

**Table D-2. Cases  
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),  
During the 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 1999 Through 2003**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>58,541</b>	<b>60,614</b>	<b>62,870</b>	<b>62,957</b>	<b>69,806</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY</b>						
INDICTMENT	36,010	37,844	40,545	42,331	47,349	11.9
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	10,077	10,693	10,244	9,378	10,740	14.5
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,799	7,594	8,388	7,919	7,975	.7
REMAINED FROM APPELLATE COURT	115	96	78	82	116	41.5
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	23	35	39	25	33	32.0
REOPENED/REINSTATED	122	77	60	45	67	48.9
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	110	97	93	109	87	-20.2
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	221	222	192	158	192	21.5
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,774	1,234	1,007	1,002	1,366	36.3
RETRIAL ON MISTRIAL	61	73	63	51	76	49.0
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	97	108	84	74	86	16.2
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,132	2,541	2,077	1,783	1,719	-3.6
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>HOMICIDE, TOTAL <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>396</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>-18.7</b>
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	341	318	318	278	218	-21.6
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	16	10	10	11	12	9.1
MANSLAUGHTER	39	42	27	37	35	-5.4
<b>ROBBERY, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,332</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>-8.9</b>
BANK	1,328	1,195	1,298	1,268	1,151	-9.2
POSTAL	32	26	21	22	18	-18.2
OTHER	27	15	13	18	22	22.2
<b>ASSAULT <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>590</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>34.4</b>
<b>BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>8.5</b>
BANK	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	19	13	15	11	13	18.2
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	3	-	-	1	1	-
OTHER	71	47	46	35	37	5.7

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Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL</b>	<b>3,546</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>3,357</b>	<b>3,214</b>	<b>3,149</b>	<b>-2.0</b>
BANK	247	250	267	213	166	-22.1
POSTAL	411	471	437	467	469	.4
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	188	167	169	171	167	-2.3
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	1,936	1,882	1,844	1,848	1,746	-5.5
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	264	249	219	211	201	-4.7
OTHER	500	489	421	304	400	31.6
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>1,031</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>6.5</b>
BANK	718	725	599	524	502	-4.2
POSTAL	311	266	211	246	307	24.8
OTHER	352	279	282	261	289	10.7
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>8,252</b>	<b>7,510</b>	<b>7,677</b>	<b>7,439</b>	<b>8,761</b>	<b>17.8</b>
INCOME TAX	672	651	528	432	466	7.9
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,292	1,257	1,249	1,094	1,109	1.4
POSTAL	1,099	1,075	1,104	1,074	1,101	2.5
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	3	3	5	6	10	66.7
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	69	67	99	84	127	51.2
SOCIAL SECURITY	568	621	590	587	1,254	113.6
FALSE PERSONATION	29	30	37	45	24	-46.7
NATIONALITY LAWS	333	274	437	284	277	-2.5
PASSPORT FRAUD	330	291	265	223	335	50.2
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	1,817	1,341	1,284	1,453	1,840	26.6
OTHER	2,040	1,900	2,079	2,157	2,218	2.8
<b>AUTO THEFT</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>-2.5</b>
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,323</b>	<b>1,272</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>1,179</b>	<b>-4.5</b>
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	172	138	115	103	107	3.9
COUNTERFEITING	1,151	1,134	1,033	1,132	1,072	-5.3
<b>SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>7.9</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	325	529	422	464	547	17.9
OTHER	507	421	527	682	689	1.0

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Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>DRUGS</b>	<b>17,088</b>	<b>17,316</b>	<b>18,336</b>	<b>18,971</b>	<b>18,931</b>	<b>-.2</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>11,078</b>	<b>12,351</b>	<b>13,089</b>	<b>13,700</b>	<b>15,884</b>	<b>15.9</b>
BRIBERY	147	171	128	128	112	-12.5
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	4,946	5,050	4,838	5,046	5,198	3.0
ESCAPE <sup>3</sup>	606	666	599	555	544	-2.0
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	567	565	492	515	541	5.0
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	18	20	10	6	11	83.3
KIDNAPPING	129	102	125	90	104	15.6
PERJURY	123	84	136	118	111	-5.9
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	3,885	4,890	5,714	6,303	8,325	32.1
OTHER	657	803	1,047	939	938	-1
<b>SPECIAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>IMMIGRATION LAWS</b>	<b>10,028</b>	<b>11,615</b>	<b>11,798</b>	<b>11,247</b>	<b>14,600</b>	<b>29.8</b>
<b>LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL</b>	<b>2,365</b>	<b>2,313</b>	<b>2,862</b>	<b>2,533</b>	<b>2,501</b>	<b>-1.3</b>
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION LAWS	321	263	338	235	270	14.9
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	26	43	43	17	23	35.3
FOOD AND DRUG LAW	53	46	65	68	55	-19.1
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	30	37	46	69	75	8.7
MOTOR CARRIER LAW	7	15	4	3	1	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	62	71	586	396	248	-37.4
CIVIL RIGHTS	71	82	82	70	63	-10.0
CONTEMPT	80	101	140	143	66	-53.8
CUSTOMS LAWS	110	106	81	86	77	-10.5
POSTAL LAWS <sup>4</sup>	143	111	127	128	116	-9.4
OTHER	1,462	1,438	1,350	1,318	1,507	14.3

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.

<sup>1</sup> PERCENT CHANGE IS COMPUTED ON 10 OR MORE CASES.

<sup>2</sup> IN 2003, A CHANGE IN CODING CAUSED SOME CASES THAT PREVIOUSLY WOULD HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS HOMICIDE CASES TO BE REPORTED AS AGGRAVATED ASSAULT CASES. THEREFORE, TOTALS FOR 2003 AND THEREAFTER ARE NOT COMPARABLE TO TOTALS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS.

<sup>3</sup> INCLUDES ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY, AIDING OR ABETTING AN ESCAPE, FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT, AND BAIL JUMPING.

<sup>4</sup> OBSTRUCTING MAIL, MAILING NONMAILABLE MATERIAL, AND OTHER POSTAL REGULATIONS.