

Table 5.60

Average and median number of days between arrest and sentencing for felony cases disposed by State courts

By offense and method of conviction, United States, 1994

(In days)

Most serious conviction offense	Number of days between arrest and sentencing for cases disposed by:				
	Total	Trial			Guilty plea
		Total	Jury	Bench	
Average number of days					
All offenses	190	269	302	257	190
Violent offenses	226	290	311	266	219
Murder ^a	344	380	378	405	316
Rape	245	316	306	355	225
Robbery	206	253	275	234	206
Aggravated assault	218	261	282	229	220
Other violent ^b	210	300	383	276	201
Property offenses	179	250	274	251	181
Burglary	173	252	286	246	173
Larceny ^c	177	239	231	246	179
Fraud ^d	193	285	357	280	193
Drug offenses	180	263	310	252	185
Possession	165	239	294	237	166
Trafficking	192	278	315	263	197
Weapons offenses	180	270	303	240	182
Other offenses ^e	188	266	267	269	186
Median number of days					
All offenses	143	201	251	184	136
Violent offenses	174	228	260	207	163
Murder ^a	281	325	324	368	265
Rape	191	260	264	270	170
Robbery	170	199	238	178	165
Aggravated assault	168	184	197	169	157
Other violent ^b	161	242	371	227	143
Property offenses	132	177	239	173	128
Burglary	130	182	248	168	126
Larceny ^c	133	173	198	175	128
Fraud ^d	133	168	291	167	131
Drug offenses	138	189	232	183	133
Possession	123	167	278	169	118
Trafficking	149	206	232	196	142
Weapons offenses	143	202	207	173	136
Other offenses ^e	132	208	240	212	127

Note: See Note, table 5.49. The median marks the point below which and above which 50% of all cases fall. The grand total column includes all cases, whether or not conviction type was known. Data on elapsed time were available for 376,086 of the estimated total of 872,217 convicted felons. For survey sampling procedures and definitions of terms, see Appendix 14.

^aIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^bIncludes offenses such as negligent manslaughter, sexual assault, and kidnaping.

^cIncludes motor vehicle theft.

^dIncludes forgery and embezzlement.

^eComposed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 1994*, Bulletin NCJ-163391 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, January, 1997), p. 9, Table 11.