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Federal pretrial detention hearings and defendants ordered detained in U.S. District Courts

By characteristics, United States, fiscal year 2004

Defendant characteristics	Number of defendants	Defendants with pretrial detention hearings		Of defendants with hearings	
		Hearings held	Ordered detained	Percent of defendants with hearings held	held, percent ordered detained
All defendants ^a	78,219	43,868	34,579	56.1%	78.8%
Sex					
Male	66,654	39,463	31,822	59.2	80.6
Female	11,481	4,387	2,740	38.2	62.5
Race					
White	55,408	31,290	25,271	56.5	80.8
Black	18,155	9,880	7,471	54.4	75.6
American Indian, Alaska Native	1,505	1,029	707	68.4	68.7
Asian, Pacific Islander	1,721	964	631	56.0	65.5
Ethnicity					
Hispanic	35,591	23,603	20,312	66.3	86.1
Non-Hispanic	41,708	19,923	14,010	47.8	70.3
Age					
16 to 18 years	1,267	739	565	58.3	76.5
19 to 20 years	3,990	2,247	1,695	56.3	75.4
21 to 30 years	30,522	18,376	14,729	60.2	80.2
31 to 40 years	23,396	13,499	10,787	57.7	79.9
Over 40 years	18,725	8,886	6,719	47.5	75.6
Education					
Less than high school graduate	24,034	14,370	11,263	59.8	78.4
High school graduate	18,717	9,698	6,704	51.8	69.1
Some college	10,137	4,240	2,652	41.8	62.5
College graduate	4,220	1,346	768	31.9	57.1
Marital status					
Never married	23,060	13,072	9,738	56.7	74.5
Divorced/separated	11,146	5,511	3,866	49.4	70.2
Married	19,049	9,033	6,428	47.4	71.2
Common law	5,668	3,286	2,436	58.0	74.1
Other	19,296	12,966	12,111	67.2	93.4
Employment status at arrest					
Unemployed	27,936	15,832	11,926	56.7	75.3
Employed	30,264	13,979	9,456	46.2	67.6
Criminal record					
No convictions ^b	19,333	8,041	5,366	41.6	66.7
Prior conviction					
Misdemeanor only	13,204	6,835	5,000	51.8	73.2
Felony					
Nonviolent	18,836	11,816	10,010	62.7	84.7
Violent	14,548	9,855	8,419	67.7	85.4
Number of prior convictions					
1	12,815	7,164	5,634	55.9	78.6
2 to 4	18,787	11,594	9,503	61.7	82.0
5 or more	14,986	9,748	8,292	65.0	85.1

Note: See Note, [table 5.13.2004](#). For methodology and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 11](#).

^aIncludes defendants for whom these characteristics were unknown.

^bIncludes only those defendants whose PSA records explicitly showed no prior arrests or convictions.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics, 2004*, NCJ 213476 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2006), p. 52. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.