

Table D-2.
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Commenced, by Major Offense (Excludes Transfers),
During the 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 1998 Through 2002

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 ¹
TOTAL	53,080	58,541	60,614	62,870	62,957	.1
PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY						
INDICTMENT	31,474	36,010	37,844	40,545	42,331	4.4
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	9,203	10,077	10,693	10,244	9,378	-8.5
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,553	7,799	7,594	8,388	7,919	-5.6
REMADED FROM APPELLATE COURT	103	115	96	78	82	5.1
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	15	23	35	39	25	-35.9
REOPENED/REINSTATED	42	122	77	60	45	-25.0
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	102	110	97	93	109	17.2
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	199	221	222	192	158	-17.7
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,826	1,774	1,234	1,007	1,002	-.5
RETRIAL ON MISTRAL	75	61	73	63	51	-19.0
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	116	97	108	84	74	-11.9
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,372	2,132	2,541	2,077	1,783	-14.2
GENERAL OFFENSES						
HOMICIDE TOTAL	371	396	370	355	326	-8.2
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	304	341	318	318	278	-12.6
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	17	16	10	10	11	10.0
MANSLAUGHTER	50	39	42	27	37	37.0
ROBBERY, TOTAL	1,487	1,387	1,236	1,332	1,308	-1.8
BANK	1,422	1,328	1,195	1,298	1,268	-2.3
POSTAL	26	32	26	21	22	4.8
OTHER	39	27	15	13	18	38.5
ASSAULT	582	590	617	629	596	-5.2
BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL	87	93	60	61	47	-23.0
BANK	2	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	23	19	13	15	11	-26.7
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	1	3	-	-	1	-
OTHER	61	71	47	46	35	-23.9

Table D-2. Cases (March 31, 2002—Continued)

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 ¹
LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL	3,439	3,546	3,508	3,357	3,214	-4.3
BANK	256	247	250	267	213	-20.2
POSTAL	393	411	471	437	467	6.9
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	165	188	167	169	171	1.2
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	1,850	1,936	1,882	1,844	1,848	.2
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	256	264	249	219	211	-3.7
OTHER	519	500	489	421	304	-27.8
EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL	1,295	1,381	1,270	1,092	1,031	-5.6
BANK	706	718	725	599	524	-12.5
POSTAL	275	311	266	211	246	16.6
OTHER	314	352	279	282	261	-7.4
FRAUD, TOTAL	8,010	8,252	7,510	7,677	7,439	-3.1
INCOME TAX	748	672	651	528	432	-18.2
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,201	1,292	1,257	1,249	1,094	-12.4
POSTAL	1,103	1,099	1,075	1,104	1,074	-2.7
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	2	3	3	5	6	-
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	37	69	67	99	84	-15.2
SOCIAL SECURITY	402	568	621	590	587	-.5
FALSE PERSONATION	35	29	30	37	45	21.6
NATIONALITY LAWS	203	333	274	437	284	-35.0
PASSPORT FRAUD	210	330	291	265	223	-15.8
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	1,964	1,817	1,341	1,284	1,453	13.2
OTHER	2,105	2,040	1,900	2,079	2,157	3.8
AUTO THEFT	174	181	219	179	161	-10.1
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL	1,275	1,323	1,272	1,148	1,235	7.6
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	1	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	249	172	138	115	103	-10.4
COUNTERFEITING	1,025	1,151	1,134	1,033	1,132	9.6
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	682	832	950	949	1,146	20.8
SEXUAL ABUSE	279	325	529	422	464	10.0
OTHER	403	507	421	527	682	29.4

Table D-2. Cases (March 31, 2002—Continued)

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 ¹
DRUGS	14,883	17,088	17,316	18,336	18,971	3.5
MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL	10,874	11,078	12,351	13,089	13,700	4.7
BRIBERY	186	147	171	128	128	-
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	5,156	4,946	5,050	4,838	5,046	4.3
ESCAPE ²	596	606	666	599	555	-7.3
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	608	567	565	492	515	4.7
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	23	18	20	10	6	-
KIDNAPPING	129	129	102	125	90	-28.0
PERJURY	89	123	84	136	118	-13.2
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	3,446	3,885	4,890	5,714	6,303	10.3
OTHER	641	657	803	1,047	939	-10.3
SPECIAL OFFENSES						
IMMIGRATION LAWS	7,697	10,028	11,615	11,798	11,247	-4.7
LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE	-	1	7	6	3	-
FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL	2,224	2,365	2,313	2,862	2,533	-11.5
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION ACTS	305	321	263	338	235	-30.5
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	27	26	43	43	17	-60.5
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	54	53	46	65	68	4.6
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	29	30	37	46	69	50.0
MOTOR CARRIER ACT	4	7	15	4	3	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	67	62	71	586	396	-32.4
CIVIL RIGHTS	61	71	82	82	70	-14.6
CONTEMPT	76	80	101	140	143	2.1
CUSTOMS LAWS	102	110	106	81	86	6.2
POSTAL LAWS	152	143	111	127	128	.8
OTHER	1,347	1,462	1,438	1,350	1,318	-2.4

NOTE: THIS TABLE INCLUDES ALL FELONY AND CLASS A MISDEMEANOR CASES, BUT INCLUDES ONLY THOSE PETTY OFFENSE CASES THAT HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT JUDGES.

¹ PERCENT CHANGE IS COMPUTED ON 10 OR MORE CASES.

² INCLUDES ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY, AIDING OR ABETTING AN ESCAPE, FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT, AND BAIL JUMPING.