

Table 39

**WEAPON INVOLVEMENT OF DRUG OFFENDERS FOR EACH DRUG TYPE¹
Fiscal Year 1998**

DRUG TYPE	TOTAL	No Weapon Involved		Weapon Involved²	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL	20,266	17,818	87.9	2,448	12.1
Powder Cocaine	4,781	4,255	89.0	526	11.0
Crack Cocaine	4,891	3,961	81.0	930	19.0
Heroin	1,798	1,693	94.2	105	5.8
Marijuana	6,064	5,679	93.7	385	6.3
Methamphetamine	2,306	1,835	79.6	471	20.4
Other	426	395	92.7	31	7.3

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¹Of the 50,754 cases, 20,368 were sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (drugs). Of these, 20,267 were sentenced under §§2D1.1 (Drug Trafficking), 2D1.2 (Protected Locations), 2D1.5 (Continuing Criminal Enterprise), 2D1.8 (Rent/Manage Drug Establishment), or 2D2.1 (Simple Possession). Additionally, one case was excluded due to missing drug type. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

²Includes an adjustment for weapon possession under §2D1.1(b)(1) or a conviction under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c).

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1998 Datafile, USSCFY98.