

Table D-2. Defendants

**U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),
During the 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 2005 Through 2009**

Major Offense	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change 2009 Over 2008 ¹
TOTAL	92,104	90,607	86,933	89,697	95,272	6.2
VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL	3,241	3,095	2,794	2,995	2,927	-2.3
HOMICIDE	177	196	154	147	167	13.6
ROBBERY, TOTAL	1,280	1,250	1,110	1,164	1,086	-6.7
BANK	1,228	1,204	1,075	1,119	1,022	-8.7
OTHER ROBBERY OFFENSES	52	46	35	45	64	42.2
ASSAULT	1,067	948	867	887	859	-3.2
KIDNAPPING	181	108	151	120	164	36.7
RACKETEERING—VIOLENT	353	315	271	392	387	-1.3
CARJACKING	123	154	145	177	152	-14.1
TERRORISM	12	63	42	59	30	-49.2
OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES	48	61	54	49	82	67.3
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL	15,176	15,725	15,756	16,018	15,767	-1.6
BURGLARY	67	71	50	58	49	-15.5
LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL	3,069	3,086	3,201	3,377	2,696	-20.2
BANK	94	68	76	80	76	-5.0
POSTAL SERVICE	415	440	397	399	293	-26.6
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	53	39	50	34	28	-17.6
THEFT—U.S. PROPERTY	1,951	1,916	2,127	2,366	1,890	-20.1
THEFT—MARITIME JURISDICTION	220	222	213	156	126	-19.2
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., STOLEN PROPERTY	205	211	182	199	157	-21.1
OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES	131	190	156	143	126	-11.9
EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL	752	752	642	634	715	12.8
BANK	276	238	233	184	193	4.9
POSTAL SERVICE	252	222	182	197	262	33.0
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	22	31	22	27	36	33.3
OTHER EMBEZZLEMENT OFFENSES	202	261	205	226	224	-0.9
FRAUD, TOTAL	9,918	10,048	10,383	10,476	11,074	5.7
TAX	634	638	576	598	594	-0.7
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	1,083	1,077	928	741	699	-5.7
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	173	117	105	108	81	-25.0
MAIL	748	768	676	732	661	-9.7
WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION	492	546	567	468	499	6.6
BANKRUPTCY	107	84	112	54	59	9.3

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Major Offense	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change 2009 Over 2008 ¹
FRAUD (CONTINUED)						
SOCIAL SECURITY	837	628	768	785	873	11.2
FALSE PERSONATION	40	40	48	59	52	-11.9
CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION	293	242	202	188	294	56.4
PASSPORT	492	322	351	441	445	0.9
IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION	1,138	1,336	1,823	1,801	2,124	17.9
FALSE CLAIMS AND SERVICES—GOVERNMENT	259	355	358	277	243	-12.3
FALSE STATEMENTS	1,013	880	773	761	900	18.3
CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES	1,249	1,214	1,324	1,256	1,096	-12.7
UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS DEVICES	697	846	792	851	903	6.1
COMPUTER	104	115	119	127	110	-13.4
HEALTH CARE	364	504	389	422	439	4.0
ATTEMPT AND CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD	126	203	312	670	881	31.5
OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES	69	133	160	137	121	-11.7
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	1,198	1,570	1,303	1,263	1,018	-19.4
AUTO THEFT	59	54	45	61	60	-1.6
OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES	113	144	132	149	155	4.0
DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL	32,169	31,949	30,205	29,043	29,419	1.3
MARIJUANA, TOTAL	7,703	7,172	6,536	6,795	6,674	-1.8
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	4,390	4,598	3,792	3,999	3,826	-4.3
IMPORT/EXPORT	1,446	1,177	1,444	1,534	1,596	4.0
MANUFACTURE	219	206	250	421	366	-13.1
POSSESSION	1,648	1,191	1,050	841	886	5.4
ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL	24,264	24,655	23,580	22,146	22,674	2.4
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	19,707	21,998	21,179	20,223	20,539	1.6
IMPORT/EXPORT	1,253	1,289	1,337	1,058	1,116	5.5
MANUFACTURE	1,183	785	575	450	680	51.1
POSSESSION	2,121	583	489	415	339	-18.3
OTHER DRUG OFFENSES	202	122	89	102	71	-30.4
FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES, TOTAL	10,746	10,054	9,593	9,284	9,020	-2.8
FIREARMS, TOTAL	10,465	9,767	9,362	9,048	8,829	-2.4
POSSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS	6,102	5,819	5,497	5,347	5,285	-1.2
FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIMES	2,729	2,390	2,433	2,281	2,231	-2.2
OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES	1,634	1,558	1,432	1,420	1,313	-7.5
EXPLOSIVES	281	287	231	236	191	-19.1

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Major Offense	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change 2009 Over 2008 ¹
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,760	1,940	2,156	2,733	2,828	3.5
SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS	115	96	101	133	94	-29.3
SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS	377	382	419	470	422	-10.2
SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL	995	1,198	1,330	1,615	1,790	10.8
TRANSPORTATION FOR ILLEGAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY	-	255	263	266	229	-13.9
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY	-	-	-	-	286	-
OTHER SEX OFFENSES	273	9	43	249	7	-97.2
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,266	1,249	1,074	1,042	1,104	6.0
AIDING, ABETTING, ACCESSORY, ETC.	304	301	226	211	205	-2.8
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	318	345	314	253	310	22.5
ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY	253	278	236	260	287	10.4
FAILURE TO APPEAR	225	194	177	208	213	2.4
PERJURY	89	71	60	53	43	-18.9
CONTEMPT	77	60	61	57	46	-19.3
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL	18,542	18,130	16,982	19,749	25,581	29.5
ALIEN SMUGGLING	3,701	3,892	3,615	3,732	3,746	0.4
IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN	2,510	1,631	1,155	1,604	2,052	27.9
IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN	11,492	11,811	11,501	13,723	18,322	33.5
FRAUD AND MISUSE OF VISA/PERMIT	741	751	656	633	1,405	122.0
OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	98	45	55	57	56	-1.8
GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL	2,864	2,648	2,442	2,534	2,298	-9.3
BRIBERY	160	205	165	180	169	-6.1
MONEY LAUNDERING	1,425	1,336	1,187	1,132	965	-14.8
RICO ²	119	170	147	158	114	-27.8
RACKETEERING—GENERAL	54	62	52	57	46	-19.3
EXTORTION AND THREATS	186	201	156	154	165	7.1
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	149	104	53	122	41	-66.4
FAILURE TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT	106	81	79	82	94	14.6
OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES	665	489	603	649	704	8.5

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Major Offense	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change 2009 Over 2008 ¹
REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL	2,020	1,948	1,960	2,104	2,043	-2.9
CIVIL RIGHTS	118	122	114	118	123	4.2
COPYRIGHT	16	91	48	43	64	48.8
FOOD AND DRUG	57	53	56	65	40	-38.5
HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, AND STORAGE	45	30	24	41	32	-22.0
TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE, AND RADIOGRAPH	22	28	13	14	2	-85.7
NATIONAL DEFENSE	35	39	53	33	42	27.3
ANTITRUST	21	35	30	23	45	95.7
LABOR	84	88	77	81	82	1.2
GAME AND CONSERVATION	185	229	260	275	285	3.6
NATIONAL PARKS	120	95	145	145	125	-13.8
CUSTOMS	95	63	61	98	123	25.5
POSTAL SERVICE	105	115	99	95	112	17.9
REPORTING OF MONETARY TRANSACTIONS	328	264	240	267	209	-21.7
MIGRATORY BIRD	133	82	56	148	103	-30.4
MARITIME AND SHIPPING	84	96	120	145	122	-15.9
AIRCRAFT REGULATIONS	111	99	81	75	75	0.0
OTHER REGULATORY OFFENSES	461	419	483	438	459	4.8
TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL	4,320	3,869	3,971	4,195	4,285	2.1
DRUNK DRIVING	1,584	1,751	1,574	1,500	1,511	0.7
OTHER TRAFFIC OFFENSES	2,736	2,118	2,397	2,695	2,774	2.9

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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.