

Table 5.45

Characteristics of felony offenders convicted in State courts

By offense, United States, 2000^a

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons who were:														
	Total	Sex		Race			Age							Mean (in years)	Median (in years)
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20 years	20 to 29 years	30 to 39 years	40 to 49 years	50 to 59 years	60 years and older			
All offenses	100%	83%	17%	54%	44%	2%	8%	39%	30%	18%	4%	1%	32	30	
Violent offenses	100	90	10	53	44	3	10	42	27	15	4	2	31	29	
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	100	91	9	43	54	3	9	49	23	13	4	2	30	27	
Sexual assault, rape	100	98	2	68	28	4	7	35	29	18	7	4	34	32	
Rape	100	98	2	64	35	1	8	34	30	17	7	4	34	32	
Other sexual assault	100	98	2	70	25	5	7	35	29	18	7	4	34	32	
Robbery	100	93	7	35	64	1	21	50	20	8	1	(b)	26	23	
Aggravated assault	100	86	14	55	42	3	8	41	29	16	5	1	32	30	
Other violent ^c	100	89	11	67	31	2	7	37	31	19	5	1	33	32	
Property offenses	100	75	25	59	39	2	9	40	30	17	3	1	31	30	
Burglary	100	92	8	62	36	2	17	43	25	13	2	(b)	28	26	
Larceny, motor vehicle theft	100	75	25	58	40	2	8	38	31	18	4	1	32	31	
Motor vehicle theft	100	90	10	63	32	5	13	48	27	10	2	(b)	28	26	
Fraud, forgery, embezzlement	100	59	41	58	40	2	3	39	35	18	4	1	33	32	
Drug offenses	100	83	17	46	53	1	6	40	30	19	4	1	32	31	
Possession	100	81	19	49	50	1	4	34	33	23	5	1	33	33	
Trafficking	100	84	16	44	55	1	6	43	28	18	4	1	31	30	
Weapons offenses	100	95	5	44	54	2	10	47	23	14	4	2	31	28	
Other offenses ^d	100	88	12	66	32	2	6	34	33	20	6	1	33	33	

Note: See Note, table 5.44. Data on sex were available for 712,835 of the estimated total of 924,700 convicted felons; figures on race for 618,843; and figures on age for 765,902. For survey sampling procedures and definitions of terms, see Appendix 12.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 2000*, Bulletin NCJ 198821 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, June 2003), p. 6. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bLess than 0.5%.

^cIncludes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

^dComposed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.