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**COMPARISON OF SENTENCE IMPOSED AND POSITION
RELATIVE TO THE GUIDELINE RANGE BY CIRCUIT¹
Fiscal Year 2007**

	National		Seventh Circuit	
	N	%	N	%
TOTAL CASES	69,893	100.0	2,908	100.0
CASES SENTENCED WITHIN GUIDELINE RANGE	42,504	60.8	1,736	59.7
CASES SENTENCED ABOVE GUIDELINE RANGE	1,060	1.5	44	1.5
DEPARTURE ABOVE GUIDELINE RANGE	467	0.7	16	0.5
Upward Departure From Guideline Range ²	324	0.5	9	0.3
Upward Departure With <i>Booker</i> /18 U.S.C. § 3553 ³	143	0.2	7	0.2
OTHERWISE ABOVE GUIDELINE RANGE	593	0.8	28	1.0
Above Guideline Range With <i>Booker</i> /18 U.S.C. § 3553 ⁴	491	0.7	25	0.9
All Remaining Cases Above Guideline Range ⁵	102	0.1	3	0.1
GOVERNMENT SPONSORED BELOW RANGE⁶	17,896	25.6	572	19.7
§5K1.1 Substantial Assistance Departure	10,049	14.4	514	17.7
§5K3.1 Early Disposition Program Departure	5,233	7.5	0	0.0
Other Government Sponsored Below Range	2,614	3.7	58	2.0
NON-GOVERNMENT SPONSORED BELOW RANGE	8,433	12.0	556	19.2
DEPARTURE BELOW GUIDELINE RANGE	2,770	3.9	147	5.1
Downward Departure From Guideline Range ²	1,757	2.5	75	2.6
Downward Departure With <i>Booker</i> /18 U.S.C. § 3553 ³	1,013	1.4	72	2.5
OTHERWISE BELOW GUIDELINE RANGE	5,663	8.1	409	14.1
Below Guideline Range With <i>Booker</i> /18 U.S.C. § 3553 ⁴	4,957	7.1	340	11.7
All Remaining Cases Below Guideline Range ⁵	706	1.0	69	2.4

¹This table reflects the 72,865 cases sentenced nationally in Fiscal Year 2007, 2,928 of which were from district courts in the Seventh Circuit. Of these, 2,972 cases nationally and 20 cases from courts in the Seventh Circuit were excluded because information was missing from the submitted documents that prevented the comparison of the sentence and the guideline range. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

²All cases with departures in which the court did not indicate as a reason either *U.S. v. Booker*, 18 U.S.C. § 3553, or a factor or reason specifically prohibited in the provisions, policy statements, or commentary of the *Guidelines Manual*.

³All cases sentenced outside of the guideline range in which the court indicated both a departure (see footnote 2) and a reference to either *U.S. v. Booker*, 18 U.S.C. § 3553, or related factors as a reason for sentencing outside of the guideline system.

⁴All cases sentenced outside of the guideline range in which no departure was indicated and in which the court cited *U.S. v. Booker*, 18 U.S.C. § 3553, or related factors as one of the reasons for sentencing outside of the guideline system.

⁵All cases sentenced outside of the guideline range that could not be classified into any of the three previous outside of the range categories. This category includes cases in which no reason was provided for a sentence outside of the guideline range.

⁶Cases in which a reason for the sentence indicated that the prosecution initiated, proposed, or stipulated to a sentence outside of the guideline range, either pursuant to a plea agreement or as part of a non-plea negotiation with the defendant.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2007 Datafile, USSCFY07.