

Table 5.43

Drug offenders sentenced under the U.S. Sentencing Commission guidelines

By offender characteristics, mode of conviction, and drug offense, fiscal year 1995^a

	Total cases		Drug type													
			Powder cocaine		Crack cocaine		Heroin		Marijuana		Metham-phetamine		LSD		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Sex																
Male	13,320	87.8%	3,913	87.9%	3,371	89.4%	1,147	80.4%	3,641	90.1%	931	83.3%	74	90.2%	243	84.4%
Female	1,859	12.2	541	12.1	400	10.6	280	19.6	399	9.9	186	16.7	8	9.8	45	15.6
Race, ethnicity^b																
White	4,102	27.0	977	22.0	168	4.5	172	12.1	1,725	42.7	807	72.3	74	90.2	179	62.2
Black	5,313	35.0	1,274	28.6	3,330	88.4	447	31.3	200	5.0	14	1.3	4	4.9	44	15.3
Hispanic	5,481	36.1	2,166	48.7	245	6.5	730	51.2	2,054	50.8	255	22.8	0	X	31	10.8
Other ^c	272	1.8	33	0.7	23	0.6	77	5.4	61	1.5	40	3.6	4	4.9	34	11.8
Citizenship																
United States	10,976	72.5	2,895	65.2	3,507	93.1	640	45.0	2,703	67.0	902	80.8	77	93.9	252	87.5
Non-United States	4,167	27.5	1,543	34.8	258	6.9	781	55.0	1,330	33.0	214	19.2	5	6.1	36	12.5
Mode of conviction																
Guilty plea	13,638	90.0	3,971	89.3	3,201	85.1	1,331	93.4	3,790	93.9	1,002	89.7	76	92.7	267	92.7
Trial	1,520	10.0	478	10.7	561	14.9	94	6.6	245	6.1	115	10.3	6	7.3	21	7.3
Drug offenses																
Drug trafficking	14,234	93.8	4,299	96.5	3,567	94.6	1,377	96.5	3,601	89.1	1,049	93.9	78	95.1	263	91.3
Protected locations ^d	224	1.5	37	0.8	126	3.3	15	1.1	27	0.7	12	1.1	1	1.2	6	2.1
Continuing criminal enterprise	76	0.5	27	0.6	26	0.7	8	0.6	12	0.3	3	0.3	0	X	0	X
Rent/manage drug establishment	58	0.4	15	0.3	20	0.5	1	0.1	10	0.2	11	1.0	0	X	1	0.3
Possession	587	3.9	76	1.7	32	0.8	26	1.8	390	9.7	42	3.8	3	3.7	18	6.3

Note: See Note, table 5.34. Of the 38,500 guideline cases, 15,282 were sentenced under drug offense guidelines. Some cases are excluded from the table due to missing information.

^dOffenses occurring at designated protected locations such as near schools or playgrounds.

^aPercents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

^bThe Hispanic category includes both black and white Hispanics.

^cIncludes Native Americans, Alaska Natives, Asians, or Pacific Islanders.

Source: U.S. Sentencing Commission, *Annual Report 1995* (Washington, DC: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1996), pp. 102-104; p. 107, Table 42. Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.