

Table D-2.

**U.S. District Courts—Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense (Excludes Transfers),  
During the 12-Month Periods Ending March 31, 1998 Through 2002**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>73,706</b>	<b>79,627</b>	<b>81,444</b>	<b>84,012</b>	<b>83,809</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY</b>						
INDICTMENT	50,808	55,918	57,376	60,613	62,157	2.5
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	9,884	10,791	11,557	11,065	10,127	-8.5
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,991	8,040	7,767	8,523	8,075	-5.3
REMANDED FROM APPELLATE COURT	114	128	124	80	97	21.3
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	15	24	57	46	28	-39.1
REOPENED/REINSTATED	56	219	146	90	60	-33.3
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	104	111	98	94	111	18.1
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	261	259	268	212	183	-13.7
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,861	1,803	1,280	1,029	1,018	-1.1
RETRIAL ON MISTRIAL	92	70	83	75	59	-21.3
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	140	127	130	98	99	1.0
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,380	2,137	2,558	2,087	1,795	-14.0
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>HOMICIDE TOTAL</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>-11.9</b>
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	385	431	399	415	348	-16.1
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	24	19	14	10	11	10.0
MANSLAUGHTER	51	42	45	27	39	44.4
<b>ROBBERY, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,796</b>	<b>1,630</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>1,563</b>	<b>-3.3</b>
BANK	1,706	1,555	1,399	1,575	1,499	-4.8
POSTAL	36	45	34	25	37	48.0
OTHER	54	30	20	17	27	58.8
<b>ASSAULT</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>-5.9</b>
<b>BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>-11.5</b>
BANK	2	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	27	28	16	20	14	-30.0
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	2	3	-	-	3	-
OTHER	83	91	61	58	52	-10.3

**Table D-2. Defendants (March 31, 2002—Continued)**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>LARCENY AND THEFT, TOTAL</b>	<b>4,038</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>4,221</b>	<b>4,019</b>	<b>3,864</b>	<b>-3.9</b>
BANK	288	278	283	292	243	-16.8
POSTAL	531	590	627	612	634	3.6
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	331	381	409	377	382	1.3
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	1,954	2,056	1,978	1,933	1,933	-
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	394	399	399	361	352	-2.5
OTHER	540	530	525	444	320	-27.9
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>1,497</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>-2.1</b>
BANK	739	753	756	614	550	-10.4
POSTAL	278	314	269	216	252	16.7
OTHER	395	430	326	343	346	.9
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>10,776</b>	<b>11,015</b>	<b>10,122</b>	<b>10,438</b>	<b>10,250</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
INCOME TAX	824	736	718	577	470	-18.5
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,642	1,796	1,788	1,712	1,507	-12.0
POSTAL	1,699	1,674	1,530	1,587	1,564	-1.4
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	2	3	3	5	7	-
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	88	146	145	274	133	-51.5
SOCIAL SECURITY	458	622	724	685	660	-3.6
FALSE PERSONATION	37	30	32	38	45	18.4
NATIONALITY LAWS	210	334	277	441	284	-35.6
PASSPORT FRAUD	231	347	304	278	247	-11.2
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	2,178	2,041	1,562	1,554	1,732	11.5
OTHER	3,407	3,286	3,039	3,287	3,601	9.6
<b>AUTO THEFT</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>-22.5</b>
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,798</b>	<b>1,907</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,678</b>	<b>1,895</b>	<b>12.9</b>
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	1	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	301	206	159	149	125	-16.1
COUNTERFEITING	1,496	1,701	1,592	1,529	1,770	15.8
<b>SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>17.5</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	284	329	565	433	484	11.8
OTHER	435	537	457	580	706	21.7

**Table D-2. Defendants (March 31, 2002—Continued)**

Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001 <sup>1</sup>	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>DRUGS</b>	<b>27,529</b>	<b>30,150</b>	<b>30,568</b>	<b>31,638</b>	<b>32,148</b>	<b>1.6</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>12,549</b>	<b>12,708</b>	<b>13,882</b>	<b>14,810</b>	<b>15,264</b>	<b>3.1</b>
BRIBERY	271	184	209	310	157	-49.4
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	5,165	4,949	5,060	4,844	5,054	4.3
ESCAPE <sup>2</sup>	636	666	699	651	593	-8.9
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	1,145	1,165	1,090	954	947	-.7
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	30	25	38	29	18	-37.9
KIDNAPPING	234	222	195	186	176	-5.4
PERJURY	109	140	100	154	128	-16.9
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	4,280	4,678	5,644	6,597	7,205	9.2
OTHER	679	679	847	1,085	986	-9.1
<b>SPECIAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>IMMIGRATION LAWS</b>	<b>8,429</b>	<b>10,874</b>	<b>12,488</b>	<b>12,621</b>	<b>12,011</b>	<b>-4.8</b>
<b>LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL</b>	<b>3,138</b>	<b>3,157</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>3,474</b>	<b>3,128</b>	<b>-10.0</b>
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION ACTS	424	437	332	432	287	-33.6
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	44	31	49	80	27	-66.2
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	66	66	57	82	80	-2.4
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	70	41	82	63	110	74.6
MOTOR CARRIER ACT	4	8	15	4	3	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	98	96	93	603	420	-30.3
CIVIL RIGHTS	140	146	133	126	123	-2.4
CONTEMPT	88	91	107	146	148	1.4
CUSTOMS LAWS	167	178	160	137	113	-17.5
POSTAL LAWS	157	146	113	129	128	-.8
OTHER	1,880	1,917	1,816	1,672	1,689	1.0

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