

Table 5.19.2004

## Sentences imposed in cases terminated in U.S. District Courts

By offense, United States, fiscal year 2004

Most serious conviction offense	Total number of convicted offenders <sup>b</sup>	Convicted offenders sentenced to:			Sentence length (in months)			
		Incarceration <sup>c</sup>	Probation <sup>d</sup>	Fine only	Incarceration <sup>a</sup>		Probation <sup>a</sup>	
					Mean	Median	Mean	Median
All offenses <sup>e</sup>	74,782	58,106	11,067	2,639	59.7	37.0	32.2	36.0
Felonies	66,542	56,509	7,273	222	61.2	37.0	38.6	36.0
Violent offenses	2,569	2,402	150	4	96.2	70.0	38.2	36.0
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	190	175	12	1	111.2	60.0	42.0	36.0
Negligent manslaughter	1	1	0	0	B	B	X	X
Assault	465	384	66	1	44.8	33.0	32.7	36.0
Robbery	1,380	1,354	35	0	105.3	78.0	42.8	36.0
Sexual abuse <sup>f</sup>	415	391	23	2	112.2	97.0	44.3	41.0
Kidnaping	86	73	9	0	108.0	61.5	B	B
Threats against the President	32	24	5	0	28.2	24.0	B	B
Property offenses	12,202	7,323	3,974	102	27.4	18.0	39.2	36.0
Fraudulent offenses	10,403	6,267	3,287	92	25.8	18.0	38.9	36.0
Embezzlement	646	302	261	14	16.0	12.0	40.1	36.0
Fraud <sup>g</sup>	8,677	5,278	2,661	69	26.6	18.0	38.9	36.0
Forgery	73	44	25	1	20.0	18.0	42.2	36.0
Counterfeiting	1,007	643	340	8	24.1	18.0	38.4	36.0
Other offenses	1,799	1,056	687	10	36.7	21.0	40.2	36.0
Burglary	53	44	8	0	28.4	24.0	B	B
Larceny <sup>h</sup>	1,307	695	573	6	31.3	18.0	40.3	36.0
Motor vehicle theft	58	39	9	0	27.1	18.0	B	B
Arson and explosives	165	136	28	1	75.2	43.0	34.8	36.0
Transportation of stolen property	166	115	47	3	35.0	24.0	47.7	48.0
Other property offenses <sup>i</sup>	50	27	22	0	18.1	6.0	27.2	24.0
Drug offenses	24,472	22,744	1,188	58	83.6	60.0	41.0	36.0
Trafficking	22,450	20,916	1,060	47	83.8	60.0	41.7	36.0
Possession and other	2,022	1,828	128	11	81.9	60.0	35.5	36.0
Public-order offenses	4,398	3,135	1,107	29	43.6	27.0	35.4	36.0
Regulatory offenses	1,106	580	435	15	32.3	18.5	33.4	36.0
Antitrust	17	4	9	3	B	B	B	B
Food and drug	28	9	19	1	B	B	29.4	30.0
Transportation	113	41	64	3	68.6	18.0	33.6	36.0
Civil rights	55	49	7	0	46.9	37.0	B	B
Communications	23	6	16	1	B	B	39.8	36.0
Customs laws	61	27	27	1	23.5	18.0	29.2	36.0
Postal laws	18	5	12	0	B	B	37.3	36.0
Other regulatory offenses	791	439	281	6	28.1	18.0	33.1	36.0
Other offenses	3,292	2,555	672	14	46.2	27.0	36.7	36.0
Tax law violations including tax fraud	425	265	155	1	26.5	16.0	34.3	36.0
Bribery	138	69	70	0	27.4	21.0	38.9	36.0
Perjury, contempt, intimidation	208	147	52	1	37.9	24.0	36.7	36.0
National defense	52	37	10	3	68.4	37.0	B	B
Escape	415	380	23	1	18.7	13.0	27.8	24.0
Racketeering and extortion	844	651	169	4	70.9	51.0	34.9	36.0
Gambling offenses	25	7	18	0	B	B	35.3	36.0
Liquor offenses	1	1	0	0	B	B	X	X
Nonviolent sex offenses	724	692	38	0	57.0	41.0	48.0	42.0
Mail or transport of obscene material	32	25	6	0	32.7	27.0	B	B
Traffic offenses	26	21	4	0	22.6	14.0	B	B
Wildlife	34	15	16	2	21.2	14.0	26.9	24.0
Environmental	24	9	15	0	B	B	38.5	36.0
Other felonies <sup>j</sup>	344	236	96	2	27.8	18.0	42.7	36.0
Weapons offenses	8,082	7,518	538	10	84.3	57.0	38.7	36.0
Immigration offenses	14,819	13,387	316	19	26.9	24.0	33.2	36.0
Misdemeanors <sup>k</sup>	8,240	1,597	3,794	2,417	5.6	6.0	19.8	12.0

Note: See Notes, tables 5.13.2004 and 5.17.2004. Total includes offenders whose offense category or sentence could not be determined. For methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 11.

<sup>a</sup>Excludes life, death, and indeterminate sentences.

<sup>b</sup>The sum of individual sanctions may exceed the total because split and mixed sentences are included in incarceration and probation. Also, the total may exceed the sum because the total includes offenders receiving deportation, suspended sentences, sealed sentences, imprisonment of 4 days or less, and no sentences.

<sup>c</sup>All sentences to incarceration, including split, mixed, life, and indeterminate sentences.

<sup>d</sup>Includes offenders with split and mixed sentences.

<sup>e</sup>Includes offenders whose sentence could not be determined.

<sup>f</sup>Includes only violent sex offenses.

<sup>g</sup>Excludes tax fraud.

<sup>h</sup>Excludes transportation of stolen property.

<sup>i</sup>Excludes fraudulent property offenses; includes destruction of property and trespass.

<sup>j</sup>Includes felonies with unclassifiable offense type.

<sup>k</sup>Includes misdemeanors, petty offenses, and unknown offense level.

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. 74. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.