Table 39

SAFETY VALVE AND DRUG MANDATORY MINIMUM STATUS
OF DRUG DEFENDANTS BY DRUG TYPE¹
(October 1, 1995, through September 30, 1996)

DRUG TYPE	TOTAL	No Drug Mandatory/ No Safety Valve		No Drug Mandatory/ Received Safety Valve		Drug Mandatory/ No Safety Valve		Drug Mandatory/ Received Safety Valve	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL	17,166	5,530	32.2	308	1.8	8,344	48.6	2,984	17.4
Powder Cocaine	4,471	1,045	23.4	80	1.8	2,282	51.0	1064	23.8
Crack Cocaine	4,603	883	19.2	41	0.9	3,176	69.0	503	10.9
Heroin	1,766	488	27.6	101	5.7	669	37.9	508	28.8
Marijuana	4,249	2,393	56.3	45	1.1	1,211	28.5	600	14.1
Methamphetamine ²	1,623	417	25.7	21	1.3	916	56.4	269	16.6
LSD	93	16	17.2	3	3.2	46	49.5	28	30.1
Other	361	288	79.8	17	4.7	44	12.2	12	3.3

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¹Of the 42,436 cases, 17,267 were sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (drugs), regardless of eligibility for the Safety Valve (§5C1.2). Of these, 17,170 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). Of these 17,170 cases, four were excluded due to missing information on drug type. Note that only cases with complete guideline application information were included in the categories which received a safety valve.

²In FY96, the category methamphetamine includes methamphetamine mixture, methamphetamine actual, ICE, and methamphetamine precursors. Prior to FY96, the category methamphetamine did not include ICE. The number of ICE cases (which were eligible for inclusion in this table) for each year are as follows: 130 (1996), 48 (1995), 1 (1994), 9 (1993), and 1 (1992). Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

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