

Table 5.12

**Federal pretrial detention hearings and defendants ordered detained in U.S. District Courts**

By characteristics, United States, fiscal year 1994

Defendant characteristics	Number of defendants	Pretrial detention hearings held		Defendants ordered detained	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All defendants <sup>a</sup>	45,584	18,608	40.8%	14,103	75.8%
<b>Sex</b>					
Male	38,052	16,830	44.2	12,997	77.2
Female	7,507	1,775	23.6	1,104	62.2
<b>Race</b>					
White	29,867	11,338	38.0	8,451	74.5
Black	13,390	6,288	47.0	4,940	78.6
Other	2,327	982	42.2	712	72.5
<b>Ethnicity</b>					
Hispanic	13,078	6,954	53.2	5,355	77.0
Non-Hispanic	30,789	11,145	36.2	8,340	74.8
<b>Age</b>					
16 to 18 years	770	377	49.0	281	74.5
19 to 20 years	2,422	1,108	45.7	832	75.1
21 to 30 years	16,653	7,527	45.2	5,787	76.9
31 to 40 years	13,256	5,582	42.1	4,252	76.2
Over 40 years	11,168	3,566	31.9	2,569	72.0
<b>Education</b>					
Less than high school graduate	13,574	6,899	50.8	5,276	76.5
High school graduate	12,912	5,008	38.8	3,603	71.9
Some college	8,084	2,728	33.7	1,870	68.5
College graduate	3,428	824	24.0	572	69.4
<b>Marital status</b>					
Never married	13,747	6,451	46.9	4,877	75.6
Divorced/separated	7,693	3,015	39.2	2,181	72.3
Married	14,007	4,719	33.7	3,365	71.3
Common law	3,009	1,597	53.1	1,215	76.1
Other	7,128	2,826	39.6	2,465	87.2
<b>Employment status at arrest</b>					
Unemployed	17,544	8,555	48.8	6,721	78.6
Employed	21,831	7,536	34.5	5,164	68.5
<b>Criminal record</b>					
No convictions <sup>b</sup>	17,078	5,436	31.8	3,807	70.0
Prior conviction					
Misdemeanor only	7,280	2,582	35.5	1,772	68.6
Felony					
Nonviolent	8,613	4,210	48.9	3,428	81.4
Violent	6,009	3,620	60.2	3,136	86.6
Number of prior convictions					
1	7,403	3,122	42.2	2,289	73.3
2 to 4	8,974	4,297	47.9	3,430	79.8
5 or more	5,525	2,993	54.2	2,617	87.4

Note: See Note, table 5.11. For methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 13.

<sup>a</sup>Includes defendants for whom these characteristics were unknown.<sup>b</sup>Includes only those defendants whose PSA records explicitly showed no prior convictions.Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics, 1994*, NCJ-163063 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 1997), p. 60. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.