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Methodology

Sampling

Using a stratified cluster sampling design, 300 counties were selected for the 2002 survey. While there were 3,141 counties or county equivalents in the Nation in 2002, 36 reported their NJRP data in combination with another county or county equivalent. This left 3,105 jurisdictions to be divided into 20 strata. Each county was assigned to one stratum by meeting the conditions for that stratum.

The largest 75 counties in the United States (as defined by the 2000 resident population) were separated from the 3,105 jurisdictions (see table). Each State was then assigned a "cost-factor" (1, 3, 5) which reflected the overall cost of collecting their 2000 NJRP data. Counties in States where data collection is not costly were assigned a "1." Counties in States where data collection is moderately costly were assigned a "3." Counties in States where data collection is costly were assigned a "5."

Counties in each "cost-factor" group were then separated into categories based on the size of their 2000 population. Among the Nation's largest 75 counties, those assigned a cost-factor 1 were separated into 2 strata (defined by year 2000 population size), cost-factor 3 counties remained in one stratum, and cost-factor 5 counties were separated into 2 strata (defined by year 2000 population size). Among counties that were not one of the Nation's largest 75, those assigned a cost-factor of 1 were separated into 5 strata (defined by year 2000 population size). Cost-factor 3 counties were separated into 4 strata (defined by year 2000 population size), and cost-factor 5 counties were separated into 5 strata (defined by year 2000 population size).

Because the 75 largest counties account for a disproportionately large amount of serious crime in the Nation,

NJRP sampling design, 2002

Stratum	Total number of counties in stratum	Defining characteristics of each county in this stratum in 2000	Approximate sampling rate	Number of counties sampled
1 of 75 most populous counties in 2000				
0	11	Population greater than 1,900,000	1 in 1	11
Not in stratum 0				
Cost-factor of 1 - not sampled				
11	12	Population between 900,001 and 1,900,000	1 in 1	12
12	13	Population between 679,001 and 900,000	1 in 1	13
31	15	Cost-factor of 3	nearly 1 in 1	13
Cost-factor of 5				
51	10	Population between 1,000,001 and 1,900,000	1 in 3	3
52	14	Population between 679,001 and 1,000,000	1 in 2	6
Not 1 of 75 most populous counties in 2000				
Cost-factor of 1				
111	193	Population between 97,001 and 679,000	1 in 1	106
112	168	Population between 54,001 and 97,000	1 in 8	20
113	309	Population between 25,001 and 54,000	1 in 11	26
114	231	Population between 16,001 and 25,000	1 in 23	10
115	497	Population between 1 and 16,000	1 in 33	15
Cost-factor of 3				
131	107	Population between 97,001 and 679,000	1 in 4	23
132	88	Population between 44,001 and 97,000	1 in 17	5
133	234	Population between 15,001 and 44,000	1 in 39	6
134	336	Population between 1 and 15,000	1 in 112	3
Cost-factor of 5				
151	81	Population between 160,001 and 679,000	1 in 7	11
152	146	Population between 64,001 and 160,000	1 in 18	8
153	220	Population between 31,001 and 64,000	1 in 44	5
154	140	Population between 18,001 and 31,000	1 in 70	2
155	280	Population between 1 and 18,000	1 in 140	2

they were given a greater chance of being selected than the remaining counties.

Altogether, 58 out of the 75 largest counties were sampled. All 36 counties in strata 0, 11, and 12 were selected for the sample. Strata 31, 51, and 52 consisted of the remaining 22 counties sampled from the largest 75 counties. Strata 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 131, 132, 133, 134, 151, 152, 153, 154, and 155 included 242 counties sampled from among the 3,030 not among the 75 largest.

The final sample thus included 300 counties (58 out of the 75 largest counties, and 242 out of the remaining 3,030 counties). Case-level data were successfully obtained on 455,690 convicted felons sentenced in 2002 from these 300 counties. Of these,

314,477 cases were in the 75 largest counties.

The 36 sampled counties in strata 0, 11, and 12 were self-representing only, and their sampled cases therefore had a sampling weight of 1. The remaining strata were selected to represent their respective strata so that the sampled felony conviction cases had weights greater than 1.

Sampling error

National estimates of the number of convictions for individual crime categories and for the aggregate total had a coefficient of variation of 4.1%. Standard errors for some of the tables in this report are available on the Internet: <<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fssc02.htm>>. Where this report compares 2002 NJRP figures to those from prior years' NJRP data, the

differences discussed were statistically significant at the .05 level.

Sources of data

State courts were the source of NJRP data for about 44% of the 300 counties sampled. For other counties, sources included prosecutors' offices, sentencing commissions, and statistical agencies.

For 299 of the 300 counties sampled, individual-level NJRP records were obtained electronically (from diskettes or the Internet). The one remaining county provided data through photocopies of official documents. All data were collected by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Targeted population

Since it was impractical to target sentences in 2002, cases sampled from 26 Pennsylvania counties, 1 Florida county, 8 Maryland counties, 15 Michigan counties, 12 Minnesota counties, 15 New Jersey counties, and 6 Oklahoma counties were sentenced in 2001; and cases sampled from 1 Ohio county were sentenced in 2003.

The 2002 NJRP data files obtained from Miami-Dade (FL) and Dallas (TX) showed far fewer felony convictions than shown by court data sources for these counties. To correct the number of felony cases from these counties in 2002, the data were adjusted upward. The 2002 conviction data from Lake County (FL) were adjusted to account for less than a full year of reporting.

Crime definitions

Find the definitions in *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 1996* <<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fssc96.htm>>.

Related reading

Data used in this report were also used in the BJS publication *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 2002* (NCJ 206916).

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The archive is linked to the BJS website:
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Table 1.1. Estimated number of felony convictions in State courts, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Felony convictions in State courts	
	Number	Percent
All offenses	1,051,000	100 %
Violent offenses	197,030	18.8 %
Murder	8,990	0.9
Murder	6,430	0.6
Manslaughter /a	2,560	0.2
Sexual assault /b	35,500	3.4
Rape	10,980	1.0
Other sexual assault	24,520	2.3
Robbery	38,430	3.7
Armed	9,540	0.9
Unarmed	10,030	1.0
Unspecified	18,850	1.8
Aggravated assault	95,600	9.1
Other violent /c	18,510	1.8
Property offenses	325,200	30.9 %
Burglary	100,640	9.6
Residential	12,990	1.2
Nonresidential	21,470	2.0
Unspecified	66,180	6.3
Larceny /d	124,320	11.8
Motor vehicle theft	18,530	1.8
Other theft	105,790	10.1
Fraud /e	100,240	9.5
Fraud	47,610	4.5
Forgery	52,630	5.0
Drug offenses	340,330	32.4 %
Possession	127,530	12.1
Trafficking	212,810	20.2
Marijuana	21,340	2.0
Other	56,530	5.4
Unspecified	134,940	12.8
Weapon offenses	32,470	3.1 %
Other offenses /f	155,970	14.8 %

Note: Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

This table is based on an estimated 1,051,002 cases.

a/ Defined as nonnegligent manslaughter only.

A small number of cases were classified as nonnegligent manslaughter when it was unclear if the conviction offense was murder or nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ When vehicle theft could not be distinguished from other theft, the case was coded as "other theft." This results in a conservative estimate of vehicle thefts.

e/ Includes embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.2. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --				
	Total	Incarceration			Probation
		Total	Prison	Jail	
All offenses	100 %	69 %	41 %	28 %	31 %
Violent offenses	100 %	77 %	52 %	25 %	23 %
Murder /a	100	95	91	4	5
Sexual assault /b	100	82	59	23	18
Rape	100	89	67	22	11
Other sexual assault	100	78	55	23	22
Robbery	100	86	71	15	14
Aggravated assault	100	71	42	29	29
Other violent /c	100	77	42	35	23
Property offenses	100 %	66 %	38 %	28 %	34 %
Burglary	100	72	46	26	28
Larceny /d	100	67	36	31	33
Motor vehicle theft	100	76	37	39	24
Fraud /e	100	59	31	28	41
Drug offenses	100 %	66 %	39 %	27 %	34 %
Possession	100	62	34	28	38
Trafficking	100	68	42	26	32
Weapon offenses	100 %	73 %	45 %	28 %	27 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	70 %	35 %	35 %	30 %

Table 1.2. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by offense, 2002 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Estimated number of felons sentenced to --				
	Total	Incarceration			Probation
		Total	Prison	Jail	
All offenses	1,051,000	723,140	428,090	295,040	327,870
Violent offenses	197,030	152,100	103,490	48,620	44,930
Murder /a	8,990	8,520	8,200	310	470
Sexual assault /b	35,500	28,950	20,920	8,030	6,550
Rape	10,980	9,730	7,290	2,440	1,250
Other sexual assault	24,520	19,230	13,640	5,590	5,300
Robbery	38,430	32,990	27,120	5,870	5,430
Aggravated assault	95,600	67,460	39,530	27,930	28,140
Other violent /c	18,510	14,180	7,710	6,470	4,330
Property offenses	325,200	214,900	122,750	92,160	110,290
Burglary	100,640	72,890	47,000	25,890	27,740
Larceny /d	124,320	83,100	44,440	38,660	41,220
Motor vehicle theft	18,530	14,040	6,920	7,130	4,490
Fraud /e	100,240	58,910	31,300	27,610	41,330
Drug offenses	340,330	223,730	133,460	90,270	116,600
Possession	127,530	79,570	43,450	36,120	47,960
Trafficking	212,810	144,160	90,000	54,160	68,650
Weapon offenses	32,470	23,640	14,550	9,090	8,820
Other offenses /f	155,970	108,760	53,850	54,900	47,220

Note: For persons receiving a combination of sentences, the sentence designation came from the most severe penalty imposed -- prison being the most severe, followed by jail, then probation. Prison includes death sentences. In this table "probation" is defined as straight probation. Felons receiving a sentence other than incarceration or probation are classified under "probation." Percentages in this table are based on an estimated 1,047,931 cases. However, estimated numbers are adjusted for cases missing a designation of sentence type. Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.3. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by offense and type of sentence, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Mean maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
All offenses	36 mo	53 mo	7 mo	38 mo
Violent offenses	62 mo	84 mo	8 mo	43 mo
Murder /a	217	225	10	76
Sexual assault /b	78	100	8	54
Rape	104	132	9	65
Other sexual assault	65	84	8	51
Robbery	79	91	11	52
Aggravated assault	37	54	7	39
Other violent /c	33	51	8	37
Property offenses	28 mo	41 mo	7 mo	37 mo
Burglary	36	50	7	40
Larceny /d	22	34	6	36
Motor vehicle theft	18	30	6	33
Fraud /e	24	38	6	36
Drug offenses	32 mo	48 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Possession	22	35	5	33
Trafficking	38	55	7	39
Weapon offenses	28 mo	38 mo	7 mo	35 mo
Other offenses /f	23 mo	38 mo	6 mo	37 mo

Table 1.3. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by offense and type of sentence, 2002 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Median maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
All offenses	19 mo	36 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Violent offenses	36 mo	51 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	240	240	12	60
Sexual assault /b	48	60	6	36
Rape	60	96	7	60
Other sexual assault	36	60	6	36
Robbery	52	60	12	60
Aggravated assault	24	36	6	36
Other violent /c	16	30	6	36
Property offenses	16 mo	28 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Burglary	24	36	6	36
Larceny /d	13	24	6	36
Motor vehicle theft	12	24	6	24
Fraud /e	12	24	5	36
Drug offenses	18 mo	36 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Possession	12	24	3	36
Trafficking	24	36	6	36
Weapon offenses	24 mo	24 mo	6 mo	30 mo
Other offenses /f	12 mo	27 mo	4 mo	36 mo

Note: See note on table 1.2.

Means exclude sentences to death or to life in prison.

This table is based on an estimated 945,167 cases.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.4. Estimated percent of felons sentenced to life in State prison, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Life sentences as a percent of --	
	All sentences*	All prison sentences
All offenses	0.5 %	1.1 %
Murder	24.1	26.3
Sexual assault	1.9	3.1
Rape	3.8	5.5
Other sexual assault	1.1	1.8
Robbery	1.4	1.9
Aggravated assault	0.3	0.7
Other violent	0.3	0.6
Burglary	0.2	0.4
Larceny	--	--
Motor vehicle theft	--	0.2
Fraud	--	--
Drug possession	0.3	0.9
Drug trafficking	0.2	0.5
Weapon	0.1	0.3
Other	--	--

Note: See table 1.2 for estimated number of felony sentences.

*Includes sentences to probation and jail as well as prison.

-- Less than 0.05%

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Table 1.5. Estimated time to be served in State prison, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Mean prison sentence	To be served in prison, estimated --	
		Percent of sentence /a	Time /b
All offenses	53 mo	51 %	27 mo
Violent offenses	84 mo	62 %	52 mo
Murder /c	225	63	142
Sexual assault /d	100	64	64
Rape	132	68	90
Other sexual assault	84	62	52
Robbery	91	58	53
Aggravated assault	54	66	36
Other violent /e	51	61	31
Property offenses	41 mo	49 %	20 mo
Burglary	50	49	24
Larceny /f	34	52	18
Motor vehicle theft	30	49	15
Fraud /g	38	44	17
Drug offenses	48 mo	43 %	20 mo
Possession	35	40	14
Trafficking	55	45	24
Weapon offenses	38 mo	63 %	24 mo
Other offenses /h	38 mo	50 %	19 mo

a/ Percentages are based on data from 259,915 persons released from State prisons in 2001 (National Corrections Reporting Program, 2001 tables 2-8 and 2-12). These percentages included credited jail time.

b/ Derived by multiplying the percentage of sentence to be served by the mean sentence imposed.

c/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

d/ Includes rape.

e/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

f/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

g/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

h/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.6. Distribution of the number of felony convictions for persons sentenced in State courts, by most serious offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Total	Percent of felons sentenced for --		
		One felony conviction	Two felony convictions	Three or more felony convictions
All offenses	100 %	72 %	18 %	10 %
Violent offenses	100 %	64 %	22 %	14 %
Murder /a	100	60	22	18
Sexual assault /b	100	63	22	15
Robbery	100	63	22	15
Aggravated assault	100	64	23	13
Other violent /c	100	74	18	8
Property offenses	100 %	68 %	19 %	13 %
Burglary	100	57	24	19
Larceny /d	100	79	16	5
Fraud /e	100	65	19	16
Drug offenses	100 %	75 %	17 %	8 %
Possession	100	81	13	6
Trafficking	100	71	20	9
Weapon offenses	100 %	73 %	18 %	9 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	83 %	13 %	4 %

Note: This table is based on an estimated 1,051,002 cases.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.7. Convicted felons sentenced to prison in State courts, by number of convictions, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to prison for --		
	One felony conviction	Two felony convictions	Three or more felony convictions
All offenses	38 %	45 %	56 %
Violent offenses	48 %	57 %	67 %
Murder /a	90	91	95
Sexual assault /b	54	67	69
Robbery	67	74	80
Aggravated assault	36	46	58
Other violent /c	40	44	52
Property offenses	35 %	40 %	51 %
Burglary	43	47	58
Larceny /d	34	38	48
Fraud /e	28	32	44
Drug offenses	36 %	43 %	56 %
Possession	31	41	56
Trafficking	40	44	56
Weapon offenses	44 %	45 %	53 %
Other offenses /f	34 %	36 %	50 %

Note: See note on table 1.2. This table is based on an estimated 1,047,931 cases.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.8. Mean sentence lengths for State felony sentences imposed, by the number and category of the conviction offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Mean maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
One conviction offense				
All offenses	32 mo	48 mo	7 mo	37 mo
Violent offenses	55 mo	76 mo	8 mo	43 mo
Murder /a	213	220	9	88
Sexual assault /b	64	83	9	52
Robbery	70	81	11	53
Aggravated assault	33	51	7	40
Other violent /c	32	50	8	37
Property offenses	25 mo	38 mo	7 mo	37 mo
Burglary	35	49	8	40
Larceny /d	21	32	6	36
Fraud /e	22	35	6	36
Drug offenses	29 mo	45 mo	7 mo	36 mo
Possession	20	33	5	32
Trafficking	35	51	8	39
Weapon offenses	26 mo	36 mo	7 mo	33 mo
Other offenses /f	23 mo	38 mo	6 mo	37 mo

Table 1.8. Mean sentence lengths for State felony sentences imposed, by the number and category of the conviction offense, 2002 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Mean maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Total	Incarceration		Probation
		Prison	Jail	
Two or more conviction offenses				
All offenses	45 mo	62 mo	7 mo	39 mo
Violent offenses	73 mo	95 mo	7 mo	42 mo
Murder /a	225	233	11	46
Sexual assault /b	100	123	8	58
Robbery	93	108	10	50
Aggravated assault	42	58	6	38
Other violent /c	36	53	8	38
Property offenses	32 mo	46 mo	7 mo	39 mo
Burglary	38	52	7	40
Larceny /d	26	38	7	37
Fraud /e	28	41	6	38
Drug offenses	40 mo	56 mo	6 mo	38 mo
Possession	29	40	5	40
Trafficking	44	62	7	37
Weapon offenses	32 mo	45 mo	6 mo	39 mo
Other offenses /f	26 mo	40 mo	6 mo	38 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 1.3.

This table is based on an estimated 939,800 cases.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 1.9. Felons sentenced to an additional penalty in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons with an additional penalty of --				
	Fine	Restitution	Treatment /a	Community service	Other
All offenses	25 %	12 %	3 %	4 %	7 %
Violent offenses	23 %	11 %	3 %	3 %	6 %
Murder /b	17	7	1	2	2
Sexual assault /c	22	10	4	2	7
Rape	21	10	4	1	6
Other sexual assault	23	10	3	2	8
Robbery	13	10	1	2	4
Aggravated assault	27	11	3	3	7
Other violent /d	26	12	2	4	9
Property offenses	24 %	21 %	2 %	4 %	6 %
Burglary	23	20	2	4	5
Larceny /e	21	19	1	5	7
Motor vehicle theft	22	19	2	3	11
Fraud /f	28	24	2	5	8
Drug offenses	27 %	6 %	6 %	4 %	7 %
Possession	25	3	11	5	11
Trafficking	27	8	2	3	5
Weapon offenses	18 %	4 %	2 %	4 %	6 %
Other offenses /g	29 %	10 %	3 %	4 %	8 %

Note: Where the data indicated affirmatively that a particular additional penalty was imposed, the case was coded accordingly. Where the data did not indicate affirmatively or negatively, the case was treated as not having an additional penalty.

These procedures provide a conservative estimate of the prevalence of additional penalties. A felon receiving more than one kind of additional penalty appears under more than one table heading. This table is based on an estimated 1,051,002 cases.

a/ Includes any type of counseling, rehabilitation, treatment, or mental hospital confinement.

b/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

c/ Includes rape.

d/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

e/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

f/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

g/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.1. Demographic characteristics of persons convicted of felonies in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons											
	Total	Gender		Race			Age at sentencing					
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 or older
All offenses	100 %	83 %	17 %	60 %	37 %	3 %	7 %	41 %	29 %	18 %	4 %	1 %
Violent offenses	100 %	89 %	11 %	57 %	39 %	4 %	9 %	42 %	26 %	16 %	5 %	2 %
Murder /a	100	90	10	45	51	4	8	51	22	13	5	1
Sexual assault /b	100	97	3	71	25	4	7	37	25	18	8	5
Rape	100	98	2	63	33	4	8	38	26	19	5	4
Other sexual assault	100	97	3	75	21	4	6	36	25	18	10	5
Robbery	100	92	8	39	59	2	21	49	19	9	2	--
Aggravated assault	100	85	15	57	38	5	6	41	28	18	5	2
Other violent /c	100	88	12	70	25	5	6	38	28	20	6	2
Property offenses	100 %	75 %	25 %	64 %	33 %	3 %	8 %	41 %	29 %	17 %	4 %	1 %
Burglary	100	91	9	66	31	3	15	47	23	13	2	--
Larceny /d	100	75	25	62	35	3	7	39	30	19	4	1
Motor vehicle theft	100	89	11	67	26	7	12	52	25	10	1	--
Fraud /e	100	58	42	64	34	2	3	39	35	18	4	1
Drug offenses	100 %	83 %	17 %	55 %	43 %	2 %	5 %	41 %	29 %	19 %	5 %	1 %
Possession	100	79	21	61	36	3	3	36	32	23	5	1
Trafficking	100	85	15	51	47	2	6	45	27	17	4	1
Weapon offenses	100 %	95 %	5 %	47 %	50 %	3 %	9 %	50 %	23 %	13 %	4 %	1 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	88 %	12 %	69 %	27 %	4 %	5 %	34 %	31 %	22 %	6 %	2 %

Table 2.1. Demographic characteristics of persons convicted of felonies in State courts, by offense, 2002 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Estimated number of convicted felons										
	Gender		Race			Age at sentencing					
	Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 or older
All offenses	873,330	177,680	628,690	391,450	30,860	73,940	427,740	299,760	190,310	47,510	11,730
Violent offenses	175,960	21,070	111,450	77,750	7,830	18,650	83,260	50,450	31,350	9,660	3,670
Property offenses	245,380	79,810	208,520	108,000	8,670	27,510	134,640	94,800	54,140	11,890	2,220
Drug offenses	282,770	57,570	185,150	147,480	7,710	16,160	140,780	99,330	66,010	15,440	2,610
Weapon offenses	30,850	1,610	15,260	16,160	1,050	3,020	16,090	7,540	4,260	1,250	300
Other offenses / f	137,100	18,880	107,820	42,680	5,480	8,080	52,470	48,040	35,130	9,360	2,900

Note: Percentages on sex are based on an estimated 714,307 cases; on race, 612,161; and on age, 744,317.

However, estimated numbers are adjusted for cases missing a designation of sentence type.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

--Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.2. Offense distribution of felons convicted in State courts, by gender, race, and age of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons											
	Total	Gender		Race			Age at sentencing					
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 or older
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	19 %	22 %	13 %	19 %	21 %	27 %	27 %	21 %	18 %	18 %	22 %	33 %
Murder /a	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sexual assault /b	3	4	1	4	2	5	3	3	3	3	6	14
Rape	1	2	--	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	4
Other sexual assault	2	3	--	3	1	3	2	2	2	2	5	10
Robbery	4	4	2	3	6	3	12	5	3	2	1	1
Aggravated assault	9	10	8	9	10	15	8	9	9	9	10	13
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	3	4
Property offenses	31 %	27 %	44 %	33 %	28 %	28 %	38 %	32 %	32 %	29 %	25 %	19 %
Burglary	10	11	6	12	9	11	21	12	8	7	4	2
Larceny /d	12	10	16	11	10	10	12	11	12	12	11	9
Motor vehicle theft	2	2	1	2	1	4	3	2	1	1	1	--
Fraud /e	10	6	22	10	9	8	4	9	12	10	10	8
Drug offenses	32 %	32 %	32 %	29 %	37 %	25 %	22 %	33 %	33 %	34 %	32 %	22 %
Possession	12	10	13	11	10	10	6	10	14	15	13	7
Trafficking	20	22	19	18	27	14	15	22	19	19	19	15
Weapon offenses	3 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	4 %	3 %	4 %	3 %	2 %	2 %	2 %	2 %
Other offenses /f	15 %	15 %	10 %	17 %	11 %	18 %	10 %	12 %	15 %	17 %	19 %	23 %

Note: See note on table 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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**Table 2.3. Average age of convicted felons
in State courts, by offense, 2002**

Most serious conviction offense	Average age in years	
	Mean	Median
All offenses	32 yr	30 yr
Violent offenses	31 yr	29 yr
Murder /a	30	27
Sexual assault /b	34	32
Rape	33	31
Other sexual assault	35	32
Robbery	27	23
Aggravated assault	32	30
Other violent /c	33	32
Property offenses	31 yr	30 yr
Burglary	28	25
Larceny /d	32	31
Motor vehicle theft	28	25
Fraud /e	33	32
Drug offenses	32 yr	31 yr
Possession	33	33
Trafficking	32	29
Weapon offenses	30 yr	27 yr
Other offenses /f	34 yr	33 yr

Note: Data on age were available for 744,317 cases.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.4. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by gender of felons and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
Male							
All offenses	100 %	71 %	41 %	30 %	29 %	26 %	3 %
Violent offenses	100 %	80 %	54 %	27 %	20 %	18 %	2 %
Murder /a	100	96	92	4	4	4	0
Sexual assault /b	100	84	59	25	16	14	2
Robbery	100	88	70	18	12	11	1
Aggravated assault	100	75	43	32	25	23	2
Other violent /c	100	76	40	36	24	22	2
Property offenses	100 %	70 %	40 %	30 %	30 %	27 %	3 %
Burglary	100	75	48	27	25	22	3
Larceny /d	100	69	36	33	31	29	2
Fraud /e	100	61	31	30	39	36	3
Drug offenses	100 %	65 %	38 %	27 %	35 %	31 %	4 %
Possession	100	60	32	28	40	34	6
Trafficking	100	67	41	26	33	30	3
Weapon offenses	100 %	74 %	39 %	34 %	26 %	24 %	2 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	71 %	33 %	38 %	29 %	27 %	2 %
Female							
All offenses	100 %	56 %	25 %	31 %	44 %	40 %	3 %
Violent offenses	100 %	64 %	32 %	31 %	36 %	34 %	3 %
Murder /a	100	88	81	7	12	11	1
Sexual assault /b	100	71	44	27	29	25	4
Robbery	100	74	50	24	26	24	1
Aggravated assault	100	58	23	35	42	39	3
Other violent /c	100	68	37	31	32	29	3
Property offenses	100 %	53 %	22 %	31 %	47 %	44 %	3 %
Burglary	100	73	30	43	27	25	3
Larceny /d	100	52	19	33	48	45	3
Fraud /e	100	49	22	27	51	48	3
Drug offenses	100 %	54 %	26 %	28 %	46 %	41 %	5 %
Possession	100	51	21	30	49	43	6
Trafficking	100	56	29	27	44	40	4
Weapon offenses	100 %	60 %	27 %	33 %	40 %	35 %	5 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	64 %	25 %	39 %	36 %	33 %	3 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.5. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by race of felons and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
White							
All offenses	100 %	64 %	36 %	29 %	36 %	33 %	3 %
Violent offenses	100 %	74 %	47 %	27 %	26 %	24 %	2 %
Murder /a	100	92	86	6	8	7	1
Sexual assault /b	100	81	57	24	19	17	2
Robbery	100	84	64	20	16	14	2
Aggravated assault	100	67	36	31	33	30	2
Other violent /c	100	70	38	33	30	27	3
Property offenses	100 %	63 %	35 %	28 %	37 %	34 %	3 %
Burglary	100	72	46	27	28	25	2
Larceny /d	100	61	30	31	39	37	3
Fraud /e	100	55	28	27	45	41	4
Drug offenses	100 %	57 %	32 %	25 %	43 %	39 %	5 %
Possession	100	52	26	26	48	40	7
Trafficking	100	59	35	24	41	38	3
Weapon offenses	100 %	69 %	38 %	31 %	31 %	27 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	68 %	31 %	37 %	32 %	29 %	3 %
Black							
All offenses	100 %	69 %	42 %	27 %	31 %	29 %	2 %
Violent offenses	100 %	80 %	58 %	22 %	20 %	19 %	1 %
Murder /a	100	96	94	2	4	4	0
Sexual assault /b	100	84	64	20	16	15	1
Robbery	100	88	73	15	12	11	1
Aggravated assault	100	71	43	28	29	27	1
Other violent /c	100	74	41	33	26	24	2
Property offenses	100 %	65 %	37 %	28 %	35 %	33 %	2 %
Burglary	100	77	52	25	23	21	2
Larceny /d	100	64	33	31	36	34	1
Fraud /e	100	53	26	27	47	44	2
Drug offenses	100 %	67 %	41 %	26 %	33 %	30 %	2 %
Possession	100	66	36	30	34	30	3
Trafficking	100	67	43	24	33	31	2
Weapon offenses	100 %	68 %	37 %	31 %	32 %	30 %	2 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	67 %	29 %	38 %	33 %	31 %	2 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.6. Mean length of felony State court sentences imposed, by offense and gender of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
Male				
All offenses	39 mo	57 mo	7 mo	36 mo
Violent offenses	66 mo	90 mo	8 mo	42 mo
Murder /a	229	237	10	64
Sexual assault /b	80	104	8	56
Robbery	82	96	11	49
Aggravated assault	38	58	7	37
Other violent /c	35	55	7	36
Property offenses	29 mo	43 mo	7 mo	36 mo
Burglary	37	51	8	39
Larceny /d	21	33	7	34
Fraud /e	26	40	6	34
Drug offenses	34 mo	51 mo	7 mo	35 mo
Possession	20	31	5	30
Trafficking	40	58	8	37
Weapon offenses	26 mo	40 mo	7 mo	32 mo
Other offenses /f	22 mo	35 mo	6 mo	32 mo
Female				
All offenses	23 mo	42 mo	6 mo	35 mo
Violent offenses	42 mo	70 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	176	187	12 *	80
Sexual assault /b	41	57	7	43
Robbery	55	75	9	41
Aggravated assault	25	48	6	34
Other violent /c	39	60	6	40
Property offenses	19 mo	34 mo	5 mo	36 mo
Burglary	23	44	5	36
Larceny /d	15	30	6	35
Fraud /e	20	34	5	36
Drug offenses	24 mo	42 mo	6 mo	33 mo
Possession	14	28	4	28
Trafficking	30	48	7	36
Weapon offenses	18 mo	32 mo	5 mo	28 mo
Other offenses /f	16 mo	30 mo	5 mo	33 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

* Estimate based on 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnapping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.7. Mean length of felony State court sentences imposed, by offense and race of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
White				
All offenses	34 mo	52 mo	7 mo	35 mo
Violent offenses	29 mo	55 mo	6 mo	41 mo
Murder /a	117	141	9	66
Sexual assault /b	42	66	7	57
Robbery	37	58	8	47
Aggravated assault	17	37	5	37
Other violent /c	23	51	6	37
Property offenses	16 mo	29 mo	5 mo	36 mo
Burglary	20	34	6	39
Larceny /d	12	25	5	35
Fraud /e	13	24	4	34
Drug offenses	16 mo	32 mo	5 mo	33 mo
Possession	9	19	3	29
Trafficking	21	40	6	35
Weapon offenses	12 mo	28 mo	5 mo	33 mo
Other offenses /f	11 mo	23 mo	5 mo	33 mo
Black				
All offenses	44 mo	64 mo	8 mo	35 mo
Violent offenses	34 mo	57 mo	7 mo	39 mo
Murder /a	97	117	10	71
Sexual assault /b	50	76	7	50
Robbery	43	58	10	46
Aggravated assault	22	44	6	36
Other violent /c	16	34	6	34
Property offenses	17 mo	31 mo	6 mo	35 mo
Burglary	23	39	8	35
Larceny /d	12	24	6	33
Fraud /e	14	26	4	36
Drug offenses	20 mo	35 mo	6 mo	37 mo
Possession	12	21	4	29
Trafficking	23	40	6	39
Weapon offenses	16 mo	33 mo	6 mo	30 mo
Other offenses /f	11 mo	24 mo	5 mo	29 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.8. Offense distribution of felons sentenced to incarceration or prison in State courts, by gender and race of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convictions				
	Total	Gender		Race	
		Male	Female	White	Black
Incarceration /a					
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	23 %	25 %	14 %	21 %	24 %
Murder /b	1	1	1	1	2
Sexual assault /c	4	5	1	5	3
Robbery	5	6	3	3	8
Aggravated assault	10	10	9	9	10
Other violent /d	2	2	2	2	1
Property offenses	30 %	27 %	42 %	33 %	26 %
Burglary	12	12	7	13	10
Larceny /e	10	10	15	11	10
Fraud /f	8	5	19	9	7
Drug offenses	29 %	29 %	31 %	25 %	36 %
Possession	9	9	12	9	10
Trafficking	20	21	19	17	26
Weapon offenses	3 %	4 %	1 %	2 %	4 %
Other offenses /g	15 %	15 %	12 %	18 %	11 %
Prison					
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	26 %	28 %	16 %	24 %	29 %
Murder /b	2	2	2	2	3
Sexual assault /c	5	6	1	7	4
Robbery	7	8	4	5	11
Aggravated assault	9	10	8	9	10
Other violent /d	2	2	2	2	1
Property offenses	29 %	27 %	39 %	33 %	24 %
Burglary	13	13	7	15	11
Larceny /e	9	9	12	10	8
Fraud /f	7	5	19	8	5
Drug offenses	30 %	30 %	33 %	26 %	36 %
Possession	8	8	11	8	9
Trafficking	22	22	22	18	28
Weapon offenses	3 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	3 %
Other offenses /g	12 %	12 %	10 %	15 %	8 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes prison and jail sentences.

b/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

c/ Includes rape.

d/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

e/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

f/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

g/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.9. Offense distribution of felons sentenced to jail or probation in State courts, by gender and race of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convictions				
	Total	Gender		Race	
		Male	Female	White	Black
Jail					
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	18 %	20 %	13 %	18 %	17 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	--	--
Sexual assault /b	3	4	--	4	2
Robbery	2	3	1	2	3
Aggravated assault	10	11	9	10	10
Other violent /c	2	3	1	2	1
Property offenses	31 %	28 %	44 %	32 %	29 %
Burglary	10	10	8	11	8
Larceny /d	12	11	17	12	12
Fraud /e	9	6	19	9	9
Drug offenses	29 %	29 %	29 %	25 %	35 %
Possession	10	10	13	10	11
Trafficking	19	19	16	15	24
Weapon offenses	3 %	4 %	1 %	2 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	20 %	20 %	13 %	22 %	15 %
Probation					
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	14 %	15 %	11 %	13 %	14 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	--	--
Sexual assault /b	2	2	--	2	1
Robbery	2	2	1	1	2
Aggravated assault	9	8	8	8	9
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	1
Property offenses	33 %	28 %	47 %	34 %	31 %
Burglary	8	10	4	9	6
Larceny /d	12	11	17	13	12
Fraud /e	13	8	26	13	13
Drug offenses	37 %	38 %	33 %	35 %	40 %
Possession	13	14	15	14	11
Trafficking	23	24	19	21	29
Weapon offenses	3 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	14 %	15 %	9 %	15 %	12 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.10. Percent of convicted felons sentenced in State courts to incarceration or prison, by gender, race, and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent receiving designated sentence			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Sentenced to incarceration /a				
All offenses	66 %	55 %	73 %	53 %
Violent offenses	75 %	63 %	83 %	59 %
Murder /b	94	83	96	95
Sexual assault /c	82	73	84	50
Robbery	86	69	89	76
Aggravated assault	69	58	76	52
Other violent /d	71	66	75	64
Property offenses	66 %	53 %	72 %	48 %
Burglary	73	68	77	76
Larceny /e	64	50	71	48
Fraud /f	58	50	63	43
Drug offenses	58 %	51 %	69 %	55 %
Possession	54	47	69	53
Trafficking	60	53	69	56
Weapon offenses	70 %	61 %	69 %	52 %
Other offenses /g	69 %	64 %	69 %	60 %
Sentenced to prison				
All offenses	38 %	25 %	46 %	25 %
Violent offenses	49 %	33 %	61 %	31 %
Murder /b	88	70	94	94
Sexual assault /c	58	50	65	20
Robbery	66	44	75	55
Aggravated assault	38	24	48	23
Other violent /d	37	42	44	25
Property offenses	39 %	23 %	44 %	20 %
Burglary	48	31	54	32
Larceny /e	34	19	39	19
Fraud /f	31	24	33	19
Drug offenses	34 %	23 %	43 %	30 %
Possession	28	18	39	24
Trafficking	37	27	44	34
Weapon offenses	38 %	32 %	38 %	23 %
Other offenses /g	32 %	26 %	31 %	21 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes prison and jail sentences.

b/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

c/ Includes rape.

d/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

e/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

f/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

g/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.11. Percent of convicted felons sentenced in State courts to jail or probation, by gender, race, and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent receiving designated sentence			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Sentenced to jail				
All offenses	28 %	30 %	27 %	28 %
Violent offenses	27 %	29 %	21 %	27 %
Murder /a	5	13	2	2
Sexual assault /b	24	23	20	30
Robbery	19	25	15	21
Aggravated assault	31	34	28	29
Other violent /c	34	24	32	39
Property offenses	27 %	30 %	28 %	28 %
Burglary	25	37	24	44
Larceny /d	30	32	32	29
Fraud /e	27	26	30	24
Drug offenses	24 %	27 %	26 %	25 %
Possession	25	29	30	29
Trafficking	24	26	24	23
Weapon offenses	31 %	30 %	31 %	29 %
Other offenses /f	37 %	39 %	38 %	38 %
Sentenced to probation				
All offenses	34 %	45 %	27 %	47 %
Violent offenses	25 %	37 %	17 %	41 %
Murder /a	6	17	4	5
Sexual assault /b	18	27	16	50
Robbery	14	31	11	24
Aggravated assault	31	42	24	48
Other violent /c	29	34	25	36
Property offenses	34 %	47 %	28 %	52 %
Burglary	27	32	23	24
Larceny /d	36	50	29	52
Fraud /e	42	50	37	57
Drug offenses	42 %	49 %	31 %	45 %
Possession	46	53	31	47
Trafficking	40	47	31	44
Weapon offenses	30 %	39 %	31 %	48 %
Other offenses /f	31 %	36 %	31 %	40 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.12. Mean length of State felony sentences to incarceration or prison, by gender, race, and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Mean sentence length (in months) for persons who were --			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Sentenced to incarceration /a				
All offenses	36 mo	23 mo	46 mo	27 mo
Violent offenses	63 mo	38 mo	82 mo	51 mo
Murder /b	213	121	240	247
Sexual assault /c	85	43	95	34
Robbery	78	54	92	57
Aggravated assault	36	25	48	29
Other violent /d	36	39	40	25
Property offenses	29 mo	20 mo	34 mo	20 mo
Burglary	37	26	44	22
Larceny /e	22	16	23	16
Fraud /f	25	20	30	23
Drug offenses	32 mo	24 mo	39 mo	27 mo
Possession	20	14	23	15
Trafficking	38	30	45	33
Weapon offenses	27 mo	17 mo	30 mo	23 mo
Other offenses /g	22 mo	14 mo	23 mo	19 mo
Sentenced to prison				
All offenses	54 mo	40 mo	66 mo	47 mo
Violent offenses	87 mo	61 mo	104 mo	81 mo
Murder /b	221	136	247	251
Sexual assault /c	107	55	117	74
Robbery	94	76	105	72
Aggravated assault	55	46	68	51
Other violent /d	57	53	59	50
Property offenses	42 mo	35 mo	49 mo	36 mo
Burglary	48	47	59	44
Larceny /e	33	31	35	29
Fraud /f	38	32	47	40
Drug offenses	48 mo	44 mo	56 mo	41 mo
Possession	31	30	33	26
Trafficking	55	51	63	47
Weapon offenses	40 mo	27 mo	44 mo	39 mo
Other offenses /g	36 mo	25 mo	38 mo	38 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes prison and jail sentences.

b/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

c/ Includes rape.

d/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

e/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

f/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

g/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.13. Mean length of State felony sentences to jail or probation, by gender, race, and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Mean sentence length (in months) for persons who were --			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Sentenced to jail				
All offenses	7 mo	5 mo	8 mo	6 mo
Violent offenses	8 mo	6 mo	9 mo	7 mo
Murder /a	8	12	10	12
Sexual assault /b	8	8	9	6
Robbery	11	9	12	10
Aggravated assault	7	5	8	7
Other violent /c	8	6	8	6
Property offenses	7 mo	5 mo	8 mo	6 mo
Burglary	8	6	9	5
Larceny /d	7	6	8	7
Fraud /e	6	5	7	5
Drug offenses	6 mo	5 mo	8 mo	7 mo
Possession	4	3	6	5
Trafficking	7	7	9	8
Weapon offenses	6 mo	4 mo	9 mo	5 mo
Other offenses /f	6 mo	5 mo	7 mo	6 mo
Sentenced to probation				
All offenses	36 mo	33 mo	35 mo	37 mo
Violent offenses	42 mo	37 mo	41 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	59	88	73	58
Sexual assault /b	57	45	51	36
Robbery	48	43	47	38
Aggravated assault	37	33	36	35
Other violent /c	36	44	35	31
Property offenses	36 mo	35 mo	33 mo	37 mo
Burglary	39	36	36	32
Larceny /d	35	36	31	35
Fraud /e	34	35	32	38
Drug offenses	34 mo	30 mo	36 mo	38 mo
Possession	30	27	29	31
Trafficking	36	33	39	42
Weapon offenses	33 mo	31 mo	30 mo	25 mo
Other offenses /f	33 mo	32 mo	28 mo	32 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Methodology

Felons sentenced to probation in State courts, 2002

Table 3.1. Among felons convicted in State courts in 2002, percent sentenced to probation, by offense; and offense distribution, by type of sentence

Table 3.2. Distribution of types of State felony sentences to probation or incarceration, by offense, 2002

Table 3.3. Average probation sentence lengths of felons convicted in State courts, by offense, 2002

Table 3.4. Average incarceration sentence lengths for felons receiving sentences with or without probation, by offense, 2002

Table 3.5. Distribution of the number of felony convictions for persons sentenced to probation in State courts, by offense, 2002

Table 3.6. Offense distribution of convicted felons receiving sentences with or without probation in State courts, by gender of felons, 2002

Table 3.7. Offense of felons receiving probation or a sentence without probation in State courts, by gender of felons, 2002

Table 3.8. Offense of felons receiving probation or a sentence without probation in State courts, by race of felons, 2002

Table 3.9. Offense distribution of convicted felons receiving sentences with or without probation in State courts, by race of felons, 2002

Table 3.10. Average age of felons receiving probation or a sentence without probation in State courts, by offense, 2002

Table 3.11. Felons sentenced to probation in State courts, by offense and age at sentencing, 2002

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Table 3.1. Among felons convicted in State courts in 2002, percent sentenced to probation, by offense; and offense distribution, by type of sentence

Most serious conviction offense	Sentence type within offense			Offense within sentence type		
	Total	Probation	No probation	Total	Probation	No probation
All offenses	100 %	57 %	43 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	100 %	50 %	50 %	19 %	16 %	22 %
Murder /a	100	19	81	1	--	2
Sexual assault /b	100	49	51	3	3	4
Robbery	100	36	64	4	2	5
Aggravated assault	100	57	43	9	9	9
Other violent /c	100	56	44	2	2	2
Property offenses	100 %	60 %	40 %	31 %	33 %	29 %
Burglary	100	55	45	10	9	10
Larceny /d	100	58	42	12	12	11
Fraud /e	100	67	33	10	11	7
Drug offenses	100 %	58 %	42 %	32 %	33 %	32 %
Possession	100	63	37	12	14	10
Trafficking	100	54	46	20	19	21
Weapon offenses	100 %	51 %	49 %	3 %	3 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	57 %	43 %	15 %	15 %	15 %

Note: This table is based on an estimated 1,051,002 cases.

In this table persons are counted as probation cases so long as their sentences included probation and without regard to whether a term of incarceration was also included.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.2. Distribution of types of State felony sentences to probation or incarceration, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felony convictions by type of --							
	Probation sentence				Nonprobation sentence			
	Straight probation	Split sentence			No incarceration	Incarceration		
Total		Prison	Jail	Total		Prison	Jail	
All offenses	28 %	29 %	12 %	16 %	3 %	40 %	29 %	12 %
Violent offenses	21 %	29 %	13 %	17 %	2 %	48 %	40 %	8 %
Murder /a	5	14	11	3	1	81	80	1
Sexual assault /b	16	33	17	16	2	49	42	7
Robbery	13	24	14	9	2	62	56	6
Aggravated assault	27	31	11	20	3	40	31	9
Other violent /c	21	35	12	23	2	41	30	12
Property offenses	31 %	29 %	13 %	17 %	3 %	37 %	25 %	12 %
Burglary	25	31	14	17	3	41	32	9
Larceny /d	30	28	11	17	3	39	24	14
Fraud /e	37	30	13	17	4	29	19	11
Drug offenses	31 %	27 %	12 %	14 %	3 %	39 %	27 %	12 %
Possession	33	30	14	16	5	32	20	12
Trafficking	30	25	12	13	2	43	31	12
Weapon offenses	24 %	26 %	12 %	15 %	3 %	47 %	33 %	13 %
Other offenses /f	28 %	30 %	10 %	20 %	3 %	40 %	25 %	15 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

This table is based on an estimated 1,047,931 cases.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.3. Average probation sentence lengths of felons convicted in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Probation sentence (in months) in case of --				
	Total	Straight probation	Split sentence		
			Total	Prison	Jail
Mean sentence					
All offenses	40 mo	38 mo	39 mo	45 mo	37 mo
Violent offenses	49 mo	43 mo	47 mo	61 mo	41 mo
Murder /a	75	76	76	82	54
Sexual assault /b	66	54	62	76	56
Robbery	53	52	53	58	46
Aggravated assault	43	39	41	55	37
Other violent /c	41	37	40	50	37
Property offenses	40 mo	37 mo	39 mo	43 mo	38 mo
Burglary	43	40	42	46	41
Larceny /d	35	36	36	35	35
Fraud /e	42	36	39	48	37
Drug offenses	39 mo	36 mo	38 mo	42 mo	36 mo
Possession	33	33	33	36	31
Trafficking	43	39	41	47	40
Weapon offenses	32 mo	35 mo	33 mo	29 mo	33 mo
Other offenses /f	35 mo	37 mo	36 mo	37 mo	34 mo
Median sentence					
All offenses	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo
Violent offenses	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	60	60	60	60	60
Sexual assault /b	48	36	36	60	36
Robbery	36	60	48	48	36
Aggravated assault	36	36	36	36	36
Other violent /c	36	36	36	36	36
Property offenses	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo
Burglary	36	36	36	36	36
Larceny /d	36	36	36	30	36
Fraud /e	36	36	36	32	36
Drug offenses	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	30 mo	36 mo
Possession	24	36	30	24	36
Trafficking	36	36	36	36	36
Weapon offenses	30 mo	30 mo	30 mo	24 mo	36 mo
Other offenses /f	34 mo	36 mo	36 mo	24 mo	36 mo

Note: See note on table 3.1.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.4. Average incarceration sentence lengths for felons receiving sentences with or without probation, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum incarceration sentence length (in months) for --					
	Split sentence			Incarceration without probation		
	Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Prison	Jail
Mean sentence						
All offenses	21 mo	37 mo	5 mo	45 mo	60 mo	8 mo
Violent offenses	32 mo	58 mo	6 mo	79 mo	92 mo	10 mo
Murder /a	124	145	10	239	241	10
Sexual assault /b	48	76	7	97	110	10
Robbery	44	62	8	91	99	13
Aggravated assault	20	41	5	48	59	9
Other violent /c	21	41	7	42	55	10
Property offenses	18 mo	30 mo	6 mo	35 mo	46 mo	8 mo
Burglary	21	36	7	47	57	9
Larceny /d	15	27	5	26	37	8
Fraud /e	17	29	5	31	44	7
Drug offenses	20 mo	33 mo	5 mo	41 mo	55 mo	8 mo
Possession	15	26	5	28	41	5
Trafficking	23	39	6	46	61	9
Weapon offenses	17 mo	29 mo	5 mo	33 mo	42 mo	9 mo
Other offenses /f	14 mo	29 mo	5 mo	29 mo	41 mo	7 mo
Median sentence						
All offenses	12 mo	24 mo	4 mo	24 mo	36 mo	6 mo
Violent offenses	12 mo	36 mo	6 mo	48 mo	60 mo	9 mo
Murder /a	84	120	12	300	300	9
Sexual assault /b	20	48	6	60	72	9
Robbery	24	48	8	60	72	12
Aggravated assault	10	26	4	33	42	6
Other violent /c	12	24	6	24	36	9
Property offenses	12 mo	24 mo	4 mo	24 mo	36 mo	6 mo
Burglary	12	24	6	32	36	6
Larceny /d	10	24	4	18	24	6
Fraud /e	10	24	3	23	32	6
Drug offenses	12 mo	24 mo	4 mo	24 mo	36 mo	6 mo
Possession	9	24	3	16	32	4
Trafficking	12	24	5	30	48	7
Weapon offenses	12 mo	24 mo	4 mo	24 mo	30 mo	6 mo
Other offenses /f	6 mo	24 mo	4 mo	18 mo	36 mo	6 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 3.1.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.5. Distribution of the number of felony convictions for persons sentenced to probation in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to probation for --			
	One or more felony convictions	One felony conviction	Two felony convictions	Three or more felony convictions
All offenses	57 %	56 %	59 %	57 %
Violent offenses	50 %	50 %	51 %	46 %
Murder /a	19	16	25	19
Sexual assault /b	49	51	45	47
Robbery	36	33	41	40
Aggravated assault	57	59	57	52
Other violent /c	56	55	62	53
Property offenses	60 %	58 %	63 %	63 %
Burglary	55	52	59	60
Larceny /d	58	56	64	64
Fraud /e	67	66	67	66
Drug offenses	58 %	57 %	60 %	57 %
Possession	63	63	60	67
Trafficking	54	53	60	53
Weapon offenses	51 %	49 %	55 %	56 %
Other offenses /f	57 %	56 %	63 %	59 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.6. Offense distribution of convicted felons receiving sentences with or without probation in State courts, by gender of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of sentences to probation			Percent of sentences without probation		
	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	16 %	19 %	12 %	22 %	25 %	14 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	2	2	1
Sexual assault /b	3	4	--	4	5	1
Robbery	2	3	1	5	6	3
Aggravated assault	9	10	8	9	10	8
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	2	2
Property offenses	33 %	28 %	46 %	29 %	27 %	40 %
Burglary	9	11	5	10	12	7
Larceny /d	12	10	16	11	10	16
Fraud /e	11	7	24	7	5	18
Drug offenses	33 %	33 %	32 %	32 %	31 %	33 %
Possession	14	12	13	10	9	12
Trafficking	19	21	18	21	22	20
Weapon offenses	3 %	3 %	1 %	4 %	4 %	1 %
Other offenses /f	15 %	17 %	10 %	15 %	14 %	12 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

This table is based on an estimated 714,307 cases.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.7. Offense of felons receiving probation or a sentence without probation in State courts, by gender of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of sentences to probation			Percent of sentences without probation		
	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female
All offenses	100 %	79 %	21 %	100 %	88 %	12 %
Violent offenses	100 %	86 %	14 %	100 %	93 %	7 %
Murder /a	100	84	16	100	92	8
Sexual assault /b	100	97	3	100	98	2
Robbery	100	88	12	100	94	6
Aggravated assault	100	82	18	100	90	10
Other violent /c	100	86	14	100	90	10
Property offenses	100 %	70 %	30 %	100 %	83 %	17 %
Burglary	100	89	11	100	93	7
Larceny /d	100	71	29	100	82	18
Fraud /e	100	54	46	100	68	32
Drug offenses	100 %	80 %	20 %	100 %	87 %	13 %
Possession	100	77	23	100	84	16
Trafficking	100	82	18	100	89	11
Weapon offenses	100 %	93 %	7 %	100 %	97 %	3 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	87 %	13 %	100 %	90 %	10 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

This table is based on an estimated 714,307 cases.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.8. Offense of felons receiving probation or a sentence without probation in State courts, by race of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of sentences to probation				Percent of sentences without probation			
	All	White	Black	Other	All	White	Black	Other
All offenses	100 %	64 %	33 %	3 %	100 %	54 %	43 %	2 %
Violent offenses	100 %	62 %	34 %	5 %	100 %	51 %	46 %	3 %
Murder /a	100	64	34	2	100	40	56	4
Sexual assault /b	100	74	22	4	100	67	29	3
Robbery	100	43	55	3	100	36	62	2
Aggravated assault	100	61	34	5	100	52	44	4
Other violent /c	100	73	22	5	100	66	29	5
Property offenses	100 %	67 %	30 %	3 %	100 %	59 %	38 %	2 %
Burglary	100	70	26	4	100	61	37	2
Larceny /d	100	66	31	3	100	57	41	2
Fraud /e	100	65	33	2	100	62	36	2
Drug offenses	100 %	59 %	38 %	3 %	100 %	47 %	51 %	2 %
Possession	100	66	30	3	100	52	46	2
Trafficking	100	55	43	2	100	46	53	2
Weapon offenses	100 %	51 %	46 %	3 %	100 %	43 %	54 %	3 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	71 %	25 %	4 %	100 %	66 %	31 %	3 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

This table is based on an estimated 612,161 cases.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 3.9. Offense distribution of convicted felons receiving sentences with or without probation in State courts, by race of felons, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of sentences to probation				Percent of sentences without probation			
	All	White	Black	Other	All	White	Black	Other
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	16 %	17 %	18 %	24 %	22 %	21 %	24 %	31 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	--	2	1	2	3
Sexual assault /b	3	4	2	4	4	5	3	5
Robbery	2	2	4	2	5	4	8	5
Aggravated assault	9	9	10	15	9	9	9	14
Other violent /c	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	4
Property offenses	33 %	34 %	29 %	30 %	29 %	32 %	26 %	25 %
Burglary	9	11	8	11	10	13	10	9
Larceny /d	12	12	11	10	11	11	10	9
Fraud /e	11	11	11	8	7	8	6	6
Drug offenses	33 %	30 %	38 %	26 %	32 %	27 %	36 %	22 %
Possession	14	12	11	12	10	9	10	8
Trafficking	19	18	27	14	21	18	27	14
Weapon offenses	3 %	2 %	3 %	3 %	4 %	2 %	4 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	15 %	17 %	12 %	17 %	15 %	17 %	10 %	19 %

Note: See note on table 3.1.

This table is based on an estimated 612,161 cases.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Methodology

Felony case processing in State courts, 2002

Table 4.1. Estimated number of felony convictions in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.2. Distribution of types of felony convictions in State courts, by offense, 2002

Table 4.3. Offense distribution of felons convicted in State courts, by type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.4. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by type of conviction and offense, 2002

Table 4.5. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by the type of conviction, type of sentence imposed, and offense, 2002

Table 4.6. Distribution of types of sentences imposed on felons convicted of murder or nonnegligent manslaughter, by type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.7. Distribution of the number of felony convictions for persons sentenced in State courts, by type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.8. Distribution of types of sentences imposed in State courts, by number of felony convictions and type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.9. Time between arrest and felony conviction in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.10. Time between felony conviction and sentencing in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.11. Time between arrest and sentencing for persons convicted of a felony in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Table 4.12. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by number of felony convictions, type of conviction, and type of sentence, 2002

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Table 4.1. Estimated number of felony convictions in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Estimated number of felons convicted by --				
	Total	Trial		Guilty plea	
		Total	Jury	Bench	
All offenses	1,051,000	52,250	26,020	26,220	998,750
Violent offenses	197,030	19,090	12,500	6,590	177,940
Murder /a	8,990	2,850	2,380	470	6,140
Sexual assault /b	35,500	3,520	2,700	830	31,970
Rape	10,980	1,760	1,330	430	9,220
Other sexual assault	24,520	1,560	1,220	340	22,960
Robbery	38,430	3,560	2,460	1,100	34,860
Aggravated assault	95,600	7,640	4,240	3,390	87,960
Other violent /c	18,510	1,520	720	800	16,990
Property offenses	325,200	11,920	4,100	7,820	313,280
Burglary	100,640	4,440	1,780	2,650	96,200
Larceny /d	124,320	4,400	1,500	2,900	119,920
Motor vehicle theft	18,530	570	360	210	17,960
Fraud /e	100,240	3,070	810	2,260	97,170
Drug offenses	340,330	14,530	6,350	8,170	325,810
Possession	127,530	3,070	1,590	1,480	124,460
Trafficking	212,810	11,460	4,770	6,690	201,340
Weapon offenses	32,470	2,130	1,030	1,100	30,330
Other offenses /f	155,970	4,580	2,040	2,540	151,390

Note: Detail may not add to the total because of rounding.

This table is based on an estimated 492,848 cases. However, figures are adjusted for cases missing a designation of conviction type.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.2. Distribution of types of felony convictions in State courts, by offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons convicted by --				Guilty plea
	Total	Trial			
		Total	Jury	Bench	
All offenses	100 %	5 %	2 %	3 %	95 %
Violent offenses	100 %	10 %	7 %	3 %	90 %
Murder /a	100	32	27	5	68
Sexual assault /b	100	10	8	2	90
Rape	100	16	12	4	84
Other sexual assault	100	6	5	1	94
Robbery	100	9	6	3	91
Aggravated assault	100	8	4	4	92
Other violent /c	100	8	4	4	92
Property offenses	100 %	4 %	1 %	3 %	96 %
Burglary	100	4	2	2	96
Larceny /d	100	4	1	3	96
Motor vehicle theft	100	3	2	1	97
Fraud /e	100	3	1	2	97
Drug offenses	100 %	4 %	2 %	2 %	96 %
Possession	100	2	1	1	98
Trafficking	100	5	2	3	95
Weapon offenses	100 %	7 %	3 %	4 %	93 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	97 %

Note: See note on table 4.1.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.3. Offense distribution of felons convicted in State courts, by type of conviction, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent convicted by --				
	Total	Trial			Guilty plea
	Total	Total	Jury	Bench	
All offenses	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
Violent offenses	19 %	37 %	48 %	25 %	18 %
Murder /a	1	5	9	2	1
Sexual assault /b	3	7	10	3	3
Robbery	4	7	9	4	3
Aggravated assault	9	15	16	13	9
Other violent /c	2	3	3	3	2
Property offenses	31 %	23 %	16 %	30 %	31 %
Burglary	10	8	7	10	10
Larceny /d	12	8	6	11	12
Fraud /e	10	6	3	9	10
Drug offenses	32 %	28 %	24 %	31 %	33 %
Possession	12	6	6	6	12
Trafficking	20	22	18	26	20
Weapons offenses	3 %	4 %	4 %	4 %	3 %
Other offenses /f	15 %	9 %	8 %	10 %	15 %

Note: See note on tables 4.1.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.4. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by type of conviction and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
Trial							
All offenses	100 %	79 %	59 %	20 %	21 %	18 %	3 %
Violent offenses	100 %	89 %	75 %	14 %	11 %	9 %	2 %
Murder /a	100	98	98	1	2	1	1
Sexual assault /b	100	93	83	10	7	7	--
Robbery	100	98	90	7	2	2	--
Aggravated assault	100	84	60	24	16	12	4
Other violent /c	100	70	51	19	30	30	--
Property offenses	100 %	70 %	44 %	27 %	30 %	23 %	7 %
Burglary	100	78	57	21	22	15	6
Larceny /d	100	75	42	33	25	20	5
Fraud /e	100	54	29	25	46	35	11
Drug offenses	100 %	72 %	54 %	18 %	28 %	26 %	2 %
Possession	100	75	35	41	25	24	--
Trafficking	100	71	58	13	29	27	2
Weapon offenses	100 %	83 %	63 %	20 %	17 %	15 %	2 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	75 %	37 %	38 %	25 %	19 %	6 %
Jury							
All offenses	100 %	90 %	75 %	15 %	10 %	8 %	2 %
Violent offenses	100 %	94 %	85 %	9 %	6 %	5 %	1 %
Murder /a	100	98	97	1	2	1	1
Sexual assault /b	100	96	91	5	4	3	1
Robbery	100	98	93	5	2	2	1
Aggravated assault	100	89	69	19	11	10	1
Other violent /c	100	81	68	13	19	19	--
Property offenses	100 %	85 %	61 %	24 %	15 %	11 %	5 %
Burglary	100	90	74	16	10	7	2
Larceny /d	100	84	56	28	16	13	3
Fraud /e	100	74	41	34	26	13	12
Drug offenses	100 %	87 %	72 %	15 %	13 %	12 %	1 %
Possession	100	79	53	27	21	20	1
Trafficking	100	89	78	11	11	10	1
Weapon offenses	100 %	95 %	76 %	19 %	5 %	3 %	2 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	85 %	58 %	27 %	15 %	12 %	4 %

Table 4.4. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by type of conviction and offense, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
Bench							
All offenses	100 %	66 %	40 %	26 %	34 %	29 %	5 %
Violent offenses	100 %	80 %	57 %	23 %	20 %	17 %	4 %
Murder /a	100	99	99	--	1	1	--
Sexual assault /b	100	81	57	25	19	19	--
Robbery	100	97	83	14	3	3	--
Aggravated assault	100	75	46	29	25	17	8
Other violent /c	100	60	35	24	40	40	--
Property offenses	100 %	62 %	34 %	27 %	38 %	30 %	8 %
Burglary	100	69	45	24	31	22	9
Larceny /d	100	70	34	35	30	24	6
Fraud /e	100	47	24	22	54	43	10
Drug offenses	100 %	59 %	38 %	21 %	41 %	38 %	2 %
Possession	100	70	16	54	30	30	--
Trafficking	100	57	43	14	43	40	3
Weapon offenses	100 %	68 %	47 %	21 %	32 %	29 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	66 %	19 %	47 %	34 %	25 %	8 %
Guilty plea							
All offenses	100 %	66 %	36 %	30 %	34 %	31 %	3 %
Violent offenses	100 %	74 %	47 %	28 %	26 %	23 %	3 %
Murder /a	100	93	88	5	7	6	1
Sexual assault /b	100	80	56	24	20	17	3
Robbery	100	84	64	19	16	14	2
Aggravated assault	100	66	34	33	34	30	3
Other violent /c	100	73	38	34	27	25	2
Property offenses	100 %	62 %	32 %	30 %	38 %	34 %	3 %
Burglary	100	72	45	27	28	26	2
Larceny /d	100	61	25	35	39	36	4
Fraud /e	100	55	27	27	45	41	4
Drug offenses	100 %	63 %	35 %	28 %	37 %	33 %	4 %
Possession	100	58	29	29	42	38	4
Trafficking	100	66	38	28	34	30	3
Weapon offenses	100 %	67 %	36 %	31 %	33 %	29 %	4 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	67 %	31 %	36 %	33 %	30 %	3 %

Note: See note on table 1.2.

--Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.5. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by the type of conviction, type of sentence imposed, and offense, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for convictions by --									
	Total		Trial						Guilty plea	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Jury		Bench		Mean	Median
Sentences to prison										
All offenses	57 mo	36 mo	114 mo	72 mo	140 mo	120 mo	69 mo	42 mo	52 mo	36 mo
Violent offenses	88 mo	60 mo	162 mo	120 mo	186 mo	180 mo	104 mo	60 mo	77 mo	55 mo
Murder /a	213	245	297	480	302	**	296	480	184	180
Sexual assault /b	104	60	206	144	226	180	112	72	89	60
Robbery	91	60	162	120	187	168	105	72	81	60
Aggravated assault	57	37	93	60	105	72	68	37	52	36
Other violent /c	55	26	95	48	131	96	39	18	50	24
Property offenses	42 mo	36 mo	69 mo	48 mo	94 mo	60 mo	46 mo	30 mo	41 mo	34 mo
Burglary	49	36	89	60	116	80	59	54	47	36
Larceny /d	36	24	51	36	66	48	39	30	35	24
Fraud /e	38	27	50	24	81	60	32	24	37	27
Drug offenses	54 mo	40 mo	84 mo	60 mo	104 mo	96 mo	54 mo	42 mo	51 mo	36 mo
Possession	36	28	63	43	67	54	51	22	36	26
Trafficking	60	48	87	62	111	108	54	42	58	48
Weapon offenses	44 mo	36 mo	63 mo	60 mo	75 mo	60 mo	46 mo	36 mo	42 mo	36 mo
Other offenses /f	38 mo	36 mo	56 mo	36 mo	58 mo	48 mo	50 mo	30 mo	37 mo	36 mo
Sentences to jail										
All offenses	7 mo	6 mo	9 mo	6 mo	8 mo	6 mo	9 mo	7 mo	7 mo	6 mo
Violent offenses	9 mo	6 mo	10 mo	9 mo	9 mo	8 mo	11 mo	9 mo	8 mo	6 mo
Murder /a	9	12	8 *	9 *	8 *	9 *	/	/	9	12
Sexual assault /b	9	6	10	7	12	8	8	7	9	6
Robbery	12	12	14	12	10	12	17	23	12	12
Aggravated assault	7	6	10	8	9	8	10	8	7	6
Other violent /c	10	12	9	12	5	3	10	12	10	11
Property offenses	7 mo	6 mo	7 mo	6 mo	8 mo	6 mo	7 mo	6 mo	7 mo	6 mo
Burglary	9	6	10	8	11	6	9	9	9	6
Larceny /d	7	6	7	6	6	4	7	6	7	6
Fraud /e	6	4	6	6	5	6	7	6	6	4
Drug offenses	7 mo	6 mo	9 mo	5 mo	7 mo	5 mo	9 mo	6 mo	7 mo	6 mo
Possession	4	3	4	3	4	4	3	2	4	3
Trafficking	9	6	13	12	10	6	14	12	9	6
Weapon offenses	9 mo	7 mo	10 mo	10 mo	8 mo	7 mo	12 mo	10 mo	8 mo	7 mo
Other offenses /f	6 mo	6 mo	8 mo	6 mo	6 mo	6 mo	9 mo	7 mo	6 mo	6 mo

Table 4.5. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by the type of conviction, type of sentence imposed, and offense, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for convictions by --									
	Total		Total		Trial		Bench		Guilty plea	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median
Sentences to probation										
All offenses	36 mo	30 mo	36 mo	36 mo	32 mo	24 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo	30 mo
Violent offenses	41 mo	36 mo	40 mo	36 mo	37 mo	30 mo	41 mo	36 mo	41 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	78	72	27 *	24 *	29 *	24 *	12 *	12 *	83	72
Sexual assault /b	56	36	45	36	39	25	46	60	57	36
Robbery	50	60	48	60	43	60	54	53	50	60
Aggravated assault	37	36	40	36	39	36	41	36	37	36
Other violent /c	36	24	37	36	31 *	24 *	39	36	36	24
Property offenses	35 mo	24 mo	37 mo	36 mo	36 mo	24 mo	38 mo	36 mo	35 mo	24 mo
Burglary	38	36	45	36	35	24	48	60	38	36
Larceny /d	34	24	38	36	40	36	37	36	34	24
Fraud /e	35	24	33	36	30	24	33	36	35	24
Drug offenses	35 mo	30 mo	33 mo	36 mo	25 mo	18 mo	35 mo	36 mo	35 mo	30 mo
Possession	31	24	20	12	25	24	17	12	31	24
Trafficking	37	36	35	36	25	18	37	36	37	36
Weapon offenses	36 mo	36 mo	35 mo	36 mo	36 mo*	36 mo*	35 mo	36 mo	36 mo	36 mo
Other offenses /f	36 mo	24 mo	34 mo	36 mo	34 mo	24 mo	34 mo	36 mo	36 mo	24 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 1.3.

/ No sample cases available for estimate.

* Estimate based on 10 or fewer sample cases.

** Because the median includes felons sentenced to life in prison, the median sentence to prison is greater than 50 years.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.6. Distribution of types of sentences imposed on felons convicted of murder or nonnegligent manslaughter, by type of conviction, 2002

Type of conviction	Type of sentence for murder or nonnegligent manslaughter			
	Total	Life	Death	Other*
Total	100 %	24 %	1 %	75 %
Trial	100	42	1	57
Jury	100	45	2	53
Bench	100	34	0	66
Guilty plea	100	13	0	87

Note: Zero represents no cases in sample.

*Includes a probation or an incarceration sentence expressed in days, months, or years.

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Table 4.7. Distribution of the number of felony convictions for persons sentenced in State courts, by type of conviction, 2002

Type of conviction	Percent of felons sentenced for --		
	Total	One felony conviction	Two or more felony convictions
Total	100 %	69 %	31 %
Trial	100	60	40
Jury	100	53	47
Bench	100	64	36
Guilty plea	100	69	31

Note: This table is based on an estimated 492,848 cases.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

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Table 4.8. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed in State courts, by number of felony conviction offenses and type of conviction, 2002

Type of conviction	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
One felony conviction							
Total	100 %	66 %	33 %	32 %	34 %	31 %	3 %
Trial	100	78	54	24	22	19	3
Jury	100	88	72	16	12	10	2
Bench	100	67	36	31	33	28	4
Guilty plea	100	65	32	33	35	31	3
Two or more felony convictions							
Total	100 %	68 %	44 %	24 %	32 %	29 %	3 %
Trial	100	81	66	15	19	16	4
Jury	100	92	79	13	8	7	1
Bench	100	64	47	17	36	29	7
Guilty plea	100	67	43	24	33	30	3

Note: See note on table 1.2.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past, convictions.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

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Table 4.9. Time between arrest and felony conviction in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Median time (in days)	Following arrest, cumulative percent convicted within --				
		1 week	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year
Total						
All offenses	145	3 %	13 %	34 %	58 %	84 %
Violent offenses	194	1 %	9 %	24 %	47 %	77 %
Murder /a	380	--	1	4	18	47
Sexual assault /b	246	2	6	17	35	70
Robbery	174	1	8	25	52	82
Aggravated assault	177	1	10	26	51	80
Other violent /c	175	2	11	27	52	79
Property offenses	128	3 %	15 %	38 %	62 %	85 %
Burglary	134	3	14	36	62	87
Larceny /d	110	3	20	44	66	86
Fraud /e	151	2	9	32	57	81
Drug offenses	132	4 %	15 %	38 %	61 %	84 %
Possession	93	7	22	49	70	89
Trafficking	151	3	11	32	56	82
Weapon offenses	120	2 %	19 %	41 %	66 %	88 %
Other offenses /f	146	2 %	10 %	31 %	60 %	87 %
Trial						
All offenses	333	-- %	1 %	5 %	18 %	57 %
Violent offenses	375	0 %	-- %	3 %	14 %	49 %
Murder /a	503	0	0	0	4	28
Sexual assault /b	394	0	0	2	12	45
Robbery	300	0	--	2	18	61
Aggravated assault	353	0	1	7	18	54
Other violent /c	302	0	0	2	27	59
Property offenses	258	0 %	2 %	8 %	28 %	69 %
Burglary	244	0	1	5	30	73
Larceny /d	258	0	1	8	26	66
Fraud /e	282	0	10	20	27	68
Drug offenses	329	-- %	-- %	4 %	15 %	58 %
Possession	360	0	1	11	27	52
Trafficking	328	--	--	3	13	59
Weapon offenses	313	0 %	-- %	1 %	15 %	64 %
Other offenses /f	285	-- %	8 %	14 %	26 %	69 %

Table 4.9. Time between arrest and felony conviction in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Median time (in days)	Following arrest, cumulative percent convicted within --				
		1 week	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year
Guilty plea						
All offenses	162	3 %	9 %	29 %	54 %	82 %
Violent offenses	209	1 %	6 %	20 %	43 %	76 %
Murder /a	318	--	1	6	29	58
Sexual assault /b	246	2	5	16	33	72
Robbery	178	1	8	25	51	81
Aggravated assault	202	1	7	20	45	78
Other violent /c	252	2	5	15	37	67
Property offenses	160	2 %	8 %	28 %	55 %	82 %
Burglary	161	2	8	27	55	84
Larceny /d	158	2	9	30	56	82
Fraud /e	159	2	6	28	54	80
Drug offenses	145	4 %	12 %	34 %	58 %	83 %
Possession	100	8	19	47	68	89
Trafficking	162	3	9	29	54	80
Weapon offenses	162	1 %	9 %	28 %	55 %	84 %
Other offenses /f	148	2 %	8 %	29 %	59 %	87 %

Note: "Total" includes all cases, whether or not conviction type was known, and are based on an estimated 178,224 cases in 66 counties. Trial figures are based on an estimated 4,829 cases in 50 counties; guilty plea figures, 116,714 cases in 57 counties.

--Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.10. Time between felony conviction and sentencing in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced within:			
	Total	0-1 day	2-60 days	61 days or more
Total				
All offenses	100 %	68 %	17 %	15 %
Violent offenses	100 %	60 %	22 %	17 %
Murder /a	100	52	27	21
Sexual assault /b	100	59	21	20
Robbery	100	54	27	19
Aggravated assault	100	64	20	16
Other violent /c	100	58	24	17
Property offenses	100 %	71 %	16 %	14 %
Burglary	100	66	18	16
Larceny /d	100	73	15	12
Fraud /e	100	72	14	14
Drug offenses	100 %	69 %	16 %	15 %
Possession	100	74	15	11
Trafficking	100	65	17	18
Weapon offenses	100 %	69 %	21 %	11 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	69 %	17 %	15 %
Trial				
All offenses	100 %	41 %	36 %	23 %
Violent offenses	100 %	39 %	38 %	23 %
Murder /a	100	34	43	23
Sexual assault /b	100	48	29	23
Robbery	100	31	43	26
Aggravated assault	100	40	38	22
Other violent /c	100	46	37	18
Property offenses	100 %	46 %	32 %	22 %
Burglary	100	46	32	22
Larceny /d	100	57	23	20
Fraud /e	100	32	44	24
Drug offenses	100 %	41 %	32 %	27 %
Possession	100	45	27	28
Trafficking	100	39	34	27
Weapon offenses	100 %	33 %	45 %	22 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	44 %	36 %	20 %

Table 4.10. Time between felony conviction and sentencing in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced within:			
	Total	0-1 day	2-60 days	61 days or more
Guilty plea				
All offenses	100 %	58 %	22 %	20 %
Violent offenses	100 %	52 %	26 %	22 %
Murder /a	100	52	27	22
Sexual assault /b	100	49	27	24
Robbery	100	41	35	24
Aggravated assault	100	57	22	20
Other violent /c	100	56	26	18
Property offenses	100 %	60 %	20 %	20 %
Burglary	100	55	24	21
Larceny /d	100	63	18	19
Fraud /e	100	61	20	19
Drug offenses	100 %	57 %	22 %	21 %
Possession	100	53	25	21
Trafficking	100	59	20	21
Weapon offenses	100 %	49 %	31 %	20 %
Other offenses /f	100 %	61 %	20 %	18 %

Note: "Total" includes all cases, whether or not conviction type was known, and are based on an estimated 523,747 cases in 126 counties. Trial figures are based on an estimated 9,269 cases in 83 counties; guilty plea figures, 267,593 cases in 93 counties. Detail may not add to the total because of rounding.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 4.11. Time between arrest and sentencing for persons convicted of a felony in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2002

Most serious conviction offense	Median time (in days)	Following arrest, cumulative percent sentenced within --				
		1 week	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year
Total						
All offenses	184	1 %	7 %	26 %	49 %	78 %
Violent offenses	218	1 %	5 %	19 %	41 %	74 %
Murder /a	412	--	--	3	13	42
Sexual assault /b	265	1	2	11	30	67
Rape	261	1	3	15	34	69
Other sexual assault	270	1	2	9	27	66
Robbery	222	--	2	14	39	75
Aggravated assault	188	1	6	24	48	79
Other violent /c	207	1	7	20	44	78
Property offenses	172	1 %	8 %	27 %	52 %	80 %
Burglary	161	2	8	28	55	82
Larceny /d	168	1	10	30	53	81
Motor vehicle theft	99	2	20	47	69	88
Fraud /e	194	1	6	24	47	77
Drug offenses	175	1 %	9 %	29 %	51 %	79 %
Possession	130	3	15	41	60	84
Trafficking	196	1	6	23	46	76
Weapon offenses	154	2 %	12 %	33 %	57 %	84 %
Other offenses /f	184	1 %	6 %	23 %	49 %	81 %
Trial						
All offenses	243	0 %	3 %	13 %	36 %	72 %
Violent offenses	302	0 %	2 %	7 %	24 %	63 %
Murder /a	448	0	0	0	5	35
Sexual assault /b	363	0	2	6	19	50
Rape	353	0	2	7	22	53
Other sexual assault	405	0	0	3	11	45
Robbery	285	0	--	3	21	65
Aggravated assault	259	0	3	10	32	72
Other violent /c	273	0	2	12	28	78
Property offenses	190	0 %	5 %	17 %	47 %	79 %
Burglary	187	0	10	20	47	80
Larceny /d	182	0	2	10	50	80
Motor vehicle theft	180	0	0	6	60	73
Fraud /e	212	0	3	20	44	75
Drug offenses	204	0 %	1 %	19 %	41 %	76 %
Possession	230	0	1	4	31	70
Trafficking	200	0	2	21	43	77
Weapon offenses	256	0 %	-- %	10 %	27 %	71 %
Other offenses /f	243	0 %	9 %	16 %	37 %	73 %

Table 4.11. Time between arrest and sentencing for persons convicted of a felony in State courts, by offense and type of conviction, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Median time (in days)	Following arrest, cumulative percent sentenced within --				
		1 week	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year
Guilty plea						
All offenses	193	1 %	4 %	19 %	42 %	75 %
Violent offenses	249	1 %	2 %	13 %	34 %	70 %
Murder /a	383	0	0	4	16	45
Sexual assault /b	272	1	1	9	26	67
Rape	306	--	1	10	24	64
Other sexual assault	249	1	2	9	27	69
Robbery	238	--	1	12	36	73
Aggravated assault	234	1	3	17	38	72
Other violent /c	256	1	2	7	33	70
Property offenses	205	1 %	4 %	20 %	44 %	76 %
Burglary	190	1	4	20	48	79
Larceny /d	206	1	4	21	44	76
Motor vehicle theft	180	2	7	25	51	80
Fraud /e	223	1	4	20	41	74
Drug offenses	211	2 %	5 %	21 %	43 %	75 %
Possession	188	4	9	28	48	83
Trafficking	224	1	3	19	41	72
Weapon offenses	212	1 %	3 %	18 %	44 %	77 %
Other offenses /f	193	1 %	4 %	21 %	47 %	80 %

Note: "Total" includes all cases, whether or not conviction type was known, and are based on an estimated 324,359 cases in 126 counties. Trial figures are based on an estimated 14,837 cases in 83 counties; guilty plea figures, 174,868 cases in 95 counties.

--Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

State Court Sentencing of Convicted Felons, 2002 -- Statistical Tables

Table 4.12. Average felony sentence lengths in State courts, by number of felony convictions, type of conviction, and type of sentence, 2002

Type of sentence	Maximum sentence length (in months) for convictions by --					
	Total		Trial		Guilty plea	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median
One felony conviction						
Incarceration	32 mo	18 mo	71 mo	36 mo	29 mo	15 mo
Prison	48	33	99	60	47	36
Jail	7	6	9	6	7	6
Probation	37	36	34	36	34	24
More than one felony conviction						
Incarceration	45 mo	24 mo	108 mo	60 mo	42 mo	24 mo
Prison	62	36	133	87	61	46
Jail	7	6	7	6	7	6
Probation	39	36	38	36	40	36

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 1.3.

The number of convictions pertains to current, not past convictions.

"Total" includes all cases, whether or not conviction type was known.