

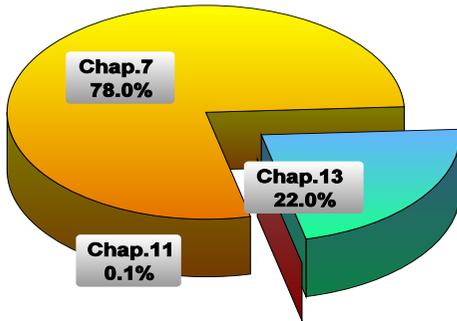


# U.S. Bankruptcy Court

## Eastern District of Missouri

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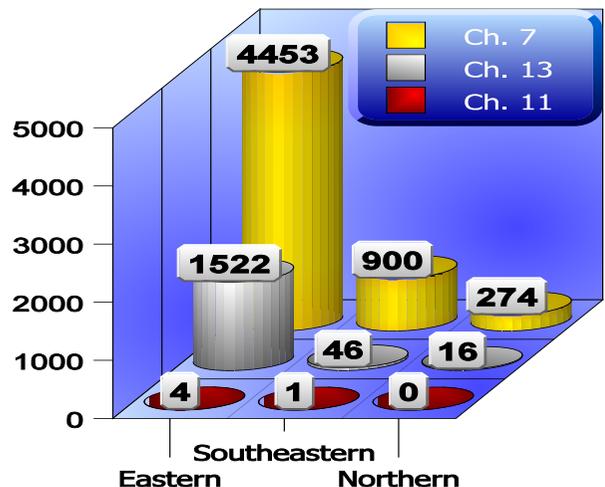
*July through September 2005 Quarterly Case Processing Statistics*



### New Cases

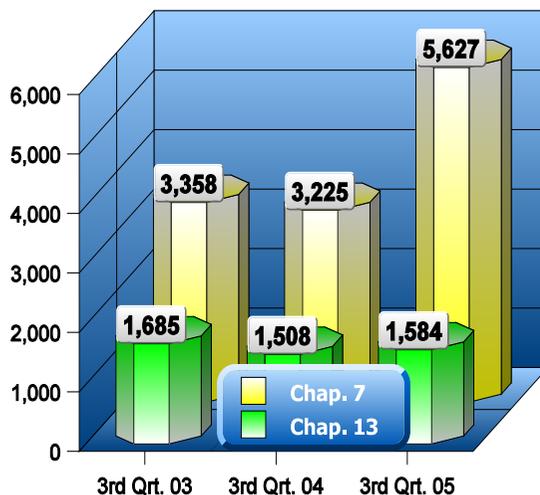
During the third quarter of the calendar year 2005, the Court opened a total of 7,216 new cases. There were 5,979 cases filed in the Eastern division, 947 cases in the Southeastern division and 290 cases filed in the Northern division. The court

reopened 33 additional cases. The new cases consisted of 5,627 Chapter 7 filings, 5 Chapter 11 filings, and 1,584 cases filed under Chapter 13. There were no new cases filed under Chapter 9 or Chapter 12. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally there were 126 new Adversary Proceedings, 1,719 motions to lift the automatic stay and 111 motions to avoid liens. The chart at right indicates the number of new cases filed during the third quarter in each division broken down by chapter.



## Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the third quarter, 5,627 Chapter 7 petitions and 1,584 Chapter 13 petitions were filed with the Court. These figures constitute 78% and 22%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the third quarter of 2004, the Court received 3,225 new Chapter 7 petitions (68%) and 1,508 new Chapter 13 petitions (32%). The chart at right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the third quarter of 2005 and the past two calendar years.



## Case Closings

The Court closed 5,741 cases during the quarter. Case terminations by division included 4,865 for the Eastern division, 624 for the Southeastern division and 252 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is lesser than the number closed during the third quarter of 2004 when the Court closed 5,935 cases. The Court also closed 133 adversary proceedings during the quarter.

## Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the quarter was 19,774 cases, an increase of 1,509 cases from the 2nd quarter. These 1,509 cases reflect a 8.3% increase in pending caseload from last quarter when there were 18,265 cases pending at the end of the quarter. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases increased by 22.3% (3,601 cases), or an average of 900 cases each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending decreased by 4 cases in the quarter leaving 235 cases pending.

