

Table 5.3
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Filed, by Offense,
During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 1995 Through 2023

Nature of Offense	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2015	2010	2005	1995
Total	66,027	68,315	74,328	73,740	92,485	79,834	99,939	91,632	63,986
Violent Offenses, Total	2,561	2,649	3,009	2,507	3,104	2,765	2,810	3,093	3,050
Homicide	196	213	297	140	146	139	149	196	275
Robbery, Total	336	403	409	391	563	645	944	1,181	1,408
Bank	289	357	339	370	531	618	879	1,139	1,332
Other Robbery Offenses	47	46	70	21	32	27	65	42	76
Assault	912	977	1,062	910	1,184	1,026	843	988	698
Kidnapping	222	154	176	139	196	93	124	137	138
Racketeering - General	356	401	457	454	509	464	429	364	295
Carjacking	353	319	345	300	317	205	140	134	220
Terrorism ¹	36	29	54	42	48	77	75	35	-
Other Violent Offenses	150	153	209	131	141	116	106	58	16
Property Offenses, Total	6,868	7,339	8,264	7,132	9,948	12,308	17,417	15,269	17,023
Burglary	29	44	44	44	25	51	67	76	83
Larceny and Theft, Total	991	1,045	1,186	1,132	1,544	2,453	2,797	3,012	3,975
Bank	29	26	37	33	20	22	53	96	239
Postal Service	226	216	210	204	256	220	262	387	414
Interstate Shipments	7	13	9	15	18	17	38	56	193
Theft of U.S. Property	587	667	784	753	1,096	1,954	1,983	1,859	2,183
Theft Within Maritime Jurisdiction	30	52	35	44	80	118	191	208	348
Transportation of Stolen Property	97	60	102	78	62	98	166	218	520
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	15	11	9	5	12	24	104	188	78
Embezzlement, Total	228	250	264	234	351	422	624	710	1,318
Bank	22	22	24	26	38	82	136	225	745
Postal Service	100	108	130	107	173	166	238	232	248
Financial Institutions	10	5	7	7	9	9	22	26	102

Other Embezzlement Offenses	96	115	103	94	131	165	228	227	223
Fraud, Total	5,351	5,732	6,429	5,454	7,513	8,700	12,639	9,907	9,850
Tax	328	337	386	337	367	470	596	644	905
Financial Institutions	196	195	241	172	250	267	812	1,016	1,559
Securities and Exchange	84	78	81	37	73	73	122	142	80
Mail	84	112	123	133	153	288	650	695	1,511
Wire, Radio, or Television	742	569	484	397	454	518	710	487	-
Bankruptcy	23	12	32	20	51	57	68	112	120
Social Security	86	98	162	213	396	346	544	699	289
False Personation	14	9	19	16	15	21	58	49	47
Citizenship and Naturalization	35	45	96	53	67	96	286	307	70
Passport	90	126	152	254	520	564	889	394	242
Identification Documents and Information	321	313	420	492	744	956	2,780	1,338	856
False Claims of Government Services	27	36	26	35	65	286	245	259	431
False Statements	404	564	618	442	566	433	682	960	682
Conspiracy to Defraud the United States	736	901	741	664	733	923	1,025	1,168	552
Unauthorized Access Devices	211	255	382	374	633	805	791	744	1,259
Computer	51	55	69	44	102	73	95	115	30
Health Care ²	226	347	402	323	489	515	529	486	-
Attempt and Conspiracy to Defraud ³	1,675	1,661	1,983	1,414	1,810	1,926	1,671	188	-
Other Fraud Offenses	18	19	12	34	25	83	86	104	640
Forgery and Counterfeiting	137	119	169	148	312	550	1,087	1,394	1,397
Auto Theft	41	20	23	25	29	13	47	57	225
Other Property Offenses	91	129	149	95	174	119	156	113	175
Drug Offenses, Total	18,103	19,589	23,079	21,677	26,021	25,493	29,410	32,637	22,789
Marijuana, Total	760	1,207	1,546	1,775	2,432	5,584	7,368	7,349	5,561
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	641	815	987	1,016	1,256	2,778	4,756	4,432	3,545
Import/Export	7	31	68	162	324	389	970	1,327	470
Manufacture	6	10	13	27	50	68	337	227	278
Possession	106	351	478	570	802	2,349	1,305	1,363	1,628
All Other Drugs, Total	17,259	18,321	21,489	19,825	23,495	19,828	21,918	25,121	16,948
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	15,396	15,985	18,203	16,728	20,844	17,542	19,557	22,243	14,451
Import/Export	1,464	1,834	2,762	2,564	2,011	1,553	1,302	1,279	1,211
Manufacture	125	104	201	218	183	355	712	1,040	403

Possession	274	398	323	315	457	378	347	559	883
Other Drug Offenses	84	61	44	77	94	81	124	167	-
Firearms and Explosives Offenses, Total	10,118	10,866	11,972	11,042	12,642	7,980	8,376	10,328	4,780
Firearms, Total	9,979	10,727	11,798	10,839	12,479	7,851	8,145	10,083	4,480
Possession by Prohibited Persons	5,487	6,212	7,220	6,653	7,507	4,719	4,827	5,973	1,554
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	2,390	2,592	2,780	2,604	3,166	1,968	1,936	2,527	-
Other Firearms Offenses	2,102	1,923	1,798	1,582	1,806	1,164	1,382	1,583	1,397
Explosives	139	139	174	203	163	129	231	245	300
Sex Offenses, Total	3,038	3,075	3,310	3,005	3,216	3,431	2,871	1,828	428
Sexual Abuse of Adults	112	121	142	98	115	113	111	104	118
Sexual Abuse of Minors	1,010	959	1,081	959	931	876	573	353	169
Sexually Explicit Material	1,311	1,417	1,430	1,334	1,439	1,680	1,692	1,112	86
Transportation for Illegal Sexual Activity [4]	239	227	281	304	321	236	154	256	-
Sex Offender Registry [5]	358	346	370	304	403	509	334	-	-
Other Sex Offenses	8	5	6	6	7	17	7	3	55
Justice System Offenses, Total	653	772	905	691	865	831	990	1,226	1,314
Aiding, Abetting, or Accessory	74	83	81	78	113	127	159	307	275
Obstruction of Justice	186	224	398	186	252	237	324	336	253
Escape from Custody	312	362	327	317	362	318	285	257	295
Failure to Appear	48	70	58	62	72	91	162	184	295
Perjury	11	11	16	19	24	23	34	73	110
Contempt	22	22	25	29	42	35	26	69	86
Immigration Offenses, Total	19,645	19,148	19,266	23,618	31,495	20,833	29,149	18,322	4,472
Alien Smuggling	4,928	4,815	4,971	3,761	4,541	2,779	3,050	3,752	1,044
Improper Entry by Alien	197	75	111	137	461	279	1,308	2,067	470
Improper Reentry by Alien	14,233	13,821	13,709	19,233	25,667	17,176	23,211	11,653	2,654
Fraud and Misuse of Visa/Permits	254	378	421	444	772	559	1,503	782	280
Other Immigration Offenses	33	59	54	43	54	40	77	68	24
General Offenses, Total	1,517	1,686	1,856	1,631	1,880	1,848	2,401	2,800	2,709
Bribery	78	54	86	92	109	99	164	182	288
Money Laundering	888	999	906	809	825	942	995	1,303	1,183

RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act)	71	78	157	87	113	141	141	159	193
Racketeering - General	26	36	35	29	35	39	56	72	295
Extortion and Threats	121	135	134	119	149	96	140	222	243
Gambling and Lottery	18	34	28	15	26	40	69	159	182
Failure to Pay Child Support	1	1	2	0	5	48	75	92	35
Other General Offenses	314	349	508	480	618	443	761	611	534
Regulatory Offenses, Total	1,200	1,201	1,422	1,087	1,415	1,588	2,137	1,987	2,205
Civil Rights	215	184	143	153	179	170	130	116	138
Copyright	1	3	8	1	15	21	70	56	11
Food and Drug	45	25	58	29	56	91	58	44	68
Hazardous Waste Treatment, Disposal, and Storage	20	9	15	22	25	27	43	51	64
Telegraph, Telephone, and Radiograph	2	7	1	5	5	4	6	19	19
National Defense	54	46	63	43	52	51	85	41	32
Antitrust	12	30	26	18	16	37	36	37	48
Labor	15	25	24	29	42	41	84	78	87
Game and Conservation	90	79	99	108	115	164	228	202	267
National Parks/Recreation	23	29	25	13	51	102	161	110	252
Customs	297	350	265	255	315	105	142	79	151
Postal Service	50	53	76	53	80	117	120	110	210
Reporting of Monetary Transactions	63	71	132	95	115	207	347	292	266
Migratory Bird	35	12	32	25	34	86	115	107	48
Maritime and Shipping	65	44	93	46	115	103	127	96	99
Aircraft Regulations	60	81	68	49	52	60	60	96	16
Other Regulatory Offenses	153	153	294	143	148	202	325	453	429
Traffic Offenses, Total	2,324	1,990	1,245	1,350	1,899	2,757	4,378	4,142	5,216
Drunk Driving	1,060	1,097	728	509	746	951	1,514	1,809	1,509
Other Traffic Offenses	1,264	893	517	841	1,153	1,806	2,864	2,333	3,707

Note: Due to a change in methodology, numbers for years prior to 2015 may not match numbers previously published in this table.

In 2005, the classification of criminal filings was amended to more accurately categorize the major offense charged. Data in this table reflect these revisions. Therefore, data published in the Annual Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts in 2005 and thereafter do not match data published prior to 2005.

¹ Data collection for this category began in 1997.

² Data collection for this category began in 1998.

³ Data collection for this category began in 2004.

[4] Data collection for this category began in 1996.

[5] Data collection for this category began in 2008.

Source: Table D-2 (Defendants), *Annual Report of the Director: Judicial Business of the United States Courts*.

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