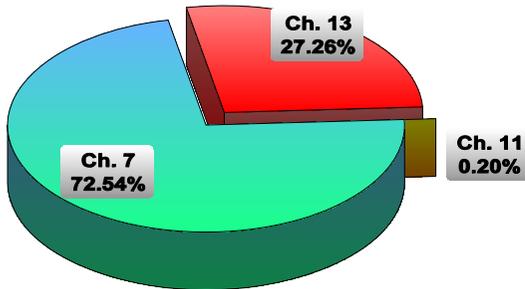




# U.S. Bankruptcy Court Eastern District of Missouri

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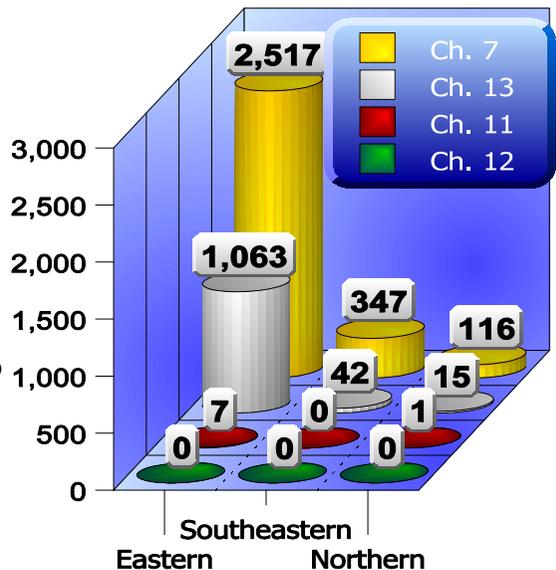
*July through September 2011, Quarterly Case Processing Statistics*



## New Cases

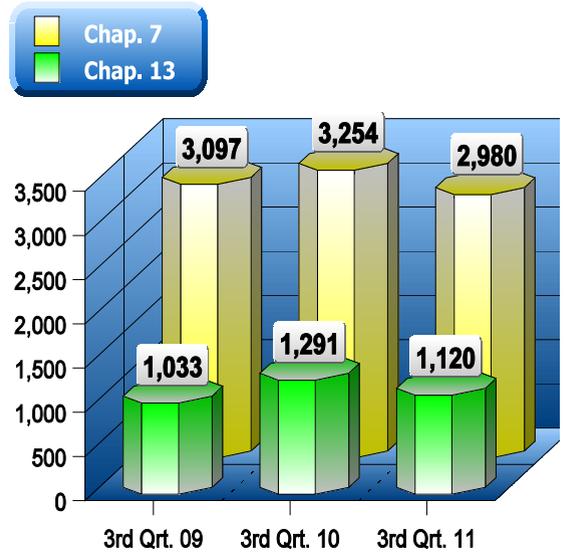
During the third quarter of the calendar year 2011, the Court opened a total of 4,108 new cases. There were 3,587 cases filed in the Eastern division, 389 cases in the Southeastern division, and 132 cases filed in the Northern division. The court reopened 127

additional cases. The new cases consisted of 2,980 Chapter 7 filings, 8 Chapter 11 filings, and 1,120 cases filed under Chapter 13. There were no new cases filed under any other chapter. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally there were 150 new Adversary Proceedings, 1,329 motions to lift the automatic stay, and 103 motions to avoid liens. The chart to the right indicates the number of new cases filed during the second quarter in each division, broken down by chapter.



## Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the third quarter, 2011, there were 2,980 Chapter 7 petitions and 1,120 Chapter 13 petitions were filed with the Court. These figures constitute 72.54% and 27.26%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the third quarter of 2010, the Court received 3,254 new Chapter 7 petitions (71.45%) and 1,291 new Chapter 13 petitions (28.35%). The chart to the right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the third quarter of 2011 and the past two calendar years.



## Case Closings

The Court closed 4,538 cases during the third quarter, 2011. Case terminations by division included 3,978 for the Eastern division, 407 for the Southeastern division, and 153 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is greater than the number closed during the second quarter of 2011, when the Court closed 3,257 cases. The Court also closed 119 adversary proceedings during the third quarter, 2011.

## Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the third quarter, 2011, was 17,112 cases, a decrease of 303 cases from the second quarter, 2011. These 303 cases reflect a 1.73% decrease in the pending caseload from last quarter when there were 17,415 cases pending. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases increased by 4.34% (713 cases), or an average of 178 cases each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending increased by 31 cases in the third quarter, 2011, leaving 245 cases pending.

