Table 30

SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE CASES: DEGREE OF DEPARTURE FOR OFFENDERS IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹

Fiscal Year 2004, Post-Blakely (June 25, 2004, through September 30, 2004)

DEGREE OF DECREASE FOR SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE

			FOR SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE	
		Median	Median Decrease	Median Percent
		Sentence	in Months From	Decrease From
PRIMARY OFFENSE	n	in Months ²	Guideline Minimum	Guideline Minimum
TOTAL	2,248	30.0	27.0	50.0
Murder	0			
Manslaughter	0			
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	4	49.0	50.0	50.0
Sexual Abuse	2			
Assault	3	57.0	20.0	26.0
Robbery	39	40.0	24.0	35.1
Arson	2			
Drugs - Trafficking	1,395	48.0	39.0	45.5
Drugs - Communication Facility	17	30.0	18.0	37.5
Drugs - Simple Possession	3	0.0	6.0	100.0
Firearms	219	30.0	24.0	50.0
Burglary/B&E	1			
Auto Theft	2			
Larceny	31	8.0	10.0	66.7
Fraud	228	0.0	11.0	100.0
Embezzlement	6	0.0	6.0	99.8
Forgery/Counterfeiting	26	0.1	10.0	99.5
Bribery	8	0.0	11.5	100.0
Tax	33	0.0	10.0	100.0
Money Laundering	59	10.0	24.0	72.9
Racketeering/Extortion	25	18.0	21.0	61.9
Gambling/Lottery	5	0.0	6.0	100.0
Civil Rights	3	0.0	18.0	100.0
Immigration	74	13.0	8.0	33.8
Pornography/Prostitution	12	26.0	18.0	30.8
Prison Offenses	2			
Administration of Justice Offenses	29	0.0	15.0	100.0
Environmental/Wildlife	3	0.0	18.0	100.0
National Defense	1			
Antitrust	0			
Food & Drug	0			
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	16	1.5	13.5	97.3

¹Of the 18,203 cases, 2,425 received a substantial assistance departure. Of these, 2,315 had complete guideline application information. An additional 55 cases were excluded due to several logical criteria. Of the remaining 2,260 cases, 12 were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense category (0) or missing sentence information (12).

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2004 Datafile, USSCFY04, Post-Blakely Only Cases (June 25, 2004, through September 30, 2004).

²Cases with guideline minimums of life or probation (i.e., sentence lengths of zero months) were included in the sentence average computations as 470 months and zero months, respectively, but were excluded from measures of decrease in the table.