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Length of sentences to imprisonment imposed in U.S. District Courts for U.S. Sentencing Commission guideline cases

By primary offense, fiscal year 2006

Primary offense	Total cases	Sentences to imprisonment	
		Average length (in months)	Median length (in months)
Total	72,337	51.8	30.0
Murder	78	249.9	240.0
Manslaughter	60	46.0	37.0
Kidnaping, hostage-taking	61	216.6	204.0
Sexual abuse	263	100.8	60.0
Assault	615	34.3	21.0
Robbery	1,162	89.2	70.0
Arson	71	77.1	60.0
Drug offenses			
Trafficking	25,045	82.0	60.0
Communication facility	412	40.8	46.0
Simple possession	750	6.5	0.0
Firearms	8,364	77.4	48.0
Burglary, breaking and entering	48	17.5	15.0
Auto theft	61	75.7	33.0
Larceny	1,705	8.9	4.0
Fraud	6,943	18.6	10.0
Embezzlement	583	9.0	6.0
Forgery, counterfeiting	1,168	15.8	9.0
Bribery	184	13.9	8.0
Tax	607	15.0	10.0
Money laundering	910	35.8	22.5
Racketeering, extortion	622	88.9	60.0
Gambling, lottery	116	6.9	6.0
Civil rights	68	40.1	9.0
Immigration	17,532	22.4	18.0
Pornography, prostitution	1,291	96.7	63.0
Prison offenses	346	17.6	12.0
Administration of justice offenses	1,108	17.7	9.9
Environmental, wildlife	177	4.7	0.0
National defense	36	47.2	27.5
Antitrust	12	8.2	9.0
Food and drug	64	7.1	0.0
Other	1,875	7.3	0.0

Note: See Note, [table 5.26.2006](#). These data include prison sentences only and exclude any imposition of home detention, community confinement, or intermittent confinement (Source, Appendix A). Sentences of probation only are included in this table as zero months of imprisonment. Of the 72,585 guideline cases, 248 cases were excluded due to one or both of the following conditions: missing primary offense category, 67; or missing or indeterminable sentencing information, 241.

Source: U.S. Sentencing Commission, *2006 Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics*, Table 13 [Online]. Available: <http://www.ussc.gov/ANNRPT/2006/table13.pdf> [Mar. 15, 2007].