



# **Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court FY2001 – FY2008**

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# Analysis of Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court

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- This presentation updates and expands upon a similar presentation by the Sentencing Commission in 2006
- The Sentencing Commission has determined that it is not receiving sentencing guidelines forms for all juveniles convicted in circuit court
  - By statute, guidelines apply in these cases
- For this presentation, the Sentencing Commission has supplemented guidelines data with data from:
  - Juvenile Justice
  - Corrections
  - Supreme Court
  - Pre-Sentence Investigation reports
  - Local and regional jails



# Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court, FY2001 – FY2008

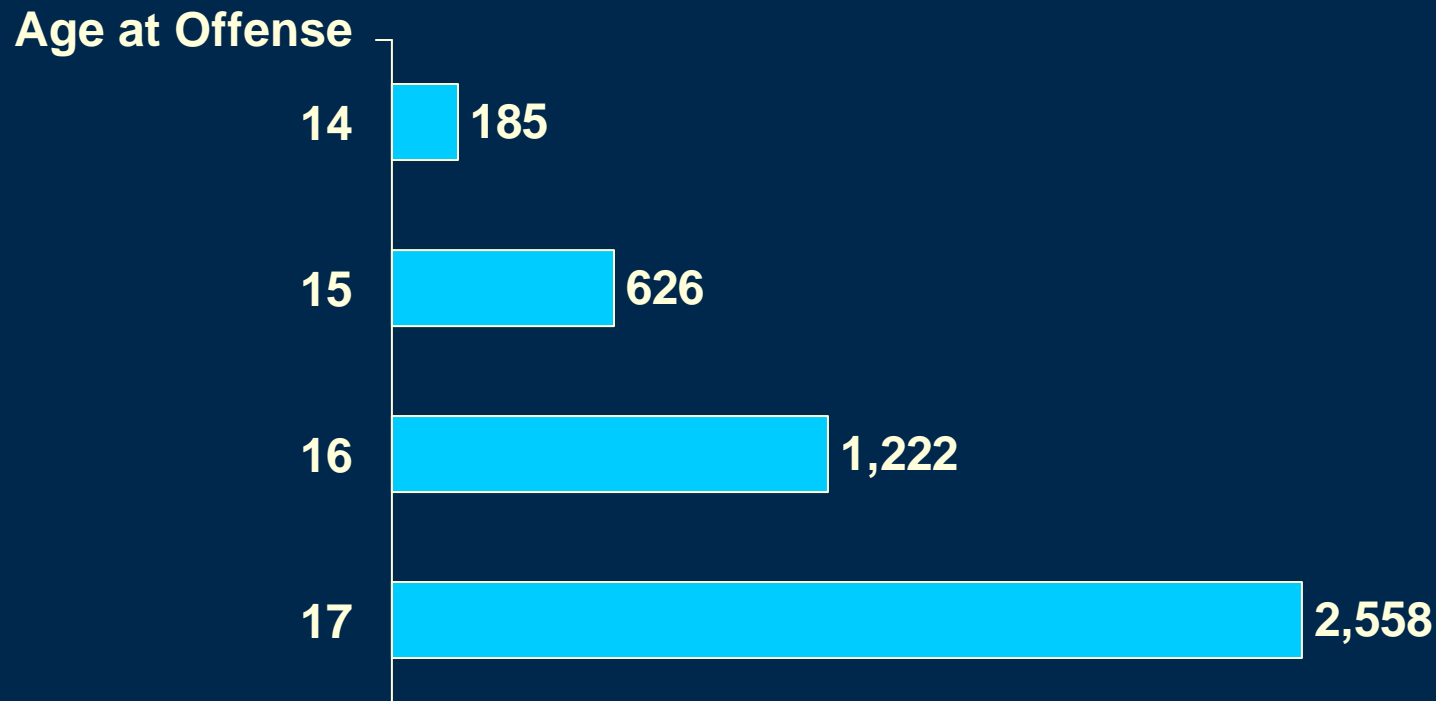


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# Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court, FY2001 – FY2008 by Age at Offense



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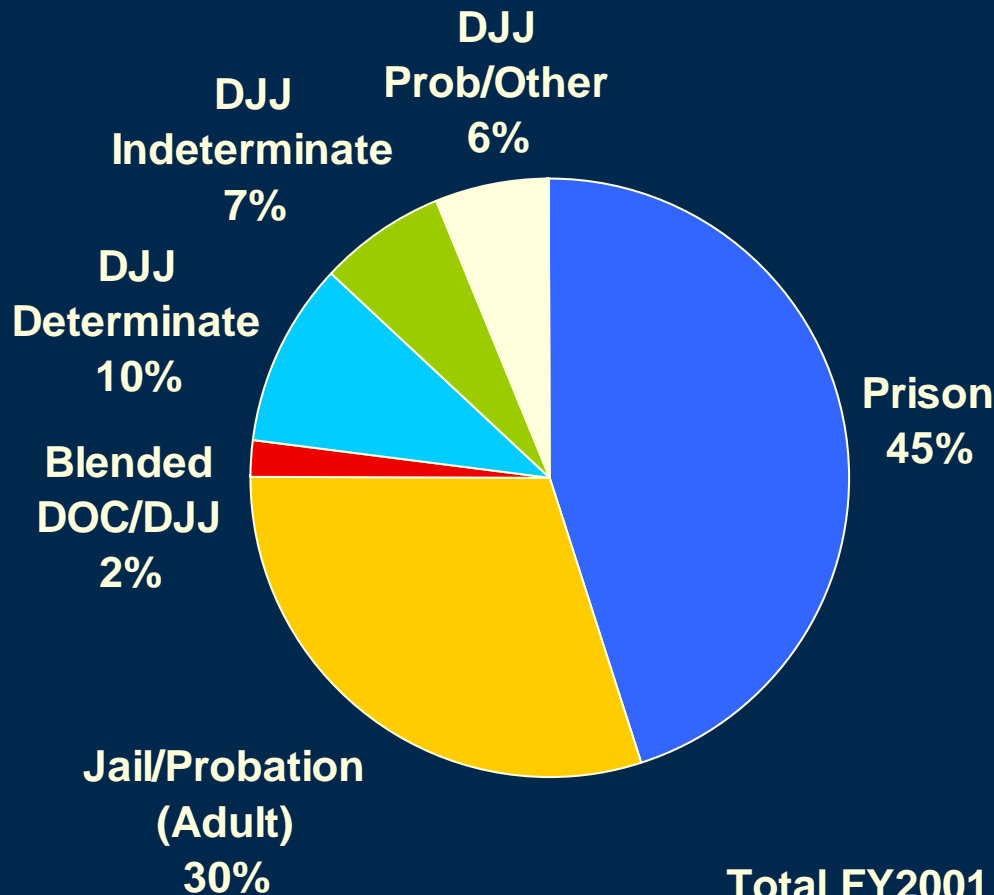
# Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court, FY2001 – FY2008 by Most Serious Offense

Offense	Number	Percent
Robbery	1,504	33%
Assault	690	15%
Larceny/Fraud	557	12%
Drug Schedule I/II	389	8%
Murder/Manslaughter	280	6%
Burglary Dwelling	257	6%
Rape/For. Sodomy/Obj. Pen.	247	5%
Miscellaneous/Other	187	4%
Burglary Other	129	3%
Sex Offense	121	3%
Weapon	99	2%
Kidnapping	55	1%
Drug Other	48	1%
Traffic	28	1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>100%</b>

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# Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court, FY2001 – FY2008 by Type of Disposition



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# Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court, FY2001 – FY2008 by Most Serious Offense & Type of Disposition

Offense	Prison	Jail/Prob. (Adult)	Blended DOC/DJJ	DJJ/ Juvenile	TOTAL
Robbery	51%	17%	3%	29%	1,504
Assault	50%	28%	2%	20%	690
Larceny/Fraud	29%	51%	0%	20%	557
Drug Schedule I/II	39%	52%	0%	10%	389
Murder/Manslaughter	75%	7%	6%	12%	280
Burglary Dwelling	39%	39%	2%	21%	257
Rape/For. Sod./Obj. Pen.	33%	20%	4%	43%	247
Miscellaneous/Other	19%	65%	0%	16%	187
Burglary Other	36%	45%	0%	19%	129
Other Sex Offense	41%	36%	0%	23%	121
Weapon	53%	23%	2%	22%	99
Kidnap	66%	13%	4%	18%	55
Drug Other	25%	67%	0%	8%	48
Traffic	36%	50%	0%	14%	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>4,591</b>

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## Median Prison Sentences in Months

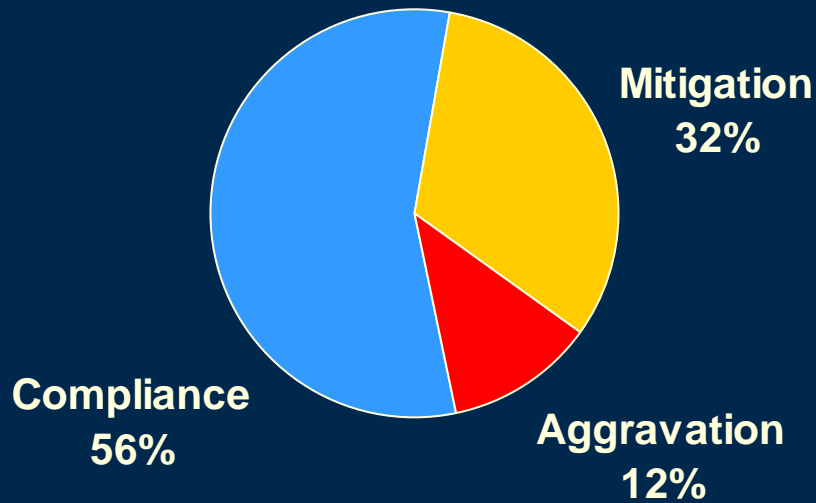


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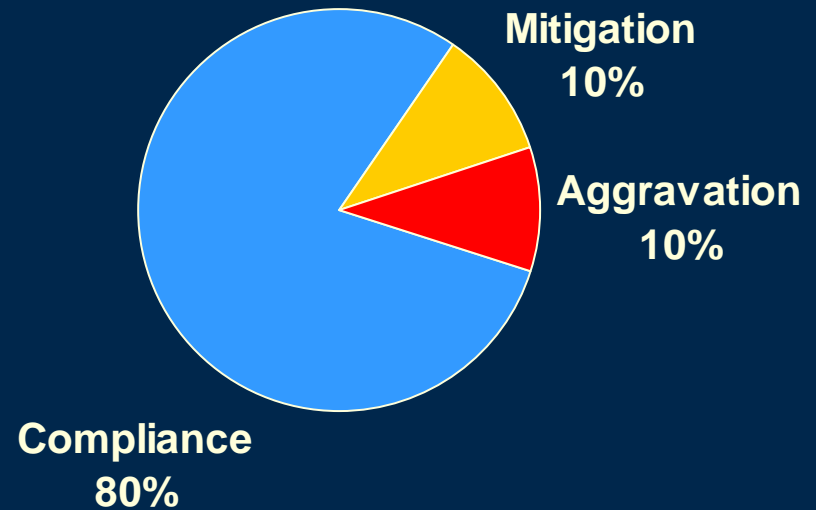
# Sentencing Guidelines Compliance, FY2001 – FY2008

## Juveniles Convicted in Circuit Court



2,680 Cases

## All Other Guidelines Cases



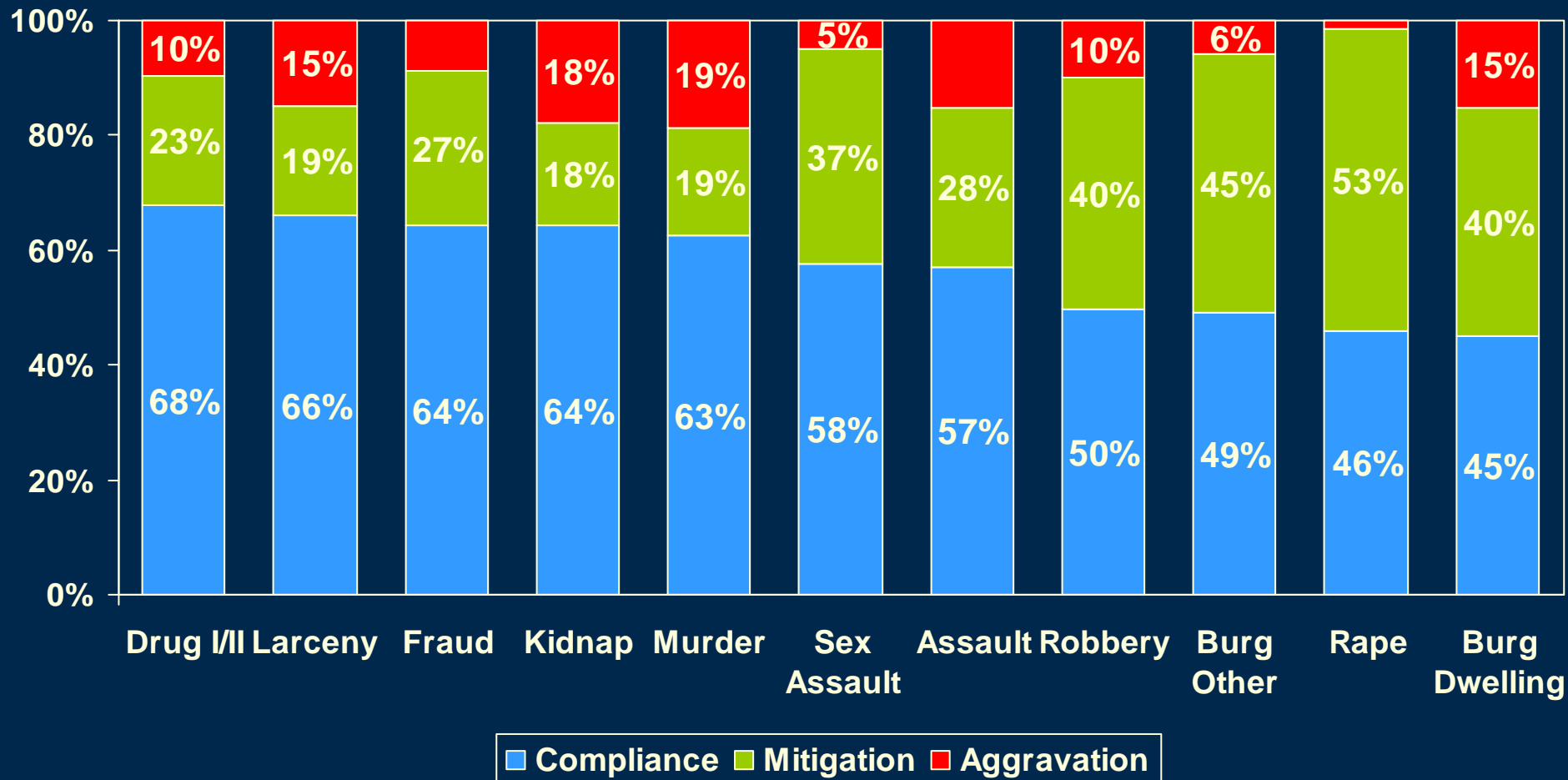
188,110 Cases

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## Sentencing Guidelines Compliance by Most Serious Offense

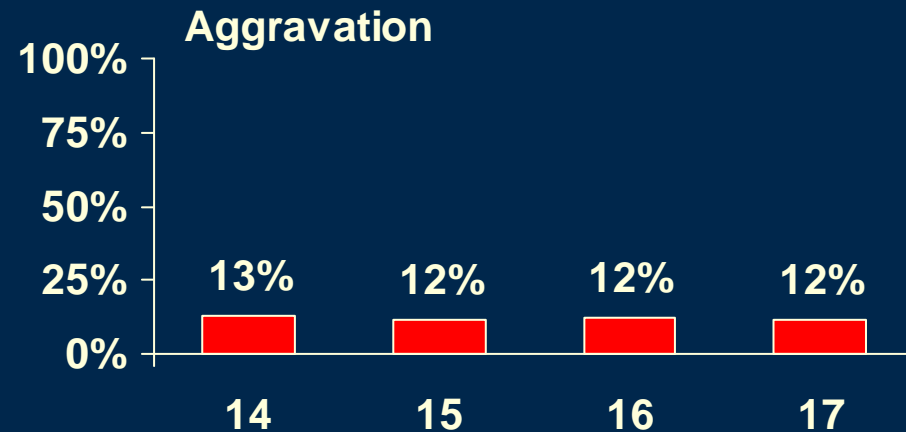
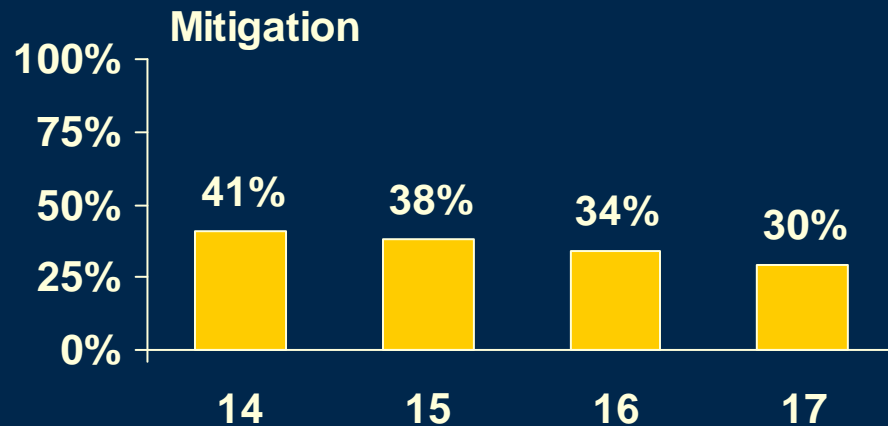
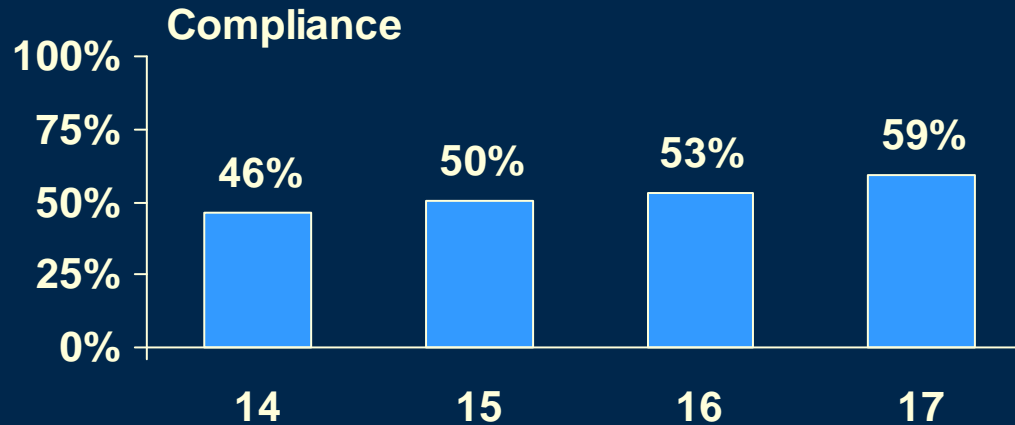


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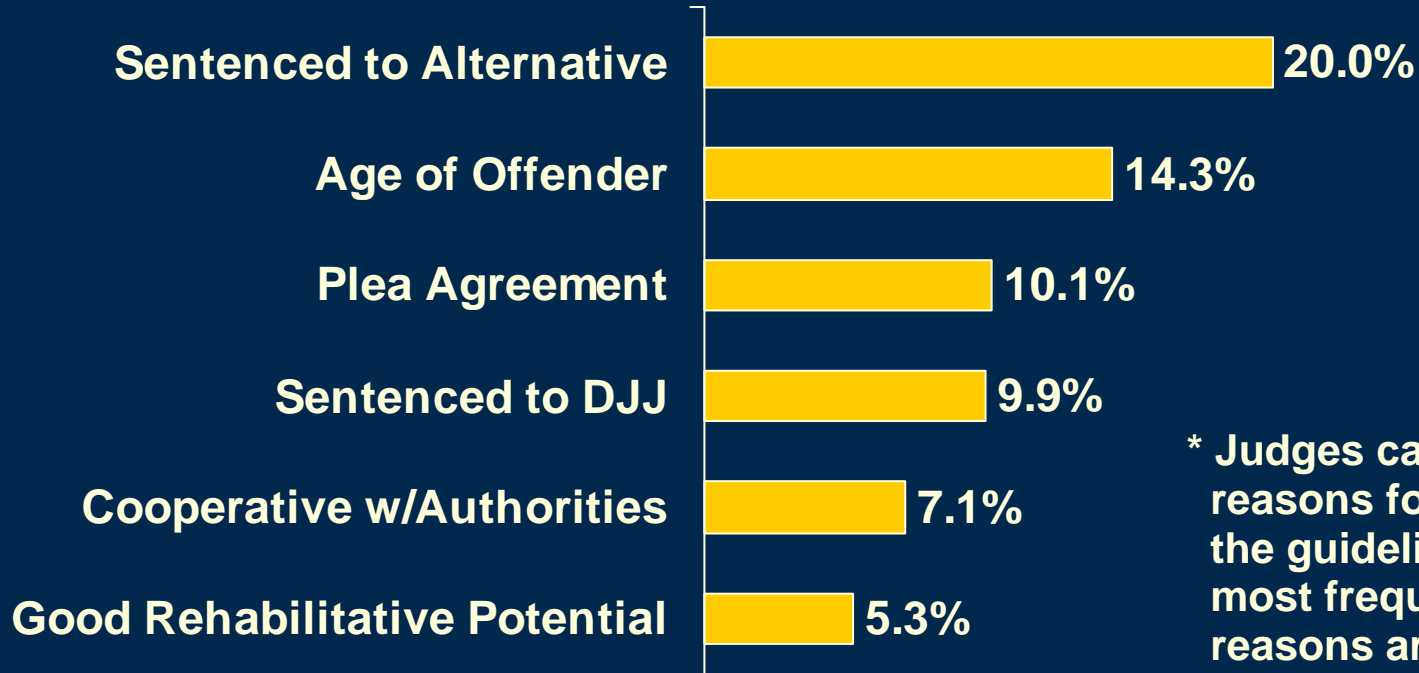


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## Reasons for Sentencing Guidelines Mitigations\*



\* Judges can cite multiple reasons for departing from the guidelines. Only the most frequently cited reasons are shown here.

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