Weekly Bankruptcy Analysis January 2-8, 2023

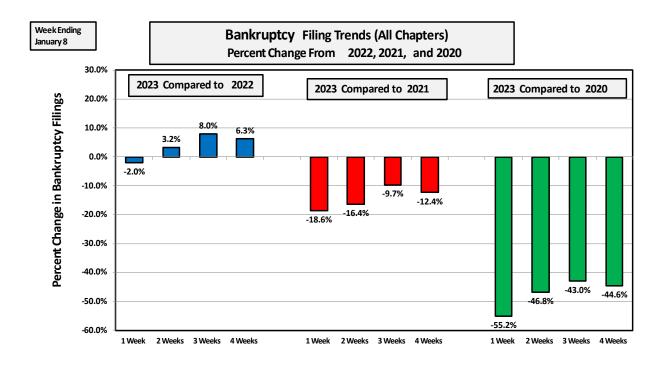
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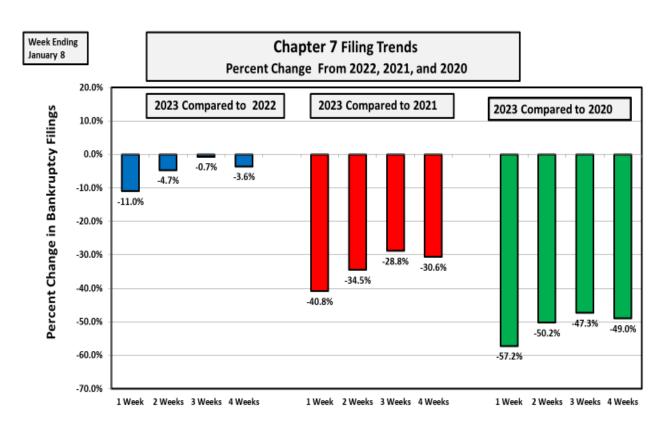
Bankruptcy filings are always quite low around the Christmas and New Year's holidays, and last week was no exception. In fact, the 2,412 chapter 7 cases filed last week represented the lowest weekly total since early 2006, shortly after the effective date of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005. Nearly three years after the onset of the pandemic, bankruptcy filings are only about half of pre-pandemic levels.

Bankruptcy Filings January 2 - 8, 2023						
Type of Case	Number Filed	Percent Change From Same Week Last Three Years				
	2023	2022	2021	2020		
Total	5,094	-2.0%	-18.6%	-55.2%		
- Chapter 7	2,412	-11.0%	-40.8%	-57.2%		
- Chapter 11	69	11.3%	-13.8%	-48.9%		
- Chapter 13	2,613	8.1%	25.0%	-53.3%		
- Other Cases*	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%		
* Chapters 9, 12 and 15						

The following charts show recent weekly filing trends by chapter compared to 2022, 2021 and 2020.

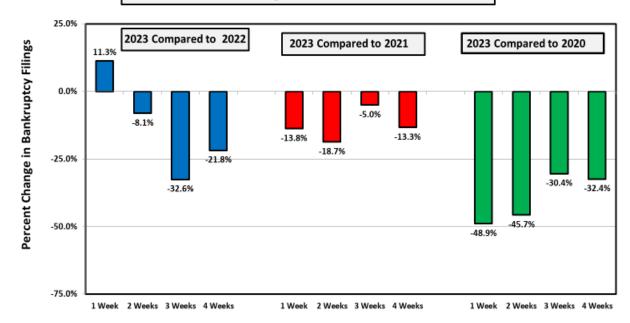
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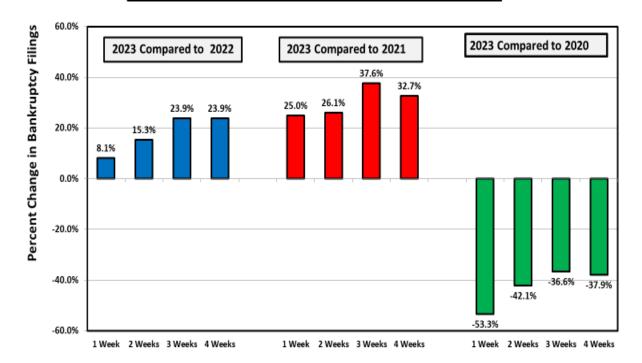


Chapter 11 Filing Trends Percent Change From 2022, 2021, and 2020



Week Ending January 8

Chapter 13 Filing Trends Percent Change From 2022, 2021, and 2020



Chapter 11 Cases

The 69 chapter 11 cases filed last week were a slight increase from the same week last year, but only about half the number of filings that occurred during the first week of 2020. The number of chapter 11 small business debtors that choose to proceed under subchapter V have increased from the prior year nearly every week since August 2022. There were no particularly large or notable chapter 11 cases filed during the week.

Types of Chapter 11 Cases Filed						
	January 2 - 8					
	2023	2022	2021	2020		
Total Filed	69	62	80	135		
Solo Cases	56	56	66	101		
Parent Cases	4	2	4	6		
Child Cases	9	4	0	28		
Filed By Individuals	15	22	27	33		
Subchapter V Cases	29	21	20	N/A		

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