

Table 5.53.2002

Prior felony convictions of felony defendants in the 75 largest counties

By arrest charge, United States, 2002^a

Most serious current arrest charge	Number of defendants	Percent of felony defendants								
		Without prior felony conviction			With prior felony conviction					
		Total	Nonfelony only	No prior convictions	Total	Number of prior felony convictions				
	Total	1	2 to 4	5 to 9	10 or more					
All offenses	54,420	100%	57%	16%	41%	43%	14%	20%	7%	2%
Violent offenses	13,222	100	65	16	49	35	13	16	5	1
Murder	463	100	58	14	44	42	14	22	5	2
Rape	980	100	79	18	61	21	7	8	4	1
Robbery	2,958	100	59	12	47	41	15	19	7	1
Assault	6,856	100	64	17	47	36	13	15	5	1
Other violent	1,966	100	70	16	54	30	11	14	4	1
Property offenses	16,437	100	57	16	41	43	14	18	8	3
Burglary	4,413	100	53	16	36	47	15	20	9	3
Larceny/theft	4,798	100	58	15	42	42	13	17	8	4
Motor vehicle theft	1,790	100	50	14	36	50	17	24	9	(b)
Forgery	1,656	100	62	18	43	38	16	16	5	2
Fraud	1,637	100	73	19	55	27	10	11	4	2
Other property	2,144	100	58	16	42	42	14	19	7	3
Drug offenses	19,547	100	53	16	37	47	15	23	7	2
Trafficking	9,376	100	53	14	39	47	15	22	7	2
Other drug	10,169	100	53	18	35	47	15	23	7	2
Public-order offenses	5,214	100	54	19	35	46	14	22	8	2
Weapons	1,465	100	59	14	45	41	13	22	4	2
Driving-related	1,723	100	54	27	27	46	14	19	10	3
Other public-order	2,028	100	49	16	34	51	15	24	9	3

Note: See Note, table 5.51.2002. Data on number of prior felony convictions were available for 97% of all cases. For methodology, definitions of terms, and crimes within offense categories, see Appendix 13.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Defendants in Large Urban Counties, 2002*, NCJ 210818 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2006), p. 13.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bLess than 0.5%.