

AMERICA'S MOST PRODUCTIVE

federal district courts

(ranked by court on bench presence* and the cases tried by an average active district judge in that court)

Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2013**

| District | Hours on the Bench | Trial Hours | Civil Trials | Criminal Trials | Average | Productivity Ranking |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|----------------------|
| TENNESSEE MIDDLE | 5th | 2nd | 8th | 17th | 8.0 | 1st |
| FLORIDA SOUTHERN | 2nd | 1st | 25th | 7th | 8.8 | 2nd |
| N. Y. EASTERN | 1st | 3rd | 6th | 31st | 10.3 | 3rd |
| NEVADA | 20th | 10th | 12th | 5th | 11.8 | 4th |
| IDAHO | 8th | 5th | 33rd | 10th | 14.0 | 5th |
| COLORADO | 13th | 7th | 7th | 33rd | 15.0 | 6th |
| CAL. EASTERN | 16th | 11th | 10th | 24th | 15.3 | 7th |
| CONNECTICUT | 7th | 9th | 14th | 33rd | 15.8 | 8th |
| DELAWARE | 10th | 8th | 4th | 43rd | 16.3 | 9th |
| FLORIDA MIDDLE | 30th | 12th | 17th | 10th | 17.3 | 10th |
| N. Y. SOUTHERN | 4th | 6th | 22nd | 41st | 18.3 | 11th |
| ILLINOIS NORTHRN | 3rd | 20th | 21st | 31st | 18.8 | 12th |
| N. Y. NORTHERN | 44th | 18th | 8th | 5th | 18.8 | 12th |
| PUERTO RICO | 6th | 13th | 44th | 16th | 19.8 | 13th |
| ILLINOIS CENTRAL | 14th | 24th | 23rd | 25th | 21.5 | 14th |
| MARYLAND | 18th | 15th | 34th | 19th | 21.5 | 14th |
| VIRGIN ISLANDS | 39th | 19th | 9th | 21st | 22.0 | 15th |
| ARKANSAS EASTERN | 47th | 14th | 5th | 25th | 22.8 | 16th |
| GUAM | 11th | 4th | 51st | 25th | 22.8 | 16th |
| N. Y. WESTERN | 15th | 26th | 35th | 18th | 23.5 | 17th |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 21st | 29th | 44th | 2nd | 24.0 | 18th |
| LOUISIANA MIDDLE | 33rd | 21st | 2nd | 44th | 25.0 | 19th |
| WASHINGTON W. | 28th | 17th | 22nd | 34th | 25.3 | 20th |
| CAL. SOUTHERN | 24th | 35th | 36th | 9th | 26.0 | 21st |
| UTAH | 12th | 33rd | 25th | 35th | 26.3 | 22nd |
| N. CAROLINA EAST | 48th | 51st | 3rd | 4th | 26.5 | 23rd |
| OREGON | 9th | 34th | 28th | 35th | 26.5 | 23rd |
| PENNA. EASTERN | 26th | 31st | 25th | 28th | 27.5 | 24th |
| NEBRASKA | 41st | 28th | 28th | 14th | 27.8 | 25th |
| IOWA NORTHERN | 38th | 25th | 41st | 8th | 28.0 | 26th |
| MINNESOTA | 34th | 16th | 34th | 28th | 28.0 | 26th |
| PENNA. MIDDLE | 46th | 27th | 15th | 25th | 28.3 | 27th |
| ALABAMA MIDDLE | 51st | 22nd | 21st | 20th | 28.5 | 28th |
| ARIZONA | 35th | 36th | 40th | 3rd | 28.5 | 28th |
| MISSOURI EASTERN | 65th | 38th | 1st | 13th | 29.3 | 29th |
| MICHIGAN WESTERN | 45th | 43rd | 11th | 19th | 29.5 | 30th |
| MONTANA | 27th | 42nd | 48th | 1st | 29.5 | 30th |
| TENNESSEE WESTRN | 22nd | 69th | 17th | 13th | 30.3 | 31st |
| VIRGINIA EASTERN | 42nd | 33rd | 33rd | 15th | 30.8 | 32nd |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 23rd | 48th | 49th | 6th | 31.5 | 33rd |

| | Authorized Judgeships | Total Bench Hours | Average | Total Trial Hours | Average | Civil Trials | Average | Criminal Trials | Average |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
| National Statistics | 677 | 259,239.3 | 382.9 | 132,353.7 | 195.5 | 2,906 | 4.3 | 2,726 | 4.0 |

*See Steven S. Gensler & Lee H. Rosenthal, The Reappearing Judge, 61 Kan. L. Rev. 849 (2013); William G. Young & Jordan M. Singer, Bench Presence, Toward a More Complete Model of District Court Productivity, 118 Penn. St. L. Rev. 55 (2013)

**Data extracted from the Administrative Office Statistics Division- District Court Trials Tables FY 2013 T-4, T-6, and T-8