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**Length of civil and criminal trials completed in U.S. District Courts**

By circuit and district, fiscal year 2006

| Circuit and district | Total number of trials | Civil trials |       |        |        |             |               |                  | Criminal trials |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
|                      |                        | Total        | 1 day | 2 days | 3 days | 4 to 9 days | 10 to 19 days | 20 days and over | Total           | 1 day | 2 days | 3 days | 4 to 9 days | 10 to 19 days | 20 days and over |
| Total                | 12,612                 | 5,121        | 2,381 | 748    | 541    | 1,217       | 207           | 27               | 7,491           | 4,055 | 1,147  | 846    | 1,185       | 184           | 74               |
| District of Columbia | 106                    | 32           | 7     | 3      | 3      | 17          | 2             | 0                | 74              | 13    | 12     | 15     | 29          | 3             | 2                |
| First Circuit        | 487                    | 205          | 67    | 31     | 21     | 62          | 20            | 4                | 282             | 113   | 45     | 40     | 66          | 12            | 6                |
| Maine                | 59                     | 18           | 5     | 2      | 4      | 4           | 3             | 0                | 41              | 24    | 11     | 4      | 2           | 0             | 0                |
| Massachusetts        | 232                    | 100          | 29    | 15     | 7      | 38          | 9             | 2                | 132             | 47    | 18     | 18     | 41          | 5             | 3                |
| New Hampshire        | 35                     | 13           | 6     | 0      | 0      | 6           | 1             | 0                | 22              | 16    | 2      | 2      | 2           | 0             | 0                |
| Rhode Island         | 51                     | 26           | 8     | 6      | 6      | 5           | 0             | 1                | 25              | 8     | 4      | 6      | 5           | 2             | 0                |
| Puerto Rico          | 110                    | 48           | 19    | 8      | 4      | 9           | 7             | 1                | 62              | 18    | 10     | 10     | 16          | 5             | 3                |
| Second Circuit       | 839                    | 462          | 161   | 82     | 46     | 135         | 36            | 2                | 377             | 126   | 43     | 39     | 123         | 32            | 14               |
| Connecticut          | 99                     | 70           | 24    | 9      | 6      | 27          | 4             | 0                | 29              | 9     | 4      | 2      | 9           | 4             | 1                |
| New York:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 72                     | 42           | 11    | 17     | 8      | 4           | 2             | 0                | 30              | 17    | 0      | 6      | 7           | 0             | 0                |
| Eastern              | 202                    | 105          | 44    | 17     | 6      | 29          | 9             | 0                | 97              | 30    | 14     | 13     | 30          | 5             | 5                |
| Southern             | 373                    | 204          | 63    | 32     | 20     | 67          | 20            | 2                | 169             | 54    | 18     | 13     | 60          | 18            | 6                |
| Western              | 70                     | 31           | 17    | 6      | 2      | 5           | 1             | 0                | 39              | 9     | 4      | 5      | 15          | 5             | 1                |
| Vermont              | 23                     | 10           | 2     | 1      | 4      | 3           | 0             | 0                | 13              | 7     | 3      | 0      | 2           | 0             | 1                |
| Third Circuit        | 928                    | 501          | 232   | 71     | 52     | 122         | 21            | 3                | 427             | 224   | 54     | 49     | 76          | 13            | 11               |
| Delaware             | 61                     | 39           | 15    | 4      | 1      | 17          | 2             | 0                | 22              | 13    | 7      | 1      | 1           | 0             | 0                |
| New Jersey           | 187                    | 113          | 50    | 16     | 8      | 29          | 9             | 1                | 74              | 36    | 9      | 7      | 14          | 3             | 5                |
| Pennsylvania:        |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 278                    | 174          | 76    | 28     | 26     | 36          | 7             | 1                | 104             | 13    | 15     | 23     | 44          | 5             | 4                |
| Middle               | 153                    | 70           | 36    | 12     | 8      | 11          | 2             | 1                | 83              | 69    | 6      | 2      | 5           | 0             | 1                |
| Western              | 224                    | 100          | 54    | 9      | 9      | 27          | 1             | 0                | 124             | 90    | 12     | 10     | 8           | 3             | 1                |
| Virgin Islands       | 25                     | 5            | 1     | 2      | 0      | 2           | 0             | 0                | 20              | 3     | 5      | 6      | 4           | 2             | 0                |
| Fourth Circuit       | 1,482                  | 509          | 329   | 59     | 47     | 63          | 10            | 1                | 973             | 648   | 131    | 82     | 90          | 18            | 4                |
| Maryland             | 182                    | 70           | 36    | 10     | 4      | 16          | 4             | 0                | 112             | 57    | 10     | 13     | 22          | 7             | 3                |
| North Carolina:      |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 71                     | 33           | 24    | 2      | 3      | 4           | 0             | 0                | 38              | 17    | 8      | 3      | 9           | 1             | 0                |
| Middle               | 111                    | 27           | 14    | 6      | 3      | 4           | 0             | 0                | 84              | 46    | 25     | 9      | 4           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 92                     | 10           | 5     | 1      | 1      | 3           | 0             | 0                | 82              | 42    | 17     | 13     | 9           | 1             | 0                |
| South Carolina       | 389                    | 223          | 184   | 9      | 12     | 14          | 4             | 0                | 166             | 124   | 15     | 17     | 10          | 0             | 0                |
| Virginia:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 379                    | 72           | 30    | 14     | 10     | 15          | 2             | 1                | 307             | 232   | 32     | 13     | 22          | 7             | 1                |
| Western              | 120                    | 42           | 24    | 9      | 8      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 78              | 61    | 7      | 4      | 4           | 2             | 0                |
| West Virginia:       |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 53                     | 13           | 8     | 3      | 1      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 40              | 15    | 8      | 9      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Southern             | 85                     | 19           | 4     | 5      | 5      | 5           | 0             | 0                | 66              | 54    | 9      | 1      | 2           | 0             | 0                |
| Fifth Circuit        | 1,756                  | 776          | 441   | 111    | 90     | 114         | 20            | 0                | 980             | 622   | 163    | 94     | 87          | 8             | 6                |
| Louisiana:           |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 152                    | 97           | 58    | 15     | 9      | 10          | 5             | 0                | 55              | 42    | 4      | 4      | 5           | 0             | 0                |
| Middle               | 73                     | 34           | 30    | 1      | 2      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 39              | 37    | 1      | 1      | 0           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 109                    | 45           | 23    | 6      | 6      | 10          | 0             | 0                | 64              | 32    | 16     | 6      | 9           | 1             | 0                |
| Mississippi:         |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 79                     | 49           | 21    | 10     | 8      | 7           | 3             | 0                | 30              | 22    | 5      | 2      | 1           | 0             | 0                |
| Southern             | 123                    | 68           | 26    | 16     | 10     | 15          | 1             | 0                | 55              | 37    | 10     | 3      | 3           | 1             | 1                |
| Texas:               |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 285                    | 109          | 64    | 16     | 12     | 13          | 4             | 0                | 176             | 131   | 15     | 11     | 17          | 1             | 1                |
| Eastern              | 165                    | 95           | 56    | 8      | 10     | 18          | 3             | 0                | 70              | 40    | 11     | 8      | 11          | 0             | 0                |
| Southern             | 442                    | 173          | 97    | 25     | 21     | 27          | 3             | 0                | 269             | 160   | 52     | 28     | 22          | 3             | 4                |
| Western              | 328                    | 106          | 66    | 14     | 12     | 13          | 1             | 0                | 222             | 121   | 49     | 31     | 19          | 2             | 0                |
| Sixth Circuit        | 1,139                  | 450          | 198   | 80     | 34     | 116         | 18            | 4                | 689             | 367   | 121    | 77     | 106         | 16            | 2                |
| Kentucky:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 77                     | 15           | 7     | 1      | 4      | 1           | 1             | 1                | 62              | 33    | 16     | 6      | 7           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 108                    | 31           | 17    | 4      | 2      | 7           | 1             | 0                | 77              | 49    | 11     | 5      | 11          | 1             | 0                |
| Michigan:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 158                    | 89           | 24    | 16     | 3      | 36          | 7             | 3                | 69              | 20    | 13     | 12     | 20          | 4             | 0                |
| Western              | 86                     | 37           | 24    | 4      | 2      | 7           | 0             | 0                | 49              | 27    | 6      | 9      | 6           | 1             | 0                |
| Ohio:                |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 164                    | 70           | 30    | 18     | 3      | 14          | 5             | 0                | 94              | 44    | 13     | 8      | 23          | 5             | 1                |
| Southern             | 159                    | 56           | 27    | 9      | 3      | 14          | 3             | 0                | 103             | 71    | 9      | 6      | 13          | 3             | 1                |
| Tennessee:           |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 117                    | 48           | 22    | 9      | 7      | 10          | 0             | 0                | 69              | 35    | 19     | 8      | 7           | 0             | 0                |
| Middle               | 115                    | 64           | 34    | 9      | 7      | 14          | 0             | 0                | 51              | 29    | 10     | 4      | 6           | 2             | 0                |
| Western              | 155                    | 40           | 13    | 10     | 3      | 13          | 1             | 0                | 115             | 59    | 24     | 19     | 13          | 0             | 0                |

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|----------------------|------------------------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
|                      |                        | Total        | 1 day | 2 days | 3 days | 4 to 9 days | 10 to 19 days | 20 days and over | Total           | 1 day | 2 days | 3 days | 4 to 9 days | 10 to 19 days | 20 days and over |
| Seventh Circuit      | 797                    | 341          | 152   | 59     | 51     | 67          | 11            | 1                | 456             | 233   | 65     | 53     | 91          | 12            | 2                |
| Illinois:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 245                    | 119          | 32    | 21     | 30     | 28          | 7             | 1                | 126             | 25    | 15     | 20     | 57          | 7             | 2                |
| Central              | 132                    | 52           | 39    | 6      | 2      | 4           | 1             | 0                | 80              | 61    | 6      | 7      | 6           | 0             | 0                |
| Southern             | 109                    | 36           | 16    | 6      | 1      | 12          | 1             | 0                | 73              | 52    | 6      | 6      | 9           | 0             | 0                |
| Indiana:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 111                    | 22           | 12    | 2      | 4      | 4           | 0             | 0                | 89              | 57    | 12     | 9      | 8           | 3             | 0                |
| Southern             | 122                    | 73           | 43    | 11     | 10     | 9           | 0             | 0                | 49              | 28    | 10     | 7      | 2           | 2             | 0                |
| Wisconsin:           |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 38                     | 11           | 0     | 5      | 1      | 3           | 2             | 0                | 27              | 4     | 13     | 2      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 40                     | 28           | 10    | 8      | 3      | 7           | 0             | 0                | 12              | 6     | 3      | 2      | 1           | 0             | 0                |
| Eighth Circuit       | 951                    | 391          | 178   | 63     | 46     | 98          | 4             | 2                | 560             | 286   | 81     | 91     | 92          | 9             | 1                |
| Arkansas:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 128                    | 87           | 26    | 17     | 15     | 26          | 2             | 1                | 41              | 25    | 4      | 3      | 9           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 39                     | 29           | 7     | 11     | 5      | 6           | 0             | 0                | 10              | 5     | 0      | 2      | 3           | 0             | 0                |
| Iowa:                |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 87                     | 16           | 7     | 3      | 0      | 6           | 0             | 0                | 71              | 38    | 12     | 12     | 9           | 0             | 0                |
| Southern             | 130                    | 36           | 23    | 5      | 2      | 6           | 0             | 0                | 94              | 61    | 13     | 13     | 6           | 1             | 0                |
| Minnesota:           |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 83                     | 32           | 8     | 1      | 6      | 16          | 1             | 0                | 51              | 20    | 5      | 7      | 14          | 5             | 0                |
| Missouri:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 101                    | 61           | 34    | 11     | 3      | 11          | 1             | 1                | 40              | 12    | 12     | 11     | 5           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 137                    | 58           | 42    | 7      | 4      | 5           | 0             | 0                | 79              | 49    | 14     | 7      | 6           | 3             | 0                |
| Nebraska:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 116                    | 46           | 21    | 7      | 7      | 11          | 0             | 0                | 70              | 35    | 10     | 10     | 15          | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 32                     | 9            | 1     | 0      | 1      | 7           | 0             | 0                | 23              | 3     | 5      | 5      | 9           | 0             | 1                |
| North Dakota:        |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 98                     | 17           | 9     | 1      | 3      | 4           | 0             | 0                | 81              | 38    | 6      | 21     | 16          | 0             | 0                |
| South Dakota:        |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Ninth Circuit        | 1,820                  | 615          | 207   | 80     | 57     | 221         | 44            | 6                | 1,205           | 625   | 203    | 136    | 203         | 25            | 13               |
| Alaska:              |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 30                     | 5            | 4     | 0      | 0      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 25              | 7     | 4      | 2      | 11          | 1             | 0                |
| Western              | 231                    | 78           | 21    | 10     | 12     | 32          | 0             | 3                | 153             | 56    | 37     | 30     | 28          | 2             | 0                |
| California:          |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 115                    | 66           | 14    | 8      | 7      | 28          | 8             | 1                | 49              | 16    | 5      | 1      | 23          | 4             | 0                |
| Eastern              | 97                     | 44           | 9     | 8      | 4      | 17          | 6             | 0                | 53              | 21    | 13     | 7      | 9           | 2             | 1                |
| Central              | 340                    | 171          | 63    | 18     | 17     | 61          | 11            | 1                | 169             | 60    | 23     | 22     | 45          | 12            | 7                |
| Southern             | 293                    | 40           | 8     | 9      | 4      | 15          | 4             | 0                | 253             | 135   | 50     | 34     | 30          | 1             | 3                |
| Hawaii:              |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 46                     | 19           | 15    | 3      | 0      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 27              | 16    | 0      | 3      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 37                     | 14           | 4     | 1      | 1      | 7           | 1             | 0                | 23              | 12    | 2      | 1      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Idaho:               |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 137                    | 11           | 8     | 1      | 0      | 2           | 0             | 0                | 126             | 73    | 38     | 10     | 5           | 0             | 0                |
| Montana:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 104                    | 57           | 26    | 12     | 3      | 15          | 1             | 0                | 47              | 22    | 6      | 5      | 10          | 2             | 2                |
| Western              | 117                    | 36           | 9     | 5      | 6      | 15          | 1             | 0                | 81              | 61    | 12     | 4      | 3           | 1             | 0                |
| Oregon:              |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 122                    | 22           | 8     | 2      | 3      | 6           | 3             | 0                | 100             | 73    | 11     | 9      | 7           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 133                    | 49           | 18    | 3      | 0      | 20          | 8             | 0                | 84              | 68    | 1      | 7      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Washington:          |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eastern              | 13                     | 1            | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0           | 1             | 0                | 12              | 5     | 1      | 0      | 6           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 13                     | 1            | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0           | 1             | 0                | 12              | 5     | 1      | 0      | 6           | 0             | 0                |
| Guam:                |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 5                      | 2            | 0     | 0      | 0      | 1           | 0             | 1                | 3               | 0     | 0      | 1      | 2           | 0             | 0                |
| Northern Marianas:   |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Tenth Circuit        | 851                    | 303          | 131   | 33     | 38     | 91          | 9             | 1                | 548             | 335   | 71     | 56     | 74          | 8             | 4                |
| Colorado:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 164                    | 88           | 30    | 11     | 9      | 31          | 6             | 1                | 76              | 45    | 11     | 6      | 11          | 3             | 0                |
| Western              | 197                    | 47           | 24    | 6      | 6      | 10          | 1             | 0                | 150             | 110   | 17     | 10     | 8           | 3             | 2                |
| New Mexico:          |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 162                    | 42           | 22    | 7      | 7      | 6           | 0             | 0                | 120             | 66    | 23     | 15     | 15          | 0             | 1                |
| Oklahoma:            |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 78                     | 29           | 15    | 0      | 2      | 12          | 0             | 0                | 49              | 29    | 2      | 5      | 12          | 1             | 0                |
| Eastern              | 46                     | 18           | 12    | 3      | 2      | 1           | 0             | 0                | 28              | 11    | 7      | 5      | 4           | 0             | 1                |
| Western              | 61                     | 31           | 8     | 3      | 5      | 15          | 0             | 0                | 30              | 11    | 5      | 8      | 5           | 1             | 0                |
| Utah:                |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 107                    | 38           | 18    | 3      | 6      | 11          | 0             | 0                | 69              | 51    | 5      | 5      | 8           | 0             | 0                |
| Western              | 36                     | 10           | 2     | 0      | 1      | 5           | 2             | 0                | 26              | 12    | 1      | 2      | 11          | 0             | 0                |
| Wyoming:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Eleventh Circuit     | 1,456                  | 536          | 278   | 76     | 56     | 111         | 12            | 3                | 920             | 463   | 158    | 114    | 148         | 28            | 9                |
| Alabama:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 182                    | 49           | 18    | 12     | 5      | 14          | 0             | 0                | 133             | 94    | 21     | 6      | 9           | 3             | 0                |
| Middle               | 82                     | 30           | 18    | 3      | 4      | 5           | 0             | 0                | 52              | 32    | 10     | 5      | 4           | 0             | 1                |
| Southern             | 91                     | 11           | 6     | 2      | 1      | 2           | 0             | 0                | 80              | 63    | 7      | 4      | 5           | 1             | 0                |
| Florida:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 192                    | 38           | 22    | 8      | 4      | 4           | 0             | 0                | 154             | 115   | 24     | 12     | 1           | 2             | 0                |
| Middle               | 277                    | 121          | 59    | 16     | 17     | 25          | 3             | 1                | 156             | 56    | 30     | 30     | 30          | 7             | 3                |
| Southern             | 334                    | 138          | 69    | 21     | 10     | 29          | 7             | 2                | 196             | 39    | 38     | 39     | 65          | 12            | 3                |
| Georgia:             |                        |              |       |        |        |             |               |                  |                 |       |        |        |             |               |                  |
| Northern             | 183                    | 107          | 66    | 11     | 9      | 19          | 2             | 0                | 76              | 31    | 8      | 9      | 25          | 2             | 1                |
| Middle               | 55                     | 20           | 4     | 2      | 3      | 11          | 0             | 0                | 35              | 18    | 7      | 3      | 6           | 1             | 0                |
| Southern             | 60                     | 22           | 16    | 1      | 3      | 2           | 0             | 0                | 38              | 15    | 13     | 6      | 3           | 0             | 1                |

Note: This table includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only. Trials conducted by magistrate judges and sentencing hearings are excluded. Includes trials of miscellaneous cases, hearings on temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions, hearings on contested motions, and other contested proceedings in which evidence is introduced.

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