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Antitrust cases filed in U.S. District Courts

By type of case, 1975-2012^a

	Total	U.S. Government cases		Private (civil) cases	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1975	1,467	92	6.3%	1,375	93.7%
1976	1,574	70	4.4	1,504	95.6
1977	1,689	78	4.6	1,611	95.4
1978	1,507	72	4.8	1,435	95.2
1979	1,312	78	5.9	1,234	94.1
1980	1,535	78	5.1	1,457	94.9
1981	1,434	142	9.9	1,292	90.1
1982	1,148	111	9.7	1,037	90.3
1983	1,287	95	7.4	1,192	92.6
1984	1,201	101	8.4	1,100	91.6
1985	1,142	90	7.9	1,052	92.1
1986	922	84	9.1	838	90.9
1987	858	100	11.6	758	88.4
1988	752	98	13.0	654	87.0
1989	738	99	13.4	639	86.6
1990	542	90	16.6	452	83.4
1991	743	93	12.5	650	87.5
1992	566	85	15.0	481	84.9
1993	724	86	11.9	638	88.1
1994	729	71	9.7	658	90.3
1995	819	75	9.2	744	90.8
1996	720	73	10.1	647	89.9
1997	632	62	9.8	570	90.2
1998	605	57	9.4	548	90.6
1999	684	76	11.1	608	88.9
2000	901	90	10.0	811	90.0
2001	751	44	5.9	707	94.1
2002	850	44	5.2	806	94.8
2003	773	44	5.7	729	94.3
2004	764	33	4.3	731	95.7
2005	843	47	5.6	796	94.4
2006	1,004	37	3.7	967	96.3
2007	1,054	36	3.4	1,018	96.6
2008	1,339	52	3.9	1,287	96.1
2009	841	49	5.8	792	94.2
2010	570	47	8.2	523	91.8
2011	510	58	11.4	452	88.6
2012	745	43	5.8	702	94.2

Note: Beginning with the fiscal year 2012 data two changes occurred: 1.) Until fiscal year 2012, "U.S. Government cases" included both civil and criminal filings, (and included cases where the Government was plaintiff or defendant). Beginning in FY 2012, Government cases include only criminal filings; civil filings previously included in that category are now included in "Private cases," which are strictly civil court filings for all years; 2.) Beginning in FY 2012 the Source discontinued publication of most tabulations of "cases filed" and now produces only tabulations of "defendants in cases filed" because, according to the Source, "single-case profiles often do not capture the characteristics and complexity of multi-defendant cases" (Source, 2012). Therefore, beginning with the 2012 data, U.S. Government filings represents a count of defendants not a count of cases as in previous years. This change will result in somewhat larger counts for this category.

Data for 1975-91 are reported for the 12-month period ending June 30. Beginning in 1992, data are reported for the Federal fiscal year, which over is the 12-month period ending September 30. Data for 1988-91 have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

^aPercents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Annual Report of the Director*, 1985, p. 156; 1986, pp. 176, 238; 1995, pp. 139, 209; 1998, pp. 143, 212; 1999, pp. 137, 206 (Washington, DC: Administrative Office of the United States Courts); Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Annual Report of the Director*, 1984, p. 151; 1987, pp. 178, 257; 1988, pp. 181, 260; 1989, pp. 177, 258; 1990, pp. 137, 187; 1991, pp. 190, 243; 1992, pp. 179, 250; 1993, pp. A1-55, A53; 1994, Tables C-2 and D-2; 1996, pp. 136, 205; 1997, pp. 129, 198 (Washington, DC: USGPO); and Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Judicial Business of the United States Courts: 2000 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 136, 205; *2001 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 131, 195; *2002 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 130, 195; *2003 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 127, 195; *2004 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 133, 201; *2005 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 159, 227; *2006 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 163, 231; *2007 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 146, 228; *2008 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 144, 227; *2009 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 142, 222; *2010 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 145, 225; *2011 Annual Report of the Director*, pp. 126, 213; *2012 Annual Report of the Director*, Tables C-2A and D-2 (Washington, DC: USGPO). Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.