Table D-11

LENGTH OF MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES IN DRUG TRAFFICKING CASES¹

Fiscal Year 2019

		No Drug Mandatory Minimum ²		Five-Year Drug Mandatory Minimum		Ten-Year or More Drug Mandatory Minimum ³	
DRUG TYPE	TOTAL	N	%	N	%	N	%
TOTAL	19,757	6,906	35.0	4,867	24.6	7,984	40.4
Powder Cocaine	3,581	932	26.0	1,037	29.0	1,612	45.0
Crack Cocaine	1,565	838	53.5	478	30.5	249	15.9
Heroin	2,509	1,056	42.1	653	26.0	800	31.9
Marijuana	1,675	1,059	63.2	516	30.8	100	6.0
Methamphetamine	8,427	1,626	19.3	1,898	22.5	4,903	58.2
Other	2,000	1,395	69.8	285	14.3	320	16.0

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2019 Datafile, USSCFY19.

¹ Of the 76,538 cases, in 20,085 the offender was sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (Drugs). Of these, 19,765 offenders 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 the remaining cases, eight were excluded because the offender was convicted of a mandatory minimum penalty from one of the following statutes: 21 U.S.C. § 860a or 21 U.S.C. § 865. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

² Includes 121 offenders whose drug mandatory minimum penalty was 12 months or less.

³ Includes 402 offenders whose drug mandatory minimum penalty was greater than ten years.