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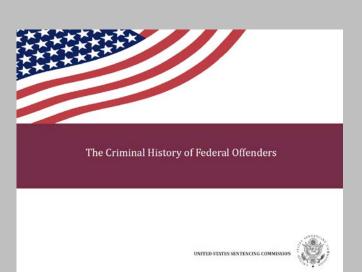
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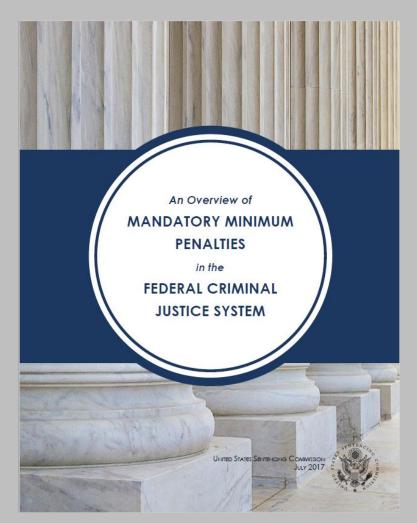
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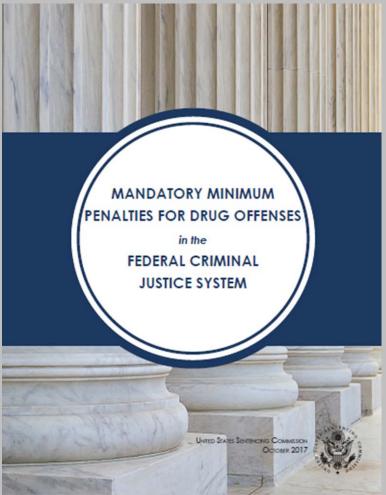


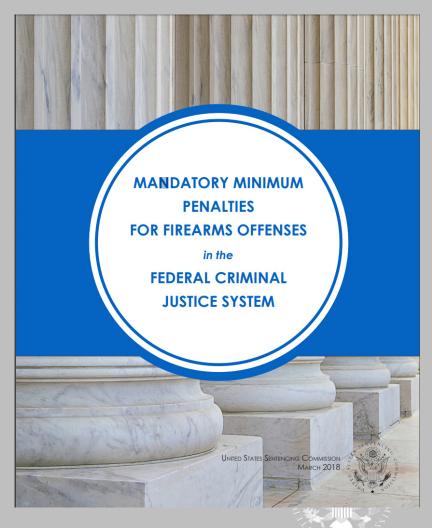




## MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES IN THE FEDERAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM







# MANDATORY MINIMUM PUBLICATIONS KEY FINDINGS

# Key Findings are identified in each publication and relate to:

Prevalence of Mandatory Minimums in the Federal System

Sentence Lengths and Impact on the BOP Population

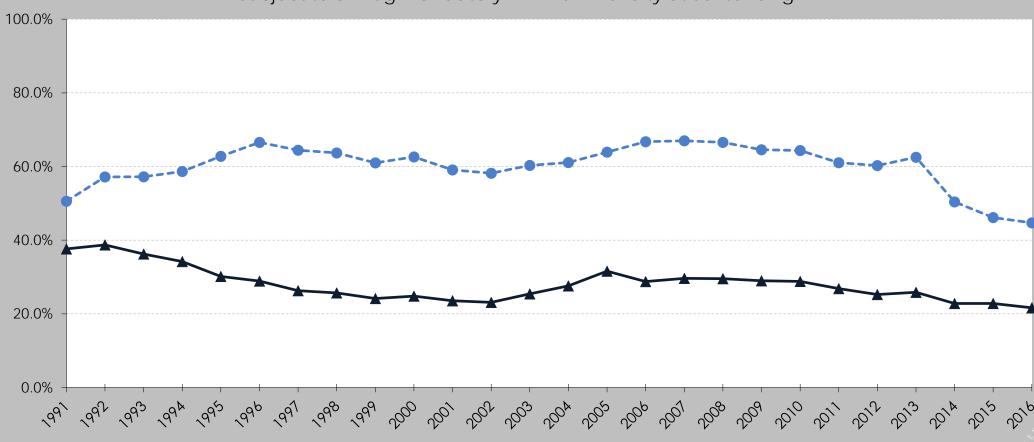
Relief from Mandatory Minimums

Demographic Impacts



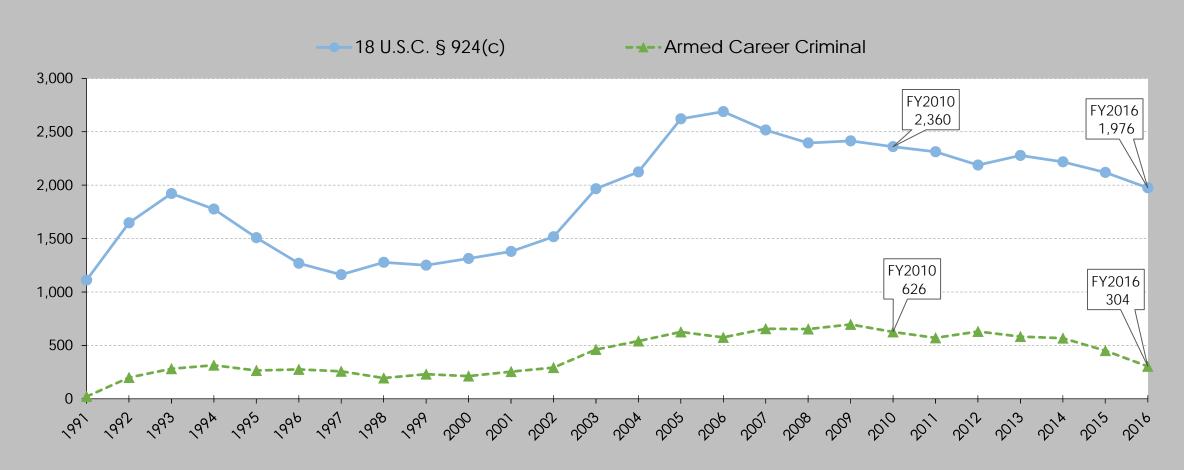
### MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES DECREASED BETWEEN 2010 AND 2016

- ---- Convicted of an Offense Carrying a Drug Mandatory Minimum Penalty
- Subject to a Drug Mandatory Minimum Penalty at Sentencing



### Offenders Convicted Under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c) and Armed Career Criminal Act

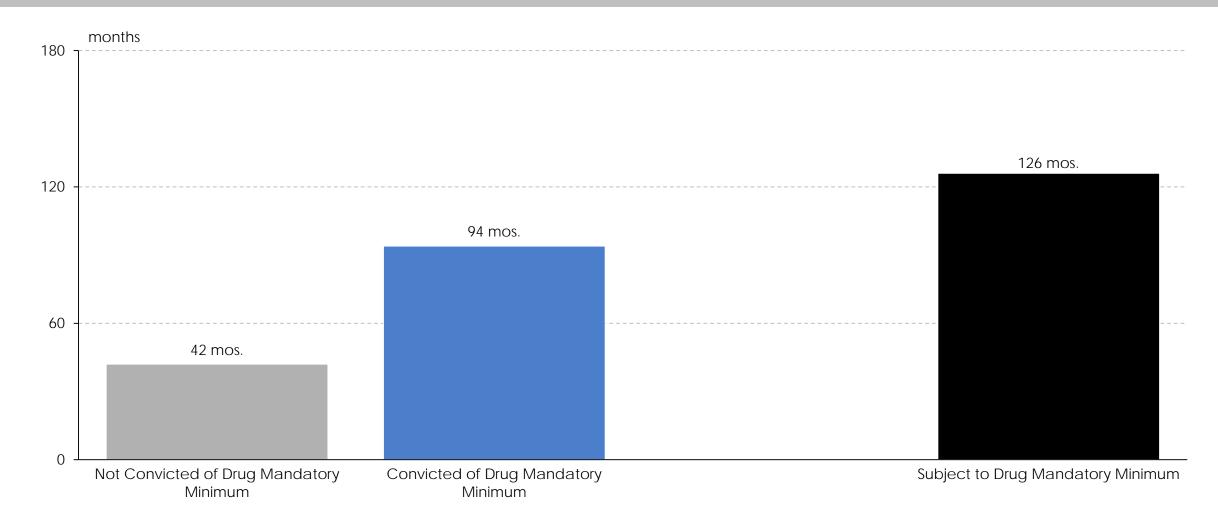
Fiscal Years 1991 - 2016



SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1991 through 2016 Datafiles, USSCFY91 – USSCFY16.

### Offenders Convicted of Drug Mandatory Minimum Penalties

Fiscal Year 2016

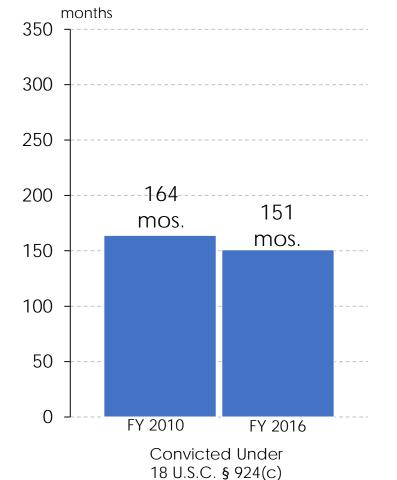


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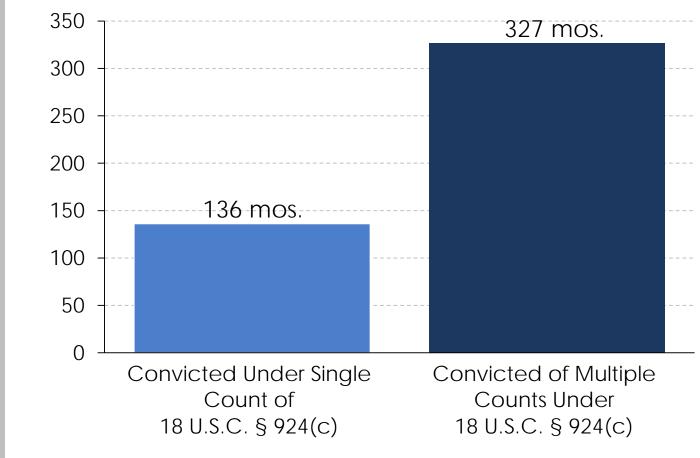
#### Fiscal Year 2016

Average Sentence Length for Offenders Convicted Under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c) Fiscal Years 2010 & 2016



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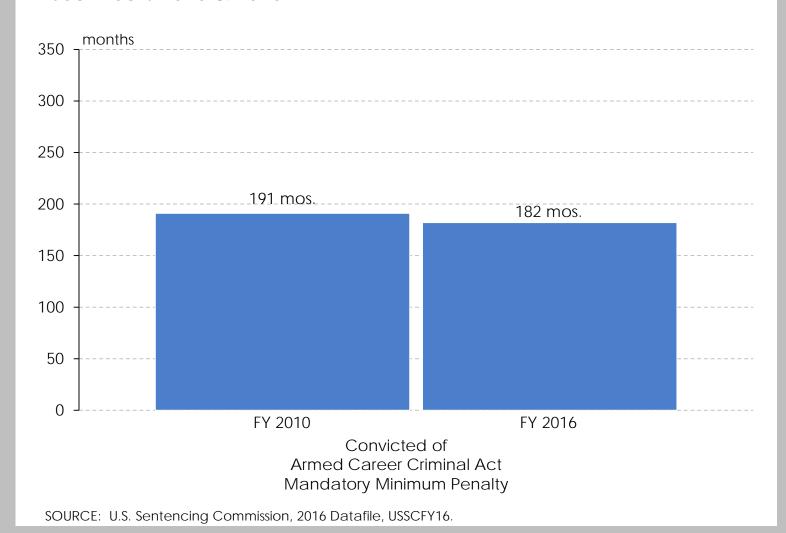
Average Sentence Length for Offenders Convicted of Multiple Counts Under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c) Fiscal Year 2016



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### Armed Career Criminals Fiscal Year 2016

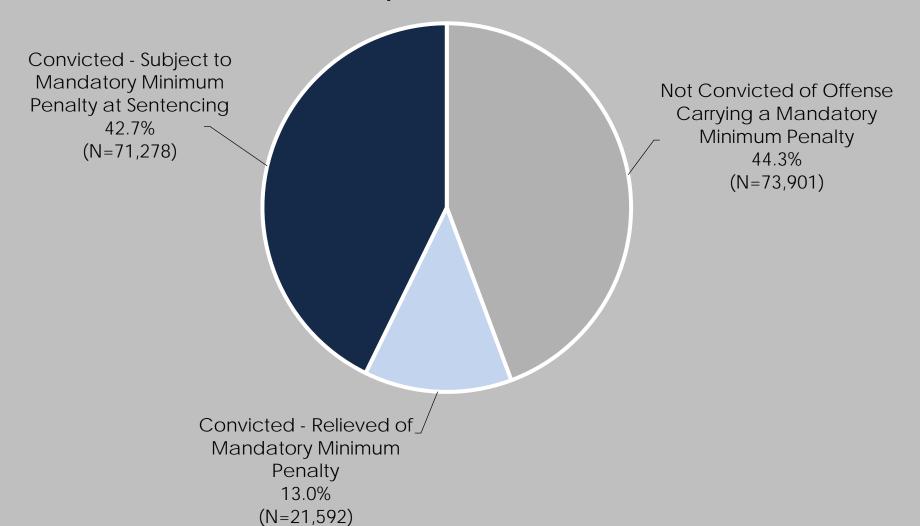
Average Sentence Length for Offenders Convicted of an Offense Carrying the Armed Career Criminal Act Mandatory Minimum Penalty *Fiscal Years* 2010 & 2016





## IMPACT OF MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES ON THE FEDERAL PRISON POPULATION

#### As of September 30, 2016







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# Recidivism of FSA Retroactivity Group and Comparison Group

|   | Comparison                   | FSA Retroactivity               |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Percent   | 37.9%                        | 37.9%                           |
| Most <b>Serious Post-Release</b> Event  (Percent) | Supervision Violations 30.8% | Supervision Violations<br>32.9% |
| Median Age at Release                             | 35                           | 35                              |
| Median Time to<br>Recidivism                      | 14.4 Months                  | 14.5 Months                     |





### The Criminal History of Federal Offenders





### CRIMINAL HISTORY PUBLICATION KEY FINDINGS

Almost three-quarters (72.8%) of federal offenders sentence in FY 2016 had a prior conviction. The average number of priors was 6.1 among offenders with a criminal history.

Public Order was the most common prior offense, as 43.7 percent of offenders with a criminal history had at least one public order offense.



### More Publications On the Way

• Additional Mandatory Minimum Penalties in the Federal Criminal Justice System

• Additional Reports Regarding Recidivism

