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This Addendum to the BJS report, *Federal Criminal Processing, 1980-87*, updates tables presented in the original report to include final data for 1988 and preliminary data for 1989. Readers interested in tracing trends over each of the years 1980 through 1989 should use the original report in conjunction with this document. Readers should also refer to the original report for the glossary, discussion of methodology, and table notes.

The data shown for 1989 are preliminary since they reflect only those transactions recorded prior to June 30, 1990. It is estimated that the final figures, reflecting all 1989 transactions recorded prior to December 31, 1990, will include approximately 400 to 500 additional transactions.

The tables in this report are based on data contained in the BJS Federal Justice Statistics database. Source records for the database were provided by the Executive Office for the United States Attorneys, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Bureau of Prisons, and the United States Parole Commission.

Tables 1-7, 13, and 14, which describe the number and rate of prosecutions and the results of magistrate proceedings, include only those matters handled by U.S. attorneys. All other tables, which describe the number and rate of convictions, sentencing patterns, incarceration rates, and length of sentence imposed, include all cases regardless of the prosecuting agency.

Years identified in each table refer to the calendar year indicated.

Table 1. Number of suspects in criminal matters concluded, 1980, 1985-88

Most serious offense investigated	Number of suspects in criminal matters concluded				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	69,344	78,407	86,995	91,310	94,548
Violent offenses	3,861	3,828	4,040	4,460	4,480
Murder	180	187	211	258	336
Assault	864	781	982	1,071	1,008
Robbery	2,426	2,150	2,120	2,257	2,257
Rape	30	75	83	161	247
Other sex offenses	63	246	338	456	355
Kidnaping	183	234	185	137	169
Threats against the President	115	155	121	120	108
Property offenses	21,429	23,508	26,081	28,900	27,468
Fraudulent offenses	16,594	19,554	22,076	24,765	23,675
Embezzlement	3,976	4,517	5,020	5,472	5,339
Fraud ^b	9,796	11,723	13,643	15,859	15,633
Forgery	2,797	3,257	3,372	3,392	2,631
Counterfeiting	25	57	41	42	72
Other offenses	4,835	3,954	4,005	4,135	3,793
Burglary	93	89	98	115	99
Larceny	2,680	2,187	2,349	2,575	2,442
Motor vehicle theft	817	714	783	938	810
Arson	19	23	14	25	16
Transportation of stolen property	114	188	98	118	71
Other	1,112	753	663	364	355
Drug offenses	9,546	15,669	18,633	22,729	25,801
Public-order offenses	32,622	33,845	36,099	33,606	35,783
Regulatory offenses	6,218	6,505	7,039	7,488	7,824
Agriculture	302	418	411	497	615
Antitrust	182	71	73	144	122
Fair labor standards	41	57	41	41	40
Food and drug	472	372	554	630	624
Motor carrier	114	142	133	144	190
Other regulatory offenses	5,107	5,445	5,827	6,032	6,233
Other offenses	26,404	27,340	29,060	26,118	27,959
Weapons offenses	1,796	2,702	3,086	3,190	3,627
Immigration offenses	8,186	6,933	8,416	6,888	7,058
Tax law violations ^c	1,312	1,858	2,052	2,256	2,098
Bribery	433	431	508	543	567
Perjury	219	283	295	266	255
National defense	465	746	640	576	620
Escape	3,156	2,693	2,814	2,873	3,466
Racketeering and extortion	1,705	1,805	1,745	1,971	1,896
Gambling offenses	254	108	338	299	330
Liquor offenses	68	24	13	5	34
Mail or transport of obscene materials	113	86	69	83	134
Migratory birds	1,134	1,083	670	775	950
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	7,435	8,293	7,971	5,875	6,108
Other	128	295	443	518	816

^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 2. Suspects in criminal matters concluded:
Number prosecuted in U.S. district court, 1980, 1985-88**

Most serious offense investigated	Number of suspects who were prosecuted in U.S. district court				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	31,218	45,957	49,921	54,392	54,764
Violent offenses	2,382	2,612	2,821	3,107	3,064
Murder	140	139	138	196	213
Assault	432	437	581	634	600
Robbery	1,652	1,675	1,661	1,732	1,765
Rape	16	45	54	118	152
Other sex offenses	24	123	207	308	197
Kidnaping	84	126	120	67	91
Threats against the President	34	67	60	52	46
Property offenses	8,321	12,955	14,135	15,989	14,612
Fraudulent offenses	6,250	10,749	11,799	13,415	12,273
Embezzlement	1,712	2,693	2,919	3,357	3,191
Fraud ^b	3,206	5,960	6,758	7,976	7,481
Forgery	1,324	2,064	2,105	2,057	1,548
Counterfeiting	8	32	17	25	53
Other offenses	2,071	2,206	2,336	2,574	2,339
Burglary	74	79	71	90	71
Larceny	1,332	1,420	1,525	1,703	1,545
Motor vehicle theft	404	414	510	551	493
Arson	9	12	5	11	8
Transportation of stolen property	72	96	53	63	25
Other	180	185	172	156	197
Drug offenses	7,003	12,576	14,952	17,729	19,725
Public-order offenses	12,696	16,837	16,764	16,673	16,921
Regulatory offenses	1,936	2,548	2,520	2,867	3,064
Agriculture	75	241	183	340	418
Antitrust	154	55	65	114	100
Fair labor standards	16	27	26	19	19
Food and drug	233	237	402	475	494
Motor carrier	61	85	76	75	86
Other regulatory offenses	1,397	1,903	1,768	1,844	1,947
Other offenses	10,760	14,289	14,244	13,806	13,857
Weapons offenses	1,078	2,016	2,218	2,211	2,479
Immigration offenses	2,850	2,355	2,179	2,304	2,289
Tax law violations ^c	738	1,521	1,565	1,648	1,436
Bribery	162	166	185	265	209
Perjury	114	191	174	170	144
National defense	187	257	208	281	198
Escape	756	785	898	929	1,002
Racketeering and extortion	536	933	969	1,129	926
Gambling offenses	101	56	262	205	246
Liquor offenses	42	18	12	2	21
Mail or transport of obscene materials	71	54	35	53	78
Migratory birds	381	230	200	563	667
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	3,736	5,613	5,148	3,797	3,746
Other	8	94	191	249	416

^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

Table 3. Suspects in criminal matters concluded: Percent who were prosecuted, 1980, 1985-88

Most serious offense investigated	Percent of suspects who were prosecuted				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	45.0%	58.6%	57.4%	59.6%	57.9%
Violent offenses	61.7%	68.2%	69.8%	69.7%	68.4%
Murder	77.8	74.3	65.4	76.0	63.4
Assault	50.0	56.0	59.2	59.2	59.5
Robbery	68.1	77.9	78.3	76.7	78.2
Rape	53.3	60.0	65.1	73.3	61.5
Other sex offenses	38.1	50.0	61.2	67.5	55.5
Kidnaping	45.9	53.8	64.9	48.9	53.8
Threats against the President	29.6	43.2	49.6	43.3	42.6
Property offenses	38.8%	55.1%	54.2%	55.3%	53.2%
Fraudulent offenses	37.7%	55.0%	53.4%	54.2%	51.8%
Embezzlement	43.1	59.6	58.1	61.3	59.8
Fraud ^b	32.7	50.8	49.5	50.3	47.9
Forgery	47.3	63.4	62.4	60.6	58.8
Counterfeiting	32.0	56.1	41.5	59.5	73.6
Other offenses	42.8%	55.8%	58.3%	62.2%	61.7%
Burglary	79.6	88.8	72.4	78.3	71.7
Larceny	49.7	64.9	64.9	66.1	63.3
Motor vehicle theft	49.4	58.0	65.1	58.7	60.9
Arson	-	52.2	-	44.0	-
Transportation of stolen property	63.2	51.1	54.1	53.4	35.2
Other	16.2	24.6	25.9	42.9	55.5
Drug offenses	73.4%	80.3%	80.2%	78.0%	76.5%
Public-order offenses	38.9%	49.7%	46.4%	49.6%	47.3%
Regulatory offenses	31.1%	39.2%	35.8%	38.3%	39.2%
Agriculture	24.8	57.7	44.5	68.4	68.0
Antitrust	84.6	77.5	89.0	79.2	82.0
Fair labor standards	39.0	47.4	63.4	46.3	47.5
Food and drug	49.4	63.7	72.6	75.4	79.2
Motor carrier	53.5	59.9	57.1	52.1	45.3
Other regulatory offenses	27.4	34.9	30.3	30.6	31.2
Other offenses	40.8%	52.3%	49.0%	52.9%	49.6%
Weapons offenses	60.0	74.6	71.9	69.3	68.3
Immigration offenses	34.8	34.0	25.9	33.4	32.4
Tax law violations ^c	56.3	81.9	76.3	73.0	68.4
Bribery	37.4	38.5	36.4	48.8	36.9
Perjury	52.1	67.5	59.0	63.9	56.5
National defense	40.2	34.5	32.5	48.8	31.9
Escape	24.0	29.1	31.9	32.3	28.9
Racketeering and extortion	31.4	51.7	55.5	57.3	48.8
Gambling offenses	39.8	51.9	77.5	68.6	74.5
Liquor offenses	61.8	75.0	-	-	61.8
Mail or transport of obscene materials	62.8	62.8	50.7	63.9	58.2
Migratory birds	33.6	21.2	29.9	72.6	70.2
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	50.2	67.7	64.6	64.6	61.3
Other	6.3	31.9	43.1	48.1	51.0

-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.
^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 4. Suspects in criminal matters concluded:
Number whom U.S. attorneys declined to prosecute, 1980, 1985-88**

Most serious offense investigated	Number of suspects whom U.S. attorneys declined to prosecute				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	22,525	21,356	24,422	26,171	28,825
Violent offenses	1,126	1,036	1,018	1,088	1,206
Murder	37	43	65	51	118
Assault	254	251	313	290	291
Robbery	636	437	391	455	433
Rape	14	30	26	38	94
Other sex offenses	36	123	127	142	151
Kidnaping	86	87	52	58	72
Threats against the President	63	65	44	54	47
Property offenses	10,428	9,007	10,333	10,963	11,277
Fraudulent offenses	8,855	7,880	9,194	9,760	10,090
Embezzlement	1,817	1,557	1,831	1,842	1,805
Fraud ^b	5,937	5,338	6,290	6,784	7,379
Forgery	1,091	964	1,054	1,117	896
Counterfeiting	10	21	19	17	10
Other offenses	1,573	1,127	1,139	1,203	1,187
Burglary	15	10	24	25	25
Larceny	1,007	632	684	685	724
Motor vehicle theft	378	289	256	360	309
Arson	7	10	9	13	8
Transportation of stolen property	31	83	38	50	45
Other	135	103	128	70	76
Drug offenses	1,827	2,557	3,050	3,752	4,705
Public-order offenses	8,539	8,304	9,351	9,768	11,146
Regulatory offenses	2,879	3,391	3,935	4,207	4,301
Agriculture	101	70	92	144	167
Antitrust	28	14	8	29	22
Fair labor standards	20	28	14	22	21
Food and drug	181	88	103	115	59
Motor carrier	43	55	57	67	102
Other regulatory offenses	2,506	3,136	3,661	3,830	3,930
Other offenses	5,660	4,913	5,416	5,561	6,845
Weapons offenses	601	612	805	894	1,069
Immigration offenses	202	189	179	211	240
Tax law violations ^c	484	312	447	581	649
Bribery	257	253	312	269	325
Perjury	100	92	116	90	110
National defense	122	371	332	198	307
Escape	1,039	852	796	898	1,160
Racketeering and extortion	1,117	818	742	817	941
Gambling offenses	153	51	75	92	82
Liquor offenses	22	4	0	1	13
Mail or transport of obscene materials	41	30	33	29	54
Migratory birds	68	69	49	60	67
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	1,380	1,123	1,349	1,225	1,587
Other	74	137	181	196	241

^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 5. Suspects in criminal matters concluded:
Percent whom U.S. attorneys declined to prosecute, 1980, 1985-88**

Most serious offense investigated	Percent of suspects whom U.S. attorneys declined to prosecute				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	32.5%	27.2%	28.1%	28.7%	30.5%
Violent offenses	29.2%	27.1%	25.2%	24.4%	26.9%
Murder	20.6	23.0	30.8	19.8	35.1
Assault	29.4	32.1	31.9	27.1	28.9
Robbery	26.2	20.3	18.4	20.2	19.2
Rape	46.7	40.0	31.3	23.6	38.1
Other sex offenses	57.1	50.0	37.6	31.1	42.5
Kidnaping	47.0	37.2	28.1	42.3	42.6
Threats against the President	54.8	41.9	36.4	45.0	43.5
Property offenses	48.7%	38.3%	39.6%	37.9%	41.1%
Fraudulent offenses	53.4%	40.3%	41.6%	39.4%	42.6%
Embezzlement	45.7	34.5	36.5	33.7	33.8
Fraud ^b	60.6	45.5	46.1	42.8	47.2
Forgery	39.0	29.6	31.3	32.9	34.1
Counterfeiting	40.0	36.8	46.3	40.5	13.9
Other offenses	32.5%	28.5%	28.4%	29.1%	31.3%
Burglary	16.1	11.2	24.5	21.7	25.3
Larceny	37.6	28.9	29.1	26.6	29.6
Motor vehicle theft	46.3	40.5	32.7	38.4	38.1
Arson	-	43.5	-	52.0	-
Transportation of stolen property	27.2	44.1	38.8	42.4	63.4
Other	12.1	13.7	19.3	19.2	21.4
Drug offenses	19.1%	16.3%	16.4%	16.5%	18.2%
Public-order offenses	26.2%	24.5%	25.9%	29.1%	31.1%
Regulatory offenses	46.3%	52.1%	55.9%	56.2%	55.0%
Agriculture	33.4	16.7	22.4	29.0	27.2
Antitrust	15.4	19.7	11.0	20.1	18.0
Fair labor standards	48.8	49.1	34.1	53.7	52.5
Food and drug	38.3	23.7	18.6	18.3	9.5
Motor carrier	37.7	38.7	42.9	46.5	53.7
Other regulatory offenses	49.1	57.6	62.8	63.5	63.1
Other offenses	21.4%	18.0%	18.6%	21.3%	24.5%
Weapons offenses	33.5	22.6	26.1	28.0	29.5
Immigration offenses	2.5	2.7	2.1	3.1	3.4
Tax law violations ^c	36.9	16.8	21.8	25.8	30.9
Bribery	59.4	58.7	61.4	49.5	57.3
Perjury	45.7	32.5	39.3	33.8	43.1
National defense	26.2	49.7	51.9	34.4	49.5
Escape	32.9	31.6	28.3	31.3	33.5
Racketeering and extortion	65.5	45.3	42.5	41.5	49.6
Gambling offenses	60.2	47.2	22.2	30.8	24.8
Liquor offenses	32.4	16.7	-	-	38.2
Mail or transport of obscene materials	36.3	34.9	47.8	34.9	40.3
Migratory birds	6.0	6.4	7.3	7.7	7.1
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	18.6	13.5	16.9	20.9	26.0
Other	57.8	46.4	40.9	37.8	29.5

-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.
^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 6. Suspects in criminal matters concluded:
Number who were referred to U.S. magistrates, 1980, 1985-88**

Most serious offense investigated	Number of suspects who were referred to U.S. magistrates				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	15,601	11,094	12,652	10,747	10,959
Violent offenses	353	180	201	265	210
Murder	3	5	8	11	5
Assault	178	93	88	147	117
Robbery	138	38	68	70	59
Rape	0	0	3	5	1
Other sex offenses	3	0	4	6	7
Kidnaping	13	21	13	12	6
Threats against the President	18	23	17	14	15
Property offenses	2,680	1,546	1,613	1,948	1,579
Fraudulent offenses	1,489	925	1,083	1,590	1,312
Embezzlement	447	267	270	273	343
Fraud ^b	653	425	595	1,099	773
Forgery	382	229	213	218	187
Counterfeiting	7	4	5	0	9
Other offenses	1,191	621	530	358	267
Burglary	4	0	3	0	3
Larceny	341	135	140	187	173
Motor vehicle theft	35	11	17	27	8
Arson	3	1	0	1	0
Transportation of stolen property	11	9	7	5	1
Other	797	465	363	138	82
Drug offenses	716	536	631	1,248	1,371
Public-order offenses	11,387	8,704	9,984	7,165	7,716
Regulatory offenses	1,403	566	584	414	459
Agriculture	126	107	136	13	30
Antitrust	0	2	0	1	0
Fair labor standards	5	2	1	0	0
Food and drug	58	47	49	40	71
Motor carrier	10	2	0	2	2
Other regulatory offenses	1,204	406	398	358	356
Other offenses	11,387	8,704	9,984	7,165	7,257
Weapons offenses	117	74	63	85	79
Immigration offenses	5,134	4,389	6,058	4,373	4,529
Tax law violations ^c	90	25	40	27	13
Bribery	14	12	11	9	33
Perjury	5	0	5	6	1
National defense	156	118	100	97	115
Escape	1,361	1,056	1,120	1,046	1,304
Racketeering and extortion	52	54	34	25	29
Gambling offenses	0	1	1	2	2
Liquor offenses	4	2	1	2	0
Mail or transport of obscene materials	1	2	1	1	2
Migratory birds	685	784	421	152	216
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	2,319	1,557	1,474	853	775
Other	46	64	71	73	159

^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

Table 7. Suspects in criminal matters concluded: Percent referred to U.S. magistrates, 1980, 1985-88

Most serious offense investigated	Percent of suspects referred to U. S. magistrates				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	22.5%	14.1%	14.5%	11.8%	11.6%
Violent offenses	9.1%	4.7%	5.0%	5.9%	4.7%
Murder	1.7	2.7	3.8	4.3	1.5
Assault	20.6	11.9	9.0	13.7	11.6
Robbery	5.7	1.8	3.2	3.1	2.6
Rape	0	0	3.6	3.1	.4
Other sex offenses	4.8	0	1.2	1.3	2.0
Kidnaping	7.1	9.0	7.0	8.8	3.6
Threats against the President	15.7	14.8	14.0	11.7	13.9
Property offenses	12.5%	6.6%	6.2%	6.7%	5.7%
Fraudulent offenses	9.0%	4.7%	4.9%	6.4%	5.5%
Embezzlement	11.2	5.9	5.4	5.0	6.4
Fraud ^b	6.7	3.6	4.4	6.9	4.9
Forgery	13.7	7.0	6.3	6.4	7.1
Counterfeiting	28.0	7.0	12.2	0	12.5
Other offenses	24.6%	15.7%	13.2%	8.7%	7.0%
Burglary	4.3	0	3.1	0	3.0
Larceny	12.7	6.2	6.0	7.3	7.1
Motor vehicle theft	4.3	1.5	2.2	2.9	1.0
Arson	-	4.3	-	4.0	-
Transportation of stolen property	9.6	4.8	7.1	4.2	1.4
Other	71.7	61.8	54.8	37.9	23.1
Drug offenses	7.5%	3.4%	3.4%	5.5%	5.3%
Public-order offenses	34.9%	25.7%	27.7%	21.3%	21.6%
Regulatory offenses	22.6%	8.7%	8.3%	5.5%	5.9%
Agriculture	41.7	25.6	33.1	2.6	4.9
Antitrust	0	2.8	0	.7	0
Fair labor standards	12.2	3.5	2.4	0	0
Food and drug	12.3	12.6	8.8	6.3	11.4
Motor carrier	8.8	1.4	0	1.4	1.1
Other regulatory offenses	23.6	7.5	6.8	5.9	5.7
Other offenses	37.8%	29.8%	32.3%	25.8%	26.0%
Weapons offenses	6.5	2.7	2.0	2.7	2.2
Immigration offenses	62.7	63.3	72.0	63.5	64.2
Tax law violations ^c	6.9	1.3	1.9	1.2	.6
Bribery	3.2	2.8	2.2	1.7	5.8
Perjury	2.3	0	1.7	2.3	.4
National defense	33.5	15.8	15.6	16.8	18.5
Escape	43.1	39.2	39.8	36.4	37.6
Racketeering and extortion	3.0	3.0	1.9	1.3	1.5
Gambling offenses	0	.9	.3	.7	.6
Liquor offenses	5.9	8.3	-	-	0
Mail or transport of obscene materials	.9	2.3	1.4	1.2	1.5
Migratory birds	60.4	72.4	62.8	19.6	22.7
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	31.2	18.8	18.5	14.5	12.7
Other	35.9	21.7	16.0	14.1	19.5

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^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

Table 8. Number of defendants in cases terminated in U.S. district court, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989

Most serious offense charged	Number of defendants in U.S. district court cases terminated					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^a	39,172	51,243	54,152	54,625	54,198	56,959
Violent offenses	2,871	2,871	2,818	2,850	2,697	2,771
Murder	186	157	147	156	135	171
Negligent manslaughter	8	27	30	18	32	40
Assault	651	653	679	706	631	564
Robbery	1,701	1,561	1,505	1,450	1,326	1,480
Rape	118	119	108	143	163	177
Other sex offenses	47	165	205	252	299	192
Kidnaping	109	113	89	79	70	99
Threats against the President	51	76	55	46	41	48
Property offenses	13,544	16,250	17,286	17,175	16,261	15,985
Fraudulent offenses	8,684	10,765	12,322	12,379	11,553	11,351
Embezzlement	1,871	1,989	2,262	2,216	2,137	2,020
Fraud ^b	4,178	5,842	6,980	7,646	7,297	7,342
Forgery	1,851	2,356	2,486	1,789	1,316	1,288
Counterfeiting	784	578	594	728	803	701
Other offenses	4,860	5,485	4,964	4,796	4,708	4,634
Burglary	183	191	122	138	118	123
Larceny	3,408	4,012	3,621	3,645	3,488	3,533
Motor vehicle theft	632	445	476	378	521	403
Arson	19	16	13	34	9	15
Transportation of stolen property	423	495	488	366	347	336
Other	195	326	244	235	225	224
Drug offenses	7,119	12,984	14,746	16,443	16,710	19,461
Possession	475	1,854	1,743	2,156	1,930	1,950
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	6,640	11,126	12,994	14,282	14,775	17,499
Other drug	4	4	9	5	5	12
Public-order offenses	15,638	19,009	19,202	18,153	18,524	18,729
Regulatory offenses	2,082	2,392	2,188	2,062	2,254	2,267
Agriculture	326	425	218	220	332	336
Antitrust	161	139	117	131	210	151
Fair labor standards	36	40	36	49	30	23
Food and drug	149	107	94	87	61	85
Motor carrier	77	96	76	48	72	57
Other regulatory offenses	1,333	1,585	1,647	1,527	1,549	1,615
Other offenses	13,556	16,617	17,014	16,091	16,270	16,462
Weapons	1,336	1,884	2,163	2,027	2,127	2,417
Immigration offenses	2,913	2,636	2,710	2,267	2,077	2,597
Tax law violations ^c	1,601	1,329	1,541	1,471	1,467	1,154
Bribery	201	243	237	243	245	296
Perjury	126	182	182	161	122	141
National defense	250	163	176	129	163	191
Escape	877	722	789	934	769	800
Racketeering and extortion	632	755	848	673	648	591
Gambling offenses	173	106	237	193	214	227
Liquor offenses	73	22	19	11	10	16
Mail or transport of obscene materials	43	47	26	85	55	56
Traffic	4,983	8,207	7,758	7,609	8,176	7,702
Migratory Birds	150	59	53	65	52	101
Other	198	262	275	223	145	173

^aTotal may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

Table 9. Defendants in cases terminated in U.S. district court: Number convicted, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989

Most serious offense of conviction	Number of convicted offenders					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^a	29,943	40,924	43,920	44,518	43,550	46,262
Violent offenses	2,134	2,226	2,192	2,241	2,139	2,163
Murder	111	101	93	109	93	102
Negligent manslaughter	11	33	29	21	27	46
Assault	450	458	489	499	448	395
Robbery	1,371	1,308	1,258	1,233	1,127	1,260
Rape	49	75	80	95	116	128
Other sex offenses	43	140	167	213	252	142
Kidnaping	73	71	48	46	48	58
Threats against the President	26	40	28	25	28	32
Property offenses	10,780	13,274	14,546	14,349	13,436	13,387
Fraudulent offenses	6,733	8,958	10,520	10,443	9,583	9,801
Embezzlement	1,605	1,711	1,986	1,918	1,775	1,777
Fraud ^b	3,307	4,989	6,139	6,588	6,193	6,447
Forgery	1,180	1,774	1,906	1,348	1,007	1,009
Counterfeiting	641	484	489	589	608	568
Other offenses	4,047	4,316	4,026	3,906	3,853	3,586
Burglary	129	136	93	103	100	110
Larceny	3,026	3,260	3,023	3,057	2,964	2,776
Motor vehicle theft	458	361	425	323	409	334
Arson	10	12	10	21	7	14
Transportation of stolen property	260	347	324	246	213	227
Other	164	200	151	156	160	125
Drug offenses	5,135	10,289	11,984	13,423	13,376	15,583
Possession	498	1,770	1,636	2,193	1,812	1,735
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	4,633	8,517	10,336	11,224	11,561	13,838
Other drug	4	2	12	6	3	10
Public-order offenses	11,893	15,132	15,193	14,500	14,593	15,120
Regulatory offenses	1,828	2,167	2,010	1,847	1,965	2,010
Agriculture	308	369	174	167	261	244
Antitrust	125	118	74	110	178	110
Fair labor standards	30	38	42	60	34	29
Food and drug	105	86	85	72	50	120
Motor carrier	73	104	82	52	66	59
Other regulatory offenses	1,187	1,452	1,553	1,386	1,376	1,448
Other offenses	10,065	12,965	13,183	12,653	12,628	13,110
Weapons offenses	980	1,552	1,802	1,730	1,803	2,137
Immigration offenses	2,200	2,417	2,464	2,138	1,851	2,426
Tax law violations ^c	1,407	1,253	1,459	1,374	1,429	1,156
Bribery	170	203	200	182	184	236
Perjury	70	145	132	116	104	108
National defense	193	340	339	243	203	201
Escape	609	609	622	670	651	643
Racketeering and extortion	418	560	591	495	561	581
Gambling offenses	129	80	204	150	164	169
Liquor offenses	60	18	14	8	10	13
Mail or transport of obscene materials	11	42	32	35	56	54
Traffic offenses	3,590	5,551	5,091	5,328	5,479	5,189
Migratory birds	101	34	40	36	33	70
Other	127	161	193	148	100	127

^aTotal may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 10. Defendants in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Percent convicted, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense charged	Percent of defendants convicted in U.S. district court					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^a	76.4%	79.9%	81.1%	81.5%	80.4%	81.2%
Violent offenses	79.1%	82.9%	82.4%	83.4%	83.0%	82.7%
Murder	71.0	75.8	76.9	78.8	76.3	79.5
Negligent manslaughter	62.5	81.5	73.3	72.2	75.0	82.5
Assault	66.7	72.1	72.0	70.7	68.9	67.7
Robbery	86.9	89.8	89.3	91.2	90.0	90.3
Rape	64.4	70.6	78.7	77.6	77.9	76.8
Other sex offenses	72.3	87.9	84.4	85.3	90.6	85.9
Kidnaping	77.1	82.3	74.2	79.7	81.4	70.7
Threats against the President	51.0	56.6	54.5	65.2	65.9	68.8
Property offenses	80.9%	82.2%	84.5%	84.3%	83.7%	84.5%
Fraudulent offenses	82.3%	84.5%	86.4%	85.9%	85.2%	86.8%
Embezzlement	86.7	88.6	89.6	89.7	88.2	90.0
Fraud ^b	78.9	82.1	84.6	84.0	83.6	85.6
Forgery	84.6	86.3	88.0	89.0	89.4	89.5
Counterfeiting	83.8	87.4	88.2	86.7	84.4	85.6
Other offenses	78.4%	77.7%	79.7%	80.3%	80.0%	78.7%
Burglary	73.2	75.9	71.3	78.3	91.5	87.0
Larceny	80.0	78.4	79.8	80.4	80.2	79.3
Motor vehicle theft	72.6	79.3	87.0	83.9	78.9	82.4
Arson	57.9	68.8	46.2	73.5	-	-
Transportation of stolen property	79.7	84.8	84.0	87.2	84.1	83.3
Other	73.3	57.7	61.1	64.3	66.2	50.9
Drug offenses	73.5%	81.6%	83.6%	84.5%	82.9%	83.2%
Possession	63.2	71.6	70.5	80.3	75.6	74.3
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	74.3	83.3	85.4	85.2	83.8	84.2
Other drug	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public-order offenses	73.4%	76.2%	76.0%	75.8%	74.8%	76.1%
Regulatory offenses	73.8%	77.7%	75.6%	74.4%	74.1%	78.0%
Agriculture	82.2	81.4	70.2	70.5	73.8	71.7
Antitrust	75.8	82.7	62.4	75.6	76.7	72.2
Fair labor standards	77.8	92.5	88.9	95.9	93.3	91.3
Food and drug	70.5	79.4	84.0	78.2	73.8	92.9
Motor carrier	92.2	96.9	97.4	89.6	86.1	89.5
Other regulatory offenses	70.7	74.6	75.5	73.5	73.0	78.5
Other offenses	73.4%	76.0%	76.1%	76.0%	74.9%	75.9%
Weapons	73.5	81.3	82.8	83.4	81.5	81.1
Immigration offenses	74.5	89.0	88.1	87.6	84.5	89.9
Tax law violations ^c	85.4	91.0	89.4	88.1	90.9	91.2
Bribery	78.1	85.2	82.3	79.4	80.8	85.8
Perjury	57.1	68.7	69.8	68.3	77.0	67.4
National defense	66.8	58.3	71.0	79.1	71.2	70.7
Escape	68.5	81.4	77.7	67.8	82.3	77.6
Racketeering and extortion	65.8	78.1	81.6	78.9	78.4	81.0
Gambling offenses	78.0	80.2	90.3	76.7	82.2	74.4
Liquor offenses	84.9	77.3	78.9	54.5	-	-
Mail or transport of obscene materials	23.3	76.6	88.5	30.6	78.2	87.5
Traffic	72.0	68.4	66.8	70.4	67.0	67.2
Migratory Birds	67.3	59.3	75.5	56.9	63.5	65.3
Other	60.6	58.8	57.1	52.5	51.0	50.9
-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.						
		^a Total may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined, but excludes defendants for whom outcome could not be determined.				
					^b Excludes tax fraud.	
					^c Includes tax fraud.	

**Table 11. Defendants in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Number whose cases were dismissed, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense charged	Number of defendants whose cases were dismissed					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^a	7,713	8,767	8,562	8,510	8,733	8,760
Violent offenses	468	367	393	348	350	363
Murder	39	30	26	18	16	26
Negligent manslaughter	2	5	5	5	4	5
Assault	173	140	152	157	146	143
Robbery	172	117	133	92	111	111
Rape	25	27	11	24	28	24
Other sex offenses	12	17	27	31	22	26
Kidnaping	20	12	17	12	11	19
Threats against the President	25	19	22	9	12	9
Property offenses	2,117	2,507	2,292	2,337	2,201	2,120
Fraudulent offenses	1,254	1,445	1,421	1,506	1,403	1,253
Embezzlement	215	196	200	209	204	168
Fraud ^b	686	885	883	1,037	967	878
Forgery	253	298	279	180	126	121
Counterfeiting	100	66	59	80	106	86
Other offenses	863	1,062	871	831	798	867
Burglary	43	42	35	28	10	14
Larceny	567	762	628	624	584	649
Motor vehicle theft	151	69	53	52	98	61
Arson	5	4	4	5	-	2
Transportation of stolen property	56	52	61	42	40	49
Other	41	133	90	80	66	92
Drug offenses	1,581	1,977	1,945	2,082	2,360	2,691
Possession	166	477	444	377	445	488
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	1,413	1,499	1,500	1,704	1,914	2,200
Other drug	2	1	1	1	1	3
Public-order offenses	3,547	3,888	3,904	3,743	3,822	3,583
Regulatory offenses	406	402	421	398	411	354
Agriculture	42	72	53	57	60	75
Antitrust	11	11	28	6	5	9
Fair labor standards	2	2	2	2	1	2
Food and drug	43	20	13	19	13	2
Motor carrier	6	3	2	5	10	6
Other regulatory offenses	302	294	323	309	322	260
Other offenses	3,141	3,486	3,483	3,345	3,411	3,229
Weapons offenses	282	292	312	272	322	357
Immigration offenses	713	263	289	260	291	244
Tax law violations ^c	154	91	118	117	99	68
Bribery	27	21	18	34	28	29
Perjury	41	35	40	32	19	32
National defense	76	56	39	20	36	42
Escape	263	122	163	292	124	169
Racketeering and extortion	147	87	88	86	90	65
Gambling offenses	31	17	15	41	31	52
Liquor offenses	11	4	3	5	4	2
Mail or transport of obscene materials	26	11	3	59	12	6
Traffic offenses	1,251	2,369	2,286	2,010	2,279	2,056
Migratory birds	46	21	13	27	15	27
Other	73	97	96	90	61	80

^aTotal may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.
^cIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 12. Defendants in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Percent whose cases were dismissed, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense charged	Percent of defendants whose cases were dismissed					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^a	19.7%	17.1%	15.8%	15.6%	16.1%	15.4%
Violent offenses	16.3%	12.8%	13.9%	12.2%	13.0%	13.1%
Murder	21.0	19.1	17.7	11.5	11.9	15.2
Negligent manslaughter	25.0	18.5	16.7	27.8	12.5	12.5
Assault	26.6	21.4	22.4	22.2	23.1	25.4
Robbery	10.1	7.5	8.8	6.3	8.4	7.5
Rape	21.2	22.7	10.2	16.8	17.2	13.6
Other sex offenses	25.5	10.3	13.2	12.3	7.4	13.5
Kidnaping	18.3	10.6	19.1	15.2	15.7	19.2
Threats against the President	49.0	25.0	40.0	19.6	29.3	18.8
Property offenses	15.6%	15.4%	13.3%	13.6%	13.5%	13.3%
Fraudulent offenses	14.4%	13.4%	11.5%	12.2%	12.1%	11.0%
Embezzlement	11.5	9.9	8.8	9.4	9.5	8.3
Fraud ^b	16.4	15.1	12.7	13.6	13.3	12.0
Forgery	13.7	12.6	11.2	10.1	9.6	9.4
Counterfeiting	12.8	11.4	9.9	11.0	13.2	12.3
Other offenses	17.8%	19.4%	17.5%	17.3%	16.9%	18.7%
Burglary	23.5	22.0	28.7	20.3	8.5	11.4
Larceny	16.6	19.0	17.3	17.1	16.7	18.4
Motor vehicle theft	23.9	15.5	11.1	13.8	18.8	15.1
Arson	26.3	25.0	30.8	14.7	-	-
Transportation of stolen property	13.2	10.5	12.5	11.5	11.5	14.6
Other	21.0	40.8	36.9	34.0	29.3	41.1
Drug offenses	22.2%	15.2%	13.2%	12.7%	14.1%	13.8%
Possession	34.9	25.7	25.5	17.5	23.1	25.0
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	21.3	13.5	11.5	11.9	13.0	12.6
Other drug	50.0	25.0	11.1	20.0	-	-
Public-order offenses	22.7%	20.5%	20.3%	20.6%	20.6%	19.1%
Regulatory offenses	19.5%	16.8%	19.2%	19.3%	18.2%	15.6%
Agriculture	12.9	16.9	24.3	25.9	18.1	22.3
Antitrust	6.8	7.9	23.9	4.6	2.4	6.0
Fair labor standards	5.6	5.0	5.6	4.1	3.3	8.7
Food and drug	28.9	18.7	13.8	21.8	21.3	2.4
Motor carrier	7.8	3.1	2.6	10.4	13.9	10.5
Other regulatory offenses	22.7	18.5	19.6	20.2	20.8	16.1
Other offenses	23.2%	21.0%	20.5%	20.8%	21.0%	19.6%
Weapons	21.1	15.5	14.4	13.4	15.1	14.8
Immigration offenses	24.5	10.0	10.7	11.5	14.0	9.4
Tax law violations ^c	9.6	6.8	7.7	8.0	6.7	5.9
Bribery	13.4	8.6	7.6	14.0	11.4	9.8
Perjury	32.5	19.2	22.0	19.9	15.6	22.7
National defense	30.4	34.4	22.2	15.5	22.1	22.0
Escape	30.0	16.9	20.7	31.3	16.1	21.1
Racketeering and extortion	23.3	11.5	10.4	12.8	13.9	11.0
Gambling offenses	17.9	16.0	6.3	21.2	14.5	22.9
Liquor offenses	15.1	18.2	15.8	45.5	-	-
Mail or transport of obscene materials	60.5	23.4	11.5	69.4	21.8	10.7
Traffic	25.1	28.9	29.5	26.4	27.9	26.7
Migratory Birds	30.7	35.6	24.5	41.5	28.8	26.7
Other	36.9	37.0	34.9	40.4	42.1	46.2

-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.

^aTotal may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.

but excludes defendants for whom outcome could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

Table 13. Defendants in matters disposed by U.S. magistrates: Number convicted, 1980, 1985-88

Most serious offense charged	Number of defendants convicted in matters disposed by U.S. magistrates				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	9,243	7,304	8,777	6,993	6,994
Violent offenses	94	50	40	81	64
Murder	0	1	1	4	1
Assault	73	43	31	66	54
Robbery	20	4	7	8	5
Rape	0	0	0	2	1
Other sex offenses	0	0	1	1	1
Kidnaping	0	0	0	0	0
Threats against the President	1	2	0	0	2
Property offenses	1,255	718	887	1,119	975
Fraudulent offenses	542	330	606	987	848
Embezzlement	185	96	149	149	205
Fraud ^b	237	111	345	759	548
Forgery	115	120	108	79	93
Counterfeiting	5	3	4	0	2
Other offenses	713	388	281	132	127
Burglary	1	0	1	0	0
Larceny	113	42	35	60	75
Motor vehicle theft	1	0	1	1	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation of stolen property	0	1	0	0	0
Other	598	345	244	71	52
Drug offenses	111	132	91	525	387
Public-order offenses	7,487	6,333	7,613	5,209	5,524
Regulatory offenses	465	231	291	197	223
Agriculture	99	89	108	11	22
Antitrust	0	0	0	1	0
Fair labor standards	1	2	1	0	0
Food and drug	6	0	0	3	4
Motor carrier	10	1	0	0	2
Other regulatory offenses	349	139	182	182	195
Other offenses	7,022	6,102	7,322	5,012	5,301
Weapons offenses	9	6	8	6	5
Immigration offenses	4,573	4,119	5,714	4,186	4,304
Tax law violations ^c	27	13	25	16	9
Bribery	3	0	2	0	6
Perjury	0	0	4	3	0
National defense	102	78	76	73	91
Escape	15	10	15	11	17
Racketeering and extortion	3	1	0	1	1
Gambling offenses	0	0	1	0	2
Liquor offenses	1	2	1	2	0
Mail or transport of obscene materials	0	1	0	0	0
Migratory birds	562	688	381	119	194
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	1,707	1,144	1,055	552	532
Other	20	40	40	43	140

^aTotal may include suspects for whom offense category could not be determined.

^bExcludes tax fraud.

^cIncludes tax fraud.

Most serious offense charged	Magistrate dispositions resulting in conviction				
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988
All offenses^a	59.2%	65.8%	69.4%	65.1%	63.8%
Violent offenses	26.6%	27.8%	19.9%	30.6%	30.5%
Murder	-	-	-	-	-
Assault	41.0	46.2	35.2	44.9	46.2
Robbery	14.5	10.5	10.3	11.4	8.5
Rape	...	-	-	-	-
Other sex offenses	-	-	-	-	-
Kidnaping	-	0	-	-	-
Threats against the President	-	8.7	-	-	-
Property offenses	46.8%	46.4%	55.0%	57.4%	61.7%
Fraudulent offenses	36.4%	35.7%	56.0%	62.1%	64.6%
Embezzlement	41.4	36.0	55.2	54.6	59.8
Fraud ^b	36.3	26.1	58.0	69.1	70.9
Forgery	30.1	52.4	50.7	36.2	49.7
Counterfeiting	-	-	-	...	-
Other offenses	59.9%	44.9%	53.0%	36.9%	47.6%
Burglary	-	-	-	...	-
Larceny	33.1	31.1	25.0	32.1	43.4
Motor vehicle theft	2.9	-	-	3.7	-
Arson	-	-	...	-	...
Transportation of stolen property	-	-	-	-	-
Other	75.0	74.2	67.2	51.4	63.4
Drug offenses	15.5%	24.6%	14.4%	42.1%	28.2%
Public-order offenses	65.8%	72.8%	76.3%	72.7%	71.6%
Regulatory offenses	33.1%	40.8%	49.8%	47.6%	48.6%
Agriculture	78.6	83.2	79.4	-	73.3
Antitrust	...	-	...	-	...
Fair labor standards	-	-	-
Food and drug	10.3	0	0	7.5	5.6
Motor carrier	-	-	...	-	-
Other regulatory offenses	29.0	34.2	45.7	50.8	54.8
Other offenses	70.3%	75.0%	77.9%	74.2%	73.0%
Weapons offenses	7.7	8.1	12.7	7.1	6.3
Immigration offenses	89.1	93.8	94.3	95.7	95.0
Tax law violations ^c	30.0	52.0	62.5	59.3	-
Bribery	-	-	-	-	18.2
Perjury	-	-	-	-	-
National defense	65.4	66.1	76.0	75.3	79.1
Escape	1.1	-	1.3	1.1	1.3
Racketeering and extortion	5.8	1.9	0	4.0	3.4
Gambling offenses	...	-	-	-	-
Liquor offenses	-	-	-	-	...
Mail or transport of obscene materials	-	-	-	-	-
Migratory birds	82.0	87.8	90.5	78.3	89.8
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, and jurisdictional offenses	73.6	73.5	71.6	64.7	68.6
Other	43.5	62.5	56.3	58.9	88.1
-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.					
...No cases of this type occurred in the data.					
	^a Total may include defendants for whom offense category could not be determined.				
	^b Excludes tax fraud.				
	^c Includes tax fraud.				

**Table 15. Offenders convicted in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Number sentenced to prison, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense of conviction	Number of convicted offenders who were sentenced to incarceration ^a					Preliminary 1989
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	
All offenses^b	13,766	20,605	23,058	23,579	23,450	27,071
Violent offenses	1,770	1,807	1,813	1,837	1,733	1,881
Murder	100	92	87	105	88	92
Negligent manslaughter	8	18	25	16	25	41
Assault	265	254	296	292	286	255
Robbery	1,252	1,210	1,186	1,164	1,059	1,231
Rape	29	60	65	83	97	100
Other sex offenses	31	85	88	113	112	75
Kidnaping	70	61	45	45	44	56
Threats against the President	15	27	21	19	22	31
Property offenses	4,630	5,612	6,291	6,234	5,723	5,917
Fraudulent offenses	2,825	3,696	4,416	4,610	4,182	4,360
Embezzlement	460	484	533	551	490	506
Fraud ^c	1,384	2,120	2,732	3,097	2,915	2,998
Forgery	610	803	872	606	459	513
Counterfeiting	371	289	279	356	318	343
Other offenses	1,805	1,916	1,875	1,624	1,541	1,557
Burglary	77	94	69	78	84	92
Larceny	1,180	1,252	1,196	1,125	978	1,025
Motor vehicle theft	321	263	325	220	293	238
Arson	6	5	8	19	2	11
Transportation of stolen property	178	250	229	148	132	157
Other	43	52	48	34	52	34
Drug offenses	3,675	7,774	9,272	10,196	10,599	13,126
Possession	114	762	677	609	400	458
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	3,560	7,012	8,588	9,584	10,197	12,665
Other drug	1	0	7	3	2	3
Public-order offenses	3,690	5,410	5,682	5,312	5,395	6,145
Regulatory offenses	484	661	688	601	640	742
Agriculture	54	51	24	16	52	37
Antitrust	32	6	7	11	43	22
Fair labor standards	11	4	2	3	6	2
Food and drug	5	10	13	19	8	24
Motor carrier	2	34	18	15	27	21
Other regulatory offenses	380	556	624	537	504	636
Other offenses	3,206	4,749	4,994	4,711	4,755	5,403
Weapons offenses	578	1,003	1,174	1,188	1,262	1,637
Immigration offenses	1,017	1,412	1,443	1,355	1,287	1,642
Tax law violations ^d	487	603	637	640	629	540
Bribery	62	90	107	83	81	101
Perjury	48	99	74	80	73	65
National defense	49	60	61	55	49	85
Escape	533	499	532	582	566	577
Racketeering and extortion	315	441	462	372	418	455
Gambling offenses	39	38	86	39	67	67
Liquor offenses	33	3	5	3	3	3
Mail or transport of obscene materials	3	17	6	12	14	9
Traffic offenses	32	464	385	282	279	205
Migratory birds	1	2	1	1	8	9
Other	9	18	21	19	19	8

^aIncludes sentences to prison with or without probation.

^bTotal may include offenders for whom offense category could not be determined.

^cExcludes tax fraud.

^dIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 16. Offenders convicted in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Percent sentenced to prison, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense of conviction	Percent of convicted offenders sentenced to prison ^a					
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	Preliminary 1989
All offenses^b	46.0%	50.3%	52.5%	53.0%	53.8%	58.5%
Violent offenses	82.9%	81.2%	82.7%	82.0%	81.0%	87.0%
Murder	90.1	91.1	93.5	96.3	94.6	90.2
Negligent manslaughter	-	54.5	86.2	76.2	92.6	89.1
Assault	58.9	55.5	60.5	58.5	63.8	64.6
Robbery	91.3	92.5	94.3	94.4	94.0	97.7
Rape	59.2	80.0	81.3	87.4	83.6	78.1
Other sex offenses	72.1	60.7	52.7	53.1	44.4	52.8
Kidnaping	95.9	85.9	93.8	97.8	91.7	96.6
Threats against the President	57.7	67.5	75.0	76.0	78.6	96.9
Property offenses	42.9%	42.3%	43.2%	43.4%	42.6%	44.2%
Fraudulent offenses	42.0%	41.3%	42.0%	44.1%	43.6%	44.5%
Embezzlement	28.7	28.3	26.8	28.7	27.6	28.5
Fraud ^c	41.9	42.5	44.5	47.0	47.1	46.5
Forgery	51.7	45.3	45.8	45.0	45.6	50.8
Counterfeiting	57.9	59.7	57.1	60.4	52.3	60.4
Other offenses	44.6%	44.4%	46.6%	41.6%	40.0%	43.4%
Burglary	59.7	69.1	74.2	75.7	84.0	83.6
Larceny	39.0	38.4	39.6	36.8	33.0	36.9
Motor vehicle theft	70.1	72.9	76.5	68.1	71.6	71.3
Arson	-	-	-	90.5	-	-
Transportation of stolen property	68.5	72.0	70.7	60.2	62.0	69.2
Other	26.2	26.0	31.8	21.8	32.5	27.2
Drug offenses	71.6%	75.6%	77.3%	75.9%	79.2%	84.2%
Possession	22.9	43.1	41.4	27.8	22.1	26.4
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	76.8	82.3	83.1	85.4	88.2	91.5
Other drug	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public-order offenses	31.0%	35.8%	37.4%	36.6%	37.0%	40.6%
Regulatory offenses	26.5%	30.5%	34.2%	32.5%	32.6%	36.9%
Agriculture	17.5	13.8	13.8	9.6	19.9	15.2
Antitrust	25.6	5.1	9.5	10.0	24.2	20.0
Fair labor standards	36.7	10.5	4.8	5.0	17.6	6.9
Food and drug	4.8	11.6	15.3	26.4	16.0	20.0
Motor carrier	2.7	32.7	22.0	28.8	40.9	35.6
Other regulatory offenses	32.0	38.3	40.2	38.7	36.6	43.9
Other offenses	31.9%	36.6%	37.9%	37.2%	37.7%	41.2%
Weapons offenses	59.0	64.6	65.1	68.7	70.0	76.6
Immigration offenses	46.2	58.4	58.6	63.4	69.5	67.7
Tax law violations ^d	34.6	48.1	43.7	46.6	44.0	46.7
Bribery	36.5	44.3	53.5	45.6	44.0	42.8
Perjury	68.6	68.3	56.1	69.0	70.2	60.2
National defense	25.4	17.6	18.0	22.6	24.1	42.3
Escape	87.5	81.9	85.5	86.9	86.9	89.7
Racketeering and extortion	75.4	78.8	78.2	75.2	74.5	78.3
Gambling offenses	30.2	47.5	42.2	26.0	40.9	39.6
Liquor offenses	55.0	-	-	-	-	-
Mail or transport of obscene materials	-	40.5	18.8	34.3	25.0	16.7
Traffic offenses	.9	8.4	7.6	5.3	5.1	4.0
Migratory birds	1.0	5.9	2.5	2.8	24.2	12.9
Other	7.1	11.2	10.9	12.8	19.0	6.3

-Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.
^aIncludes sentences to prison with or without probation.

^bTotal may include offenders for whom offense category could not be determined, but excludes offenders for whom sentence category could not be determined.

^cExcludes tax fraud.
^dIncludes tax fraud.

**Table 17. Offenders convicted in cases terminated in U.S. district court:
Mean length of prison sentences, 1980, 1985-88, preliminary 1989**

Most serious offense of conviction	Average sentence length for convicted offenders sentenced to prison					
	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	Preliminary 1989
All offenses^a	44.3 mos.	50.7 mos.	52.7 mos.	55.2 mos.	55.1 mos.	53.4 mos.
Violent offenses	125.4 mos.	135.4 mos.	132.0 mos.	126.2 mos.	110.7 mos.	88.3 mos.
Murder	123.4	212.0	196.3	154.6	162.7	139.9
Negligent manslaughter	36.6	33.5	40.2	25.9	29.2	23.9
Assault	40.7	45.6	44.6	48.4	39.7	34.1
Robbery	141.5	151.1	153.2	148.1	131.4	100.1
Rape	85.7	123.3	143.8	114.4	95.8	91.3
Other sex offenses	39.7	81.0	68.2	59.5	75.1	44.9
Kidnaping	262.6	254.5	242.9	293.9	190.5	145.1
Threats against the President	39.4	48.2	26.2	45.0	44.1	35.9
Property offenses	29.4 mos.	33.0 mos.	34.3 mos.	32.5 mos.	31.5 mos.	24.9 mos.
Fraudulent offenses	27.1 mos.	31.1 mos.	32.8 mos.	31.1 mos.	31.0 mos.	25.2 mos.
Embezzlement	20.1	22.9	21.9	22.1	19.6	16.4
Fraud ^b	24.9	30.0	33.8	32.1	32.9	28.4
Forgery	32.5	36.5	32.8	30.6	32.1	18.5
Counterfeiting	35.0	38.2	43.3	37.2	29.1	30.1
Other offenses	32.9 mos.	36.6 mos.	37.9 mos.	36.5 mos.	32.7 mos.	24.3 mos.
Burglary	46.0	67.0	41.9	59.0	55.6	41.3
Larceny	29.2	31.7	33.6	33.8	27.5	21.0
Motor vehicle theft	38.1	42.8	42.4	44.3	38.0	28.2
Arson	34.3	34.8	24.8	51.7	19.0	47.7
Transportation of stolen property	47.7	48.0	56.0	37.3	51.1	31.5
Other	9.3	15.5	24.1	11.7	17.7	12.2
Drug offenses	47.1 mos.	58.2 mos.	62.2 mos.	67.8 mos.	71.3 mos.	73.8 mos.
Possession	14.7	34.5	41.4	48.1	13.6	8.1
Trafficking, including importing and manufacturing	48.1	60.8	63.9	69.1	73.6	76.1
Other drug	12.0	...	30.0	30.0	15.0	25.0
Public-order offenses	24.5 mos.	32.7 mos.	36.9 mos.	35.5 mos.	30.7 mos.	27.0 mos.
Regulatory offenses	25.3 mos.	37.7 mos.	47.2 mos.	42.1 mos.	30.4 mos.	22.8 mos.
Agriculture	12.4	16.3	6.2	11.7	7.4	7.9
Antitrust	3.2	5.3	10.7	3.6	8.3	13.5
Fair labor standards	53.0	10.2	36.0	2.0	8.7	5.0
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Other regulatory offenses	28.3	42.4	50.9	45.8	35.6	24.8
Other offenses	23.8 mos.	29.4 mos.	30.8 mos.	32.2 mos.	30.7 mos.	27.6 mos.
Weapons offenses	37.6	41.5	45.4	53.3	52.3	45.8
Immigration offenses	13.0	14.4	15.1	15.2	11.7	9.1
Tax law violations ^c	13.1	22.4	20.6	21.1	22.8	24.7
Bribery	14.3	25.8	41.9	29.9	27.0	20.7
Perjury	24.9	44.8	20.2	31.8	18.9	17.1
National defense	19.6	63.0	42.9	26.3	14.3	14.4
Escape	20.8	26.2	23.3	22.7	23.9	23.7
Racketeering and extortion	62.6	84.8	89.6	84.4	72.3	55.7
Gambling offenses	12.7	17.5	18.5	20.3	12.6	12.2
Liquor offenses	16.2	20.0	16.0	12.0	4.7	3.7
Mail or transport of obscene materials	42.0	42.2	36.0	31.2	44.3	22.2
Traffic offenses	2.6	3.3	3.4	4.6	3.9	3.2
Migratory birds	6.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	5.1	11.3
Other	6.3	10.4	2.8	15.6	9.0	3.0

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^aTotal may include offenders for whom offense category could not be determined.

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^cIncludes tax fraud.

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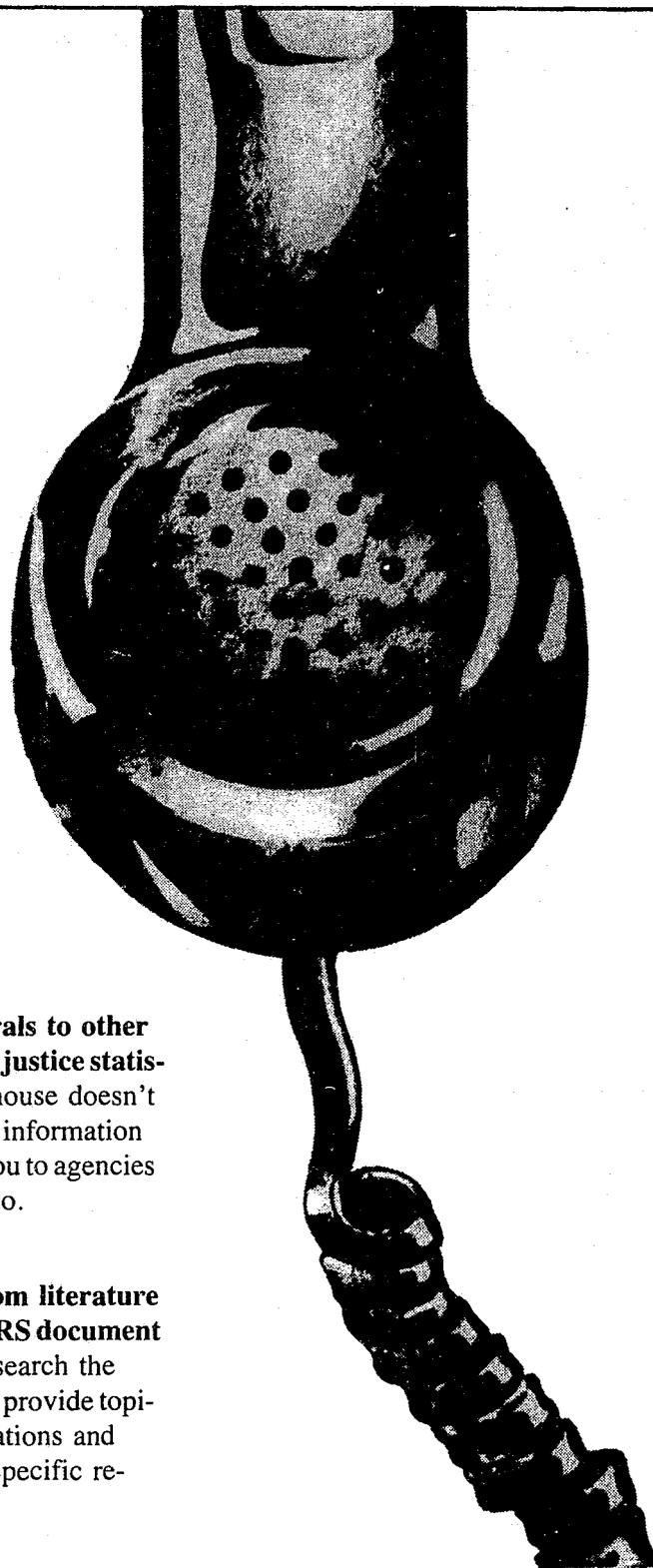
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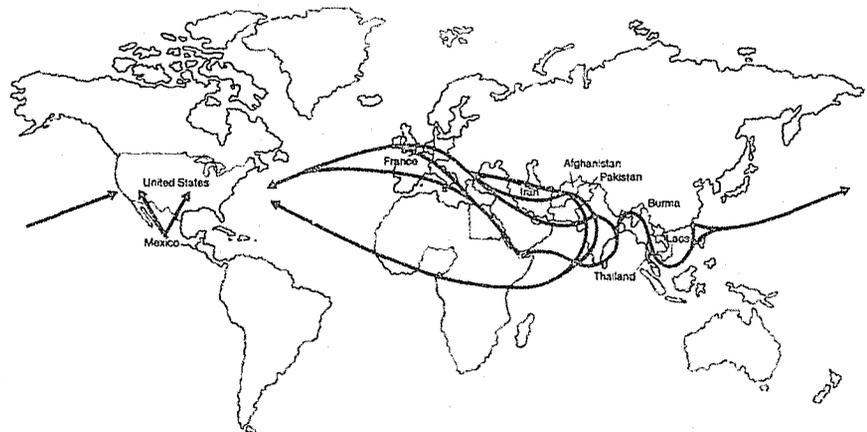
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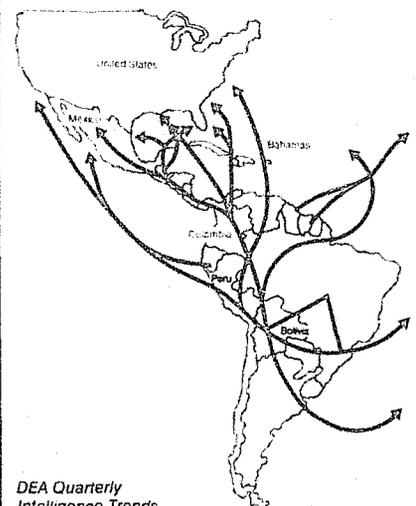
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