

Table 324. Criminal Appeals Filed, by Offense: 1994 to 2004

[Appeals were classified into the offense category that represents the offense of conviction. Offenses represent the statutory offense charged against a defendant in a criminal appeal]

Most serious offense of conviction	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999 ¹	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
All offenses ²	10,674	10,162	10,889	10,521	10,535	10,251	9,162	11,281	11,569	11,968	12,517
Violent offenses ³	856	700	685	739	742	559	490	591	606	601	673
Property offenses	1,949	1,767	2,093	1,972	1,947	1,739	1,482	1,681	1,726	1,842	1,873
Fraudulent ⁴	1,410	1,323	1,581	1,519	1,439	1,338	1,164	1,299	1,389	1,478	1,524
Other ⁵	539	444	512	453	508	401	318	382	337	364	349
Drug offenses	5,102	4,499	5,099	4,750	4,845	4,513	3,843	4,529	4,689	4,565	4,678
Public-order offenses	1,037	886	985	1,050	878	954	827	1,024	876	894	955
Regulatory	288	220	196	224	178	162	150	144	128	137	142
Other	749	666	789	826	700	792	677	880	642	757	813
Weapon offenses ⁶	1,141	1,034	1,183	1,135	982	1,070	872	1,266	1,386	1,681	2,024
Immigration offenses ⁶	261	277	353	417	693	934	1,179	1,654	1,679	1,821	1,856
Unknown or indeterminable offenses	328	999	491	458	448	482	469	536	607	564	458

¹ Starting in 1999 and through the current data year, nonviolent sex offenses were reclassified from "Violent offenses" to "Public-order offenses." ² Include suspects whose offense category could not be determined. See Methodology for a listing of detailed offense categories within each major offense category. ³ In this table, "Violent offenses" may include nonnegligent manslaughter; "Fraudulent property" excludes tax fraud; and "Other nonfraudulent property" excludes fraudulent property and includes destruction of property and trespassing. ⁴ Fraudulent property excludes tax fraud. ⁵ Excludes fraudulent property and includes destruction of property and trespassing. ⁶ Beginning in 2001, "Weapon" and "Immigration" offenses became major offense categories. Previously, these offenses were classified within "Public-order offenses."

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