Table 31A

OTHER DOWNWARD DEPARTURE CASES: DEGREE OF DEPARTURE FOR OFFENDERS IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹ Fiscal Year 2005, Pre-Booker (October 1, 2004, through January 11, 2005)

PRIMARY OFFENSE	n	Median Sentence in Months ²	Median Decrease in Months From Guideline Minimum	Median Percent Decrease From Guideline Minimum
TOTAL	667	17.0	11.0	41.3
Murder	1			71.5
Manslaughter	0	 		
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	1			
Sexual Abuse	4	2.5	14.0	86.1
Assault	4	12.1	5.0	53.7
Robbery	15	39.0	12.0	20.0
Arson	0			20.0
Drugs - Trafficking	206	31.0	19.0	33.3
Drugs - Communication Facility	3	30.0	12.0	37.5
Drugs - Simple Possession	2	30.0		57.5
Firearms	107	16.0	12.0	50.0
Burglary/B&E	0			50.0
Auto Theft	1			
Larceny	21	0.0	10.0	100.0
Fraud	78	4.0	10.0	79.2
Embezzlement	7	0.0	8.0	99.5
Forgery/Counterfeiting	13	5.0	7.0	58.3
Bribery	3	4.0	10.0	81.5
Tax	14	0.0	11.0	100.0
Money Laundering	12	19.5	10.5	34.2
Racketeering/Extortion	9	168.0	25.0	10.6
Gambling/Lottery	2			
Civil Rights	1			
Immigration	121	24.0	9.0	24.7
Pornography/Prostitution	15	18.0	10.0	33.3
Prison Offenses	3	9.0	6.0	40.0
Administration of Justice Offenses	9	0.3	10.0	95.0
Environmental/Wildlife	1			
National Defense	1			
Antitrust	0			
Food & Drug	3	0.0	9.0	100.0
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	10	0.0	10.0	100.0

¹Of the 18,788 cases, 752 received an other downward departure. Of these, 691 had complete guideline application information. An additional 21 cases were excluded due to several logical criteria. Of the remaining 670 cases, three were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense category (0) or missing sentence information (3). See Table 25 for a list of departure reasons comprising this category.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2005 Datafile, USSCFY05, Pre-Booker Only Cases (October 1, 2004, through January 11, 2005).

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.