DOWNWARD DEPARTURES FROM GUIDELINE RANGE: DEGREE OF DECREASE FOR OFFENDERS IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹ Fiscal Year 2015

Table 31A

PRIMARY OFFENSE	N	Median Sentence in Months	Median Decrease in Months From Guideline Minimum	Median Percent Decrease From Guideline Minimum
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TOTAL	1,475	24	13	37.5
Murder	0			
Manslaughter	0			
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	2			
Sexual Abuse	4	36	6	35.7
Assault	10	21	6	27.7
Robbery	18	32	14	25.8
Arson	0			
Drugs - Trafficking	326	42	16	29.2
Drugs - Communication Facility	1			
Drugs - Simple Possession	0			
Firearms	125	35	13	24.0
Burglary/B&E	0			
Auto Theft	1			
Larceny	21	0	10	100.0
Fraud	101	12	15	65.7
Embezzlement	13	4	12	77.8
Forgery/Counterfeiting	13	4	12	84.2
Bribery	3	0	12	100.0
Tax	17	0	18	100.0
Money Laundering	15	18	10	47.4
Racketeering/Extortion	15	33	12	32.4
Gambling/Lottery	1			
Civil Rights	0			
Immigration	705	22	12	37.7
Child Pornography	26	53	49	43.4
Prison Offenses	3	12	3	37.5
Administration of Justice Offenses	17	6	9	68.8
Environmental/Wildlife	5	0	10	100.0
National Defense	5	24	22	21.8
Antitrust	0			
Food & Drug	5	0	12	100.0
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	23	0	10	100.0

Of the 71,003 cases, 1,521 received a downward departure from the guideline range. Of these, 1,477 cases had complete guideline application information. Due to an inability to calculate the extent of departure for cases with a guideline minimum of life, an additional two cases were also excluded from this table. Note that the information presented in this table does include sentences of probation, but does not include any time of alternative confinement as described in USSG §5C1.1. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2015 Datafile, USSCFY15.