

Stat Pack for October Term 2011

Unless otherwise noted, the following charts cover October Term 2011, which begins on Monday, October 4, 2011 and ends on Sunday, October 3, 2012.

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Summary of the Term

Total Merits Opinions Released	21
.....Signed opinions after oral argument	16
.....Summary reversals	5
.....Cases argued	47

Total Merits Opinions Expected	76
.....Petitions granted and set for argument	72
.....Summary reversals	5
.....(Dismissed)	(1)

* We assume that the cases granted on January 13, 2012 will be heard during October Term 2012.

* You can find past Stat Packs here: <http://www.scotusblog.com/reference/stat-pack/>.

Opinions by Sitting

Roberts	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	JGR	2
Scalia	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	AS	3
Kennedy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	AMK	0
Thomas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	CT	1
Ginsburg	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	RBG	4
Breyer	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	SGB	2
Alito	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	SAA	0
Sotomayor	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	SMS	1
Kagan	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	EK	2
Justice	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	Total	16
	Total: 12 Remain: 4	Total: 12 Remain: 6	Total: 12 Remain: 11	Total: 11 Remain: 10	Total: 10 Remain: 10	Total: 7 Remain: 7		Exp.	71
<i>Douglas</i>		<i>Lafler</i>	<i>First American</i>	<i>Sackett</i>	<i>Taniguchi</i>	<i>Astrue</i>			
<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>SGB</i>	<i>Frye</i>	<i>Mims</i> <i>RBG</i>	<i>Hyatt</i>	<i>Freeman</i>	<i>Southern Union</i>			
<i>Howes</i>		<i>Rehberg</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Perez</i> <i>PC</i>	<i>Blueford</i>	<i>Miller</i>			
<i>Maples</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Minnecci</i> <i>SGB</i>	<i>Credit Suisse</i>	<i>Knox</i>	<i>Alvarez</i>	<i>Hobbs</i>			
<i>Martinez</i>		<i>Perry</i> <i>RBG</i>	<i>Setser</i>	<i>Fox</i>	<i>Wood</i>	<i>Vasquez</i>			
<i>Golan</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Gonzalez</i> <i>SMS</i>	<i>Cooper</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Elgin</i>	<i>Reichle</i>			
<i>Hosanna-Tabor</i>	<i>JGR</i>	<i>Zivotofsky</i>	<i>Messerschmidt</i>	<i>Sea-Land</i>	<i>Kiobel</i>	<i>Florida v. HHS</i>			
<i>Pacific Operators</i>	<i>CT</i>	<i>Kawashima</i>	<i>Caraco</i>	<i>Filarsky</i>	<i>Mohamad</i>				
<i>Greene</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Cain</i> <i>JGR</i>	<i>Martel</i>	<i>Home Concrete</i>	<i>Magner</i>				
<i>CompuCredit</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Jones</i> <i>AS</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vartelas</i>	<i>Armour</i>				
<i>Florence</i>		<i>Kurns</i>	<i>Mayo</i>	<i>Gutierrez</i>					
<i>Judulang</i>	<i>EK</i>	<i>National Meat Ass'n</i> <i>EK</i>	<i>PPL Montana</i>						

Circuit Scorecard

	Number	Percent	Decided	Aff'd	Rev'd	Aff'd %	Rev'd %
CA1	2	3%					
CA2	3	4%					
CA3	5	7%	2	1	1	50%	50%
CA4	2	3%					
CA5	3	4%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA6	4	5%	2	0	2	0%	100%
CA7	4	5%	1	0	1	0%	100%
CA8	1	1%					
CA9	25	33%	7	1	6	14%	86%
CA10	4	5%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA11	4	5%	2	0	2	0%	100%
CA DC	4	5%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA Fed	3	4%					
State	11	14%	3	1	2	33%	67%
Dist. Court	1	1%	1	0	1	0%	100%
Original	-	-		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	76	100%	21	6	15	29%	71%

* The number of cases granted from a given circuit does not include cases that were later dismissed.

Cases by Vote Split

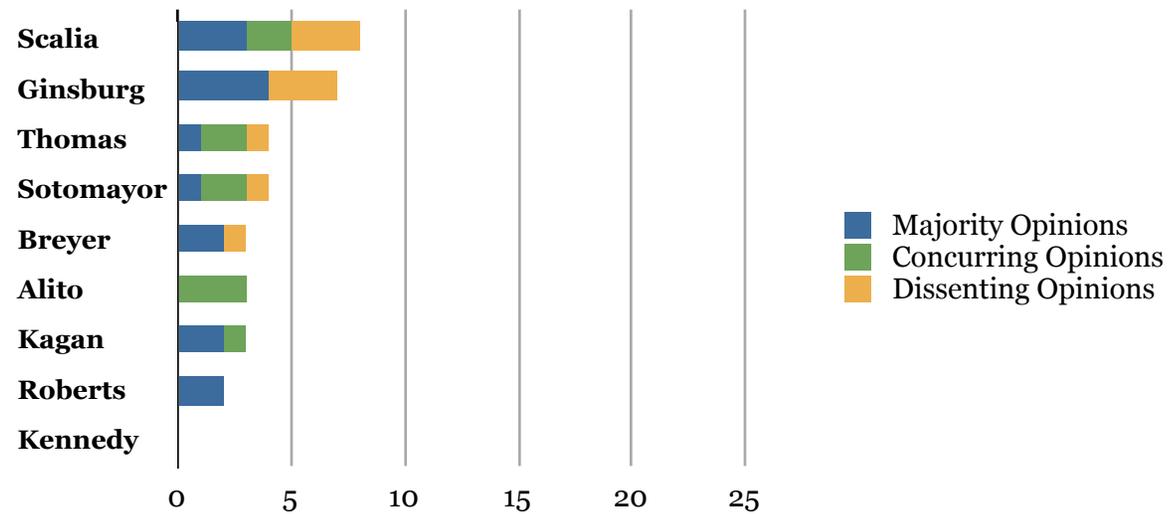
9-0 12 (57%)	8-1 5 (24%)	7-2 3 (14%)	6-3 1 (5%)	5-4 0 (0%)
KPMG v. Cocchi (PC)	Smith v. Cain	Maples v. Thomas	Cavazos v. Smith (PC)	
Bobby v. Dixon (PC)	CompuCredit v. Greenwood	Golan v. Holder (6-2)		
Greene v. Fisher	Minneci v. Pollard	Reynolds v. U.S.		
Judulang v. Holder	Gonzalez v. Thaler			
Hardy v. Cross (PC)	Perry v. New Hampshire			
Hosanna-Tabor v. EEOC				
Pacific Op. v. Valladolid				
Mims v. Arrow Financial				
Perry v. Perez (PC)				
U.S. v. Jones				
Nat. Meat Ass'n v. Harris				
Ryburn v. Huff (PC)				

Past Terms					
	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4
OT06	39%	13%	11%	4%	33%
OT07	30%	9%	29%	14%	17%
OT08	33%	5%	16%	16%	29%
OT09	46%	10%	15%	11%	18%
OT10	48%	13%	15%	5%	20%
Avg.	39%	10%	17%	10%	24%

* This chart includes both signed merits opinions and summary reversals.

Opinions Authored

	Total Opinions	Majority Opinions	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions
Roberts	2	2	-	-
Scalia	8	3	2	3
Kennedy	0	-	-	-
Thomas	4	1	2	1
Ginsburg	7	4	-	3
Breyer	3	2	-	1
Alito	3	-	3	-
Sotomayor	4	1	2	1
Kagan	3	2	1	-
	34	15	10	9



Justice Agreement - All Cases

	Scalia	Kennedy	Thomas	Ginsburg	Breyer	Alito	Sotomayor	Kagan	Total
Roberts	16 76%	21 100%	15 71%	16 76%	18 86%	16 76%	17 81%	17 85%	21
	17 81%	21 100%	18 86%	16 76%	18 86%	18 86%	18 86%	18 90%	
	18 86%	21 100%	19 90%	17 81%	19 90%	20 95%	19 90%	20 100%	
	3 14%	0 0%	2 10%	4 19%	2 10%	1 5%	2 10%	0 0%	
Scalia	16 76%	14 67%	14 67%	13 62%	14 67%	12 57%	12 57%	12 60%	21
	17 81%	16 76%	14 67%	14 67%	16 76%	14 67%	14 67%	14 70%	
	18 86%	18 86%	16 76%	16 76%	17 81%	16 76%	17 85%	17 85%	
	3 14%	3 14%	5 24%	5 24%	4 19%	5 24%	3 15%	3 15%	
Kennedy	15 71%	16 76%	18 86%	16 76%	17 81%	17 81%	17 81%	17 85%	21
	18 86%	16 76%	18 86%	18 86%	18 86%	18 86%	18 86%	18 90%	
	19 90%	17 81%	19 90%	20 95%	19 90%	20 95%	19 90%	20 100%	
	2 10%	4 19%	2 10%	1 5%	2 10%	0 0%	2 10%	0 0%	
Thomas	11 52%	12 57%	12 57%	12 57%	12 57%	12 57%	12 57%	12 60%	21
	13 62%	15 71%	15 71%	15 71%	15 71%	15 71%	15 75%	15 75%	
	15 71%	17 81%	18 86%	17 81%	18 86%	17 81%	18 90%	18 90%	
	6 29%	4 19%	3 14%	4 19%	4 19%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	
Ginsburg	17 81%	13 62%	16 76%	15 75%	16 76%	15 75%	16 80%	15 75%	21
	17 81%	15 71%	16 76%	16 80%	16 76%	16 80%	16 80%	16 80%	
	17 81%	16 76%	17 81%	16 80%	17 81%	16 80%	16 80%	16 80%	
	4 19%	5 24%	4 19%	4 20%	4 19%	4 20%	4 20%	4 20%	
Breyer	17 81%	17 81%	17 85%	17 81%	17 81%	17 81%	17 81%	17 85%	21
	19 90%	17 81%	18 90%	17 81%	17 81%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	20 95%	19 90%	19 95%	19 90%	19 90%	19 95%	19 95%	19 95%	
	1 5%	2 10%	1 5%	2 10%	2 10%	1 5%	1 5%	1 5%	
Alito	13 62%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	21
	15 71%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	18 86%	20 100%	20 100%	20 100%	20 100%	20 100%	20 100%	20 100%	
	3 14%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	
Sotomayor	16 80%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	21
	17 85%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	
Kagan	16 80%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	17 85%	20
	17 85%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	18 90%	
	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	2 10%	

Key
Fully Agree
Agree in Full or Part
Agree in Full, Part, or Judgment Only
Disagree in Judgment

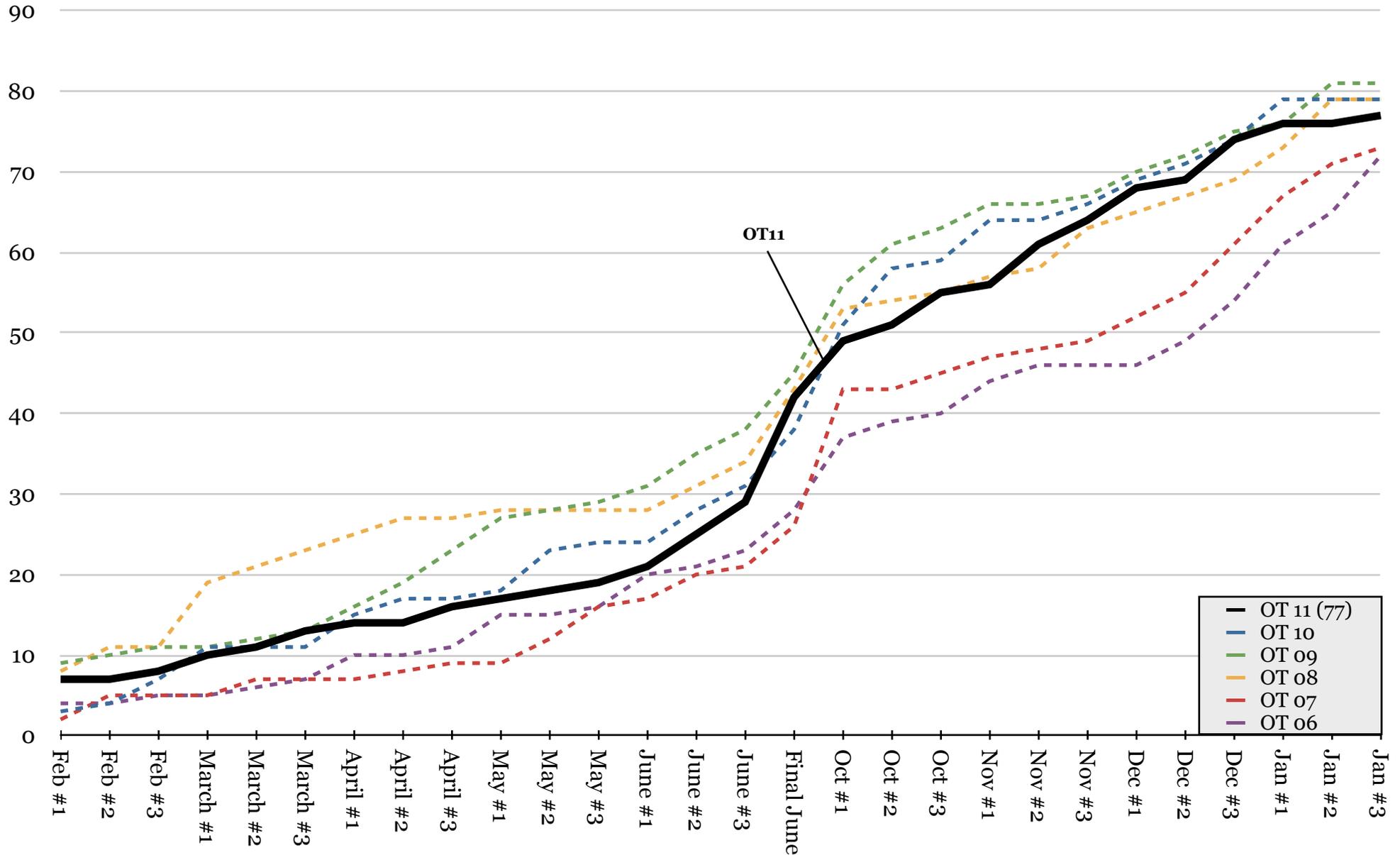
Justice Agreement - Non-Unanimous Judgments

	Scalia	Kennedy	Thomas	Ginsburg	Breyer	Alito	Sotomayor	Kagan	Total
Roberts	5 56%	9 100%	5 56%	5 56%	7 78%	7 78%	6 67%	7 88%	9
	6 67%	9 100%	7 78%	5 56%	7 78%	8 89%	6 67%	7 88%	
	6 67%	9 100%	7 78%	5 56%	7 78%	8 89%	7 78%	8 100%	
	3 33%	0 0%	2 22%	4 44%	2 22%	1 11%	2 22%	0 0%	
Scalia	5 56%	5 56%	4 44%	3 33%	4 44%	2 22%	3 38%	9	
	6 67%	6 67%	4 44%	4 44%	5 56%	3 33%	4 50%		
	6 67%	6 67%	4 44%	4 44%	5 56%	4 44%	5 63%		
	3 33%	3 33%	5 56%	5 56%	4 44%	5 56%	3 38%		
Kennedy	5 56%	5 56%	7 78%	7 78%	6 67%	7 88%	9		
	7 78%	5 56%	7 78%	8 89%	6 67%	7 88%			
	7 78%	5 56%	7 78%	8 89%	7 78%	8 100%			
	2 22%	4 44%	2 22%	1 11%	2 22%	0 0%			
Thomas	2 22%	3 33%	4 44%	3 33%	3 38%	9			
	3 33%	5 56%	6 67%	4 44%	5 63%				
	3 33%	5 56%	6 67%	5 56%	6 75%				
	6 67%	4 44%	3 33%	4 44%	2 25%				
Ginsburg	5 56%	3 33%	5 56%	4 50%	9				
	5 56%	4 44%	5 56%	4 50%					
	5 56%	4 44%	5 56%	4 50%					
	4 44%	5 56%	4 44%	4 50%					
Breyer	7 78%	6 67%	6 75%	9					
	8 89%	6 67%	6 75%						
	8 89%	7 78%	7 88%						
	1 11%	2 22%	1 13%						
Alito	4 44%	6 75%	9						
	5 56%	7 88%							
	6 67%	8 100%							
	3 33%	0 0%							
Sotomayor	6 75%	9							
	6 75%								
	6 75%								
	2 25%								
Kagan		8							

Key
Fully Agree
Agree in Full or Part
Agree in Full, Part, or Judgment Only
Disagree in Judgment

Pace of Grants

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court fills its merits docket for a given Term. Each date marker represents the conference within a given sitting. For instance, Feb #3 is the third February conference, which actually took place on March 4, 2011. Categorizing grants by their conference within a given sitting ensures more accurate cross-term comparisons.



Pace of Opinions

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court releases merits opinions throughout the Term, beginning in October and ending in June. This chart includes both opinions released after full briefing and summary reversals. Here, as in the Pace of Grants chart, cases are categorized by their release within a given sitting, rather than by calendar month. For example, opinions for Feb. #3 could be released during the first week of March.

