

Table 5.45.2002

Characteristics of felony offenders convicted in State courts

By offense, United States, 2002^a

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons who were:														
	Total	Sex		Race			Age							Mean (in years)	Median (in years)
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20 years	20 to 29 years	30 to 39 years	40 to 49 years	50 to 59 years	60 years and older			
All offenses	100%	83%	17%	60%	37%	3%	7%	41%	29%	18%	4%	1%	32	30	
Violent offenses	100	89	11	57	39	4	9	42	26	16	5	2	31	29	
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	100	90	10	45	51	4	8	51	22	13	5	1	30	27	
Sexual assault, rape	100	97	3	71	25	4	7	37	25	18	8	5	34	32	
Rape	100	98	2	63	33	4	8	38	26	19	5	4	33	31	
Other sexual assault	100	97	3	75	21	4	6	36	25	18	10	5	35	32	
Robbery	100	92	8	39	59	2	21	49	19	9	2	(b)	27	23	
Aggravated assault	100	85	15	57	38	5	6	41	28	18	5	2	32	30	
Other violent ^c	100	88	12	70	25	5	6	38	28	20	6	2	33	32	
Property offenses	100	75	25	64	33	3	8	41	29	17	4	1	31	30	
Burglary	100	91	9	66	31	3	15	47	23	13	2	(b)	28	25	
Larceny, motor vehicle theft	100	75	25	62	35	3	7	39	30	19	4	1	32	31	
Motor vehicle theft	100	89	11	67	26	7	12	52	25	10	1	(b)	28	25	
Fraud, forgery, embezzlement	100	58	42	64	34	2	3	39	35	18	4	1	33	32	
Drug offenses	100	83	17	55	43	2	5	41	29	19	5	1	32	31	
Possession	100	79	21	61	36	3	3	36	32	23	5	1	33	33	
Trafficking	100	85	15	51	47	2	6	45	27	17	4	1	32	29	
Weapons offenses	100	95	5	47	50	3	9	50	23	13	4	1	30	27	
Other offenses ^d	100	88	12	69	27	4	5	34	31	22	6	2	34	33	

Note: See Note, table 5.44.2002. Data on sex were available for 714,307 of the estimated total of 1,051,000 convicted felons; figures on race for 612,161; and figures on age for 744,317. For survey sampling procedures and definitions of terms, see Appendix 16.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 2002*, Bulletin NCJ 206916 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, December 2004), p. 6. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bLess than 0.5%.

^cIncludes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

^dComposed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.