

Table C-4.
U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Nature of Suit and Action Taken,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2004

Nature of Suit	Total	No Court Action	Court Action						
			Total	Before Pretrial	During or After Pretrial	During or After Trial			Percent Reaching Trial
						Total	Nonjury	Jury	
TOTAL CASES	252,016	54,273	197,743	174,212	19,580	3,951	1,422	2,529	1.6
UNITED STATES CASES	50,112	9,147	40,965	39,145	1,417	403	282	121	0.8
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	56	17	39	33	6	-	-	-	-
RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS	3,525	1,559	1,966	1,912	51	3	3	-	0.1
OTHER CONTRACTS	669	193	476	410	55	11	11	-	1.6
REAL PROPERTY	2,534	427	2,107	2,063	41	3	3	-	0.1
TORT ACTIONS									
MARINE, PERSONAL INJURY	64	11	53	37	13	3	3	-	4.7
MOTOR VEHICLE, PERSONAL INJURY	563	175	388	277	84	27	25	2	4.8
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	1,610	363	1,247	977	195	75	68	7	4.7
OTHER TORTS	225	64	161	142	16	3	3	-	1.3
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES									
ANTITRUST	24	6	18	15	1	2	2	-	8.3
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	1,683	328	1,355	1,046	227	82	23	59	4.9
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	1,168	213	955	864	62	29	15	14	2.5
DEPORTATION	248	45	203	194	8	1	1	-	0.4
PRISONER PETITIONS									
MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE	5,812	744	5,068	5,028	33	7	7	-	0.1
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	4,393	854	3,539	3,518	18	3	3	-	0.1
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	16	1	15	15	-	-	-	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	537	62	475	465	9	1	1	-	0.2
CIVIL RIGHTS	1,081	201	880	860	10	10	6	4	0.9
PRISON CONDITION	260	46	214	209	2	3	2	1	1.2
LIQUOR FORFEITURES	3	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORFEITURE AND PENALTY SUITS.	2,050	365	1,685	1,533	134	18	17	1	0.9
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	156	28	128	115	10	3	2	1	1.9
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	366	91	275	241	28	6	4	2	1.6
SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

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ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES (CONTINUED)									
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS									
DISABILITY INSURANCE	8,507	992	7,515	7,397	91	27	24	3	0.3
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME	8,290	980	7,310	7,251	53	6	3	3	0.1
RETIREMENT AND SERVICES BENEFITS	1,335	104	1,231	1,222	7	2	2	-	0.1
OTHER	85	9	76	75	1	-	-	-	-
TAX SUITS	1,276	287	989	880	84	25	19	6	2.0
ALL OTHER U.S. ACTIONS	3,575	982	2,593	2,363	177	53	35	18	1.5
FEDERAL QUESTION	141,594	31,418	110,176	95,836	12,005	2,335	776	1,559	1.6
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
MARINE	1,676	466	1,210	966	207	37	33	4	2.2
MILLER ACT	296	91	205	168	32	5	5	-	1.7
OTHER CONTRACTS	3,866	1,042	2,824	2,356	421	47	28	19	1.2
REAL PROPERTY	711	261	450	410	32	8	7	1	1.1
TORT ACTIONS									
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS									
LIABILITY ACT	803	214	589	400	148	41	5	36	5.1
MARINE PERSONAL INJURY	1,556	311	1,245	783	394	68	46	22	4.4
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	3,067	819	2,248	1,942	263	43	12	31	1.4
OTHER TORTS	1,955	552	1,403	1,079	300	24	15	9	1.2
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES									
BANKRUPTCY SUITS	3,653	594	3,059	2,992	52	15	11	4	0.4
ANTITRUST	760	263	497	453	37	7	4	3	0.9
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	17,700	3,745	13,955	10,325	3,032	598	82	516	3.4
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	18,627	3,926	14,701	11,885	2,219	597	123	474	3.2
PRISONER PETITIONS									
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	18,314	2,351	15,963	15,891	55	17	15	2	0.1
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	208	20	188	183	3	2	2	-	1.0
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	657	82	575	569	3	3	3	-	0.5
CIVIL RIGHTS	13,675	1,869	11,806	11,373	257	176	60	116	1.3
PRISON CONDITION	8,160	1,321	6,839	6,513	177	149	55	94	1.8
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	3,217	785	2,432	2,083	293	56	24	32	1.7
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT	1,518	445	1,073	900	159	14	9	5	0.9
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	12,439	3,658	8,781	7,309	1,371	101	79	22	0.8
COPYRIGHT	2,653	821	1,832	1,540	260	32	11	21	1.2
PATENT	2,744	824	1,920	1,453	369	98	27	71	3.6
TRADEMARK	3,472	1,148	2,324	1,948	332	44	29	15	1.3
CONSTITUTIONALITY									
OF STATE STATUTES	235	38	197	170	24	3	2	1	1.3

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ALL OTHER FEDERAL QUESTION	19,632	5,772	13,860	12,145	1,565	150	89	61	0.8
DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP	60,268	13,694	46,574	39,203	6,158	1,213	364	849	2.0
CONTRACT ACTIONS									
INSURANCE	7,292	1,743	5,549	4,379	1,006	164	67	97	2.2
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	389	81	308	251	47	10	6	4	2.6
OTHER CONTRACTS	13,736	3,493	10,243	7,968	1,880	395	183	212	2.9
REAL PROPERTY	2,961	562	2,399	2,263	117	19	13	6	0.6
TORT ACTIONS									
MARINE PERSONAL INJURY	188	48	140	94	36	10	5	5	5.3
MOTOR VEHICLE, PERSONAL INJURY	4,089	982	3,107	2,114	826	167	21	146	4.1
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	28,452	6,095	22,357	20,211	1,804	342	42	300	1.2
OTHER TORTS	2,252	505	1,747	1,343	324	80	22	58	3.6
CIVIL RIGHTS									
EMPLOYMENT	592	125	467	372	78	17	4	13	2.9
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	197	35	162	135	19	8	-	8	4.1
PRISON CONDITION	5	1	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER DIVERSITY	115	24	91	69	21	1	1	-	0.9
LOCAL JURISDICTION	42	14	28	28	-	-	-	-	-
CONTRACT ACTIONS	7	2	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
REAL PROPERTY	17	12	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
TORT ACTIONS									
MOTOR VEHICLE PERSONAL INJURY	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	16	-	16	16	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER TORTS	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS									
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRISON CONDITION	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER LOCAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

NOTE: LAND CONDEMNATION CASES OMITTED.