

Table D-6

EDUCATION OF SENTENCED INDIVIDUALS IN DRUG TRAFFICKING CASES¹
Fiscal Year 2023

DRUG TYPE	TOTAL	LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE		HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE		SOME COLLEGE		COLLEGE GRADUATE	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
TOTAL	18,891	6,476	34.3	7,885	41.7	3,900	20.6	630	3.3
Powder Cocaine	3,563	1,439	40.4	1,365	38.3	626	17.6	133	3.7
Crack Cocaine	860	305	35.5	412	47.9	128	14.9	15	1.7
Heroin	1,006	366	36.4	431	42.8	182	18.1	27	2.7
Marijuana	558	232	41.6	178	31.9	118	21.1	30	5.4
Methamphetamine	8,976	2,908	32.4	3,880	43.2	1,960	21.8	228	2.5
Fentanyl	3,345	1,131	33.8	1,426	42.6	709	21.2	79	2.4
Other	583	95	16.3	193	33.1	177	30.4	118	20.2

¹ Of the 64,124 cases, in 19,066 the individual was sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (Drugs). Of these, 18,939 individuals were sentenced under §§2D1.1 (Drug Trafficking), 2D1.2 (Protected Locations), 2D1.5 (Continuing Criminal Enterprise), 2D1.6 (Use of a Communication Facility), 2D1.8 (Rent/Manage Drug Establishment), 2D1.10 (Endangering Human Life While Manufacturing), or 2D1.14 (Narco-Terrorism). Of these 18,939 cases, 48 were excluded due to missing information on the individual's education. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2023 Datafile, USSCFY23.