

**Table 325. Authorized Intercepts of Communication—Summary: 1980 to 2007**

[As of December 31. Data for jurisdictions with statutes authorizing or approving interception of wire or oral communication]

Item	1980	1990	1995	2000	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Jurisdictions: <sup>1</sup>										
With wiretap statutes . . . . .	28	40	41	45	47	47	47	47	47	47
Reporting interceptions . . . . .	22	25	19	26	20	24	20	23	24	25
Intercept applications authorized . . . . .	564	872	1,156	1,266	1,358	1,442	1,710	1,773	1,839	2,208
Intercept installations <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	524	812	1,024	1,139	1,273	1,367	1,633	1,694	1,714	2,119
Federal . . . . .	79	321	527	472	490	576	723	624	461	454
State . . . . .	445	491	497	667	783	791	910	1,070	1,253	1,665
Intercepted communications, average <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	1,058	1,487	2,028	1,769	1,708	3,004	3,017	2,835	2,685	3,106
Incriminating average <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	315	321	459	402	403	993	619	629	547	920
Persons arrested <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	1,871	2,057	2,577	3,411	3,060	3,674	4,506	4,674	4,376	4,830
Convictions <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	259	420	494	736	493	844	634	776	711	984
Major offense specified:										
Gambling . . . . .	199	116	95	49	82	49	90	42	56	55
Drugs . . . . .	282	520	732	894	1,052	1,104	1,308	1,433	1,473	1,792
Homicide and assault . . . . .	13	21	30	72	58	80	48	82	119	132
Racketeering . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	98	76	72	96	138	94	90	98
Other . . . . .	70	215	201	175	94	113	126	122	101	131

NA Not available <sup>1</sup> Jurisdictions include federal government, 44 states and the Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia.  
<sup>2</sup> Based on the number of orders for which intercept devices were installed as reported by the prosecuting official. <sup>3</sup> Average per authorized installation. <sup>4</sup> Based on information received from intercepts installed in year shown; additional arrests/convictions will occur in subsequent years but are not shown here.

Source: Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, *Report on Applications for Orders Authorizing or Approving the Interception of Wire, Oral or Electronic Communications (Wiretap Report)*, annual. See also <<http://www.uscourts.gov/wiretap07/contents.html>> (accessed April 2008).