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Table 5.11

Federal defendants released or detained prior to trial in U.S. District Courts

By offense, United States, fiscal year 1994

Most serious offense charged	Number of defendants			Percent of defendants released at any time before case disposition					Percent of defendants detained at any time before case disposition					
				All releases	Released on				All detentions	Held on bail for				
	Total	Released	Detained		Financial <sup>a</sup>	Unsecured bond	Personal recognizance	Conditional release		Temporary detention <sup>b</sup>	Part of pretrial period	All of pretrial period	Denied bail	Other detentions
All offenses <sup>c</sup>	45,584	27,607	26,299	60.6%	18.1%	47.7%	28.6%	5.6%	57.7%	2.8%	24.7%	12.1%	53.9%	6.5%
Violent offenses	3,091	1,174	2,478	38.0	15.7	39.4	35.7	9.3	80.2	1.4	14.9	6.1	70.3	7.3
Murder/nonnegligent manslaughter	227	112	163	49.3	19.6	30.4	34.8	15.2	71.8	1.2	16.0	X	75.5	7.4
Negligent manslaughter	20	18	7	90.0	16.7	5.6	72.2	5.6	35.0	X	57.1	28.6	14.3	X
Assault	591	383	331	64.8	6.8	42.8	40.2	10.2	56.0	1.2	27.5	7.3	54.4	9.7
Robbery	1,829	420	1,694	23.0	26.4	41.2	25.5	6.9	92.6	1.5	10.3	6.8	74.9	6.5
Rape	187	131	112	70.1	5.3	22.1	60.3	12.2	59.9	0.9	34.8	0.9	56.3	7.1
Other sex offenses <sup>d</sup>	92	68	44	73.9	13.2	51.5	29.4	5.9	47.8	X	40.9	13.6	34.1	11.4
Kidnaping	111	31	96	27.9	16.1	74.2	6.5	3.2	86.5	X	13.5	3.1	70.8	12.5
Threats against the President	34	11	31	32.4	9.1	27.3	45.5	18.2	91.2	9.7	6.5	X	74.2	9.7
Property offenses	11,629	9,748	3,138	83.8	10.0	54.6	34.0	1.5	27.0	2.1	34.8	10.6	43.8	8.7
Fraudulent offenses	8,545	7,286	2,226	85.3	10.8	56.0	32.0	1.2	26.1	2.0	37.2	11.1	42.0	7.8
Embezzlement	1,481	1,405	132	94.9	2.8	54.6	42.0	0.6	8.9	0.8	40.2	11.4	37.9	9.8
Fraud <sup>e</sup>	5,930	4,965	1,683	83.7	12.6	55.8	30.3	1.3	28.4	2.0	36.2	10.7	43.0	8.1
Forgery	570	490	168	86.0	11.6	61.8	24.9	1.6	29.5	1.8	50.6	14.9	25.6	7.1
Counterfeiting	564	426	243	75.5	15.5	57.3	25.8	1.4	43.1	2.9	32.5	10.7	49.0	4.9
Other offenses	3,084	2,462	912	79.8	7.5	50.2	40.0	2.3	29.6	2.3	29.1	9.5	48.4	10.7
Burglary	173	71	135	41.0	14.1	40.8	39.4	5.6	78.0	3.7	16.3	5.9	65.9	8.1
Larceny <sup>f</sup>	2,185	1,875	484	85.8	6.0	49.9	41.7	2.3	22.2	2.3	36.0	11.6	41.5	8.7
Motor vehicle theft	205	112	115	54.6	9.8	64.3	25.0	0.9	56.1	3.5	16.5	13.0	47.0	20.0
Arson and explosives	164	121	84	73.8	20.7	45.5	31.4	2.5	51.2	X	34.5	2.4	58.3	4.8
Transportation of stolen property	235	182	67	77.4	13.2	61.0	24.7	1.1	28.5	X	25.4	4.5	50.7	19.4
Other property offenses <sup>g</sup>	122	101	27	82.8	2.0	32.7	62.4	3.0	22.1	3.7	14.8	11.1	51.9	18.5
Drug offenses	19,218	9,814	14,292	51.1	31.0	46.6	19.2	3.3	74.4	2.4	26.2	11.3	55.0	5.1
Trafficking	17,404	8,697	13,305	50.0	33.0	48.0	15.6	3.5	76.4	2.2	26.4	11.3	55.2	4.9
Possession and other	1,814	1,117	987	61.6	15.0	35.6	47.2	2.1	54.4	5.8	23.2	10.3	53.4	7.3
Public-order offenses	11,526	6,794	6,343	58.9	11.7	41.3	32.9	14.1	55.0	4.4	20.4	17.0	49.9	8.3
Regulatory offenses	1,339	1,111	357	83.0	10.7	49.2	38.7	1.4	26.7	0.6	33.6	10.9	46.2	8.7
Agriculture	116	112	8	96.6	1.8	36.6	60.7	0.9	6.9	X	25.0	12.5	62.5	X
Antitrust	30	30	1	100.0	3.3	30.0	66.7	X	3.3	X	100.0	X	X	X
Food and drug	42	41	7	97.6	12.2	56.1	31.7	X	16.7	X	85.7	X	14.3	X
Transportation	58	53	10	91.4	5.7	58.5	35.8	X	17.2	X	50.0	10.0	40.0	X
Civil rights	69	60	20	87.0	6.7	61.7	31.7	X	29.0	X	50.0	5.0	35.0	10.0
Communications	65	59	7	90.8	3.4	54.2	42.4	X	10.8	14.3	14.3	X	57.1	14.3
Customs laws	58	44	26	75.9	29.5	40.9	27.3	2.3	44.8	X	38.5	15.4	42.3	3.8
Postal laws	143	124	24	86.7	4.0	61.3	31.5	3.2	16.8	X	16.7	12.5	58.3	12.5
Other regulatory offenses	758	588	254	77.6	14.3	47.6	36.6	1.5	33.5	0.4	31.9	11.4	46.9	9.4
Other offenses	10,187	5,683	5,986	55.8	11.9	39.7	31.7	16.6	58.8	4.6	19.7	17.3	50.1	8.3
Weapons	2,739	1,478	1,747	54.0	17.9	54.0	25.1	3.0	63.8	3.6	19.8	5.3	57.8	13.5
Immigration offenses	3,866	1,357	3,225	35.1	12.9	19.9	6.4	60.8	83.4	6.3	18.4	26.8	44.7	3.8
Tax law violations including tax fraud	681	655	57	96.2	3.8	61.4	34.5	0.3	8.4	X	45.6	7.0	38.6	8.8
Bribery	195	167	52	85.6	22.2	53.3	23.4	1.2	26.7	X	50.0	15.4	30.8	3.8
Perjury, contempt, intimidation	200	154	77	77.0	12.3	57.1	27.9	2.6	38.5	X	29.9	9.1	49.4	11.7
National defense	100	82	50	82.0	23.2	43.9	18.3	14.6	50.0	2.0	46.0	4.0	46.0	2.0
Escape	416	109	338	26.2	14.7	54.1	20.2	11.0	81.3	1.2	7.7	6.2	64.5	20.4
Racketeering and extortion	544	337	300	61.9	25.8	55.5	16.9	1.8	55.1	1.0	21.0	8.7	58.3	11.0
Gambling offenses	164	161	13	98.2	6.2	51.6	42.2	X	7.9	X	61.5	X	38.5	X
Liquor offenses	11	10	3	90.9	10.0	10.0	80.0	X	27.3	X	33.3	X	66.7	X
Mail or transport of obscene material	33	30	7	90.9	13.3	63.3	23.3	X	21.2	X	28.6	X	28.6	42.9
Migratory birds	40	40	3	100.0	X	12.5	87.5	X	7.5	X	100.0	X	X	X
Other felonies <sup>h</sup>	1,198	1,103	114	92.1	1.8	19.9	74.9	3.4	9.5	X	31.6	11.4	42.1	14.9

See notes on next page.

Table 5.11

**Federal defendants released or detained prior to trial in U.S. District Courts**

By offense, United States, fiscal year 1994--Continued

Note: These data are from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics' Federal Justice Statistics database. Sources of information include the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the U.S. Sentencing Commission, the Federal Bureau of Prisons, and the Pretrial Services Agency (PSA).

Tables presenting pretrial release and detention information were created from the PSA data files. The data describe 45,584 defendants who terminated pretrial services during fiscal year 1994 and whose cases were filed by complaint, indictment, or information. "Released" defendants includes some defendants who also were detained prior to trial; "detained" defendants includes some defendants who also were released prior to trial. Total includes defendants for whom release status data were unavailable. For methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 13.

<sup>a</sup>Includes deposit bond, surety bond, and collateral bond.

<sup>b</sup>Held under Title 18 U.S.C. 3142 pending deportation, action on prior pretrial release, or probation or parole review.

<sup>c</sup>Includes 120 defendants for whom offense category could not be determined, 77 of whom were released, 48 of whom were detained.

<sup>d</sup>May include some non-violent offenses.

<sup>e</sup>Excludes tax fraud.

<sup>f</sup>Excludes transportation of stolen property.

<sup>g</sup>Excludes fraudulent property offenses; includes destruction of property and trespass.

<sup>h</sup>Includes felonies with unknown or unclassifiable offense type.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics, 1994*, NCJ-163063 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 1997), pp. 55, 57. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.