Table 13

AVERAGE SENTENCE LENGTH IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹

Fiscal Year 2007

	Mean	Median	
PRIMARY OFFENSE	Months	Months	Number
TOTAL	51.8	28.0	72,691
Murder	258.5	235.0	81
Manslaughter	48.7	37.0	65
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	169.0	156.5	48
Sexual Abuse	94.3	60.0	381
Assault	30.7	21.0	574
Robbery	85.1	66.5	1,120
Arson	80.9	60.0	78
Drugs - Trafficking	83.2	60.0	24,308
Drugs - Communication Facility	37.1	37.0	373
Drugs - Simple Possession	5.2	0.0	661
Firearms	80.2	55.0	8,355
Burglary/B&E	19.0	18.0	41
Auto Theft	59.7	19.5	64
Larceny	8.2	1.4	1,756
Fraud	19.0	10.0	7,759
Embezzlement	8.3	4.0	465
Forgery/Counterfeiting	14.6	10.0	1,156
Bribery	22.9	12.0	243
Tax	14.2	10.0	647
Money Laundering	35.6	24.0	918
Racketeering/Extortion	89.3	51.0	620
Gambling/Lottery	5.4	6.0	113
Civil Rights	27.4	12.0	64
Immigration	21.5	15.0	17,579
Pornography/Prostitution	109.6	78.0	1,444
Prison Offenses	19.1	14.0	316
Administration of Justice Offenses	19.6	10.0	1,014
Environmental/Wildlife	3.5	0.0	193
National Defense	40.2	13.0	32
Antitrust	15.9	9.0	15
Food & Drug	10.7		
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Of the 72,865 cases, 174 were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense (100) or missing or indeterminable sentencing information (165). Sentences of probation only are included in this table as zero months of imprisonment. In addition, the information presented in this table includes time of confinement as described in USSG §5C1.1. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2007 Datafile, USSCFY07.