

**Sourcebook of criminal justice statistics Online**

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**Petitions for review on writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court filed, terminated, and pending**

By circuit and nature of proceeding, fiscal year 2006

Circuit and nature of proceeding	Pending		Terminated			Pending	Circuit and nature of proceeding	Pending		Terminated			Pending
	Oct. 1, 2005	Filed	Granted	Denied	Dis-missed	Sept. 30, 2006		Oct. 1, 2005	Filed	Granted	Denied	Dis-missed	Sept. 30, 2006
<b>Total</b>	3,214	7,002	137	6,487	36	3,556	<b>Sixth Circuit</b>	222	546	14	512	2	240
Criminal	984	3,437	49	3,069	4	1,299	Criminal	43	152	0	124	0	71
U.S. civil	526	1,029	29	955	18	553	U.S. civil	32	86	3	82	0	33
Private civil	1,607	2,423	50	2,379	14	1,587	Private civil	144	295	8	298	2	131
Administrative appeals	97	113	9	84	0	117	Administrative appeals	3	13	3	8	0	5
<b>District of Columbia</b>	29	89	3	71	3	41	<b>Seventh Circuit</b>	107	451	17	392	8	141
Criminal	4	14	0	10	0	8	Criminal	42	154	1	122	0	73
U.S. civil	19	54	2	46	3	22	U.S. civil	12	97	16	71	7	15
Private civil	1	18	0	10	0	9	Private civil	51	196	0	196	1	50
Administrative appeals	5	3	1	5	0	2	Administrative appeals	2	4	0	3	0	3
<b>First Circuit</b>	102	125	3	93	0	131	<b>Eighth Circuit</b>	178	502	12	467	0	201
Criminal	37	75	2	51	0	59	Criminal	60	251	5	234	0	72
U.S. civil	18	10	0	12	0	16	U.S. civil	32	97	2	93	0	34
Private civil	42	38	1	27	0	52	Private civil	77	146	2	134	0	87
Administrative appeals	5	2	0	3	0	4	Administrative appeals	9	8	3	6	0	8
<b>Second Circuit</b>	490	279	11	279	1	478	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	923	987	10	895	0	1,005
Criminal	109	94	3	90	0	110	Criminal	211	291	0	242	0	260
U.S. civil	65	33	0	34	0	64	U.S. civil	146	128	2	114	0	158
Private civil	307	139	8	150	1	287	Private civil	513	545	8	522	0	528
Administrative appeals	9	13	0	5	0	17	Administrative appeals	53	23	0	17	0	59
<b>Third Circuit</b>	169	268	4	384	5	44	<b>Tenth Circuit</b>	123	394	6	361	0	150
Criminal	29	66	1	77	1	16	Criminal	50	200	3	192	0	55
U.S. civil	28	61	0	81	0	8	U.S. civil	13	62	0	49	0	26
Private civil	111	136	3	221	4	19	Private civil	59	127	2	118	0	66
Administrative appeals	1	5	0	5	0	1	Administrative appeals	1	5	1	2	0	3
<b>Fourth Circuit</b>	157	751	11	656	5	236	<b>Eleventh Circuit</b>	361	885	37	890	8	311
Criminal	0	366	5	291	0	70	Criminal	193	395	24	446	2	116
U.S. civil	65	178	1	151	3	88	U.S. civil	70	186	3	184	5	64
Private civil	90	197	4	203	2	78	Private civil	95	286	10	247	1	123
Administrative appeals	2	10	1	11	0	0	Administrative appeals	3	18	0	13	0	8
<b>Fifth Circuit</b>	353	1,725	9	1,487	4	578							
Criminal	206	1,379	5	1,190	1	389							
U.S. civil	26	37	0	38	0	25							
Private civil	117	300	4	253	3	157							
Administrative appeals	4	9	0	6	0	7							

Note: "Writ of certiorari" is an order by the appellate court that is used when the court has discretion on whether to hear an appeal. If the appellate court grants the writ, it has the effect of ordering the lower court to certify the record and send it up to the higher court, which will then hear the appeal. "U.S. civil" filings involve suits against the Federal Government brought in U.S. District Courts. "Private civil" filings involve suits wherein litigation is between States and/or private citizens. "Administrative appeals" include applications for enforcement or petitions for review of orders of an administrative board or agency. Data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal circuit are not included in the above table. For a list of U.S. District Courts in each circuit, see [table 5.11.2006](#).

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