

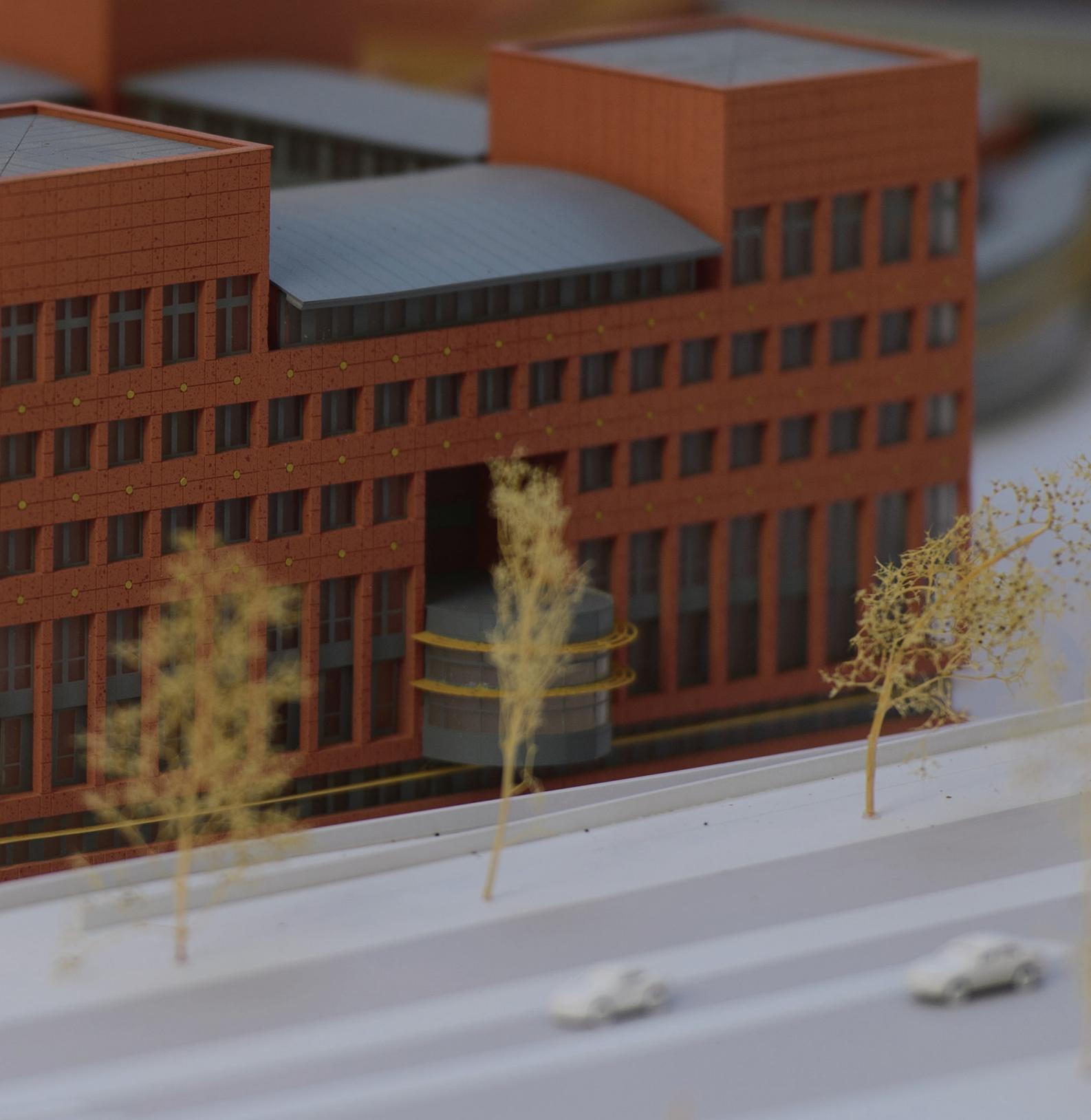


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# Statistics concerning the judicial activity of the General Court





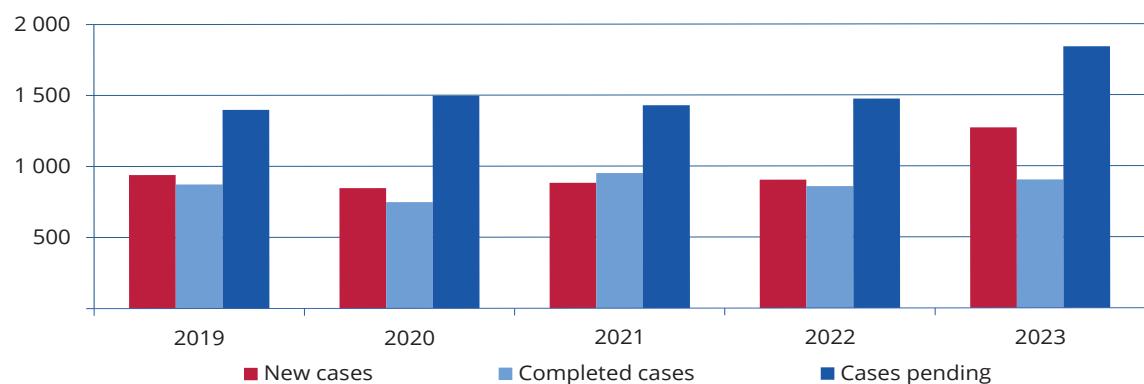
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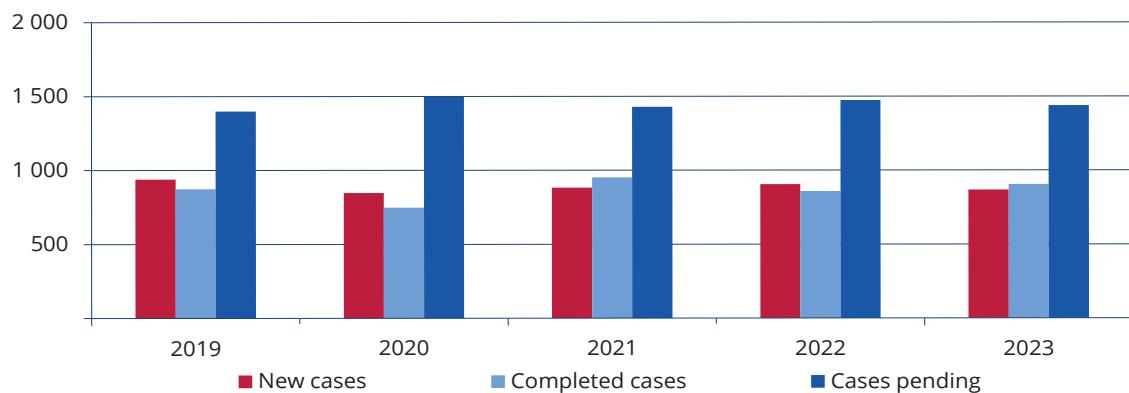
## I. General activity of the General Court -

### New cases, completed cases, cases pending (2019-2023)<sup>1 2</sup>



| General activity | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New cases        | 939   | 847   | 882   | 904   | 1 271 |
| Completed cases  | 874   | 748   | 951   | 858   | 904   |
| Cases pending    | 1 398 | 1 497 | 1 428 | 1 474 | 1 841 |

With respect to 2023, the graphic and table below set out the new and pending cases so as to reflect the fact that a series of 404 essentially identical cases concerning the pension rights of Members of the European Parliament was lodged at the end of the year (cases T-620/23 to T-1023/23). In order to take account of that specific factor those cases have been accounted for as a single case in the following figures.



| General activity | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New cases        | 939   | 847   | 882   | 904   | 868   |
| Completed cases  | 874   | 748   | 951   | 858   | 904   |
| Cases pending    | 1 398 | 1 497 | 1 428 | 1 474 | 1 438 |

1| Unless otherwise indicated, this table and the following tables take account of special forms of procedure.

The following are considered to be 'special forms of procedure': application to set aside a judgment by default (Article 41 of the Statute of the Court of Justice; Article 166 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Court); third-party proceedings (Article 42 of the Statute of the Court of Justice; Article 167 of the Rules of Procedure); interpretation (Article 43 of the Statute of the Court of Justice; Article 168 of the Rules of Procedure); revision (Article 44 of the Statute of the Court of Justice; Article 169 of the Rules of Procedure); legal aid (Article 148 of the Rules of Procedure); rectification (Article 164 of the Rules of Procedure); failure to adjudicate (Article 165 of the Rules of Procedure); and dispute concerning the costs to be recovered (Article 170 of the Rules of Procedure).

2| Unless otherwise indicated, this table and the following tables do not take account of proceedings concerning interim measures.

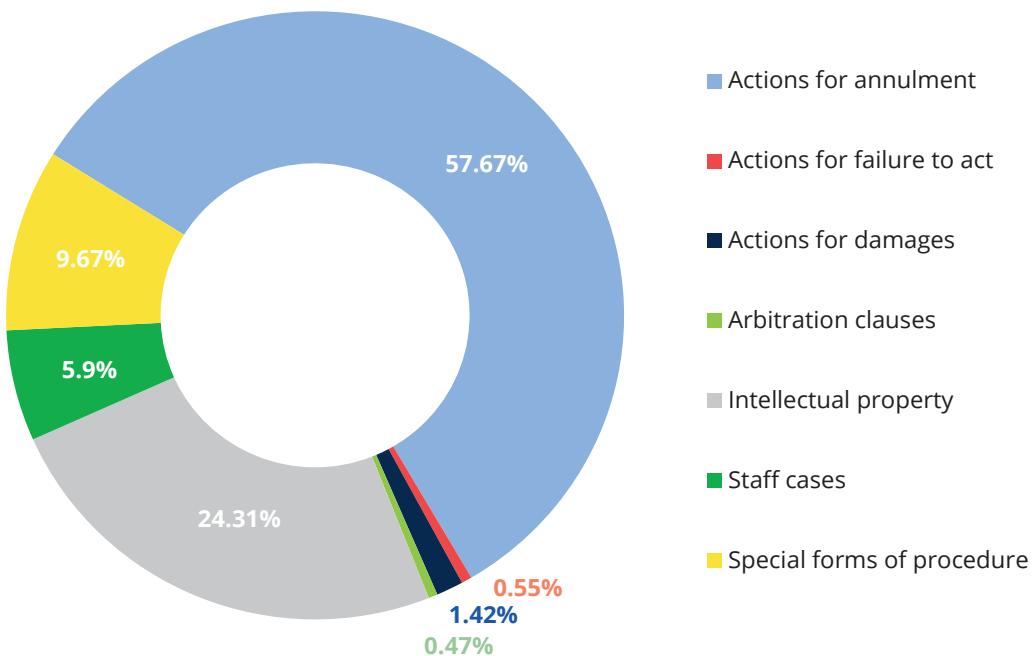
## II. New cases – Nature of proceedings (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of new cases in the category of 'Other direct actions'.

### III. New cases – Type of action (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>

2023



| Type of action             | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       | 2023         |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Actions for annulment      | 445        | 284        | 343        | 414        | 733          |
| Actions for failure to act | 14         | 15         | 21         | 18         | 7            |
| Actions for damages        | 24         | 17         | 28         | 9          | 18           |
| Arbitration clauses        | 8          | 13         | 4          | 15         | 6            |
| Intellectual property      | 270        | 282        | 308        | 270        | 309          |
| Staff cases                | 87         | 118        | 81         | 66         | 75           |
| Appeals                    | 0          | 2          | 0          | 0          | 0            |
| Special forms of procedure | 91         | 116        | 97         | 112        | 123          |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>939</b> | <b>847</b> | <b>882</b> | <b>904</b> | <b>1 271</b> |

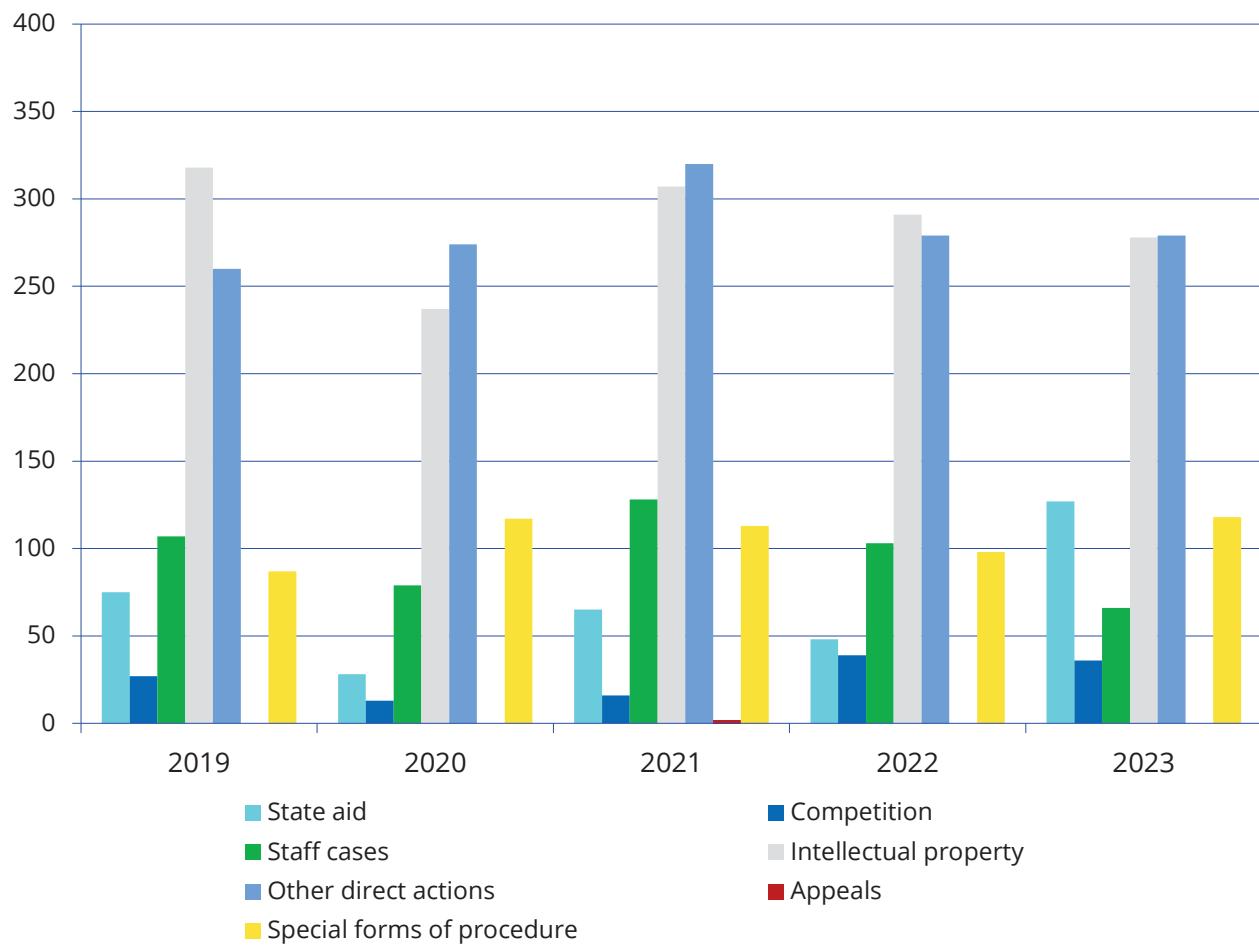
1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of new cases in the category of 'Actions for annulment'.

#### IV. New cases – Subject matter of the action (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>

| Subject matter of the action  | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       | 2023         |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Access to documents   | 17         | 8          | 32         | 15         | 22           |
| Accession of new States   | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1            |
| Agriculture   | 12         | 14         | 13         | 20         | 14           |
| Approximation of laws   | 2          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            |
| Arbitration clause  | 8          | 15         | 4          | 16         | 6            |
| Area of freedom, security and justice   | 1          | 0          | 3          | 1          | 1            |
| Citizenship of the Union  | 1          | 1          | 1          | 0          | 0            |
| Commercial policy   | 13         | 27         | 15         | 12         | 12           |
| Common fisheries policy   | 0          | 0          | 1          | 4          | 1            |
| Common foreign and security policy  | 1          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            |
| Company law   | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0          | 0            |
| Competition   | 23         | 27         | 34         | 8          | 13           |
| Consumer protection   | 1          | 3          | 4          | 0          | 0            |
| Customs union and Common Customs Tariff   | 2          | 0          | 3          | 1          | 0            |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 24         | 36         | 34         | 49         | 56           |
| Economic, social and territorial cohesion   | 3          | 0          | 2          | 4          | 1            |
| Education, vocational training, youth and sport   | 1          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            |
| Employment  | 0          | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0            |
| Energy  | 8          | 8          | 9          | 5          | 8            |
| Environment   | 10         | 8          | 11         | 15         | 9            |
| External action by the European Union   | 6          | 3          | 2          | 0          | 0            |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 5          | 4          | 8          | 3          | 6            |
| Free movement of capital  | 0          | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0            |
| Free movement of goods  | 0          | 0          | 1          | 1          | 0            |
| Freedom of movement for persons   | 2          | 0          | 0          | 1          | 1            |
| Freedom to provide services   | 0          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1            |
| Intellectual property   | 270        | 282        | 308        | 270        | 310          |
| Law governing the institutions  | 148        | 65         | 73         | 77         | 470          |
| Public health   | 5          | 8          | 25         | 21         | 24           |
| Public procurement  | 10         | 13         | 19         | 17         | 12           |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 6          | 7          | 2          | 3          | 5            |
| Regulation of digital markets and services  | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 6            |
| Research and technological development and space  | 3          | 6          | 0          | 4          | 2            |
| Restrictive measures (external action)  | 42         | 25         | 42         | 103        | 63           |
| Social policy   | 1          | 0          | 8          | 6          | 0            |
| State aid   | 134        | 42         | 46         | 68         | 10           |
| Taxation  | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1          | 9            |
| Trans-European networks   | 1          | 1          | 0          | 0          | 1            |
| Transport   | 1          | 6          | 1          | 0          | 2            |
| <b>Total EC Treaty/TFEU</b>   | <b>761</b> | <b>611</b> | <b>704</b> | <b>726</b> | <b>1 066</b> |
| Special forms of procedure  | 91         | 116        | 97         | 112        | 123          |
| Staff Regulations   | 87         | 120        | 81         | 66         | 82           |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>  | <b>939</b> | <b>847</b> | <b>882</b> | <b>904</b> | <b>1 271</b> |

1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of new cases in the field of 'Law governing the institutions'.

## V. Completed cases – Nature of proceedings (2019-2023)



| Nature of proceedings      | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       | 2023       |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| State aid                  | 75         | 28         | 65         | 48         | 127        |
| Competition                | 27         | 13         | 16         | 39         | 36         |
| Staff cases                | 107        | 79         | 128        | 103        | 66         |
| Intellectual property      | 318        | 237        | 307        | 291        | 278        |
| Other direct actions       | 260        | 274        | 320        | 279        | 279        |
| Appeals                    | 0          | 0          | 2          | 0          | 0          |
| Special forms of procedure | 87         | 117        | 113        | 98         | 118        |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>874</b> | <b>748</b> | <b>951</b> | <b>858</b> | <b>904</b> |

## VI. Completed cases – Subject matter of the action (2023)

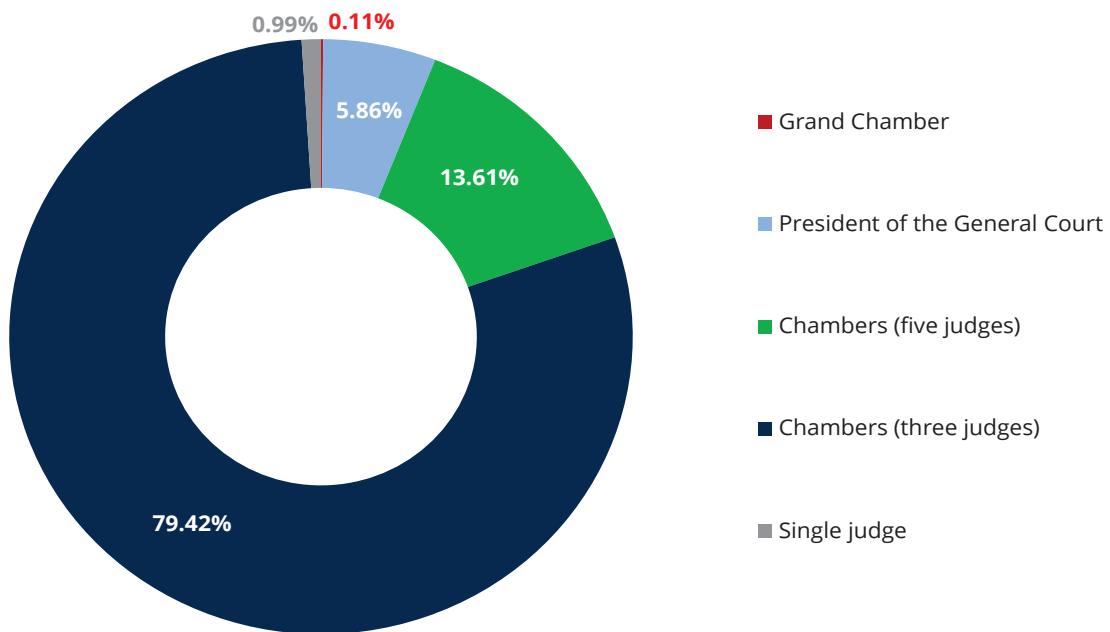
| Subject matter of the action  | Judgments  | Orders     | Total      |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| Access to documents   | 10         | 7          | <b>17</b>  |
| Agriculture   | 12         | 2          | <b>14</b>  |
| Arbitration clause  | 17         | 5          | <b>22</b>  |
| Area of freedom, security and justice   | 0          | 1          | <b>1</b>   |
| Commercial policy   | 10         | 6          | <b>16</b>  |
| Competition   | 32         | 4          | <b>36</b>  |
| Consumer protection   | 1          | 0          | <b>1</b>   |
| Customs union and Common Customs Tariff   | 1          | 0          | <b>1</b>   |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 16         | 6          | <b>22</b>  |
| Energy  | 3          | 1          | <b>4</b>   |
| Environment   | 8          | 3          | <b>11</b>  |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 1          | 1          | <b>2</b>   |
| Free movement of goods  | 1          | 0          | <b>1</b>   |
| Freedom of movement for persons   | 0          | 1          | <b>1</b>   |
| Intellectual property   | 224        | 55         | <b>279</b> |
| Law governing the institutions  | 11         | 33         | <b>44</b>  |
| Public health   | 0          | 11         | <b>11</b>  |
| Public procurement  | 10         | 5          | <b>15</b>  |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 5          | 1          | <b>6</b>   |
| Research and technological development and space  | 2          | 2          | <b>4</b>   |
| Restrictive measures (external action)  | 56         | 13         | <b>69</b>  |
| Social policy   | 0          | 4          | <b>4</b>   |
| State aid   | 68         | 59         | <b>127</b> |
| Taxation  | 0          | 9          | <b>9</b>   |
| Trans-European networks   | 1          | 0          | <b>1</b>   |
| Transport   | 0          | 1          | <b>1</b>   |
| <b>Total EC Treaty/TFEU</b>   | <b>489</b> | <b>230</b> | <b>719</b> |
| Special forms of procedure  | 0          | 118        | <b>118</b> |
| Staff Regulations   | 40         | 27         | <b>67</b>  |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>  | <b>529</b> | <b>375</b> | <b>904</b> |

**VII. Completed cases – Subject matter of the action (2019-2023)**  
**(Judgments and orders)**

| <b>Subject matter of the action</b>   | <b>2019</b> | <b>2020</b> | <b>2021</b> | <b>2022</b> | <b>2023</b> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Access to documents   | 17          | 14          | 12          | 29          | 17          |
| Agriculture   | 33          | 15          | 11          | 13          | 14          |
| Approximation of laws   | 4           | 3           | 1           | 0           | 0           |
| Arbitration clause  | 13          | 6           | 17          | 7           | 22          |
| Area of freedom, security and justice   | 0           | 2           | 1           | 2           | 1           |
| Citizenship of the Union  | 1           | 0           | 1           | 1           | 0           |
| Commercial policy   | 12          | 5           | 15          | 42          | 16          |
| Common fisheries policy   | 0           | 2           | 0           | 1           | 0           |
| Common foreign and security policy  | 0           | 1           | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Company law   | 1           | 0           | 1           | 0           | 0           |
| Competition   | 27          | 13          | 16          | 39          | 36          |
| Consumer protection   | 1           | 2           | 1           | 0           | 1           |
| Customs union and Common Customs Tariff   | 0           | 2           | 0           | 3           | 1           |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 13          | 18          | 11          | 24          | 22          |
| Economic, social and territorial cohesion   | 2           | 1           | 1           | 3           | 0           |
| Education, vocational training, youth and sport   | 0           | 1           | 1           | 0           | 0           |
| Employment  | 0           | 0           | 1           | 0           | 0           |
| Energy  | 3           | 5           | 4           | 5           | 4           |
| Environment   | 6           | 6           | 9           | 9           | 11          |
| External action by the European Union   | 3           | 2           | 5           | 1           | 0           |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 4           | 9           | 5           | 7           | 2           |
| Free movement of capital  | 1           | 0           | 1           | 0           | 0           |
| Free movement of goods  | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 1           |
| Freedom of establishment  | 1           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Freedom of movement for persons   | 1           | 1           | 0           | 1           | 1           |
| Freedom to provide services   | 0           | 0           | 0           | 3           | 0           |
| Intellectual property   | 318         | 237         | 307         | 291         | 279         |
| Law governing the institutions  | 71          | 127         | 105         | 46          | 44          |
| Public health   | 7           | 6           | 19          | 21          | 11          |
| Public procurement  | 17          | 7           | 15          | 20          | 15          |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 10          | 4           | 9           | 2           | 6           |
| Research and technological development and space  | 3           | 2           | 5           | 1           | 4           |
| Restrictive measures (external action)  | 30          | 32          | 56          | 32          | 69          |
| Social policy   | 1           | 1           | 6           | 4           | 4           |
| State aid   | 75          | 28          | 65          | 48          | 127         |
| Taxation  | 2           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 9           |
| Trans-European networks   | 2           | 0           | 1           | 0           | 1           |
| Transport   | 0           | 0           | 6           | 2           | 1           |
| <b>Total EC Treaty/TFEU</b>   | <b>679</b>  | <b>552</b>  | <b>708</b>  | <b>657</b>  | <b>719</b>  |
| Special forms of procedure  | 87          | 117         | 113         | 98          | 118         |
| Staff Regulations   | 108         | 79          | 130         | 103         | 67          |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>  | <b>874</b>  | <b>748</b>  | <b>951</b>  | <b>858</b>  | <b>904</b>  |

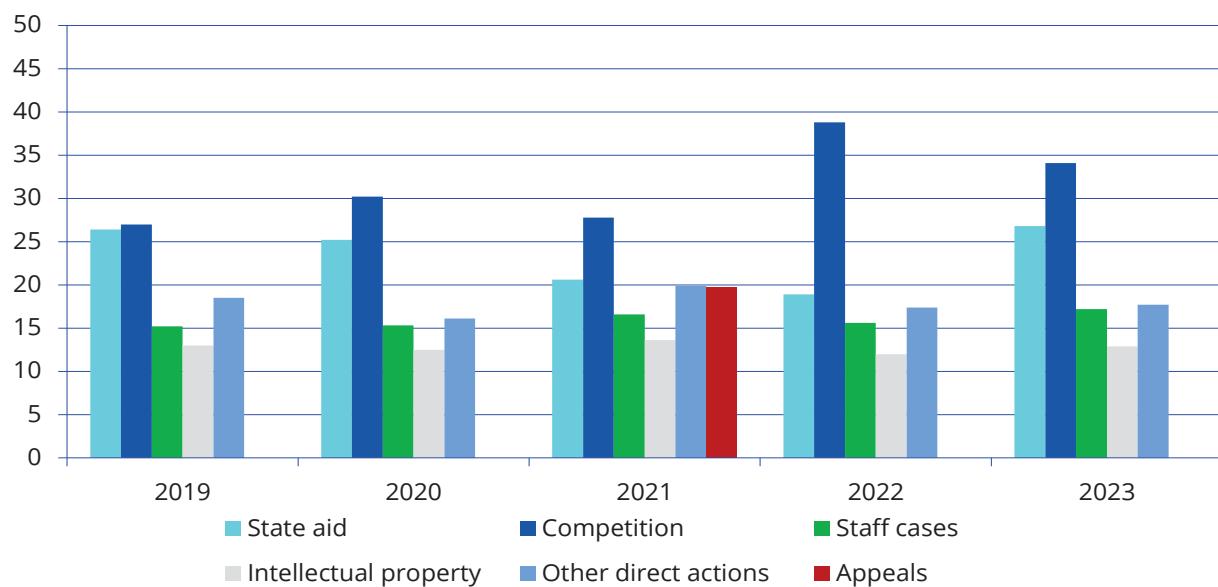
## VIII. Completed cases – Bench hearing action (2019-2023)

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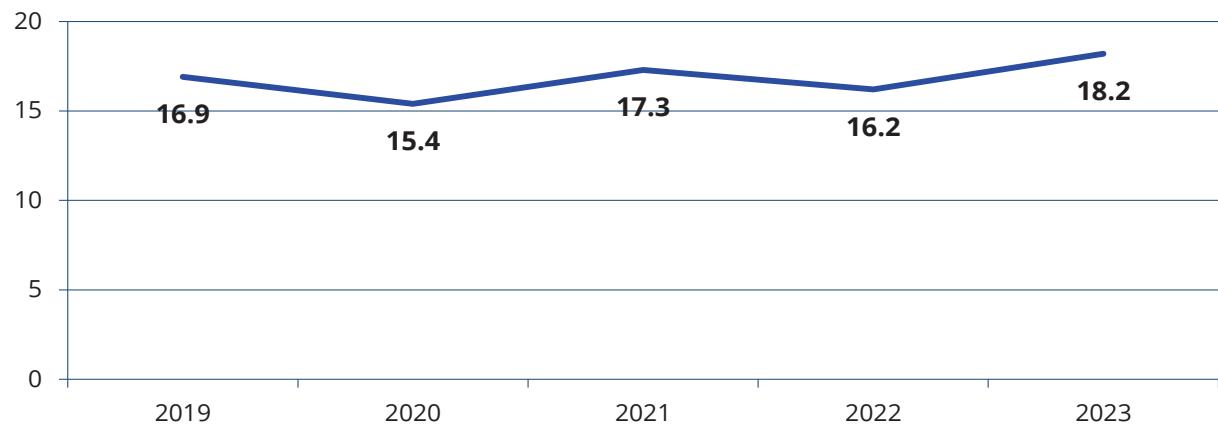
| Bench hearing action           | Judgments in 2019 |                | Orders in 2019                 |                        | Total in 2019           |              | Judgments in 2020 |               | Orders in 2020 |                                | Total in 2020          |                         | Judgments in 2021 |            | Orders in 2021 |                | Total in 2021                  |                        | Judgments in 2022       |              | Orders in 2022 |               | Total in 2022  |                                | Judgments in 2023      |                         | Orders in 2023 |       | Total in 2023 |  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------|--|
|                                | Grand Chamber     | Appeal Chamber | President of the General Court | Chambers (five judges) | Chambers (three judges) | Single judge | Total             | Grand Chamber | Appeal Chamber | President of the General Court | Chambers (five judges) | Chambers (three judges) | Single judge      | Total      | Grand Chamber  | Appeal Chamber | President of the General Court | Chambers (five judges) | Chambers (three judges) | Single judge | Total          | Grand Chamber | Appeal Chamber | President of the General Court | Chambers (five judges) | Chambers (three judges) | Single judge   | Total |               |  |
| Grand Chamber                  | 0                 | 1              | <b>1</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | 0            | 0                 | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 1                       | 0            | 0              | 0             | <b>1</b>       | 0                              | 0                      | <b>1</b>                |                |       |               |  |
| Appeal Chamber                 | 0                 | 2              | <b>2</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | 0            | 0                 | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 0                       | 0            | 0              | 0             | <b>0</b>       | 0                              | 0                      | <b>0</b>                |                |       |               |  |
| President of the General Court | 0                 | 47             | <b>47</b>                      | 0                      | 73                      | <b>73</b>    | 0                 | 64            | <b>64</b>      | 0                              | 55                     | <b>55</b>               | 0                 | 53         | <b>53</b>      | 0              | 53                             | <b>53</b>              | 0                       | 53           | <b>53</b>      | 0             | 53             | <b>53</b>                      | 0                      | 53                      | <b>53</b>      |       |               |  |
| Chambers (five judges)         | 50                | 9              | <b>59</b>                      | 104                    | 7                       | <b>111</b>   | 73                | 14            | <b>87</b>      | 92                             | 8                      | <b>100</b>              | 113               | 10         | <b>123</b>     | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 0                       | 0            | <b>0</b>       | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | <b>0</b>       |       |               |  |
| Chambers (three judges)        | 499               | 261            | <b>760</b>                     | 309                    | 254                     | <b>563</b>   | 489               | 308           | <b>797</b>     | 394                            | 306                    | <b>700</b>              | 407               | 311        | <b>718</b>     | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 0                       | 0            | <b>0</b>       | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | <b>0</b>       |       |               |  |
| Single judge                   | 5                 | 0              | <b>5</b>                       | 1                      | 0                       | <b>1</b>     | 3                 | 0             | <b>3</b>       | 2                              | 0                      | <b>2</b>                | 8                 | 1          | <b>9</b>       | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 0                       | 0            | <b>0</b>       | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | <b>0</b>       |       |               |  |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>554</b>        | <b>320</b>     | <b>874</b>                     | <b>414</b>             | <b>334</b>              | <b>748</b>   | <b>565</b>        | <b>386</b>    | <b>951</b>     | <b>489</b>                     | <b>369</b>             | <b>858</b>              | <b>529</b>        | <b>375</b> | <b>904</b>     | 0              | 0                              | <b>0</b>               | 0                       | 0            | <b>0</b>       | 0             | 0              | <b>0</b>                       | 0                      | 0                       | <b>0</b>       |       |               |  |

**IX. Completed cases – Duration of proceedings in months (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>**  
**(Judgments and orders)**



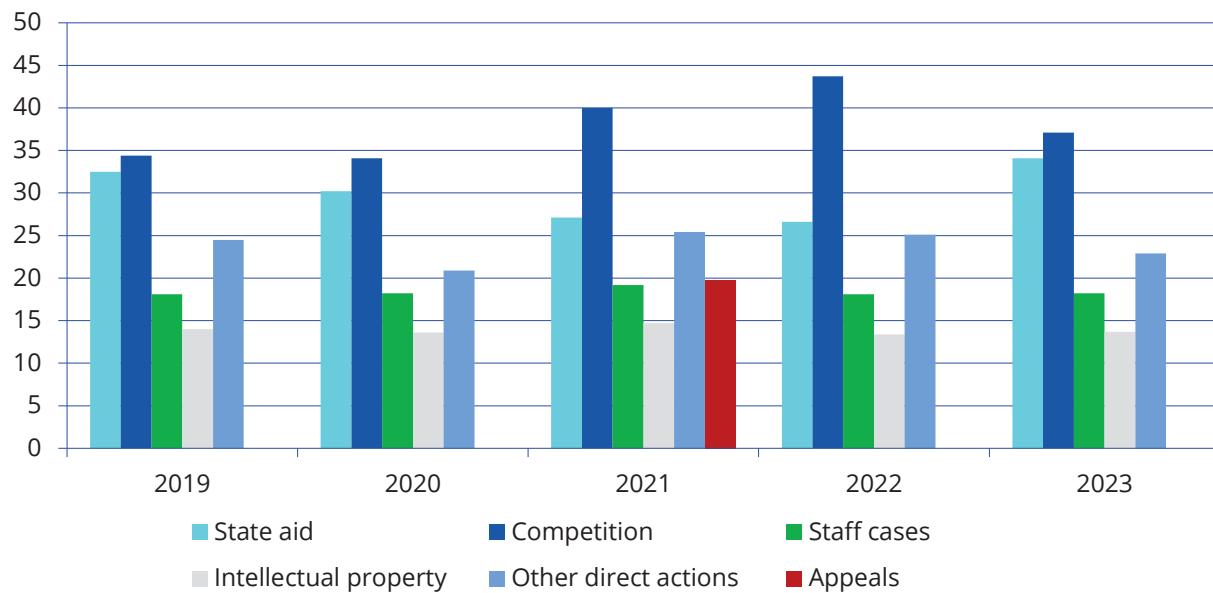
| <b>Completed cases</b> | <b>2019</b> | <b>2020</b> | <b>2021</b> | <b>2022</b> | <b>2023</b> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| State aid              | 26.4        | 25.2        | 20.6        | 18.9        | 26.8        |
| Competition            | 27.0        | 30.2        | 27.8        | 38.8        | 34.1        |
| Staff cases            | 15.2        | 15.3        | 16.6        | 15.6        | 17.2        |
| Intellectual property  | 13.0        | 12.5        | 13.6        | 12.0        | 12.9        |
| Other direct actions   | 18.5        | 16.1        | 19.9        | 17.4        | 17.7        |
| Appeals                | 0.0         | 0.0         | 19.7        | 0.0         | 0.0         |
| <b>All cases</b>       | <b>16.9</b> | <b>15.4</b> | <b>17.3</b> | <b>16.2</b> | <b>18.2</b> |

**Duration of proceedings (in months)**  
**All cases disposed of by way of judgment or order**



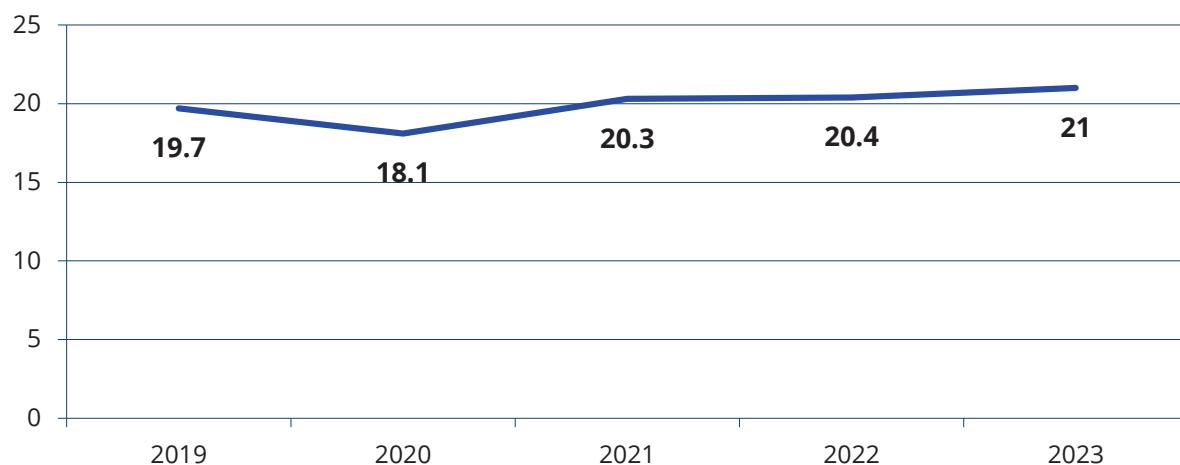
<sup>1</sup> The duration of proceedings is expressed in months and tenths of months. The calculation of the average duration of proceedings does not take account of: cases ruled upon by interlocutory judgment; special forms of procedure; appeals concerning interim measures or interventions; staff cases transferred to the General Court on 1 September 2016.

**X. Duration of proceedings in months (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>**  
**(Judgments)**



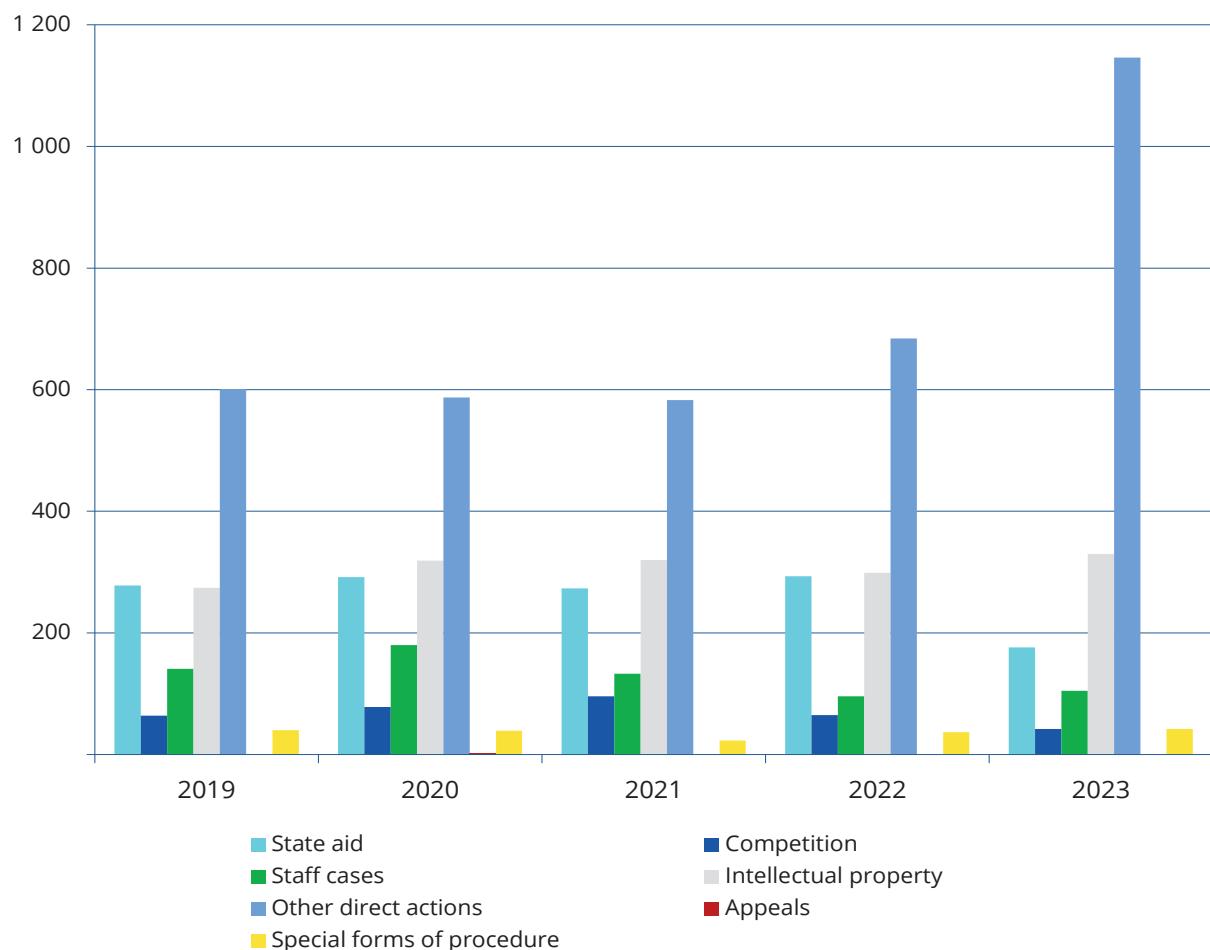
| <b>Completed cases</b> | <b>2019</b> | <b>2020</b> | <b>2021</b> | <b>2022</b> | <b>2023</b> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| State aid              | 32.5        | 30.2        | 27.1        | 26.6        | 34.1        |
| Competition            | 34.4        | 34.1        | 40.0        | 43.7        | 37.1        |
| Staff cases            | 18.1        | 18.2        | 19.2        | 18.1        | 18.2        |
| Intellectual property  | 14.0        | 13.6        | 14.7        | 13.4        | 13.7        |
| Other direct actions   | 24.5        | 20.9        | 25.4        | 25.1        | 22.9        |
| Appeals                | 0.0         | 0.0         | 19.8        | 0.0         | 0.0         |
| <b>All cases</b>       | <b>19.7</b> | <b>18.1</b> | <b>20.3</b> | <b>20.4</b> | <b>21</b>   |

**Duration of proceedings (in months)**  
**All cases disposed of by way of judgment**



1| The duration of proceedings is expressed in months and tenths of months. The calculation of the average duration of proceedings does not take account of: cases ruled upon by interlocutory judgment; special forms of procedure; appeals concerning interim measures or interventions; staff cases transferred to the General Court on 1 September 2016.

## XI. Cases pending as at 31 December – Nature of proceedings (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of cases pending in the category of 'Other direct actions'.

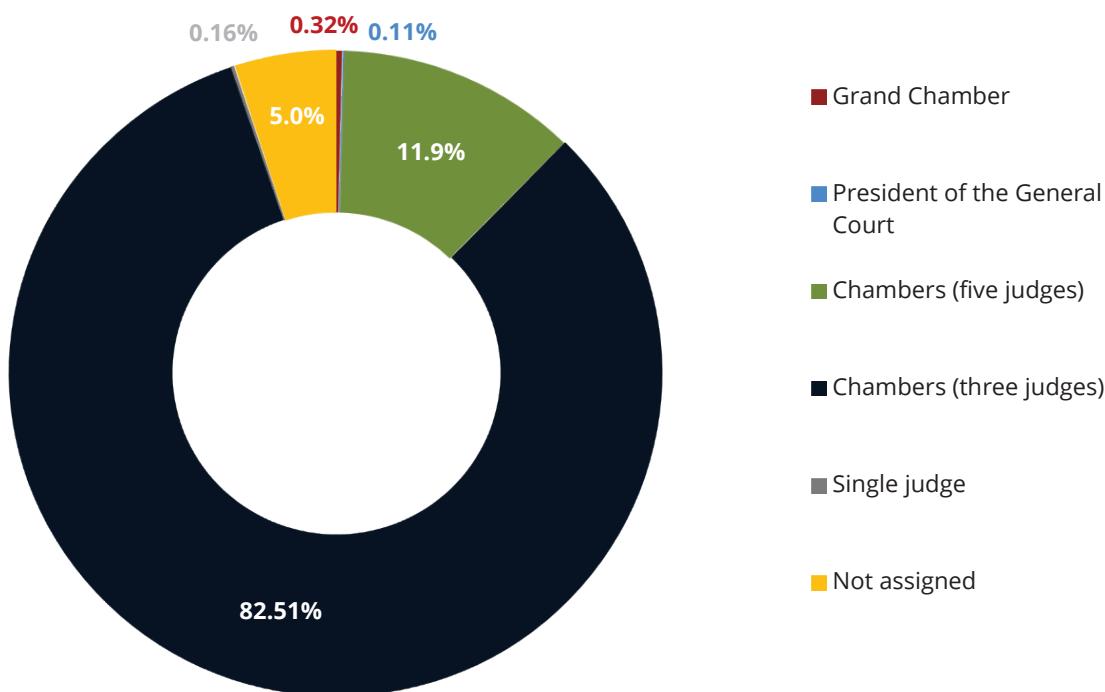
## XII. Cases pending as at 31 December – Subject matter of the action (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>

| Subject matter of the action  | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Access to documents   | 30           | 24           | 44           | 30           | 35           |
| Accession of new States   | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 1            |
| Agriculture   | 22           | 21           | 23           | 30           | 30           |
| Approximation of laws   | 4            | 1            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Arbitration clause  | 22           | 31           | 18           | 27           | 11           |
| Area of freedom, security and justice   | 2            | 0            | 2            | 1            | 1            |
| Citizenship of the Union  | 0            | 1            | 1            | 0            | 0            |
| Commercial policy   | 41           | 63           | 63           | 33           | 29           |
| Common fisheries policy   | 2            | 0            | 1            | 4            | 5            |
| Common foreign and security policy  | 1            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Company law   | 0            | 1            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Competition   | 64           | 78           | 96           | 65           | 42           |
| Consumer protection   | 1            | 2            | 5            | 5            | 4            |
| Customs union and Common Customs Tariff   | 2            | 0            | 3            | 1            | 0            |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 138          | 156          | 179          | 204          | 238          |
| Economic, social and territorial cohesion   | 3            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            |
| Education, vocational training, youth and sport   | 2            | 1            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Energy  | 9            | 12           | 17           | 17           | 21           |
| Environment   | 12           | 14           | 16           | 22           | 20           |
| External action by the European Union   | 5            | 6            | 3            | 2            | 2            |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 10           | 5            | 8            | 4            | 8            |
| Free movement of goods  | 0            | 0            | 1            | 2            | 1            |
| Freedom of movement for persons   | 1            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Freedom to provide services   | 0            | 1            | 2            | 0            | 1            |
| Intellectual property   | 274          | 319          | 320          | 299          | 330          |
| Law governing the institutions  | 180          | 118          | 86           | 117          | 543          |
| Public health   | 11           | 13           | 19           | 19           | 32           |
| Public procurement  | 15           | 21           | 25           | 22           | 19           |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 10           | 13           | 6            | 7            | 6            |
| Regulation of digital markets and services  | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 6            |
| Research and technological development and space  | 3            | 7            | 2            | 5            | 3            |
| Restrictive measures (external action)  | 72           | 65           | 51           | 122          | 116          |
| Social policy   | 1            | 0            | 2            | 4            | 0            |
| State aid   | 278          | 292          | 273          | 293          | 176          |
| Taxation  | 0            | 0            | 0            | 1            | 1            |
| Trans-European networks   | 1            | 2            | 1            | 1            | 1            |
| Transport   | 1            | 7            | 2            | 0            | 1            |
| <b>Total EC Treaty/TFEU</b>   | <b>1 217</b> | <b>1 276</b> | <b>1 272</b> | <b>1 341</b> | <b>1 688</b> |
| Special forms of procedure  | 40           | 39           | 23           | 37           | 42           |
| Staff Regulations   | 141          | 182          | 133          | 96           | 111          |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>  | <b>1 398</b> | <b>1 497</b> | <b>1 428</b> | <b>1 474</b> | <b>1 841</b> |

1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of cases pending in the field of 'Law governing the institutions'.

### XIII. Cases pending as at 31 December – Bench hearing action (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>

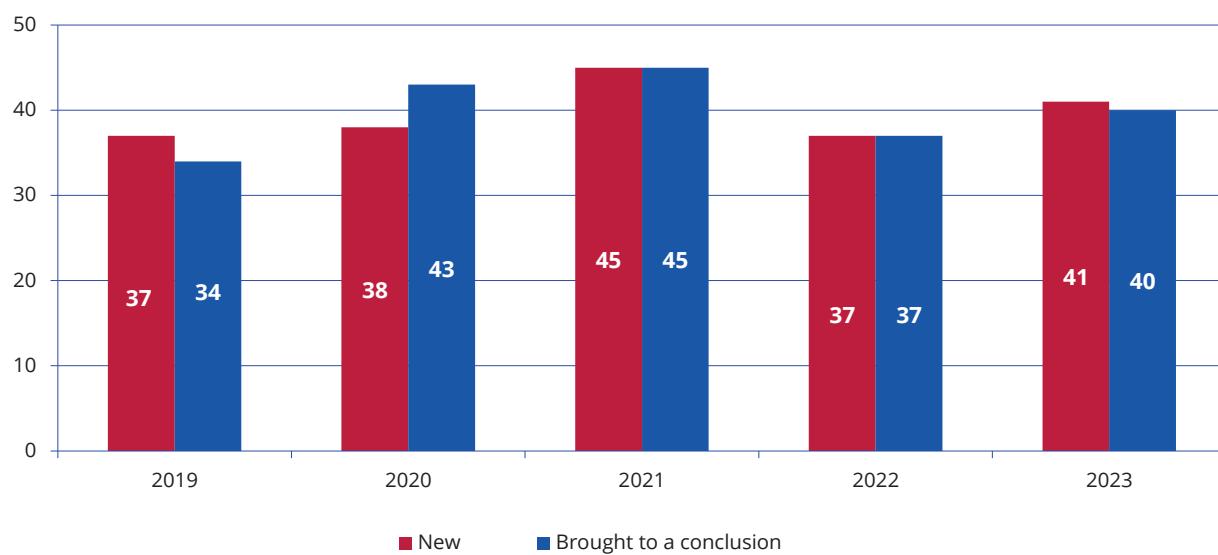
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| Bench hearing action           | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Grand Chamber                  | 0            | 0            | 0            | 1            | 6            |
| President of the General Court | 9            | 4            | 1            | 0            | 2            |
| Chambers (five judges)         | 88           | 112          | 106          | 206          | 219          |
| Chambers (three judges)        | 1 218        | 1 271        | 1 261        | 1 161        | 1 519        |
| Single judge                   | 0            | 0            | 0            | 7            | 3            |
| Not assigned                   | 83           | 110          | 60           | 99           | 92           |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1 398</b> | <b>1 497</b> | <b>1 428</b> | <b>1 474</b> | <b>1 841</b> |

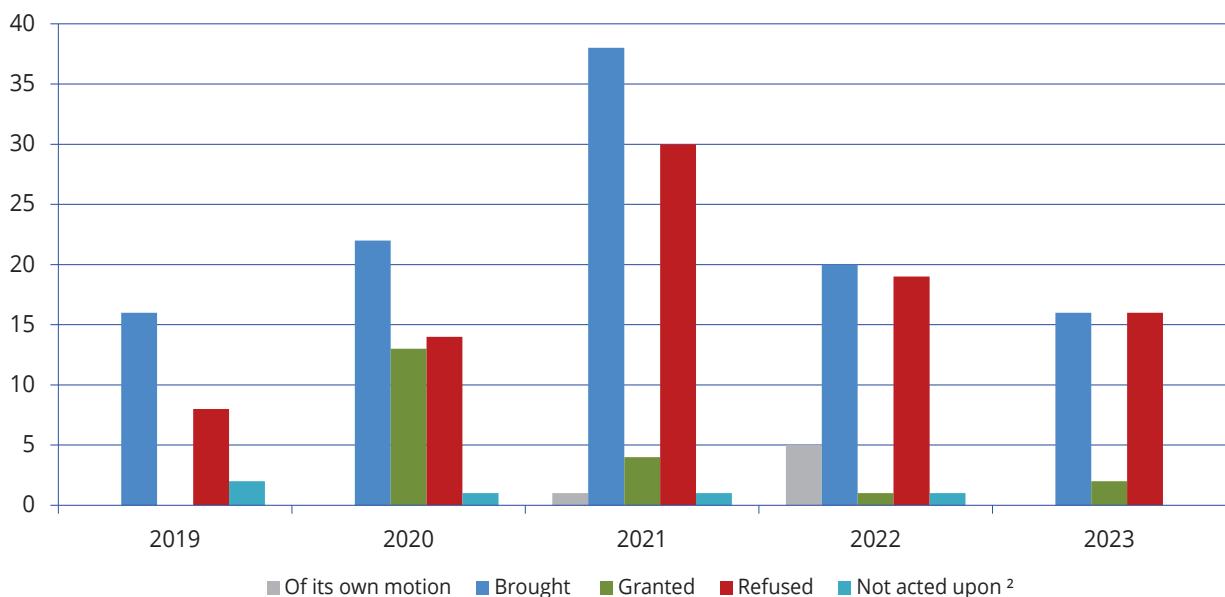
1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of cases pending before chambers of three judges

#### XIV. Miscellaneous – Proceedings for interim measures (2019-2023)



| Proceedings for interim measures  | New applications for interim measures | Applications for interim measures brought to a conclusion | Outcome: Granted | Outcome: Removed from the register/no need to adjudicate | Outcome: Dismissed |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|------------------|--|--------------------|
| Access to documents   | 2                                     | 2   | 1                | 0  | 1                  |
| Agriculture   | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Arbitration clause  | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Area of freedom, security and justice   | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Competition   | 3                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 0  | 1                  |
| Law governing the institutions  | 3                                     | 3   | 0                | 1  | 2                  |
| Public health   | 12                                    | 11  | 0                | 1  | 10                 |
| Public procurement  | 3                                     | 5   | 1                | 0  | 4                  |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 1                                     | 0   | 0                | 0  | 0                  |
| Regulation of digital markets and services  | 2                                     | 1   | 1                | 0  | 0                  |
| Research and technological development and space  | 1                                     | 1   | 0                | 1  | 0                  |
| Restrictive measures (external action)  | 7                                     | 8   | 3                | 0  | 5                  |
| Staff Regulations   | 2                                     | 3   | 0                | 1  | 2                  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>41</b>                             | <b>40</b>   | <b>6</b>         | <b>4</b>   | <b>30</b>          |

## XV. Miscellaneous – Expedited procedures (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



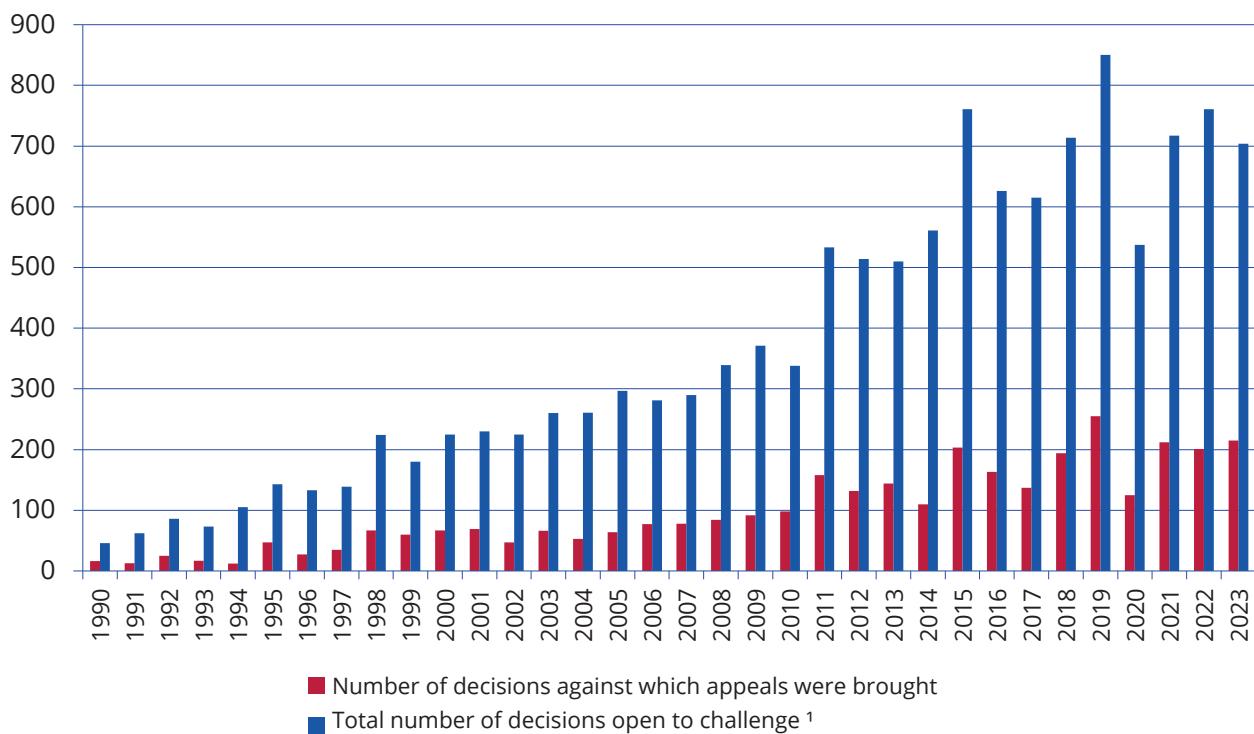
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- 1| The General Court may decide to deal with a case before it under an expedited procedure at the request of a main party or, since 1 July 2015, of its own motion.
- 2| The category 'Not acted upon' covers the following instances: withdrawal of the application for expedition, discontinuance of the action and cases in which the action is disposed of by way of order before the application for expedition has been ruled upon.

1| The General Court may decide to deal with a case before it under an expedited procedure at the request of a main party or, since 1 July 2015, of its own motion.

2| The category 'Not acted upon' covers the following instances: withdrawal of the application for expedition, discontinuance of the action and cases in which the action is disposed of by way of order before the application for expedition has been ruled upon.

## XVI. Miscellaneous – Appeals against decisions of the General Court to the Court of Justice (1990-2023)



| Year | Number of decisions against which appeals were brought | Total number of decisions open to challenge <sup>1</sup> | Percentage of decisions against which appeals were brought |
|------|--|--|--|
| 1990 | 16   | 46   | 35%  |
| 1991 | 13   | 62   | 21%  |
| 1992 | 25   | 86   | 29%  |
| 1993 | 17   | 73   | 23%  |
| 1994 | 12   | 105  | 11%  |
| 1995 | 47   | 143  | 33%  |
| 1996 | 27   | 133  | 20%  |
| 1997 | 35   | 139  | 25%  |
| 1998 | 67   | 224  | 30%  |
| 1999 | 60   | 180  | 33%  |
| 2000 | 67   | 225  | 30%  |
| 2001 | 69   | 230  | 30%  |
| 2002 | 47   | 225  | 21%  |
| 2003 | 66   | 260  | 25%  |
| 2004 | 53   | 261  | 20%  |
| 2005 | 64   | 297  | 22%  |
| 2006 | 77   | 281  | 27%  |
| 2007 | 78   | 290  | 27%  |
| 2008 | 84   | 339  | 25%  |
| 2009 | 92   | 371  | 25%  |

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1| Total number of decisions open to challenge – judgments, orders concerning interim measures or refusing leave to intervene and all orders terminating proceedings other than those removing a case from the register or transferring a case – in respect of which the period for bringing an appeal expired or against which an appeal was brought.

| Year        | Number of decisions against which appeals were brought | Total number of decisions open to challenge <sup>1</sup> | Percentage of decisions against which appeals were brought |
|-------------|--|--|--|
| <b>2010</b> | 98   | 338  | 29%  |
| <b>2011</b> | 158  | 533  | 30%  |
| <b>2012</b> | 132  | 514  | 26%  |
| <b>2013</b> | 144  | 510  | 28%  |
| <b>2014</b> | 110  | 561  | 20%  |
| <b>2015</b> | 203  | 761  | 27%  |
| <b>2016</b> | 163  | 626  | 26%  |
| <b>2017</b> | 137  | 615  | 22%  |
| <b>2018</b> | 194  | 714  | 27%  |
| <b>2019</b> | 255  | 850  | 30%  |
| <b>2020</b> | 125  | 537  | 23%  |
| <b>2021</b> | 212  | 717  | 30%  |
| <b>2022</b> | 201  | 761  | 26%  |
| <b>2023</b> | 215  | 704  | 31%  |

1| Total number of decisions open to challenge – judgments, orders concerning interim measures or refusing leave to intervene and all orders terminating proceedings other than those removing a case from the register or transferring a case – in respect of which the period for bringing an appeal expired or against which an appeal was brought.

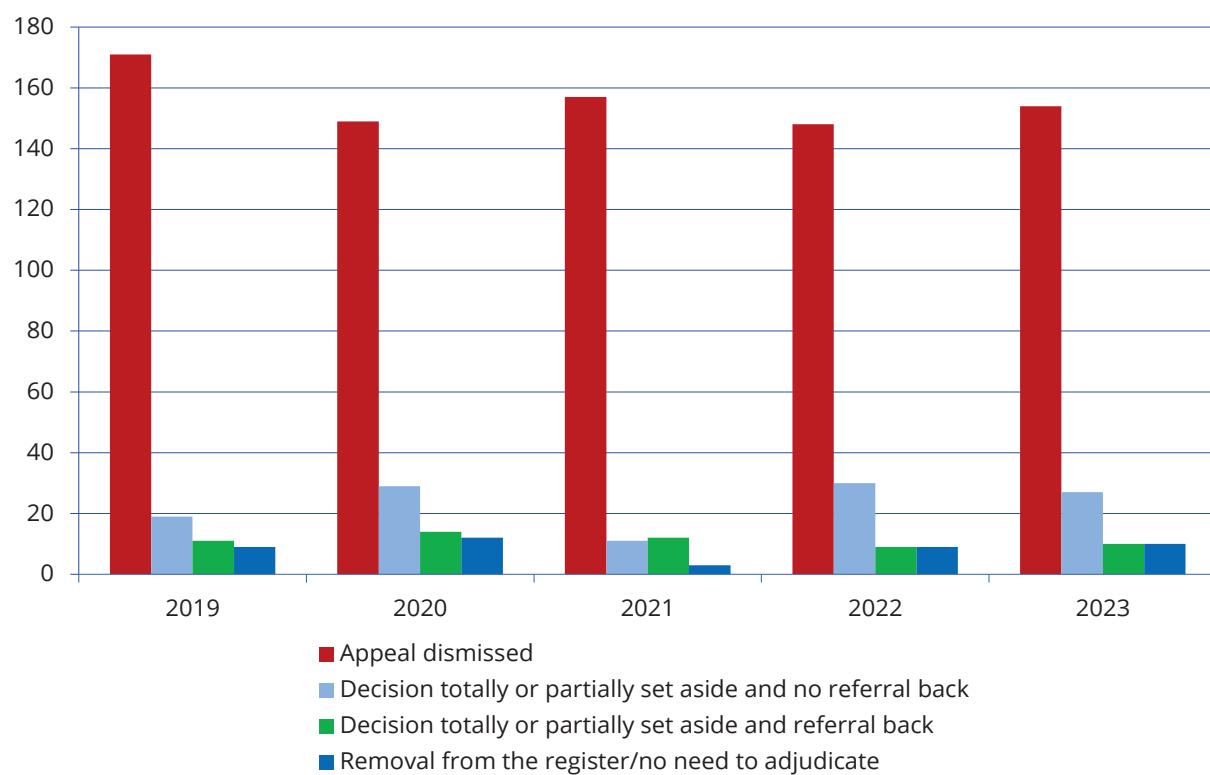
**XVII. Miscellaneous – Distribution of appeals before the Court of Justice according to the nature of the proceedings (2019-2023)**

| Distribution of appeals before the Court of Justice according to the nature of the proceedings | Appeals as a percentage in 2023                      |                                     |                                 |  |                                     |                                 |  |                                     |                                 |  |                                     |                                 |  |                                     |                                 |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|  | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2019 |                                     |                                 | Decisions open to challenge in 2019                  |                                     |                                 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2020 |                                     |                                 | Decisions open to challenge in 2020                  |                                     |                                 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2021 |                                     |                                 |
|  | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2019 | Decisions open to challenge in 2019 | Appeals as a percentage in 2019 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2020 | Decisions open to challenge in 2020 | Appeals as a percentage in 2020 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2021 | Decisions open to challenge in 2021 | Appeals as a percentage in 2021 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2022 | Decisions open to challenge in 2022 | Appeals as a percentage in 2022 | Decisions against which appeals were brought in 2023 | Decisions open to challenge in 2023 | Appeals as a percentage in 2023 |
| State aid  | 38   | 86                                  | <b>44%</b>                      | 9  | 25                                  | <b>36%</b>                      | 28   | 44                                  | <b>64%</b>                      | 18   | 38                                  | <b>47%</b>                      | 30   | 60                                  | <b>50%</b>                      |
| Competition  | 28   | 39                                  | <b>72%</b>                      | 4  | 18                                  | <b>22%</b>                      | 11   | 19                                  | <b>58%</b>                      | 21   | 31                                  | <b>68%</b>                      | 17   | 37                                  | <b>46%</b>                      |
| Staff cases  | 32   | 110                                 | <b>29%</b>                      | 19   | 71                                  | <b>27%</b>                      | 26   | 94                                  | <b>28%</b>                      | 31   | 116                                 | <b>27%</b>                      | 17   | 65                                  | <b>26%</b>                      |
| Intellectual property  | 57   | 315                                 | <b>18%</b>                      | 40   | 213                                 | <b>19%</b>                      | 60   | 279                                 | <b>22%</b>                      | 41   | 271                                 | <b>15%</b>                      | 51   | 257                                 | <b>20%</b>                      |
| Other direct actions   | 97   | 297                                 | <b>33%</b>                      | 52   | 209                                 | <b>25%</b>                      | 85   | 279                                 | <b>30%</b>                      | 82   | 297                                 | <b>28%</b>                      | 100  | 285                                 | <b>35%</b>                      |
| Appeals  | 0  | 0                                   | <b>0%</b>                       | 0  | 0                                   | <b>0%</b>                       | 0  | 0                                   | <b>0%</b>                       | 1  | 1                                   | <b>100%</b>                     | 0  | 0                                   | <b>0%</b>                       |
| Special forms of procedure   | 3  | 3                                   | <b>100%</b>                     | 1  | 1                                   | <b>100%</b>                     | 2  | 2                                   | <b>100%</b>                     | 7  | 7                                   | <b>100%</b>                     | 0  | 0                                   | <b>0%</b>                       |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>255</b>   | <b>850</b>                          | <b>30%</b>                      | <b>125</b>   | <b>537</b>                          | <b>23%</b>                      | <b>212</b>   | <b>717</b>                          | <b>30%</b>                      | <b>201</b>   | <b>761</b>                          | <b>26%</b>                      | <b>215</b>   | <b>704</b>                          | <b>31%</b>                      |

**XVIII. Miscellaneous – Results of appeals before the Court of Justice (2023)**  
**(Judgments and Orders)**

| Results of appeals before the Court of Justice  | Appeal dismissed | Decision totally or partially set aside and no referral back | Decision totally or partially set aside and referral back | Removal from the register/no need to adjudicate | Total      |
|---|------------------|--|---|---|------------|
| Access to documents   | 3                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 3          |
| Agriculture   | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Arbitration clause  | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Citizenship of the Union  | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Commercial policy   | 8                | 2  | 0   | 0   | 10         |
| Common foreign and security policy  | 2                | 0  | 2   | 2   | 6          |
| Competition   | 6                | 7  | 1   | 0   | 14         |
| Consumer protection   | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Customs union and Common Customs Tariff   | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Economic and monetary policy  | 1                | 1  | 0   | 1   | 3          |
| Energy  | 1                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Environment   | 3                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 3          |
| External action by the European Union   | 0                | 1  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Financial provisions (budget, financial framework, own resources, combating fraud)      | 0                | 1  | 0   | 0   | 1          |
| Freedom to provide services   | 0                | 0  | 1   | 0   | 1          |
| Intellectual property   | 45               | 0  | 0   | 1   | 46         |
| Law governing the institutions  | 24               | 0  | 1   | 2   | 27         |
| Procedure   | 7                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 7          |
| Public health   | 4                | 3  | 2   | 0   | 9          |
| Public procurement  | 3                | 1  | 0   | 1   | 5          |
| Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH Regulation) | 4                | 0  | 0   | 0   | 4          |
| Staff Regulations   | 22               | 1  | 1   | 3   | 27         |
| State aid   | 16               | 10   | 2   | 0   | 28         |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>154</b>       | <b>27</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>10</b>                                       | <b>201</b> |

**XIX. Miscellaneous – Results of appeals before the Court of Justice (2019-2023)**  
**(Judgments and orders)**



| Results of appeals before the Court of Justice               | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       | 2023       |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Appeal dismissed   | 171        | 149        | 157        | 148        | 154        |
| Decision totally or partially set aside and no referral back | 19         | 29         | 11         | 30         | 27         |
| Decision totally or partially set aside and referral back    | 11         | 14         | 12         | 9          | 10         |
| Removal from the register/no need to adjudicate              | 9          | 12         | 3          | 9          | 10         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>210</b> | <b>204</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>196</b> | <b>201</b> |

## XX. Miscellaneous – General trend (1989-2023)

### New cases, completed cases, cases pending

| Year         | New cases <sup>1</sup> | Completed cases <sup>2</sup> | Cases pending on 31 December |
|--------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1989         | 169                    | 1                            | 168                          |
| 1990         | 59                     | 82                           | 145                          |
| 1991         | 95                     | 67                           | 173                          |
| 1992         | 123                    | 125                          | 171                          |
| 1993         | 596                    | 106                          | 661                          |
| 1994         | 409                    | 442                          | 628                          |
| 1995         | 253                    | 265                          | 616                          |
| 1996         | 229                    | 186                          | 659                          |
| 1997         | 644                    | 186                          | 1 117                        |
| 1998         | 238                    | 348                          | 1 007                        |
| 1999         | 384                    | 659                          | 732                          |
| 2000         | 398                    | 343                          | 787                          |
| 2001         | 345                    | 340                          | 792                          |
| 2002         | 411                    | 331                          | 872                          |
| 2003         | 466                    | 339                          | 999                          |
| 2004         | 536                    | 361                          | 1 174                        |
| 2005         | 469                    | 610                          | 1 033                        |
| 2006         | 432                    | 436                          | 1 029                        |
| 2007         | 522                    | 397                          | 1 154                        |
| 2008         | 629                    | 605                          | 1 178                        |
| 2009         | 568                    | 555                          | 1 191                        |
| 2010         | 636                    | 527                          | 1 300                        |
| 2011         | 722                    | 714                          | 1 308                        |
| 2012         | 617                    | 688                          | 1 237                        |
| 2013         | 790                    | 702                          | 1 325                        |
| 2014         | 912                    | 814                          | 1 423                        |
| 2015         | 831                    | 987                          | 1 267                        |
| 2016         | 974                    | 755                          | 1 486                        |
| 2017         | 917                    | 895                          | 1 508                        |
| 2018         | 834                    | 1 009                        | 1 333                        |
| 2019         | 939                    | 874                          | 1 398                        |
| 2020         | 847                    | 748                          | 1 497                        |
| 2021         | 882                    | 951                          | 1 428                        |
| 2022         | 904                    | 858                          | 1 474                        |
| 2023         | 1 271                  | 904                          | 1 841                        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>20 051</b>          | <b>18 210</b>                |                              |

1| 1989: the Court of Justice referred 153 cases to the newly created Court of First Instance (now the General Court).  
 1993: the Court of Justice referred 451 cases as a result of the first extension of the jurisdiction of the Court of First Instance.  
 1994: the Court of Justice referred 14 cases as a result of the second extension of the jurisdiction of the Court of First Instance.  
 2004-05: the Court of Justice referred 25 cases as a result of the third extension of the jurisdiction of the Court of First Instance.  
 2016: on 1 September 2016, 139 staff cases were transferred to the General Court.  
 With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of new and pending cases.

2| 2005-06: the Court of First Instance referred 118 cases to the newly created Civil Service Tribunal.

## XXI. Activity of the Registry of the General Court (2019-2023)

| Type of act   | 2019   | 2020   | 2021   | 2022   | 2023   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Procedural documents entered in the register of the Registry <sup>1</sup>   | 54 723 | 51 399 | 56 827 | 60 961 | 62 019 |
| Applications initiating proceedings <sup>2</sup>  | 939    | 847    | 882    | 904    | 1 271  |
| Rate of regularisation of the applications initiating proceedings <sup>3</sup>  | 35.04% | 34.59% | 41.2%  | 31.96% | 22.9%  |
| Written pleadings (other than applications)   | 4 446  | 4 122  | 4 385  | 4 888  | 5 264  |
| Applications to intervene   | 288    | 318    | 306    | 265    | 350    |
| Requests for confidential treatment (of data contained in procedural documents) <sup>4</sup>  | 251    | 224    | 253    | 371    | 744    |
| Draft orders prepared by the Registry <sup>5</sup> (manifest inadmissibility before service, stay/resumption, joinder of cases, joinder of a plea of inadmissibility with the substance of the case, uncontested intervention, removal from the register, finding of no need to adjudicate in intellectual property cases, reopening of the oral part of the procedure and rectification) | 299    | 259    | 371    | 344    | 345    |
| Chamber conferences   | 334    | 325    | 338    | 352    | 334    |
| Minutes of hearings and records of delivery of judgment   | 787    | 589    | 784    | 724    | 790    |

1| This number is an indicator of the volume of work of the Registry, since each incoming or outgoing document is entered in the register. The number of procedural documents entered in the register must be assessed in the light of the nature of the proceedings within the Court's jurisdiction. As the number of parties to proceedings is limited in direct actions (applicant, defendant and, as the case may be, intervener(s)), service is effected only on those parties.

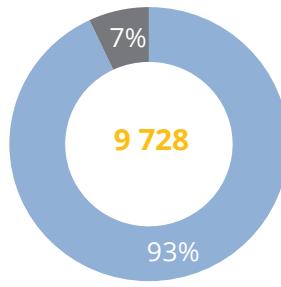
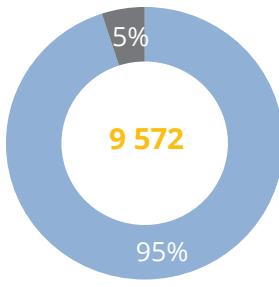
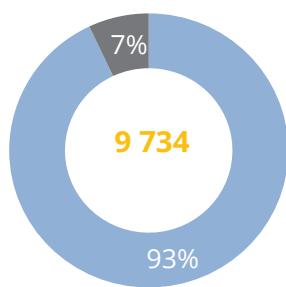
2| Any written pleadings lodged (including applications) must be entered in the register, placed on the case file, put in order where appropriate, communicated to the judges' chambers with a transmission sheet, which is sometimes detailed, then possibly translated and, lastly, served on the parties.  
With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of cases brought.

3| Where an application initiating proceedings (or any other written pleading) does not comply with certain requirements, the Registry ensures that it is put in order, as provided in the Rules of Procedure.  
With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the rate of regularisation of applications initiating proceedings. If that series of cases is excluded then 33.5% of applications initiating proceedings would have been the subject of a request to put the application in order.

4| The number of requests for confidentiality is without prejudice to the amount of data contained in one or more pleadings for which confidential treatment is requested.  
With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of applications for the omission of data.

5| Since the entry into force, on 1 July 2015, of the new Rules of Procedure of the General Court, certain decisions that were previously taken in the form of orders (stay/resumption, joinder of cases, intervention by a Member State or an institution where confidentiality is not raised) have been taken in the form of a simple decision added to the case file.

## XXII. Methods of lodging procedural documents before the General Court <sup>1</sup>



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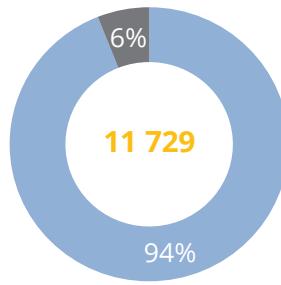
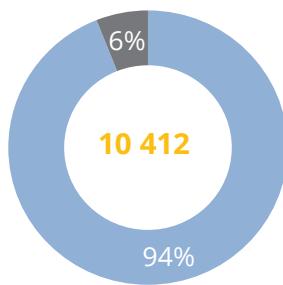
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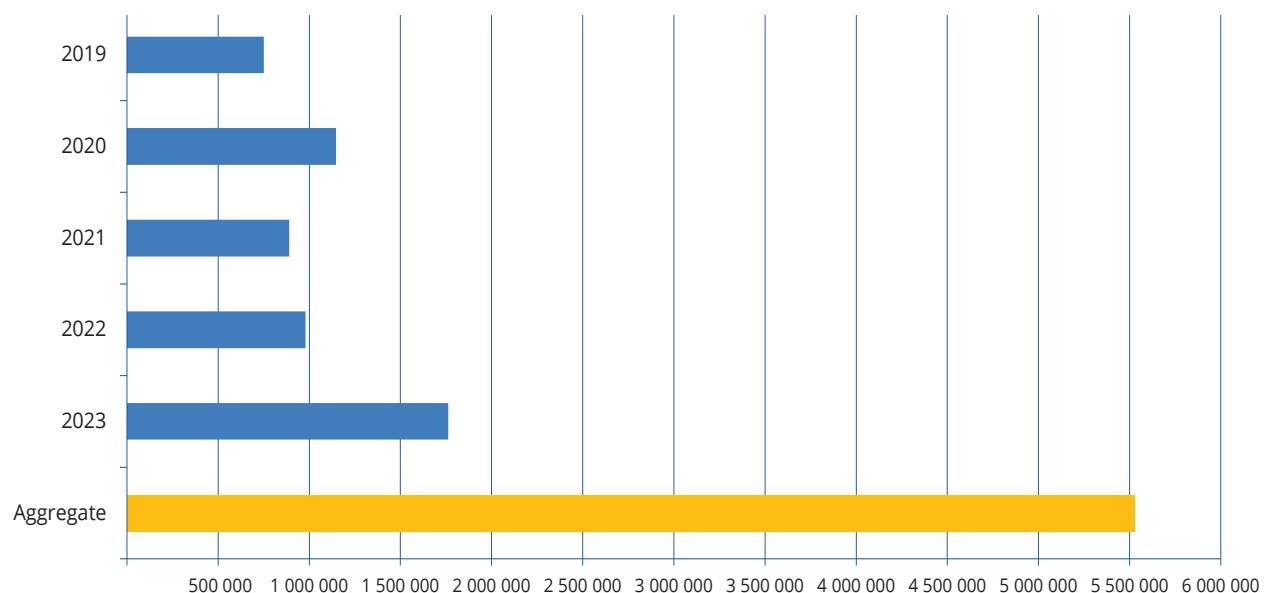
Lodgment by e-Curia

Other methods of lodgment

Total

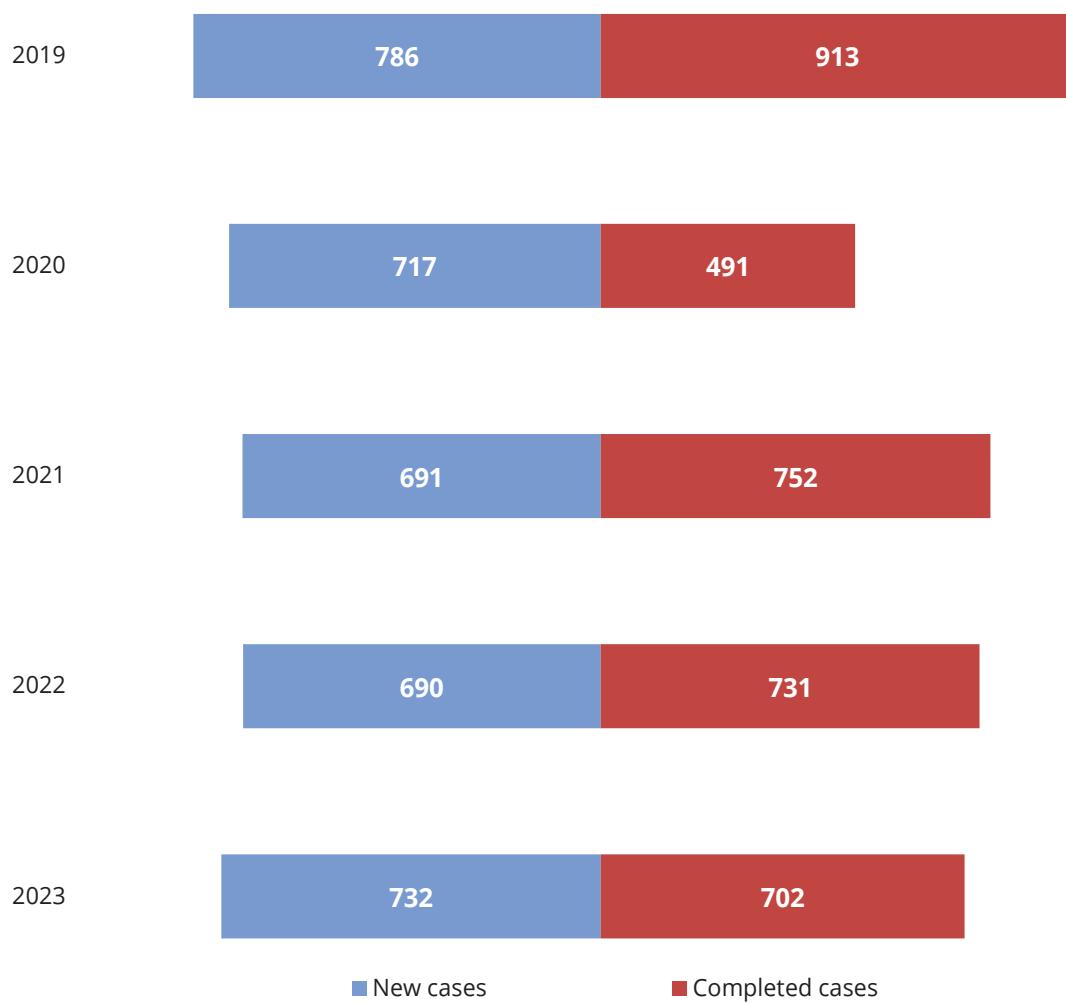
<sup>1</sup> Since 1 December 2018, e-Curia has become the mandatory means of exchanging documents with the representatives of the parties in all proceedings before the General Court (without prejudice to the exceptions under the rules).

### XXIII. Pages lodged by e-Curia (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



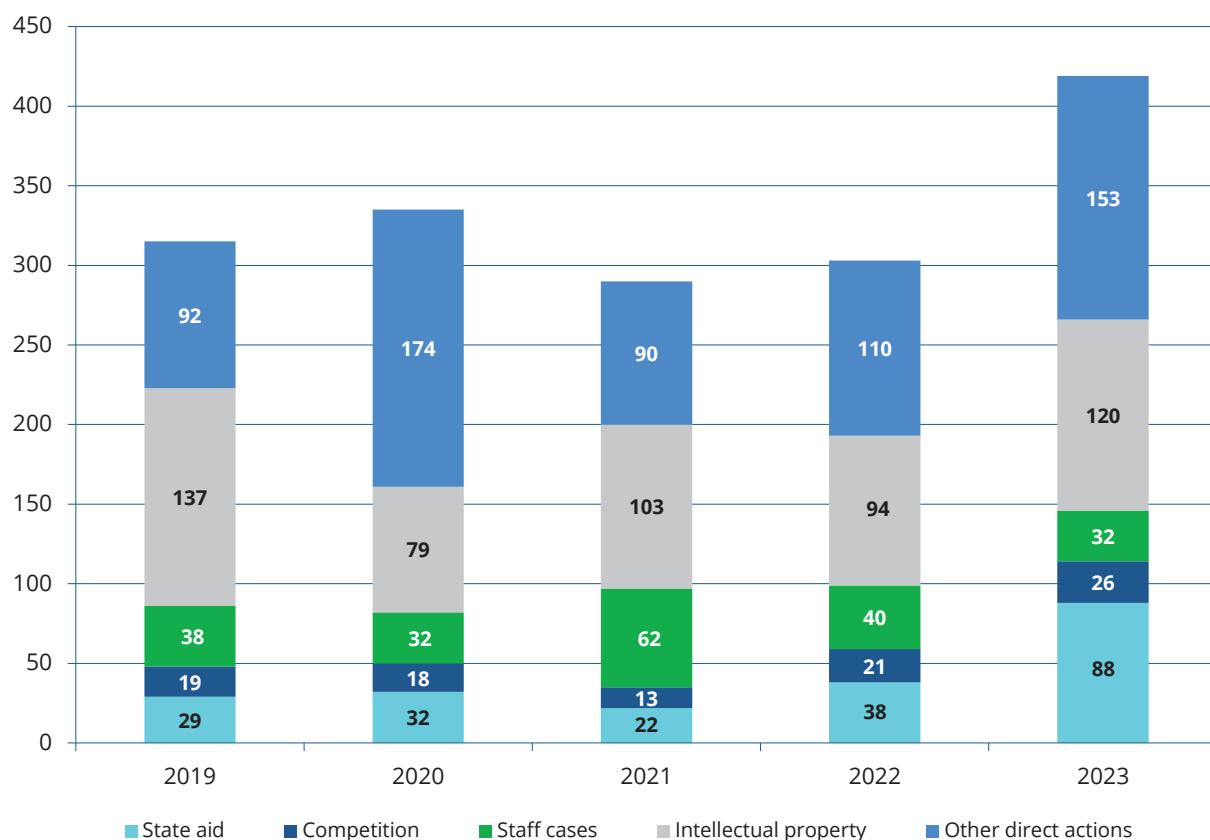
1| With respect to 2023, the series of 404 essentially identical cases, T-620/23 to T-1023/23, has had an impact on the number of pages lodged by e-Curia. Accordingly, 682 309 pages in total were lodged in October 2023 alone.

#### XXIV. Notices in the *Official Journal of the European Union* (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the Rules of Procedure (Articles 79 and 122), notices concerning new applications and decisions which close the proceedings must be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

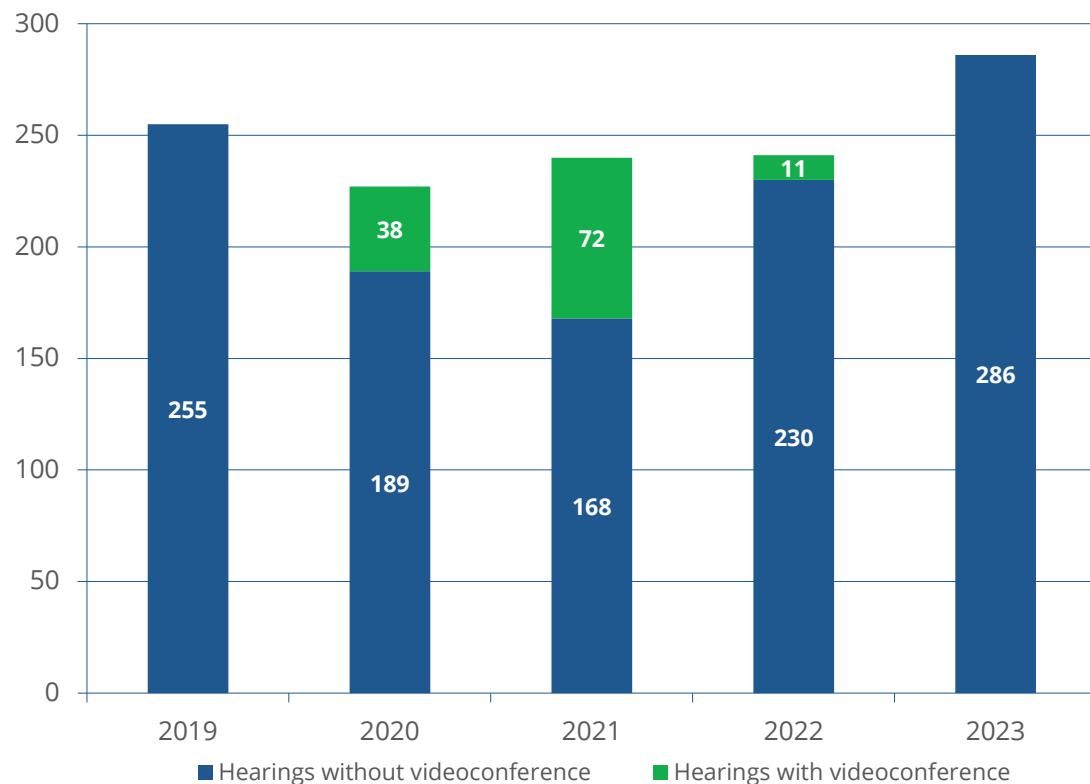
## XXV. Cases pleaded (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



| Year | Cases pleaded |
|------|---------------|
| 2019 | 315           |
| 2020 | 335           |
| 2021 | 290           |
| 2022 | 303           |
| 2023 | 419           |

<sup>1</sup> The number of cases pleaded is calculated irrespective of the joinder of cases and of joint hearings.

## XXVI. Hearings (2019-2023)<sup>1</sup>



| Year | Hearings |
|------|----------|
| 2019 | 255      |
| 2020 | 227      |
| 2021 | 240      |
| 2022 | 241      |
| 2023 | 286      |

<sup>1</sup> The number of hearings takes account of the joinder of cases and of joint hearings (a hearing in joined cases or a joint hearing = one hearing).



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