



Federal Constitutional Court

- Annual Statistics 2016 -

Workload of the Federal Constitutional Court Remains High

In the 65th year of its existence, the Federal Constitutional Court recorded a slight decrease in the number of new proceedings. While approximately 5,800 new proceedings were entered in the register of proceedings (approx. 5,900 in 2015), the number of new proceedings in the General Register remained, as in 2015, at approximately 8,800 new proceedings. Although this number of new proceedings is considerably lower than in 2014, which had the highest so far, the heavy workload of the Federal Constitutional Court remains unchanged. Nevertheless, the number of proceedings terminated by both Senates is once more significantly higher than the number of new proceedings entered in the register of proceedings. The number of proceedings pending before the Court could thus be reduced from 3,600 to 3,200 proceedings.

The high number of large-scale proceedings before the Senates, requiring time-consuming preparation, is the main reason for the permanently heavy workload of the Court. In the past months, both Senates have terminated several of these proceedings, such as, for example, the proceedings concerning the Federal Criminal Police Office Act, the OMT Programme of the European Central Bank and the accelerated nuclear phase-out as well as proceedings concerning the prohibition of the National Democratic Party. Other large-scale proceedings, however, are pending such as proceedings concerning the Act on Uniform Application of Collective Agreements, the newly introduced retention of data, assisted suicide and the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between the European Union and Canada.

The citizens as well as the political players continue to hold the Federal Constitutional Court in high esteem. But the Court cannot take this for granted. Rather, the Federal Constitutional Court must work every day – by rendering clear and convincing decisions – to earn and maintain the confidence placed in it as a court for the people, but also as an arbiter in a democratic constitutional state. This holds particularly true in view of the developments in Poland,

Hungary and Turkey which show that an independent constitutional court can come under immense pressure in difficult political conditions.

Karlsruhe, February 2017

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Proceedings Brought

from 7 September 1951 Until 31 December 2016

<u>Proceedings</u> brought (total)	226,107	; of these,	
	218,437	(96.61%)	constitutional complaints,
	3,807	(1.68%)	abstract ¹ and specific ²
	9	(0.01%)	judicial review proceedings,
	3,829	(1.69%)	proceedings concerning the prohibition of political parties,
			other types of proceedings, e.g. disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (states), disputes between highest federal organs and other constitutional disputes at the federal and the <i>Laender</i> level,
	25	(0.01%)	former types of proceedings conducted until 1960 ³

<u>Proceedings terminated</u> (total)	222,922	; of these,	
	215,360	(96.61%)	constitutional complaints; of these 4,989 were successful = 2.3%
	3,736	(1.67%)	abstract and specific
	8	(0.01%)	judicial review proceedings,
	3,793	(1.70%)	proceedings concerning the prohibition of political parties,
	25	(0.01%)	other types of proceedings, former types of proceedings conducted until 1960

<u>Proceedings still pending</u>	3,185	; of these,	
	3,077	(96.61%)	constitutional complaints,
	71	(2.23%)	abstract and specific
	1	(0.03%)	judicial review proceedings,
	36	(1.13%)	proceedings concerning the prohibition of political parties, other types of proceedings

of these,

1,342	(42.14%)	are dealt with by the First Senate, and
1,843	(57.86%)	are dealt with by the Second Senate

¹ Art. 93(1) no. 2 of the Basic Law (*Grundgesetz* - GG)

² Art. 100(1) GG

³ File numbers: BvT and PBvV, see page 7

New Proceedings Brought Since 7 September 1951

Year	First Senate	Second Senate	Total
1951	476* (473+3 ^{1u.4})	5	481
1952	1,008* (1.005+3 ^{2u.4})	9	1,017
1953	736* (735+1 ²)	7	743
1954	571* (567+4 ²)	6	577
1955	587* (585+2 ²)	7	594
1956	734* (732+2 ²)	74* (73+1 ¹)	808
1957	807	37* (34+3 ¹)	844
1958	1,114* (1,110+4 ^{2u.3})	96* (95+1 ¹)	1,210
1959	1,190	28	1,218
1960	635* (634+1 ²)	747	1,382
1961	544	512	1,056
1962	728	732	1,460
1963	688	726	1,414
1964	808	830	1,638
1965	767	737	1,504
1966	810	770	1,580
1967	786	812	1,598
1968	814	786	1,600
1969	850	809	1,659
1970	845	832	1,677

* corrected
 proceedings (see p. 7) on: ¹ Senate jurisdiction
² legal aid
³ plenary decisions
⁴ legal opinions

New Proceedings Brought Since 7 September 1951 (Continued)

Year	First Senate	Second Senate	Total
1971	494	1,048	1,542
1972	655	943	1,598
1973	2,374	947	3,321 ¹
1974	506	1,131	1,637
1975	512	1,076	1,588
1976	1,079	1,389	2,468 ²
1977	1,263	1,277	2,540
1978	1,701	1,095	2,796
1979	1,499	1,612	3,111
1980	1,588	1,519	3,107
1981	1,527	1,571	3,098
1982	1,741	1,845	3,586
1983	1,829	2,117	3,946
1984	1,765	1,719	3,484
1985	1,547	1,594	3,141
1986	1,587	1,473	3,060
1987	1,690	1,786	3,476
1988	1,803	1,899	3,702
1989	1,669	2,089	3,758
1990	1,609	1,791	3,400
1991	2,016	2,061	4,077
1992	2,049	2,382	4,431
1993	2,319	3,121	5,440
1994	2,551	2,773	5,324
1995	2,776	3,135	5,911

¹ 1,735 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning the stability supplement)

² 381 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning § 218 of the Criminal Code - StGB)

New Proceedings Brought Since 7 September 1951 (Continued)

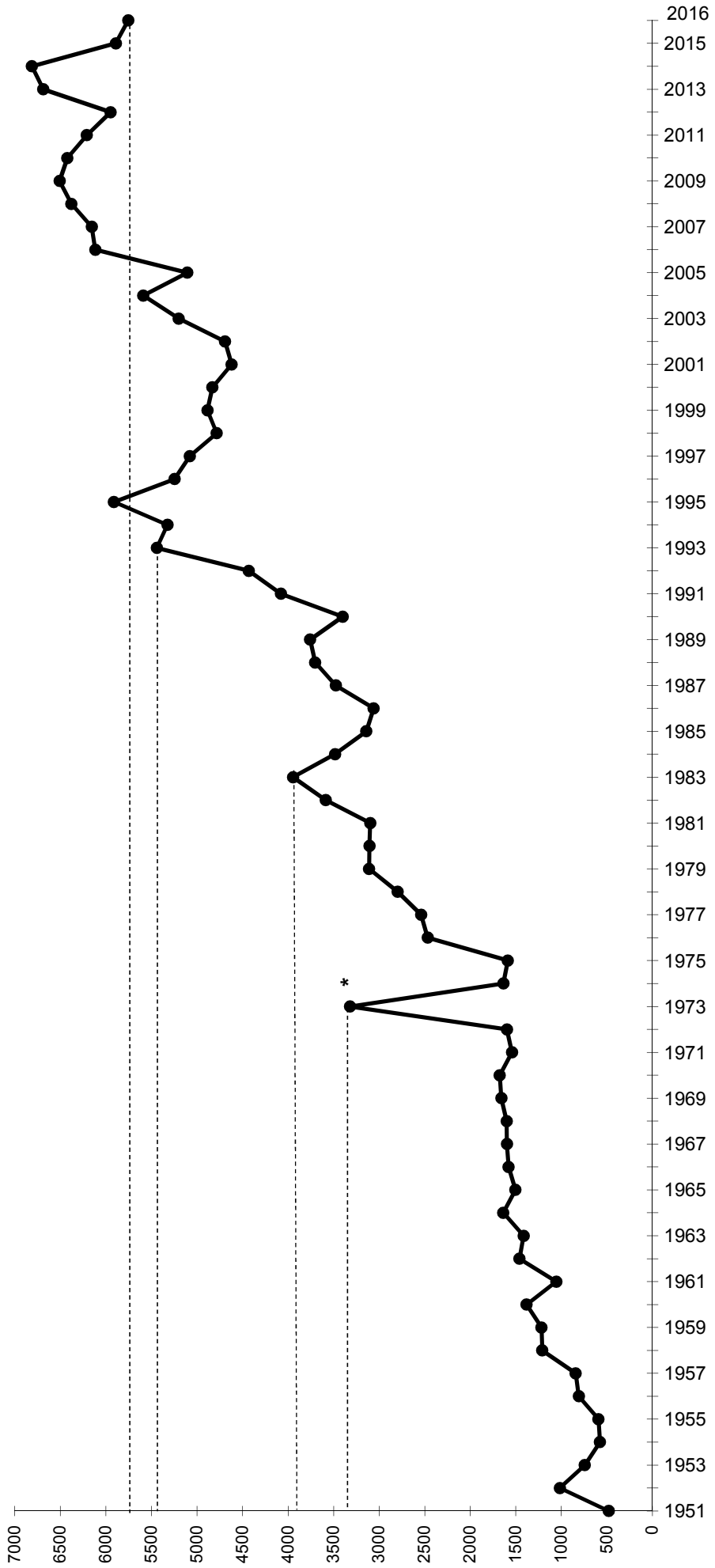
Year	First Senate	Second Senate	Total
1996	2,599	2,647	5,246
1997	2,636	2,442	5,078
1998	2,419	2,364	4,783
1999	2,303	2,582	4,885
2000	2,402	2,429	4,831
2001	2,328	2,292	4,620
2002	2,496	2,196	4,692
2003	2,738	2,462	5,200
2004	3,006	2,583	5,589
2005	2,786	2,319	5,105
2006	3,288	2,827	6,115
2007	3,367	2,787	6,154
2008	3,677	2,701	6,378 ¹
2009	3,321	3,187	6,508
2010	3,331	3,091	6,422 ²
2011	3,288	2,920	6,208
2012	2,864	3,083	5,947
2013	3,710	2,976	6,686
2014	3,561	3,250	6,811 ³
2015	3,320	2,571	5,891
2016	2,980	2,774	5,754

¹ 163 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning banking law, stock exchange law and the law on securities)

² 130 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning banking law, stock exchange law and the law on securities)

³ 116 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning the general right of personality) and 230 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning international law)

New Proceedings Brought Since 7 September 1951



* 1,735 of these were parallel proceedings (concerning the stability supplement)

New Proceedings

Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Forfeiture of fundamental rights (Art. 18 GG)	BvA	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Rulings on the unconstitutionality of political parties (Art. 21(2) GG)	BvB	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	9
Complaints in proceedings involving the scrutiny of elections (Art. 41(2) GG)	BvC	172	11	1	1	16	17	-	12	70	20	-	320
Impeachment of the Federal President (Art. 61 GG)	BvD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes between federal organs (Art. 93(1) no. 1 GG)	BvE	154	6	6	2	3	9	14	14	4	7	6	225
Review of statutes upon application by a constitutional organ (Art. 93(1) no. 2 GG)	BvF	162	1	-	2	-	7	3	3	-	2	-	180
Constitutional disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (Art. 93(1) no. 3 and Art. 84(4) second sentence GG)	BvG	44	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	--	46
Public-law disputes (Art. 93(1) no. 4 GG)	BvH	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	74
Impeachment of judges (Art. 98(2) and (5) GG)	BvJ	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> (state) assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court for decision by virtue of <i>Land</i> law (Art. 99 GG)	BvK	25	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Review of statutes upon judicial referral (Art. 100(1) GG)	BvL	3,350	27	33	47	19	35	28	18	41	12	17	3,627
Status of a provision of public international law as part of federal law (Art. 100(2) GG)	BvM	27	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Interpretation of the Basic Law upon application of a <i>Land</i> constitutional court (Art. 100(3) GG)	BvN	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Disagreements whether law continues to be valid as federal law (Art. 126 GG)	BvO	151	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	151

New Proceedings (Continued)

Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Proceedings in other cases assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court by federal law (Art. 93(3) GG) - from 1971 onwards -	BVP	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7
Preliminary injunctions (§ 32 BVerfGG) and - until 1970 - other proceedings	BvQ	1,792	102	93	148	132	103	84	161	89	110	121	2,935
Constitutional complaints (Art. 93(1) nos. 4a and 4b GG)	BvR	157,342	6,005	6,245	6,308	6,251	6,036	5,818	6,477	6,606	5,739	5,610	218,437
1. Examination of which Senate has jurisdiction - now: administrative file no. 1004/4 E - 2. Grant of legal aid - now: BvR - 3. Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG) - now: PBvU - - until 1960 -	BvT*	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Disagreements on whether a law meets the requirements of Art. 72(2) and Art. 93(1) no. 2a GG - from 1998 onwards -	BvW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Referrals by the Federal Court of Justice (<i>Bundesgerichtshof</i>) pursuant to § 36(2) of the Committees of Inquiry Act - from 2001 onwards -	BvX	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Applications pursuant to Art. 93(2) GG - from 2006 onwards -	BvY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement of a Justice of the Federal Constitutional Court due to incapacity for office or for other reasons (§ 105 BVerfGG)	PBvS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG)	BvU / PBvU	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
Legal opinions issued by the Plenary (§ 97 BVerfGG) - until 1952 -	PBvV*	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Sum of all Proceedings:		163,348	6,154	6,378	6,508	6,422	6,208	5,947	6,686	6,811	5,891	5,754	226,107

* former types of proceedings which were conducted until 1960

Decisions Issued by the Plenary, the Senates and the Chambers

Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Forfeiture of fundamental rights (Art. 18 GG)	BvA	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Rulings on the unconstitutionality of political parties (Art. 21(2) GG)	BvB	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Complaints in proceedings involving the scrutiny of elections (Art. 41(2) GG)	BvC	133	5	6	10	4	13	12	13	3	18	46	263
Impeachment of the Federal President (Art. 61 GG)	BvD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes between federal organs (Art. 93(1) no. 1 GG)	BvE	84	3	2	4	2	2	5	2	12	8	5	129
Review of statutes upon application by a constitutional organ (Art. 93(1) no. 2 GG)	BvF	98	3	3	1	3	1	2	1	3	1	-	116
Constitutional disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (Art. 93(1) no. 3 and Art. 84(4) second sentence GG)	BvG	26	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	27
Public-law disputes (Art. 93(1) no. 4 GG)	BvH	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Impeachment of judges (Art. 98(2) and (5) GG)	BvJ	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court for decision by virtue of <i>Land</i> law (Art. 99 GG)	BvK	19	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Review of statutes upon judicial referral (Art. 100(1) GG)													
- Senates -	BvL	1,011	5	10	5	11	1	13	4	11	3	6	1,080
- Chambers (since 11 August 1993) -		170	7	8	16	10	7	10	5	10	3	5	251
Status of a provision of public international law as part of federal law (Art. 100(2) GG)	BvM	8	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Interpretation of the Basic Law at the request of a <i>Land</i> constitutional court (Art. 100(3) GG)	BvN	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Disagreements whether law continues to be valid as federal law (Art. 126 GG)	BvO	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

Decisions Issued by the Plenary, the Senates and the Chambers (Continued)

Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Proceedings in other cases assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court by federal law (Art. 93(3) GG) - from 1971 onwards -	BvP	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Preliminary injunctions (§ 32 BVerfGG) and - until 1970 - other proceedings	BvQ	1,347	79	85	128	113	95	73	105	83	100	116	2,324
Constitutional Complaints (Art. 93(1) nos. 4a and 4b GG) - Senates -	BvR	3,966 133,661	14 5,905	10 5,731	14 5,783	14 5,897	16 5,597	8 5,176	12 5,975	10 6,076	12 5,653	13 5,654	4,089 191,108
- Judges' Committees or Chambers -													
1. Examination of which Senate has jurisdiction - now: administrative file no. 1004/4 E -	BvT*	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
2. Grant of legal aid - now: BvR -													
3. Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG) - now: PBvU - - until 1960 -													
Disagreements on whether a law meets the requirements of Art. 72(2) and Art. 93(1) no. 2a GG - from 1998 onwards -	BvW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Referrals by the Federal Court of Justice pursuant to § 36(2) of the Committees of Inquiry Act - from 2001 onwards -	BvX	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Applications pursuant to Art. 93(2) GG - from 2006 onwards -	BvY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement of a Justice of the Federal Constitutional Court due to incapacity for office or for other reasons (§ 105 BVerfGG)	PBvS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG)	BvU / PBvU	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
Legal opinions issued by the Plenary (§ 97 BVerfGG) - until 1952 -	PBvV*	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Sum of all Decisions:		140,614	6,026	5,857	5,961	6,054	5,733	5,300	6,117	6,208	5,798	5,845	199,513

* former types of proceedings which were conducted until 1960

Proceedings Terminated in Ways Other Than by Decision, e.g. Proceedings Consolidated with Others for Joint Adjudication, Applications Withdrawn, etc.

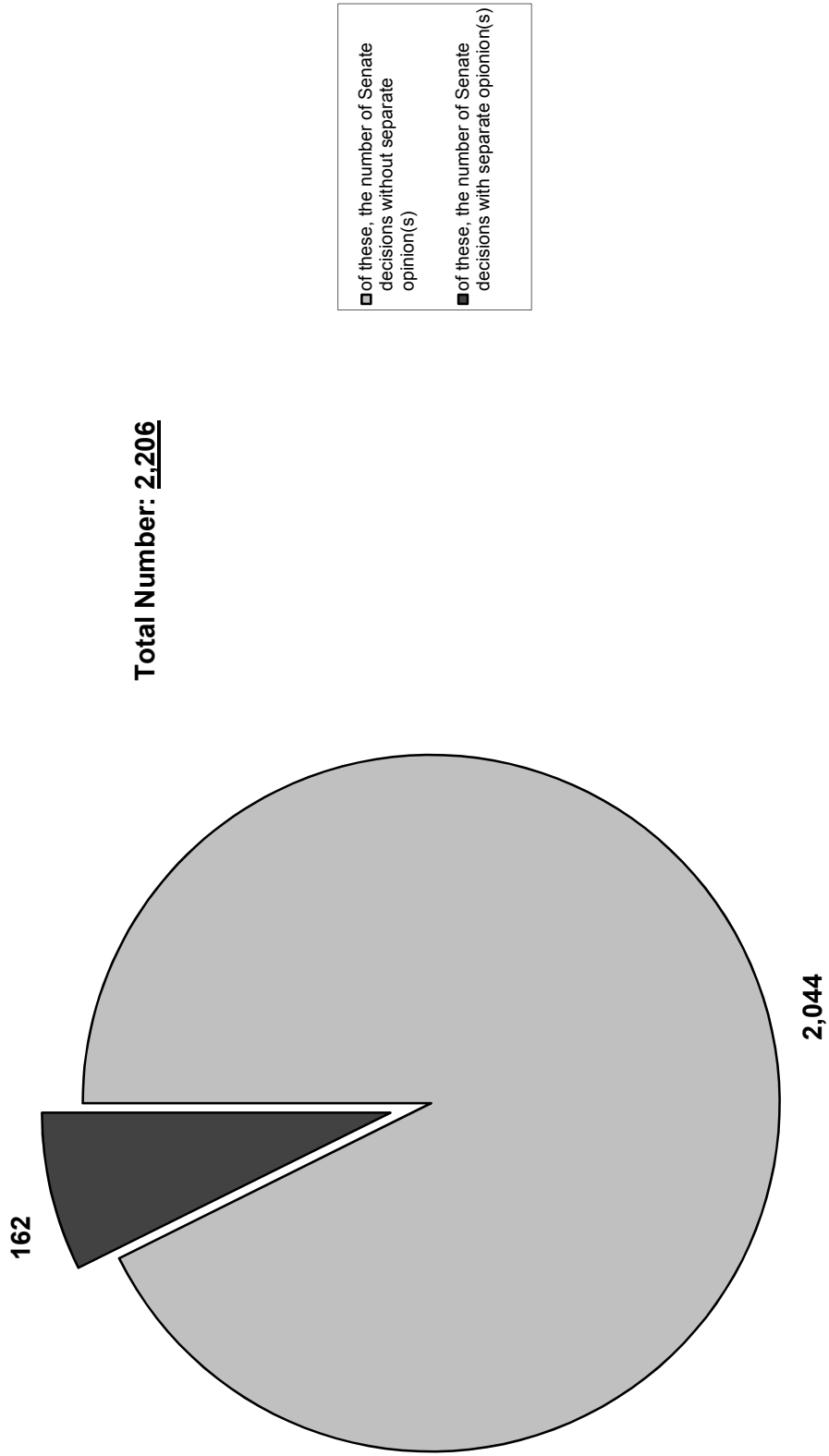
Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Forfeiture of fundamental rights (Art. 18 GG)	BvA	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Rulings on the unconstitutionality of political parties (Art. 21(2) GG)	BvB	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Complaints in proceedings involving the scrutiny of elections (Art. 41(2) GG)	BvC	26	-	-	1	3	2	2	-	-	5	2	41
Impeachment of the Federal President (Art. 61 GG)	BvD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes between federal organs (Art. 93(1) no. 1 GG)	BvE	63	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	10	1	1	85
Review of statutes upon application by a constitutional organ (Art. 93(1) no. 2 GG)	BvF	53	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	57
Constitutional disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (Art. 93(1) no. 3 and Art. 84(4) second sentence GG)	BvG	16	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	18
Public-law disputes (Art. 93(1) no. 4 GG)	BvH	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Impeachment of judges (Art. 98(2) and (5) GG)	BvJ	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court for decision by virtue of Land law (Art. 99 GG)	BvK	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Review of statutes upon judicial referral (Art. 100(1) GG)	BvL	2,103	10	20	15	21	13	11	9	11	11	8	2,232
Status of a provision of public international law as part of federal law (Art. 100(2) GG)	BvM	8	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Interpretation of the Basic Law at the request of a <i>Land</i> constitutional court (Art. 100(3) GG)	BvN	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Disagreements whether law continues to be valid as federal law (Art. 126 GG)	BvO	132	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132

Proceedings Terminated in Other Ways (Continued)

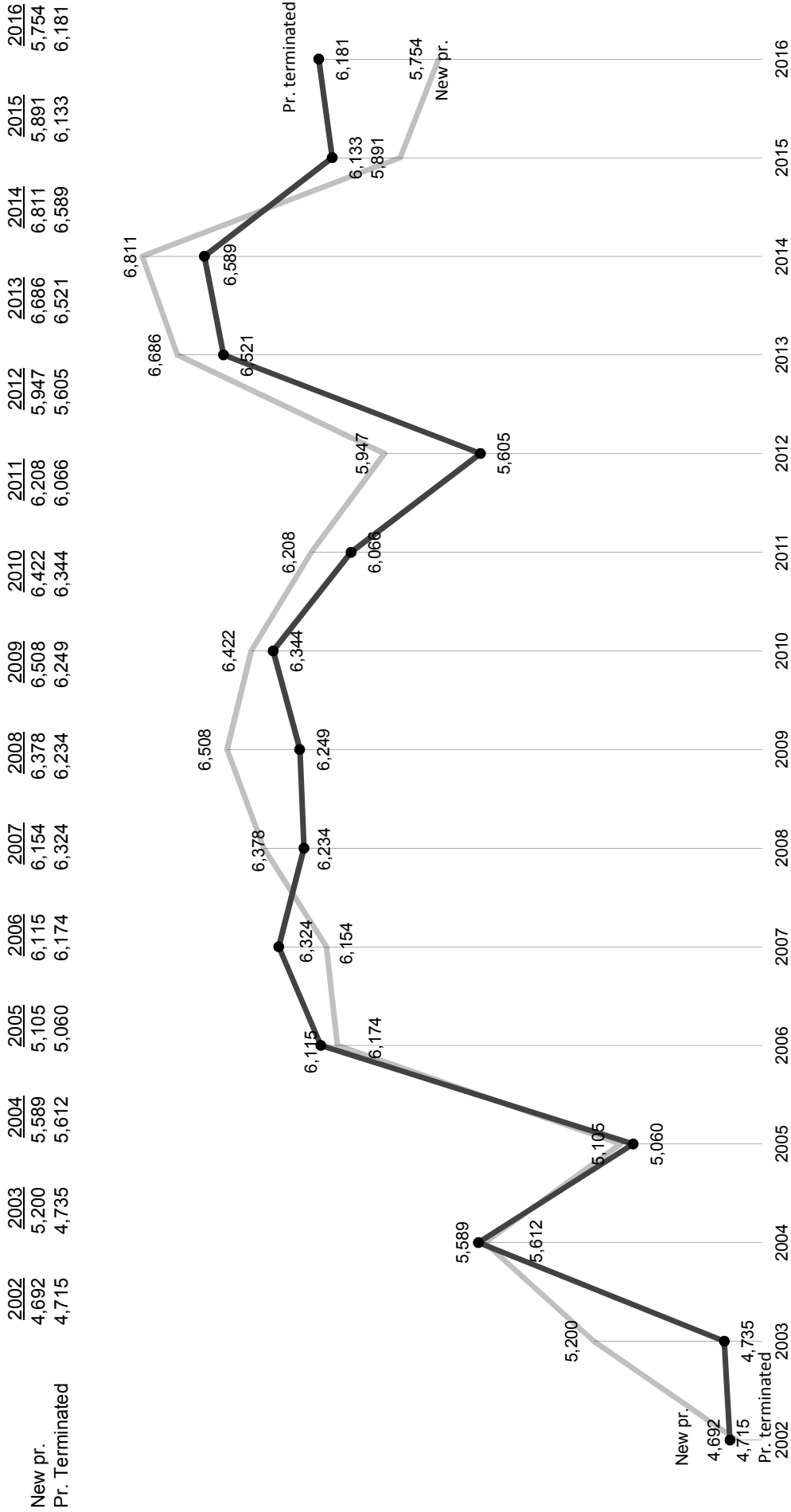
Type of Proceedings	File no.	until 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Proceedings in other cases assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court by federal law (Art. 93(3) GG) - from 1971 onwards -	BVP	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Preliminary injunctions (§ 32 BVerfGG) and - until 1970 - other proceedings	BvQ	442	22	7	16	17	14	12	12	44	12	6	604
Constitutional complaints (Art. 93(1) nos. 4a and 4b GG)	BvR	17,157	256	349	254	247	301	278	382	314	306	319	20,163
1. Examination of which Senate has jurisdiction - now: administrative file no. 1004/4 E -	BvT*	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
2. Grant of legal aid - now: BvR -													
3. Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG) - now: PBvU - until 1960 -													
Disagreements on whether a law meets the requirements of Art. 72(2) and Art. 93(1) no. 2a GG - from 1998 onwards -	BvW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Referrals by the Federal Court of Justice pursuant to § 36(2) of the Committees of Inquiry Act - from 2001 onwards -	BvX	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Applications pursuant to Art. 93(2) GG - from 2006 onwards -	BvY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement of a Justice of the Federal Constitutional Court due to incapacity for office or for other reasons (§ 105 BVerfGG)	PBvS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plenary decisions (§ 16 BVerfGG)	BvU / PBvU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal opinions issued by the Plenary (§ 97 BVerfGG) - until 1952 -	PBvW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sum of all Proceedings Terminated		20,062	298	377	288	290	333	305	404	381	335	336	23,409

* former types of proceedings which were conducted until 1960

**Senate Decisions With/Without Separate Opinion(s)
in the Official Collection of Decisions (BVerfGE) - Volumes 30 to 140 (1971 to 2016)**



New Proceedings and Proceedings Terminated * Since 2002



* Proceedings terminated (decisions and proceedings terminated in other ways), proceedings brought in former years and proceedings brought in the respective year

**Total Numbers of New Proceedings
Brought in the Last Five Judicial Years**

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<u>First Senate</u>					
Constitutional complaints (BvR)	2,814	3,636	3,516	3,253	2,922
Specific judicial review (BvL)	22	10	12	9	7
Abstract judicial review (BvF)	--	2	--	--	--
Preliminary injunctions (BvQ)	28	62	33	58	51
Plenary matters (PBvU)	--	--	--	--	--
	2,864	3,710	3,561	3,320	2,980
<u>Second Senate</u>					
Constitutional complaints (BvR)	3,004	2,841	3,090	2,486	2,688
Specific judicial review (BvL)	6	8	29	3	10
Abstract judicial review (BvF)	3	1	--	2	--
Preliminary injunctions (BvQ)	59	99	56	52	70
Unconstitutionality of political parties (BvB)	--	1	--	--	--
Scrutiny of elections and of the status of a member of the <i>Bundestag</i> (BvC)	--	12	70	20	--
<i>Organstreit</i> proceedings (BvE)	14	14	14	7	6
Disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (BvG)	--	--	--	--	--
Public-law disputes (BvH)	--	--	--	--	--
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> (BvK)	--	--	--	--	--
Review of public international law (BvM)	--	--	--	--	--
Other cases assigned by federal law (BvP)	--	--	--	1	--
Plenary matters (PBvU)	--	--	--	--	--
	3,083	2,976	3,250	2,571	2,774
Total	5,947	6,686	6,811	5,891	5,754

**Applications Served on the Respondent and Other Parties
Pursuant to § 23(2) BVerfGG
in the Last Five Judicial Years**

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<u>First Senate</u>					
Constitutional complaints (BvR)	57	53	85	135	56
Specific judicial review (BvL)	1	4	7	9	1
Abstract judicial review (BvF)	--	1	1	--	--
Preliminary injunctions (BvQ)	--	--	--	--	--
Plenary matters (PBvU)	--	--	--	--	--
	58	58	93	144	57
<u>Second Senate</u>					
Constitutional complaints (BvR)	94	91	76	75	89
Specific judicial review (BvL)	--	9	6	9	6
Abstract judicial review (BvF)	2	1	--	1	2
Preliminary injunctions (BvQ)	--	--	--	--	--
Unconstitutionality of political parties (BvB)	--	1	--	--	--
Scrutiny of elections and of the status of a member of the <i>Bundestag</i> (BvC)	1	12	--	--	1
<i>Organstreit</i> proceedings (BvE)	13	9	3	2	4
Disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> (BvG)	--	--	--	--	--
Public-law disputes (BvH)	--	--	--	--	--
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> (BvK)	--	--	--	--	--
Review of public international law (BvM)	--	--	--	--	--
Other cases assigned by federal law (BvP)	--	--	--	--	--
Plenary matters (PBvU)	--	--	--	--	--
	110	123	85	87	102
Total	168	181	178	231	159

Oral Hearings and Pronouncements of Judgments

Since 1990

Year	Number of oral hearings conducted		Number of judgments pronounced		Total number		Total
	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
1990	1	4	1	3	2	7	9
1991	4	6	4	4	8	10	18
1992	2	4	4	3	6	7	13
1993	1	3	--	4	1	7	8
1994	1	2	1	1	2	3	5
1995	1	3	2	1	3	4	7
1996	--	2	--	3	--	5	5
1997	4	3	6	2	10	5	15
1998	5	2	3	3	8	5	13
1999	5	4	9	3	14	7	21
2000	6	6	5	4	11	10	21
2001	5	5	8	4	13	9	22
2002	6	8	5	6	11	14	25
2003	6	7	4	6	10	13	23
2004	1	5	6	7	7	12	19
2005	4	6	4	6	8	12	20
2006	3	5	2	5	5	10	15
2007	4	5	4	5	8	10	18
2008	2	5	4	5	6	10	16
2009	4	1	3	3	7	4	11
2010	2	2	3	--	5	2	7
2011	--	7	1	3	1	10	11
2012	4	3	2	6	6	9	15
2013	2	3	3	1	5	4	9
2014	2	6	3	8	5	14	19
2015	4	3	1	4	5	7	12
2016	1	4	4	3	5	7	12

Caseload and Proceedings Terminated

Proceedings from the previous years pending on:			
	<u>1/1/2015</u>	<u>1/1/2016</u>	
First Senate	1,821	1,710	
Second Senate	2,033	1,902	
	<u>3,854</u>	<u>3,612</u>	
New Proceedings:			
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	
First Senate	3,320	2,980	of these, 2,922 CC, ¹ 7 JR, ² 51 PI, ³
Second Senate	2,571	2,774	of these, 2,688 CC, 10 JR, 70 PI, 6 CSM, ⁴ -- other ⁵
	<u>5,891</u>	<u>5,754</u>	of these, 5,610 CC, 17 JR, 121 PI, 6 CSM, -- other
Proceedings terminated:			
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	
First Senate	3,431	3,348	of these, 3,276 CC, 17 JR, 55 PI,
Second Senate	2,702	2,833	of these, 2,710 CC, 2 JR, 67 PI, 6 CSM, 48 other
	<u>6,133</u>	<u>6,181</u>	of these, 5,986 CC, 19 JR, 122 PI, 6 CSM, 48 other
Proceedings pending on:			
	<u>31/12/2015</u>	<u>31/12/2016</u>	
First Senate	1,710	1,342	of these, 1,324 CC, 16 JR, 2 PI,
Second Senate	1,902	1,843	of these, 1,753 CC, 55 JR, 5 PI, 12 CSM, 18 other
	<u>3,612</u>	<u>3,185</u>	of these, 3,077 CC, 71 JR, 7 PI, 12 CSM, 18 other

¹ Constitutional complaints

² Abstract and specific judicial review proceedings (Art. 93(1) no. 2, Art. 100(1) GG)

³ Preliminary injunctions (proceedings in their own right)

⁴ *Organstreit* proceedings (disputes between highest federal organs) and disputes between the Federation and the *Laender*; here, the Federal Constitutional Court acts in its function as a court for state matters

⁵ Unconstitutionality of political parties, complaints in proceedings involving the scrutiny of elections, other cases assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court by federal law (Art. 93(3) GG)

Proceedings Terminated

	2015	2016			
I. Decisions issued by the <u>Plenary</u>					
First Senate	--	--			
Second Senate	--	--			
II. Decisions issued by a <u>Senate</u>					
1. Decisions in principal proceedings					
First Senate	10	12	of these,	8 CC,	4 JR, -- PI,
Second Senate	33	58	of these,	5 CC,	2 JR, -- PI, 5 CSM, 46 other
2. Interim/incidental decisions					
First Senate	11	12	of these,	-- preliminary injunctions -- exclusion of a Justice by virtue of law -- challenge of a Justice 12 other	
Second Senate	19	26	of these,	3 preliminary injunctions -- exclusion of a Justice by virtue of law 5 challenge of a Justice 18 other	
III. Decisions issued by a <u>Chamber</u>					
1. Decisions in the principal proceedings					
a) Constitutional complaints and preliminary injunctions:					
aa) Non-admission for decision/rejection of an application for a preliminary injunction					
First Senate	3,212	3,071	of these,	174 with reasons 422 with reasons in the operative part of the decision 2,475 without reasons (81%)	
Second Senate	2,448	2,621	of these,	74 with reasons 185 with reasons in the operative part of the decision 2,362 without reasons (90%)	
bb) Grant of the relief sought					
First Senate	45	44			
Second Senate	47	34			
b) Proceedings involving specific judicial review (inadmissible referral):					
First Senate	3	5			
Second Senate	--	--			
2 Interim/incidental decisions					
First Senate	32	43	of these,	12 preliminary injunctions -- exclusion of a Justice by virtue of law 1 challenge of a Justice 30 other	
Second Senate	66	46	of these,	16 preliminary injunctions -- exclusion of a Justice by virtue of law -- challenge of a Justice 30 other	
IV. Proceedings terminated in other ways					
1. Withdrawals					
First Senate	20	16			
Second Senate	26	30			
2. Transfers to the other Senate					
First Senate	6	5			
Second Senate	25	17			
3. Proceedings combined with other proceedings, etc.					
First Senate	135	195			
Second Senate	123	73			

Constitutional Complaint Proceedings

(Including Proceedings Combined with Others For Joint Decision)

Terminated in the Last Five Judicial Years

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
New Proceedings	5,818	6,477	6,606	5,739	5,610
Proceedings terminated					
1. by a <u>Chamber</u> :					
Non-admission	5,173	6,142	6,155	5,769	5,778
Grant of relief sought	143	75	110	98	109
2. by a <u>Senate</u> :					
Non-admission	--	--	--	1	1
Rejection	6	5	16	3	10
Grant of relief sought	5	16	11	13	8
3. by withdrawal:	54	46	46	38	42
4. in other ways/transfers to the other Senate:	81	85	62	49	38

**Share of the Constitutional Complaints Granted
of the Total Constitutional Complaints Decided per Year**

Since 1987 *

Year	Proceedings decided on their own or combined with others	Among these, successful proceedings	Share in %
1987	2,638	94	3.56%
1988	2,975	84	2.82%
1989	3,204	87	2.72%
1990	3,715	635	17.09%
1991	3,452	246	7.13%
1992	3,782	210	5.55%
1993	4,927	270	5.48%
1994	4,901	161	3.29%
1995	4,743	139	2.93%
1996	4,853	109	2.25%
1997	4,663	45	0.97%
1998	4,615	99	2.15%
1999	4,872	103	2.11%
2000	4,884	76	1.56%
2001	4,575	89	1.95%
2002	4,452	100	2.25%
2003	4,499	81	1.80%
2004	5,343	117	2.19%
2005	4,808	133	2.77%
2006	5,876	136	2.31%
2007	6,037	148	2.45%
2008	5,852	111	1.90%
2009	5,911	111	1.88%
2010	6,021	103	1.71%

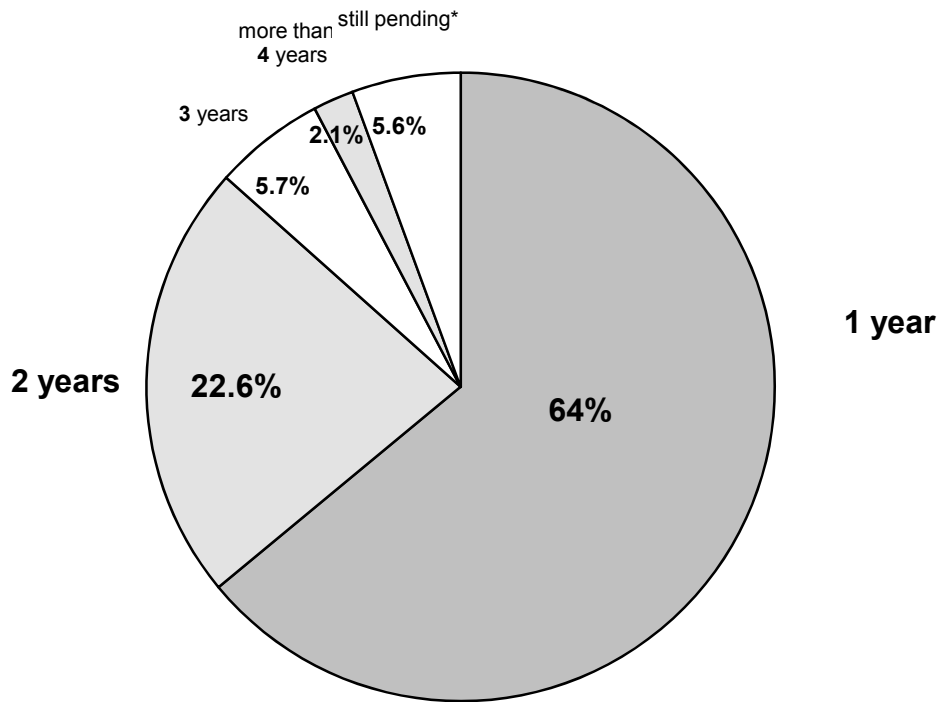
* It is not possible to provide valid figures for the period before 1987 because no separate survey of decisions which terminated several proceedings (combined proceedings) was carried out.

**Share of the Constitutional Complaints Granted
of the Total Constitutional Complaints Decided per Year**

Since 1987 (Continued)

Year	Proceedings decided on their own or combined with others	Among these, successful proceedings	Share in %
2011	5,744	93	1.62%
2012	5,327	148	2.78%
2013	6,238	91	1.46%
2014	6,292	121	1.92%
2015	5,884	111	1.89%
2016	5,906	117	1.98%

**Average Length of Proceedings of Constitutional Complaints
Lodged in the Years 2008 bis 2016**



*from the years 2009 to 2016

**Constitutional Complaints Lodged Against Judicial Decisions
Since 1991**

Type of Jurisdiction	1991 to 2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		Total
	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
a) Civil courts (incl. non-contentious jurisdiction)	31,705	9,099	1,319	874	1,747	605	1,777	736	1,587	574	1,275	797	52,095
b) Criminal courts	805	25,750	54	1,507	78	1,633	43	1,547	70	1,381	47	1,264	34,179
Administrative courts													
a) General administrative courts	8,811	5,074	405	232	466	222	454	176	431	189	451	202	17,113
b) Asylum proceedings	--	8,568	--	54	--	67	--	119	--	80	--	123	9,011
Social courts	5,503	27	521	4	591	2	651	2	553	2	535	3	8,394
Labour courts	2,558	61	127	1	120	2	132	3	127	1	162	3	3,297
Finance courts	1,314	1,759	55	72	106	62	58	63	68	61	70	62	3,750
Patent courts	44	3	4	--	3	--	1	--	3	--	2	--	60
Disciplinary courts/ Disciplinary courts for the professions	510	78	8	8	21	1	15	--	10	2	3	2	658
Federal Court of Justice in lawyer and notary matters	524	3	21	--	16	--	25	--	19	--	8	--	616
Land constitutional courts	312	138	22	21	28	10	19	2	14	8	13	5	592
Total	52,086	50,560	2,536	2,773	3,176	2,604	3,175	2,648	2,882	2,298	2,566	2,461	129,765

Judicial Decisions Reversed^{1,2,3}

Since 1991⁴

1991 to 2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		Total
First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
1,199	1,413 (506)	102	56 (1)	38	53 (1)	50	67 (--)	58	55 (--)	77	34 (1)	3,202 (509)

¹ if several judicial decisions from successive stages of appeal in a given type of jurisdiction were reversed in a single set of proceedings, only the last stage of appeal was counted

² if several judicial decisions from successive stages of appeal in various types of jurisdiction were reversed in a single set of proceedings, only the last stage of appeal was counted in each type of jurisdiction

³ if, after combining several proceedings, the same challenged judicial decision was reversed, it was only counted once

⁴ also in proceedings brought in previous years

() = of these, asylum proceedings

Constitutional Complaints Lodged Against Federal Court Decisions

Since 1991¹

	1991 to 2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		Total
	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
Federal Court of Justice	4,512	3,600	206	290	326	276	361	216	319	222	246	259	10,833
Federal Administrative Court	1,890	1,201	93	51	117	22	87	28	85	36	114	27	3,751
Federal Social Court	3,591	16	248	--	278	1	353	3	274	--	262	1	5,027
Federal Labour Court	1,779	28	85	1	74	3	126	2	116	1	148	3	2,366
Federal Finance Court	1,193	1,452	43	71	101	75	64	73	65	66	60	71	3,334
Total	12,965	6,297	675	413	896	377	991	322	859	325	830	361	25,311

¹ if several decisions of the respective federal court were challenged in a single set of proceedings, they were counted as separate decisions

Federal Court Decisions Reversed

Since 1991²

	1991 to 2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		Total
	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
Federal Court of Justice	84	41	20	3	--	1	3	3	11	1	2	1	170
Federal Administrative Court	35	85	--	2	--	1	--	--	1	3	--	--	127
Federal Social Court	32	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	33
Federal Labour Court	17	1	10	--	--	--	--	3	2	--	2	--	35
Federal Finance Court	7	25	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	33
Total	175	152	30	5	--	3	3	6	14	4	5	1	398

² also in proceedings brought in previous years

Constitutional Complaints

Lodged Against

Judicial Decisions / Statutes (Legal Provisions) / Sovereign Acts of Federal / Land (state) and European Union Authorities in the Judicial Year 2016

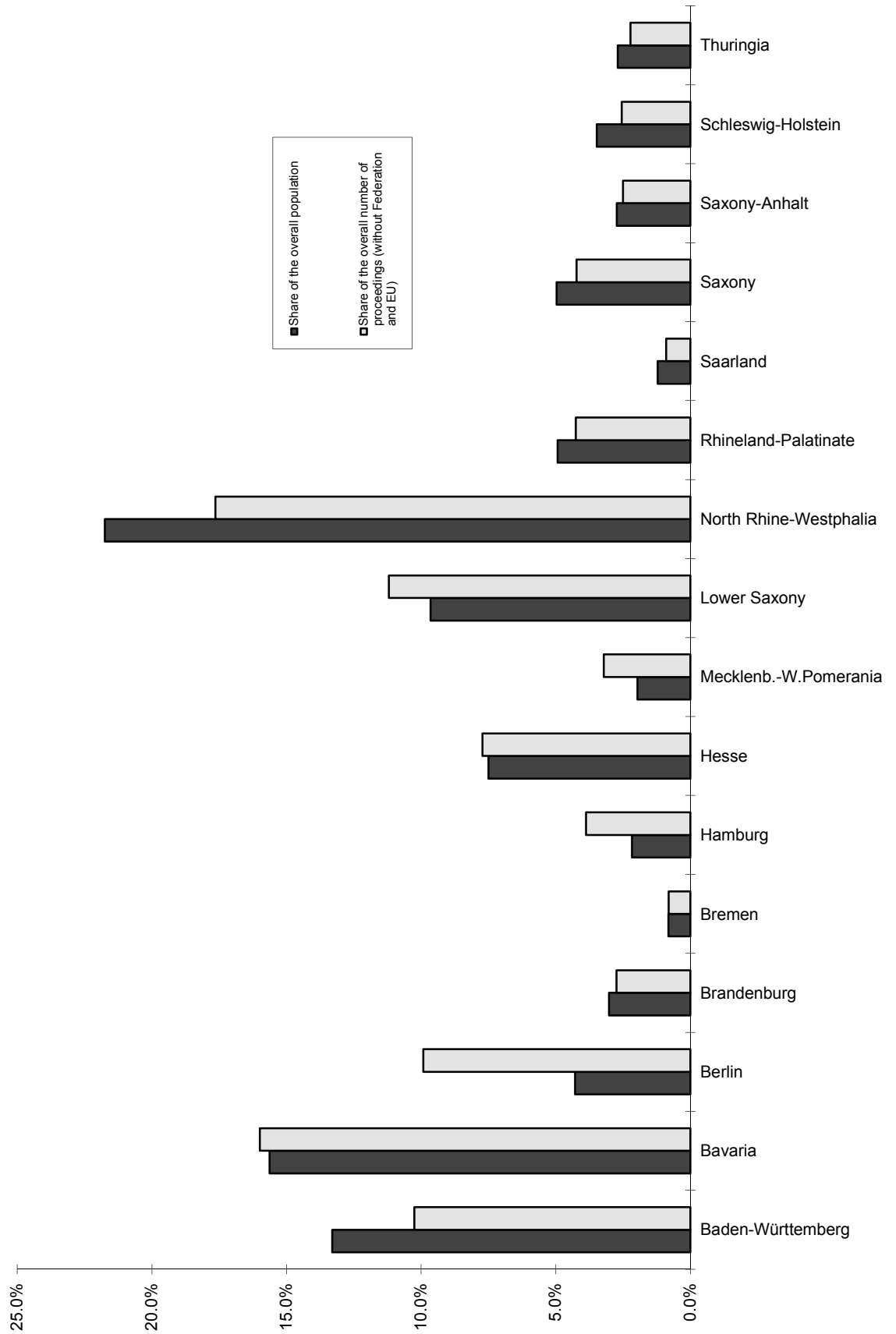
Federation/Laender (states)		Judicial decisions		Statutes/ legal provisions		Sovereign acts of federal / Land and European Union authorities		Total (Share of overall number of proceedings; without Federation and EU)
		Inhabitants (million)	Share of overall population	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
Baden-Württemberg	183	238	1	--	8	4	434	
10.9	13.3%		1*	1*			10.3%	
Bavaria	296	374	--	--	6	1	677	
12.8	15.6%		1*	2*			16.0%	
Berlin	234	176	2	--	7	1	420	
3.5	4.3%		2*	--*			9.9%	
Brandenburg	59	55	--	--	1	1	116	
2.5	3.0%		--*	--*			2.7%	
Bremen	13	20	--	--	1	--	34	
0.7	0.8%		1*	--*			0.8%	
Hamburg	96	68	--	--	--	--	164	
1.8	2.2%		1*	1*			3.9%	
Hesse	150	170	--	--	5	2	327	
6.2	7.5%		1*	1*			7.7%	
Mecklenb.-W.Pomerania	47	88	--	--	--	1	136	
1.6	2.0%		2*	--*			3.2%	
Lower Saxony	209	249	1	--	9	6	474	
7.9	9.6%		2*	1*			11.2%	
North Rhine-Westphalia	361	369	3	1	5	8	747	
17.9	21.7%		6*	3*			17.6%	
Rhineland-Palatinate	79	96	2	2	--	1	180	
4.1	4.9%		4*	--*			4.3%	
Saarland	17	21	--	--	--	--	38	
1.0	1.2%		1*	1*			0.9%	
Saxony	97	80	--	--	1	1	179	
4.1	5.0%		4*	--*			4.2%	
Saxony-Anhalt	45	60	--	1	--	--	106	
2.2	2.7%		--*	1*			2.5%	
Schleswig-Holstein	60	46	--	--	1	1	108	
2.9	3.5%		--*	2*			2.6%	
Thuringia	40	53	--	--	--	1	94	
2.2	2.7%		--*	--*			2.2%	
Sum Laender	1,986	2,163	9	4	44	28	4,234	
			26*	13*				
Federation	580	298	127	24	24	17	1,070	
82.2 rounded	mio inhabit.		134*	61*				
EU	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	
			--*	1*				
Sum Total	2,566	2,461	136	28	68	48	5,307	
			160*	75*				

* indirect subject-matter of the challenge

Constitutional Complaints

Lodged Against

Judicial Decisions / Statutes (Legal Provisions) / Sovereign Acts of *Land* (State) Authorities
in the Judicial Year 2016



Specific Judicial Review Proceedings

(Art. 100(1) GG)

Since 1980

Year	First Senate	Second Senate	Total
1980	59	22	81
1981	55	31	86
1982	33	24	57
1983	55	20	75
1984	29	27	56
1985	26	11	37
1986	85	15	100
1987	60	14	74
1988	35	13	48
1989	20	10	30
1990	22	9	31
1991	21	78 ¹	99
1992	52	85 ²	137
1993	26	64 ³	90
1994	35	20	55
1995	40	14	54
1996	29	14	43
1997	33	12	45
1998	22	16	38
1999	22	18	40
2000	17	9	26
2001	15	12	27
2002	17	19	36
2003	9	6	15
2004	12	13	25
2005	12	14	26
2006	13	61	74
2007	14	13	27
2008	11	22	33
2009	20	27	47
2010	14	5	19

of these, parallel proceedings:

- ¹ a) Schöneberg Local Court (*Amtsgericht*): 10
b) Judicial Service Court of Saxony (*Sächsisches Richterdienstgericht*): 51

- ² a) Schöneberg Local Court: 18
b) Judicial Service Court of Saxony: 35

- ³ Schöneberg Local Court: 35

Specific Judicial Review Proceedings

(Art. 100(1) GG)

Since 1980 (Continued)

Jahr	Erster Senat	Zweiter Senat	Insgesamt
2011	23	12	35
2012	22	6	28
2013	10	8	18
2014	12	29	41
2015	9	3	12
2016	7	10	17

Jurisdictions Referring Specific Judicial Review Proceedings
(Art. 100(1) GG)
Since 1991

Referring Jurisdiction	1991 to 2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		Total
	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	First Senate	Second Senate	
Civil courts	145	94	7	1	4	1	1	--	2	--	1	--	256
Criminal courts	12	144	3	--	1	--	1	--	--	1	--	--	162
Administrative courts	64	134	3	4	5	2	6	9	3	2	3	8	243
Social courts	169	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	3	--	187
Labour courts	34	2	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	38
Finance courts	30	61	3	1	--	5	2	20	1	--	--	2	125
Other courts	3	93	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	96
Total	457	534	22	6	10	8	12	29	9	3	7	10	1,107

Statistics Objected to by the Federal Constitutional Court as Being Unconstitutional
in the Period Between **1951 and 31 December 2016**
(Void, Incompatible with the Constitution and Void, Only Incompatible - Without Declaration of Nullity)

Period	Law/Ordinance entirely or in part		Provision* entirely in part		Total	First Senate	Second Senate
	entirely	in part	entirely	in part			
1951 to 1991	Federation	23	15	89	164	188	103
	Laender	12	1	52	63	53	75
1992 to 2010**	Federation	6	4	69	86	98	67
	Laender	6	1	30	15	34	18
2011	Federation	-	-	1	4	2	3
	Laender	-	-	-	3	1	2
2012	Federation	-	-	7	4	6	5
	Laender	-	-	1	3	2	2
2013	Federation	-	-	1	3	2	2
	Laender	-	-	4	1	4	1
2014	Federation	-	-	5	3	6	2
	Laender	-	16	2	3	20	1
2015	Federation	-	-	2	-	2	-
	Laender	-	-	4	3	2	5
2016	Federation	-	1	3	2	5	1
	Laender	-	-	2	-	2	-
Total	Federation	29	20	177	266	309	183
	Laender	18	18	95	91	118	104

* if a decision affected several provisions of a law (or ordinance), it was only counted once

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**Legal Provisions Reviewed
in Judicial Review Proceedings and Constitutional Complaint Proceedings
(Judicial Year 2016)**

Provision (Field of Law)	Senate		Proceedings/File no. Publication	Number ¹ of provisions reviewed	Com- patible	Incom- patible	Void
	I.	II.					
Income Tax Act (EstG) § 50 d(8) first sentence in the version of 15 December 2003 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p. 2645 - (Treaty overrides by national statutory law)		X	2 BvL 1/12	1	X		
Federal Civil Servants' Remuneration Act (BBesG) §18 second sentence in the version of the Act Revising the Remuneration for Professors of 11 June 2013 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p. 1514 - (Assignment of one function to several offices of the same career category - <i>Dienstpostenbündelung</i>)		X	2 BvR 1958/13	1	X		
Federal Lawyers' Act (BRAO) § 59(a)(1) first sentence in the amended version published in the Civil Code (BGB) III no. 303-8, last amended by Art. 4 of the Act Revising the Legal Assistance Act of 12 December 2007 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p. 2840 - (Prohibition of professional partnership of lawyers with physicians and pharmacists)	X		1BvL 6/13	1		X ²	X
Act on the Higher Education Institutions of the <i>Land</i> North Rhine-Westphalia (HG NRW) § 72(2) sixth sentence and § 7(1) first and second sentences in the version of the Higher Education Autonomy Act of 31 October 2006 - Law and Regulations Gazette of the Land North Rhine-Westphalia (GV. NRW) p. 474 -; § 73(4) and § 7(1) first and second sentences of 16 September 2014 - GV. NRW p. 547 (Accreditation of study programmes)	X		1BvL 8/10	1		X	
Federal Criminal Police Office Act (BKAG) § 20h(1) no. 1c in the version of the Act on Prevention by the Federal Criminal Police Office of Threats from International Terrorism of 25 December 2008 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p. 3083 and in the version of later acts; § 20v(6) fifth sentence; § 14(1) (without first sentence no. 2); § 20g(1) to (3); §§20h, 20j, 20k, 20l, § 20m(1), (3); § 20u(1), (2); § 20v(4) second sentence, (5) first to fourth sentences (without third sentence no. 2), (6) third sentence (Investigative powers of the Federal Criminal Police Office for fighting international terrorism)	X		1 BvR 966/09 1 BvR 1140/09	1		X ²	X
Regulation concerning the licensing of physicians (Ärzte-ZV) § 19(3) (Termination of licence and precautionary declaration to withdraw the licence to provide care by physicians under contract of health insurance providers)	X		1 BvR 1326/15	1			X

**Legal Provisions Reviewed
in Judicial Review Proceedings and in Constitutional Complaint Proceedings
(Judicial Year 2016 - Continued)**

Provision (Field of Law)	Senate		Proceedings/File no. Publication	Number ¹ of provisions reviewed	Com- patible	Incom- patible	Void
	I.	II.					
Act concerning the Labelling of Beef (RiFIEtikettG) § 10(1) and (3) in the version of the Second Act to Amend the Act concerning the Labelling of Beef of 17 November 2000 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p.1510 - (Penal provision in the Act concerning the Labelling of Beef)		X	2 BvL 1/15	1		X	X
Bavarian Act on the Protection of Sundays and Public Holidays (FTG) Art. 5 second half sentence (Absolute exclusion of exemptions from special protection of silence on Good Friday in Bavarian Act on the Protection of Sundays and Public Holidays)	X		1BvR 458/15	1		X	X
Act on Telecommunications (TKG) § 35(5) second and third sentences of 22 June 2004 - Federal Law Gazette - (BGBl) I p. 1190 - and in the version of later acts (Limitation of legal protection in the Act on Telecommunications)	X		1 BvL 6/14 1 BvL 3/15 1BvL 4/15 1BvL 6/15	1		X	
Thirteenth Act Amending the Atomic Energy Act (13. AtG-Novelle) Art. 1 no. 1 letter a (§ 7(1a) first sentence AtG) of 31 July 2011 - Federal Law Gazette (BGBl) I p.1704 - (Acceleration of the phase-out of the peaceful use of nuclear energy)	X		1 BvR 2821/11 1 BvR 321/12 1 BvR 1456/12	1		X ²	
Total	7	3		10	2	4 3²	5

¹ if a decision concerned several provisions of law or ordinance, it was only counted once

² partial incompatibility

Abuse Fees Imposed

Since 1962

Year	First Senate		Second Senate		Total	
	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed
1962 to 2001 in German marks (DM)						
1962	3,510	34	7,040	87	10,550	121
1963	3,610	34	4,580	39	8,190	73
1964	2,965	32	4,400	20	7,365	52
1965	6,230	53	2,000	14	8,230	67
1966	5,720	35	300	3	6,020	38
1967	2,320	19	600	8	2,920	27
1968	2,480	13	3,200	36	5,680	49
1969	3,600	29	2,050	17	5,650	46
1970	6,200	29	4,530	32	10,730	61
1971	780	5	7,340	36	8,120	41
1972	570	7	5,110	30	5,680	37
1973	1,790	12	6,800	31	8,590	43
1974	2,020	15	7,190	29	9,210	44
1975	3,100	15	10,330	43	13,430	58
1976	3,350	19	9,200	32	12,550	51
1977	4,600	28	17,770	64	22,370	92
1978	5,730	34	27,310	115	33,040	149
1979	3,650	22	15,900	69	19,550	91
1980	28,550	114	31,450	216	60,000	330
1981	46,200	121	18,450	73	64,650	194
1982	23,500	59	18,880	97	42,380	156
1983	10,800	33	8,120	98	18,920	131
1984	12,200	22	26,250	119	38,450	141
1985	5,550	12	21,180	82	26,730	94
1986	21,100	24	20,470	41	41,570	65
1987	12,200	6	20,750	34	32,950	40
1988	18,900	10	19,400	21	38,300	31
1989	54,740	24	7,750	10	62,490	34
1990	3,000	2	8,550	12	11,550	14
1991	6,700	4	5,900	7	12,600	11
1992	2,500	1	12,530	11	15,030	12
1993	--	--	19,310	13	19,310	13
1994	4,000	2	26,100	31	30,100	33
1995	3,800	3	15,200	18	19,000	21
1996	8,700	11	18,200	20	26,900	31
1997	200	1	14,000	20	14,200	21
1998	4,500	5	10,100	12	14,600	17
1999	5,750	5	46,700	61	52,450	66
2000	3,000	3	27,000	28	30,000	31
2001	9,300	5	7,500	16	16,800	21
Total DM = EUR	347,415 177,630	902	539,440 275,811	1,745	886,855 453,441	2,647

Abuse Fees Imposed

Since 1962 (Continued)

Year	First Senate		Second Senate		Total	
	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed	Sum	Number of abuse fees imposed
From 2002 in EUR						
Carry-over	177,630	902	275,811	1,745	453,441	2,647
2002	2,500	8	5,950	18	8,450	26
2003	1,650	6	2,400	10	4,050	16
2004	2,970	7	4,400	10	7,370	17
2005	3,500	7	2,950	6	6,450	13
2006	8,000	8	9,490	23	17,490	31
2007	700	2	7,175	13	7,875	15
2008	2,000	3	9,400	9	11,400	12
2009	3,700	7	13,300	30	17,000	37
2010	5,700	13	9,350	22	15,050	35
2011	17,450	45	17,360	26	34,810	71
2012	16,100	38	13,850	16	29,950	54
2013	12,380	28	1,700	3	14,080	31
2014	5,550	15	5,050	6	10,600	21
2015	8,950	16	8,000	12	16,950	28
2016	5,150	8	3,000	2	8,150	10
Total	273,930	1,113	389,186	1,951	663,116	3,064

Abuse Fees Imposed Pursuant to § 34(2) BVerfGG

New proceedings

a) Constitutional complaints:

	2015	2016
First Senate	3,253	2,922
Second Senate	2,486	2,688
Total	5,739	5,610

b) Preliminary injunctions:

	2015	2016
First Senate	58	51
Second Senate	52	70
Total	110	121

		Number and share of the total of constitutional complaints/ preliminary injunctions		Total amount in EUR		Smallest amount in EUR		Highest amount in EUR	
		2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
		First Senate	Constitutional complaints	14 (0.43%)	7 (0.24%)	7,700	4,650	100	250
	Preliminary injunctions	2 (3.45%)	1 (1.96%)	1,250	500	500	500	750	500
Second Senate	Constitutional complaints	12 (0.48%)	2 (0.07%)	8,000	3,000	200	500	2,000	2,500
	Preliminary injunctions	-- (--)	-- (--)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total		28 (0.48%)	10 (0.17%)	16,950	8,150				

Amounts Broken Down

2015				2016				
First Senate		Second Senate		First Senate		Second Senate		
2	x	100 €	5	x	200 €	1	x	250 €
1	x	150 €	2	x	500 €	2	x	500 €
3	x	200 €	4	x	1,000 €	1	x	600 €
1	x	250 €	1	x	2,000 €	2	x	700 €
2	x	300 €				1	x	900 €
2	x	500 €				1	x	1,000 €
2	x	700 €						
1	x	750 €						
2	x	2,000 €						

Formal Complaints Against Judicial Delay (Verzögerungsbeschwerden) Lodged Pursuant to §§ 97a et seq. BVerfGG

	Complaints pending from the previous years	New complaints 2016	Complaints terminated										Complaints still pending on 31 December 2016					
			Complaints dismissed as inadmissible	Thereby decided as well	Complaints rejected as unfounded	Thereby decided as well	Grant of relief sought, without compensation	Thereby decided as well	Grant of relief sought, with compensation	Thereby decided as well	Amount of compensation	Withdrawal		Other	Total			
First Senate	--	2	2														2	--
Second Senate	--	9	6			1											7	2
Total	--	11	8	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	2

B. Overview

of the Matters Dealt With by the First Senate

in the Judicial Year 2016

General Overview

	Proceedings from previous years pending on 31 December 2015		New proceedings 2016		Total		Terminated		Still pending	
Abstract judicial review proceedings - BvF -	2	(3)	--	(--)	2	(3)	--	(1)	2	
Specific judicial review proceedings - BvL -	24	(20)	7	(9)	31	(29)	17	(5)	14	
Applications for a preliminary injunction - BvQ -	6	(2)	51*	(58*)	57	(60)	55	(54)	2	
Constitutional complaints - BvR -	1,678	(1,796)	2,922*	(3,253*)	4,600	(5,049)	3,276	(3,371)	1,324	
	1,710	(1,821)	2,980	(3,320)	4,690	(5,141)	3,348	(3,431)	1,342	

* of these, transfers from the General Register (§ 64(2) and (3) of the Rules of Procedure of the Federal Constitutional Court - GOBVerfG):

BvQ 20 (23)
BvR 1,625 (1,896)

() = figures from the previous year

New Proceedings

1. Specific judicial review proceedings:

a) from the courts of ordinary jurisdiction

Local Courts:	1 (1)	Regional Courts:	-- (--)	Higher Regional Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Court of Justice:	-- (1)	=	1 (2)
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b) from the administrative courts

Admin. Courts:	3 (--)	Higher Admin. Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Admin. Court:	-- (3)			=	3 (3)
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c) from the social courts

Social Courts:	3 (3)	Higher Social Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Social Court:	-- (--)			=	3 (3)
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d) from the labour courts

Labour Courts:	-- (--)	Higher Labour Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Labour Court:	-- (--)			=	-- (--)
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e) from the finance courts

Finance Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Finance Court:	-- (1)					=	-- (1)
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f) from the disciplinary courts and the disciplinary courts for the professions								=	-- (--)
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= 7 (9)

() = figures from the previous year

2. Constitutional complaints lodged against

2.1. decisions by the		2015	2016
a) courts of ordinary jurisdiction		1,657	1,322
of these,	2015 2016		
1. decisions in civil matters (including matters of non-contentious jurisdiction)	1,587 1,275		
2. decisions in criminal matters	70 47		
b) administrative courts		431	451
c) social courts		553	535
d) labour courts		127	162
e) finance courts		68	70
f) patent courts		3	2
g) disciplinary courts, disciplinary courts for the professions		10	3
h) Federal Court of Justice in lawyer and notary matters		19	8
i) <i>Land</i> constitutional courts		14	13
2.2. a) laws and regulations (directly)		106	136
b) legislative omission		2	2
2.3. other sovereign acts by:			
a) European authorities		--	--
b) highest federal authorities		34	24
c) <i>Land</i> authorities		60	44
d) local government authorities		11	6
2.4. other general objects of legal challenges		158	144
		<u>3,253</u>	<u>2,922</u>
of these:			
with authorised representative/s		1,395	1,148
without authorised representative/s		1,858	1,774

Proceedings Terminated

1. Final Decisions

a) <u>Senate:</u>		
aa) judgment	4	(1)
decided jointly in combined proceedings*	3	(--)
bb) order	8	(9)
<u>of these</u> pursuant to § 24 BVerfGG	--	(--)
pursuant to § 93b sentence 2 BVerfGG	--	(--)
decided jointly in combined proceedings*	3	(3)
		12 (10)
b) <u>Chambers:</u>		
aa) order pursuant to § 81a BVerfGG	5	(3)
decided jointly in combined proceedings*	--	(--)
bb) non-admission/denial of preliminary injunction	3,071	(3,212)
decided jointly in combined proceedings*	150	(122)
cc) grant of relief sought	44	(45)
decided jointly in combined proceedings*	30	(2)
		3,120 (3,260)

2. Proceedings Terminated in Other Ways:

* a) decided jointly in combined proceedings (see above)	186	(127)
b) withdrawal of constitutional complaints	16	(20)
c) transfer to the Second Senate	5	(6)
d) reversal of the order of referral by the submitting court	4	(--)
e) withdrawal of an application	--	(--)
f) proceedings having become moot (e.g. by the complainant's death, an amendment of the law, the complainant's being deprived of a cause of action, etc.)	5	(8)
g) § 7(3) of the Records Ordinance	--	(--)
(AktO; non-pursuance of the proceedings)		
		216 (161)
	Total	<u>3,348 (3,431)</u>

() : = figures from the previous year

**3.1. Interim / Incidental Decisions of the Senate and the Chambers
Within Principal Proceedings**

	2015	2016
concerning		
a) a preliminary injunction	15	12
issuance	4 (2)	
repetition	1 (2)	
denial	7 (9)	
reversal	-- (--)	
protest	-- (2)	
b) invocation of the jurisdiction of the Plenary	--	--
c) appointment of Justices to the Senate	--	--
d) exclusion of a Justice	--	--
e) challenge of a Justice (also recusal)	--	1
f) grant of legal aid and assignment of an attorney to the assisted party	2	1
g) separation of proceedings	--	--
h) setting of a date for the oral hearing	5	5
i) service by public notice	--	--
j) partial non-admission of a constitutional complaint for decision (§ 25(3) of the Federal Constitutional Court Act - BVerfGG)	1	--
k) discontinuation of proceedings	--	--
l) reimbursement of expenses	6	5
m) determination of the amount involved	9	26
n) remonstrance	--	--
o) reinstatement into the former procedural position	--	--
p) correction, amendment, completion, etc. of decisions	4	3
q) amendment and cancellation of abuse fees	1	--
r) legal remedies against orders of the judicial officers fixing lawyers fees/other costs	--	2
s) order regarding the execution of a decision (§ 35 BVerfGG)	--	--
t) other	--	--
	43	55

3.2. Fixing of costs/remuneration by judicial officers

a) pursuant to § 34a(2) and (3) BVerfGG, § 104 of the Code of Civil Procedure (ZPO) of these, -- (5) orders	29	84
b) pursuant to § 19 of the Federal Fee Schedule for Lawyers (BRAGO) § 11 of the Lawyers' Remuneration Act (RVG) of these, 7 (1) orders	5	8
c) in the context of legal aid of these, 1 (3) orders	4	2
d) correction, amendment, completion, etc. of decisions of these, -- (1) orders	1	--
e) legal remedies against orders fixing lawyers' fees/other costs of these, 1 (1) orders	1	4
f) compensation of witnesses and experts of these, -- (--) orders	5	--
g) service by public notice	--	--
h) other of these 1 (1) orders	1	1
	46	99

() = figures from the previous year

Total Numbers of Constitutional Complaint Proceedings Terminated

Proceedings pending from the previous years and new proceedings 2016	Decisions issued by the Senate				Decisions issued by the Chambers ¹				Withdrawals ¹	Transfer to the Second Senate ¹	Proceedings terminated in other ways ¹	Proceedings pending from the previous years		
	successful	unsuccessful	inadmissible	§ 93b second sentence § 24 BVerfGG	thereby decided jointly	Non-admission		thereby decided jointly					Grant	thereby decided jointly
						with reasons	with reasons in the operative parts of the decision							
2008	1											--	2008	
2009	9	1			1 (1)								3	2009
2010	6	1											4	2010
2011	19	1											7	2011
2012	65	1			2 (2)								32	2012
2013	192	2											71	2013
2014	371	1											111	2014
2015	1,015	1											238	2015
2016	2,922												858	2016
Total:	4,600	8 (4²)			3 (3)²								1,324	Total
Figures from the previous year	5,049	8 5 ²			2 (2 ²)								1,678	Figures from the previous year

¹ from all years of entry

² of these, with authorised representative/s: 7 [previous year: 5], without authorised representative/s: -- [previous year: 2]

³ of these, with authorised representative/s: 70 [previous year: 37], without authorised representative/s: 4 [previous year: 8]

⁴ of these, following a recommendation from the reporting Justice for the complainant to withdraw the constitutional complaint: 2 [previous year --]

() = successful constitutional complaints: Senate decisions and grants by the Chambers (including proceedings decided jointly), combined: 81 [previous year: 52]

Total Numbers of Proceedings Terminated (Without Constitutional Complaints)

Proceedings pursuant to § 13 BVerfGG	Proceedings pending from previous years and new proceedings 2016	Decisions issued by the Senate				Decisions issued by the Chambers						Withdrawals	Transfer to the Second Senate	Proceedings terminated in other ways (reversal of the order of referral, proceedings having become moot etc.)	Proceedings pending from the years		
		successful	unsuccessful	inadmissible	pursuant to § 24 BVerfGG	thereby decided jointly	Rejection	thereby decided jointly	Grant	thereby decided jointly	Order pursuant to § 81a BVerfGG					thereby decided jointly	
No. 6 (BvF)	2011	1														1	2011
	2013	1														1	2013
	2016	--														--	2016
	Total:	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	Total:
No. 11 (BvL)	2010	1														--	2010
	2011	1							1							--	2011
	2012	3							2					1		--	2012
	2013	1	1													--	2013
	2014	10	1						1					1		7	2014
	2015	8	1					3	1							3	2015
	2016	7												1	2	4	2016
Total:	31	4	--	--	--	3	--	--	5	--	--	--	1	4	14	Total:	
§ 32 (BvQ)	2015	6					6									--	2015
	2016	51					48								1	2	2016
	Total:	57	--	--	--	--	54	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	2	2	Total

C. Overview

of the Matters Dealt with by the Second Senate

in the Judicial Year 2016

General Overview

	Proceedings from previous years pending on 31 December 2015	New proceedings 2016	Total	Terminated	Still pending
Proceedings concerning the prohibition of political parties - BvB -	1 (1)	-- (--)	1 (1)	-- (--)	1
Scrutiny of elections and of the status as a member of the <i>Bundestag</i> - BvC -	64 (67)	-- (20*)	64 (87)	48 (23)	16
<i>Organstreit</i> proceedings - BvE -	11 (13)	6 (7)	17 (20)	6 (9)	11
Abstract judicial review - BvF -	5 (3)	-- (2)	5 (5)	-- (--)	5
Disputes between the Federation and the <i>Laender</i> - BvG -	1 (1)	-- (--)	1 (1)	-- (--)	1
Other public law-disputes - BvH -	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	--
Constitutional disputes within a <i>Land</i> - BvK -	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	--
Specific judicial review - BvL -	42 (51)	10 (3)	52 (54)	2 (12)	50
Review of public international law - BvM -	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	--
Other cases assigned to the Federal Constitutional Court by federal law - BvP -	1 (--)	-- (1)	1 (1)	-- (--)	1
Preliminary injunctions - BvQ -	2 (8)	70* (52*) -of these, 8 -of these, 8 matters matters concerning concerning political political asylum asylum	72 (60)	67 (58)	5
Constitutional complaints - BvR -	1,775 (1,889)	2,688* (2,486*)	4,463 (4,375)	2,710 (2,600)	1,753
Plenary matters - PBvU -	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	-- (--)	--
	1,902 (2,033)	2,774 (2,571)	4,676 (4,604)	2,833 (2,702)	1,843

* of these, transfers from the General Register (§ 64(2) and (3) GOBVerfG):

BvC -- (5)
BvQ 34 (21)
BvR 1,444 (1,328)

() = figures from the previous year

New Proceedings

1. Specific judicial review proceedings:

a) from the courts of ordinary jurisdiction

Local Courts:	-- (--)	Regional Courts:	-- (1)	Higher Regional Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Court of Justice:	-- (--)	=	-- (1)
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b) from the administrative courts

Admin. Courts:	6 (1)	Higher Admin. Courts:	1 (--)	Federal Admin. Court:	1 (1)			=	8 (2)
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c) from the social courts

Social Courts:	-- (--)	Higher Social Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Social Court:	-- (--)			=	-- (--)
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d) from the labour courts

Labour Courts:	-- (--)	Higher Labour Courts:	-- (--)	Federal Labour Court:	-- (--)			=	-- (--)
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e) from the finance courts

Finance Courts:	1 (--)	Federal Finance Court:	1 (--)					=	2 (--)
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f) from the disciplinary courts and the disciplinary courts for the professions

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() = figures from the previous year

2. Constitutional complaints against:

		2015	2016
2.1. decisions of the			
a) courts of ordinary jurisdiction		1,955	2,061
of these,		2015	2016
1. decisions in civil matters (including matters of non-contentious jurisdiction)		574	797
2. decisions in criminal matters		1,381	1,264
b) administrative courts - of these, asylum proceedings: 123 (80) -		269	325
c) social courts		2	3
d) labour courts		1	3
e) finance courts		61	62
f) patent courts		--	--
g) disciplinary courts, disciplinary courts for the professions		2	2
h) Federal Court of Justice in lawyer and notary matters		--	--
i) <i>Land</i> constitutional courts		8	5
2.2. a) laws and regulations (directly)		16	28
b) legislative omission		--	--
2.3. other sovereign acts by:			
a) European authorities		4	3
b) highest federal authorities		13	17
c) <i>Land</i> authorities		14	28
d) local government authorities		6	--
2.4. other general objects of legal challenges		135	151
- of these, matters concerning the right of political asylum: 26 (--) -			
		<u>2,486</u>	<u>2,688</u>
of these:			
with authorised representative/s		1,029	1,074
without authorised representative/s		1,457	1,614

**3.1. Interim/Incidental Decisions of the Senate and the Chambers
Within Principal Proceedings**

		2015	2016
concerning			
a) a temporary injunction		44	19
issuance	7 (6)		
repetition	2 (9)		
denial	10 (28)		
reversal	-- (1)		
protest	-- (--)		
b) invocation of the jurisdiction of the Plenary		--	--
c) appointment of Justices to the Senate		--	1
d) exclusion of a Justice		--	--
e) challenge of a Justice (also recusal)		--	5
f) grant of legal aid and assignment of an attorney to the assisted party		--	10
g) separation of proceedings		--	--
h) setting the date for the oral hearing		7	9
i) service by public notice		--	--
j) partial non-admission of a constitutional complaint for decision (§ 25(3) BVerfGG)		--	--
k) discontinuation of proceedings		--	1
l) reimbursement of expenses		1	3
m) determination of the amount involved		22	17
n) remonstrance		--	1
o) reinstatement into the former procedural position		1	--
p) correction, amendment, completion, etc. of decisions		2	1
q) amendment or cancellation of abuse fees		1	--
r) legal remedies against orders of the judicial officers fixing lawyer's fees/other costs		--	--
s) order regarding the execution of a decision (§ 35 BVerfGG)		--	1
t) other		7	4
		85	72

3.2. Fixing of costs/remuneration by the judicial officers

a) pursuant to § 34a(2) and (3) BVerfGG, § 104 of the Code of Civil Procedure (ZPO) of these, -- (3) orders		48	30
b) pursuant to § 19 of the Federal Fee Schedule for Lawyers (BRAGO), § 11 of the Lawyers' Remuneration Act (RVG) of these, 3 (4) orders		5	3
c) in the context of legal aid of these, -- (--) orders		--	--
d) correction, amendment, completion, etc. of decisions of these, -- (--) orders		--	--
e) legal remedies against orders fixing lawyers' fees/other costs of these, -- (1) orders		1	--
f) compensation of witnesses and experts of these, -- (1) orders		1	--
g) service by public notice		--	--
h) other of these, 1 (--) orders		--	1
		55	34

() = figures from the previous year

Total Numbers of Constitutional Complaint Proceedings Terminated

Proceedings pending from previous years and new proceedings 2016	Decisions issued by the Senate					Decisions issued by the Chambers ¹				Transfer to the First Senate ¹	Proceedings terminated in other ways ¹	Proceedings pending from the years	
	successful	unsuccessful	inadmissible	§ 93b second sentence § 24 BVerfGG	thereby decided jointly	Non-admission		thereby decided jointly	Grant				thereby decided jointly
						with reasons	with reasons in the operative parts of the decision without reasons						
2008												2008	
2009		1										2009	
2010												2010	
2011												2011	
2012						65	137	2,357	34	1	26	2012	
2013		1		1	3 (--)							2013	
2014	1											2014	
2015		1										2015	
2016												2016	
Total: 4,463	5 (1²)	3 (--)	3 (3 ²)	52	2,599	34³	1 (1 ³)	26⁴	17	13	1,753	Total	
Figures from the previous year	4 (3 ²)	3	3 (3 ²)	86	2,400	47 ³	6 (6 ³)	18 ⁴	24	12	1,775	Figures from the previous year	

¹ from all years of entry

² of these, with authorised representative/s: 1 [previous year: 6], without authorised representative/s -- [previous year: --]

³ of these, with authorised representative/s: 30 [previous year: 32], without authorised representative/s: 5 [previous year: 15]

⁴ of these, following a recommendation from the reporting Justice for the complainant to withdraw the constitutional complaint: -- [previous year: --]

() = successful constitutional complaints: Senate decisions and grants by the Chambers (including proceedings decided jointly), combined: 36 [previous year: 59]

Total Numbers of Proceedings Terminated (Without Constitutional Complaints)

Proceedings pursuant to § 13 BVerfGG	Proceedings pending from previous years and new proceedings 2016		Decisions issued by the Senate				Decisions issued by the Chambers						Withdrawals	Transfer to the First Senate	Proceedings terminated in other ways (reversal of the order of referral, proceedings having become moot etc.)	Proceedings pending from the years					
	2013	2016	successful	unsuccessful	inadmissible	pursuant to § 24 BVerfGG	thereby decided jointly	Re-jection	thereby decided jointly	Grant	thereby decided jointly	Order pursuant to § 81a BVerfGG				thereby decided jointly	With- drawals	Transfer to the First Senate	Proceedings terminated in other ways (reversal of the order of referral, proceedings having become moot etc.)	1	2013
No. 2 (BvB)	2013	1															1	2013			
	2016	--															--	2016			
	Total:	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	Total			
No. 3 (BvC)	2014	44				35								2			7	2014			
	2015	20				11											9	2015			
	2016	--				--											--	2016			
Total:	64	--	--	--	46	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2			16	Total				
No. 5 (BvE)	2011	1															1	2011			
	2012	1				1											--	2012			
	2013	1					1										--	2013			
	2014	1		1													--	2014			
	2015	7		1		2											4	2015			
	2016	6															6	2016			
Total:	17	--	2	--	3	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11	Total				
No. 6 (BvF)	2011	2															2	2011			
	2013	1															1	2013			
	2015	2															2	2015			
	2016	--															--	2016			
	Total:	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	Total			
No. 7 (BvG)	2014	1															1	2014			
	2016	--															--	2016			
	Total:	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	Total			

Total Numbers of Proceedings Terminated (Without Constitutional Complaints - Continued)

Proceedings pursuant to § 13 BVerfGG	Proceedings pending from previous years and new proceedings 2016	Decisions issued by the Senate				Decisions issued by the Chambers						Withdrawals	Transfer to the First Senate	Proceedings terminated in other ways (reversal of the order of referral, proceedings having become moot etc.)	Proceedings pending from the years		
		successful	unsuccessful	inadmissible	pursuant to § 24 BVerfGG	thereby decided jointly	Rejection	thereby decided jointly	Grant	thereby decided jointly	Order pursuant to § 81a BVerfGG					thereby decided jointly	
No. 11 (BvL)	2009															1	2009
	2010															1	2010
	2011															6	2011
	2012		1													--	2012
	2013															5	2013
	2014															25	2014
	2015		1													2	2015
	2016															10	2016
	Total:	52	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	50	Total
	No. 15 (BvP)	2015															1
	2016															--	2016
Total:	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	Total	
§ 32 (BvQ)	2015								2							--	2015
	2016							60	1						2	5	2016
	Total:	72	--	--	--	--	62	1	1	--	--	--	--	2	5	Total	

D. Overview

of the Matters Dealt With in the General Register (GR)

for the Judicial Years 2006 to 2016

Matters Dealt With in the General Register (GR)
Since 2006

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total number of entries	8,536	8,450	8,547	9,187	9,240	9,128	10,138	9,052	10,116	8,826	8,804
1. a) enquiries (§ 63(1a) GOBVerfG)	1,296	1,139	1,208	1,198	1,208	899	843	788	720	844	755
b) general letters/expressions of opinion (§ 63(1b) GOBVerfG)	1,906	1,678	2,098	2,452	2,746	2,246	3,238	2,591	3,284	2,254	2,638
2. submissions and constitutional complaints (§ 63(2a) and (2b) GOBVerfG)	5,334	5,633	5,241	5,537	5,286	5,983	6,057	5,673	6,112	5,728	5,411
transferred to the registers of proceedings (§ 64(2) GOBVerfG)	1,086	1,065	955	900	760	861	755	1,041	1,362	1,287	1,161
- also proceedings from previous years -	575	591	574	685	653	688	799	796	970	872	981
a) after previous instruction of the complainant	1,661	1,656	1,529	1,585	1,413	1,549	1,554	1,837	2,332	2,159	2,142
Percentage:	31%	29%	29%	29%	27%	26%	26%	32%	38%	38%	40%
b) without previous instruction	521	659	544	487	555	836	689	848	538	632	484
Second Senate	277	305	262	373	362	592	687	623	489	482	497
Sum	798	964	806	860	917	1,428	1,376	1,471	1,027	1,114	981
Percentage:	15%	17%	15%	16%	17%	24%	23%	26%	17%	19%	18%
Total:	2,459	2,620	2,335	2,445	2,330	2,977	2,930	3,308	3,359	3,273	3,123
Percentage:	46%	47%	45%	44%	44%	50%	48%	58%	55%	57%	58%
c) thus, remaining in the General Register (GR)	2,875	3,013	2,906	3,092	2,956	3,006	3,127	2,365	2,753	2,455	2,288
Percentage:	54%	53%	55%	56%	56%	50%	52%	42%	45%	43%	42%

Please note that the proceedings remaining in the General Register are not terminated but can principally be called up again at any time within the time frame stipulated in § 35b(7) BVerfGG.