



# Quick Facts

## — Oxycodone Trafficking Offenses —

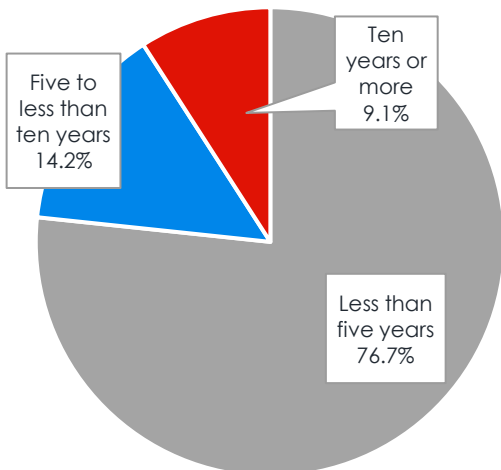
### Fiscal Year 2022

- ▶ IN FY 2022, 64,142 CASES WERE REPORTED TO THE U.S. SENTENCING COMMISSION.
- ▶ 20,037 CASES INVOLVED DRUGS.<sup>1</sup>
- ▶ 19,851 INVOLVED DRUG TRAFFICKING.<sup>2</sup>
- ▶ 1.4% OF DRUG TRAFFICKING CASES INVOLVED OXYCODONE.
- ▶ OXYCODONE TRAFFICKING OFFENSES HAVE DECREASED BY 33.3% SINCE FY 2018.

**Number of Oxycodone Trafficking Offenders**



**Sentence Length FY 2022<sup>3</sup>**



### Offender and Offense Characteristics

- 70.4% of oxycodone trafficking offenders were men.
- 40.7% were Black, 32.2% were White, 12.8% were Hispanic, and 14.3% were Other races.
- Their average age was 41 years.
- 97.4% were United States citizens.
- 62.4% had little or no prior criminal history (Criminal History Category I); 1.5% were career offenders (§4B1.1).
- The median base offense level in these cases was 26, corresponding to between 1,990 and 3,483 30-milligram instant release pills of oxycodone.
- Sentences were increased for:
  - ◆ possessing a weapon (12.8%);
  - ◆ a leadership or supervisory role in the offense (15.7%).
- Sentences were decreased for:
  - ◆ minor or minimal participation in the offense (10.2%);
  - ◆ meeting the safety valve criteria in the sentencing guidelines (40.1%).
- The top districts for oxycodone trafficking offenders were:
  - ◆ District of North Dakota (45);
  - ◆ Eastern District of Pennsylvania (20);
  - ◆ Middle District of Alabama (18);
  - ◆ Northern District of Ohio (17);
  - ◆ Southern District of New York (16).

### Punishment

- The average sentence for oxycodone trafficking offenders was 40 months.
- 79.6% were sentenced to prison.
- Oxycodone trafficking does not carry a mandatory minimum penalty.

