

**Table 31**

**GOVERNMENT SPONSORED DOWNWARD DEPARTURE CASES: DEGREE OF DEPARTURE FOR OFFENDERS IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY<sup>1</sup>**  
**Fiscal Year 2005, Pre-Booker (October 1, 2004, through January 11, 2005)**

<b>PRIMARY OFFENSE</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>Median Sentence in Months<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Median Decrease in Months From Guideline Minimum</b>	<b>Median Percent Decrease From Guideline Minimum</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>25.0</b>
Murder	0	--	--	--
Manslaughter	0	--	--	--
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking	0	--	--	--
Sexual Abuse	10	27.0	14.0	35.0
Assault	4	27.0	9.5	27.1
Robbery	4	27.0	20.0	27.7
Arson	0	--	--	--
Drugs - Trafficking	312	18.5	9.0	33.3
Drugs - Communication Facility	2	--	--	--
Drugs - Simple Possession	0	--	--	--
Firearms	28	34.5	15.0	31.7
Burglary/B&E	0	--	--	--
Auto Theft	0	--	--	--
Larceny	0	--	--	--
Fraud	15	12.0	7.2	49.9
Embezzlement	1	--	--	--
Forgery/Counterfeiting	5	12.0	6.0	50.0
Bribery	1	--	--	--
Tax	3	0.0	10.0	100.0
Money Laundering	7	4.5	2.3	27.8
Racketeering/Extortion	6	120.0	31.0	20.5
Gambling/Lottery	1	--	--	--
Civil Rights	0	--	--	--
Immigration	1,022	24.0	6.0	22.2
Pornography/Prostitution	9	60.0	24.0	27.1
Prison Offenses	1	--	--	--
Administration of Justice Offenses	8	7.9	7.0	55.4
Environmental/Wildlife	0	--	--	--
National Defense	1	--	--	--
Antitrust	0	--	--	--
Food & Drug	0	--	--	--
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	3	7.0	7.0	58.3

<sup>1</sup>Of the 18,788 cases, 1,643 received a government sponsored downward departure. Of these, 1,541 had complete guideline application information. An additional 95 cases were excluded due to several logical criteria. Of the remaining 1,446 cases, three were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense category (0) or missing sentence information (3). See description of the government sponsored category in Appendix A.

<sup>2</sup>Cases with guideline minimums of life or probation (i.e., sentence lengths of zero months) were included in the sentence average computations as 470 months and zero months, respectively, but were excluded from measures of decrease in the table.