

Table 5.57

Adjudication outcome for felony defendants in the 75 largest counties

By arrest charge, United States, 2000^a

Most serious arrest charge	Number of defendants	Percent of felony defendants											Other outcome ^b
		Total convicted	Convicted						Not convicted				
			Total	Felony		Misdemeanor			Total	Dismissed	Acquitted		
			Total	Plea	Trial	Total	Plea	Trial					
All offenses	47,290	64%	52%	49%	3%	12%	12%	(c)	27%	26%	1%	9%	
Violent offenses	11,288	56	42	38	4	14	13	(c)	39	37	2	6	
Murder	256	66	64	31	33	2	2	0%	30	28	2	5	
Rape	675	60	50	47	2	11	10	(c)	35	33	2	5	
Robbery	2,486	58	50	44	6	8	8	(c)	38	35	3	4	
Assault	5,635	52	35	32	3	16	16	1	42	40	2	6	
Other violent	2,237	62	46	43	3	16	16	(c)	32	31	1	6	
Property offenses	14,299	66	50	48	2	15	15	(c)	25	24	(c)	10	
Burglary	3,721	72	59	56	2	13	13	(c)	23	23	(c)	5	
Larceny/theft	3,839	66	49	46	3	17	16	1	24	23	(c)	10	
Motor vehicle theft	1,540	65	56	55	1	9	9	(c)	29	27	1	6	
Forgery	1,604	68	53	52	2	15	15	(c)	24	24	(c)	8	
Fraud	1,797	52	33	33	(c)	20	19	(c)	18	18	0	30	
Other property	1,798	62	45	43	2	17	17	(c)	34	33	1	4	
Drug offenses	17,473	65	58	56	2	7	7	(c)	23	23	(c)	11	
Trafficking	7,902	74	67	63	4	7	7	(c)	21	20	(c)	6	
Other drug	9,571	58	50	49	1	8	8	(c)	26	25	(c)	16	
Public-order offenses	4,229	72	56	53	2	17	17	(c)	22	21	1	5	
Weapons	1,276	69	56	53	3	13	13	0	27	24	3	4	
Driving-related	1,434	86	70	68	2	16	16	(c)	10	10	(c)	4	
Other public-order	1,519	63	42	40	2	21	20	(c)	30	29	1	7	

Note: See Note, table 5.51. Twelve percent of all cases were still pending adjudication at the end of the 1-year study period and are excluded from the table. Data on adjudication outcome were available for 99% of those cases that had been adjudicated. 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, 2000*, NCJ 202021 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2003), p. 24, Table 23.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bIncludes diversion and deferred adjudication.

^cLess than 0.5%.