

Table 1.7
U.S. Courts of Appeals. Total Participations in Cases Terminated on the Merits After Oral Hearings or Submission on Briefs

Fiscal Year	Total	Case Participations by						Percent by Senior and Visiting Judges
		Resident Active Circuit Judges		Resident Senior Circuit Judges		Visiting Judges		
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1988	57,939	47,893	82.7	5,804	10.0	4,242	7.3	17.3
1989	62,379	51,742	82.9	6,204	9.9	4,433	7.1	17.0
1990	63,597	51,705	81.3	7,550	11.9	4,342	6.8	18.7
1991	70,017	57,053	81.5	8,098	11.6	4,866	6.9	18.5
1992	71,775	57,178	79.7	9,404	13.1	5,193	7.2	20.3
1993	78,030	62,563	80.2	9,463	12.1	6,004	7.7	19.8
1994	82,613	65,940	79.8	10,477	12.7	6,196	7.5	20.2
1995	84,335	66,059	78.3	12,185	14.4	6,091	7.2	21.7
1996	83,308	66,609	80.0	11,370	13.6	5,329	6.4	20.0
1997	78,324	61,477	78.5	12,025	15.4	4,822	6.2	21.5
1998	75,660	58,373	77.2	12,245	16.2	5,042	6.7	22.8
1999	81,205	64,177	79.0	11,739	14.5	5,289	6.5	21.0
2000	83,475	64,209	76.9	14,281	17.1	4,985	6.0	23.1
2001	87,589	69,195	79.0	13,345	15.2	5,049	5.8	21.0
2002	84,238	64,916	77.1	13,920	16.5	5,402	6.4	22.9
2003	81,792	63,774	78.0	13,381	16.4	4,637	5.7	22.0

Note: Cases terminated on the merits after oral hearings or submissions on briefs by resident senior circuit judges have more than doubled since 1988. Cases terminated by visiting judges increased steadily until 1995, but have since fluctuated.

Source: *Federal Court Management Statistics* (1988-1991), Statistical Table S-2 (1992-2003)