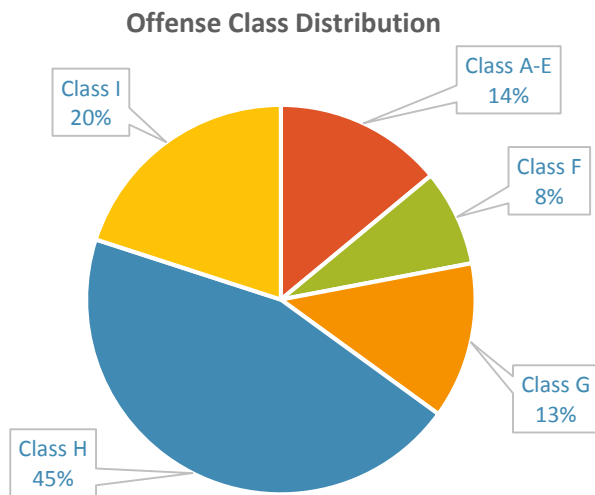




Quick Facts: Felony Convictions

FISCAL YEAR 2012/13

- ⇒ During FY 2012/13, sentences for 28,358 felony convictions were imposed under Structured Sentencing.
- ⇒ Almost two-thirds (65%) of those felony convictions fell into Classes H or I.
- ⇒ Most felony convictions were for either a property offense (40%) or a non-trafficking drug offense (28%).
- ⇒ Thirty-nine percent of felony convictions received Active punishment.

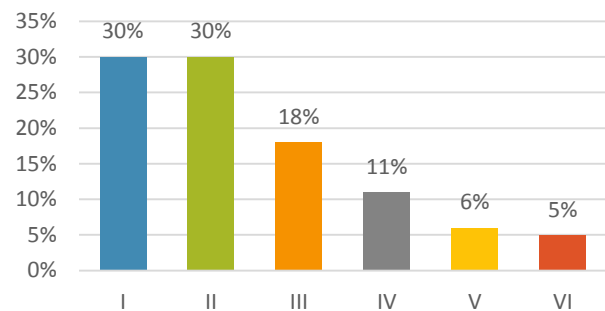


Type of Offense	N	%
Property	11,094	40%
Non-Trafficking (NT) Drug	7,779	28%
Person	5,041	18%
Other	3,824	14%

Offender Characteristics

- The vast majority of felony offenders were male (85%).
- Fifty percent of felony offenders were Black; 45% were White; 3% were Hispanic; 1% were Native American; and 1% were Unknown.
- The average age of felony offenders was 32.
- The majority (60%) of felony convictions were for offenders in Prior Record Levels I and II, including 22% for offenders with no prior record points. Eleven percent had serious criminal histories (PRL V and VI).

Prior Record Level Distribution

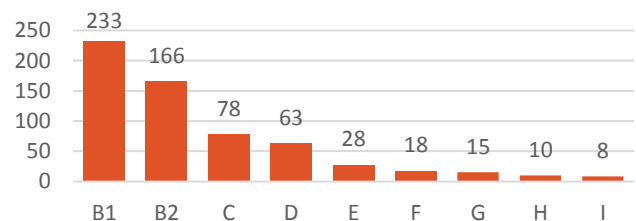


Judicial Division	N	%
First	2,330	8%
Second	3,086	11%
Third	4,774	17%
Fourth	3,436	12%
Fifth	4,609	16%
Sixth	3,299	12%
Seventh	4,421	16%
Eighth	2,403	8%

Punishment

- Thirty-nine percent of felony convictions resulted in Active punishment; 32% resulted in Intermediate punishment; and 29% resulted in Community punishment.
- Sixty-nine percent of sentences imposed for Active punishments were sentenced in the presumptive range.
- Overall, the average minimum active sentence was 29 months (excluding death and life sentences).

Average Minimum Active Sentence by Offense Class (in Months)

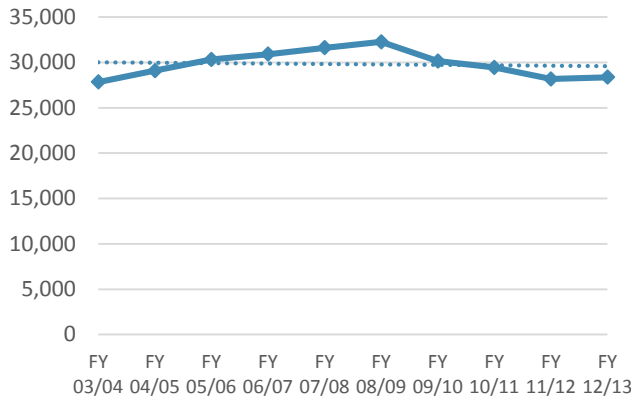


Quick Facts: Felony Convictions

FISCAL YEAR 2003/04 – FISCAL YEAR 2012/13

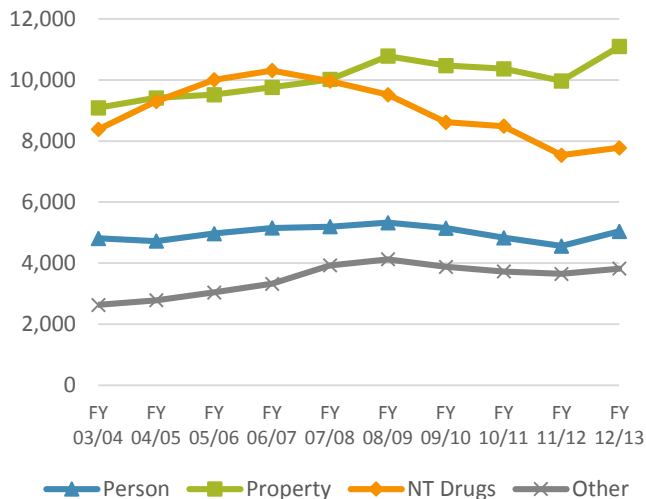
Felony convictions increased from FY 2003/04, peaking in FY 2008/09; from FY 2008/09 to FY 2012/13, felony convictions decreased nearly 12%.

Total Felony Convictions



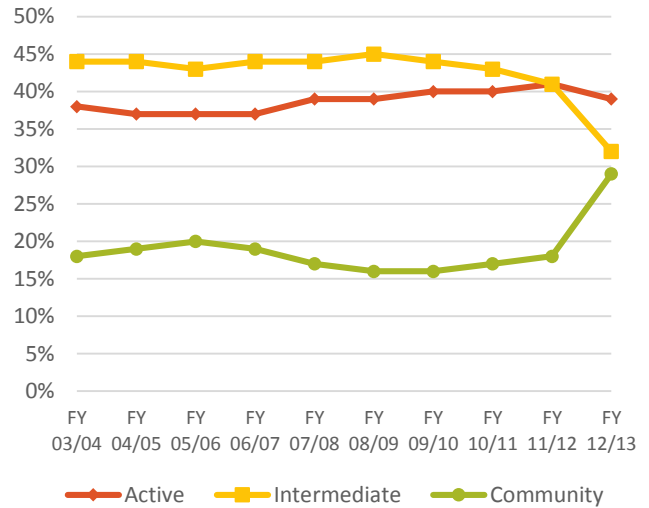
Property and non-trafficking drug crimes have comprised the majority of convicted felony offenses over the past ten fiscal years, with combined totals ranging between 68% and 71%. Non-trafficking drug crime convictions peaked in FY 2006/07, but have decreased almost 25% since that fiscal year.

Felony Convictions by Type of Offense



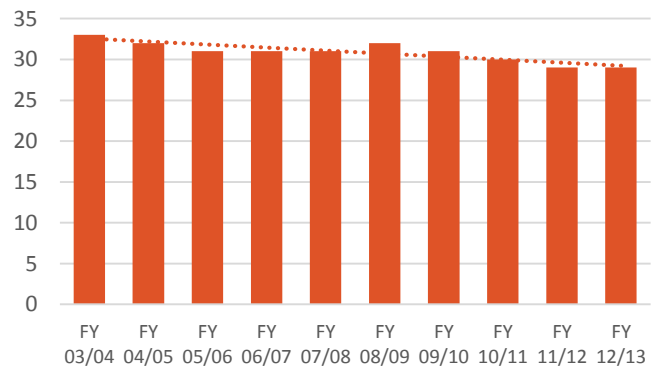
With the exception of the past fiscal year, the type of punishment imposed has remained relatively stable over the past ten fiscal years. Active punishments have increased slightly and Intermediate punishments have decreased slightly.

Felony Convictions by Type of Punishment



The overall average minimum sentence imposed for all felony convictions sentenced to Active punishment has decreased four months (from 33 months to 29 months) over the past ten fiscal years.

Average Minimum Active Sentence (in Months)



Note: Figures in this publication generally exclude felony convictions that did not fit within the appropriate cell in the Felony Punishment Chart. Convictions for Intermediate and Community punishments in cells in which those dispositions are not authorized by the Felony Punishment Chart are included.

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