

**Table 4.16-- UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CASES: 2020 TO 2024**

[Fiscal year ending September 30]

Subject	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Civil cases					
Commenced (filings)	608	590	575	560	702
Terminated 1/	646	622	585	614	682
Pending 1/	549	517	507	450	470
Criminal cases 2/					
Commenced (filings)	160	220	132	121	86
Terminated	146	210	176	135	125
Pending 3/	500	521	479	468	430
Bankruptcy					
Commenced (filings)	1,609	1,330	990	1,038	1,172
Business	66	55	31	54	53
Nonbusiness	1,543	1,275	959	984	1,119
Terminated	1,618	1,503	1,058	1,071	1,159
Pending	1,923	1,750	1,682	1,650	1,663

1/ Includes cases filed in previous years as consolidated cases that thereafter were severed into individual cases.

2/ This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

3/ Excludes defendants who had been fugitives more than 12 months before the end of the period indicated.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, *Judicial Business of the United States Courts Annual Report of the Director* (annual) <<https://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx>> accessed April 22, 2025.