

Table B-4.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Cases Terminated After Hearing or Submission During the Twelve-Month Period Ended September 30, 1997

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	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval
ALL CASES													
TOTAL	25,840	19,310	5.1	20,683	4.0	10,357	2.0	15,483	.8	23,601	11.4	23,601	26.0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	732	297	7.7	448	2.3	344	1.7	388	.7	548	10.9	548	24.6
FIRST	696	605	5.5	630	1.7	428	2.4	268	1.2	657	9.8	657	27.8
SECOND	1,688	1,261	3.9	1,302	3.6	1,096	.5	592	.3	1,570	8.5	1,570	28.8
THIRD	1,873	1,472	4.4	1,544	1.9	555	1.5	1,318	2.5	1,731	9.1	1,731	24.0
FOURTH	2,387	1,171	4.6	1,285	5.4	720	2.1	1,667	.5	2,207	9.6	2,207	21.8
FIFTH	3,438	2,552	5.5	2,682	3.1	1,218	2.0	2,220	.8	3,203	9.9	3,203	22.9
SIXTH	2,116	1,766	4.6	1,875	7.1	1,059	2.2	1,057	1.4	1,950	14.0	1,950	28.6
SEVENTH	1,564	1,176	4.3	1,249	3.2	802	2.7	762	.3	1,440	10.5	1,440	24.3
EIGHTH	1,832	1,436	3.5	1,471	4.1	851	2.8	981	.3	1,758	9.8	1,758	23.7
NINTH	4,841	3,472	5.4	3,968	6.1	1,889	1.6	2,952	.1	4,063	14.4	4,063	29.0
TENTH	1,379	1,193	4.6	1,235	4.0	410	3.2	969	1.4	1,293	11.2	1,293	24.4
ELEVENTH	3,294	2,909	7.4	2,994	3.9	985	1.8	2,309	2.1	3,181	14.2	3,181	29.7
PRISONER PETITIONS													
TOTAL	5,353	3,334	5.1	3,334	4.4	752	2.1	4,601	.6	5,353	10.4	5,353	22.8
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	83	17	10.0	17	3.5	5	1.6	78	.6	83	10.7	83	16.0
FIRST	66	48	4.8	48	.9	13	2.1	53	1.4	66	7.8	66	20.5
SECOND	303	145	4.8	145	3.6	81	.6	222	.4	303	8.1	303	27.3
THIRD	378	240	4.1	240	1.5	38	1.1	340	1.3	378	7.8	378	19.0
FOURTH	654	52	4.1	52	3.7	47	2.6	607	.4	654	6.3	654	19.8
FIFTH	734	369	4.6	369	3.5	105	1.8	629	.6	734	8.3	734	18.6
SIXTH	389	323	4.2	323	5.7	60	2.5	329	1.4	389	12.0	389	23.2
SEVENTH	424	304	5.8	304	5.4	73	2.5	351	.3	424	12.6	424	21.8
EIGHTH	432	269	4.4	269	4.8	108	2.8	324	.3	432	9.5	432	22.1
NINTH	960	802	5.1	802	6.0	145	1.4	815	.1	960	12.8	960	27.6
TENTH	384	324	4.3	324	3.5	30	3.6	354	1.3	384	10.0	384	20.0
ELEVENTH	546	441	7.9	441	4.0	47	2.5	499	2.3	546	14.2	546	27.4

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OTHER CIVIL													
TOTAL	10,254	8,816	4.6	8,816	4.3	5,584	2.1	4,670	1.0	10,254	11.5	10,254	29.0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	351	170	7.0	170	1.8	129	1.8	222	.7	351	10.1	351	25.5
FIRST	346	331	4.7	331	1.8	238	2.4	108	1.7	346	9.4	346	31.8
SECOND	785	679	3.7	679	3.7	644	.6	141	.3	785	8.6	785	31.8
THIRD	815	737	4.3	737	2.5	337	1.7	478	2.7	815	9.4	815	26.0
FOURTH	870	516	4.1	516	6.0	413	2.0	457	.4	870	10.9	870	23.7
FIFTH	1,208	1,116	4.5	1,116	3.4	587	2.1	621	1.4	1,208	9.6	1,208	26.8
SIXTH	955	908	4.1	908	7.8	596	2.3	359	1.5	955	14.1	955	31.1
SEVENTH	597	517	3.6	517	3.2	402	2.8	195	.4	597	10.2	597	27.9
EIGHTH	814	709	3.5	709	4.5	452	2.8	362	.4	814	10.4	814	27.1
NINTH	1,760	1,464	5.4	1,464	8.3	999	1.8	761	.2	1,760	16.1	1,760	31.6
TENTH	600	573	4.3	573	4.3	225	3.4	375	1.7	600	11.7	600	27.6
ELEVENTH	1,153	1,096	5.6	1,096	4.5	562	1.8	591	2.0	1,153	12.9	1,153	31.2
CRIMINAL													
TOTAL	7,320	6,581	6.2	6,581	3.3	2,957	1.8	4,363	1.0	7,320	11.8	7,320	24.6
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	109	106	8.8	106	2.8	79	1.5	30	.8	109	12.5	109	30.0
FIRST	219	202	7.5	202	1.6	141	2.5	78	.7	219	11.6	219	26.5
SECOND	440	401	4.0	401	3.4	303	.4	137	.2	440	8.5	440	26.9
THIRD	487	450	4.4	450	1.5	142	1.5	345	2.7	487	9.3	487	24.7
FOURTH	624	559	5.3	559	4.5	164	2.1	460	.6	624	11.5	624	21.6
FIFTH	1,169	981	7.7	981	2.5	404	1.8	765	.7	1,169	11.0	1,169	22.0
SIXTH	560	493	5.8	493	6.3	297	1.6	263	1.5	560	15.0	560	28.0
SEVENTH	389	328	4.5	328	2.6	243	2.5	146	.3	389	9.3	389	22.2
EIGHTH	456	405	3.3	405	2.8	227	2.8	229	.4	456	8.6	456	18.9
NINTH	1,166	1,068	5.6	1,068	4.5	514	1.5	652	.1	1,166	12.3	1,166	25.0
TENTH	278	268	5.7	268	3.3	127	2.5	151	1.0	278	11.3	278	22.1
ELEVENTH	1,423	1,320	9.4	1,320	3.4	316	1.9	1,107	2.1	1,423	15.9	1,423	29.6

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ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY													
TOTAL	1,682	-	-	1,373	4.7	665	1.9	1,017	.3	-	-	-	-
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	159	-	-	151	2.5	128	1.7	31	.7	-	-	-	-
FIRST	31	-	-	25	1.3	16	3.0	15	.6	-	-	-	-
SECOND	61	-	-	41	3.4	37	.9	24	.2	-	-	-	-
THIRD	92	-	-	72	1.4	19	1.3	73	2.7	-	-	-	-
FOURTH	164	-	-	114	5.5	54	2.0	110	.5	-	-	-	-
FIFTH	146	-	-	130	3.7	65	1.6	81	1.2	-	-	-	-
SIXTH	135	-	-	109	7.6	77	2.3	58	1.2	-	-	-	-
SEVENTH	93	-	-	73	2.7	61	2.4	32	.8	-	-	-	-
EIGHTH	42	-	-	35	4.7	28	3.0	14	.3	-	-	-	-
NINTH	624	-	-	496	7.8	130	1.4	494	.2	-	-	-	-
TENTH	45	-	-	42	4.3	16	2.8	29	1.8	-	-	-	-
ELEVENTH	90	-	-	85	3.5	34	1.9	56	2.0	-	-	-	-
BANKRUPTCY													
TOTAL	674	579	4.4	579	4.6	378	2.2	296	.9	674	12.4	674	22.8
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	5	4	6.6	4	1.5	2	.3	3	.5	5	10.0	5	19.1
FIRST	26	24	3.9	24	1.8	20	2.3	6	.8	26	8.0	26	16.4
SECOND	42	36	3.3	36	3.6	31	.7	11	.4	42	8.4	42	17.0
THIRD	51	45	5.3	45	2.9	17	1.2	34	1.7	51	9.9	51	17.2
FOURTH	59	44	3.6	44	5.8	42	2.4	17	.4	59	12.3	59	17.4
FIFTH	92	86	4.3	86	3.7	54	2.1	38	1.5	92	10.5	92	18.8
SIXTH	46	42	3.9	42	7.7	28	4.4	18	1.3	46	14.0	46	24.1
SEVENTH	30	27	3.2	27	3.0	23	2.4	7	.2	30	8.4	30	17.7
EIGHTH	56	53	3.2	53	4.9	32	3.6	24	.3	56	11.4	56	20.8
NINTH	177	138	5.0	138	9.1	94	1.2	83	.2	177	16.7	177	28.0
TENTH	31	28	5.1	28	4.7	10	1.9	21	1.8	31	13.4	31	24.4
ELEVENTH	59	52	5.5	52	4.8	25	1.8	34	2.4	59	13.7	59	27.1

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.