

**Table 30**

**SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE CASES: DEGREE OF DEPARTURE  
FOR OFFENDERS IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY<sup>1</sup>  
Fiscal Year 2005, Pre-Booker (October 1, 2004, through January 11, 2005)**

| <b>PRIMARY OFFENSE</b>                    | <b>n</b>     | <b>Median Sentence in Months<sup>2</sup></b> | <b>Median Decrease in Months From Guideline Minimum</b> | <b>Median Percent Decrease From Guideline Minimum</b> |
|---|--------------|--|---|---|
| <b>TOTAL</b>                              | <b>2,339</b> | <b>30.0</b>                                  | <b>24.0</b>   | <b>49.9</b>   |
| <b>Murder</b>                             | 4            | 50.5   | 189.5   | 72.8  |
| <b>Manslaughter</b>                       | 0            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Kidnapping/Hostage Taking</b>          | 4            | 79.5   | 91.0  | 48.4  |
| <b>Sexual Abuse</b>                       | 0            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Assault</b>                            | 2            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Robbery</b>                            | 42           | 35.5   | 21.0  | 36.4  |
| <b>Arson</b>                              | 1            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Drugs - Trafficking</b>                | 1,401        | 45.0   | 36.0  | 44.4  |
| <b>Drugs - Communication Facility</b>     | 11           | 20.5   | 24.0  | 57.4  |
| <b>Drugs - Simple Possession</b>          | 2            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Firearms</b>                           | 279          | 36.0   | 20.0  | 47.6  |
| <b>Burglary/B&amp;E</b>                   | 1            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Auto Theft</b>                         | 3            | 30.0   | 57.0  | 65.5  |
| <b>Larceny</b>                            | 27           | 0.0  | 12.0  | 100.0   |
| <b>Fraud</b>                              | 241          | 1.0  | 12.0  | 93.4  |
| <b>Embezzlement</b>                       | 5            | 12.0   | 6.0   | 33.3  |
| <b>Forgery/Counterfeiting</b>             | 27           | 8.0  | 9.0   | 58.3  |
| <b>Bribery</b>                            | 4            | 0.0  | 10.5  | 100.0   |
| <b>Tax</b>                                | 17           | 0.0  | 10.0  | 100.0   |
| <b>Money Laundering</b>                   | 55           | 12.0   | 19.0  | 67.6  |
| <b>Racketeering/Extortion</b>             | 42           | 36.0   | 32.0  | 49.8  |
| <b>Gambling/Lottery</b>                   | 3            | 0.0  | 8.0   | 100.0   |
| <b>Civil Rights</b>                       | 3            | 0.0  | 10.0  | 100.0   |
| <b>Immigration</b>                        | 93           | 12.0   | 12.0  | 47.8  |
| <b>Pornography/Prostitution</b>           | 12           | 25.5   | 22.5  | 52.7  |
| <b>Prison Offenses</b>                    | 2            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Administration of Justice Offenses</b> | 28           | 0.0  | 12.0  | 100.0   |
| <b>Environmental/Wildlife</b>             | 6            | 0.0  | 8.5   | 100.0   |
| <b>National Defense</b>                   | 0            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Antitrust</b>                          | 1            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Food &amp; Drug</b>                    | 2            | --   | --  | --  |
| <b>Other Miscellaneous Offenses</b>       | 21           | 0.0  | 12.0  | 100.0   |

<sup>1</sup>Of the 18,788 cases, 2,575 received a substantial assistance departure. Of these, 2,407 had complete guideline application information. An additional 58 cases were excluded due to several logical criteria. Of the remaining 2,349 cases, 10 were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense category (0) or missing sentence information (10).

<sup>2</sup>Cases with guideline minimums of life or probation (i.e., sentence lengths of zero months) were included in the sentence average computations as 470 months and zero months, respectively, but were excluded from measures of decrease in the table.