

Table D-2. Defendants

**U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),
During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2004 Through 2008**

| Major Offense | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| TOTAL | 92,697 | 91,632 | 87,699 | 88,780 | 91,866 | 3.5 |
| VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL | 3,389 | 3,092 | 2,950 | 2,837 | 2,853 | 0.6 |
| HOMICIDE | 190 | 204 | 186 | 147 | 146 | -0.7 |
| ROBBERY, TOTAL | 1,425 | 1,181 | 1,223 | 1,076 | 1,099 | 2.1 |
| BANK | 1,387 | 1,139 | 1,171 | 1,032 | 1,065 | 3.2 |
| OTHER ROBBERY OFFENSES | 38 | 42 | 52 | 44 | 34 | -22.7 |
| ASSAULT | 1,027 | 988 | 885 | 873 | 850 | -2.6 |
| KIDNAPPING | 205 | 137 | 138 | 130 | 142 | 9.2 |
| RACKETEERING—VIOLENT | 345 | 364 | 258 | 351 | 347 | -1.1 |
| CARJACKING | 132 | 134 | 132 | 160 | 173 | 8.1 |
| TERRORISM | 12 | 26 | 59 | 59 | 25 | -57.6 |
| OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES | 53 | 58 | 69 | 41 | 71 | 73.2 |
| PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL | 15,559 | 15,284 | 15,372 | 16,277 | 15,771 | -3.1 |
| BURGLARY | 85 | 76 | 48 | 57 | 52 | -8.8 |
| LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL | 3,052 | 3,012 | 3,116 | 3,345 | 3,067 | -8.3 |
| BANK | 100 | 96 | 72 | 70 | 81 | 15.7 |
| POSTAL SERVICE | 500 | 387 | 401 | 436 | 345 | -20.9 |
| INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS | 46 | 56 | 44 | 39 | 39 | 0.0 |
| THEFT—U.S. PROPERTY | 1,867 | 1,859 | 2,022 | 2,258 | 2,145 | -5.0 |
| THEFT—MARITIME JURISDICTION | 217 | 208 | 207 | 192 | 145 | -24.5 |
| TRANSPORTATION, ETC., STOLEN PROPERTY | 251 | 218 | 177 | 210 | 183 | -12.9 |
| OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES | 71 | 188 | 193 | 140 | 129 | -7.9 |
| EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL | 837 | 710 | 719 | 608 | 681 | 12.0 |
| BANK | 338 | 225 | 263 | 198 | 188 | -5.1 |
| POSTAL SERVICE | 244 | 232 | 196 | 185 | 221 | 19.5 |
| FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS | 38 | 26 | 26 | 20 | 37 | 85.0 |
| OTHER EMBEZZLEMENT OFFENSES | 217 | 227 | 234 | 205 | 235 | 14.6 |
| FRAUD, TOTAL | 10,032 | 9,921 | 9,818 | 10,804 | 10,680 | -1.1 |
| TAX | 564 | 644 | 588 | 570 | 622 | 9.1 |
| FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS | 1,250 | 1,016 | 994 | 779 | 748 | -4.0 |
| SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE | 173 | 142 | 97 | 112 | 91 | -18.8 |
| MAIL | 947 | 695 | 770 | 658 | 762 | 15.8 |
| WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION | 553 | 487 | 535 | 531 | 498 | -6.2 |

Table D-2. Defendants (September 30, 2008—Continued)

| Major Offense | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹ |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| FRAUD (CONTINUED) | | | | | | |
| BANKRUPTCY | 83 | 112 | 89 | 83 | 62 | -25.3 |
| SOCIAL SECURITY | 804 | 738 | 651 | 817 | 956 | 17.0 |
| FALSE PERSONATION | 30 | 49 | 45 | 57 | 47 | -17.5 |
| CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION | 243 | 307 | 193 | 191 | 226 | 18.3 |
| PASSPORT | 468 | 394 | 304 | 358 | 483 | 34.9 |
| IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION | 833 | 1,338 | 1,358 | 2,185 | 1,591 | -27.2 |
| FALSE CLAIMS AND SERVICES—GOVERNMENT | 242 | 259 | 440 | 294 | 252 | -14.3 |
| FALSE STATEMENTS | 1,037 | 960 | 786 | 747 | 899 | 20.3 |
| CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES | 1,278 | 1,168 | 1,262 | 1,349 | 1,175 | -12.9 |
| UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS DEVICES | 810 | 744 | 823 | 871 | 883 | 1.4 |
| COMPUTER | 94 | 115 | 125 | 108 | 115 | 6.5 |
| HEALTH CARE | 413 | 447 | 391 | 415 | 482 | 16.1 |
| ATTEMPT AND CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD | 48 | 188 | 235 | 540 | 716 | 32.6 |
| OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES | 162 | 118 | 132 | 139 | 72 | -48.2 |
| FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING | 1,373 | 1,394 | 1,468 | 1,284 | 1,080 | -15.9 |
| AUTO THEFT | 66 | 57 | 42 | 48 | 62 | 29.2 |
| OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES | 114 | 114 | 161 | 131 | 149 | 13.7 |
| DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL | 32,210 | 32,637 | 30,567 | 29,885 | 28,932 | -3.2 |
| MARIJUANA, TOTAL | 8,182 | 7,349 | 6,764 | 6,948 | 6,263 | -9.9 |
| SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE | 4,836 | 4,233 | 4,181 | 3,950 | 3,749 | -5.1 |
| IMPORT/EXPORT | 1,470 | 1,327 | 1,260 | 1,705 | 1,281 | -24.9 |
| MANUFACTURE | 243 | 227 | 188 | 355 | 409 | 15.2 |
| POSSESSION | 1,633 | 1,562 | 1,135 | 938 | 824 | -12.2 |
| ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL | 23,808 | 25,121 | 23,693 | 22,866 | 22,572 | -1.3 |
| SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE | 19,148 | 20,672 | 21,289 | 20,769 | 20,571 | -1.0 |
| IMPORT/EXPORT | 1,380 | 1,279 | 1,259 | 1,174 | 1,012 | -13.8 |
| MANUFACTURE | 1,212 | 1,040 | 630 | 465 | 609 | 31.0 |
| POSSESSION | 2,068 | 2,130 | 515 | 458 | 380 | -17.0 |
| OTHER DRUG OFFENSES | 220 | 167 | 110 | 71 | 97 | 36.6 |

Table D-2. Defendants (September 30, 2008—Continued)

| Major Offense | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | PercentChange 2008 Over 2007 ¹ |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES, TOTAL | 10,811 | 10,328 | 9,800 | 9,401 | 9,068 | -3.5 |
| FIREARMS, TOTAL | 10,538 | 10,083 | 9,510 | 9,161 | 8,868 | -3.2 |
| POSSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS | 6,126 | 5,973 | 5,606 | 5,390 | 5,274 | -2.2 |
| FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/DRUG-TRAFFICKING | | | | | | |
| CRIMES | 2,657 | 2,527 | 2,447 | 2,282 | 2,255 | -1.2 |
| OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES | 1,755 | 1,583 | 1,457 | 1,489 | 1,339 | -10.1 |
| EXPLOSIVES | 273 | 245 | 290 | 240 | 200 | -16.7 |
| SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL | 1,690 | 1,828 | 1,975 | 2,572 | 2,760 | 7.3 |
| SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS | 129 | 104 | 101 | 130 | 97 | -25.4 |
| SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS | 385 | 353 | 417 | 466 | 449 | -3.6 |
| SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL | 942 | 1,112 | 1,170 | 1,552 | 1,708 | 10.1 |
| TRANSPORTATION FOR ILLEGAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY | 225 | 256 | 278 | 270 | 228 | -15.6 |
| SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY | - | - | - | - | 269 | - |
| OTHER SEX OFFENSES | 9 | 3 | 9 | 154 | 9 | -94.2 |
| JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL | 1,317 | 1,229 | 1,144 | 1,028 | 1,174 | 14.2 |
| AIDING, ABETTING, ACCESSORY, ETC. | 282 | 307 | 253 | 201 | 247 | 22.9 |
| OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE | 307 | 336 | 332 | 283 | 286 | 1.1 |
| ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY | 280 | 257 | 254 | 235 | 318 | 35.3 |
| FAILURE TO APPEAR | 268 | 184 | 187 | 191 | 228 | 19.4 |
| PERJURY | 89 | 73 | 61 | 54 | 49 | -9.3 |
| CONTEMPT | 91 | 72 | 57 | 64 | 46 | -28.1 |
| IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL | 18,158 | 18,322 | 17,651 | 17,948 | 22,685 | 26.4 |
| ALIEN SMUGGLING | 3,504 | 3,773 | 3,831 | 3,752 | 3,789 | 1.0 |
| IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN | 2,670 | 2,067 | 1,184 | 1,257 | 2,023 | 60.9 |
| IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN | 11,247 | 11,653 | 11,837 | 12,340 | 15,672 | 27.0 |
| FRAUD AND MISUSE OF VISA/PERMIT | 551 | 782 | 743 | 562 | 1,133 | 101.6 |
| OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES | 186 | 47 | 56 | 37 | 68 | 83.8 |
| GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL | 3,015 | 2,800 | 2,585 | 2,373 | 2,512 | 5.9 |
| BRIBERY | 198 | 182 | 182 | 148 | 173 | 16.9 |
| MONEY LAUNDERING | 1,491 | 1,303 | 1,347 | 1,121 | 1,082 | -3.5 |
| RICO ² | 139 | 159 | 173 | 97 | 150 | 54.6 |
| RACKETEERING—GENERAL | 48 | 72 | 49 | 41 | 61 | 48.8 |
| EXTORTION AND THREATS | 204 | 222 | 150 | 176 | 155 | -11.9 |
| GAMBLING AND LOTTERY | 108 | 159 | 61 | 74 | 99 | 33.8 |
| FAILURE TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT | 96 | 92 | 80 | 75 | 91 | 21.3 |
| OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES | 731 | 611 | 543 | 641 | 701 | 9.4 |

Table D-2. Defendants (September 30, 2008—Continued)

| Major Offense | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹ |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL | 1,953 | 1,970 | 2,028 | 2,030 | 2,115 | 4.2 |
| CIVIL RIGHTS | 95 | 116 | 122 | 115 | 125 | 8.7 |
| COPYRIGHT | 11 | 24 | 97 | 40 | 81 | 102.5 |
| FOOD AND DRUG | 51 | 44 | 61 | 62 | 46 | -25.8 |
| HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, AND STORAGE | 27 | 37 | 30 | 37 | 41 | 10.8 |
| TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE, AND RADIOGRAPH | 37 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 8 | -46.7 |
| NATIONAL DEFENSE | 21 | 41 | 54 | 34 | 45 | 32.4 |
| ANTITRUST | 22 | 37 | 32 | 23 | 29 | 26.1 |
| LABOR | 70 | 78 | 91 | 78 | 79 | 1.3 |
| GAME AND CONSERVATION | 200 | 202 | 274 | 270 | 262 | -3.0 |
| NATIONAL PARKS | 127 | 110 | 112 | 153 | 120 | -21.6 |
| CUSTOMS | 105 | 79 | 60 | 101 | 108 | 6.9 |
| POSTAL SERVICE | 118 | 110 | 106 | 103 | 109 | 5.8 |
| REPORTING OF MONETARY TRANSACTIONS | 310 | 292 | 244 | 244 | 245 | 0.4 |
| MIGRATORY BIRD | 138 | 107 | 52 | 90 | 161 | 78.9 |
| MARITIME AND SHIPPING | 78 | 96 | 110 | 129 | 129 | 0.0 |
| AIRCRAFT REGULATIONS | 139 | 96 | 91 | 73 | 75 | 2.7 |
| OTHER REGULATORY OFFENSES | 404 | 482 | 472 | 463 | 452 | -2.4 |
| TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL | 4,595 | 4,142 | 3,627 | 4,429 | 3,996 | -9.8 |
| DRUNK DRIVING | 1,439 | 1,809 | 1,546 | 1,584 | 1,473 | -7.0 |
| OTHER TRAFFIC OFFENSES | 3,156 | 2,333 | 2,081 | 2,845 | 2,523 | -11.3 |

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.