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Total	87,985	7.1	7,755	6.5	76,610	6.9	386	6.7	3,234	15.7
District of Columbia	582	14.3	59	15.0	469	12.9	0	X	54	21.4
First Circuit	1,958	10.9	122	14.1	1,683	10.4	23	11.2	130	20.1
Maine	248	7.9	15	23.2	220	7.6	2	B	11	11.2
Massachusetts	608	18.4	26	19.9	512	17.8	17	21.5	53	25.7
New Hampshire	250	9.6	21	8.5	222	9.6	1	B	6	B
Rhode Island	146	7.1	3	B	130	7.0	1	B	12	25.6
Puerto Rico	706	9.4	57	14.1	599	9.0	2	B	48	11.5
Second Circuit	5,010	14.4	199	14.3	4,533	13.8	14	31.7	264	27.6
Connecticut	426	13.0	23	23.9	387	12.6	0	X	16	33.6
New York:										
Northern	492	9.4	32	20.9	447	8.7	0	X	13	17.2
Eastern	1,132	15.6	37	28.4	1,016	15.1	7	B	72	27.4
Southern	1,994	16.4	82	10.6	1,783	15.9	2	B	127	27.8
Western	741	8.2	17	22.3	690	7.5	4	B	30	26.4
Vermont	225	14.7	8	B	210	14.6	1	B	6	B
Third Circuit	3,911	10.8	389	10.3	3,213	9.9	19	17.0	290	21.6
Delaware	139	9.3	14	10.0	113	8.6	0	X	12	21.1
New Jersey	1,271	10.8	146	4.7	1,069	10.8	3	B	53	28.4
Pennsylvania:										
Eastern	1,115	12.7	62	18.8	884	11.1	3	B	166	20.0
Middle	610	9.0	48	11.0	542	8.7	6	B	14	15.5
Western	619	9.7	64	5.7	515	9.5	5	B	35	20.4
Virgin Islands	157	11.0	55	21.8	90	6.9	2	B	10	20.3
Fourth Circuit	9,848	6.6	1,591	4.1	7,718	6.8	121	3.0	418	13.8
Maryland	1,595	4.7	600	2.5	907	6.4	18	3.3	70	20.5
North Carolina:										
Eastern	1,106	7.3	132	5.4	943	7.3	6	B	25	16.0
Middle	497	6.3	24	3.4	442	6.3	0	X	31	8.1
Western	922	13.3	65	9.8	814	13.3	2	B	41	16.1
South Carolina	1,389	8.9	119	6.7	1,220	8.9	0	X	50	15.0
Virginia:										
Eastern	2,916	4.1	563	4.2	2,172	4.0	89	2.4	92	10.8
Western	670	10.5	33	12.6	569	10.3	5	B	63	17.1
West Virginia:										
Northern	431	6.3	43	8.7	365	6.0	0	X	23	8.9
Southern	322	6.9	12	4.3	286	6.8	1	B	23	12.9
Fifth Circuit	17,554	5.5	975	6.2	16,174	5.5	50	9.2	355	11.9
Louisiana:										
Eastern	433	9.7	21	19.2	408	9.6	0	X	4	B
Middle	210	8.0	4	B	204	8.1	1	B	1	B
Western	643	8.3	95	6.4	507	8.2	6	B	35	22.0
Mississippi:										
Northern	190	8.6	13	10.7	162	8.1	0	X	15	13.0
Southern	565	7.4	106	8.9	419	7.0	3	B	37	12.0
Texas:										
Northern	1,268	7.1	117	13.6	1,083	7.0	4	B	64	12.5
Eastern	981	9.2	83	8.6	867	9.2	1	B	30	13.5
Southern	6,770	4.9	264	3.3	6,419	4.9	15	11.7	72	12.0
Western	6,494	5.1	272	5.7	6,105	5.1	20	8.9	97	8.0
Sixth Circuit	6,482	8.7	612	6.5	5,500	8.5	23	11.9	347	16.3
Kentucky:										
Eastern	658	6.6	59	6.8	570	6.3	0	X	29	11.0
Western	746	5.0	216	2.5	504	6.4	9	B	17	8.8
Michigan:										
Eastern	939	12.4	82	12.6	793	11.9	5	B	59	26.1
Western	537	7.3	50	9.6	454	7.1	0	X	33	14.5
Ohio:										
Northern	1,094	7.0	47	4.5	981	6.9	2	B	64	15.4
Southern	804	8.3	28	6.5	744	8.0	3	B	29	17.8
Tennessee:										
Eastern	652	10.1	50	13.6	552	9.6	2	B	48	15.2
Middle	339	10.4	23	5.7	281	10.4	1	B	34	18.1
Western	713	13.7	57	14.4	621	13.5	1	B	34	19.2

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Seventh Circuit	3,464	9.2	221	7.6	3,035	9.0	7	B	201	17.0
Illinois:										
Northern	1,144	13.6	41	13.0	1,017	13.1	1	B	85	19.8
Central	417	7.8	39	2.7	366	7.8	0	X	12	25.7
Southern	418	9.1	20	10.6	391	8.9	1	B	6	B
Indiana:										
Northern	483	8.7	33	10.7	412	8.3	0	X	38	17.3
Southern	365	7.4	42	7.3	294	7.3	3	B	26	14.2
Wisconsin:										
Eastern	372	8.7	24	5.7	321	8.6	1	B	26	12.4
Western	265	4.9	22	4.6	234	4.8	1	B	8	B
Eighth Circuit	6,223	8.7	405	7.5	5,577	8.7	23	6.7	218	13.6
Arkansas:										
Eastern	458	11.5	57	11.5	389	11.3	1	B	11	21.8
Western	215	5.8	16	8.1	195	5.6	0	X	4	B
Iowa:										
Northern	476	8.9	21	7.6	415	8.7	2	B	38	11.1
Southern	439	11.5	21	13.0	399	11.5	4	B	15	13.0
Minnesota:										
Northern	644	9.8	36	8.0	571	9.4	0	X	37	19.1
Missouri:										
Eastern	1,150	6.3	99	2.3	1,032	6.5	2	B	17	16.9
Western	970	11.0	18	9.3	925	11.0	6	B	21	18.0
Nebraska:										
Northern	1,023	9.9	78	14.2	911	9.5	2	B	32	15.5
South Dakota	322	5.4	17	8.7	287	5.1	0	X	18	9.2
South Dakota	526	7.3	42	7.5	453	7.3	6	B	25	11.2
Ninth Circuit	16,602	7.0	1,542	7.0	14,651	6.8	42	7.7	367	16.5
Alaska:										
Northern	209	6.0	30	4.7	156	6.1	3	B	20	9.3
Arizona	4,735	6.2	223	18.9	4,455	6.0	4	B	53	17.4
California:										
Northern	848	9.8	104	15.4	722	9.0	4	B	18	28.6
Eastern	1,167	9.1	65	10.0	1,087	9.0	1	B	14	31.6
Central	1,860	11.2	115	9.8	1,662	10.5	7	B	76	23.3
Southern	2,913	3.9	292	2.2	2,582	3.9	4	B	35	11.8
Hawaii:										
Northern	555	11.9	81	6.7	456	12.0	1	B	17	38.5
Idaho	317	8.3	36	6.4	272	8.4	0	X	9	B
Montana	561	8.0	53	6.6	459	7.9	8	B	41	9.6
Nevada	633	11.2	64	15.9	546	11.0	0	X	23	19.3
Oregon	804	9.8	110	13.3	669	9.3	6	B	19	46.0
Washington:										
Eastern	492	8.2	92	6.3	384	8.4	2	B	14	12.2
Western	1,336	6.0	245	3.3	1,075	6.6	1	B	15	12.8
Guam:										
Northern	130	8.7	26	8.8	94	8.4	1	B	9	B
Northern Marianas	42	5.1	6	B	32	3.6	0	X	4	B
Tenth Circuit	7,642	5.0	680	4.7	6,761	5.0	22	4.3	179	13.8
Colorado:										
Northern	723	8.0	75	7.7	634	8.0	1	B	13	15.5
Kansas	936	7.7	174	3.8	731	8.0	2	B	29	18.1
New Mexico	3,181	3.4	137	9.2	3,009	3.3	1	B	34	17.9
Oklahoma:										
Northern	257	7.4	25	21.8	212	7.1	2	B	18	14.1
Eastern	104	6.4	11	1.9	72	6.5	2	B	19	7.7
Western	802	1.6	127	0.9	644	1.6	3	B	28	11.3
Utah	1,200	6.9	122	8.3	1,039	6.6	11	2.8	28	13.1
Wyoming	439	5.7	9	B	420	5.6	0	X	10	9.5
Eleventh Circuit	8,709	6.7	960	9.6	7,296	6.5	42	5.7	411	11.6
Alabama:										
Northern	617	6.0	76	4.1	504	6.0	1	B	36	12.5
Middle	334	8.1	66	6.1	256	8.1	0	X	12	15.3
Southern	425	7.1	8	B	388	6.9	0	X	29	9.8
Florida:										
Northern	638	4.6	68	2.1	529	4.6	7	B	34	7.5
Middle	1,925	7.0	109	10.6	1,720	6.9	7	B	89	11.5
Southern	2,273	5.8	107	13.1	2,064	5.6	7	B	95	7.4
Georgia:										
Northern	1,074	9.9	211	12.2	802	8.6	7	B	54	22.0
Middle	640	8.2	83	5.6	521	8.3	9	B	27	12.6
Southern	783	7.3	232	24.2	512	5.6	4	B	35	12.2

Note: See Note, table 5.24.2006. The median is the number that marks the point below which and above which 50% of all cases fall.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Judicial Business of the United States Courts: 2006 Annual Report of the Director* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2007), pp. 259-261.

^aComputed on 10 or more defendants only.