

MDL DOCKETS CHANGE...

Top Products Liability (PL) MDLs By Pending Cases

FY 1992¹

Asbestos No. VI (33,685)
Silicone Gel Breast Implants (814)
Eli Lilly & Co. Prozac (50)

PL MDL Cases = 93%

FY 2018³

Xarelto (Rivaroxaban) (22,752)
Ethicon, Inc., Pelvic Repair System (20,703)
Boston Scientific Corp. Pelvic Repair (15,184)

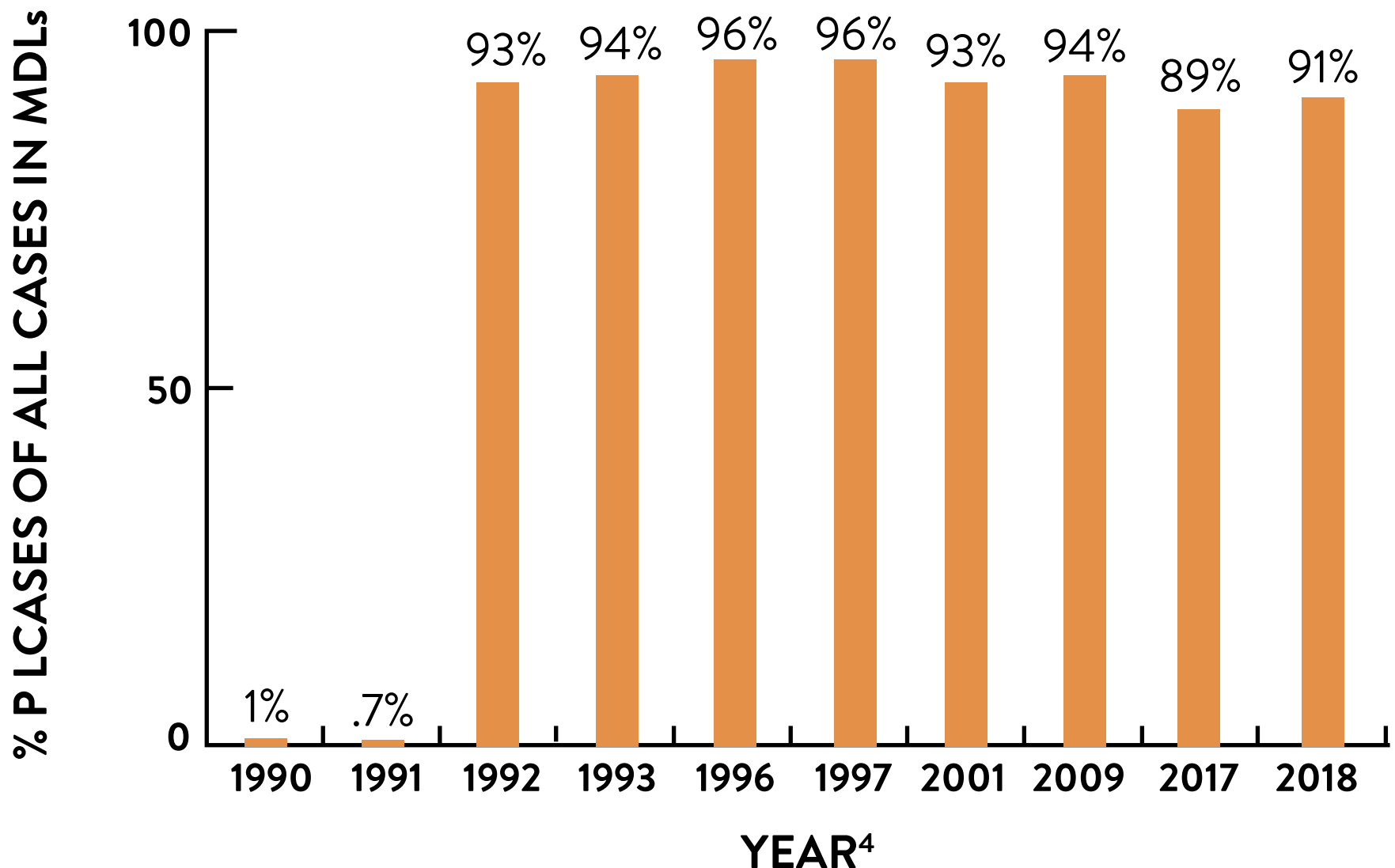
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FY 2001²

Asbestos No. VI (22,514)
Diet Drugs Products Liability (1,170)
Norplant Contraceptive (871)

PL MDL Cases = 93%

BUT THE CONCENTRATION OF CASES DOESN'T



MDL dockets change over the years, but civil cases in MDLs remain concentrated in Products Liability MDLs, where the FRCP are often the most difficult to apply.

SOURCES

¹ https://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/sites/jpml/files/JPML_Statistical_Analysis_of_Multidistrict_Litigation-FY-1992_0.pdf

² https://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/sites/jpml/files/JPML_Statistical_Analysis_of_Multidistrict_Litigation-FY-2001.pdf

³ https://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/sites/jpml/files/JPML_Statistical_Analysis_of_Multidistrict_Litigation-FY-2018.pdf

⁴ <http://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/statistics-info>; JPML data end date before 1992 is June 30; after 1992 is fiscal year September 30. Years in graph are not to scale. JPML's 1991 data does not include the asbestos MDL transferred in July 1991.