

**Table D-2. Cases
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),
During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 2004 Through 2008**

Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
TOTAL	70,397	68,996	66,365	67,910	70,429	3.7
VIOLENT OFFENSES, TOTAL	2,701	2,483	2,435	2,264	2,232	-1.4
HOMICIDE	159	158	157	132	120	-9.1
ROBBERY, TOTAL	1,201	1,004	1,058	911	899	-1.3
BANK	1,174	976	1,019	881	868	-1.5
OTHER ROBBERY OFFENSES	27	28	39	30	31	3.3
ASSAULT	935	928	828	813	773	-4.9
KIDNAPPING	97	73	70	68	72	5.9
RACKETEERING—VIOLENT	171	171	145	176	173	-1.7
CARJACKING	85	83	89	95	115	21.1
TERRORISM	10	20	30	32	25	-21.9
OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES	43	46	58	37	55	48.6
PROPERTY OFFENSES, TOTAL	11,890	11,761	11,806	12,621	12,048	-4.5
BURGLARY	61	54	38	41	33	-19.5
LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL	2,703	2,658	2,816	2,964	2,769	-6.6
BANK	96	82	63	58	62	6.9
POSTAL SERVICE	383	274	314	304	269	-11.5
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	27	34	30	28	22	-21.4
THEFT—U.S. PROPERTY	1,771	1,752	1,913	2,140	2,024	-5.4
THEFT—MARITIME JURISDICTION	206	200	190	175	137	-21.7
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., STOLEN PROPERTY	150	132	129	128	130	1.6
OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES	70	184	177	131	125	-4.6
EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL	772	634	664	549	621	13.1
BANK	321	213	259	194	186	-4.1
POSTAL SERVICE	242	228	193	182	220	20.9
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	38	26	24	18	37	105.6
OTHER EMBEZZLEMENT OFFENSES	171	167	188	155	178	14.8
FRAUD, TOTAL	7,310	7,393	7,165	8,101	7,746	-4.4
TAX	516	574	514	520	556	6.9
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	856	705	721	569	524	-7.9
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	95	101	65	70	66	-5.7
MAIL	574	503	530	464	483	4.1
WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION	397	340	383	340	298	-12.4
BANKRUPTCY	74	87	72	72	52	-27.8

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
FRAUD (CONTINUED)						
SOCIAL SECURITY	672	653	589	763	756	-0.9
FALSE PERSONATION	30	48	40	56	47	-16.1
CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION	242	290	184	179	222	24.0
PASSPORT	449	381	298	352	476	35.2
IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION	665	1,069	1,077	1,943	1,345	-30.8
FALSE CLAIMS AND SERVICES—GOVERNMENT	168	198	355	242	192	-20.7
FALSE STATEMENTS	916	832	669	638	796	24.8
CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES	631	628	578	649	580	-10.6
UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS DEVICES	556	523	561	594	612	3.0
COMPUTER	78	104	106	95	101	6.3
HEALTH CARE	240	242	246	261	322	23.4
ATTEMPT AND CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD	17	53	80	184	266	44.6
OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES	134	62	97	110	52	-52.7
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	881	898	962	825	723	-12.4
AUTO THEFT	54	23	28	26	28	7.7
OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES	109	101	133	115	128	11.3
DRUG OFFENSES, TOTAL	18,414	18,198	17,429	17,046	15,784	-7.4
MARIJUANA, TOTAL	5,746	4,994	4,818	5,040	4,418	-12.3
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	3,103	2,447	2,495	2,491	2,285	-8.3
IMPORT/EXPORT	1,208	1,122	1,114	1,473	1,137	-22.8
MANUFACTURE	139	118	111	161	186	15.5
POSSESSION	1,296	1,307	1,098	915	810	-11.5
ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL	12,530	13,102	12,534	11,953	11,297	-5.5
SELL, DISTRIBUTE, OR DISPENSE	9,575	10,147	10,732	10,442	9,954	-4.7
IMPORT/EXPORT	933	936	983	877	757	-13.7
MANUFACTURE	561	502	332	199	223	12.1
POSSESSION	1,461	1,517	487	435	363	-16.6
OTHER DRUG OFFENSES	138	102	77	53	69	30.2
FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES, TOTAL	9,609	9,207	8,678	8,287	8,045	-2.9
FIREARMS, TOTAL	9,403	9,008	8,472	8,103	7,891	-2.6
POSSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS	5,838	5,685	5,314	5,119	5,030	-1.7
FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIMES	2,090	2,007	1,962	1,777	1,709	-3.8
OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES	1,475	1,316	1,196	1,207	1,152	-4.6
EXPLOSIVES	206	199	206	184	154	-16.3

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,632	1,779	1,885	2,460	2,674	8.7
SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS	123	99	98	124	94	-24.2
SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS	359	333	373	409	407	-0.5
SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL	930	1,102	1,156	1,544	1,691	9.5
TRANSPORTATION FOR ILLEGAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY	211	242	251	230	204	-11.3
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY	-	-	-	-	269	-
OTHER SEX OFFENSES	9	3	7	153	9	-94.1
JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,092	979	961	884	993	12.3
AIDING, ABETTING, ACCESSORY, ETC.	194	215	196	160	193	20.6
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	203	208	223	203	180	-11.3
ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY	264	247	251	235	310	31.9
FAILURE TO APPEAR	267	183	182	186	225	21.0
PERJURY	80	62	54	48	41	-14.6
CONTEMPT	84	64	55	52	44	-15.4
IMMIGRATION OFFENSES, TOTAL	17,033	17,134	16,353	16,722	21,313	27.5
ALIEN SMUGGLING	2,506	2,728	2,714	2,688	2,779	3.4
IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN	2,602	2,000	1,100	1,157	1,779	53.8
IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN	11,241	11,648	11,827	12,315	15,626	26.9
FRAUD AND MISUSE OF VISA/PERMIT	506	719	679	533	1,080	102.6
OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	178	39	33	29	49	69.0
GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,859	1,685	1,527	1,539	1,659	7.8
BRIBERY	144	123	136	95	122	28.4
MONEY LAUNDERING	645	589	588	545	552	1.3
RICO ²	29	29	28	18	22	22.2
RACKETEERING—GENERAL	33	40	34	27	42	55.6
EXTORTION AND THREATS	165	180	126	138	124	-10.1
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	38	52	25	21	22	4.8
FAILURE TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT	96	92	80	75	91	21.3
OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES	709	580	510	620	684	10.3

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Major Offense	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2008 Over 2007 ¹
REGULATORY OFFENSES, TOTAL	1,574	1,630	1,665	1,660	1,692	1.9
CIVIL RIGHTS	58	81	74	77	83	7.8
COPYRIGHT	9	23	56	38	72	89.5
FOOD AND DRUG	42	41	51	55	34	-38.2
HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, AND STORAGE	19	27	23	29	30	3.4
TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE, AND RADIOGRAPH	32	15	15	15	8	-46.7
NATIONAL DEFENSE	17	29	38	28	29	3.6
ANTITRUST	12	25	18	16	21	31.3
LABOR	65	75	85	68	72	5.9
GAME AND CONSERVATION	136	141	217	221	217	-1.8
NATIONAL PARKS	118	104	103	132	111	-15.9
CUSTOMS	75	55	44	51	78	52.9
POSTAL SERVICE	116	104	105	103	108	4.9
REPORTING OF MONETARY TRANSACTIONS	226	231	189	210	196	-6.7
MIGRATORY BIRD	81	69	38	65	51	-21.5
MARITIME AND SHIPPING	60	88	94	98	100	2.0
AIRCRAFT REGULATIONS	134	88	84	69	69	0.0
OTHER REGULATORY OFFENSES	374	434	431	385	413	7.3
TRAFFIC OFFENSES, TOTAL	4,593	4,140	3,626	4,427	3,989	-9.9
DRUNK DRIVING	1,439	1,808	1,545	1,583	1,472	-7.0
OTHER TRAFFIC OFFENSES	3,154	2,332	2,081	2,844	2,517	-11.5

NOTE: BEGINNING IN 2005, CATEGORIES FOR CRIMINAL OFFENSES WERE MODIFIED. THEREFORE, DATA FOR 2005 AND THEREAFTER ARE NOT COMPARABLE TO DATA PUBLISHED IN PREVIOUS YEARS. THIS TABLE INCLUDES ALL FELONY AND CLASS A MISDEMEANOR CASES, BUT INCLUDES ONLY THOSE PETTY OFFENSE CASES THAT HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT JUDGES.

¹ PERCENT NOT COMPUTED WHEN FEWER THAN 10 CASES REPORTED FOR THE PREVIOUS PERIOD.

² RICO = RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS.