

**Table 4.16-- UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CASES FILED UNDER CHAPTER 7, 11 AND 13 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE: 2000 TO 2014**

[Based upon original chapter designation at the time the case is originally filed. Table includes cases filed in 2014 which were on the caseload as of December 31, 2014]

| Year    | Chapter 7 1/ |           |           | Chapter 11 2/ |           |           | Chapter 13 3/ |           |           |
|---------|--------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
|         | Total        | Busi-ness | Per-sonal | Total         | Busi-ness | Per-sonal | Total         | Busi-ness | Per-sonal |
| 2000    | 4,012        | 44        | 3,968     | 34            | 22        | 12        | 486           | 3         | 483       |
| 2001    | 4,497        | 39        | 4,458     | 22            | 20        | 2         | 506           | 2         | 504       |
| 2002    | 4,032        | 36        | 3,996     | 20            | 18        | 2         | 432           | -         | 432       |
| 2003    | 3,293        | 39        | 3,254     | 29            | 25        | 4         | 459           | 2         | 457       |
| 2004    | 2,714        | 29        | 2,685     | 18            | 12        | 6         | 366           | 4         | 362       |
| 2005    | 4,125        | 62        | 4,063     | 17            | 15        | 2         | 340           | 3         | 337       |
| 2006 4/ | 793          | 16        | 777       | 9             | 6         | 3         | 151           | 1         | 150       |
| 2007    | 1,127        | 40        | 1,087     | 15            | 13        | 2         | 242           | 2         | 240       |
| 2008    | 1,618        | 53        | 1,565     | 23            | 21        | 2         | 436           | 8         | 428       |
| 2009    | 2,498        | 87        | 2,411     | 15            | 14        | 1         | 601           | 10        | 591       |
| 2010    | 3,040        | 124       | 2,916     | 20            | 16        | 4         | 836           | 14        | 822       |
| 2011    | 2,571        | 129       | 2,442     | 24            | 19        | 5         | 739           | 15        | 724       |
| 2012    | 1,918        | 54        | 1,864     | 12            | 9         | 3         | 602           | 11        | 591       |
| 2013    | 1,521        | 72        | 1,449     | 22            | 14        | 8         | 525           | 14        | 511       |
| 2014    | 1,204        | 45        | 1,159     | 11            | 8         | 3         | 488           | 7         | 481       |

1/ Chapter 7 cases involve the bankruptcy trustee's gathering and sale of the debtor's nonexempt assets, from which holders of claims will receive distributions in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (excerpt taken from Bankruptcy Division Public Information Series, Administrative Office of the United States Courts).

2/ Chapter 11 is the business reorganization chapter. This type of bankruptcy is used primarily by businesses which wish to reorganize and continue in operations after bankruptcy. The business is allowed to continue operations during the pendency of the case and a trustee is appointed only upon motion of a creditor or party in interest. The debtor is required to file a plan of reorganization. Creditors may vote on the plan and the court is required to approve it (excerpt taken from Bankruptcy Division Public Information Series, Administrative Office of the United States Courts).

3/ Chapter 13 is designed for individuals with regular income who desire to pay their debts but are currently unable to do so. The primary benefit of Chapter 13 relief is the ability to repay creditors, in full or in part, in installments over a three to five year period, during which time creditors are prohibited from starting or continuing collection efforts (excerpt taken from Bankruptcy Division Public Information Series, Administrative Office of the United States Courts).

4/ On April 20, 2005, President Bush signed into law the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 ("BAPCPA"). BAPCPA made substantial changes to the Bankruptcy Code. Most BAPCPA changes apply only to cases file on or after October 17, 2005 (excerpt taken from Bankruptcy Division Public Information Series, Administrative Office of the United States Courts).

Source: United States Bankruptcy Court of the District of Hawaii, records; Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Bankruptcy Basics*

<<http://www.uscourts.gov/bankruptcycourts/bankruptcybasics.html>> accessed January 12, 2007.