

**Table D-2. Defendants  
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),  
During the 12-Month Periods Ending December 31, 1999 Through 2003**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80,256</b>	<b>84,352</b>	<b>83,488</b>	<b>89,747</b>	<b>92,004</b>	<b>2.5</b>
<b>PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY</b>						
INDICTMENT	56,471	60,467	61,847	66,479	68,172	2.5
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	11,300	11,331	10,056	11,348	12,111	6.7
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,589	8,677	8,118	8,216	7,965	-3.1
REMANDED FROM APPELLATE COURT	141	82	79	141	103	-27.0
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	64	37	39	26	26	-
REOPENED/REINSTATED	154	115	44	80	78	-2.5
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	110	80	109	96	87	-9.4
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	277	225	183	191	197	3.1
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,489	1,059	1,006	1,263	1,633	29.3
RETRIAL ON MISTRIAL	70	79	66	80	57	-28.7
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	131	93	111	91	86	-5.5
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,460	2,107	1,830	1,736	1,489	-14.2
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>HOMICIDE, TOTAL <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>464</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>-24.7</b>
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	403	412	371	400	278	-30.5
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	17	8	11	14	20	42.9
MANSLAUGHTER	44	26	37	39	43	10.3
<b>ROBBERY, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,458</b>	<b>1,592</b>	<b>1,584</b>	<b>1,497</b>	<b>1,382</b>	<b>-7.7</b>
BANK	1,397	1,548	1,525	1,439	1,333	-7.4
POSTAL	40	30	30	31	23	-25.8
OTHER	21	14	29	27	26	-3.7
<b>ASSAULT <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>641</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>33.3</b>
<b>BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-1.3</b>
BANK	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	17	15	15	22	15	-31.8
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	2	-	3	1	1	-
OTHER	67	55	50	53	59	11.3

**Table D-2. Defendants (December 31, 2003—Continued)**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL</b>	<b>4,184</b>	<b>4,180</b>	<b>3,795</b>	<b>3,870</b>	<b>3,704</b>	<b>-4.3</b>
BANK	280	293	267	189	188	-5
POSTAL	606	623	640	641	547	-14.7
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	402	398	343	443	498	12.4
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	1,977	1,972	1,893	1,863	1,857	-.3
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	424	389	333	343	264	-23.0
OTHER	495	505	319	391	350	-10.5
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>1,169</b>	<b>1,016</b>	<b>-13.1</b>
BANK	728	645	610	527	411	-22.0
POSTAL	248	237	238	301	257	-14.6
OTHER	337	352	344	341	348	2.1
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>10,061</b>	<b>10,404</b>	<b>10,611</b>	<b>11,343</b>	<b>10,740</b>	<b>-5.3</b>
INCOME TAX	733	593	506	496	477	-3.8
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,792	1,672	1,637	1,512	1,383	-8.5
POSTAL	1,493	1,542	1,621	1,596	1,653	3.6
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	3	6	4	7	7	-
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	99	258	193	267	198	-25.8
SOCIAL SECURITY	616	771	658	1,310	901	-31.2
FALSE PERSONATION	25	41	38	32	27	-15.6
NATIONALITY LAWS	257	411	346	287	290	1.0
PASSPORT FRAUD	305	291	279	286	445	55.6
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	1,726	1,510	1,722	2,024	1,812	-10.5
OTHER	3,012	3,309	3,607	3,526	3,547	.6
<b>AUTO THEFT</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>-15.3</b>
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,762</b>	<b>1,665</b>	<b>1,991</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>1,664</b>	<b>1.8</b>
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	164	153	135	127	127	-
COUNTERFEITING	1,598	1,512	1,856	1,507	1,537	2.0
<b>SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,014</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>1,337</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>5.6</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	518	430	452	611	582	-4.7
OTHER	496	541	660	726	830	14.3

**Table D-2. Defendants (December 31, 2003—Continued)**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Percent Change 2003 Over 2002 <sup>1</sup>
<b>DRUGS</b>	<b>30,698</b>	<b>31,472</b>	<b>31,735</b>	<b>32,550</b>	<b>32,811</b>	<b>.8</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>13,588</b>	<b>14,562</b>	<b>15,151</b>	<b>17,183</b>	<b>18,306</b>	<b>6.5</b>
BRIBERY	229	304	164	158	209	32.3
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	4,991	4,776	5,194	5,158	4,863	-5.7
ESCAPE <sup>3</sup>	697	675	617	568	569	.2
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	1,122	1,006	863	1,119	966	-13.7
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	33	42	20	27	24	-11.1
KIDNAPPING	201	190	161	204	189	-7.4
PERJURY	97	151	131	143	89	-37.8
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	5,345	6,414	6,986	8,811	10,305	17.0
OTHER	873	1,004	1,015	995	1,092	9.7
<b>SPECIAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>IMMIGRATION LAWS</b>	<b>11,769</b>	<b>13,110</b>	<b>11,846</b>	<b>14,549</b>	<b>16,419</b>	<b>12.9</b>
<b>LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL</b>	<b>2,831</b>	<b>3,585</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>3,113</b>	<b>2,958</b>	<b>-5.0</b>
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION LAWS	381	409	312	292	283	-3.1
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	52	68	40	31	17	-45.2
FOOD AND DRUG LAW	57	81	72	80	55	-31.2
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	51	83	100	107	190	77.6
MOTOR CARRIER LAW	15	4	2	2	5	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	78	622	418	258	133	-48.4
CIVIL RIGHTS	137	123	135	84	102	21.4
CONTEMPT	102	126	140	111	82	-26.1
CUSTOMS LAWS	138	166	104	93	104	11.8
POSTAL LAWS <sup>4</sup>	124	106	147	123	124	.8
OTHER	1,696	1,797	1,589	1,932	1,863	-3.6

NOTE; THIS TABLE INCLUDES DEFENDANTS IN ALL FELONY AND CLASS A MISDEMEANOR CASES, BUT INCLUDES ONLY THOSE PETTY OFFENSE DEFENDANTS WHOSE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT JUDGES.

<sup>1</sup> PERCENT CHANGE IS COMPUTED ON 10 OR MORE CASES.

<sup>2</sup> IN 2003, A CHANGE IN CODING CAUSED SOME DEFENDANTS THAT PREVIOUSLY WOULD HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS HOMICIDE DEFENDANTS TO BE REPORTED AS AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DEFENDANTS. THEREFORE, TOTALS FOR 2003 AND THEREAFTER ARE NOT COMPARABLE TO TOTALS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS.

<sup>3</sup> INCLUDES ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY, AIDING OR ABETTING AN ESCAPE, FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT, AND BAIL JUMPING.

<sup>4</sup> OBSTRUCTING MAIL, MAILING NONMAILABLE MATERIAL, AND OTHER POSTAL REGULATIONS.