

Table 13

AVERAGE SENTENCE LENGTH IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹
Fiscal Year 2003

PRIMARY OFFENSE	Mean Months	Median Months	Number
TOTAL	47.9	24.0	69,322
Murder	247.5	180.0	80
Manslaughter	33.0	21.0	48
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	160.1	120.0	59
Sexual Abuse	73.0	41.0	271
Assault	30.4	15.0	541
Robbery	101.7	71.0	1,532
Arson	87.2	60.0	82
Drugs - Trafficking	76.9	57.0	24,791
Drugs - Communication Facility	40.8	48.0	391
Drugs - Simple Possession	4.7	2.0	1,211
Firearms	70.0	43.0	6,766
Burglary/B&E	24.7	24.0	51
Auto Theft	60.8	21.0	142
Larceny	8.3	4.0	2,356
Fraud	14.4	8.0	7,429
Embezzlement	6.5	3.0	760
Forgery/Counterfeiting	12.7	9.0	1,262
Bribery	9.7	6.0	169
Tax	12.3	8.0	485
Money Laundering	45.3	24.0	826
Racketeering/Extortion	71.6	40.0	816
Gambling/Lottery	6.8	6.0	90
Civil Rights	39.4	13.5	66
Immigration	22.6	18.0	14,959
Pornography/Prostitution	63.5	33.0	799
Prison Offenses	17.1	12.0	369
Administration of Justice Offenses	15.7	8.0	1,042
Environmental/Wildlife	4.9	0.0	143
National Defense	75.6	30.0	21
Antitrust	7.2	4.0	12
Food & Drug	13.0	0.0	78
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	7.2	0.0	1,675

¹Of the 70,258 cases, 936 were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense (578) or missing or indeterminable sentencing information (503). 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 defined in USSG §5C1.1. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.