# THE JUDICIAL BUSINESS OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT

2023





UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS SEVENTH CIRCUIT

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#### **Report on the Business of the Federal Courts of the Seventh Circuit** For the Twelve Month Period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023

The following annual report is a collection of statistical data from every court of the circuit and includes national comparison data for the Circuit Courts of Appeal.

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The federal courts of the Seventh Circuit remain efficient and productive.

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# Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Tables

Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Tables

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Year	Filed	Percent of Change	Terminated	Percent of Change
2005	3,926	15.5	3,750	12.0
2006	3,518	-10.4	3,839	2.4
2007	3,151	-10.4	3,078	-19.8
2008	3,409	8.2	3,301	7.2
2009	3,245	-4.8	3,468	5.1
2010	3,098	-4.5	3,336	-3.8
2011	3,005	-3.0	2,987	-10.5
2012	3,031	0.9	3,010	0.8
2013	2,992	-1.3	3,034	0.8
2014	2,917	-2.5	3,023	-0.4
2015	2,977	2.1	2,906	-3.9
2016	3,362	12.9	3,361	15.7
2017	2,730	-18.8	2,793	-16.9
2018	2,812	3.0	2,727	-2.4
2019	2,629	-6.5	2,656	-2.6
2020	2,615	-0.5	2,575	-3.0
2021	2,493	-4.7	2,539	-1.4
2022	2,362	-5.3	2,358	-7.1
2023	2,588	9.6	2,529	7.3

Appeals Commenced and Terminated During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2005 Through 2023

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

**Cases Commenced Cases Terminated Procedural Termination Terminations on the Merits** Cases Cases After After disposed of disposed of Reby Consoli-Ву Ву by Consoli-Oral Submission CASE TYPE Pending Total Original Total dation Staff Total dation Hearing on Briefs opened Total Judge Criminal U.S. Prisoner Petitions Other U.S. Civil Private Prisoner Petitions Other Private Civil Bankruptcy Administrative Cases Original Proceedings/Misc Applications 1,851 2,588 2,462 2,529 1,267 1,018 1,262 Total

NOTE: Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

#### Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

Source of Appeals and Original Proceedings Commenced for the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2016 Through 2023

Source	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Illinois	_	_		-	_	_	_	
Northern	933	893	836	621	673	615	669	
Central	311	270	322	342	272	244	310	
Southern	199	233	169	187	209	182	195	
Indiana								
Northern	194	191	171	223	251	255	386	
Southern	303	337	322	356	355	312	285	
Wisconsin								
Eastern	256	288	237	290	234	308	276	
Western	140	196	179	184	159	172	159	
Bankruptcy	37	45	39	16	67	17	19	
Admin. Agency, Total	103	82	94	152	108	74	89	
I.R.S	8	5	4	15	7	7	7	
N.L.R.B.	9	9	12	12	12	20	10	
B.I.A.	65	52	67	78	73	35	55	
All Other								
Agencies	21	16	11	47	16	12	17	
Original Proceedings	1			<b>I</b>				
Misc Applications	254	277	260	244	165	183	200	
Total	3,362	2,812	2,629	2,615	2,493	2,362	2,588	

NOTE:

Administrative Agency cases previously reported as Imigration Service (INS) are shown under

Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) and US Tax Court is shown under IRS.

Appeals of decisions by the U.S. Tax Court are shown as Internal Revenue Service (IRS) appeals.

Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

Source of Appeals in Civil and Criminal Cases from U.S. District Courts During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

		Appeals Filed		Appeals Terminated			
<b>District Courts</b>	Total	Civil	Criminal	Total	Civil	Criminal	
Illinois Northern	669	504	165	635	494	141	
Illinois Central	310	200	110	245	162	83	
Illinois Southern	195	125	70	181	122	59	
ndiana Northern	386	331	55	388	342	46	
Indiana Southern	285	211	74	309	203	106	
Wisconsin Eastern	276	226	50	279	233	46	
Wisconsin Western	159	124	35	158	132	26	
Total	2,280	1,721	559	2,195	1,688	507	

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals.

	Filings		Termi	inations	Pending		
		Percent	cent Percent			Percent	
Nature of Proceedings	Number	Of Total	Number	Of Total	Number	Of Total	
Criminal	559	21.6	507	20.0	477	25.8	
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	166	6.4	194	7.7	176	9.5	
Other U.S. Civil	117	4.5	159	6.3	88	4.8	
Priv. Prisoner Petitions	766	29.6	683	27.0	425	23.0	
Other Private Civil	672	26.0	652	25.8	530	28.6	
Bankruptcy	19	0.7	54	2.1	14	0.8	
Administrative Cases	89	3.4	78	3.1	128	6.9	
Original Proceedings/ Misc Applications	200	7.7	202	8.0	13	0.7	
Total	2,588	100.0	2,529	100.0	1,851	100.0	

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
Total Cases	2,280	2,195	1,696
Total Criminal Cases	559	507	477
Total Civil Cases	1.721	4 699	4 240
Total Civil Cases	1,721	1,688	1,219
U.S. Cases	283	353	264
U.S. Plaintiff	9	10	8
Negotiable Instruments	0	0	0
Other Contract Actions	0	0	0
Condemnation Of Land	0	0	0
Other Real Property Actions	1	1	0
Tort Actions	1	1	0
Civil Rights:	2	1	3
Employment	0	0	1
Other Civil Rights	2	1	2
Forfeiture And Penalty	0	0	0
Fair Labor Standards Act	0	0	0
Other Labor	0	2	0
Secur., Commod., & Exchg.	3	1	3
Tax Suits	1	2	1
All Other	1	2	1
U.S. Defendant	274	343	256
Contract Actions	0	0	1
Real Property Actions	1	0	1
Tort Actions	6	7	3
Civil Rights:	29	37	19
Employment	8	13	6
Other Civil Rights	21	24	13
Prisoner Petitions:	166	194	176
Motions to Vacate Sentence	86	93	79
Habeas Corpus	40	41	80
Habeas Corpus - Death	0	1	0
Prisoner Civil Rights	0	1	1
Prison Condition	38	53	14
Other Prisoner Petitions	2	5	2
Labor Suits	3	0	3
Social Security Laws	40	72	29
Tax Suits	3	0	3
Environmental Matters	0	0	2
Freedom of Information Act	3	4	0
All Other	23	29	19
Private Cases	1,438	1,335	955
1 11/410 04303	1,700	1,000	300

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023 [continued]

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending	
			886	
Federal Question	1,365	1,270	886	
Marine Contract	0	•	•	
Marine Contract Other Contract Actions	0 32	0 23	0 19	
Employers Liability Act	2	4	19	
Employers Liability Act	0	2	1	
Other Tort Actions	66	60	58	
Antitrust	0	60		
Civil Rights:	358	375	242	
Employment	71	76	51	
Other Civil Rights	287	299	191	
Prisoner Petitions:	766	683	425	
Habeas Corpus	173	151	425	
Habeas Corpus Habeas Corpus - Death	2	0	2	
	29	24	21	
Prisoner Civil Rights Prison Condition	561	507	242	
Other Prisoner Petitions	1	1	0	
Labor Mgmt. Relations Act	1	2	2	
Other Labor	34	29	41	
Copyright, Patent & Trademark	13	10	10	
Secur., Commod., & Exchg.	5	4	4	
Const. of State Stats.	7	4 4	4	
All Other	81	68	76	
	01	00	70	
Diversity of Citizenship	73	65	69	
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Insurance	34	31	33	
Other Contract Actions	39	34	36	
Real Property Actions	0	0	0	
Personal Injury - Prod.	0	0	Ő	
Other Personal Injury	0	0	0	
Personal Property Damage	0	Ö	0	
All Other	0	0	0	
General Local Jurisdiction	0	0	0	
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Contract Actions	0	0	0	
Real Property Actions	0	0	0	
Tort Actions	0	0	0	
Prisoner Petitions	0	0	0	
All Other	0	0	ů 0	
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Total Criminal Cases	559	507	477	
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Violent Offenses	41	37	30	
Homicide	1	0	1	
Robbery	15	16	8	
Assault	4	3	3	
Kidnapping	3	3	2	
Racketeering - Violent	9	4	7	
Crime	-	_		
Carjacking	6	7	5	
Terrorism	0	2	1	

Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023 [continued]

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
Property Offenses	52	48	42
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Burglary	0	0	0
Larceny & Theft, Total	2	1	1
Bank	0	0	0
Postal	0	0	ů 0
Theft, U.S. Property	2	1	1
Transport, Etc. of			
Stolen Property	0	0	0
Other Larceny and	•		•
Theft Offenses	0	0	0
Embezzlement	6	8	2
	-		
Fraud, Total	43	37	38
		•	•
Tax	2	0	3
Financial Institutions	4	4	2
Securities and Exchange	3	0	3
Mail	3	7	2
Wire, Radio or Television	8	6	9
Social Security	0	0	0
Citizenship and	0	0	0
Naturalization			
Passport	0	0	0
Identification	1	2	3
Documents & Information	1	2	3
False claims and	2	2	1
Services, Gov't.	2	2	
False Statements	3	2	3
Conspiracy To	0	1	1
Defraud the U.S.	v	•	Ĩ.
Unauthorized	1	0	1
Access Devices	•	v	•
Health Care	1	0	1
Other Fraud Offenses	15	13	9
Forgery and Counterfeiting	1	1	1
Other Property Offenses	0	1	0
Drug Offenses	179	186	143
Marijuana, Total	6	8	5
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	6	8	5
Import / Export	0	0	0
Manufacture	0	0	0
All Other Drugs, Total	168	177	134
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	167	174	132
Import / Export	1	0	1
Manufacture	0	3	1
Other Drug Offenses	5	1	4

		Pending
		150
149	122	146
86	64	82
	••	02
43	46	52
		12
5	2	4
69	70	59
	-	0
-	•	28
		14
		14
20	20	17
5	3	5
3	1	5
1	1	0
0	0	0
4	4	0
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10	2	10
0	0	0
0	0	0
10	2	10
0	0	0
24	17	22
9	10	9
11	6	10
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2	0	2
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11	9	7
0	0	0
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14	11	9
	Filed         154         149         86         43         20         5         69         0         28         15         26         5         3         1         0         1         0         10         0         10         0         10         0         11         2         11         0	154       124         149       122         86       64         43       46         20       12         5       2         69       70         0       0         28       28         15       16         26       26         5       3         3       1         1       1         0       0         1       1         1       1         1       1         1       1         1       1         1       1         9       10         11       6         2       1         2       0         11       9         0       0

Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023 [continued]

1 RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations.

	Total	Percent		Disposed	Terminations on the Merits						
Nature	Appeals	of Total		of by	Affirmed /					Certificate of	Percent
of Proceeding	Terminated <sup>1</sup>	Terminations	Total	Consolidation	Enforced <sup>2</sup>	Dismissed	Reversed	Remanded	Other	Appealability	Reversed <sup>3</sup>
Totals	2,529	47.4	1,199	63	823	90	113	30	15	128	9.5
			r	1		1	1				1
Criminal	507	57.0	289	17	199	63	21	1	5	0	7.3
U. S. Prisoner Petitions	194	40.7	79	3	22	0	9	0	1	47	11.4
Other U. S. Civil	159	66.0	105	3	75	1	13	16	0	0	12.4
Priv. Prisoner Petitions	683	32.2	220	2	124	1	9	2	3	81	4.1
Other Private Civil	652	42.6	278	28	213	13	43	5	4	0	15.5
Bankruptcy	54	0	10	6	9	0	0	1	0	0	0
Administrative Appeals	78	48.7	38	4	29	0	2	5	2	0	5.3
Original Proceedings/Misc Applications	202	89.1	180	0	152	12	16	0	0	0	0

#### Appeals Terminated on the Merits During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

NOTE:

Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously affirmed includes merit terminations, affirmed in part and reversed in part.

Percent not shown where the total number of cases terminated on the merits is less than 10.

No percentages of cases reversed have been computed for original proceedings because of their difference from appeals, nor have they been included in the percentage of total appeals reversed.

					Proce	dural Term	ninations						
							By Judges					By Staff	
	Appeals		Cases Disposed of		Juris.	FRAP		Cert. Appeal-			FRAP		
Nature of Proceeding	Terminated	Total	By Consolidation	Total	Defects	42*	Default	ability	Other	Total	42*	Default	Other
Totals	2,529	1,267	8	241	175	10	10	2	44	1018	394	590	34
Criminal	507	201	0	40	37	0	0	0	3	161	123	32	6
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	194	112	0	23	18	1	0	0	4	89	15	74	0
Other U.S. Civil	159	51	0	13	10	0	1	0	2	38	21	16	1
Priv. Prisoner Petitions	683	461	1	41	32	1	2	2	4	419	32	369	18
Other Private Civil	652	346	7	91	77	2	6	0	6	248	156	92	0
Bankruptcy	54	38	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	36	36	0	0
Administrative Appeals	78	36	0	18	0	5	1	0	12	18	11	7	0
Original Proceedings/Misc Procedures	202	22	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	9	0	0	9

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals. Juris defects=jurisdictional defects; cert.appealability=certificate of appealability. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously. \* Voluntary dismissal under Rule 42(b), Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.

	All A	Appeals	Prison	er Petitions	Othe	er Civil	Crii	minal	Admin	. Agency	Ban	ıkr
Total Cases	26,260	1,262	5,351	304	7,607	414	7,244	306	3,092	42	319	
Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	1,753	63	213	5	737	31	542	17	170	4	51	
Average	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	
From Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date <sup>1</sup>												
to Filing Last Brief	6.0	5.6	7.1	7.1	5.1	5.0	6.5	6.3	7.0	7.6	4.9	
From Filing Last Brief												
to Hearing or Submission	4.6	3.1	4.6	3.1	4.7	3.2	3.8	3.0	6.9	3.0	4.9	
From Hearing												
to Final Disposition	2.6	3.2	2.3	4.5	2.7	3.7	2.3	2.0	2.6	2.8	2.7	
From Submission												
to Final Disposition	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	
From Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date <sup>1</sup>												
to Final Disposition	9.8	9.2	7.2	8.9	11.9	10.3	10.4	11.0	15.9	11.1	12.0	
From Filing in Lower Court to Final Disposition												
in Appellate Court	33.4	35.0	29.8	31.2	31.9	34.5	40.1	47.7	0.0	0.0	25.0	

Median Time Intervals\* in Cases Terminated after Hearing or Submission by Circuit During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

NOTE: All time intervals are reported in months.

<sup>1</sup> Docket date is used when computing the median time interval for original proceedings and appeals from administrative agencies

# Certiorari Data During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

	U.S.	Private			Administrative	
	Civil	Civil	Criminal	Prisoner	Appeals	Total
Petitions Pending						
01/01/23	3	18	10	12	0	43
Petitions Filed						
01/01/23 to 12/31/23	12	53	39	47	2	153
Petitions Granted						
01/01/23 to 12/31/23	2	1	2	0	1	6
Petitions Denied						
01/01/23 to 12/31/23	10	52	43	48	1	154
Petitions Dismissed						
01/01/23 to 12/31/23	0	2	0	3	0	5
Petitions Pending						
12/31/23	3	16	4	8	0	31

Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Tables

U.S. Court of Appeals Comparison Tables U.S. Court of Appeals Comparison Tables

## U.S.C.A. Table 1

		Cases Disposed of by		Writter	n & Signed		Reasoned signed *		Unsigned Comment	Percent
Circuit	Total	Consolidation	Oral	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Unpublished
D.C.	519	127	0	146	0	5	241	0	0	61.5
First	702	35	0	226	9	1	412	0	19	66.0
Second	2,070	188	0	196	1,650	35	1	0	0	87.7
Third	1,685	107	0	162	937	2	383	0	94	89.6
Fourth	2,836	146	0	258	308	3	2,121	0	0	90.3
Fifth	3,949	500	0	378	49	49	2,966	0	7	87.6
Sixth	2,302	158	0	244	745	8	1,147	0	0	88.2
Seventh	1,262	63	0	352	10	8	829	0	0	70.0
Eighth	2,112	121	0	445	1	15	546	0	984	76.9
Ninth	5,243	200	0	324	1	13	4,705	0	0	93.3
Tenth	1,148	27	0	229	682	6	204	0	0	79.0
Eleventh	2,432	81	0	218	22	15	2,024	5	67	89.9
Total	26,260	1,753	0	3,178	4,414	160	15,579	5	1,171	86.4

Type of Opinion or Order Filed in Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

Cases After Oral Hearing After Submission on Briefs Disposed of by Percent Percent Consolidation Of Total Circuit Total Total En Banc Panel Total of Total En Banc Panel D.C. 519 127 188 48.0 1 187 204 52.0 0 204 32.5 First 702 35 217 3 214 450 67.5 0 450 2,070 188 704 37.4 1 703 1,178 62.6 3 1,175 Second 222 Third 1,685 107 14.1 1 221 1,356 85.9 0 1,356 Fourth 2,836 146 335 12.5 1 334 2,355 87.5 1 2,354 Fifth 3,949 500 932 27.0 5 927 2,517 73.0 0 2,517 2,302 287 13.4 2 285 1,857 1.857 Sixth 158 86.6 0 Seventh 1,262 63 422 35.2 0 422 777 64.8 0 777 Eighth 2,112 121 383 19.2 1 382 1,608 80.8 1 1,607 Ninth 5,243 200 1,123 22.3 7 1,116 3,920 77.7 2 3,918 1,148 27 343 30.6 0 343 778 69.4 0 778 Tenth Eleventh 2,432 81 318 13.5 8 310 2,033 86.5 1 2,032 26,260 5,474 22.3 19,033 19,025 Total 1,753 30 5,444 77.7 8

Appeals Terminated on the Merits after Oral Hearing or Submission on Briefs, by Circuit During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

### U.S.C.A. Table 3

		Filed			Terminated			Pending	
Circuit	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>
D.C.	991	1,084	9.4	917	803	-12.4	1,246	1,528	22.6
First	1,031	1,127	9.3	1,005	987	-1.8	1,324	1,467	10.8
Second	3,965	3,585	-9.6	3,848	3,488	-9.4	3,712	3,801	2.4
Third	2,567	2,373	-7.6	2,595	2,510	-3.3	2,016	1,879	-6.8
Fourth	3,827	3,647	-4.7	3,981	3,858	-3.1	3,011	2,800	-7.0
Fifth	5,782	5,499	-4.9	6,549	5,868	-10.4	3,662	3,292	-10.1
Sixth	3,225	3,355	4.0	3,445	3,451	0.2	2,433	2,537	4.3
Seventh	2,362	2,588	9.6	2,538	2,529	7.3	1,791	1,851	3.4
Eighth	2,621	2,809	7.2	2,704	2,847	5.3	1,481	1,504	1.6
Ninth	8,268	7,813	-5.5	9,924	8,429	-15.1	7,676	7,070	-7.9
Tenth	1,647	1,751	6.3	1,622	1,735	7.0	1,123	1,139	1.4
Eleventh	4,583	4,265	-6.9	4,634	4,331	-6.5	3,205	3,172	-1.0
Total	40,869	39,896	-2.4	43,582	40,836	-6.3	32,680	32,040	-2.0

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Circuit for the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2022 and 2023

U.S. Court of Appeals Comparison Tables

Seventh Circuit District Courts Civil Tables

Seventh Circuit District Courts Civil Tables Seventh Circuit District Courts Civil Tables

		Filed			Terminated			Pending	
	Period	Period		Period	Period		Period	Period	
	Ended	Ended		Ended	Ended		Ended	Ended	
	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,	Percent	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,	Percent	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,	Percent
	2022	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>	2022 <sup>2</sup>	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>
Total	20,354	31,329	53.9	19,434	19,587	0.8	30,817	42,559	38.1
Illinois Northern	7,799	17,548	125.0	7,914	8,243	4.2	9,868	19,174	94.3
Illinois Central	1,282	1,410	10.0	1,308	1,487	13.7	1,657	1,578	-4.8
Illinois Southern	3,146	4,078	29.6	1,328	1,638	23.3	4,090	6,532	59.7
Indiana Northern	2,008	2,235	11.3	2,276	2,190	-3.8	1,924	1,973	2.5
Indiana Southern	3,728	3,457	-7.3	3,903	3,443	-11.8	10,831	10,841	0.1
Wisconsin Eastern	1,617	1,669	3.2	1,731	1,627	-6.0	1,579	1,619	2.5
Wisconsin Western	774	932	20.4	974	959	-1.5	868	842	-3.0

Civil Cases Commenced, Terminated and Pending, in the District Courts, During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2022 and 2023

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

		Illinois		Indi	ana	Wisc	onsin	Total
	ND	CD	SD	ND	SD	ED	WD	
Total Civil Cases	17,548	1,410	4,078	2,235	3,457	1,669	932	31,329
United States Cases								
Total U.S. Civil Cases	1,363	177	216	420	489	215	164	3,044
Contract	26	0	0	0	2	0	1	29
Real Property	5	6	8	3	0	2	3	27
Tort Actions	52	2	12	16	16	2	7	107
Civil Rights	56	4	1	5	12	3	9	90
Forfeitures and Penalties	2	3	7	10	32	16	3	73
Labor Suits	15	1	0	3	2	1	1	23
Social Security	437	103	78	307	288	121	80	1,414
All Others	674	19	9	29	53	39	25	848
Prisoner Petitions								
Motion to Vacate Sentence	36	35	36	44	61	25	7	244
Habeas Corpus	35	2	50	0	4	2	26	119
Death Penalty	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Prison Cond.	19	0	8	0	10	0	0	37
Mandamus & Other	3	1	1	0	2	2	0	9
Private Cases								
Total Private Cases	16,185	1,233	3,862	1,815	2,968	1,454	768	28,285
Contract	884	58	64	242	162	107	62	1,579
Real Property	53	8	10	6	9	7	10	103
FELA	8	1	6	2	1	1	3	22
Marine Personal Injury	6	0	3	0	2	1	1	13
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	84	12	43	67	64	5	11	286
Other Personal Injury	9,339	53	3,074	108	450	28	26	13,078
Other Tort Action	196	21	15	18	29	27	24	330
Civil Rights	1,474	232	126	408	488	288	192	3,208
Intellectual Property	1,605	9	3	20	31	98	24	1,790
Labor Suits	691	50	54	48	128	137	42	1,150
All Other	919	44	31	78	328	106	70	1,576
Prisoner Petitions								
Habeas Corpus	103	95	43	143	320	111	42	857
Death Penalty	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Civil Rights & Prison Cond.	819	649	384	675	884	525	261	4,197
Mandamus & Other	4	1	6	0	71	13	0	95

<sup>1</sup> FELA = Federal Employers Liability Act

## Civil Cases Terminated, by District and Action Taken, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

						Court A	Action		
				Wit	hout Trial		During	or After Trial	
		No			During or				Percent
		Court		Before	After		Non		Reaching
District	Total	Action	Total	Pretrial	Pretrial	Total	Jury	Jury	Trial
Illinois Northern	8,243	2,333	5,910	5,496	360	54	15	39	0.7
Illinois Central	1,485	384	1,101	1,065	11	25	2	23	1.7
Illinois Southern	1,637	834	803	769	11	23	4	19	1.4
Indiana Northern	2,190	58	2,132	1,731	385	16	0	16	0.7
Indiana Southern	3,443	84	3,359	2,587	760	12	4	8	0.3
Wisconsin Eastern	1,627	146	1,481	1,428	36	17	1	16	1.0
Wisconsin Western	959	266	693	359	321	13	3	10	1.4
Total	19,584	4,105	15,479	13,435	1,884	160	29	131	0.8

NOTE: Land Condemnation Cases Omitted

Median Time Intervals from Filing to Disposition of Civil Cases Terminated, by District and Method of Disposition, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

	Total	Cases	No C	Court			Court	Action		
			Act	Action		Before Pretrial		After Pretrial	Т	rial
District	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*
Illinois Northern	7,277	5.7	2,220	3.7	4,686	6.6	322	12.1	49	51.7
Illinois Central	654	9.7	286	6.7	359	11.9	3	0	6	0
Illinois Southern	1,080	9.8	727	8.4	339	14.2	4	0	10	39.4
Indiana Northern	1,293	8.8	43	2.4	872	7.5	368	15.9	10	43.9
Indiana Southern	2,281	10.4	74	2.1	1,512	9.0	688	11.9	7	0
Wisconsin Eastern	974	7.3	125	3.0	807	7.9	29	13.0	13	38.7
Wisconsin Western	614	8.1	171	3.0	215	6.2	223	15.0	5	0
Total	14,173	7.3	3,646	4.3	8,790	7.5	1,637	13.1	100	43.9

Note: All time intervals are reported in months.

\*Median time intervals computed only if ten or more cases.

Excludes: land condemnation cases, prisoner petitions, deportation reviews, recovery of overpayments and enforcement of judgments.

Civil Cases Pending, by District and Length of Time Pending, as of December 31, 2023

	Total	Less Than	1 to 2	2 to 3	Three Yea	ars & Over
District	Cases Pending	1 Year	years	Years	Number	Percent
Illinois Northern	19,174	13,820	1,892	973	2,489	13.0
Illinois Central	1,578	847	350	190	191	12.1
Illinois Southern	6,532	3,519	2,148	659	206	3.2
Indiana Northern	1,973	1,286	373	186	128	6.5
Indiana Southern	10,841	2,308	1,435	1,432	5,666	52.3
Wisconsin Eastern	1,619	1,003	392	127	97	6.0
Wisconsin Western	842	572	162	57	51	6.1
Total	42,559	23,355	6,752	3,624	8,828	20.7

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#### Criminal Table 1

		Filed			Terminate	d		Pending	
			Percent			Percent			Percent
District	2022	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Change <sup>1</sup>
Illinois Northern	388	355	-8.5	526	445	-15.4	1,578	1,487	-5.8
Illinois Central	205	182	-11.2	261	221	-15.3	390	357	-8.5
Illinois Southern	170	173	1.8	208	210	1.0	326	283	-13.2
Indiana Northern	221	238	7.7	280	242	-13.6	405	407	0.5
Indiana Southern	195	211	8.2	430	291	-32.3	379	306	-19.3
Wisconsin Eastern	236	206	-12.7	218	249	14.2	423	384	-9.2
Wisconsin Western	125	100	-20.0	117	134	14.5	246	213	-13.4
Total	1,540	1,465	-4.9	2,040	1,792	-12.2	3,747	3,437	-8.3

Criminal Cases Commenced, Terminated and Pending (Including Transfers) During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2022 and 2023

NOTE: This table includes all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

Pending totals exclude cases in which the only defendants pending in such cases had been fugitives more than 12 months before the end of the period indicated.

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

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	Not Te	rminated as of	December 3	31, 2022			Cor	nmenced			
District	Total	Felony	Class A Misde- meanor	Petty Offense	Total Com- menced	Total	Felony	Class A Misde- meanor	Petty Offense	Re- Open <sup>2</sup>	Trans- fers
Illinois Northern	2.176	2,150	23	3	519	518	514	4	0	0	1
Illinois Central	468	448	20	0	216	214	202	12	0	2	0
Illinois Southern	406	399	5	2	239	238	234	4	0	0	1
Indiana Northern	495	492	3	0	280	276	274	2	0	4	0
Indiana Southern	584	581	1	2	306	304	303	1	0	2	0
Wisconsin Eastern	616	612	4	0	312	308	305	3	0	1	3
Wisconsin Western	292	289	3	0	132	130	129	1	0	1	1
Total	5,037	4,971	59	7	2,004	1,988	1,961	27	0	10	6
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			Terr	ninated			Not	Terminated a	s of December		
	Total			Class A	Datta		-			Class A	D. H.
District	Termi- nated	Total	Felony	Misde- meanor	Petty Offense	Re- Open <sup>2</sup>	Trans- fers	Total	Felony	Misde- meanor	Petty Offense
Illinois Northern	637	637	619	18	0	0	0	2,074	2,055	18	1
Illinois Central	269	267	252	15	0	1	1	423	404	19	0
Illinois Southern	272	270	268	2	0	0	2	365	356	7	2
Indiana Northern	292	288	287	1	0	3	1	495	491	4	0
Indiana Southern	390	390	389	1	0	0	0	501	498	1	2
Wisconsin Eastern	371	368	365	2	1	1	2	569	563	6	0
Wisconsin Western	156	151	148	3	0	2	3	271	268	3	0
Total	2,387	2,371	2,328	42	1	7	9	4,698	4,635	58	5

NOTE: This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

<sup>1</sup> Excludes defendants who had been fugitives more than 12 months before the end of the period indicated.

<sup>2</sup> Includes appeals from magistrate judges, reopens, remands, and retrials after mistrial.

#### Criminal Table 3

## U.S. District Courts-- Criminal Defendants Commenced (Excluding Transfers), by Offense and District, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

			Violent	Offenses			Property	Offenses		
						Burglary Larceny,	Embezzle-		Forgery & Counter-	
District	Total	Homicide	Robbery	Assault	Other	and Theft	ment	Fraud	feiting	Other
Total	1,998	5	52	8	57	29	15	266	6	3
Illinois Northern	518	1	33	2	29	9	4	69	3	1
Illinois Central	216	0	2	2	3	1	1	45	0	1
Illinois Southern	238	0	3	1	1	4	4	32	1	0
Indiana Northern	280	1	2	1	6	2	1	41	0	0
Indiana Southern	306	1	8	0	12	6	0	24	1	0
Wisconsin Eastern	309	2	3	2	6	7	3	44	0	0
Wisconsin Western	131	0	1	0	0	0	2	11	1	1
		-	-		-					-
			Firearms &		Justice					
	Dr	ug	Explosives	Sex	System	Immig	ration	General	Regulatory	Traffic
	Offe	nses	Offenses	Offenses	Offenses	Offer	ises	Offenses	Offenses	Offenses
		All Other				Improper				
		Other				Reentry				
District	Marijuana	Drugs				by Alien	Other			
Total	55	603	547	141	28	58	6	71	36	12
Illinois Northern	9	157	114	16	14	17	4	32	4	0
Illinois Central	5	50	55	26	6	2	1	4	0	12
Illinois Southern	16	78	55	19	1	8	1	5	9	0
Indiana Northern	0	79	113	25	2	4	0	1	2	0
Indiana Southern	21	101	78	24	2	9	0	4	15	0
Wisconsin Eastern	2	89	104	22	2	4	0	15	4	0
Wisconsin Western	2	49	28	9	1	14	0	10	2	0

#### **Criminal Table 4**

Median Time Intervals from Commencement to Termination for Criminal Defendants, Disposed of, by District, During the Twelve Month Period Ending December 31, 2023

	Т	otal	Dism	nissed	Plea o	of Guilty	Benc	h Trial	Jur	y Trial
		Median *		Median *		Median *		Median *		Median *
District	Number	Months	Number	Months	Number	Months	Number	Months	Number	Months
Illinois Northern	637	29.1	64	35.0	544	28.1	2	0	27	48.7
Illinois Central	268	17.3	12	6.2	237	16.9	4	0	15	19.4
Illinois Southern	270	16.7	7	0	246	16.1	2	0	15	29.8
Indiana Northern	291	15.2	28	18.4	244	14.8	1	0	18	31.6
Indiana Southern	390	19.3	20	18.5	362	19.1	0	0	8	0
Wisconsin Eastern	369	14.1	19	11.1	342	14.1	3	0	5	0
Wisconsin Western	153	9.7	10	14.0	142	9.6	0	0	1	0
Total	2,378	18.6	160	21.4	2,117	17.9	12	33.8	89	31.0

NOTE: This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magisrate judges. Median computed only for 10 or more defendants. Beginning in March 2012, the median time interval is computed from the proceeding date for a defendant (e.g., the date an indictment or information was filed) to the date on which the defendant was found not guilty or was sentenced. Previously, the median time interval was computed beginning with the defendant's filing date. Therefore, data for March 2012 and thereafter are not

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#### **Civil / Criminal Table 1**

#### Weighted and Unweighted Filings per Authorized Judgeship During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

		We	eighted Filing	js Per Judgeship	)	Un	weighted Filir	ngs Per Judgesh	ір
								1	1
District	Judgeships	Civil	Criminal	Supervision Hearings	Total	Civil	Criminal	Supervision Hearings	Total
Illinois Northern	22	689	38	1.0	729	784	24	9.5	817
Illinois Central	4	275	81	3.9	359	338	54	37.0	429
Illinois Southern	4	726	89	3.4	819	1,008	60	35.0	1,103
Indiana Northern	5	376	82	2.1	461	435	55	17.4	507
Indiana Southern	5	525	93	0.6	618	658	61	5.8	724
Wisconsin Eastern	5	290	99	2.8	391	322	62	33.8	418
Wisconsin Western	2	407	101	1.9	509	443	66	19.0	527
Total	47	3,288	583	15.7	3,886	3,988	382	157.5	4,525

NOTE: Case weights are based on the 2015 district court case weighting system approved by the Judicial Conference for use after December 2015. Data for the territorial courts are not included. This table excludes civil cases arising by reopening, remand, or transfer to the district by the order of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. This table includes defendants in all criminal cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in criminal cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges. Remands and reopens for criminal defendants are excluded. This table includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only; all trials conducted by magistrate judges are excluded. Sentencing hearings are excluded. Due to rounding, subtotals may not equal totals. Seventh Circuit District Courts Combined Civil & Criminal Tables

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Bankruptcy Courts Tables

Seventh Circuit Bankruptcy Courts Tables

#### **Bankruptcy Table 1**

Bankruptcy Petitions Commenced, Terminated and Pending During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2022 and 2023

		Filed			Terminated		Pending			
District	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2022	2023	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	
Illinois Northern	16,878	19,474	15.4	21,226	21,095	-0.6	26,962	25,344	-6.0	
Illinois Central	2,224	2,583	16.1	2,614	2,702	3.4	3,184	3,065	-3.7	
Illinois Southern	1,601	1,646	2.8	1,912	1,905	-0.4	3,084	2,826	-8.4	
Indiana Northern	5,076	5,922	16.7	5,895	5,764	-2.2	8,769	8,925	1.8	
Indiana Southern	8,000	8,759	9.5	9,605	8,842	-7.9	14,768	14,691	-0.5	
Wisconsin Eastern	5,829	6,107	4.8	6,828	6,847	0.3	9,760	9,023	-7.6	
Wisconsin Western	2,069	2,362	14.2	2,374	2,263	-4.7	2,688	2,787	3.7	
Total	41,677	46,853	12.4	50,454	49,418	-2.1	69,215	66,661	-3.7	

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than ten cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised

NOTE: Due to differences among districts in reporting intra-district transfers, the total provided above for cases pending on December 31, 2016 may not equal the number obtained by adding totals for cases pending at the end of the prior period plus cases filed during the current period, then subtracting cases terminated during the current period.

### **Bankruptcy Table 2**

#### Adversary Proceedings Commenced, Lerminated and Pending During the Livelye Month Period Ending December 31, 2022 and 2023

	Pending	Filed	Terminated	Pending
District	12/312022 <sup>1</sup>	2023	2023	12/31/23
Illinois Northern	300	419	378	341
Illinois Central	47	70	66	51
Illinois Southern	32	60	64	29
Indiana Northern	75	128	121	82
Indiana Southern	121	192	179	134
Wisconsin Eastern	79	143	147	75
Wisconsin Western	33	49	40	42
Total	687	1,061	995	754

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

#### Bankruptcy Table 3

Business and Nonbusiness Bankruptcy Cases Commenced, by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2023											
	2022	2023		2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
District	Total	Total	Percent	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap
District	Filings	Filings	Of Change	7	7	11	11	12	12	13	13
Illinois Northern	16,878	19,474	15.38	9,411	11,064	76	125	1	0	7,390	8,285
Illinois Central	2,224	2,583	16.14	1,706	1,888	8	5	1	1	509	689
Illinois Southern	1,601	1,646	2.81	850	886	4	5	0	0	747	755
Indiana Northern	5,076	5,922	16.67	3,112	3,535	21	15	0	0	1,943	2,372
Indiana Southern	8,000	8,759	9.49	4,721	4,885	37	43	2	1	3,240	3,830
Wisconsin Eastern	5,829	6,107	4.77	3,480	3,547	11	32	4	2	2,334	2,526
Wisconsin Western	2,069	2,362	14.16	1,475	1,615	9	16	2	0	583	731
Total	41,677	46,853	12.42	24,755	27,420	166	241	10	4	16,746	19,188
	•					•	•				
	Total					1					
						1					
	Business	Chap	Chap	Other	Chap						
District	Filings	7	11	Chap '	13						
Illinois Northern	610	454	120	0	36						
Illinois Central	79	59	4	1	15						
Illinois Southern	40	24	5	0	11						
Indiana Northern	67	50	12	0	5						
Indiana Southern	154	102	43	1	8						
Wisconsin Eastern	104	61	32	2	9						
Wisconsin Western	70	36	15	0	19						
Total	1,124	786	231	4	103						
	Total				T						
	Non-Business	CHAP	CHAP	CHAP							
District	Filings	СПАР 7	11	13							
Illinois Northern	18,864	10,610	5	8,249	1						
Illinois Central	2,504	1,829	1	674	1						
Illinois Southern	1,606	862	0	744	1						
Indiana Northern	5,855	3,485	3	2,367	1						
Indiana Southern	8,605	4,783	0	3,822	1						
Wisconsin Eastern	6,003	3,486	0	2,517	1						
Wisconsin Western	2,292	1,579	1	712	1						
Total	45,729	26,634	10	19,085	1						

Business and Nonbusiness Bankruptcy Cases Commenced, by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, During the 12-Month Per	riod Ending December 31, 2023
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NOTE: The nature of debt is business if the debtor is a corporation or partnership, or if debt related to the operation of a business predominates. Nonbusiness debt includes consumer debt, as defined in Section 101 of the U.S. Bankruptcy code, or other debt that the debtor indicates is not consumer debt or business debt. Because the bankruptcy database is continually updated, the numbers in this table may not match those in previously published tables. The United States territorial courts assume the jurisdiction of United States bankruptcy courts within their respective territories, which do not have separate bankruptcy courts within their respective territories.

Seventh Circuit Bankruptcy Courts Tables

# Seventh Circuit Probation Office Tables

Seventh Circuit Probation Office Tables

#### **Probation Table**

District	Persons Under Supervision 01/01/23	Total Received	Total Less Transfers	Probation <sup>1</sup>	Term Of Supervised Release	Parole <sup>2</sup>	BOP Custody <sup>3</sup>	Received By Transfer
Illinois Northern	2,072	876	814	58	748	2	6	62
Illinois Central	850	343	321	12	308	0	1	22
Illinois Southern	623	274	256	19	225	0	12	18
Indiana Northern	588	336	313	38	273	2	0	23
Indiana Southern	953	476	441	24	414	3	0	35
Wisconsin Eastern	736	338	317	39	277	0	1	21
Wisconsin Western	304	146	132	15	115	0	2	14
Total	6,126	2,789	2,594	205	2,360	7	22	195

#### People Received for Supervision During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

People Removed from Supervision During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2023

				Term Of			Removed	Persons Under
	Total	Less		Supervised		BOP	Ву	Supervision
District	Removed	Transfers	Probation <sup>1</sup>	Release	Parole <sup>2</sup>	Custody <sup>3</sup>	Transfer	12/31/23
Illinois Northern	950	912	54	847	6	5	38	2,001
Illinois Central	384	360	11	346	2	1	24	811
Illinois Southern	330	307	23	270	0	14	23	569
Indiana Northern	314	292	29	263	0	0	22	608
Indiana Southern	402	378	34	341	3	0	24	1,024
Wisconsin Eastern	379	362	42	319	0	1	17	693
Wisconsin Western	134	121	13	104	2	2	13	314
Total	2,893	2,732	206	2,490	13	23	161	6,020

<sup>1</sup> Includes judge and magistrate probation.

<sup>2</sup> Includes parole, special parole, mandatory release, and military parole

<sup>3</sup> BOP = Bureau of Prisons