557	238	252	679	184	27	401	41,785	15,991
2010	64,367	293	249	622	184	37	507	41,133	21,342

<sup>1</sup> Twelve-month period ending June 30.

<sup>2</sup> Data for 2006 through 2008 resulted from asbestos cases filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Source: Personal injury/product liability data from Table C-2, Table S-7 (1990), and Table S-10 (1995, 2000, 2006-2010), *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.