

Table 38

**PLEA AND TRIAL RATES OF DRUG OFFENDERS FOR EACH DRUG TYPE¹
Fiscal Year 1999**

| DRUG TYPE | TOTAL | PLEA | | TRIAL | |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| | | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| TOTAL | 20,893 | 19,682 | 94.2 | 1,211 | 5.8 |
| Powder Cocaine | 4,612 | 4,289 | 93.0 | 323 | 7.0 |
| Crack Cocaine | 4,824 | 4,363 | 90.4 | 461 | 9.6 |
| Heroin | 1,619 | 1,544 | 95.4 | 75 | 4.6 |
| Marijuana | 6,634 | 6,435 | 97.0 | 199 | 3.0 |
| Methamphetamine | 2,680 | 2,546 | 95.0 | 134 | 5.0 |
| Other | 524 | 505 | 96.4 | 19 | 3.6 |

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¹Of the 55,557 cases, 22,682 were sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (drugs). Of these, 22,566 were sentenced under §§2D1.1 (Drug Trafficking), 2D1.2 (Protected Locations), 2D1.5 (Continuing Criminal Enterprise), 2D1.6 (Communication Facility), 2D1.8 (Rent/Manage Drug Establishment), or 2D2.1 (Simple Possession). Of these, 21,068 contained complete guideline application information. Of these 21,068 cases, 175 were excluded due to one or more of the following reasons: missing information on mode of conviction (116) or missing drug type (60). Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1999 Datafile, USSCFY99.