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## Methodology

### Sampling

The 2000 "National Judicial Reporting Program" (NJRP) sample consisted of 429,471 persons convicted of a felony in State courts in 344 counties selected to be nationally representative. Of these convicted felons, 272,889 cases were in the 75 largest counties. Additional details on the sampling are in the BJS publication *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 1996* (NCJ 173939).

### Sampling error

NJRP data were obtained from a sample and not from a complete enumeration; consequently, they are subject to sampling error. A standard error, which is a measure of sampling error, is associated with each number in these statistical tables. In general, if the difference between two numbers is at least twice the standard error of that difference (the criterion used in these tables), there is at least 95% confidence that the two numbers do in fact differ; that is, the apparent difference is not simply the result of surveying a sample rather than the entire population.

National estimates of the number of convictions for individual crime categories and for the aggregate total had a coefficient of variation of 3.6%. Standard errors for some of these tables are available on the Internet: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fssc00.htm>. Standard errors did not take into account missing data, which are sometimes substantial for certain tables.

### Sources of data

State courts were the source of NJRP data for about 61% of the 344 counties sampled. For other counties, sources included statistical agencies, sentencing commissions, department of public safety, probation departments, state police departments, and department of corrections. Individual-level NJRP records were obtained through a variety of collection methods, including electronically (83% of the counties) and manually (17%).

Electronic methods of data submission included diskettes, magnetic tape, and Internet transmission. Manual methods included photocopies of official documents, survey questionnaires completed by court officials, and on-site collections by Census Bureau staff. All data were collected by the U.S. Census Bureau.

### Targeted population

The survey targeted and recorded initial sentences imposed in 2000. If a sentence was imposed on one date and then modified at a later date, the revision was ignored. The survey recorded sentences that were actually executed. If a prison sentence was initially imposed but immediately suspended in its entirety, the case was coded as probation because that was the actual sentence.

Because the year of conviction was not a defining characteristic, some cases in the sample were of persons convicted before 2000 but not sentenced until 2000.

In 2 counties sampled from Florida, 10 counties from Minnesota, 21 from Pennsylvania, and 1 from Virginia it was impractical to target sentences in 2000. Cases sampled from these counties were all sentenced in 1999.

The 2000 conviction data that were submitted by four Illinois counties — McHenry, Rock Island, St. Clair, and Sangamon — were very different from prior years' NJRP data files as well as other court data sources. Consequently, the conviction data submitted by these counties for the 1998 survey were used in place of the 2000 data.

In 2000 Missouri was unable to provide data for seven counties in the sample (Andrew, Boone, Franklin, Jasper, Madison, Oregon, and St. Charles). These counties were replaced with seven others in the same respective strata (Lawrence and Bath Counties, Kentucky; Lafourche Parish, Louisiana; Cole County, Missouri; Lancaster County, Virginia; and Mercer and Northumberland Counties, Pennsylvania).

The second stage weights for two sampled counties from Florida — St. Lucie and Hillsborough — were adjusted to account for less than a full year of reporting.

### Crime definitions

Crime definitions are in the BJS publication *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 1996* (NCJ 173939).

### Related reading

Data used in these statistical tables were also used in the BJS publication *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 2000* (NCJ 198821).

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Data presented in these statistical tables may be obtained from the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data at the University of Michigan, 1-800-999-0960. These statistical tables and data are also available on the BJS website at: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/>.



Table 2.1. Demographic characteristics of persons convicted of felonies by State courts, by offense, 2000 (cont.)

Most serious conviction offense	Estimated number of convicted felons										
	Gender		Race			Age at sentencing					
	Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 or older
All offenses	768,500	156,200	498,000	410,100	16,600	71,600	360,600	276,200	163,300	38,300	9,500
Violent offenses	156,500	16,700	92,600	76,200	4,400	17,300	72,200	46,900	25,700	7,200	2,800
Property offenses	196,600	65,400	155,100	101,700	5,200	24,300	104,200	79,500	44,500	9,000	2,000
Drug offenses	264,400	55,300	145,500	170,500	3,700	18,100	127,800	96,400	62,100	13,000	2,300
Weapon offenses	26,800	1,400	12,500	15,300	600	2,800	13,300	6,600	4,000	1,200	400
Other offenses /f	124,800	16,800	93,000	45,600	3,100	8,000	48,100	46,900	28,700	7,900	2,000

Note: Percentages on sex are based on an estimated 712,835 cases; on race, 618,843; and on age, 765,902.

However, estimated numbers are adjusted for cases missing a designation of sentence type.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

--Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.2. Offense distribution of felons convicted in State courts, by gender, race, and age of felons, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons											
	Total	Gender		Race			Age at sentencing					
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 or older
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	19 %	21 %	11 %	18 %	18 %	26 %	26 %	20 %	17 %	16 %	19 %	30 %
Murder /a	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Sexual assault /b	3	4	--	4	2	7	3	3	3	3	6	14
Rape	1	1	--	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	5
Other sexual assault	2	3	--	3	1	7	2	2	2	2	4	9
Robbery	4	5	2	3	6	3	11	5	3	2	1	1
Aggravated assault	9	9	7	8	7	12	9	9	8	8	9	10
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
<b>Property offenses</b>	28 %	26 %	42 %	32 %	25 %	32 %	35 %	29 %	29 %	27 %	24 %	22 %
Burglary	9	10	4	10	7	8	18	9	7	6	4	2
Larceny /d	11	10	16	12	10	14	12	11	12	11	11	10
Motor vehicle theft	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	--
Fraud /e	9	6	22	10	8	10	4	9	11	9	9	10
<b>Drug offenses</b>	35 %	35 %	36 %	30 %	42 %	23 %	26 %	35 %	35 %	38 %	34 %	24 %
Possession	13	12	14	11	14	8	8	11	14	17	14	9
Trafficking	22	22	21	18	28	14	18	24	21	22	20	15
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	3 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	4 %	2 %	4 %	3 %	2 %	2 %	3 %	5 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	15 %	15 %	10 %	18 %	11 %	18 %	11 %	12 %	16 %	17 %	20 %	20 %

Note: See note on table 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.



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**Table 2.3. Average age of convicted felons  
in State courts, by offense, 2000**

Most serious conviction offense	Average age in years	
	Mean	Median
<b>All offenses</b>	32 yr	30 yr
<b>Violent offenses</b>	31 yr	29 yr
Murder /a	30	27
Sexual assault /b	34	32
Rape	34	32
Other sexual assault	34	32
Robbery	26	23
Aggravated assault	32	30
Other violent /c	33	32
<b>Property offenses</b>	31 yr	30 yr
Burglary	28	26
Larceny /d	32	31
Motor vehicle theft	28	26
Fraud /e	33	32
<b>Drug offenses</b>	32 yr	31 yr
Possession	33	33
Trafficking	31	30
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	31 yr	28 yr
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	33 yr	33 yr

Note: Data on age were available for 765,902 cases.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.4. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed by State courts, by gender of felons and offense, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
	Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other	
<b>Male</b>							
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	72 %	45 %	27 %	28 %	24 %	4 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	100 %	81 %	58 %	23 %	19 %	17 %	3 %
Murder /a	100	96	93	2	4	3	2
Sexual assault /b	100	84	65	19	16	14	2
Robbery	100	89	75	14	11	9	2
Aggravated assault	100	75	45	30	25	21	4
Other violent /c	100	71	43	28	29	26	3
<b>Property offenses</b>	100 %	70 %	43 %	27 %	30 %	26 %	4 %
Burglary	100	78	54	24	22	19	3
Larceny /d	100	68	37	30	32	28	5
Fraud /e	100	61	34	27	39	35	4
<b>Drug offenses</b>	100 %	70 %	43 %	27 %	30 %	26 %	4 %
Possession	100	68	39	28	32	27	5
Trafficking	100	72	45	27	28	25	3
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	100 %	73 %	43 %	30 %	27 %	23 %	4 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	100 %	68 %	36 %	32 %	32 %	27 %	5 %
<b>Female</b>							
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	57 %	28 %	29 %	43 %	38 %	5 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	100 %	65 %	37 %	28 %	35 %	31 %	4 %
Murder /a	100	90	86	4	10	9	1
Sexual assault /b	100	83	53	30	16	15	2
Robbery	100	83	59	24	17	14	3
Aggravated assault	100	58	28	31	42	37	4
Other violent /c	100	62	34	28	38	33	5
<b>Property offenses</b>	100 %	52 %	24 %	27 %	48 %	43 %	5 %
Burglary	100	73	40	34	27	23	4
Larceny /d	100	51	22	29	49	43	7
Fraud /e	100	49	24	25	51	47	4
<b>Drug offenses</b>	100 %	61 %	30 %	31 %	39 %	34 %	5 %
Possession	100	62	29	33	38	31	6
Trafficking	100	60	31	29	40	36	5
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	100 %	62 %	32 %	30 %	38 %	31 %	7 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	100 %	54 %	24 %	30 %	46 %	41 %	5 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

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a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

c/ Includes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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Table 2.5. Distribution of types of felony sentences imposed by State courts, by race of felons and offense, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of felons sentenced to --						
	Total	Incarceration			Nonincarceration		
		Total	Prison	Jail	Total	Probation	Other
<b>White</b>							
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	65 %	35 %	30 %	35 %	29 %	5 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	100 %	75 %	49 %	26 %	25 %	21 %	4 %
Murder /a	100	94	90	4	6	4	3
Sexual assault /b	100	82	63	19	18	16	3
Robbery	100	87	70	16	13	11	3
Aggravated assault	100	68	35	33	32	26	6
Other violent /c	100	68	38	30	32	28	3
<b>Property offenses</b>	100 %	63 %	34 %	28 %	37 %	32 %	5 %
Burglary	100	74	48	26	26	22	4
Larceny /d	100	59	27	32	41	34	7
Fraud /e	100	55	29	26	45	41	4
<b>Drug offenses</b>	100 %	63 %	30 %	32 %	37 %	32 %	6 %
Possession	100	62	27	35	38	31	7
Trafficking	100	63	33	31	37	32	4
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	100 %	66 %	36 %	30 %	34 %	27 %	7 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	100 %	65 %	30 %	35 %	35 %	29 %	6 %
<b>Black</b>							
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	73 %	49 %	24 %	27 %	24 %	3 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	100 %	82 %	65 %	18 %	18 %	16 %	2 %
Murder /a	100	97	96	1	3	3	--
Sexual assault /b	100	84	69	15	16	14	2
Robbery	100	90	76	13	10	9	1
Aggravated assault	100	76	52	24	24	23	2
Other violent /c	100	73	50	24	27	23	3
<b>Property offenses</b>	100 %	68 %	44 %	24 %	32 %	29 %	3 %
Burglary	100	83	63	20	17	16	1
Larceny /d	100	67	40	27	33	30	3
Fraud /e	100	56	33	23	44	40	4
<b>Drug offenses</b>	100 %	73 %	48 %	25 %	27 %	24 %	3 %
Possession	100	72	48	24	28	25	4
Trafficking	100	73	48	25	27	24	3
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	100 %	75 %	49 %	26 %	25 %	22 %	3 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	100 %	70 %	42 %	28 %	30 %	27 %	3 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Detail may not sum to total because of rounding.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

-- Less than 0.5%.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

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e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

f/ Composed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

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**Table 2.6. Mean length of felony State court sentences imposed, by offense and gender of felons, 2000**

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
<b>Male</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	38 mo	55 mo	7 mo	38 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	70 mo	93 mo	8 mo	46 mo
Murder /a	258	265	20	68
Sexual assault /b	89	109	9	66
Robbery	84	94	12	51
Aggravated assault	39	60	7	41
Other violent /c	35	51	8	35
<b>Property offenses</b>	29 mo	42 mo	7 mo	37 mo
Burglary	39	51	8	41
Larceny /d	22	34	7	36
Fraud /e	21	33	6	35
<b>Drug offenses</b>	30 mo	44 mo	7 mo	35 mo
Possession	22	33	5	32
Trafficking	35	50	7	36
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	25 mo	37 mo	7 mo	37 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	23 mo	36 mo	6 mo	39 mo
<b>Female</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	23 mo	40 mo	5 mo	35 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	44 mo	71 mo	6 mo	39 mo
Murder /a	166	173	19 *	62
Sexual assault /b	43	60	6	89
Robbery	56	70	11	45
Aggravated assault	31	59	5	37
Other violent /c	30	46	6	34
<b>Property offenses</b>	19 mo	33 mo	5 mo	36 mo
Burglary	26	43	5	37
Larceny /d	16	30	6	36
Fraud /e	19	32	5	36
<b>Drug offenses</b>	21 mo	36 mo	6 mo	34 mo
Possession	16	28	4	29
Trafficking	25	42	6	37
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	19 mo	32 mo	4 mo	31 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	19 mo	35 mo	5 mo	34 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

\* Estimate based on 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/ Includes nonnegligent manslaughter.

b/ Includes rape.

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d/ Includes motor vehicle theft.

e/ Includes forgery and embezzlement.

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**Table 2.7. Mean length of felony State court sentences imposed, by offense and race of felons, 2000**

Most serious conviction offense	Maximum sentence length (in months) for felons sentenced to --			
	Incarceration			Probation
	Total	Prison	Jail	
<b>White</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	33 mo	54 mo	6 mo	36 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	64 mo	90 mo	7 mo	44 mo
Murder /a	248	258	24	58
Sexual assault /b	91	108	9	71
Robbery	76	88	10	43
Aggravated assault	34	59	6	40
Other violent /c	34	52	7	34
<b>Property offenses</b>	26 mo	41 mo	6 mo	36 mo
Burglary	37	50	7	39
Larceny /d	20	34	6	36
Fraud /e	21	33	5	35
<b>Drug offenses</b>	26 mo	46 mo	5 mo	33 mo
Possession	18	34	4	29
Trafficking	31	52	6	35
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	22 mo	35 mo	6 mo	36 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	21 mo	36 mo	6 mo	38 mo
<b>Black</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	39 mo	53 mo	7 mo	37 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	78 mo	95 mo	9 mo	44 mo
Murder /a	246	251	10	51
Sexual assault /b	96	112	9	57
Robbery	87	96	13	53
Aggravated assault	46	62	8	41
Other violent /c	35	47	10	35
<b>Property offenses</b>	28 mo	40 mo	7 mo	36 mo
Burglary	42	52	8	40
Larceny /d	22	32	7	36
Fraud /e	20	30	6	36
<b>Drug offenses</b>	31 mo	42 mo	7 mo	35 mo
Possession	24	32	6	33
Trafficking	34	47	8	37
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	29 mo	39 mo	8 mo	36 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	24 mo	36 mo	7 mo	35 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

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Table 2.8. Offense distribution of felons sentenced to incarceration or prison by State courts, by gender and race of felons, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convictions				
	Total	Gender		Race	
		Male	Female	White	Black
<b>Incarceration /a</b>					
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	22 %	23 %	12 %	21 %	20 %
Murder /b	1	1	1	1	1
Sexual assault /c	4	5	1	5	2
Robbery	5	6	3	4	8
Aggravated assault	9	9	7	8	8
Other violent /d	2	2	1	3	1
<b>Property offenses</b>	27 %	25 %	39 %	30 %	24 %
Burglary	10	10	5	11	8
Larceny /e	10	9	15	11	9
Fraud /f	7	5	19	8	6
<b>Drug offenses</b>	34 %	34 %	38 %	29 %	42 %
Possession	12	12	16	11	14
Trafficking	22	22	23	18	29
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	3 %	4 %	1 %	2 %	4 %
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	15 %	14 %	10 %	18 %	10 %
<b>Prison</b>					
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	25 %	36 %	17 %	34 %	31 %
Murder /b	2	3	2	3	3
Sexual assault /c	5	8	1	10	4
Robbery	7	11	4	7	12
Aggravated assault	9	12	8	11	10
Other violent /d	2	3	2	4	2
<b>Property offenses</b>	26 %	34 %	43 %	42 %	30 %
Burglary	11	16	7	19	12
Larceny /e	9	11	15	13	11
Fraud /f	6	7	22	11	7
<b>Drug offenses</b>	33 %	45 %	45 %	35 %	54 %
Possession	10	15	18	12	18
Trafficking	23	31	27	23	36
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	3 %	4 %	1 %	3 %	5 %
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	12 %	17 %	10 %	20 %	12 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

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Table 2.9. Offense distribution of felons sentenced to jail or probation by State courts, by gender and race of felons, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convictions				
	Total	Gender		Race	
		Male	Female	White	Black
<b>Jail</b>					
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	16 %	17 %	10 %	15 %	14 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	--	--
Sexual assault /b	2	3	--	2	1
Robbery	2	3	1	1	3
Aggravated assault	9	9	7	9	7
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	1
<b>Property offenses</b>	27 %	26 %	40 %	30 %	25 %
Burglary	8	8	5	9	6
Larceny /d	12	11	16	13	12
Fraud /e	8	6	19	8	8
<b>Drug offenses</b>	35 %	35 %	38 %	32 %	45 %
Possession	14	13	16	13	14
Trafficking	22	22	22	19	31
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	3 %	4 %	1 %	2 %	4 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	18 %	18 %	10 %	21 %	13 %
<b>Probation</b>					
<b>All offenses</b>	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	13 %	14 %	9 %	13 %	12 %
Murder /a	--	--	--	--	--
Sexual assault /b	2	2	--	2	1
Robbery	1	2	1	1	2
Aggravated assault	8	8	7	8	7
Other violent /c	2	2	1	2	1
<b>Property offenses</b>	32 %	28 %	47 %	34 %	30 %
Burglary	6	7	3	7	4
Larceny /d	13	12	19	14	12
Fraud /e	13	9	26	13	13
<b>Drug offenses</b>	36 %	37 %	33 %	32 %	43 %
Possession	14	14	13	13	15
Trafficking	22	23	20	20	29
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	3 %	3 %	1 %	2 %	3 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	16 %	17 %	11 %	18 %	12 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

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**Table 2.10. Percent of convicted felons sentenced by State courts to incarceration or prison, by gender, race, and offense, 2000**

Most serious conviction offense	Percent receiving designated sentence			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Sentenced to incarceration /a</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	66 %	53 %	75 %	59 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	75 %	61 %	84 %	66 %
Murder /b	94	91	98	87
Sexual assault /c	81	77	84	82
Robbery	86	84	90	83
Aggravated assault	68	51	78	61
Other violent /d	66	64	75	58
<b>Property offenses</b>	66 %	49 %	73 %	52 %
Burglary	74	68	83	78
Larceny /e	62	46	71	55
Fraud /f	59	48	62	46
<b>Drug offenses</b>	62 %	54 %	73 %	66 %
Possession	60	57	72	66
Trafficking	63	52	74	66
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	65 %	62 %	76 %	61 %
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	65 %	52 %	71 %	56 %
<b>Sentenced to prison</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	38 %	24 %	53 %	33 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	51 %	34 %	67 %	42 %
Murder /b	90	88	97	81
Sexual assault /c	63	55	69	60
Robbery	71	64	77	59
Aggravated assault	37	21	56	34
Other violent /d	39	35	51	38
<b>Property offenses</b>	38 %	23 %	51 %	27 %
Burglary	50	39	65	46
Larceny /e	31	18	45	27
Fraud /f	33	23	40	24
<b>Drug offenses</b>	34 %	23 %	50 %	39 %
Possession	29	21	51	40
Trafficking	36	25	50	38
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	36 %	33 %	49 %	36 %
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	32 %	20 %	44 %	31 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

Racial categories include Hispanics.

a/ Includes prison and jail sentences.

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**Table 2.11. Percent of convicted felons sentenced by State courts to jail or probation, by gender, race, and offense, 2000**

Most serious conviction offense	Percent receiving designated sentence			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Sentenced to jail</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	28 %	29 %	23 %	26 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	24 %	27 %	17 %	25 %
Murder /a	4	3	1	5
Sexual assault /b	18	22	15	21
Robbery	15	20	12	24
Aggravated assault	31	30	23	27
Other violent /c	27	29	23	20
<b>Property offenses</b>	27 %	26 %	23 %	25 %
Burglary	24	29	18	32
Larceny /d	31	28	26	28
Fraud /e	27	25	23	22
<b>Drug offenses</b>	28 %	31 %	23 %	27 %
Possession	31	36	22	26
Trafficking	26	27	24	28
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	29 %	29 %	26 %	24 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	34 %	32 %	28 %	26 %
<b>Sentenced to probation</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	34 %	47 %	25 %	41 %
<b>Violent offenses</b>	25 %	39 %	16 %	34 %
Murder /a	6	9	2	13
Sexual assault /b	19	23	16	18
Robbery	14	16	10	17
Aggravated assault	32	49	22	39
Other violent /c	34	36	25	42
<b>Property offenses</b>	34 %	51 %	27 %	48 %
Burglary	26	32	17	22
Larceny /d	38	54	29	45
Fraud /e	41	52	38	54
<b>Drug offenses</b>	38 %	46 %	27 %	34 %
Possession	40	43	28	34
Trafficking	37	48	26	34
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	35 %	38 %	24 %	39 %
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	35 %	48 %	29 %	44 %

Note: See note on tables 1.2 and 2.1.

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Table 2.12. Mean length of State felony sentences to incarceration or prison, by gender, race, and offense, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Mean sentence length (in months) for persons who were --			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Sentenced to incarceration /a</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	37 mo	23 mo	41 mo	24 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	69 mo	48 mo	81 mo	46 mo
Murder /b	265	161	253	171
Sexual assault /c	93	46	97	54
Robbery	81	59	89	57
Aggravated assault	36	35	48	31
Other violent /d	36	33	36	31
<b>Property offenses</b>	29 mo	19 mo	31 mo	19 mo
Burglary	39	29	43	24
Larceny /e	21	15	24	18
Fraud /f	22	19	22	18
<b>Drug offenses</b>	30 mo	20 mo	32 mo	23 mo
Possession	20	14	25	18
Trafficking	36	25	36	27
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	23 mo	15 mo	29 mo	26 mo
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	22 mo	17 mo	25 mo	19 mo
<b>Sentenced to prison</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	56 mo	42 mo	55 mo	38 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	93 mo	80 mo	97 mo	66 mo
Murder /b	278	166	257	184
Sexual assault /c	110	55	113	70
Robbery	93	72	98	70
Aggravated assault	58	78	64	49
Other violent /d	54	49	47	43
<b>Property offenses</b>	42 mo	33 mo	41 mo	31 mo
Burglary	50	44	53	36
Larceny /e	35	29	33	31
Fraud /f	34	32	31	29
<b>Drug offenses</b>	49 mo	40 mo	43 mo	35 mo
Possession	35	30	33	26
Trafficking	55	45	48	40
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	35 mo	25 mo	39 mo	39 mo
<b>Other offenses /g</b>	36 mo	34 mo	36 mo	29 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

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Table 2.13. Mean length of State felony sentences to jail or probation, by gender, race, and offense, 2000

Most serious conviction offense	Mean sentence length (in months) for persons who were --			
	White		Black	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Sentenced to jail</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	6 mo	5 mo	8 mo	6 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	7 mo	5 mo	10 mo	7 mo
Murder /a	22	36	9	11
Sexual assault /b	9	9	9	7
Robbery	11	9	13	12
Aggravated assault	6	4	8	6
Other violent /c	7	6	11	6
<b>Property offenses</b>	7 mo	5 mo	7 mo	6 mo
Burglary	8	6	8	6
Larceny /d	6	5	8	7
Fraud /e	6	5	6	5
<b>Drug offenses</b>	6 mo	5 mo	8 mo	6 mo
Possession	5	4	6	5
Trafficking	6	6	8	7
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	6 mo	4 mo	9 mo	5 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	6 mo	5 mo	7 mo	6 mo
<b>Sentenced to probation</b>				
<b>All offenses</b>	37 mo	35 mo	37 mo	35 mo
<b>Violent offenses</b>	45 mo	40 mo	46 mo	36 mo
Murder /a	53	74	50	52
Sexual assault /b	70	105	57	39
Robbery	43	46	54	40
Aggravated assault	40	37	43	35
Other violent /c	34	35	36	32
<b>Property offenses</b>	36 mo	36 mo	37 mo	36 mo
Burglary	39	35	40	42
Larceny /d	35	37	37	35
Fraud /e	34	36	35	36
<b>Drug offenses</b>	33 mo	32 mo	35 mo	35 mo
Possession	30	28	33	30
Trafficking	35	35	37	39
<b>Weapon offenses</b>	37 mo	31 mo	36 mo	29 mo
<b>Other offenses /f</b>	39 mo	34 mo	36 mo	29 mo

Note: See note on tables 1.3 and 2.1.

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