

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

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>58,140</b>	<b>59,325</b>	<b>63,020</b>	<b>62,691</b>	<b>68,096</b>	<b>8.6</b>
<b>PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY</b>						
INDICTMENT	35,426	36,821	40,220	42,132	46,036	9.3
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	10,032	10,467	10,530	9,230	10,492	13.7
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,949	7,411	8,523	7,972	8,018	.6
REMANDED FROM APPELLATE COURT	91	113	79	74	117	58.1
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	15	42	32	34	26	-23.5
REOPENED/REINSTATED	109	87	69	32	63	96.9
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	93	108	79	108	94	-13.0
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	216	220	205	163	167	2.5
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,913	1,442	1,036	989	1,207	22.0
RETRIAL ON MISTRIAL	67	65	64	58	74	27.6
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	97	105	82	81	77	-4.9
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,132	2,444	2,101	1,818	1,725	-5.1
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>HOMICIDE, TOTAL</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>7.3</b>
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	337	314	324	296	318	7.4
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	12	13	8	11	13	18.2
MANSLAUGHTER	44	42	26	36	37	2.8
<b>ROBBERY, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,440</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>1,315</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>-5.5</b>
BANK	1,380	1,195	1,279	1,284	1,206	-6.1
POSTAL	34	30	24	18	21	16.7
OTHER	26	16	12	18	21	16.7
<b>ASSAULT</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>14.1</b>
<b>BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>23.9</b>
BANK	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	24	13	12	9	18	100.0
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	1	2	-	1	1	-
OTHER	75	48	41	36	38	5.6

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

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL</b>	<b>3,651</b>	<b>3,459</b>	<b>3,486</b>	<b>3,176</b>	<b>3,157</b>	<b>-.6</b>
BANK	243	251	268	233	162	-30.5
POSTAL	429	440	452	465	477	2.6
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	172	177	164	169	166	-1.8
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	2,019	1,876	1,878	1,800	1,787	-.7
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	249	261	236	206	210	1.9
OTHER	539	454	488	303	355	17.2
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,445</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>-.6</b>
BANK	767	699	623	581	510	-12.2
POSTAL	327	246	231	235	294	25.1
OTHER	351	283	292	269	275	2.2
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>8,457</b>	<b>7,457</b>	<b>7,719</b>	<b>7,698</b>	<b>8,414</b>	<b>9.3</b>
INCOME TAX	674	658	542	462	452	-2.2
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,307	1,226	1,254	1,176	1,093	-7.1
POSTAL	1,150	1,031	1,079	1,135	1,118	-1.5
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	2	3	6	4	6	-
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	64	57	98	85	124	45.9
SOCIAL SECURITY	588	536	658	582	1,159	99.1
FALSE PERSONATION	34	24	39	38	32	-15.8
NATIONALITY LAWS	324	256	405	345	261	-24.3
PASSPORT FRAUD	296	295	278	254	268	5.5
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	1,954	1,499	1,269	1,443	1,750	21.3
OTHER	2,064	1,872	2,091	2,174	2,151	-1.1
<b>AUTO THEFT</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>-17.8</b>
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>1,318</b>	<b>1,109</b>	<b>-15.9</b>
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	1	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	185	137	126	106	111	4.7
COUNTERFEITING	1,149	1,118	1,021	1,212	998	-17.7
<b>SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>1,259</b>	<b>17.9</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	304	487	414	437	562	28.6
OTHER	476	457	504	631	697	10.5

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Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>DRUGS</b>	<b>16,773</b>	<b>17,392</b>	<b>18,008</b>	<b>18,673</b>	<b>19,159</b>	<b>2.6</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>10,780</b>	<b>11,992</b>	<b>12,843</b>	<b>13,666</b>	<b>15,381</b>	<b>12.5</b>
BRIBERY	159	185	122	129	126	-2.3
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	4,877	4,984	4,766	5,186	5,153	-.6
ESCAPE <sup>2</sup>	578	656	629	572	527	-7.9
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	582	551	534	481	571	18.7
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	19	18	11	9	11	22.2
KIDNAPPING	145	102	124	87	104	19.5
PERJURY	125	81	131	123	119	-3.3
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	3,686	4,581	5,562	6,106	7,834	28.3
OTHER	609	834	964	973	936	-3.8
<b>SPECIAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>IMMIGRATION LAWS</b>	<b>9,826</b>	<b>10,911</b>	<b>12,229</b>	<b>11,045</b>	<b>13,536</b>	<b>22.6</b>
<b>LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL</b>	<b>2,365</b>	<b>2,229</b>	<b>2,930</b>	<b>2,488</b>	<b>2,517</b>	<b>1.2</b>
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION LAWS	325	290	323	259	248	-4.2
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	20	46	35	26	25	-3.8
FOOD AND DRUG LAW	61	45	64	60	63	5.0
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	29	20	54	63	83	31.7
MOTOR CARRIER LAW	7	15	4	2	2	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	60	58	601	394	230	-41.6
CIVIL RIGHTS	78	85	80	72	59	-18.1
CONTEMPT	78	97	120	135	104	-23.0
CUSTOMS LAWS	119	99	88	80	77	-3.7
POSTAL LAWS <sup>3</sup>	143	122	105	146	118	-19.2
OTHER	1,445	1,352	1,456	1,251	1,508	20.5

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

<sup>3</sup>OBSTRUCTING MAIL, MAILING NONMAILABLE MATERIAL, AND OTHER POSTAL REGULATIONS.