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OFFENSE AND OFFENDER CHARACTERISTICS IN APPEALS CASES
Fiscal Year 2015

OFFENSE AND DEFENDANT CHARACTERISTICS	APPELLATE COURT CASES ¹		DISTRICT COURT CASES ²	
	N	%	N	%
Race of Defendant				
White	1,175	25.5	16,398	23.5
Black	1,591	34.6	13,798	19.8
Hispanic	1,698	36.9	36,815	52.7
Other	140	3.0	2,837	4.1
TOTAL	4,604	100.0	69,848	100.0
Gender of Defendant				
Male	4,312	93.3	61,039	86.2
Female	310	6.7	9,731	13.8
TOTAL	4,622	100.0	70,770	100.0
Education of Defendant				
Less than High School	1,806	39.8	28,609	45.3
High School Graduate	1,530	33.7	19,275	30.5
Some College	823	18.1	11,288	17.9
College Graduate	379	8.4	3,993	6.3
TOTAL	4,538	100.0	63,165	100.0
Citizenship of Defendant				
U.S. Citizen	3,307	71.7	41,059	58.5
Non-U.S. Citizen	1,306	28.3	29,166	41.5
TOTAL	4,613	100.0	70,225	100.0
Criminal History Category				
Category I	1,486	32.3	31,307	46.1
Category II	477	10.4	9,621	14.2
Category III	737	16.0	11,112	16.3
Category IV	548	11.9	6,175	9.1
Category V	367	8.0	3,636	5.3
Category VI	988	21.5	6,121	9.0
TOTAL	4,603	100.0	67,972	100.0
Mandatory Minimum				
No Mandatory Minimum	2,739	59.2	56,267	79.2
Gun Mandatory Minimum	444	9.6	1,518	2.1
Drug Mandatory Minimum	947	20.5	9,423	13.3
Gun and Drug Mandatory Minimum	125	2.7	666	0.9
Other Mandatory Minimum	370	8.0	3,129	4.4
TOTAL	4,625	100.0	71,003	100.0

¹ Based on 4,902 appeals cases with sentencing as at least one of the reasons for appeal. These cases were merged with the U.S. Sentencing Commission's Monitoring Datafiles from 1989-2015 (MONFY89, MONFY90, OPAFY91-OPAFY15).

² All guidelines cases sentenced in Fiscal Year 2015. 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.