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Total	88,014	7.0	8,651	9.0	75,949	6.8	497	6.1	2,917	14.4
District of Columbia	553	14.7	64	16.2	453	14.1	1	B	35	32.1
First Circuit	2,228	11.2	173	10.3	1,895	10.8	12	11.5	148	19.6
Maine	216	7.0	13	11.5	183	6.0	1	B	19	9.9
Massachusetts	655	19.0	32	27.8	561	17.7	5	B	57	28.3
New Hampshire	269	10.8	26	7.5	235	10.8	0	X	8	B
Rhode Island	159	6.7	10	5.7	136	6.4	0	X	13	11.3
Puerto Rico	929	10.6	92	8.3	780	10.6	6	B	51	14.3
Second Circuit	4,949	14.3	259	22.7	4,421	13.4	13	12.5	256	23.4
Connecticut	425	12.2	19	14.8	392	11.9	0	X	14	27.4
New York:										
Northern	526	8.9	31	10.9	470	8.0	4	B	21	19.3
Eastern	1,143	17.0	42	29.2	1,019	16.5	3	B	79	22.3
Southern	1,884	18.1	98	20.1	1,657	16.8	4	B	125	26.9
Western	779	8.5	22	19.4	741	8.1	1	B	15	21.9
Vermont	192	14.0	47	190.3	142	11.1	1	B	2	B
Third Circuit	3,832	10.4	389	8.1	3,211	10.1	21	19.3	211	18.3
Delaware	144	8.1	21	6.2	113	7.8	3	B	7	B
New Jersey	1,319	9.6	115	5.0	1,151	9.6	4	B	49	19.6
Pennsylvania:										
Eastern	900	11.0	38	13.4	775	10.6	1	B	86	17.4
Middle	712	11.5	83	21.1	615	10.8	1	B	13	18.7
Western	607	10.3	67	6.3	498	10.2	7	B	35	18.3
Virgin Islands	150	7.4	65	7.4	59	4.9	5	B	21	24.4
Fourth Circuit	10,955	6.6	2,731	11.7	7,718	6.2	188	2.4	318	11.7
Maryland	1,494	5.9	563	2.9	874	7.2	13	4.4	44	29.0
North Carolina:										
Eastern	1,758	17.2	881	41.0	843	6.8	12	5.3	22	15.0
Middle	434	6.1	17	3.2	381	6.2	4	B	32	7.4
Western	868	14.0	76	7.0	754	14.1	2	B	36	17.1
South Carolina	1,382	8.3	111	6.6	1,230	8.3	3	B	38	14.4
Virginia:										
Eastern	3,721	3.4	1,000	3.3	2,503	3.5	146	2.0	72	7.6
Western	678	8.7	36	7.8	594	8.6	3	B	45	14.3
West Virginia:										
Northern	312	6.3	35	5.9	259	6.2	2	B	16	11.8
Southern	308	6.7	12	4.7	280	6.5	3	B	13	25.6
Fifth Circuit	16,299	5.5	878	7.0	15,137	5.5	41	7.8	243	10.2
Louisiana:										
Eastern	506	8.2	22	16.4	476	8.2	0	X	8	B
Middle	180	9.3	17	3.0	162	9.9	0	X	1	B
Western	563	8.3	62	6.2	470	8.2	4	B	27	11.0
Mississippi:										
Northern	225	8.9	17	6.7	203	9.0	0	X	5	B
Southern	529	6.8	73	6.4	434	6.8	3	B	19	7.8
Texas:										
Northern	1,215	6.8	98	27.2	1,080	6.7	5	B	32	9.8
Eastern	1,071	8.7	69	6.4	971	8.6	1	B	30	13.8
Southern	5,799	4.9	209	6.9	5,532	4.9	21	8.3	37	11.9
Western	6,211	5.0	311	6.4	5,809	5.0	7	B	84	9.1
Sixth Circuit	6,258	8.5	671	7.2	5,274	8.3	39	5.3	274	15.7
Kentucky:										
Eastern	682	6.5	49	6.8	599	6.4	2	B	32	10.4
Western	871	4.2	234	2.2	602	5.7	18	2.7	17	17.2
Michigan:										
Eastern	896	14.1	104	22.1	744	13.1	3	B	45	23.6
Western	490	6.9	32	5.8	438	6.8	2	B	18	10.9
Ohio:										
Northern	972	7.3	65	11.2	863	7.1	2	B	42	11.2
Southern	700	8.5	35	7.8	639	8.3	3	B	23	16.5
Tennessee:										
Eastern	649	9.2	52	8.7	555	9.0	5	B	37	15.8
Middle	337	10.0	43	10.1	273	9.8	0	X	21	14.7
Western	661	12.8	57	9.5	561	12.8	4	B	39	19.8

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Seventh Circuit	3,295	9.6	189	11.4	2,907	9.2	16	16.8	183	17.7
Illinois:										
Northern	968	14.5	25	25.9	861	13.5	8	B	74	22.7
Central	476	8.5	49	7.9	408	8.3	0	X	19	15.7
Southern	370	9.5	22	70.3	340	9.0	0	X	8	B
Indiana:										
Northern	483	8.7	40	10.2	396	8.2	0	X	47	13.7
Southern	342	10.1	20	11.0	301	10.1	4	B	17	14.7
Wisconsin:										
Eastern	443	8.8	22	12.4	404	8.4	4	B	13	22.1
Western	213	5.3	11	3.9	197	5.3	0	X	5	B
Eighth Circuit	5,927	8.3	363	6.9	5,310	8.2	12	15.2	242	13.3
Arkansas:										
Eastern	449	12.2	62	5.0	377	12.4	1	B	9	B
Western	220	5.8	22	6.8	187	5.8	0	X	11	7.4
Iowa:										
Northern	484	8.2	13	5.7	431	8.1	2	B	38	11.0
Southern	459	11.1	21	25.6	408	10.7	3	B	27	12.8
Minnesota:	589	9.2	20	7.9	527	9.0	2	B	40	14.7
Missouri:										
Eastern	1,135	6.3	106	3.2	1,009	6.4	0	X	20	11.5
Western	859	10.8	25	14.1	807	10.6	2	B	25	25.0
Nebraska:	934	8.3	45	10.5	851	8.0	0	X	38	15.6
North Dakota:	262	6.4	6	B	242	6.2	1	B	13	6.7
South Dakota:	536	6.7	43	8.8	471	6.5	1	B	21	11.2
Ninth Circuit	18,142	6.7	1,521	8.7	16,195	6.5	70	10.3	356	17.2
Alaska:	186	6.7	18	8.1	161	6.4	2	B	5	B
Arizona:	5,202	5.4	252	14.2	4,890	5.2	10	16.2	50	20.0
California:										
Northern	840	11.0	97	23.3	733	9.7	1	B	9	B
Eastern	1,069	10.7	62	8.8	978	10.7	1	B	28	26.2
Central	1,892	11.0	85	21.6	1,732	10.5	5	B	70	25.8
Southern	4,218	4.3	291	2.2	3,863	4.3	15	11.1	49	16.9
Hawaii:	515	7.5	73	8.8	423	7.3	4	B	15	27.1
Idaho:	293	8.0	27	19.2	247	7.8	3	B	16	10.8
Montana:	505	7.4	66	6.2	380	7.3	13	6.1	46	12.2
Nevada:	804	13.8	111	34.2	670	12.6	3	B	20	21.7
Oregon:	760	10.5	93	17.3	656	10.1	1	B	10	18.6
Washington:										
Eastern	461	7.3	67	5.7	377	7.1	5	B	12	10.8
Western	1,264	6.3	244	4.3	1,001	6.4	6	B	13	11.1
Guam:	102	5.4	29	4.0	68	5.7	0	X	5	B
Northern Marianas:	31	5.5	6	B	16	5.4	1	B	8	B
Tenth Circuit	7,021	5.0	637	5.1	6,233	5.0	23	9.1	128	9.8
Colorado:	591	8.1	63	15.4	514	8.0	0	X	14	26.7
Kansas:	829	7.1	153	2.6	659	7.5	7	B	10	11.0
New Mexico:	2,697	3.1	100	10.4	2,585	3.0	2	B	10	17.5
Oklahoma:										
Northern	275	6.8	12	3.7	241	7.0	0	X	22	7.2
Eastern	117	6.6	15	2.1	88	6.7	0	X	14	9.2
Western	840	3.5	102	1.8	701	3.7	6	B	31	9.0
Utah:	1,190	6.8	160	11.9	1,005	6.2	7	B	18	13.4
Wyoming:	482	6.2	32	4.1	440	6.4	1	B	9	B
Eleventh Circuit	8,555	6.6	776	10.1	7,195	6.2	61	7.0	523	10.8
Alabama:										
Northern	711	6.7	82	10.7	554	6.4	12	7.8	63	10.3
Middle	321	8.8	61	7.1	245	9.0	1	B	14	9.6
Southern	371	7.3	30	18.9	314	6.7	2	B	25	12.2
Florida:										
Northern	664	4.5	67	2.7	547	4.4	13	4.5	37	6.0
Middle	1,742	7.2	90	13.7	1,530	6.9	4	B	118	11.7
Southern	2,537	5.6	112	7.1	2,230	5.4	9	B	186	8.8
Georgia:										
Northern	836	10.2	126	17.7	665	9.1	8	B	37	15.6
Middle	706	7.6	99	7.1	566	7.4	11	3.8	30	16.5
Southern	667	6.8	109	11.3	544	6.3	1	B	13	14.6

Note: See Note, table 5.24.2007. 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: 2007 Annual Report of the Director* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2008), pp. 256-258.

^aComputed on 10 or more defendants only.