



# UNITED STATES TAX COURT

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## PRESS RELEASE

On July 23, 2021, and August 16, 2021, the United States Tax Court issued press releases regarding the significantly increased number of petitions received this year. From January 1, 2021, through November 30, 2021, the Court received 33,300 petitions.

Of the total petitions filed, approximately 20% were filed electronically. The Court continues to process petitions expeditiously, and the number of paper-filed petitions that have yet to be processed continues to drop as the number of electronic petitions increases. Electronic petitions were up to 30% in October and increased to 36% in November. There is no backlog with respect to electronically filed petitions.

As a reminder, the IRS created a dedicated email address in October 2020 for petitioners to reach out with concerns about premature assessments or enforcement actions: [taxcourt.petitioner.premature.assessment@irs.gov](mailto:taxcourt.petitioner.premature.assessment@irs.gov).

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