

**Table C-4.**  
**U.S. District Courts—Civil Cases Terminated, by Nature of Suit and Action Taken,**  
**During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2012**

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	
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>254,615</b>	<b>54,812</b>	<b>199,803</b>	<b>171,764</b>	<b>24,874</b>	<b>3,165</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>2,171</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>United States Cases</b>	<b>45,869</b>	<b>9,422</b>	<b>36,447</b>	<b>34,709</b>	<b>1,458</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negotiable Instruments	36	11	25	20	5	-	-	-	-
Recovery of Overpayments and Enforcement of Judgments	3,189	1,755	1,434	1,379	49	6	5	1	0.2
Other Contracts	509	145	364	306	53	5	3	2	1.0
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.1</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	32	4	28	16	10	2	2	-	6.3
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	462	107	355	231	97	27	24	3	5.8
Health Care/Pharma.	4	1	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	2,470	237	2,233	1,977	208	48	43	5	1.9
Other Torts	260	63	197	174	22	1	-	1	0.4
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	20	11	9	8	1	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antitrust	18	6	12	11	1	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	81	9	72	54	17	1	-	1	1.2
ADA—Other	40	10	30	27	3	-	-	-	-
Employment	895	158	737	567	143	27	5	22	3.0
Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	823	165	658	601	47	10	6	4	1.2
Deportation	8	2	6	5	1	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Petitions									
Motions to Vacate Sentence	7,040	835	6,205	6,180	17	8	8	-	0.1
Habeas Corpus—General	2,924	684	2,240	2,236	4	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	8	2	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	385	44	341	283	3	55	54	1	14.3
Civil Rights	1,102	318	784	774	5	5	1	4	0.5
Prison Condition	357	58	299	297	1	1	-	1	0.3

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			Total	Before Pretrial	During or After Pretrial	During or After Trial			Percent Reaching Trial
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<b>Actions Under Statutes (Continued)</b>									
Habeas Corpus—Alien Detainee	741	147	594	588	5	1	-	1	0.1
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liquor Forfeitures	4	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits	2,234	521	1,713	1,557	145	11	8	3	0.5
Fair Labor Standards Act	196	64	132	120	8	4	3	1	2.0
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	2	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other Labor Litigation	244	69	175	152	20	3	2	1	1.2
Selective Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Security Laws									
Disability Insurance	6,538	1,043	5,495	5,430	64	1	1	-	-
Supplemental Security Income	8,086	1,284	6,802	6,721	75	6	-	6	0.1
Retirement and Services Benefits	670	124	546	542	4	-	-	-	-
Other	79	16	63	57	6	-	-	-	-
Tax Suits	1,171	286	885	735	130	20	13	7	1.7
Immigration									
Naturalization Applications	314	88	226	206	16	4	4	-	1.3
Other Immigration Actions	754	251	503	476	25	2	2	-	0.3
All Other U.S. Actions	2,955	669	2,286	2,058	197	31	20	11	1.0
<b>Federal Question</b>	<b>141,782</b>	<b>30,743</b>	<b>111,039</b>	<b>93,784</b>	<b>15,297</b>	<b>1,958</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	70	14	56	44	12	-	-	-	-
Marine	959	214	745	598	133	14	13	1	1.5
Miller Act	394	154	240	195	43	2	-	2	0.5
Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Contracts	3,168	717	2,451	1,944	469	38	19	19	1.2
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>3,190</b>	<b>2,941</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Federal Employers Liability Act	369	73	296	134	137	25	1	24	6.8
Marine Personal Injury	988	158	830	525	267	38	25	13	3.8
Medical Malpractice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health Care/Pharma.	43	14	29	27	2	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	2,828	594	2,234	1,879	325	30	8	22	1.1
Other Torts	1,387	354	1,033	867	149	17	14	3	1.2
<b>Actions Under Statutes</b>									
Consumer Credit	8,444	3,185	5,259	4,442	806	11	4	7	0.1
Cable/Satellite TV	1,460	476	984	850	132	2	2	-	0.1
Bankruptcy Suits	2,956	551	2,405	2,324	74	7	4	3	0.2
Antitrust	529	142	387	329	51	7	1	6	1.3

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<b>Actions Under Statutes (Continued)</b>									
<b>Civil Rights</b>									
ADA—Employment	1,641	313	1,328	883	419	26	2	24	1.6
ADA—Other	3,122	794	2,328	1,965	335	28	19	9	0.9
Employment	12,641	2,185	10,456	7,220	2,956	280	29	251	2.2
Education	44	11	33	25	8	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	16,248	2,735	13,513	10,103	2,800	610	66	544	3.8
Prisoner Petitions									
Habeas Corpus—General	16,089	3,059	13,030	12,961	62	7	4	3	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	165	17	148	145	3	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	587	79	508	502	4	2	2	-	0.3
Civil Rights	15,639	2,661	12,978	12,396	387	195	25	170	1.2
Prison Condition	7,828	1,133	6,695	6,384	203	108	40	68	1.4
Civil Detainee—Conditions of Confinement	18	1	17	17	-	-	-	-	-
Fair Labor Standards Act	6,935	1,215	5,720	4,464	1,159	97	35	62	1.4
FMLA <sup>1</sup>	106	24	82	41	41	-	-	-	-
Labor Management Relations Act	1,110	264	846	710	132	4	3	1	0.4
Other Labor Litigation	9,857	2,552	7,305	5,896	1,349	60	43	17	0.6
Copyright	2,645	849	1,796	1,453	313	30	9	21	1.1
Patent	4,237	1,245	2,992	2,253	606	133	58	75	3.1
Trademark	3,489	1,064	2,425	1,937	433	55	28	27	1.6
Constitutionality of State Statutes									
	545	67	478	445	24	9	7	2	1.7
<b>All Other Federal Question</b>	<b>11,310</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>8,222</b>	<b>6,885</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Diversity of Citizenship</b>	<b>66,961</b>	<b>14,646</b>	<b>52,315</b>	<b>43,271</b>	<b>8,118</b>	<b>926</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>									
Franchise	317	78	239	173	65	1	1	-	0.3
Insurance	7,685	1,613	6,072	4,582	1,363	127	37	90	1.7
Negotiable Instruments	672	153	519	411	99	9	5	4	1.3
Other Contracts	12,456	2,808	9,648	7,151	2,189	308	143	165	2.5
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>6,396</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>4,902</b>	<b>4,348</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Marine Personal Injury	359	41	318	281	30	7	1	6	1.9
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	3,082	613	2,469	1,548	828	93	2	91	3.0
Health Care/Pharma.	1,254	658	596	585	10	1	-	1	0.1
Other Personal Injury <sup>2</sup>	29,027	5,632	23,395	21,084	2,067	244	20	224	0.8
Other Torts	2,771	833	1,938	1,416	460	62	24	38	2.2

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<b>Diversity of Citizenship (Continued)</b>									
Consumer Credit	545	156	389	314	75	-	-	-	-
Cable/Satellite TV	8	3	5	4	1	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights									
ADA—Employment	73	19	54	44	9	1	-	1	1.4
ADA—Other	25	7	18	16	2	-	-	-	-
Employment	1,699	417	1,282	915	344	23	6	17	1.4
Education	3	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	432	87	345	292	47	6	2	4	1.4
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Diversity	157	33	124	105	18	1	-	1	0.6
<b>Local Jurisdiction</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33.3</b>
<b>Contract Actions</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Real Property</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Tort Actions</b>									
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Personal Injury	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	100.0
Other Torts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>									
Habeas Corpus—General	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mandamus and Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prison Condition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>All Other Local</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

NOTE: Land condemnation cases omitted.

<sup>1</sup>FMLA = Family and Medical Leave Act.

<sup>2</sup> Includes cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases that thereafter were severed into individual cases.