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**Length of sentences to imprisonment imposed in U.S. District Courts for U.S. Sentencing Commission guideline cases**

By primary offense, fiscal year 2007

Primary offense	Total cases	Sentences to imprisonment	
		Average length (in months)	Median length (in months)
Total	72,691	51.8	28.0
Murder	81	258.5	235.0
Manslaughter	65	48.7	37.0
Kidnaping, hostage-taking	48	169.0	156.5
Sexual abuse	381	94.3	60.0
Assault	574	30.7	21.0
Robbery	1,120	85.1	66.5
Arson	78	80.9	60.0
<b>Drug offenses</b>			
Trafficking	24,308	83.2	60.0
Communication facility	373	37.1	37.0
Simple possession	661	5.2	0.0
Firearms	8,355	80.2	55.0
Burglary, breaking and entering	41	19.0	18.0
Motor vehicle theft	64	59.7	19.5
Larceny	1,756	8.2	1.4
Fraud	7,759	19.0	10.0
Embezzlement	465	8.3	4.0
Forgery, counterfeiting	1,156	14.6	10.0
Bribery	243	22.9	12.0
Tax	647	14.2	10.0
Money laundering	918	35.6	24.0
Racketeering, extortion	620	89.3	51.0
Gambling, lottery	113	5.4	6.0
Civil rights	64	27.4	12.0
Immigration	17,579	21.5	15.0
Pornography, prostitution	1,444	109.6	78.0
Prison offenses	316	19.1	14.0
Administration of justice offenses	1,014	19.6	10.0
Environmental, wildlife	193	3.5	0.0
National defense	32	40.2	13.0
Antitrust	15	15.9	9.0
Food and drug	71	8.5	0.0
Other	2,137	5.6	0.0

Note: See Note, [table 5.26.2007](#). These data include prison sentences only and exclude any imposition of home detention, community confinement, or intermittent confinement (Source, Appendix A). Sentences of probation only are included in this table as zero months of imprisonment. Of the 72,865 guideline cases, 174 cases were excluded due to one or both of the following conditions: missing primary offense category, 100; or missing or indeterminable sentencing information, 165.

Source: U.S. Sentencing Commission, *2007 Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics*, Table 13 [Online]. Available: <http://www.ussc.gov/ANNRPT/2007/table13.pdf> [Apr. 17, 2008].