

Table D-2. Defendants

**U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),
During the 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 2004 Through 2008**

Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	PercentChange 2008 Over 2007 ¹
TOTAL	92,122	92,104	90,607	86,933	89,697	3.2
VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,229	3,241	3,095	2,794	2,995	7.2
HOMICIDE	227	177	196	154	147	-4.5
ROBBERY, TOTAL	1,396	1,280	1,250	1,110	1,164	4.9
BANK	1,352	1,228	1,204	1,075	1,119	4.1
OTHER ROBBERY OFFENSES	44	52	46	35	45	28.6
ASSAULT	975	1,067	948	867	887	2.3
KIDNAPPING	159	181	108	151	120	-20.5
RACKETEERING—VIOLENT	292	353	315	271	392	44.6
CARJACKING	111	123	154	145	177	22.1
TERRORISM	13	12	63	42	59	40.5
OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES	56	48	61	54	49	-9.3
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL	16,041	15,176	15,725	15,756	16,018	1.7
BURGLARY	82	67	71	50	58	16.0
LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL	3,170	3,069	3,086	3,201	3,377	5.5
BANK	164	94	68	76	80	5.3
POSTAL SERVICE	533	415	440	397	399	0.5
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	72	53	39	50	34	-32.0
THEFT—U.S. PROPERTY	1,822	1,951	1,916	2,127	2,366	11.2
THEFT—MARITIME JURISDICTION	208	220	222	213	156	-26.8
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., STOLEN PROPERTY	266	205	211	182	199	9.3
OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES	105	131	190	156	143	-8.3
EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL	872	752	752	642	634	-1.2
BANK	363	276	238	233	184	-21.0
POSTAL SERVICE	235	252	222	182	197	8.2
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	48	22	31	22	27	22.7
OTHER EMBEZZLEMENT OFFENSES	226	202	261	205	226	10.2
FRAUD, TOTAL	10,158	9,918	10,048	10,383	10,476	0.9
TAX	492	634	638	576	598	3.8
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	1,251	1,083	1,077	928	741	-20.2
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	195	173	117	105	108	2.9
MAIL	1,089	748	768	676	732	8.3
WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION	590	492	546	567	468	-17.5
BANKRUPTCY	81	107	84	112	54	-51.8

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
FRAUD (CONTINUED)						
SOCIAL SECURITY	876	837	628	768	785	2.2
FALSE PERSONATION	33	40	40	48	59	22.9
CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION	279	293	242	202	188	-6.9
PASSPORT	440	492	322	351	441	25.6
IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION	619	1,138	1,336	1,823	1,801	-1.2
FALSE CLAIMS AND SERVICES—GOVERNMENT	228	259	355	358	277	-22.6
FALSE STATEMENTS	1,032	1,013	880	773	761	-1.6
CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES	1,290	1,249	1,214	1,324	1,256	-5.1
UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS DEVICES	983	697	846	792	851	7.4
COMPUTER	122	104	115	119	127	6.7
HEALTH CARE	379	364	504	389	422	8.5
ATTEMPT AND CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD	-	126	203	312	670	114.7
OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES	179	69	133	160	137	-14.4
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	1,564	1,198	1,570	1,303	1,263	-3.1
AUTO THEFT	64	59	54	45	61	35.6
OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES	131	113	144	132	149	12.9
DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL	32,671	32,169	31,949	30,205	29,043	-3.8
MARIJUANA, TOTAL	8,428	7,703	7,172	6,536	6,795	4.0
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	4,882	4,390	4,598	3,792	3,999	5.5
IMPORT/EXPORT	1,640	1,446	1,177	1,444	1,534	6.2
MANUFACTURE	227	219	206	250	421	68.4
POSSESSION	1,679	1,648	1,191	1,050	841	-19.9
ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL	23,985	24,264	24,655	23,580	22,146	-6.1
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	18,965	19,707	21,998	21,179	20,223	-4.5
IMPORT/EXPORT	1,473	1,253	1,289	1,337	1,058	-20.9
MANUFACTURE	1,318	1,183	785	575	450	-21.7
POSSESSION	2,229	2,121	583	489	415	-15.1
OTHER DRUG OFFENSES	258	202	122	89	102	14.6
FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES, TOTAL	10,700	10,746	10,054	9,593	9,284	-3.2
FIREARMS, TOTAL	10,427	10,465	9,767	9,362	9,048	-3.4
POSSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS	6,050	6,102	5,819	5,497	5,347	-2.7
FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIMES	2,470	2,729	2,390	2,433	2,281	-6.2
OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES	1,907	1,634	1,558	1,432	1,420	-0.8
EXPLOSIVES	273	281	287	231	236	2.2

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,513	1,760	1,940	2,156	2,733	26.8
SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS	135	115	96	101	133	31.7
SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS	361	377	382	419	470	12.2
SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL	812	995	1,198	1,330	1,615	21.4
TRANSPORTATION FOR ILLEGAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY	-	-	255	263	266	1.1
OTHER SEX OFFENSES	205	273	9	43	249	479.1
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,297	1,266	1,249	1,074	1,042	-3.0
AIDING, ABETTING, ACCESSORY, ETC.	278	304	301	226	211	-6.6
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	303	318	345	314	253	-19.4
ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY	270	253	278	236	260	10.2
FAILURE TO APPEAR	271	225	194	177	208	17.5
PERJURY	80	89	71	60	53	-11.7
CONTEMPT	95	77	60	61	57	-6.6
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL	16,819	18,542	18,130	16,982	19,749	16.3
ALIEN SMUGGLING	2,962	3,701	3,892	3,615	3,732	3.2
IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN	2,572	2,510	1,631	1,155	1,604	38.9
IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN	10,716	11,492	11,811	11,501	13,723	19.3
FRAUD AND MISUSE OF VISA/PERMIT	528	741	751	656	633	-3.5
OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	41	98	45	55	57	3.6
GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,106	2,864	2,648	2,442	2,534	3.8
BRIBERY	236	160	205	165	180	9.1
MONEY LAUNDERING	1,393	1,425	1,336	1,187	1,132	-4.6
RICO ²	156	119	170	147	158	7.5
RACKETEERING—GENERAL	58	54	62	52	57	9.6
EXTORTION AND THREATS	234	186	201	156	154	-1.3
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	74	149	104	53	122	130.2
FAILURE TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT	153	106	81	79	82	3.8
OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES	802	665	489	603	649	7.6
REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,889	2,020	1,948	1,960	2,104	7.3
CIVIL RIGHTS	98	118	122	114	118	3.5
COPYRIGHT	10	16	91	48	43	-10.4
FOOD AND DRUG	49	57	53	56	65	16.1
HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, AND STORAGE	30	45	30	24	41	70.8
TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE, AND RADIOGRAPH	39	22	28	13	14	7.7
NATIONAL DEFENSE	25	35	39	53	33	-37.7
ANTITRUST	26	21	35	30	23	-23.3

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
REGULATORY OFFENSES (CONTINUED)						
LABOR	63	84	88	77	81	5.2
GAME AND CONSERVATION	171	185	229	260	275	5.8
NATIONAL PARKS	142	120	95	145	145	0.0
CUSTOMS	88	95	63	61	98	60.7
POSTAL SERVICE	127	105	115	99	95	-4.0
REPORTING OF MONETARY TRANSACTIONS	263	328	264	240	267	11.3
MIGRATORY BIRD	186	133	82	56	148	164.3
MARITIME AND SHIPPING	70	84	96	120	145	20.8
AIRCRAFT REGULATIONS	170	111	99	81	75	-7.4
OTHER REGULATORY OFFENSES	332	461	419	483	438	-9.3
TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL	4,857	4,320	3,869	3,971	4,195	5.6
DRUNK DRIVING	1,559	1,584	1,751	1,574	1,500	-4.7
OTHER TRAFFIC OFFENSES	3,298	2,736	2,118	2,397	2,695	12.4

NOTE: BEGINNING IN 2005, CATEGORIES FOR CRIMINAL OFFENSES WERE MODIFIED. THEREFORE, DATA FOR 2005 AND THEREAFTER ARE NOT COMPARABLE TO DATA PUBLISHED IN PREVIOUS YEARS. THIS TABLE INCLUDES DEFENDANTS IN ALL FELONY AND CLASS A MISDEMEANOR CASES, BUT INCLUDES ONLY THOSE PETTY OFFENSE DEFENDANTS WHOSE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT JUDGES.

¹ PERCENT CHANGE NOT COMPUTED WHEN FEWER THAN 10 DEFENDANTS REPORTED FOR THE PREVIOUS PERIOD.

² RICO = RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS.