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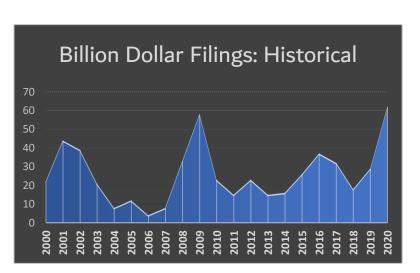
Ordinarily, the requisite 'end of year review' and 'coming year forecast' brings dread to your humble narrator. There is no dearth of similar reading, and we have little interest in comparing our predictions with those of others. While our backward-looking lens on Bankruptcy and Distress is well known for its clarity, we make no such claim about the optical fidelity of our crystal ball, except to say we think it no less cloudy than embody else's. Our only offset is we tend to come out with our forward look in February...a cheat of sorts, as some trends may already be playing out.

When we wrote in our January 2020 Bankruptcy Review and Outlook that the quantity of debt needing to be restructured over the next few years would likely increase, and lead to higher rates of corporate distress, we did not anticipate that a pandemic would drive bankruptcies to surge to decade-high levels.

But it did.

In 2020, the number of bankruptcies (publicly traded debt or equity) has risen 70% year on year, while the total assets of these companies are about 78% above the 2019 level. Without 2019's giant \$71 billion filing by the California utility company PG&E, the increase would have been even larger.

Not surprisingly, the pandemicrelated downturn in economic activity and energy prices drove much of the jump in 2020 filings. The \$293 billion in total assets for public company filings in 2020 did not set any records, **but the share of billion-dollar public company filings was near an all-time high.** If you include private company filings into the billion-dollar tally, 2020 did set the record for all-time high with 62 (see chart).



What did reach new heights was the number and total of high yield bond issues. If corporate America has not gone bust it's because the quest for yield is giving companies a debt lifeline, the prospect of a return of pent-up demand seemingly acting as risk off trigger.

Arguably, most of this year's top ten filings, and many others, had been struggling with overbearing debt for years, and so the pandemic merely pulled forward their collapse.





In terms of Industries, **Energy** sector bankruptcies led the rogue's gallery with a total of \$108 billion in assets (and 37 publicly traded companies filing.) Adding private companies with \$50mm or more in pre-petition assets to the tally, and the number of Energy filings rises to 44... and jumps to over 50 if you start at the \$10mm petition range.

The sharp decline in oil/gas and coal prices exerted clear pressure, although perhaps just as important was the minimal appetite from capital markets to refinance their debts. Investors remained frustrated with the weak profitability and low returns in the industry. (Remember when the price per barrel of oil turned negative?)

Retail bankruptcies totaled \$41 billion in assets (with 14 publicly traded companies filing), including iconic names like JCPenney, Neiman Marcus, Guitar Center and Ascena Retail Group (owner of the Ann Taylor and Lane Bryant brands). There were 30 retailers which filed with over \$10mm in pre-petition asset number: adding many notable private companies into this count.

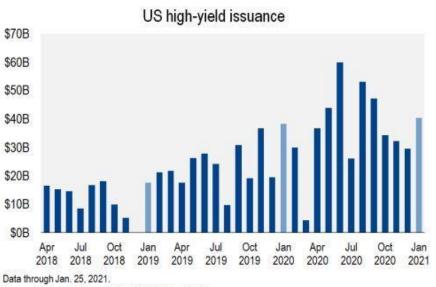
The **telecom** sector, always a rich seam of bankruptcies, provided filings with over \$30 billion in assets (6 companies) to the list.

Airline bankruptcies totaled \$29 billion in assets (3 companies).

Bankruptcy filings this year almost certainly would have been much larger without the fiscal and monetary support provided by the federal government. With the support, capital markets boldly provided loans to airlines, cruise ship operators and other already-leveraged companies with deeply negative cash flows, whereas in prior cycles these companies would probably have been driven into bankruptcy.

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Meanwhile, companies continue tapping debt markets. High yield bond issuance by June had exceeded 50 billion, a monthly record...and this continued to climb. The 2020 High Yield prints reached \$435 billion trumping the record set in 2012 of \$345 billion. Lower revenues and earnings have reduced these companies' ability to service their existing, much less new debt. The proceeds are not being used to fund profitgenerating initiatives. There being used to keep the lights on.



Source: LCD, an offering of S&P Global Market Intelligence





America has gotten back to work in fits and starts but continues to play whack a mole with COVID-19 outbreaks. In places like New York, where the virus ran rampant and appears contained, victory may be temporary and has come at enormous cost. It is clear, at home and abroad, that economic activity and pandemic response are unfriendly bedfellows.

We see, in 2021, a let-up in the demand shock that has become a bankruptcy catalyst, but we fear it will take longer than expected. COVID habits and fears will die hard.

The first round of Coronavirus bankruptcies wiped out the economy's weakest companies. Many were doomed before the pandemic, some faced unprecedented challenges. Almost all were plagued by existing financial woes and high debt burdens.

The next wave of bankruptcies will be strikingly different. Companies viewed as untouchable industry titans in February 2020 are now fighting for their lives, some propped up only by generous government programs and bailouts. If the economic recovery does not come quickly, they too will be forced to restructure.

So where will this next wave of bankruptcies hit? Data compiled from our proprietary database shows the following:

- 1. Retail/Commercial Real Estate will bear the brunt of the next wave of bankruptcies. Apparel retail, which was already struggling before the pandemic, will be particularly devastated. Some companies (note Neiman Marcus, Brooks Brothers, etc.) have seen the viability of their business models evaporate as the pandemic has changed consumer patterns (i.e., nobody is buying suits right now). Executives are unsure if demand for their products will ever return, especially if the pandemic is prolonged. Many stores are beginning to reopen, but the massive increase in e-commerce transactions may be permanent. This has a direct effect on commercial real estate that houses these retailers. CBL, Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust, RGN-Group and Knotel (a '21 filing) have already found their way to the bankruptcy court.
- 2. Companies in the travel and transportation sectors will not fare well either. Most have been able to weather the pandemic so far, but a continued lack of demand will be troublesome for even the industry's largest companies. Airlines, which operate on thin profits and require high load factors, face significant headwinds as the timeline and extent of returning consumer confidence remains highly unclear. Hoteliers, especially those with large presences in urban areas, are also at great risk. While some Americans are beginning to travel again, business travel and related conferences may never return in the same way. And travel to remote or foreign destinations will not return in the foreseeable future.
- 3. We may see a second (or third, count as you wish) wave of Oil & Gas bankruptcies if per-barrel prices remain stagnant or decrease. The sector has few friends in the Biden administration Fracking, which accounts for a majority of American oil production, is expensive; the break-even point for most wells is between fifty and seventy dollars a barrel (for reference, Aramco's estimated break-even point is around ten dollars a barrel). The industry may face a crisis without significant changes.

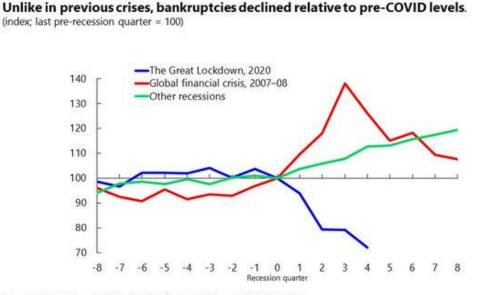




What is clear about 2021 is America faces a continuing economic reckoning. Industries and sectors once vital to the American economy face insolvency and do not have a clear place in a post-COVID-19 economy (whatever that may look like). Not everybody makes their living tapping on a keyboard. Aggressive and continued stimulus, which arguably worded to at least some degree in 2020, will be repeated and will likely attenuate damage at least in the short term. But it's hard not to see a big K in the economy's future.

Starting in March of 2020, we were often asked where all the bankruptcies were, (they lagged by a good month or so, but a spike did ensue) and then asking how bad we thought it would get. And we rose to the catastrophizing occasion, going on record with some dystopian scenarios, positing a deluge of bankruptcy unseen since the great depression.

We were surprised however, as the year wore on, that the bankruptcy numbers were not worse. Yes, the numbers in almost all categories were up sharply over the past years. But by year end we did not approach the peaks of 2009/2010 and 2001. And much has been made of the dramatic drop in personal bankruptcies. Indeed, as the IMF's World Economic



Sources: IMF, World Economic Outlook: CEIC; national authorities: and IMF staff calculations. Note: Data are from 13 countries with varying coverage during 1990xQ1-2020Q3. Lines are averages across recession types, with quarter 0 the last prerecession quarter. For the Great Lockdown, quarter 0 is 2019/24 for all countries. For the global financial crisis, quarter 0 is the country-specific date of peak real GDP during 2007-08. Other recessions are country-specific and identified by two consecutive quarters of negative growth during 1990-2006 and 2009-19.

Outlook points out, this is a global phenomenon. The possibility for pent-up bankruptcy activity remains very real.

But we digress. The following graphs and tables may help you see the story. Find more on the BankruptcyData dashboard, or sign up for our annual Bankruptcy Yearbook, Almanac & Directory.





Public Companies & Assets Filing for Bankruptcy

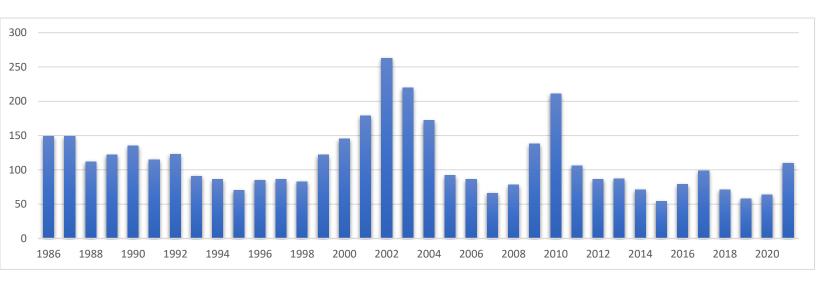
	<u># of</u> <u>Filings</u>		<u>Avg.</u>
<u>Year</u>		<u>Assets*</u>	Assets*
1986	149	13,033	87
1987	112	41,503	371
1988	122	43,488	356
1989	135	71,371	529
1990	115	82,781	720
1991	123	93,624	761
1992	91	64,226	706
1993	86	18,745	218
1994	70	8,337	119
1995	85	23,107	272
1996	86	14,201	165
1997	83	17,247	208
1998	122	29,195	239
1999	145	58,760	405
2000	179	98,763	552
2001	263	256,294	975
2002	220	394,300	1,792
2003	172	98,262	571
2004	92	47,676	518
2005	86	133,843	1,556
2006	66	22,104	335
2007	78	70,525	904
2008	138	1,159,351	8,401
2009	211	593,733	2,813
2010	106	89,109	840
2010	86	103,991	1,209
2012	87	70,843	814
2013	71	42,641	600
2014	54	71,918	1,332
2015	79	76,903	973
2013	99	104,665	1,057
2010	71	104,003	1,506
2017	58	52,056	897
2010	64	150,569	2,352
2020	110	292,681	2,660

1986 - 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)





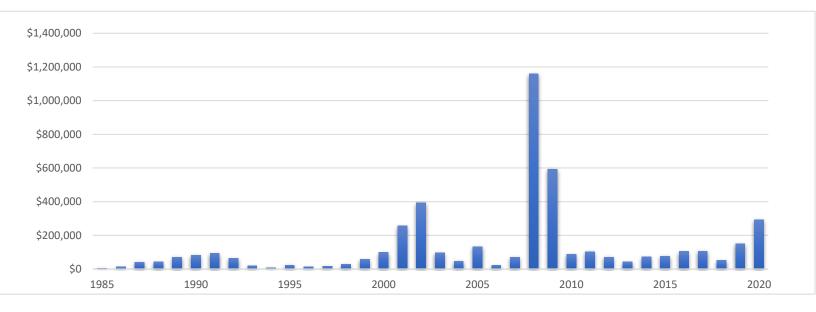
Public Company Bankruptcy Filings



1985 - 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)

Assets of Public Company Bankruptcy Filings

1985 - 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)







High Yield Bond Issuance as a Precursor to Bankruptcy Filings

A potential precursor to corporate bankruptcy filings is high yield debt issuance. Below is data on high yield bond issues and their principal amounts. High yield is defined as public, non-investment grade, non-convertible debt issues. It includes both "public" and "144a" registrations.

Year	# of Issues	Principal (\$mil)
1995	209	\$38,530
1996	408	67,907
1997	676	120,522
1998	659	131,370
1999	343	86,092
2000	132	35,077
2001	316	80,174
2002	266	59,218
2003	507	135,398
2004	553	142,996
2005	377	99,033
2006	312	155,784
2007	244	135,566
2008	93	37,187
2009	332	146,496
2010	541	263,079
2011	441	221,374
2012	613	326,200
2013	618	335,200
2014	516	307,370
2015	362	252,983
2016	330	226,230
2017	481	281,429
2018	292	167,676
2019	391	266,573
2020	555	400,457

High Yield Bond Issues: 1995 - 2020

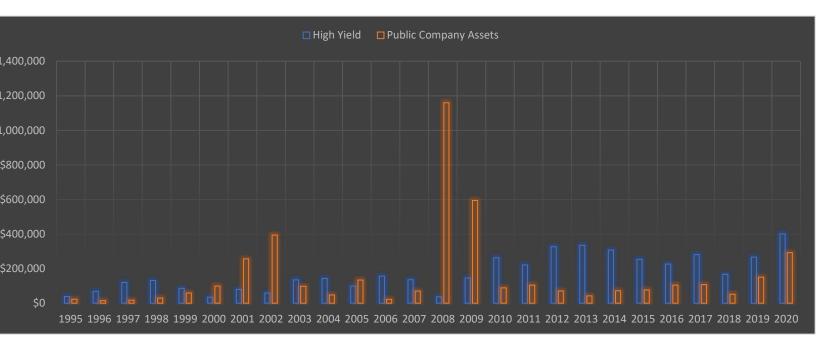
Source: Thompson Financial Data





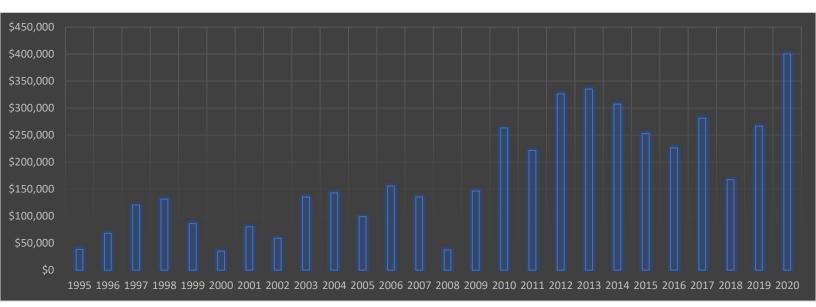
Principal of High Yield Bond Issues

1995 - 2020 (*Principal & Assets in \$millions)



Principal of High Yield Bond Issues and Bankruptcy Assets









Billion Dollar Public Company Bankruptcy Filings

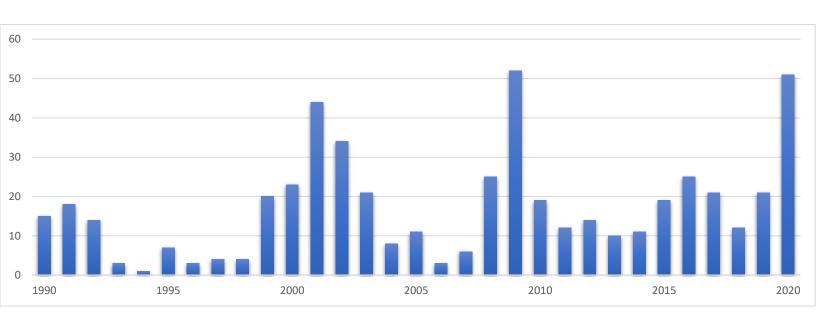
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<u>Year</u>	Billion	All	Billion	All	<u>Number</u>	<u>Assets</u>
1990	15	115	\$73,401	\$82,781	13.0%	88.7%
1991	18	123	64,310	93,624	14.6%	68.7%
1992	14	91	44,011	64,226	15.4%	68.5%
1993	3	86	5,026	18,745	3.5%	26.8%
1994	1	70	1,139	8,337	1.4%	13.7%
1995	7	85	14,592	23,107	8.2%	63.1%
1996	3	86	4,012	14,201	3.5%	28.3%
1997	4	83	9,003	17,247	4.8%	52.2%
1998	4	122	12,532	29,195	3.3%	42.9%
1999	20	145	40,018	58,760	13.8%	68.1%
2000	23	179	66,824	98,763	12.8%	67.7%
2001	44	263	225,086	256,294	16.7%	87.8%
2002	34	220	348,679	394,300	15.5%	88.4%
2003	21	172	74,391	98,262	12.2%	75.7%
2004	8	92	32,334	47,664	8.7%	67.8%
2005	11	86	124,824	133,843	12.8%	93.3%
2006	3	66	13,858	22,104	4.5%	62.7%
2007	6	78	64,544	70,525	7.7%	91.5%
2008	25	138	1,143,929	1,159,351	18.1%	98.6%
2009	52	211	559,777	593,733	26.6%	94.3%
2010	19	106	73,029	89,109	17.9%	81.9%
2011	12	86	95,239	103,991	13.9%	91.6%
2012	14	87	59,990	70,843	16.0%	84.7%
2013	10	71	30,039	42,641	14.0%	70.5%
2014	11	54	65,732	71,918	20.4%	91.4%
2015	19	79	67,950	76,903	24.1%	88.4%
2016	25	99	88,272	104,665	25.2%	84.4%
2017	21	71	98,988	106,931	29.5%	92.6%
2018	12	58	42,615	52,056	20.6%	81.8%
2019	21	64	139,984	150,569	32.80%	92.97%
2020	51	110	276,898	292,681	46.36%	94.61%

1990 – 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)





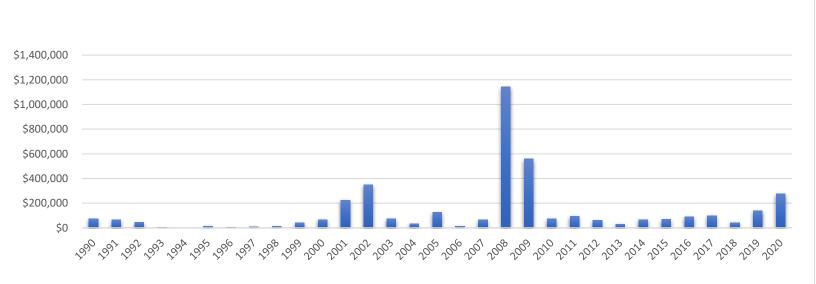
Number of Billion Dollar Public Company Bankruptcy Filings



1990 - 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)

Assets of Billion Dollar Public Company Bankruptcy Filings

1990 - 2020 (*Assets in \$millions)







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Companies Filing Chapter 11 Petitions in 2020

(Top 15 listed in descending order by Pre-Petition Assets)

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bankruptcy</u> <u>Date</u>	Description	<u>Assets*</u>
1) The Hertz Corporation	05/22/20	Rental Cars	25,842
2) LATAM Airlines Group S.A.	05/25/20	Airlines	21,087
3) Emergent Capital, Inc	10/15/20	Consumer Finance	17,512
4) Frontier Communications Corporation	04/14/20	Integrated Telecommunication Svcs.	17,433
5) Chesapeake Energy Corporation	06/28/20	Oil and Gas Exploration	16,193
6) Ascena Retail Group, Inc.	07/23/20	Apparel Retail	13,690
7) Valaris plc	08/19/20	Oil and Gas Drilling	13,038
8) Intelsat S.A.	05/14/20	Alternative Carriers	11,651
9) Mallinckrodt plc	10/12/20	Pharmaceuticals	9,584
10) McDermott International, Inc.	01/21/20	Oil and Gas Equipment and Services	8,754
11) J.C. Penney Company, Inc.	05/15/20	Department Stores	7,989
12) Whiting Petroleum Corporation	04/01/20	Oil and Gas Exploration a	7,636
13) Neiman Marcus Group LTD LLC	05/07/20	Apparel Retail	7,545
14) Oasis Petroleum Inc.	09/30/20	Oil and Gas Exploration	7,499
15) Avianca Holdings S.A.	05/10/20	Airlines	7,273

* Assets in \$millions



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United States Bankruptcy Court Data

Following are statistical presentations of bankruptcy data collected by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Data provided by the Administrative Office contains information on the number of filings by categories and regions but contains no financial information on the filings (e.g., average indebtedness of filers, etc.). Historical data on U.S. bankruptcy filings is summarized in past editions of the **Statistical Abstract of the United States**. Current data from the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts can be found at www.uscourts.gov.

There are a number of important caveats about interpreting this data. The Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978, which took effect in October 1979, altered the nature of bankruptcy so greatly that data from pre-1980 and post-1980 generally are not comparable. The data before 1980 is available in different degrees of categorization. In the following charts, the data is presented in three consistent series: 1973-1982; 1940-1973 and 1905-1980. Also, the data is collected by the individual district courts which often have different methods of categorizing bankruptcy filers. For example, when a person who previously operated a business files bankruptcy, some courts will categorize it as a business bankruptcy and others will categorize it as a non-business bankruptcy. Another difference in the courts' reporting methodology involves how individual courts categorize parties who file for bankruptcy on more than one subsequent occasion.









The Year 2020

Filings by Type and Chapter						
	Total	Business	Non- Business			
Chapter 11	8,113	7,561	552			
Chapter 7	381,217	12,197	369,020			
Chapter 12	552	552				
Chapter 13	154,341	1,105	153,236			
All Chapters	544,463	21,655				

There were 240 minor Chapter filings in 2020 (including 236 Chapter 15 filings and 4 Chapter 9 filings). This accounts for the discrepancy in the sums of the specified Chapters compared to All Chapters.







Bankruptcy Filings by Chapter 1990 - 2020

Year	Total	Ch. 7	Ch. 11	Ch. 12	Ch. 13
1990	782,960	543,334	20,783	1,346	217,468
1991	943,987	656,460	23,989	1,495	262,006
1992	971,517	681,663	22,634	1,608	265,577
1993	875,202	602,980	19,174	1,243	251,773
1994	832,829	567,240	14,773	900	249,877
1995	926,601	626,150	12,904	926	286,588
1996	1,178,555	810,400	11,911	1,083	355,123
1997	1,404,145	989,372	10,765	949	403,025
1998	1,442,549	1,035,696	8,386	807	397,619
1999	1,319,465	927,074	9,315	834	382,214
2000	1,253,444	859,220	9,884	407	383,894
2001	1,492,129	1,054,927	11,424	383	425,292
2002	1,577,651	1,109,923	11,270	485	455,877
2003	1,660,245	1,176,905	9,404	712	473,137
2004	1,597,462	1,137,958	10,132	108	449,129
2005	2,078,415	1,659,017	6,800	380	412,130
2006	617,660	360,890	5,163	348	251,179
2007	850,912	519,364	6,352	376	324,771
2008	1,117,771	744,424	10,160	345	362,762
2009	1,473,675	1,050,832	15,189	544	406,962
2010	1,593,081	1,139,601	13,713	723	438,913
2011	1,410,653	992,332	11,529	637	406,084
2012	1,221,091	843,545	10,361	512	366,532
2013	1,071,932	728,833	8,980	395	333,326
2014	936,795	619,069	7,234	361	310,061
2015	844,495	535,047	7,241	407	301,705
2016	794,960	490,365	7,292	461	296,655
2017	789,020	486,347	7,442	501	294,637
2018	773,418	475,575	7,095	498	290,146
2019	774,940	483,988	6,808	595	283,413
2020	544,463	381,217	8,113	552	154,341

<u>Note</u>: "Total" includes small numbers of other Chapter and Sub-Chapter filings.





Bankruptcy Filings by Business and Non-Business

1985 - 2020

Year	Total	Business	Non- <u>Business</u>	Ratio Non- <u>Bus. / Bus.</u>
1985 1986	412,431	71,242	341,189	4.8 5.6
1987	530,008 574,849	80,879 81,999	449,129 492,850	6.0
1988	613,606	63,775	549,831	8.6
1989	679,980	63,227	616,753	9.8
1990	782,960	64,853	718,107	11.1
1991	943,987	71,549	872,438	12.2
1992	971,517	70,643	900,874	12.8
1993	875,202	62,304	812,898	13.0
1994	832,829	52,374	780,455	14.9
1995	926,601	51,959	874,642	16.8
1996	1,178,555	53,549	1,125,006	21.0
1997	1,404,145	54,027	1,350,118	25.0
1998	1,442,549	44,367	1,398,182	31.5
1999	1,319,465	37,884	1,281,581	33.8
2000 2001	1,253,444	35,472	1,217,972	34.3
2002	1,492,129	40,099	1,452,030	36.2
	1,577,651	38,540	1,539,111	39.9
2003	1,660,245	35,037	1,625,208	46.4
2004	1,597,462	34,317	1,563,145	45.6
2005	2,078,415	39,401	2,039,214	51.8
2006	617,660	19,695	597,965	30.4
2007	850,912	28,322	822,590	29.0
2008	1,117,771	43,546	1,074,225	24.7
2009	1,473,675	60,837	1,412,838	23.2
2010	1,593,081	56,282	1,536,799	27.3
2011	1,410,653	47,806	1,362,847	28.5
2012	1,221,091	40,075	1,181,016	29.5
2013	1,071,932	33,212	1,038,720	31.3
2014	936,795	26,983	909,812	33.7
2015	844,495	24,735	819,760	33.1
2016	794,960	24,114	770,846	31.9
2017	789,020	23,157	765,863	33.1
2018	773,418	22,232	751,186	33.8
2019	774,980	22,780	752,160	33.0
2020	544,463	21,655	522,808	24.1

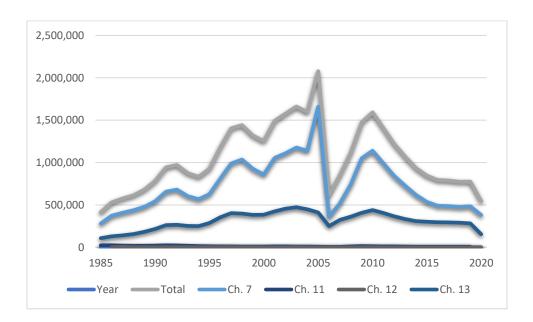




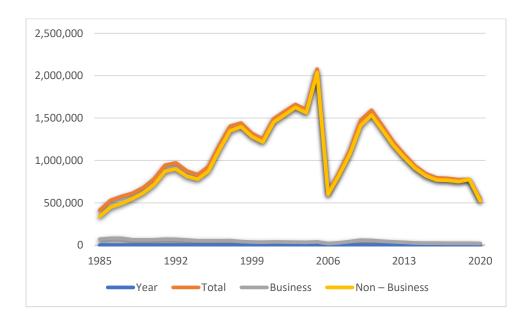
Bankruptcy Filing Trends

1985 - 2020

Chapters 7, 11, 12 and 13 & Total



Total, Business & Non-Business







Bankruptcies by Circuit and District - 2020

Circuit & District	Total Filings	Total Non- Business	Total Business	Ch. 7	Ch. 11	Ratio 7 / 11
Total	544,463	522,808	21,655	12,197	7,561	1.61
DC	507	458	49	27	20	1.35
1st	13,171	12,625	546	367	125	2.94
ME	1,015	944	71	35	23	1.52
MA	4,415	4,128	287	218	53	4.11
NH	1,081	1,033	48	37	6	6.17
RI	1,413	1,382	31	28	2	14.00
PR	5,247	5,138	109	49	41	1.20
2nd	25,560	23,697	1,863	789	923	0.85
СТ	4,194	4,080	114	94	12	7.83
NY,N	4,397	4,301	96	67	10	6.70
NY,E	8,295	7,793	502	299	203	1.47
NY,S	5,668	4,665	1003	239	676	0.35
NY,W	2,627	2,518	109	77	19	4.05
VT	379	340	39	13	3	4.33
3rd	32,102	29,207	2,895	791	1,915	0.41
DE	3,249	1,367	1882	168	1627	0.10
NJ	14,728	14,232	496	290	177	1.64
PA,E	5,005	4,820	185	120	43	2.79
PA,M	3,763	3,644	119	75	20	3.75
PA,W	5,352	5,140	212	137	48	2.85
VI	5	4	1	1	0	0
4th	43,661	42,349	1,312	785	432	1.82
MD	11,249	10,971	278	179	75	2.39
NC,E	4,110	3,938	172	99	50	1.98
NC,M	2,512	2,428	84	65	16	4.06
NC,W	2,287	2,175	112	67	36	1.86
SC	4,707	4,585	122	87	21	4.14
VA,E	12,713	12,312	401	200	192	1.04
VA,W	3,804	3,727	77	50	15	3.33
WV,N	935	918	17	11	5	2.20
WV,S	1,344	1,295	49	27	22	1.23





Circuit & District	Total Filings	Total Non- Business	Total Business	Ch. 7	Ch. 11	Ratio 7 / 11
5th	42,977	38,985	3992	1878	1898	0.99
LA,E	2,202	2,100	102	61	28	2.18
LA,M	882	840	42	24	16	1.50
LA,W	4,558	4,463	95	65	16	4.06
MS,N	3,639	3,498	141	75	30	2.50
MS,S	4,973	4,861	112	86	18	4.78
TX,N	8,689	7,804	885	578	261	2.21
TX,E	4,366	4,061	305	229	61	3.75
TX,S	7,796	5,980	1816	398	1352	0.29
TX,W	5,872	5,378	494	362	116	3.12
6th	81,560	80,204	1,356	907	297	3.05
KY,E	5,762	5,671	91	60	21	2.86
, KY,W	5,669	5,569	100	63	23	2.74
MI,E	17,549	17,345	204	129	49	2.63
MI,W	4,112	3,954	158	91	50	1.82
OH,N	14,718	14,474	244	182	30	6.07
OH,S	12,033	11,837	196	137	41	3.34
TN,E	8,332	8,208	124	88	22	4.00
TN,M	5,773	5,598	175	121	44	2.75
TN,W	7,612	7,548	64	36	17	2.12
7th	59,978	58,717	1,261	891	176	5.06
IL,N	25,109	24,508	601	472	94	5.02
IL,C	3,664	3,583	81	59	7	8.43
IL,S	2,264	2,218	46	30	6	5.00
IN,N	6,833	6,760	73	54	7	7.71
IN,S	10,465	10,304	161	113	26	4.35
WI,E	8,417	8,265	152	88	20	4.40
WI,W	3,226	3,079	147	75	16	4.69
8th	35,969	34,879	1,090	710	153	4.64
AR ²	7,545	7,356	189	122	27	4.52
IA,N	1,462	1,371	91	61	4	15.25
IA,S	2,342	2,268	74	60	1	60
MN	7,238	6,966	272	196	26	7.54
MO,E	7,337	7,193	144	75	52	1.44
MO,W	5,231	5,120	111	75	24	3.13
NE	3,343	3,222	121	72	12	6
ND	656	629	27	17	3	5.67
SD	815	754	61	32	4	8

Bankruptcies by Circuit and District - 2020 (cont.)





Circuit & District	Total Filings	Total Non- Business	Total Business	Ch. 7	Ch. 11	Ratio 7 / 11
9th	93,877	90,135	3,742	2,717	742	3.66
AK	320	291	29	21	5	4.20
AZ	13,515	13,176	339	245	80	3.06
CA,N	5,900	5,440	460	310	118	2.63
CA,E	10,968	10,603	365	266	52	5.12
CA,C	27,852	26,515	1,337	1,038	247	4.20
CA,S	6,426	6,157	269	225	25	9.00
HI	1,566	1,503	63	49	5	9.80
ID	2,772	2,689	83	52	20	2.60
MT	1,201	1,101	100	57	13	4.38
NV	8,007	7,752	255	157	89	1.76
OR	6,636	6,469	167	108	23	4.70
WA,E	2,277	2,227	50	35	11	3.18
WA,W	6,369	6,151	218	148	54	2.74
GUAM	67	60	7	6	0	0
NMI	1	1	0	0	0	0
10th	31,284	30,264	1,020	724	166	4.36
СО	8,562	8,193	369	264	78	3.38
KS	4,470	4,293	177	100	19	5.26
NM	2,423	2,338	85	58	19	3.05
OK,N	1,990	1,936	54	49	4	12.25
OK,E	1,235	1,202	33	30	0	0
OK,W	4,259	4,124	135	104	16	6.50
UT	7,638	7,519	119	84	18	4.67
WY	707	659	48	35	12	2.92
11th	83,817	81,288	2,529	1,611	714	2.26
AL,N	9,616	9,473	143	91	39	2.33
AL,M	5,538	5,469	69	44	15	2.93
AL,S	3,258	3,214	44	25	15	1.67
FL,N	1,923	1,850	73	47	22	2.14
FL,M	20,838	19,956	882	584	241	2.42
FL,S	14,691	14,033	658	380	228	1.67
GA,N	18,741	18,257	484	337	129	2.61
GA,M	5,372	5,270	102	53	17	3.12
GA,S	3,840	3,766	74	50	8	6.25

Bankruptcies by Circuit and District - 2020 (cont.)





Minor Chapters & Sections of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code

Year	<u>Ch. 9</u>	Section 304	<u>Ch. 15</u>
1990	13	7	
1991 1992	18 14	15 21	
1992	14	19	
1994	16	23	
1995	10	23	
1996	8	30	
1997	10	24	
1998 1999	3 5	38 23	
2000	11	28	
2000	8	47	
2002	7	89	
2003	6	81	
2004	6	102	
2005	11	71	6
2006 2007	5 6		75 42
2007	0 4		42
2009	12		136
2010	7		124
2011	13		58
2012	20		121
2013 2014	9 12		88 58
2015 2016	4 8		91 179
2018	7		81
2018	4		100
2019	6		130
2020	4		236

1990 - 2020

<u>Chapter 9</u>: The Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code providing for reorganization of municipalities (which includes cities and towns, as well as villages, counties, taxing districts, municipal utilities and school districts).

Section 304: Section 304 no longer exists. Chapter 15 replaced Section 304 in 2005.

<u>Chapter 15</u>: The Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code dealing with cases of cross-border insolvency.





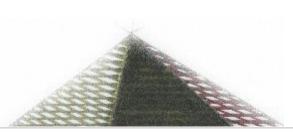
Chapter 12

Farm Bankruptcy

State / Area	2020	2019	2018	State / Area	2020	2019	2018
Alabama	7	5	5	Nebraska	32	38	27
Alaska	0	0	0	Nevada	0	0	0
Arizona	4	5	3	N.H.	2	2	2
Arkansas	14	13	13	New Jersey	1	2	0
California	18	25	18	New Mexico	2	0	0
Colorado	8	3	7	New York	8	20	24
Connecticut	0	2	1	North Carolina	5	16	12
D.C.	0	0	0	North Dakota	7	1	9
Delaware	1	2	0	No. Marianas	0	0	0
Florida	10	18	4	Ohio	10	14	7
Georgia	22	41	26	Oklahoma	12	12	6
Guam	0	0	0	Oregon	13	6	2
Hawaii	0	1	0	Pennsylvania	7	18	15
Idaho	10	9	6	Puerto Rico	5	14	18
Illinois	10	16	10	Rhode Island	0	0	0
Indiana	11	8	15	South Carolina	6	10	3
lowa	34	27	13	South Dakota	20	13	13
Kansas	35	36	35	Tennessee	7	8	10
Kentucky	8	9	11	Texas	16	22	25
Louisiana	9	14	11	Utah	2	0	6
Maine	4	3	6	Vermont	19	6	3
Maryland	3	5	6	Virgin Islands	0	0	0
Massachusetts	4	7	9	Virginia	5	6	6
Michigan	12	15	10	Washington	7	7	5
Minnesota	29	30	26	West Virginia	0	1	1
Mississippi	9	7	5	Wisconsin	69	57	48
Missouri	15	9	9	Wyoming	0	1	0
Montana	20	11	6				
				Total U.S.	552	595	498







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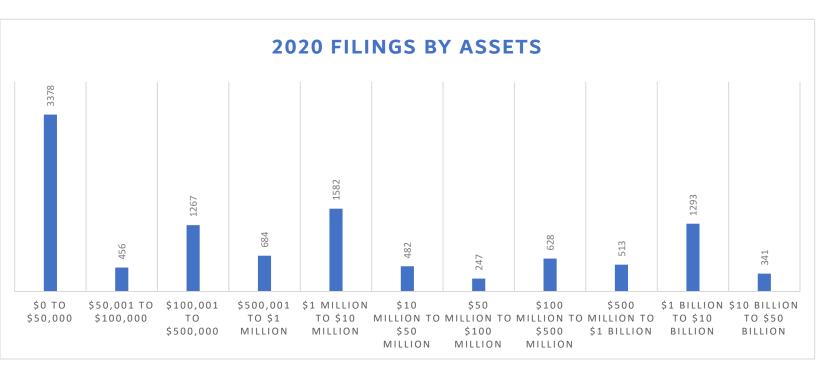
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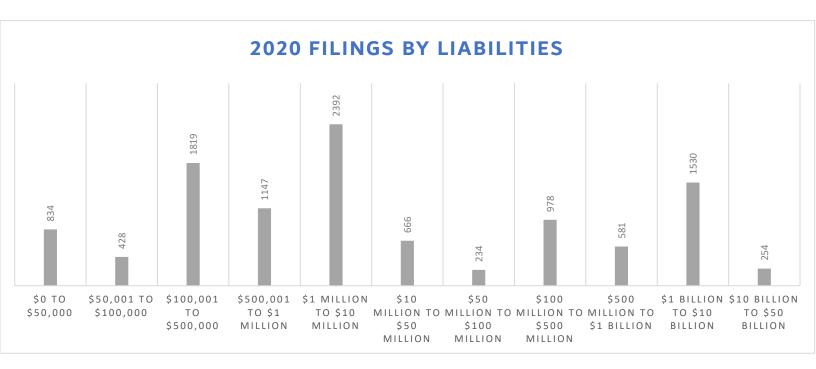
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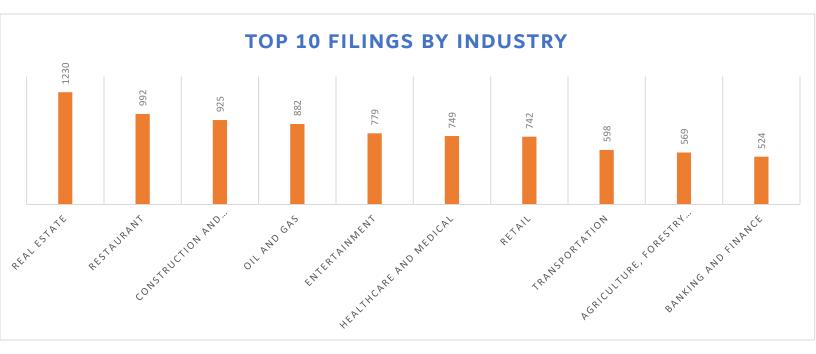


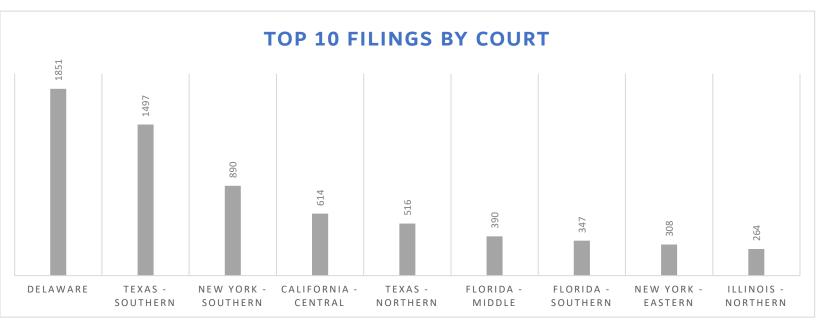






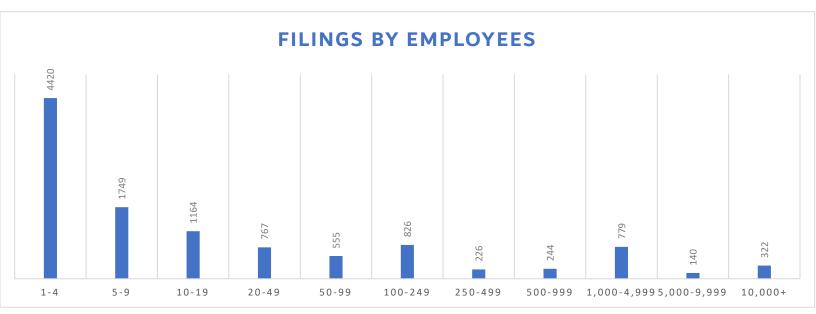


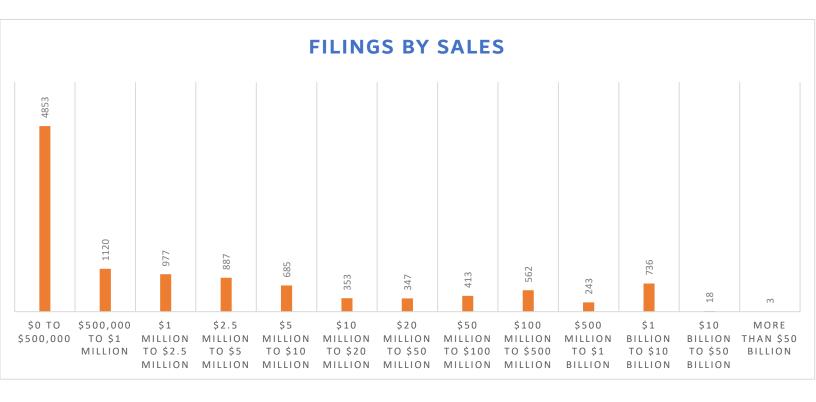






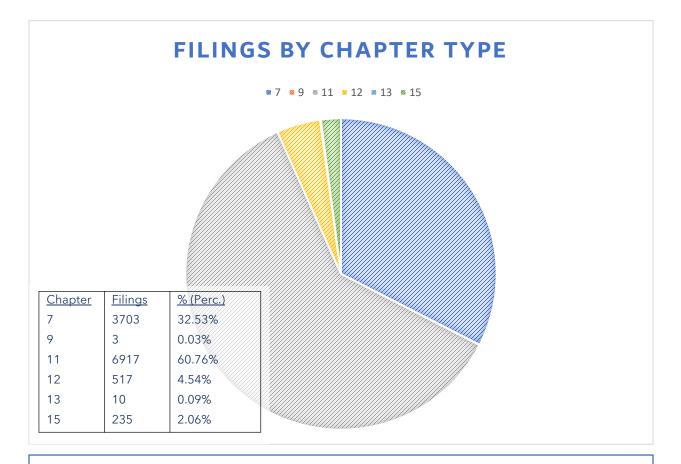












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