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**OFFENSE AND OFFENDER CHARACTERISTICS IN  
ORIGINAL SENTENCE APPEALS CASES  
Fiscal Year 2020**

OFFENSE AND OFFENDER CHARACTERISTICS	APPELLATE COURT CASES <sup>1</sup>		DISTRICT COURT CASES <sup>2</sup>	
	N	%	N	%
<b>Race</b>				
White	861	26.7	12,333	19.3
Black	1,336	41.5	12,210	19.1
Hispanic	897	27.9	37,105	58.1
Other	125	3.9	2,186	3.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,219</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>63,834</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Gender</b>				
Male	2,989	92.7	56,559	87.7
Female	234	7.3	7,897	12.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,223</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>64,456</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Education</b>				
Less than High School Graduate	1,067	33.4	27,617	48.6
High School Graduate	1,173	36.7	17,233	30.3
Some College	661	20.7	9,034	15.9
College Graduate	296	9.3	2,976	5.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>56,860</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Citizenship</b>				
U.S. Citizen	2,638	81.9	34,616	53.8
Non-U.S. Citizen	584	18.1	29,668	46.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,222</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>64,284</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Criminal History Category</b>				
Category I	943	29.3	29,205	45.5
Category II	315	9.8	9,731	15.2
Category III	449	14.0	10,371	16.2
Category IV	404	12.6	5,929	9.2
Category V	318	9.9	3,489	5.4
Category VI	789	24.5	5,402	8.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,218</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>64,127</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Mandatory Minimum</b>				
No Mandatory Minimum	1,749	54.3	49,291	76.3
Gun Mandatory Minimum	362	11.2	1,885	2.9
Drug Mandatory Minimum	655	20.3	10,389	16.1
Gun and Drug Mandatory Minimum	113	3.5	875	1.4
Other Mandatory Minimum	344	10.7	2,125	3.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,223</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>64,565</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>1</sup> Based on 4,355 appeals cases where the sentence imposed was at least one of the reasons for appeal. Of these 4,355 cases, 3,233 were appeals of the original sentence. These cases were merged with the U.S. Sentencing Commission's Monitoring Datafiles from 1989-2020 (MONFY89, MONFY90, USSCFY91-USSCFY20). Of the 3,233 cases, 10 could not be matched with its original case.

<sup>2</sup> All individual offender original sentencings in fiscal year 2020. Totals may vary slightly due to the different numbers of missing cases by specific variables. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.