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**AVERAGE LENGTH OF IMPRISONMENT FOR APPEALS DEFENDANTS
IN EACH PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹
Fiscal Year 1997**

PRIMARY OFFENSE	APPELLATE COURT CASES ²				DISTRICT COURT CASES ³			
	N	Percent	Mean (mos)	Median (mos)	N	Percent	Mean (mos)	Median (mos)
TOTAL	3,503	100.0	131.3	97.0	48,350	100.0	46.7	24.0
Murder	7	0.2	270.7	240.0	102	0.2	232.6	178.0
Manslaughter	3	0.1	31.3	27.0	53	0.1	29.7	21.0
Kidnapping/Hostage-Taking	15	0.4	321.0	360.0	75	0.2	185.8	130.0
Sexual Abuse	6	0.2	109.0	114.0	218	0.5	67.9	40.0
Assault	49	1.4	71.9	46.0	514	1.1	27.5	12.0
Robbery	239	6.8	157.3	130.0	2,007	4.2	111.2	78.0
Arson	21	0.6	163.9	101.0	104	0.2	93.5	40.0
Drugs - Trafficking	1,862	53.2	170.8	140.0	17,987	37.2	78.4	51.0
Drugs - Communication Facility	17	0.5	60.5	48.0	397	0.8	38.0	46.0
Drugs - Simple Possession	7	0.2	40.0	3.0	619	1.3	4.1	0.0
Firearms	295	8.4	151.8	117.0	2,312	4.8	68.8	41.0
Burglary/B&E	6	0.2	108.3	99.0	61	0.1	25.5	21.0
Auto Theft	8	0.2	30.6	24.0	145	0.3	13.8	9.0
Larceny	67	1.9	30.6	21.0	2,814	5.8	5.6	0.0
Fraud	389	11.1	35.2	30.0	6,870	14.2	11.7	5.0
Embezzlement	20	0.6	10.2	11.0	831	1.7	4.1	0.0
Forgery/Counterfeiting	27	0.8	32.5	27.0	663	1.4	9.9	6.0
Bribery	22	0.6	27.2	25.5	274	0.6	12.4	3.0
Tax	46	1.3	24.3	18.0	989	2.0	6.8	0.0
Money Laundering	76	2.2	69.2	63.0	890	1.8	33.0	24.0
Racketeering/Extortion	55	1.6	123.7	71.0	600	1.2	106.7	60.0
Gambling/Lottery	2	0.1	---	---	181	0.4	3.7	0.0
Civil Rights	10	0.3	63.4	63.5	159	0.3	20.3	6.0
Immigration	126	3.6	48.6	46.0	6,452	13.3	18.6	13.0
Pornography/Prostitution	22	0.6	46.1	33.0	287	0.6	25.7	15.0
Prison Offenses	28	0.8	44.1	22.5	301	0.6	19.1	12.0
Administration of Justice Offenses	50	1.4	46.0	28.5	871	1.8	13.4	8.0
Environmental/Wildlife	3	0.1	29.3	37.0	115	0.2	2.7	0.0
National Defense	1	0.0	---	---	22	0.0	41.5	18.0
Antitrust	0	0.0	-	---	11	0.0	3.2	0.0
Food & Drug	1	0.0	0.0	---	60	0.1	5.6	0.0
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	23	0.7	41.8	28.0	1,205	2.5	4.8	0.0

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¹Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

²Based on 3,692 appeals defendants with sentencing as at least one of the reasons for appeal. 3,522 of these cases matched with the U.S. Sentencing Commission's Monitoring files 1989-1997 (USSCFY89 - USSCFY97). Of the 3,522 matched cases, 29 were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing offense type information (11) or missing sentencing information (18).

³All guideline cases sentenced in FY1997.