

**Table 4.15-- UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CASES:
2005 TO 2009**

[Fiscal year ending September 30]

Subject	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Civil cases					
Commenced (filings)	791	726	663	578	622
Terminated	783	739	758	671	604
Pending 1/	759	720	630	2/ 531	549
Criminal cases					
Commenced (filings)	572	377	364	567	411
Terminated	701	426	391	645	565
Pending 3/	708	488	520	2/ 539	385
Bankruptcy					
Commenced (filings)	3,716	2,233	1,281	1,810	2,941
Business	72	43	46	67	117
Nonbusiness	3,644	2,190	1,235	1,743	2,824
Terminated	3,280	3,419	1,482	1,575	2,439
Pending	2,717	1,533	1,335	1,570	2,072

1/ Excludes asbestos cases transferred to the Pennsylvania Eastern District Court under Order 875 of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

2/ Revised from previous *Data Book*.

3/ Excludes each case in which the defendant has been a fugitive since before October 1st of the previous year. However, no case with multiple defendants has been excluded unless all defendants in the case have been fugitives since before October 1st of the previous year. Includes all felony and Class A misdemeanor cases, but includes only those petty offense cases that have been assigned to District judges.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Judicial Business of the United States Courts Annual Report of the Director* (annual) <<http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx>> accessed June 3, 2010.