

Table 5.59.2002

Type of sentence received by convicted defendants in the 75 largest counties

By conviction offense, United States, 2002<sup>a</sup>

Most serious conviction offense	Number of defendants	Percent of convicted defendants sentenced to:						
		Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
			Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other <sup>b</sup>
All offenses	31,801	100%	72%	32%	40%	28%	25%	3%
All felonies	26,758	100	75	38	37	25	24	1
Violent offenses	4,718	100	85	50	35	15	14	(c)
Murder	211	100	97	95	2	3	3	0
Rape	261	100	89	64	25	11	11	0
Robbery	1,128	100	92	73	19	8	8	(c)
Assault	2,155	100	85	38	47	15	14	1
Other violent	963	100	74	37	37	26	25	(c)
Property offenses	9,137	100	78	37	41	22	21	1
Burglary	2,284	100	88	48	40	12	12	(c)
Larceny/theft	2,494	100	72	33	39	28	26	2
Motor vehicle theft	1,323	100	86	43	44	14	13	1
Forgery	1,053	100	73	35	38	27	26	1
Fraud	825	100	60	16	45	40	37	3
Other property	1,158	100	77	34	43	23	22	1
Drug offenses	9,718	100	66	33	33	34	33	1
Trafficking	4,304	100	76	37	39	24	23	1
Other drug	5,414	100	57	30	28	43	42	1
Public-order offenses	3,160	100	77	38	40	23	21	1
Weapons	868	100	75	32	43	25	24	1
Driving-related	1,249	100	84	39	44	16	15	1
Other public-order	1,042	100	72	40	32	28	26	2
Misdemeanors <sup>d</sup>	5,043	100	60	2	58	40	26	14

Note: See Note, table 5.51.2002. Data on type of sentence were available for 95% of cases involving defendants who had been convicted. Sixty-eight percent of jail sentences and 9% of prison sentences included a probation term. Sentences to incarceration or probation may have included a fine, restitution, community service, treatment, or other court-ordered conditions. Sentences to incarceration that were suspended are included in the probation category. Total for all felonies includes cases that could not be classified into one of the four major offense categories. 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.

<sup>b</sup>Includes fines, community service, restitution, and treatment.

<sup>c</sup>Less than 0.5%.

<sup>d</sup>Comprised of defendants with a felony arrest charge who were convicted of a misdemeanor.

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. 30.