

Table 5.47

Felony sentences imposed by State courts

By offense, United States, 2000^a

Most serious conviction offense	Total	Percent of felons sentenced to:			
		Incarceration			
		Total	Prison	Jail	Probation
All offenses	100%	68%	40%	28%	32%
Violent offenses	100	78	54	24	22
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	100	95	93	2	5
Sexual assault, rape	100	84	64	20	16
Rape	100	90	70	20	10
Other sexual assault	100	80	60	20	20
Robbery	100	89	74	15	11
Aggravated assault	100	71	40	31	29
Other violent ^b	100	71	42	29	29
Property offenses	100	64	37	27	36
Burglary	100	76	52	24	24
Larceny, motor vehicle theft	100	63	33	30	37
Motor vehicle theft	100	73	41	32	27
Fraud, forgery, embezzlement	100	54	29	25	46
Drug offenses	100	67	38	29	33
Possession	100	64	33	31	36
Trafficking	100	69	41	28	31
Weapons offenses	100	70	41	29	30
Other offenses ^c	100	66	32	34	34

Note: See Note, table 5.44. Data on sentence type were available for 919,387 of the estimated total of 924,700 convicted felons. For persons receiving a combination of sentences, the sentence designation came from the most serious penalty imposed--prison being the most serious, followed by jail, then probation. "Prison" includes sentences to death. Felons receiving a sentence other than incarceration or probation are included in "probation." For survey sampling procedures and definitions of terms, see Appendix 12.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bIncludes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

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

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. 2, Table 2.