

**Table 4.1. Defendants in criminal cases commenced, by offense, October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006**

Most serious offense charged	Defendants in cases commenced in fiscal year 2006	
	Number	Percent
<b>All offenses</b>	87,650	100 %
<b>Felonies</b>	77,550	88.5 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	2,823	3.2 %
Murder*	184	0.2
Negligent manslaughter	2	--
Assault	609	0.7
Robbery	1,344	1.5
Sexual abuse*	516	0.6
Kidnapping	137	0.2
Threats against the President	31	--
<b>Property offenses</b>	12,893	14.7 %
Fraudulent	11,081	12.6 %
Embezzlement	611	0.7
Fraud*	9,058	10.3
Forgery	49	0.1
Counterfeiting	1,363	1.6
Other	1,812	2.1 %
Burglary	40	--
Larceny*	1,194	1.4
Motor vehicle theft	27	--
Arson and explosives	289	0.3
Transportation of stolen property	165	0.2
Other property offenses*	97	0.1
<b>Drug offenses</b>	28,955	33.0 %
Trafficking	28,865	32.9
Possession and other drug offenses	90	0.1
<b>Public-order offenses</b>	6,435	7.3 %
Regulatory	895	1.0 %
Agriculture	1	--
Antitrust	32	--
Food and drug	26	--
Transportation	143	0.2
Civil rights	88	0.1
Communications	107	0.1
Custom laws	43	--
Postal laws	32	--
Other regulatory offenses	423	0.5
Other	5,540	6.3 %
Tax law violations*	513	0.6
Bribery	176	0.2
Perjury, contempt, and intimidation	384	0.4
National defense	107	0.1
Escape	637	0.7
Racketeering and extortion	1,949	2.2
Gambling	61	0.1
Nonviolent sex offenses	1,412	1.6
Obscene material*	23	--
Traffic offenses	33	--
Wildlife	69	0.1
Environmental	30	--
All other felonies*	146	0.2

**Table 4.1. Defendants in criminal cases commenced, by offense, October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006 (cont.)**

<b>Most serious offense charged</b>	<b>Defendants in cases commenced in fiscal year 2006</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>Weapons offenses</b>	9,207	10.5 %
<b>Immigration offenses</b>	17,237	19.7 %
<b>Misdemeanors*</b>	10,100	11.5 %
Fraudulent property offenses	826	0.9
Larceny	1,559	1.8
Drug possession*	1,751	2.0
Immigration	241	0.3
Traffic offenses	3,578	4.1
Other misdemeanors	2,145	2.4

-- Less than 0.5%.

\*In this table, "Murder" includes nonnegligent manslaughter; "Sexual abuse" includes only violent sex offenses; "Fraud" excludes tax fraud; "Larceny" excludes transportation of stolen property; "Other property offenses" exclude fraudulent property offenses and include destruction of property and trespassing; "Tax law violations" include tax fraud; "Obscene material" denotes the mail or transport thereof; "All other felonies" include felonies with unclassifiable offense type; "Misdemeanors" include misdemeanors, petty offenses, and unknown offense levels; and "Drug possession" also includes other drug misdemeanors.

Source: Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts criminal master file, fiscal year.