

Table 5.17

Suspects referred to U.S. magistrates

By offense, 1982, 1988-93

Most serious offense investigated	1982		1988		1989		1990		1991 ^a		1992		1993	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All offenses ^b	12,738	16.4%	10,959	11.6%	13,233	12.7%	14,188	12.9%	11,540	10.1%	11,223	10.2%	11,307	10.4%
Violent offenses	389	8.3	210	4.7	280	5.5	242	4.8	252	4.4	297	4.9	293	4.7
Murder/manslaughter	16	5.4	5	1.5	8	1.7	10	3.9	12	3.8	4	1.0	5	1.4
Assault	174	18.5	117	11.6	143	13.1	106	10.4	103	9.3	159	13.9	165	13.9
Robbery	144	4.9	59	2.6	91	3.5	86	3.2	93	3.0	92	2.7	82	2.4
Rape	1	3.6	1	0.4	7	3.2	9	2.5	19	4.7	9	2.0	6	1.1
Other sex offenses	0	X	7	2.0	9	2.4	6	1.5	0	X	11	3.3	7	2.2
Kidnaping	20	10.5	6	3.6	13	7.6	13	6.0	14	6.2	16	7.5	21	9.0
Threats against the President	34	18.1	15	13.9	9	7.6	12	11.8	11	8.5	6	6.8	7	6.5
Property offenses	2,505	9.2	1,579	5.7	1,755	5.5	1,915	5.9	1,528	4.5	1,887	5.6	2,209	6.4
Fraudulent offenses	1,452	6.6	1,312	5.5	1,459	5.1	1,608	5.6	1,268	4.2	1,579	5.4	1,895	6.3
Embezzlement	528	10.2	343	6.4	429	7.7	503	9.1	369	6.5	586	11.1	569	10.9
Fraud ^c	561	4.3	773	4.9	857	4.3	909	4.4	700	3.2	800	3.7	1,089	4.8
Forgery	355	9.1	187	7.1	163	5.9	188	8.3	179	7.5	182	10.1	222	11.6
Counterfeiting	8	33.3	9	12.5	10	7.3	8	5.5	20	10.8	11	5.9	15	6.9
Other offenses	1,053	20.8	267	7.0	296	8.6	307	8.4	260	7.4	308	7.1	314	7.2
Burglary	5	4.5	3	3.0	4	4.5	3	3.7	1	1.3	8	8.6	2	3.2
Larceny	305	10.8	173	7.1	177	7.9	160	6.6	143	6.6	188	8.8	177	8.3
Motor vehicle theft	46	4.8	8	1.0	23	3.4	27	4.0	18	2.5	23	3.2	34	3.7
Arson and explosives	2	8.3	0	X	1	B	3	10.3	0	X	14	1.7	12	1.7
Transportation of stolen property	7	4.6	1	1.4	3	2.0	13	8.5	6	3.8	8	3.8	0	X
Other	688	69.2	82	23.1	88	31.2	101	31.0	92	24.0	67	17.8	89	25.8
Drug offenses	760	6.2	1,371	5.3	1,702	5.3	1,758	5.3	1,631	4.6	1,774	4.9	2,063	6.0
Public-order offenses	8,678	27.3	7,716	21.6	9,365	27.5	10,082	27.0	7,887	21.3	7,265	21.4	6,676	20.2
Regulatory offenses	909	15.4	459	5.9	689	8.5	604	7.1	414	5.1	314	5.2	229	4.1
Agriculture	150	32.7	30	4.9	110	18.7	160	26.1	47	9.8	34	7.9	34	7.8
Antitrust	0	X	0	X	0	X	6	5.8	0	X	0	X	0	X
Fair labor standards	2	7.4	0	X	0	X	1	2.6	0	X	0	X	3	B
Food and drug	38	8.6	71	11.4	26	4.9	36	11.9	19	8.4	28	9.3	18	7.9
Motor carrier	12	8.8	2	1.1	7	5.1	5	5.1	3	2.9	4	1.6	4	1.4
Other regulatory offenses	707	15.1	356	5.7	546	8.2	396	5.4	345	4.8	248	5.0	170	3.8
Other offenses	8,678	30.0	7,257	26.0	8,676	33.4	9,478	32.9	7,473	25.8	6,951	25.0	6,447	23.4
Weapons offenses	109	4.0	79	2.2	136	3.1	189	3.5	188	2.7	183	2.4	183	2.4
Immigration offenses	3,317	55.8	4,529	64.2	5,064	65.1	5,637	65.6	4,196	60.0	3,293	53.4	2,568	45.6
Tax law violations														
including tax fraud	78	4.3	13	0.6	35	1.9	42	2.2	39	2.1	45	2.7	51	3.1
Bribery	14	3.2	33	5.8	22	3.3	18	2.5	22	2.8	12	2.1	13	2.4
Perjury, contempt, and intimidation	7	3.0	1	0.4	4	1.3	2	0.7	4	1.2	42	6.7	22	3.0
National defense	146	25.2	115	18.5	186	26.6	212	29.4	104	19.2	122	25.7	86	18.9
Escape	1,355	41.4	1,304	37.6	1,596	41.4	1,671	44.3	1,737	44.2	2,106	56.9	2,211	56.8
Racketeering and extortion	50	3.1	29	1.5	26	1.3	47	1.7	45	1.5	51	1.6	47	1.4
Gambling offenses	8	5.4	2	0.6	0	X	6	1.3	3	0.8	0	X	0	X
Liquor offenses	1	2.5	0	X	1	B	1	4.0	0	X	0	X	1	4.3
Mail or transport of obscene material	3	6.8	2	1.5	0	X	6	4.3	0	X	0	X	1	1.3
Migratory birds	912	80.5	216	22.7	714	78.5	576	76.7	300	64.9	263	72.5	151	65.4
Conspiracy, aiding and abetting, traffic, and jurisdictional offenses	1,704	22.0	775	12.7	779	36.4	946	38.5	717	27.8	826	31.7	1,103	40.4
Other	85	40.4	159	19.5	113	14.2	125	15.5	118	12.6	8	6.3	10	7.3

Note: See Note, table 5.15. Percent figures are percent of the total criminal matters concluded for the year indicated. For methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 13.

^bTotals may include suspects for which offense category could not be determined.

^cExcludes tax fraud.

^aData for 1991 are incomplete due to changes in the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys' reporting system.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Federal Criminal Case Processing, 1982-93, With Preliminary Data for 1994*. NCJ-160088 (Washington, DC: USGPO, 1996), pp. 6, 7. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.