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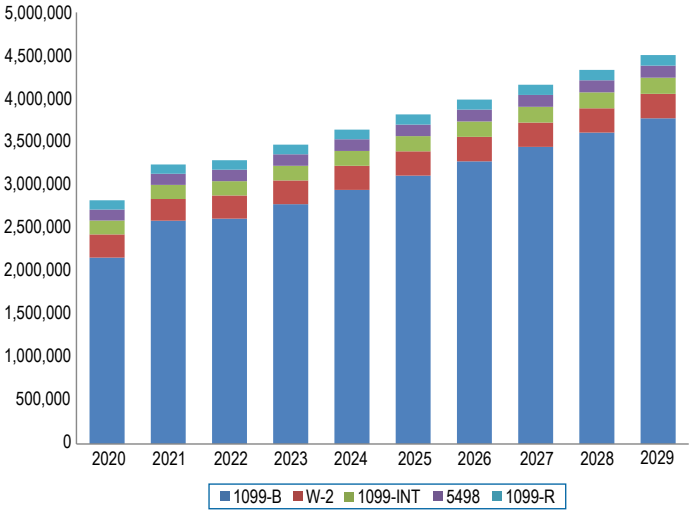
Calendar Year Projections of Information and Withholding Documents for the United States and IRS Campuses

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) *Publication 6961* provides U.S.-level calendar year projections of information and withholding documents. This annual report also includes breakouts by filing methods.

Top 5 Projections of the Number of Nonpaper Information and Withholding Documents To Be Filed, Calendar Years 2021–2029

[Numbers are in thousands]



NOTE: Numbers of documents for CY 2020 are actual filings. All numbers are based on Table 4 from the full report.
SOURCE: IRS, Statistics of Income Division, *Publication 6961,* August 2021.

Campus-Level Projections of Information and Withholding Documents To Be Filed on Paper, Calendar Years 2021–2029

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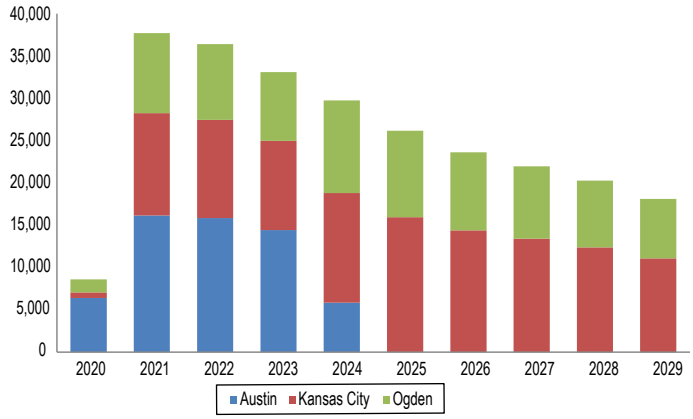

NOTE: Numbers of documents for CY 2020 are actual filings. All numbers are based on Tables 5A-5C from the full report.
SOURCE: IRS, Statistics of Income Division, *Publication 6961,* August 2021.

Significant Highlights From This Update of *Publication 6961*

- Of the 40 nonpaper information and withholding documents processed for Calendar Year 2020, the top 5 accounted for 83.2 percent of the total nonpaper documents processed.
- The grand total number of information and withholding documents processed in Calendar Year 2020 was 3.4 billion. After CY 2020, the grand total is projected to grow at an average annual rate of 4.9 percent, reaching 5.2 billion documents by CY 2029.
- The grand total number of paper information and withholding documents processed in Calendar Year 2020 was 8.6 million; it is projected to increase to 37.7 million in CY 2021 and steadily decrease to 18.1 million documents by CY 2029.
- The grand total number of information and withholding documents processed electronically was 3.4 billion in Calendar Year 2020. It is projected to grow at an average annual rate of 4.8 percent, reaching 5.2 billion documents by CY 2029.
- The grand total number of paper filings for the Austin campus in Calendar Year 2020 was 6.4 million documents. The corresponding number for the Kansas City campus was 0.6 million documents. The Ogden campus processed 1.5 million paper documents in CY 2020.

Projections

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