

Table 751. Bankruptcy Petitions Filed and Pending by Type and Chapter: 1990 to 2006

[For years ending June 30. Covers only bankruptcy cases filed under the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978. *Bankruptcy*: legal recognition that a company or individual is insolvent and must restructure or liquidate. Petitions "filed" means the commencement of a proceeding through the presentation of a petition to the clerk of the court; "pending" is a proceeding in which the administration has not been completed]

Item	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total filed.	725,484	858,104	1,276,922	1,386,606	1,505,306	1,650,279	1,635,725	1,637,254	1,484,570
Business ¹	64,688	51,288	36,910	37,135	39,201	37,182	35,739	32,406	31,562
Nonbusiness ²	660,796	806,816	1,240,012	1,349,471	1,466,105	1,613,097	1,599,986	1,604,848	1,453,008
Chapter 7 ³	468,171	552,244	864,183	950,724	1,030,372	1,144,658	1,146,761	1,174,681	1,142,958
Chapter 11 ⁴	2,116	1,755	722	745	894	966	935	847	749
Chapter 13 ⁵	190,509	252,817	375,107	397,996	434,835	467,466	452,286	429,315	309,298
Voluntary	723,886	856,991	1,276,146	1,385,840	1,504,500	1,649,543	1,635,099	1,636,678	1,484,085
Involuntary	1,598	1,113	776	766	806	736	626	576	485
Chapter 7 ³	505,337	581,390	885,447	972,659	1,053,230	1,165,993	1,167,101	1,196,212	1,164,815
Chapter 9 ⁶	7	12	8	10	8	7	7	6	10
Chapter 11 ⁴	19,591	13,221	9,947	10,272	11,401	10,602	11,048	6,703	6,224
Chapter 12 ⁷	1,351	904	732	206	367	775	302	290	360
Chapter 13 ⁵	199,186	262,551	380,770	403,418	440,231	472,811	457,171	433,945	313,085
Section 304 ⁸	12	26	18	41	69	91	96	98	⁹ 36
Chapter 15 ⁹	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	40
Total pending. . .	961,919	1,090,446	1,400,416	1,535,903	1,613,742	1,729,139	1,697,267	1,750,562	1,411,212

X Not applicable. ¹ Business bankruptcies include those filed under chapters 7, 9, 11, or 12. ² Includes Section 304 petitions not shown separately. ³ Chapter 7, liquidation of nonexempt assets of businesses or individuals. ⁴ Chapter 11, individual or business reorganization. ⁵ Chapter 13, adjustment of debts of an individual with regular income. ⁶ Chapter 9, adjustment of debts of a municipality. ⁷ Chapter 12, adjustment of debts of a family farmer with regular income, effective November 26, 1986. ⁸ Chapter 11, U.S.C., Section 304, cases ancillary to foreign proceedings. ⁹ Chapter 15 was added and Section 304 was terminated by changes in the Bankruptcy Laws effective October 17, 2005.