

Public Data Briefing

Proposed Amendment on Firearms Part A: Machinegun Conversion Devices

January 2025

Part A: Two Options to Amend §2K2.1

Option 1

Expand the Definition of "Firearm" at §2K2.1 to Include National Firearms Act (NFA) Firearms

Option 2

Extend Particular §2K2.1 Subsections to Apply Based on NFA Firearms

Part A, Option Two: Affected Subsections

§2K2.1(b)(1)	Number of Firearms	
§2K2.1(b)(4)	Stolen Firearm, Modified Serial Number, or Unserialized Firearm	
§2K2.1(b)(5)	Trafficking in Firearms	
§2K2.1(b)(6)(A)	Transportation Outside of the United States	
§2K2.1(b)(6)(B)	Possession/Use in Connection With Another Felony Offense	
§2K2.1(b)(7)	Recordkeeping Offenses	
§2K2.1(c)	Cross Reference	

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Option 1

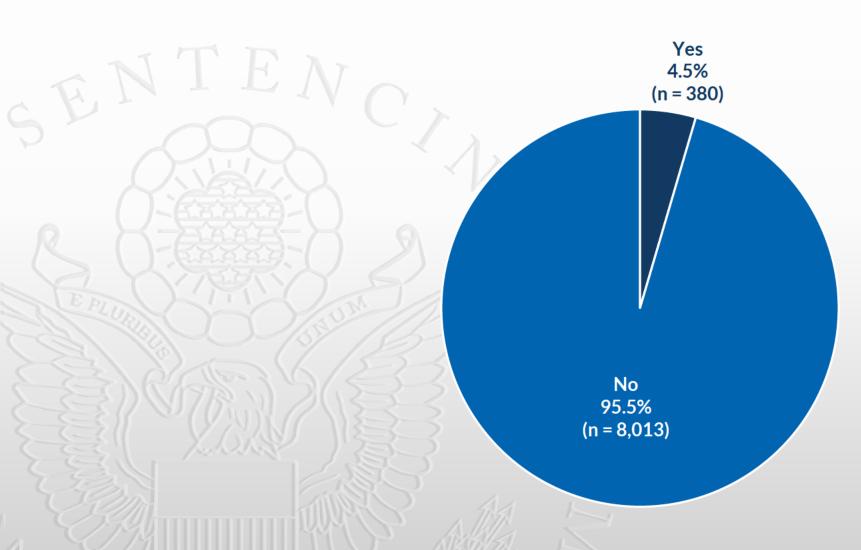
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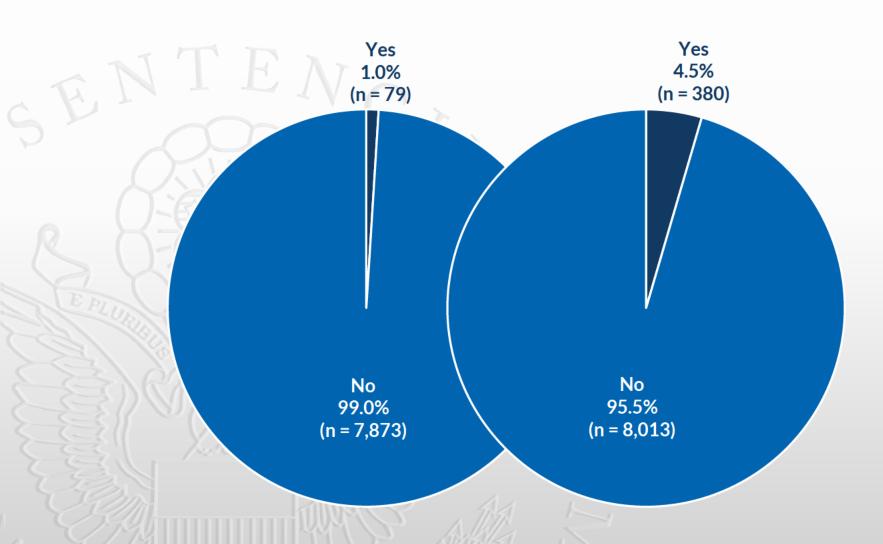
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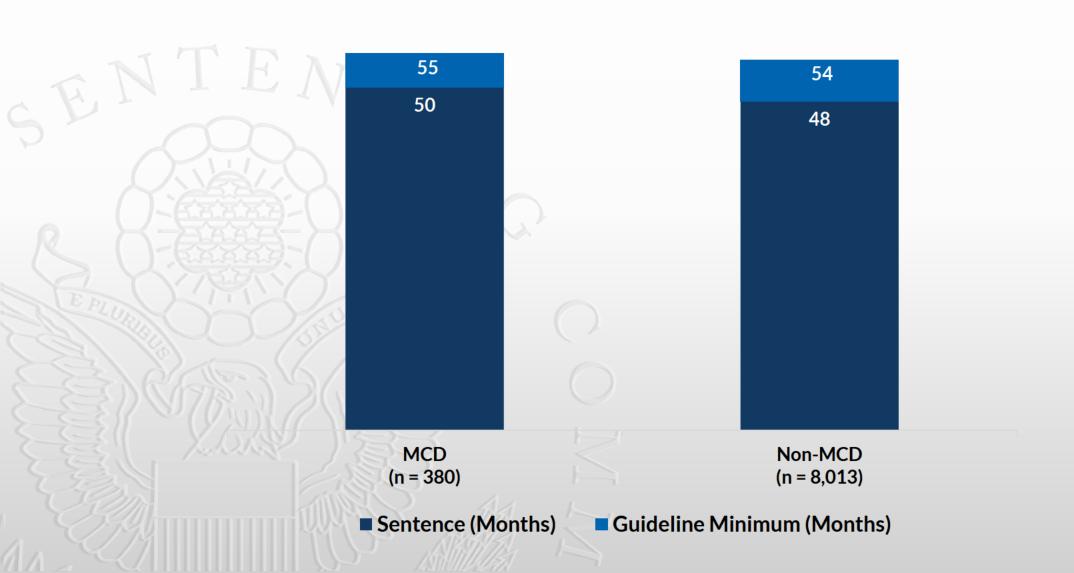
Fiscal Year 2019 Fiscal Year 2023



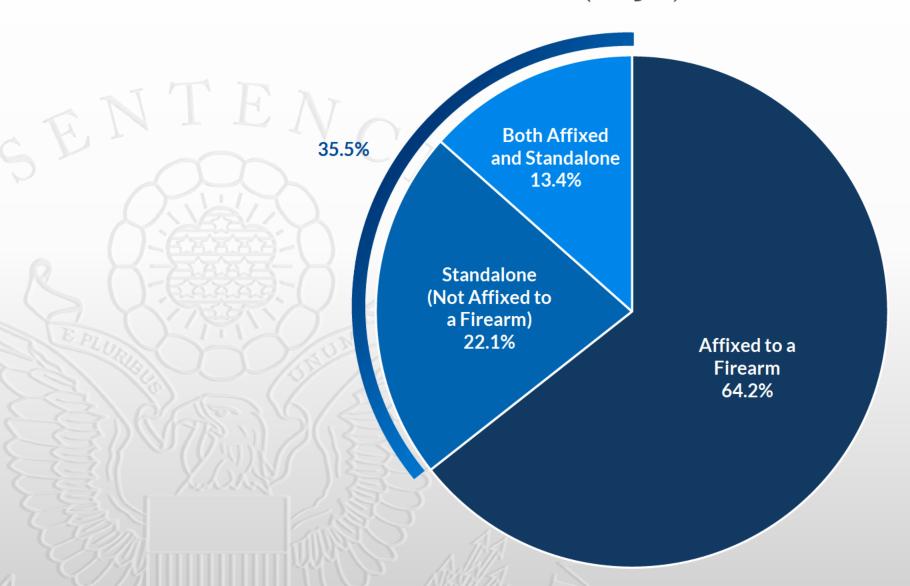
Demographic Characteristics of Sentenced Individuals With MCDs Fiscal Year 2023

Demographic Characteristics	Individuals Sentenced Under §2K2.1 With MCD (n = 380)	Individuals Sentenced Under §2K2.1 Without MCD (n = 8,013)
Race		
White	15.6%	21.9%
Black	59.6%	57.4%
Hispanic	21.9%	17.5%
Other	2.9%	3.2%
Gender		
Male	97.9%	95.6%
Female	2.1%	4.4%
Citizenship		
U.S. Citizen	97.1%	96.4%
Non-U.S. Citizen	2.9%	3.6%
Average Age	28 Years	35 Years

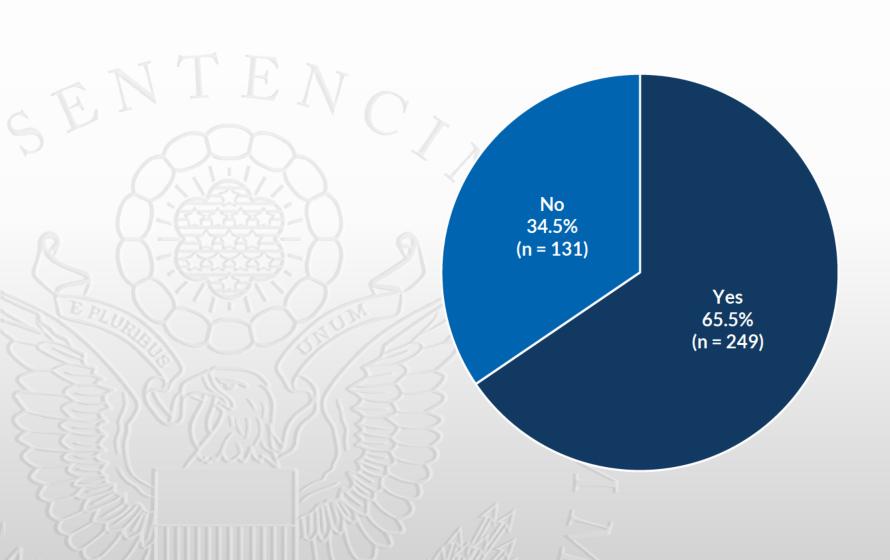
Average Sentence and Guideline Minimum for Individuals Sentenced with MCDs Fiscal Year 2023



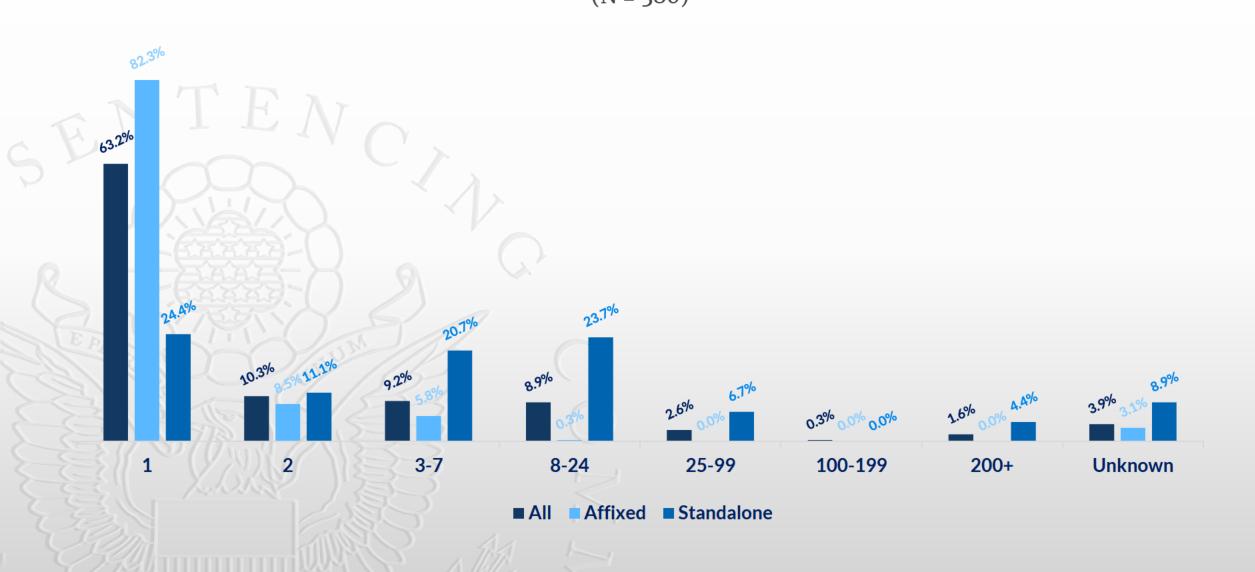
Affixed and Standalone MCDs Fiscal Year 2023 (N = 380)



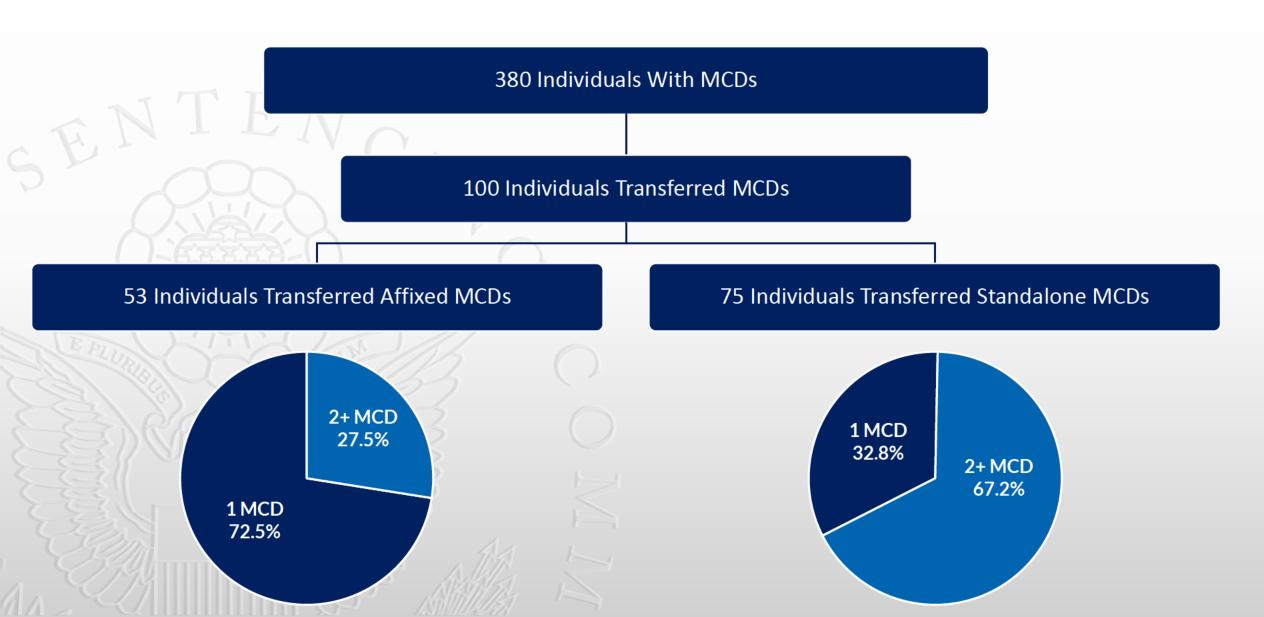
Offense Involved a Large Capacity Magazine Fiscal Year 2023 (N = 380)



Number of MCDs Fiscal Year 2023 (N = 380)

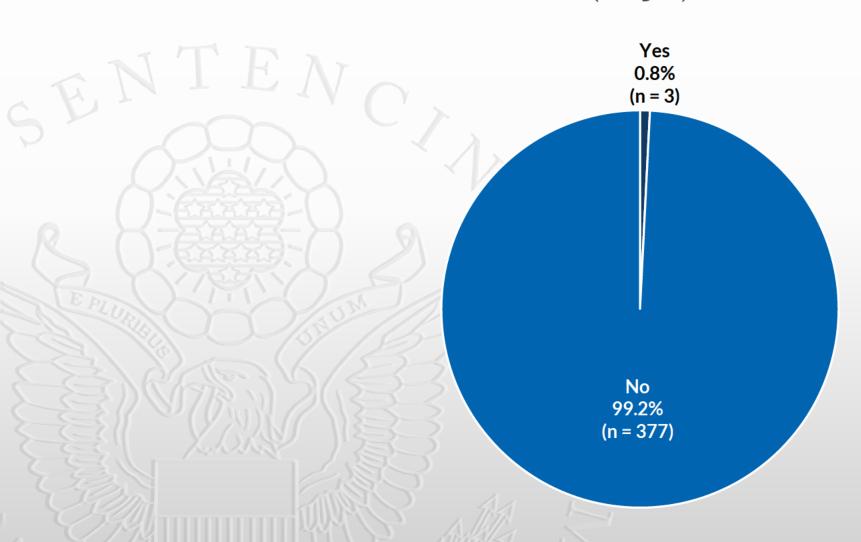


Sentenced Individual Transferred MCDs Fiscal Year 2023



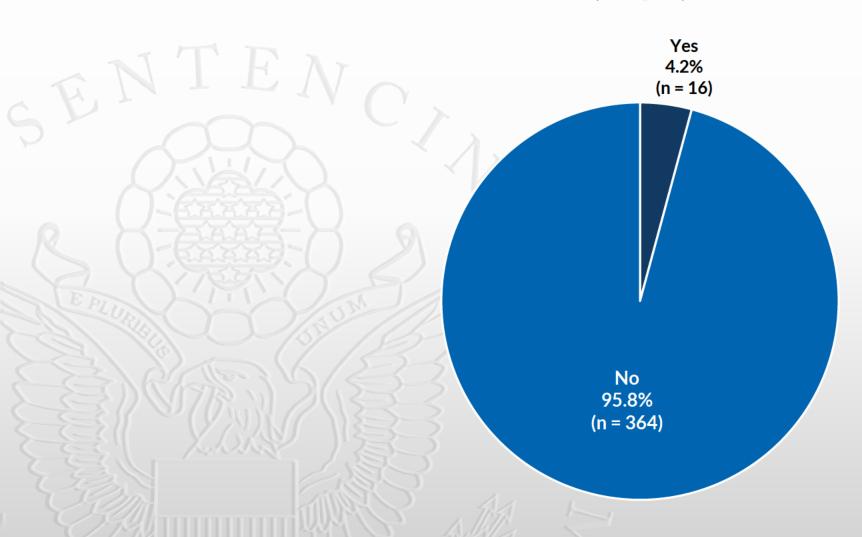
Sentenced Individual Possessed MCD While Leaving or Attempting to Leave the United States Fiscal Year 2023

(N = 380)

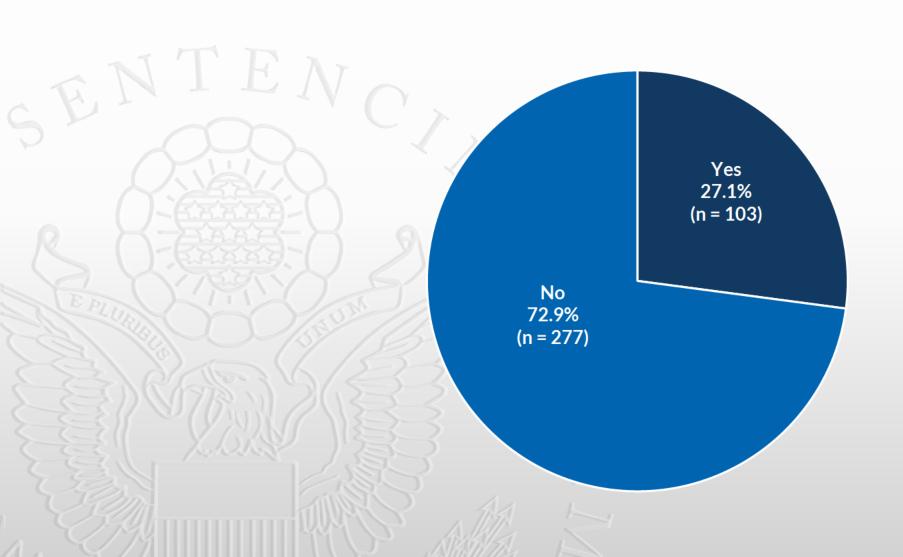


Sentenced Individual Contributed to Transporting MCDs into the United States Fiscal Year 2023

(N = 380)

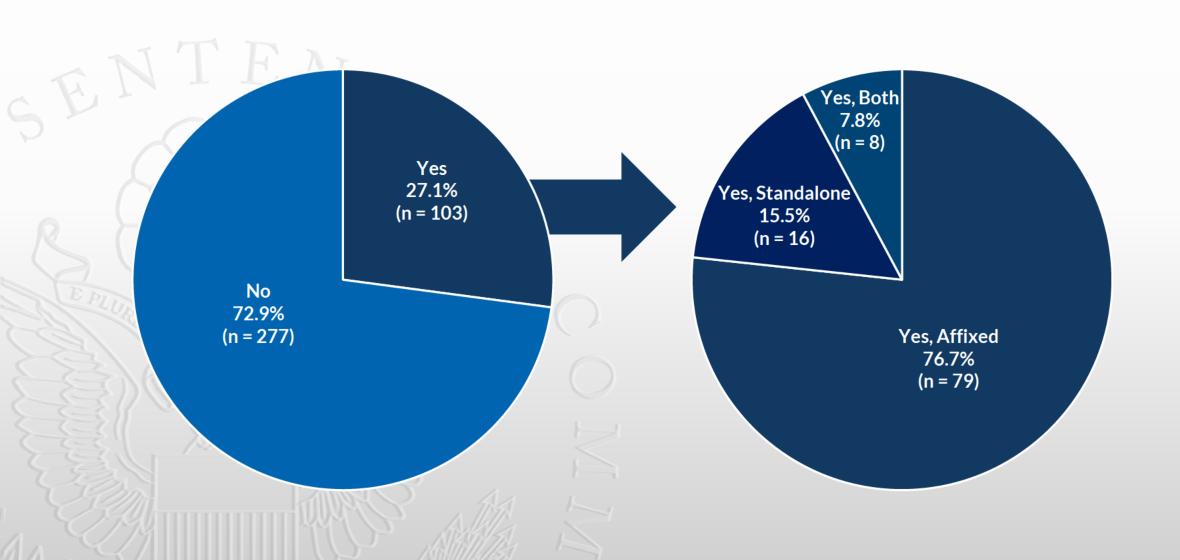


MCD Possessed/Used/Transferred In Preparation/During/Fleeing a Crime Fiscal Year 2023 (N = 380)



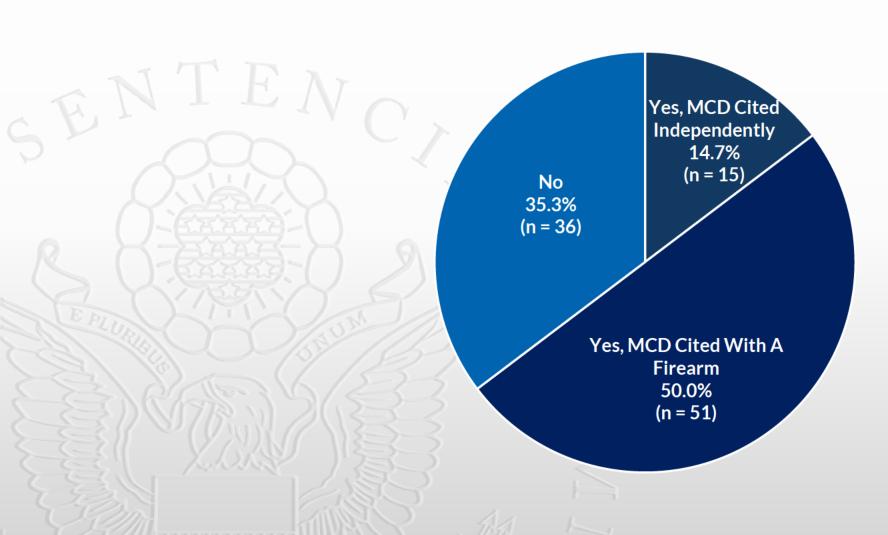
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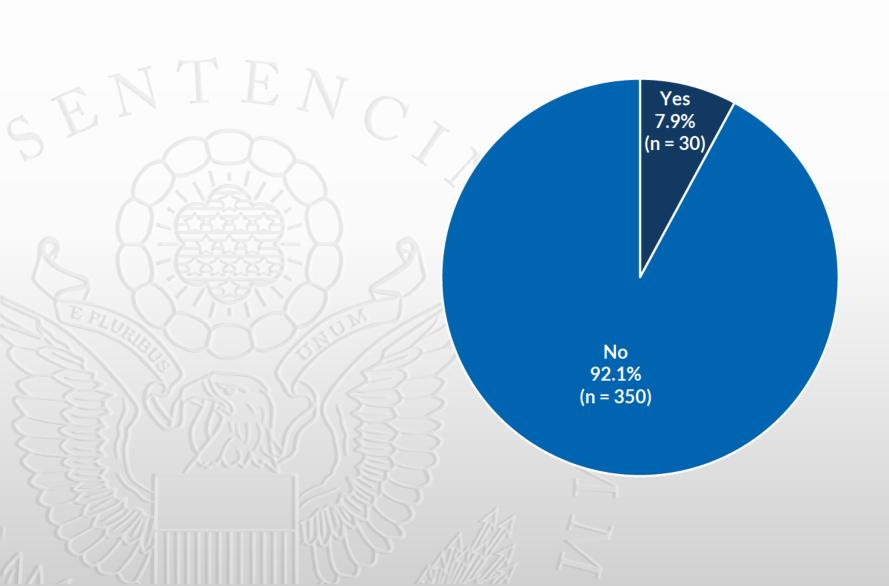


Indictment/Information Cited MCD In Other Crime Cases Fiscal Year 2023

(N = 102)



Sentenced Individual Manufactured MCDs Fiscal Year 2023 (N = 380)





The Commission is accepting original public comment on this proposal through February 3, 2025, with a reply comment period closing February 18, 2025.

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