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**Mode of conviction in U.S. District Courts for U.S. Sentencing Commission guideline cases**

By primary offense, fiscal year 2003

Primary offense	Total cases	Mode of conviction			
		Plea of guilty		Trial	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	69,584	66,591	95.7%	2,993	4.3%
Murder	80	65	81.3	15	18.8
Manslaughter	48	48	100.0	0	X
Kidnaping, hostage-taking	59	40	67.8	19	32.2
Sexual abuse	272	242	89.0	30	11.0
Assault	543	494	91.0	49	9.0
Robbery	1,535	1,446	94.2	89	5.8
Arson	82	71	86.6	11	13.4
<b>Drug offenses</b>					
Trafficking	24,857	23,720	95.4	1,137	4.6
Communication facility	392	392	100.0	0	X
Simple possession	1,220	1,184	97.0	36	3.0
Firearms	6,783	6,237	92.0	546	8.0
Burglary, breaking and entering	51	48	94.1	3	5.9
Auto theft	142	133	93.7	9	6.3
Larceny	2,360	2,299	97.4	61	2.6
Fraud	7,462	7,103	95.2	359	4.8
Embezzlement	761	749	98.4	12	1.6
Forgery, counterfeiting	1,267	1,246	98.3	21	1.7
Bribery	168	162	96.4	6	3.6
Tax	489	449	91.8	40	8.2
Money laundering	827	731	88.4	96	11.6
Racketeering, extortion	821	731	89.0	90	11.0
Gambling, lottery	90	87	96.7	3	3.3
Civil rights	66	56	84.8	10	15.2
Immigration	15,066	14,896	98.9	170	1.1
Pornography, prostitution	801	762	95.1	39	4.9
Prison offenses	370	360	97.3	10	2.7
Administration of justice offenses	1,041	984	94.5	57	5.5
Environmental, wildlife	143	133	93.0	10	7.0
National defense	21	17	81.0	4	19.0
Antitrust	12	12	100.0	0	X
Food and drug	77	73	94.8	4	5.2
Other	1,678	1,621	96.6	57	3.4

Note: See Note, [table 5.26.2003](#). Of the 70,258 guideline cases, 674 cases were excluded due to one or both of the following conditions: missing primary offense category, 578; and missing information on mode of conviction, 634.

Source: U.S. Sentencing Commission, *2003 Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics* (Washington, DC: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2005), p. 26.