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**Court-authorized orders for interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications**

By most serious offense under investigation, United States, 2007 and 2008

Intercept applications authorized	Most serious offense								
	Narcotics	Racketeering	Gambling	Homicide, assault	Kidnaping	Conspiracy	Corruption	Larceny, theft, robbery	Other
<b>Total</b>									
2007	1,792	98	55	132	7	26	32	36	30
2008	1,593	58	54	92	1	10	16	43	24
<b>Federal</b>									
2007	427	11	0	0	0	2	3	0	14
2008	375	6	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
<b>State</b>									
2007	1,365	87	55	132	7	24	29	36	16
2008	1,218	52	54	91	0	8	15	43	24

Note: The Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts (AO) is required, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 2519(1), to transmit to Congress a report regarding applications for orders authorizing or approving the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications. Every State and Federal judge is required to file a report with the AO on each application made. Prosecuting officials who have applied for intercept orders are required to submit reports to the AO. Forty-seven jurisdictions (the Federal Government, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, and 44 States) had statutes authorizing the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications during 2008; 23 of these jurisdictions had court-authorized orders for interception during 2008 (Source, 2008, pp. 6, 7).

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, **2007 Wiretap Report**, pp. 19-21; **2008**, pp. 18-21 (Washington, DC: Administrative Office of the United States Courts). Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

Users interested in these data for earlier years, see [table 5.3.2006](#).