

Table 3.1. Defendants released prior to case disposition, by offense, October 1, 2007–September 30, 2008

Most serious offense charged	Number of defendants		Percent released
	All defendants	Released	
All offenses*	91,017	25,908	28.5 %
Violent offenses	3,052	671	22.0 %
Murder	277	38	13.7
Negligent manslaughter	3	0	^
Assault	788	320	40.6
Robbery	1,279	151	11.8
Sexual abuse	586	145	24.7
Kidnapping	100	13	13.0
Threats against the President	19	4	21.1
Property offenses	14,864	9,491	63.9 %
Fraudulent	12,116	7,466	61.6
Embezzlement	698	661	94.7
Fraud	10,486	6,259	59.7
Forgery	39	34	87.2
Counterfeiting	893	512	57.3
Other	2,748	2,025	73.7
Burglary	66	33	50.0
Larceny	2,004	1,599	79.8
Motor vehicle theft	195	64	32.8
Arson and explosives	195	111	56.9
Transportation of stolen property	143	105	73.4
Other property offenses	145	113	77.9
Drug offenses	28,728	7,887	27.5
Trafficking	23,872	6,247	26.2
Possession and other drug offenses	4,856	1,640	33.8
Public-order offenses	8,246	4,877	59.1 %
Regulatory	1,282	851	66.4
Agriculture	3	3	^
Antitrust	9	9	^
Food and drug	54	50	92.6
Transportation	164	114	69.5
Civil rights	88	72	81.8
Communications	20	17	85.0
Custom laws	96	53	55.2
Postal laws	131	120	91.6
Other regulatory offenses	717	413	57.6
Other	6,964	4,026	57.8
Tax law violations	491	455	92.7
Bribery	150	121	80.7
Perjury, contempt, and intimidation	240	135	56.3
National defense	163	81	49.7
Escape	611	55	9.0
Racketeering and extortion	1,148	417	36.3
Gambling	5	5	^
Liquor offenses	33	23	69.7
Nonviolent sex offenses	2,133	1,090	51.1
Obscene material	33	23	69.7
Traffic offenses	1,262	1,161	92.0
Wildlife	145	136	93.8
Environmental	20	18	90.0
All other offenses	530	306	57.7
Weapon offenses	7,772	1,942	25.0 %
Immigration offenses	28,062	943	3.4 %

Notes: Released defendants include some defendants who were also detained at some time prior to trial and some defendants for whom release status data were unavailable. Percentages in these tables are not directly comparable to those in 1993 and prior compendia. 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" excludes fraudulent property offense and includes destruction of property and trespassing; "Tax law violations" includes tax fraud; "Obscene material" denotes the mail or transport thereof; and "All other offenses" includes offenses with unclassifiable offenses. ^ Too few cases to obtain statistically reliable data.

*Includes 293 defendants for whom an offense category could not be determined.

Source: Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts Pretrial Services Act Information System, fiscal year.