

**Table 331. U.S. Supreme Court—Cases Filed and Disposition: 1980 to 2010**

[Statutory term of court begins first Monday in October]

Action	1980	1990	1995	2000	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Total cases on docket</b> . . . . .	<b>5,144</b>	<b>6,316</b>	<b>7,565</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>9,608</b>	<b>9,602</b>	<b>8,966</b>	<b>9,302</b>	<b>9,066</b>
Appellate cases on docket . . . . .	2,749	2,351	2,456	2,305	2,025	1,969	1,941	1,908	1,895
From prior term . . . . .	527	365	361	351	354	355	345	328	337
Docketed during present term . . . . .	2,222	1,986	2,095	1,954	1,671	1,614	1,596	1,580	1,558
Cases acted upon . . . . .	2,324	2,042	2,130	2,024	1,703	1,666	1,654	1,607	1,618
Granted review . . . . .	167	114	92	85	63	85	78	69	76
Denied, dismissed, or withdrawn . . . . .	1,999	1,802	1,945	1,842	1,554	1,529	1,505	1,452	1,461
Summarily decided . . . . .	90	81	62	63	46	30	29	45	45
Cases not acted upon . . . . .	425	309	326	281	322	303	287	301	277
Pauper cases on docket . . . . .	2,371	3,951	5,098	6,651	7,575	7,628	7,021	7,388	7,167
Cases acted upon <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	2,027	3,436	4,514	5,736	6,533	6,753	6,214	6,524	6,250
Granted review . . . . .	17	27	13	14	15	10	9	8	14
Denied, dismissed, or withdrawn . . . . .	1,968	3,369	4,439	5,658	6,459	6,562	6,136	6,465	6,195
Summarily decided . . . . .	32	28	55	61	58	175	65	46	37
Cases not acted upon . . . . .	344	515	584	915	1,042	875	807	864	917
Original cases on docket . . . . .	24	14	11	9	8	5	4	6	4
Cases disposed of during term . . . . .	7	3	5	2	4	1	1	2	2
<b>Total cases available for argument</b> . . . . .	<b>264</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>131</b>
Cases disposed of . . . . .	162	131	93	89	87	78	88	86	88
Cases argued . . . . .	154	125	90	86	88	75	87	82	86
Cases dismissed or remanded without argument . . . . .	8	6	3	3	1	3	1	4	2
Cases remaining . . . . .	102	70	52	49	31	47	48	40	43
Cases decided by signed opinion . . . . .	144	121	87	83	82	72	83	77	83
Cases decided by per curiam opinion . . . . .	8	4	3	4	5	2	3	4	3
Number of signed opinions . . . . .	123	112	75	77	69	67	74	73	75

<sup>1</sup> Includes cases granted review and carried over to next term, not shown separately.

Source: Office of the Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, unpublished data.

**Table 332. Judicial Officers and Judicial Caseloads for the Federal Judiciary: 2000 to 2010**

[For 12 month period ending June 30]

Judicial caseload	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>U.S. Courts of Appeals:</b>							
Cases filed . . . . .	54,642	67,999	68,313	58,809	59,406	59,399	56,097
Cases terminated . . . . .	56,509	59,577	67,772	63,916	59,152	60,144	59,343
Cases pending . . . . .	40,815	57,349	57,996	51,849	52,478	50,954	47,708
<b>U.S. District Courts Civil:</b>							
Cases filed . . . . .	263,049	282,758	244,343	272,067	256,354	257,204	285,215
Cases terminated . . . . .	260,277	280,455	264,734	249,960	230,930	255,361	295,909
Cases pending . . . . .	247,973	266,938	245,667	260,769	295,414	298,493	287,799
<b>Criminal (includes transfers):</b>							
Cases filed . . . . .	62,523	69,876	67,872	67,503	70,024	75,324	78,213
Defendants filed . . . . .	84,147	92,356	89,956	88,006	91,782	96,718	100,031
Cases terminated . . . . .	57,543	65,239	67,448	67,791	69,008	74,478	77,633
Cases pending . . . . .	46,796	70,692	72,417	73,419	75,566	78,186	78,766
<b>U.S. Bankruptcy Courts:</b>							
Cases filed . . . . .	1,276,922	1,637,254	1,484,570	751,056	967,831	1,306,315	1,572,597
Cases terminated . . . . .	1,271,300	1,583,959	1,821,396	862,382	929,206	1,109,993	1,441,419
Cases pending . . . . .	1,396,916	1,748,038	1,423,342	1,312,016	1,325,220	1,527,073	1,658,318
<b>Post-conviction supervision:</b>							
Persons under supervision . . . . .	99,577	113,008	113,697	115,930	120,051	123,839	126,642
<b>Pretrial services:</b>							
Total cases activated . . . . .	86,067	98,946	99,508	95,955	98,862	103,610	110,666
Pretrial services cases activated . . . . .	84,107	97,045	97,800	94,384	97,315	102,434	109,711
Pretrial diversion cases activated . . . . .	1,960	1,901	1,708	1,571	1,547	1,176	965
Total released on supervision . . . . .	31,607	34,348	33,816	32,361	32,460	29,937	29,748
Pretrial supervision . . . . .	31,927	32,438	32,112	30,865	31,089	28,754	28,440
Diversion supervision . . . . .	2,166	1,910	1,704	1,496	1,371	1,183	1,308

<sup>1</sup> Data have been revised.Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Statistical Tables for the Federal Judiciary*, <<http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/StatisticalTablesForTheFederalJudiciary.aspx>>.