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**Federal defendants convicted in U.S. District Courts**

By offense and characteristics, United States, fiscal year 2002<sup>a</sup>

Defendant characteristics	Total number of convicted defendants	Percent of defendants convicted of:									
		All offenses <sup>b</sup>	Violent offenses	Property offenses		Drug offenses	Public-order offenses		Weapons offenses	Immigration offenses	Mis-demeanors
				Fraudulent	Other		Regulatory	Other			
All offenders <sup>c</sup>	71,798	71,798	2,578	11,107	1,994	26,234	1,403	3,227	5,563	11,132	8,504
<b>Sex</b>											
Male	55,576	85.7%	92.4%	73.0%	73.3%	86.5%	77.2%	88.4%	96.8%	95.4%	76.5%
Female	9,268	14.3	7.6	27.0	26.7	13.5	22.8	11.6	3.2	4.6	23.5
<b>Race</b>											
White	44,377	69.7	50.2	63.1	67.7	67.8	80.2	74.7	47.5	93.6	70.4
Black	16,744	26.3	32.4	31.9	24.0	29.8	14.9	18.2	50.1	4.2	23.8
Native American	945	1.5	15.5	0.6	4.2	0.8	0.8	1.4	1.1	0.3	1.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,441	2.3	1.5	3.9	3.8	1.4	3.9	5.4	1.1	1.6	3.4
Other	192	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6
<b>Ethnicity</b>											
Hispanic	26,042	40.3	10.1	18.0	13.7	43.8	40.3	15.8	13.2	90.7	27.2
Non-Hispanic	38,561	59.7	89.9	82.0	86.3	56.2	59.7	84.2	86.8	9.3	72.8
<b>Age</b>											
16 to 18 years	406	0.7	1.5	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.5	2.0
19 to 20 years	2,916	4.7	7.0	2.4	4.9	5.6	2.6	1.7	5.7	3.2	8.7
21 to 30 years	23,996	38.5	37.0	28.2	28.3	42.8	31.5	22.0	48.0	41.9	36.8
31 to 40 years	19,079	30.6	29.9	31.3	27.7	30.3	29.6	28.7	26.5	36.6	24.4
Over 40 years	15,925	25.6	24.6	37.9	38.2	20.6	36.1	47.4	19.6	17.9	28.1
<b>Citizenship</b>											
U.S. citizen	42,361	66.0	94.4	80.1	91.2	70.1	68.3	88.1	93.2	8.6	75.0
Not U.S. citizen	21,823	34.0	5.6	19.9	8.8	29.9	31.7	11.9	6.8	91.4	25.0
<b>Education</b>											
Less than high school graduate	27,274	45.6	35.7	21.8	28.8	50.5	37.4	24.1	46.7	80.5	25.2
High school graduate	18,451	30.9	41.5	31.5	37.4	32.3	29.5	31.0	39.6	13.2	39.7
Some college	10,196	17.1	17.9	30.0	24.9	14.4	20.9	25.6	12.3	4.8	24.2
College graduate	3,874	6.5	4.9	16.7	8.9	2.9	12.2	19.3	1.4	1.5	10.9
<b>Criminal record</b>											
No convictions	25,783	39.7	30.4	53.6	48.0	44.6	61.4	53.6	14.6	17.1	49.7
Prior adult convictions <sup>d</sup>	39,180	60.3	69.6	46.4	52.0	55.4	38.6	46.4	85.4	82.9	50.3

Note: See Note, table 5.13.2002. These data were created by matching the Administrative Office of the United States Courts master data files with the U.S. Sentencing Commission monitoring system files (which are limited to defendants sentenced under the Federal sentencing guidelines) and the Federal Pretrial Services Agency's data files. Offenders were classified by the most serious offense charged. For methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 11.

<sup>c</sup>Includes offenders for whom these characteristics could not be determined.

<sup>d</sup>For some defendants, prior adult convictions are limited to those used in calculating sentences under the Federal sentencing guidelines (see Source, p. 62).

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics, 2002*, NCJ 205368 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2004), p. 61.

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

<sup>b</sup>Includes defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.