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**Prosecutions for violations of U.S. immigration and naturalization laws**

By type of case and disposition, and aggregate fines and imprisonment imposed, fiscal years 1990, 1993-2003

Type of case and disposition	1990	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total, all cases	20,079	18,731	14,854	17,035	16,115	19,180	23,826	22,491	22,926	24,316	23,852	24,917
Dismissals <sup>a</sup>	7,310	6,806	4,558	4,836	3,886	2,972	2,281	1,962	2,079	3,169	2,694	2,382
Acquittals	50	240	86	124	108	24	65	58	96	92	114	57
Convictions	12,719	11,685	10,210	12,075	12,121	16,184	21,480	20,471	20,751	21,055	21,044	22,478
Aggregate fines imposed	\$2,935,664	\$2,613,297	\$101,503,303	\$955,054	\$1,131,709	\$760,209	\$776,622	\$1,275,604	\$4,795,872	\$12,498,608	\$2,171,518	\$1,066,176
Aggregate imprisonment (in years)	5,749	6,621	7,513	7,161	6,947	11,353	12,030	14,843	19,003	17,863	16,804	19,643
Immigration cases, total	19,351	15,566	13,068	15,337	14,223	17,807	22,857	21,588	22,071	23,374	23,221	24,152
Dismissals <sup>a</sup>	6,788	5,232	3,814	4,133	3,102	2,566	2,029	1,783	1,983	2,989	2,628	2,286
Acquittals	48	145	74	94	107	22	60	52	81	88	108	46
Convictions	12,515	10,189	9,180	11,110	11,014	15,219	20,768	19,753	20,007	20,297	20,485	21,820
Aggregate fines imposed	\$2,872,279	\$2,242,129	\$316,163	\$609,480	\$959,214	\$310,893	\$437,547	\$692,477	\$3,677,297	\$468,718	\$707,224	\$941,950
Aggregate imprisonment (in years)	5,642	3,873	3,716	5,234	5,436	8,059	10,455	12,922	16,109	14,786	15,613	17,773
Naturalization cases, total	728	695	506	328	176	212	171	206	211	196	171	155
Dismissals <sup>a</sup>	522	326	336	210	43	(b)	42	33	(b)	28	22	(b)
Acquittals	2	82	10	5	0	(b)	0	0	(b)	0	3	(b)
Convictions	204	287	160	113	133	164	129	173	181	168	146	137
Aggregate fines imposed	\$63,385	\$9,660	\$7,080	\$13,695	\$3,195	\$11,579	\$7,870	\$10,575	\$74,545	\$26,025	\$7,550	\$1,650
Aggregate imprisonment (in years)	107	94	36	52	64	77	116	180	101	121	104	118
Other cases, total	NA	2,470	1,280	1,370	1,716	1,161	798	697	644	746	460	610
Dismissals <sup>a</sup>	NA	1,248	408	493	741	(b)	210	146	67	152	44	79
Acquittals	NA	13	2	25	1	(b)	5	6	14	4	3	10
Convictions	NA	1,209	870	852	974	801	583	545	563	590	413	521
Aggregate fines imposed	NA	\$361,508	\$101,180,060	\$331,879	\$169,300	\$437,737	\$331,205	\$572,552	\$1,044,030	\$12,003,865	\$1,456,744	\$122,576
Aggregate imprisonment (in years)	NA	2,654	3,761	1,875	1,447	3,217	1,459	1,741	2,793	2,956	1,087	1,752

Note: Violations of nationality laws include false representations as citizens of the United States, false statements and procurement of citizenship or naturalization unlawfully, and reproduction of citizenship and naturalization papers. Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

<sup>a</sup>Dismissed or otherwise closed.

<sup>b</sup>Beginning with the 1997 data, in order to protect the identity of individuals the Source has suppressed the value in any cell with a count of one or two and associated cells that would reveal such a count through calculation.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, **2000 Statistical Yearbook of the Immigration and Naturalization Service**, p. 265 [Online]. Available: <http://uscis.gov/graphics/shared/aboutus/statistics/Yearbook2000.pdf> [Oct. 7, 2004]; **2001 Statistical Yearbook of the Immigration and Naturalization Service**, p. 269 [Online]. Available: <http://uscis.gov/graphics/shared/aboutus/statistics/Yearbook2001.pdf> [Oct. 7, 2004]; U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Immigration Statistics, **2003 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics**, p. 180 [Online]. Available: <http://uscis.gov/graphics/shared/aboutus/statistics/2003yearbook.pdf> [Oct. 7, 2004]; and data provided by the U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.