

**Table D-2. Cases  
U.S. District Courts—Criminal Cases Commenced, by Major Offense (Excluding Transfers),  
During the 12-Month Periods Ending September 30, 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>57,023</b>	<b>59,251</b>	<b>62,152</b>	<b>62,134</b>	<b>66,452</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY</b>						
INDICTMENT	34,424	36,696	39,469	41,191	45,041	9.3
INFORMATION—INDICTMENT WAIVED	9,788	10,408	10,701	9,509	10,104	6.3
INFORMATION—OTHER	7,981	7,553	8,160	8,058	7,975	-1.0
REMAINED FROM APPELLATE COURT	82	120	83	64	123	92.2
REMOVED FROM STATE COURT	20	41	30	36	24	-33.3
REOPENED/REINSTATED	96	84	66	38	61	60.5
APPEAL FROM U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE	101	109	83	113	105	-7.1
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS	207	209	239	171	160	-6.4
CONSENT BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE	1,906	1,589	978	1,019	1,071	5.1
RETRIAL ON MISTRIAL	62	53	76	60	69	15.0
RETRIAL—REMAND FROM APPEALS COURT	97	105	95	74	71	-4.1
VIOLATION NOTICE	2,259	2,284	2,172	1,801	1,648	-8.5
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>HOMICIDE TOTAL</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>12.5</b>
MURDER—FIRST DEGREE	323	327	334	292	313	7.2
MURDER—SECOND DEGREE	15	13	7	9	15	66.7
MANSLAUGHTER	46	43	29	28	42	50.0
<b>ROBBERY, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,448</b>	<b>1,295</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>1,355</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>-4.6</b>
BANK	1,392	1,250	1,219	1,325	1,239	-6.5
POSTAL	32	29	25	16	27	68.8
OTHER	24	16	14	14	26	85.7
<b>ASSAULT</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>BURGLARY—BREAKING AND ENTERING, TOTAL</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>-15.4</b>
BANK	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL	19	13	13	11	12	9.1
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	-	3	-	1	1	-
OTHER	70	56	46	40	31	-22.5

**Table D-2. Cases (September 30, 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>3,590</b>	<b>3,514</b>	<b>3,414</b>	<b>3,242</b>	<b>3,138</b>	<b>-3.2</b>
BANK	250	241	276	244	173	-29.1
POSTAL	431	439	455	445	469	5.4
INTERSTATE SHIPMENTS	171	187	164	160	184	15.0
OTHER U.S. PROPERTY	1,937	1,901	1,828	1,798	1,798	-
TRANSPORTATION, ETC., OF STOLEN PROPERTY	270	257	249	209	212	1.4
OTHER	531	489	442	386	302	-21.8
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,397</b>	<b>1,315</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,072</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>.3</b>
BANK	750	736	667	580	516	-11.0
POSTAL	302	277	242	226	274	21.2
OTHER	345	302	291	266	285	7.1
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>8,342</b>	<b>7,654</b>	<b>7,788</b>	<b>7,585</b>	<b>8,204</b>	<b>8.2</b>
INCOME TAX	689	645	581	457	447	-2.2
LENDING INSTITUTION	1,291	1,244	1,303	1,194	1,095	-8.3
POSTAL	1,104	1,065	1,117	1,129	1,118	-1.0
VETERANS AND ALLOTMENTS	2	3	5	1	8	-
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	64	56	94	88	120	36.4
SOCIAL SECURITY	563	542	640	539	1,091	102.4
FALSE PERSONATION	30	25	39	34	37	8.8
NATIONALITY LAWS	292	267	364	398	239	-39.9
PASSPORT FRAUD	267	301	281	253	261	3.2
FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS	1,959	1,600	1,258	1,394	1,645	18.0
OTHER	2,081	1,906	2,106	2,098	2,143	2.1
<b>AUTO THEFT</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>-15.6</b>
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>-1.6</b>
TRANSPORTATION OF FORGED SECURITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
POSTAL FORGERY	2	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORGERY	215	145	131	100	111	11.0
COUNTERFEITING	1,129	1,147	1,072	1,112	1,082	-2.7
<b>SEX OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>1,017</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>16.7</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	308	334	431	428	514	20.1
OTHER	469	559	513	589	673	14.3

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Nature of Proceedings and Offense	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Percent Change 2002 Over 2001 <sup>1</sup>
<b>DRUGS</b>	<b>16,281</b>	<b>17,483</b>	<b>17,505</b>	<b>18,425</b>	<b>19,215</b>	<b>4.3</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL OFFENSES, TOTAL</b>	<b>10,856</b>	<b>11,747</b>	<b>12,544</b>	<b>13,190</b>	<b>14,987</b>	<b>13.6</b>
BRIBERY	174	158	145	131	118	-9.9
DRUNK DRIVING AND TRAFFIC	4,982	5,005	4,679	4,958	5,149	3.9
ESCAPE <sup>2</sup>	564	639	635	582	562	-3.4
EXTORTION, RACKETEERING, AND THREATS	617	534	557	466	594	27.5
GAMBLING AND LOTTERY	22	16	17	6	10	66.7
KIDNAPPING	150	101	111	104	98	-5.8
PERJURY	126	91	113	137	114	-16.8
WEAPONS AND FIREARMS	3,641	4,367	5,387	5,845	7,382	26.3
OTHER	580	836	900	961	960	-1
<b>SPECIAL OFFENSES</b>						
<b>IMMIGRATION LAWS</b>	<b>9,339</b>	<b>10,641</b>	<b>12,150</b>	<b>11,277</b>	<b>12,576</b>	<b>11.5</b>
<b>LIQUOR, INTERNAL REVENUE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FEDERAL STATUTES, TOTAL</b>	<b>2,363</b>	<b>2,241</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>2,573</b>	<b>2,384</b>	<b>-7.3</b>
AGRICULTURE/CONSERVATION ACTS	333	277	316	282	232	-17.7
ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS	25	39	43	28	24	-14.3
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	47	59	52	70	59	-15.7
MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS	42	18	52	56	74	32.1
MOTOR CARRIER ACT	6	16	5	3	2	-
NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS	55	68	533	462	147	-68.2
CIVIL RIGHTS	77	81	80	76	62	-18.4
CONTEMPT	80	78	109	158	107	-32.3
CUSTOMS LAWS	125	96	97	79	78	-1.3
POSTAL LAWS <sup>3</sup>	152	119	112	135	129	-4.4
OTHER	1,421	1,390	1,445	1,224	1,470	20.1

NOTE: THIS TABLE INCLUDES ALL FELONY AND CLASS A MISDEMEANOR CASES, BUT INCLUDES ONLY THOSE PETTY OFFENSE CASES THAT 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.

<sup>3</sup> OBSTRUCTING MAIL, MAILING NONMAILABLE MATERIAL, AND OTHER POSTAL REGULATIONS.