

Table D-6

EDUCATION OF SENTENCED INDIVIDUALS IN DRUG TRAFFICKING CASES¹
Fiscal Year 2024

DRUG TYPE	TOTAL	LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE		HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE		SOME COLLEGE		COLLEGE GRADUATE	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
TOTAL	17,985	6,183	34.4	7,364	40.9	3,746	20.8	692	3.8
Powder Cocaine	3,507	1,442	41.1	1,227	35.0	700	20.0	138	3.9
Crack Cocaine	682	236	34.6	325	47.7	114	16.7	7	1.0
Heroin	599	234	39.1	233	38.9	113	18.9	19	3.2
Marijuana	471	161	34.2	153	32.5	124	26.3	33	7.0
Methamphetamine	8,231	2,653	32.2	3,550	43.1	1,762	21.4	266	3.2
Fentanyl	3,978	1,376	34.6	1,699	42.7	792	19.9	111	2.8
Other	517	81	15.7	177	34.2	141	27.3	118	22.8

¹ Of the 61,678 cases, in 18,150 the individual was sentenced under USSG Chapter Two, Part D (Drugs). Of these, 18,029 individuals were sentenced under §§2D1.1 (Drug Trafficking), 2D1.2 (Protected Locations), 2D1.5 (Continuing Criminal Enterprise), 2D1.6 (Use of a Communication Facility), 2D1.8 (Rent/Manage Drug Establishment), 2D1.10 (Endangering Human Life While Manufacturing), or 2D1.14 (Narco-Terrorism). Of these 18,029 cases, 44 were excluded due to missing information on the individual's education. Descriptions of variables used in this table are provided in Appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2024 Datafile, USSCFY24.