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Arrest offense of felony defendants in the 75 largest counties

United States, 2004^a

Most serious arrest charge	Felony defendants	
	Number	Percent
All offenses	57,497	100.0%
Violent offenses	12,980	22.6
Murder	350	0.6
Rape	531	0.9
Robbery	3,097	5.4
Assault	6,878	12.0
Other violent	2,123	3.7
Property offenses	17,595	30.6
Burglary	4,516	7.9
Larceny/theft	4,508	7.8
Motor vehicle theft	2,068	3.6
Forgery	2,122	3.7
Fraud	1,830	3.2
Other property	2,552	4.4
Drug offenses	21,080	36.7
Trafficking	8,635	15.0
Other drug	12,445	21.6
Public-order offenses	5,843	10.2
Weapons	1,766	3.1
Driving-related	1,841	3.2
Other public-order	2,235	3.9

Note: These data were collected by the Pretrial Services Resource Center for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics as part of the State Court Processing Statistics program. The data are based on 40 of the 75 most populous counties in the United States and a sample of 15,761 felony cases collected from the 40 sampled counties. These cases represent the estimated 57,497 felony cases filed in the 75 counties in May 2004, and the felony defendants involved in these cases. The sample was designed and selected by the U.S. Census Bureau. These data are estimates derived from a sample and therefore are subject to sampling variation.

Data for the specific arrest charge were available for all cases. For methodology, definitions of terms, and crimes within offense categories, see [Appendix 13](#).

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Defendants in Large Urban Counties, 2004 Statistical Tables*, NCJ 221374, Table 1 [Online]. Available: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/pub/html/fdluc/2004/tables/fdluc04st01.htm> [May 19, 2008].