

Table 13

**AVERAGE SENTENCE LENGTH BY PRIMARY OFFENSE CATEGORY¹
(October 1, 1995, through September 30, 1996)**

PRIMARY OFFENSE	Mean Months	Median Months	Number
TOTAL	50.7	24.0	42,025
Murder	295.7	267.0	88
Manslaughter	27.3	16.0	53
Kidnapping/Hostage-Taking	180.2	99.5	84
Sexual Abuse	67.3	36.0	170
Assault	33.8	18.0	449
Robbery	110.9	77.0	1,662
Arson	96.9	48.0	105
Drugs - Trafficking	82.8	60.0	16,131
Drugs - Communication Facility	35.2	36.0	394
Drugs - Simple Possession	6.0	1.0	606
Firearms	74.7	41.0	2,533
Burglary/B&E	25.4	18.0	87
Auto Theft	20.6	15.0	124
Larceny	6.7	4.0	2,422
Fraud	13.2	8.0	5,986
Embezzlement	6.2	4.0	780
Forgery/Counterfeiting	10.3	6.0	723
Bribery	13.1	6.0	256
Tax	8.6	5.0	849
Money Laundering	33.5	21.0	816
Racketeering/Extortion	90.5	54.0	543
Gambling/Lottery	5.8	6.0	138
Civil Rights	37.2	16.0	109
Immigration	18.4	15.0	4,863
Pornography/Prostitution	29.1	15.0	191
Prison Offenses	24.1	16.0	337
Administration of Justice Offenses	15.4	9.0	749
Environmental/Wildlife	4.7	1.0	129
National Defense	14.1	10.0	23
Antitrust	2.4	0.0	15
Food & Drug	5.6	0.0	43
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	8.7	1.0	567

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¹Of the 42,436 cases, 411 cases were excluded due to one or both of the following reasons: missing primary offense category (75) or missing or indeterminable sentencing information (337). The information presented in this table includes the time of confinement as defined in USSG §5C1.1. Descriptions of variables in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1996 Datafile, MONFY96.