

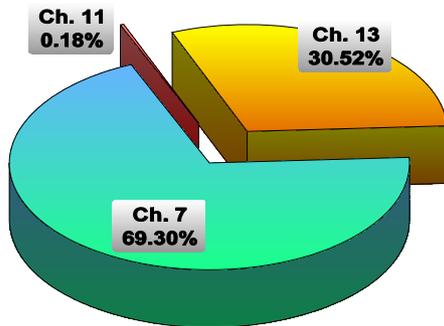


# U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Eastern District of Missouri

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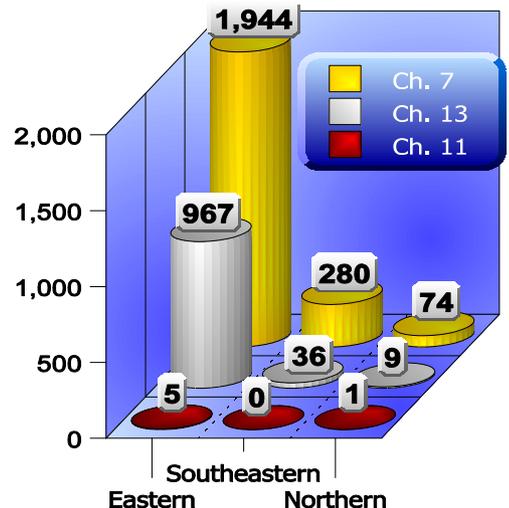
*January through March 2013, Quarterly Case Processing Statistics*



## New Cases

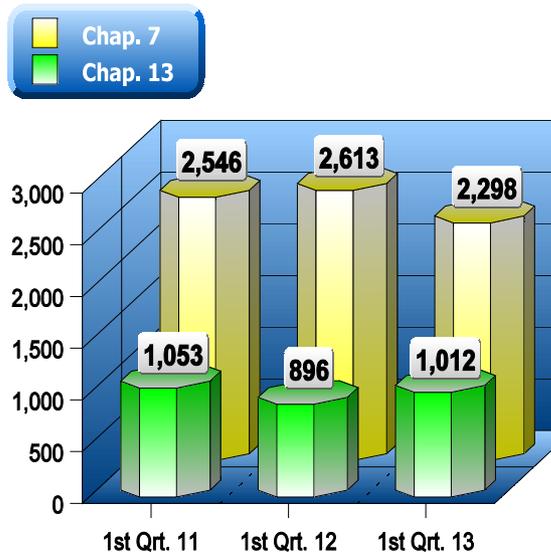
During the first quarter of the calendar year 2013, the Court opened a total of 3,316 new cases. There were 2,916 cases filed in the Eastern division, 316 cases in the Southeastern division and 84 cases filed in the Northern division. The court reopened 188

additional cases. The new cases consisted of 2,298 Chapter 7 filings, 6 Chapter 11 filings and 1,012 cases filed under Chapter 13. There were no new cases filed under Chapter 12 or 9. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally there were 78 new Adversary Proceedings, 945 motions to lift the automatic stay, and 160 motions to avoid liens. The chart to the right indicates the number of new cases filed during the first quarter in each division, broken down by chapter.



## Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the first quarter, 2013, there were 2,298 Chapter 7 petitions and 1,012 Chapter 13 petitions were filed with the Court. These figures constitute 69.30% and 30.52%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the first quarter of 2012, the Court received 2,613 new Chapter 7 petitions (74.32%) and 896 new Chapter 13 petitions (25.48%). The chart to the right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the first quarter of 2013 and the past two calendar years.



## Case Closings

The Court closed 3,665 cases during the first quarter, 2013. Case terminations by division included 3,188 for the Eastern division, 342 for the Southeastern division, and 135 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is less than the number closed during the fourth quarter of 2012, when the Court closed 4,365 cases. The Court also closed 104 adversary proceedings during the first quarter, 2013.

## Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the first quarter, 2013, was 16,806 cases, a decrease of 161 cases from the fourth quarter, 2012. These 163 cases reflect a .95% decrease in the pending caseload from last quarter when there were 16,967 cases pending. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases decreased by 2.73% (471 cases), or an average of 117 cases each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending decreased by 26 cases in the first quarter, 2013, leaving 156 cases pending.

