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Arrest offense of felony defendants in the 75 largest counties

United States, 2006 <sup>a</sup>		
Most serious arrest charge	Felony defendants	
	Number	Percent
All offenses	58,100	100.0%
Violent offenses	13,295	22.9
Murder	370	0.6
Rape	669	1.2
Robbery	3,451	5.9
Assault	6,386	11.0
Other violent	2,419	4.2
Property offenses	16,948	29.2
Burglary	4,495	7.7
Larceny/theft	5,268	9.1
Motor vehicle theft	1,661	2.9
Forgery	1,416	2.4
Fraud	2,128	3.7
Other property	1,980	3.4
Drug offenses	21,232	36.5
Trafficking	8,487	14.6
Other drug	12,745	21.9
Public-order offenses	6,624	11.4
Weapons	1,958	3.4
Driving-related	1,837	3.2
Other public-order	2,830	4.9

Note: These data were collected by the Pretrial Justice Institute 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 39 of the 75 most populous counties in the United States and a sample of 16,211 felony defendants' cases collected from the 39 sampled counties. These cases were representative of the estimated 58,100 felony defendants whose cases were filed in the 75 counties in May 2006. 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](#).

<sup>a</sup>Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

Source: U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Defendants in Large Urban Counties, 2006*, Bulletin NCJ 228944 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, May 2010), p. 3.