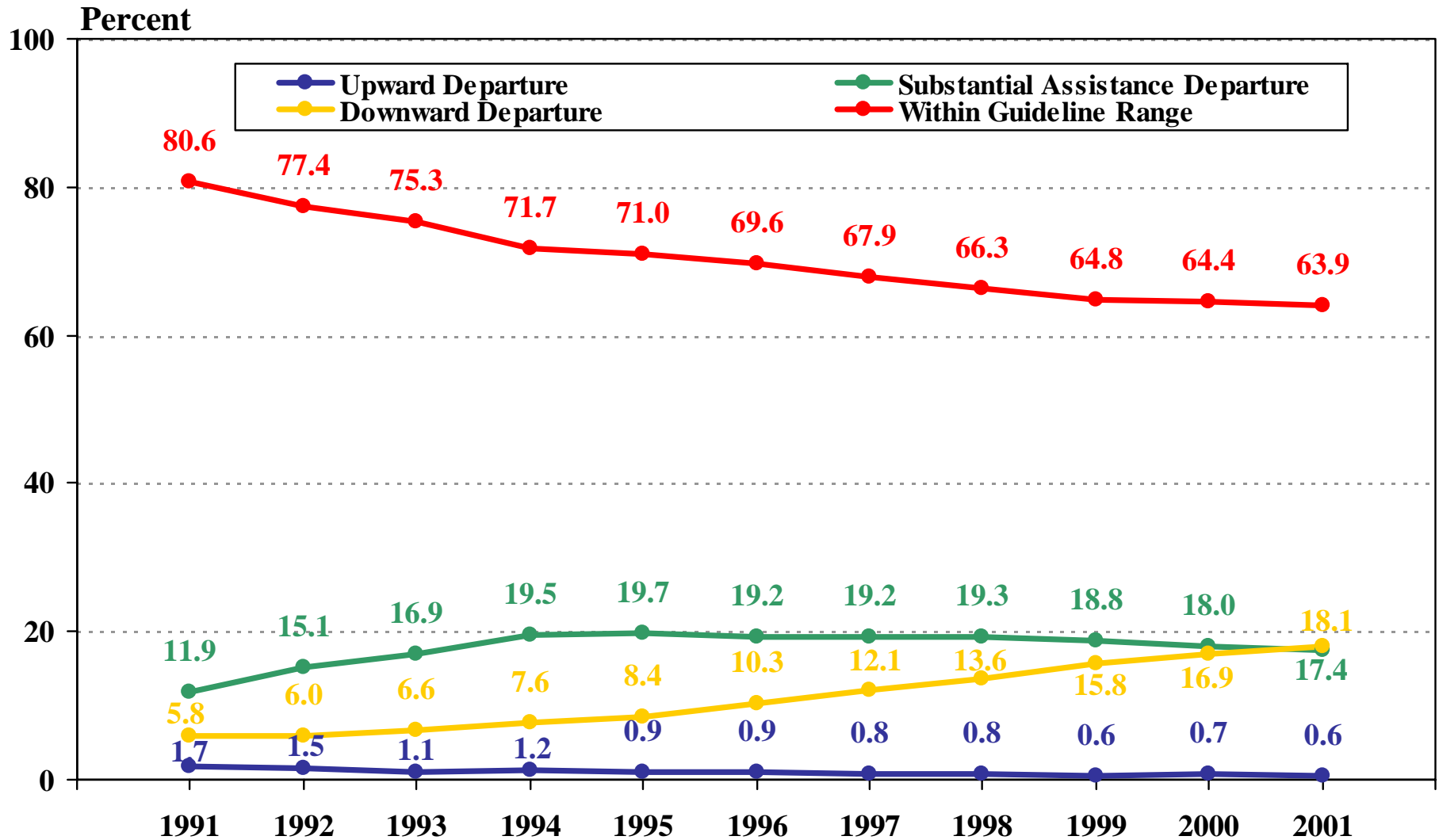
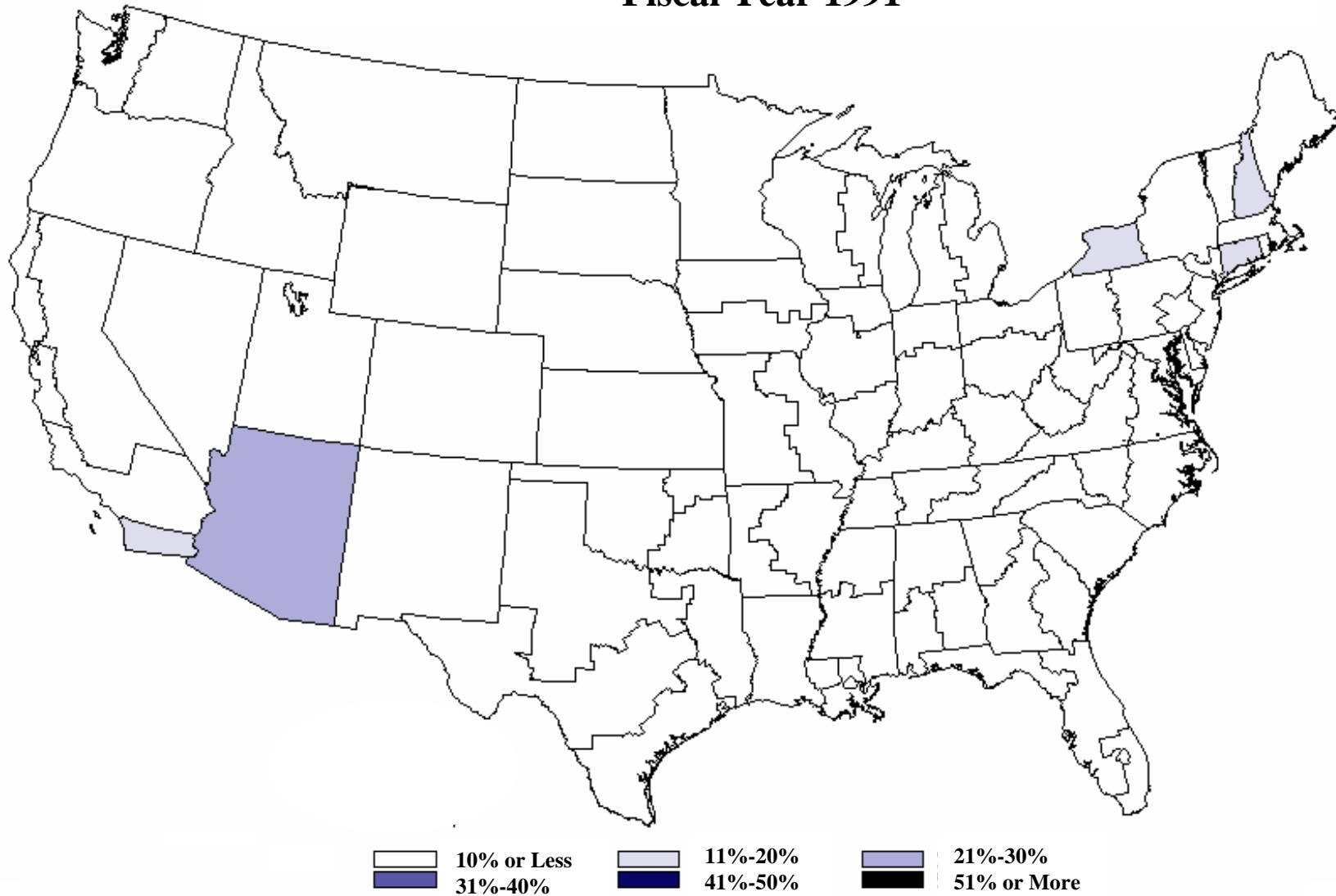


**Figure 1**  
**Trends in Departure Status**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**



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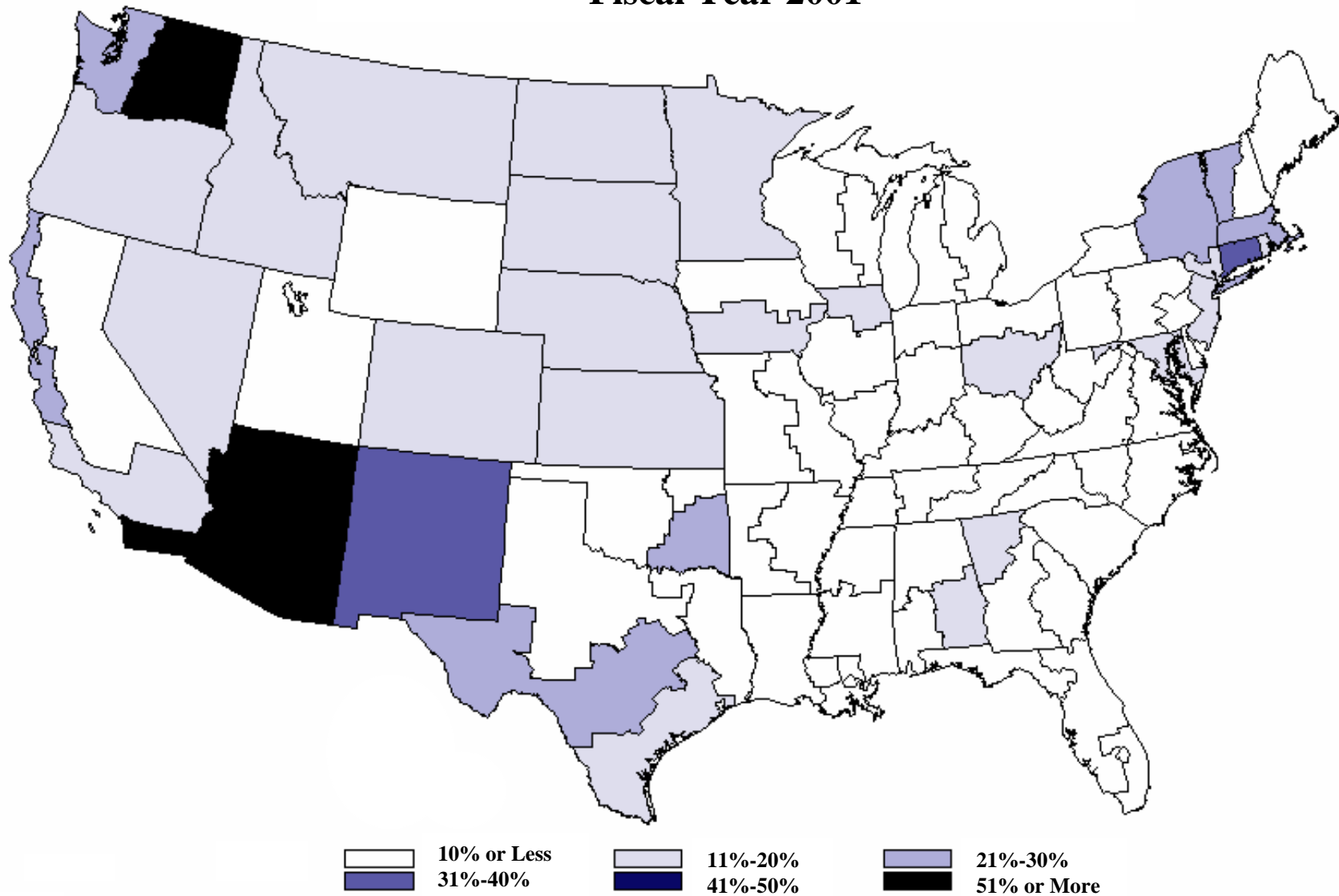
**Figure 2**  
**Downward Departure Rates by Judicial District**  
**Fiscal Year 1991**



Of the 33,419 cases, 553 cases with no analogous guidelines were excluded. Of the remaining 32,866 cases, 1,099 were excluded due to missing departure information.

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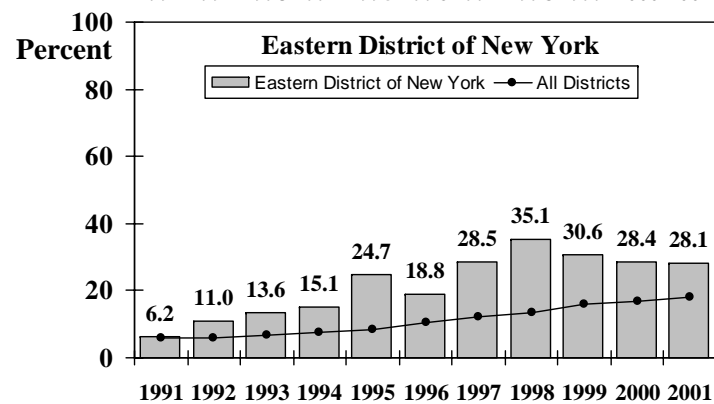
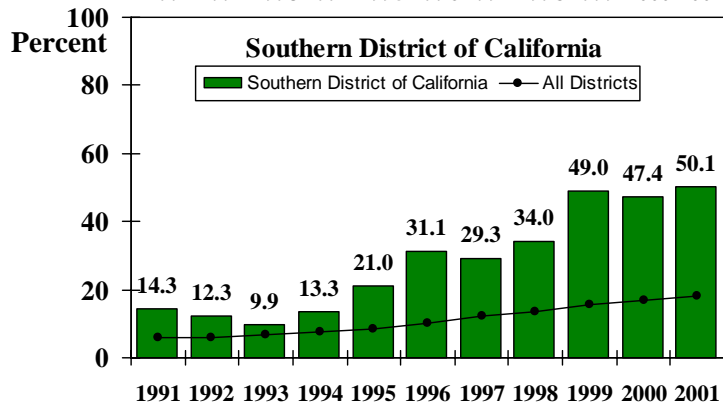
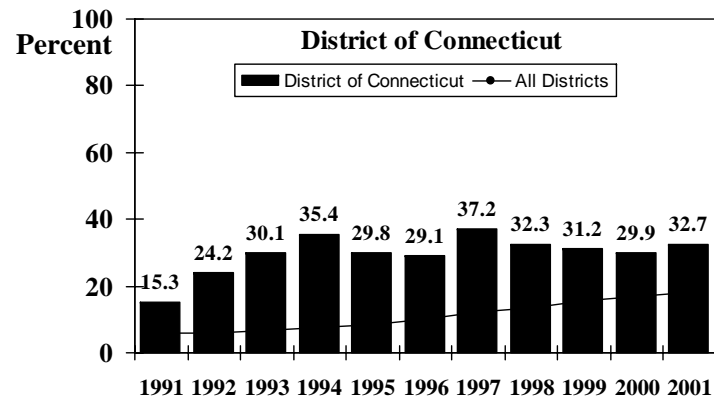
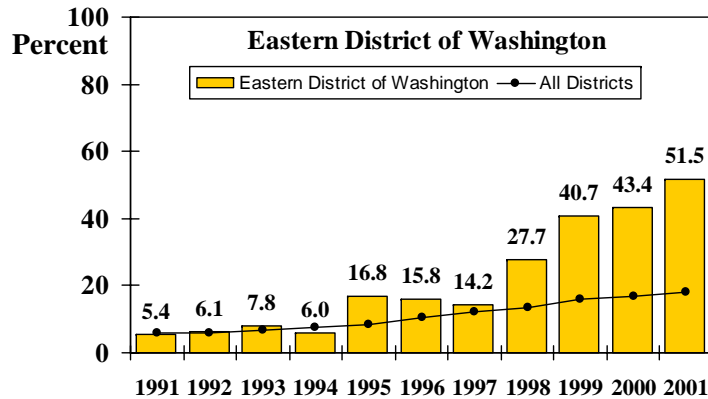
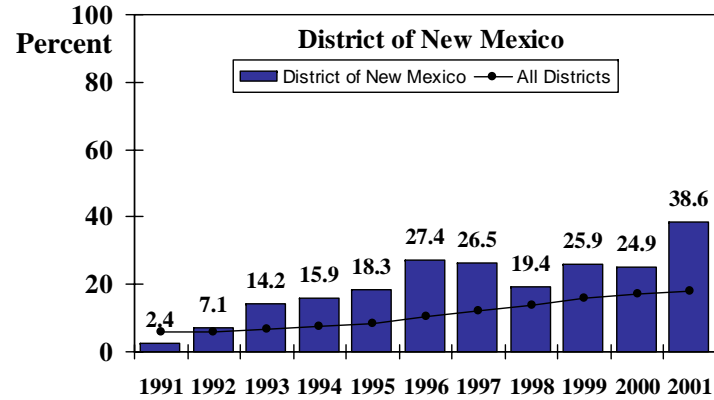
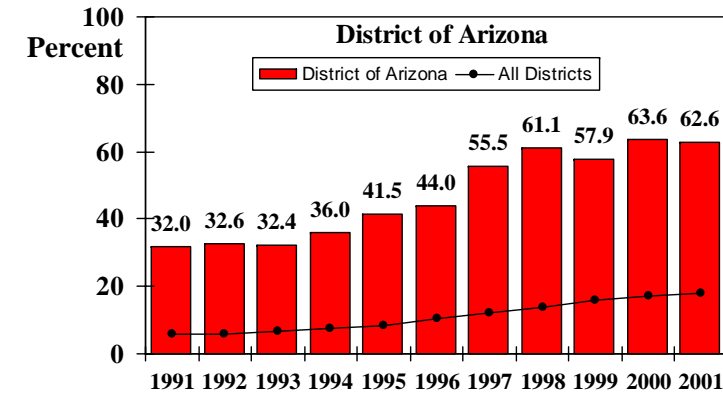
**Figure 3**  
**Downward Departure Rates by Judicial District**  
**Fiscal Year 2001**



Of the 59,897 cases, 332 cases with no analogous guidelines were excluded. Of the remaining 59,565 cases, 4,461 were excluded due to missing departure information.

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission Revised 2001 Datafile, NEWUSSCFY01.

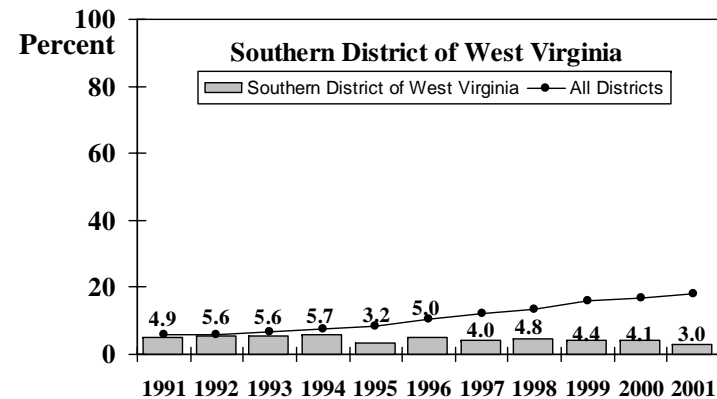
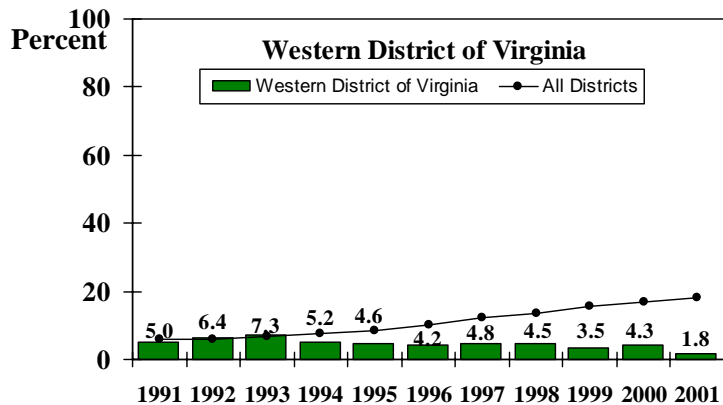
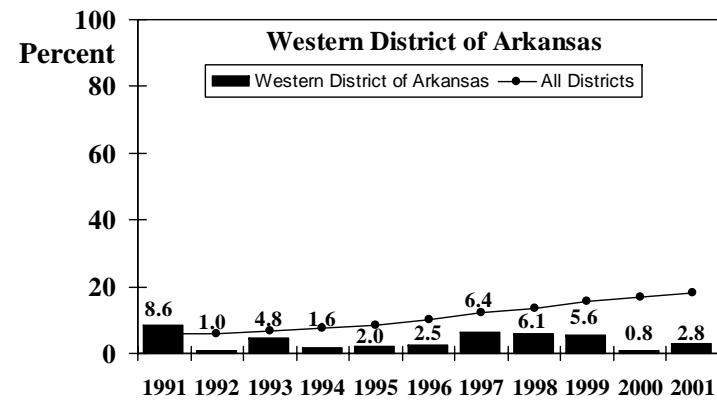
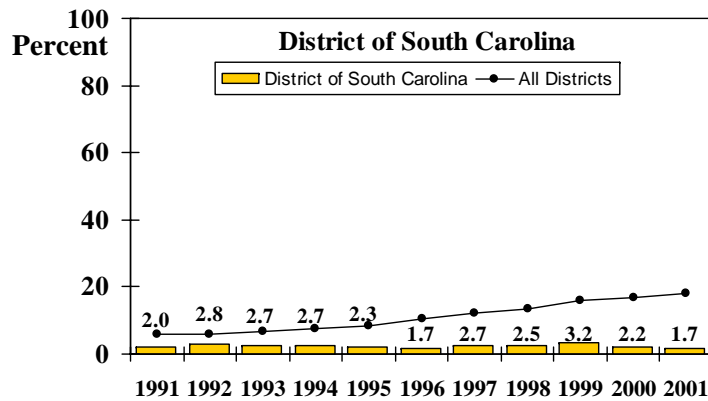
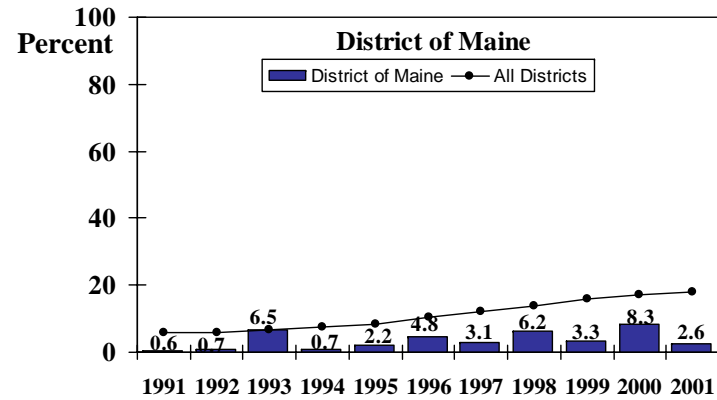
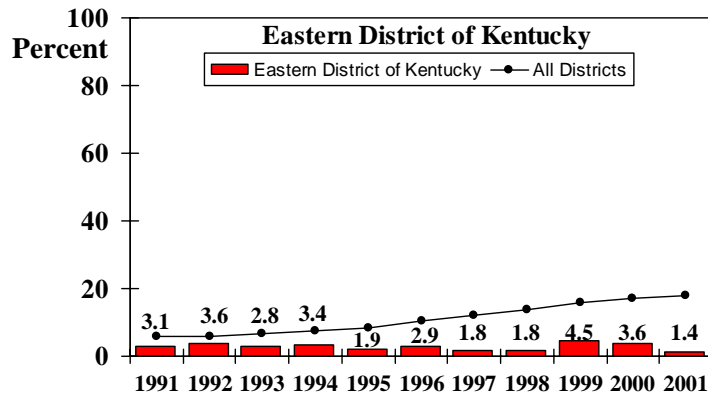
**Figure 4**  
**Trends in Districts with Relatively High Downward Departure Rates**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**



SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 1991-2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991-NEWUSSCFY2001.

## Figure 5

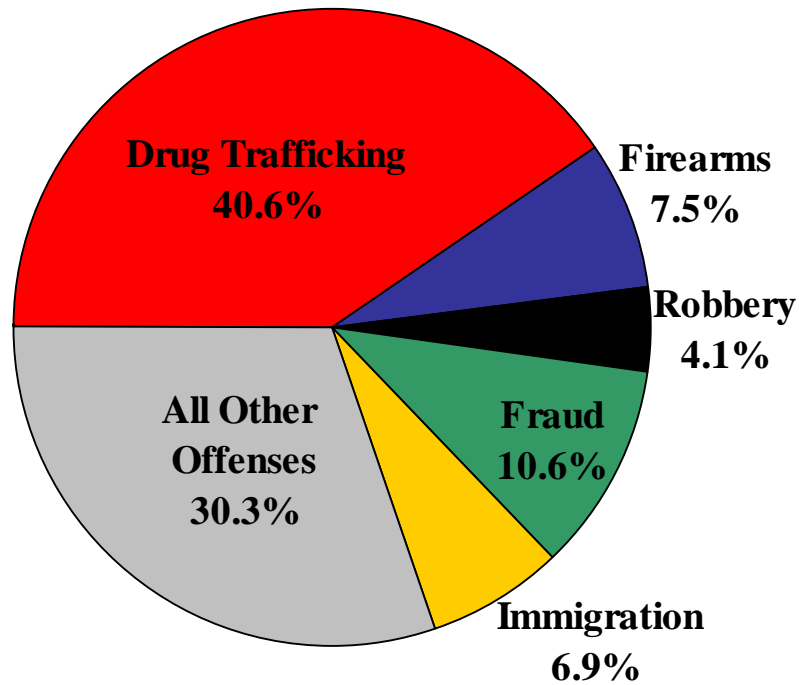
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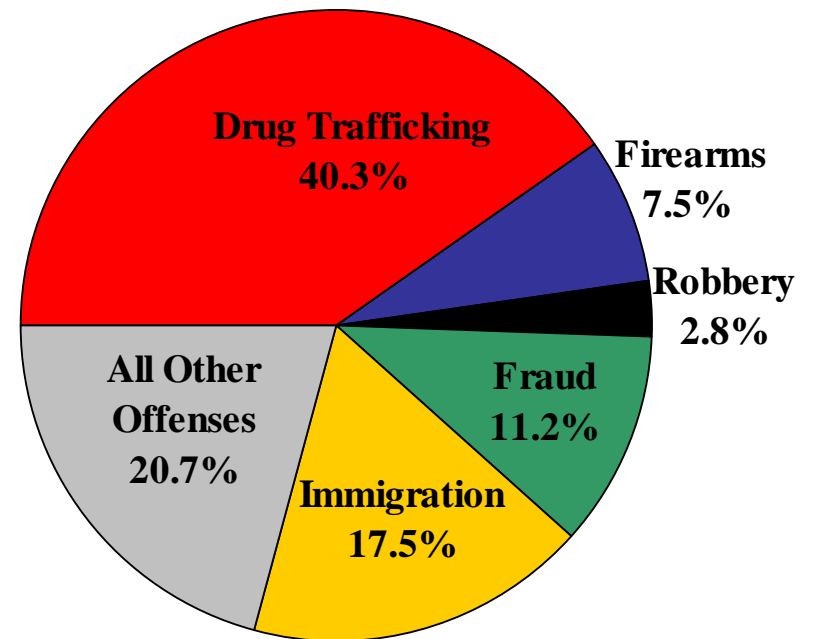
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**Figure 6**  
**Offenses Sentenced Under the Guidelines**  
**Fiscal Year 1991 and Fiscal Year 2001**

**Fiscal Year 1991**

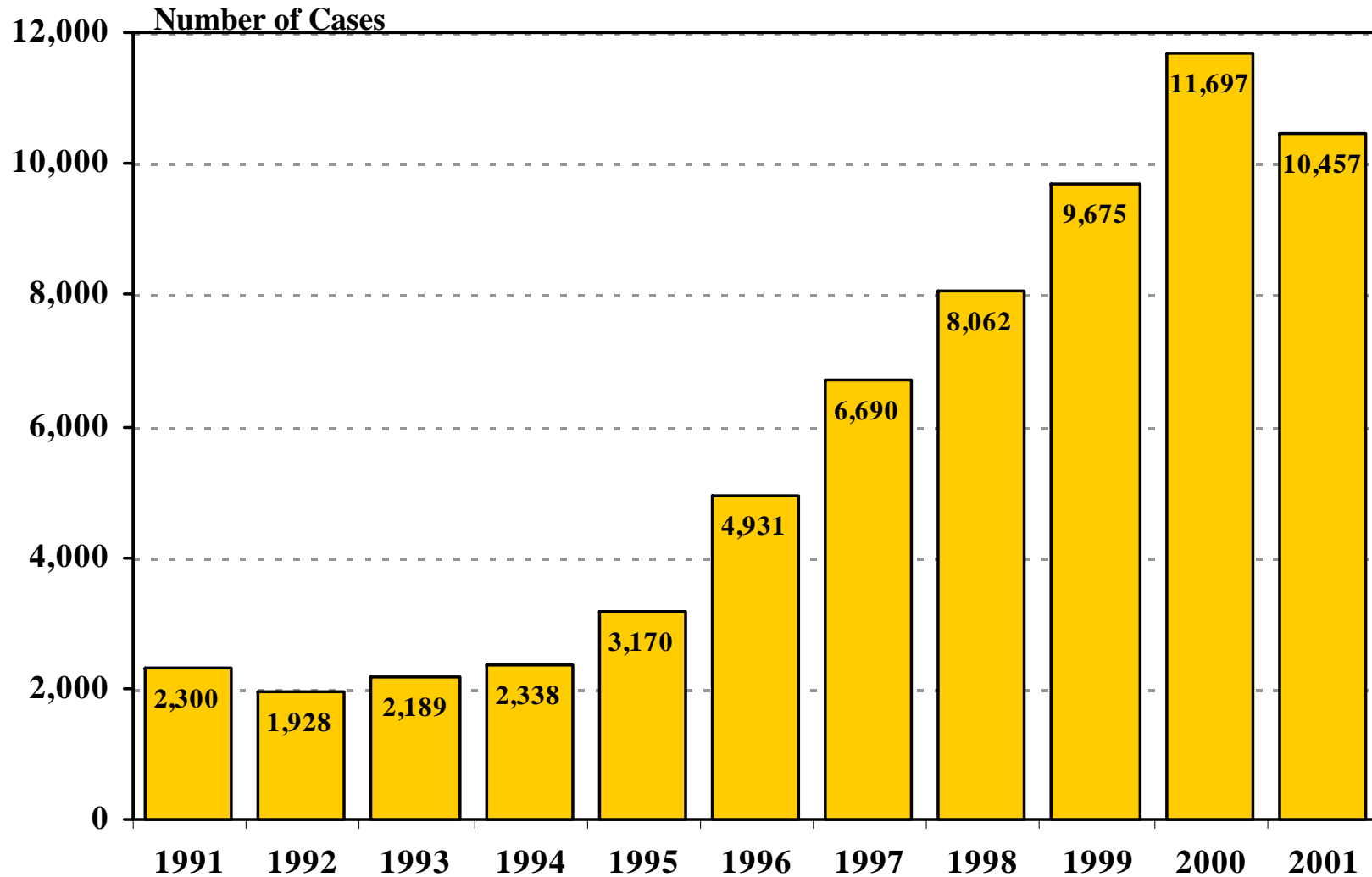


**Fiscal Year 2001**



SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 1991 and 2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991 and NEWUSSCFY2001.

**Figure 7**  
**Trend in Immigration Offenses Sentenced Under the Guidelines**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**

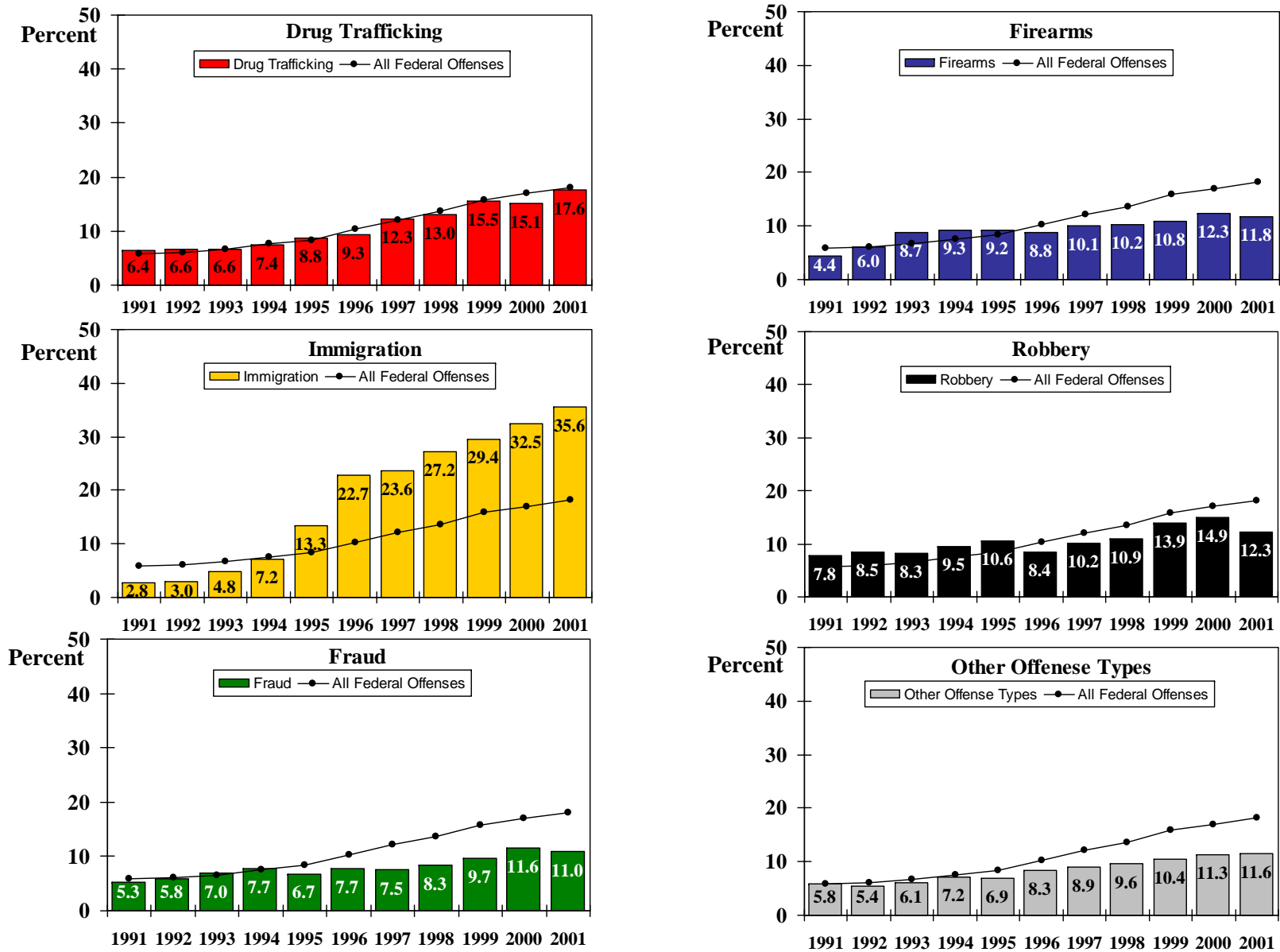


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### Figure 8

## Trends in Downward Departure Rates for Selected Offense Types

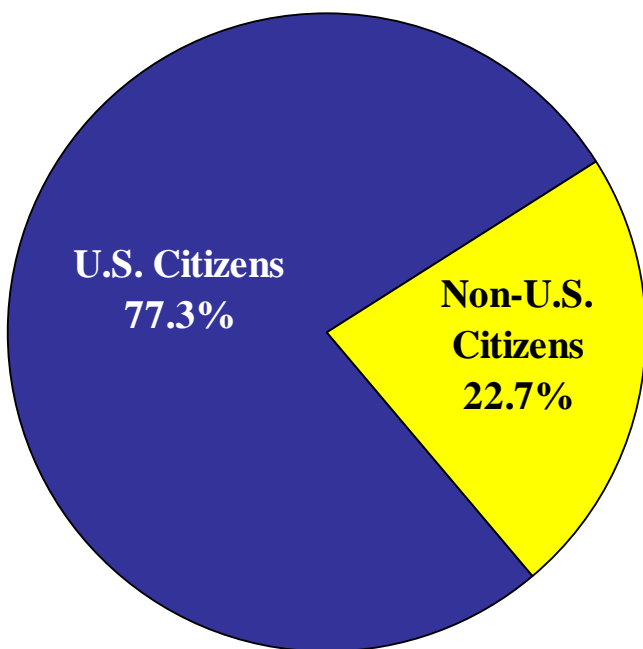
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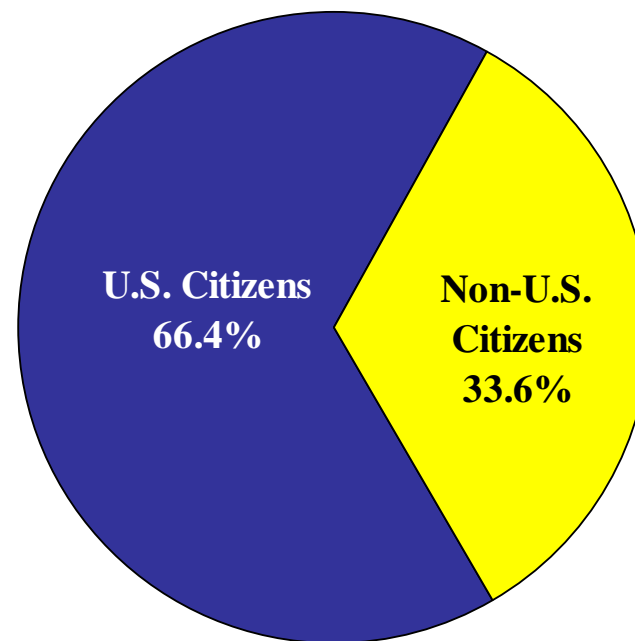
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**Figure 9**  
**Citizenship of Federal Offenders**  
**Fiscal Year 1991 and Fiscal Year 2001**

**Fiscal Year 1991**



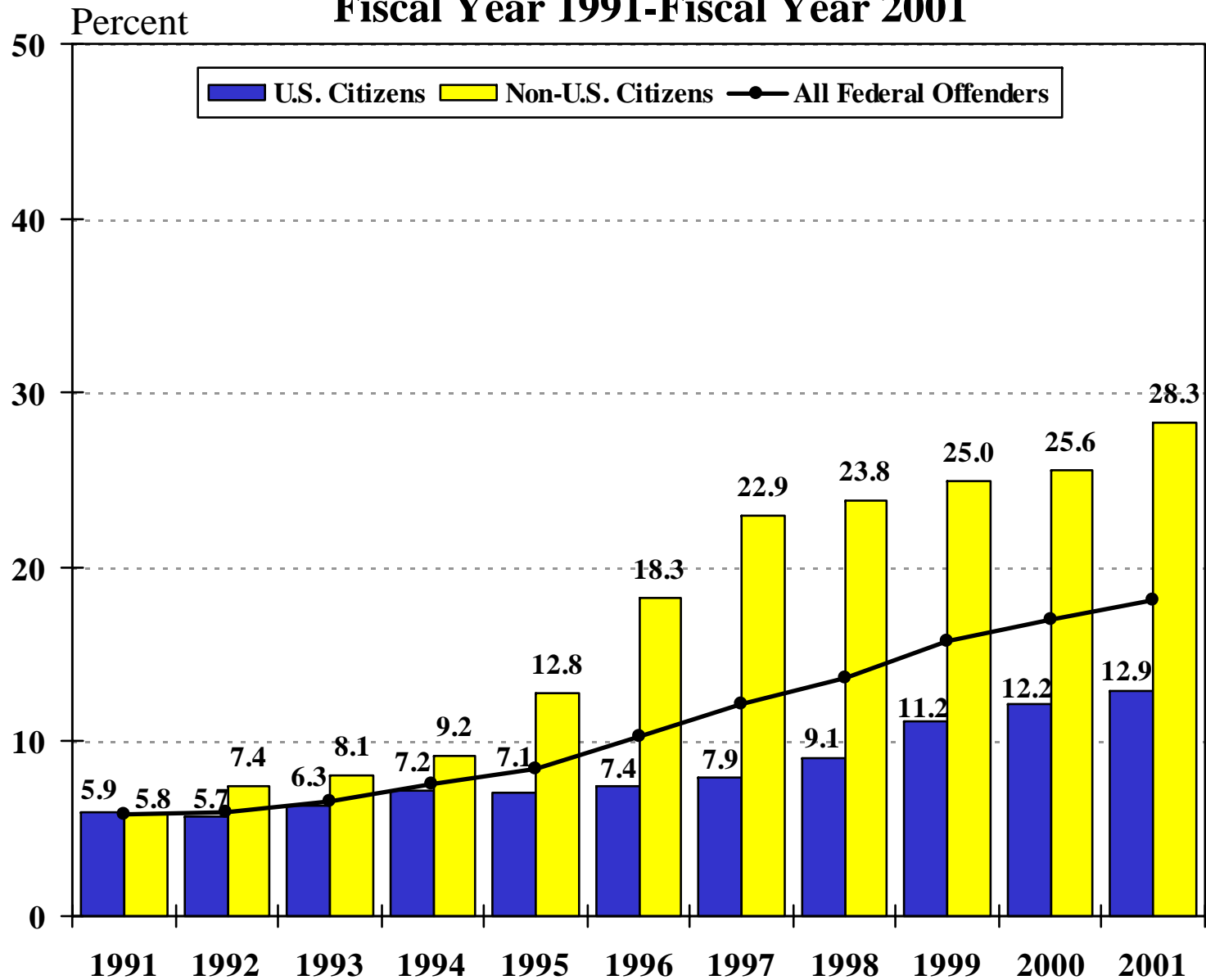
**Fiscal Year 2001**



Of the 33,419 cases sentenced in fiscal year 1991, 1,667 have been excluded and of the 59,882 cases sentenced in fiscal year 2001, 2,232 have been excluded due to missing information on citizenship status.

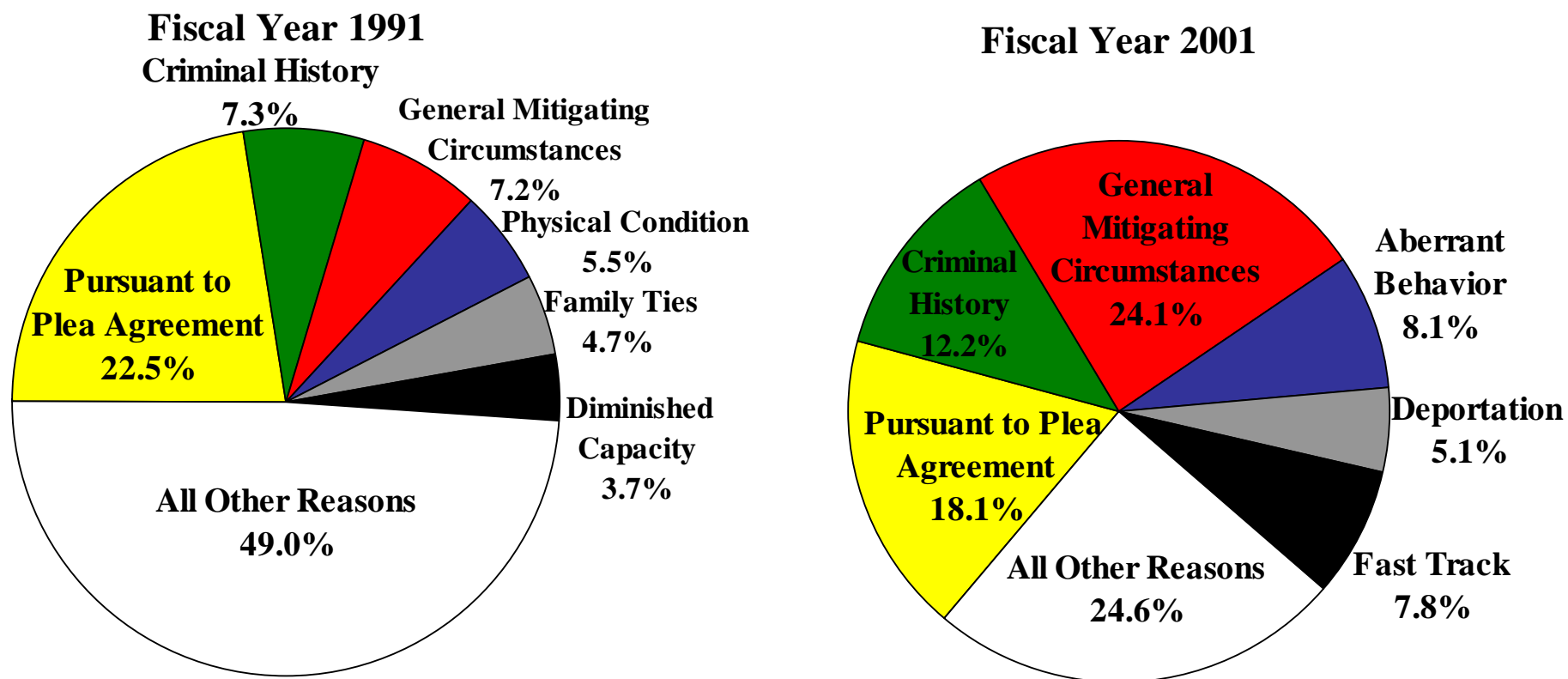
SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 1991 and 2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991 and NEWUSSCFY2001.

**Figure 10**  
**Trends in Downward Departure Rates by Offender Citizenship**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**



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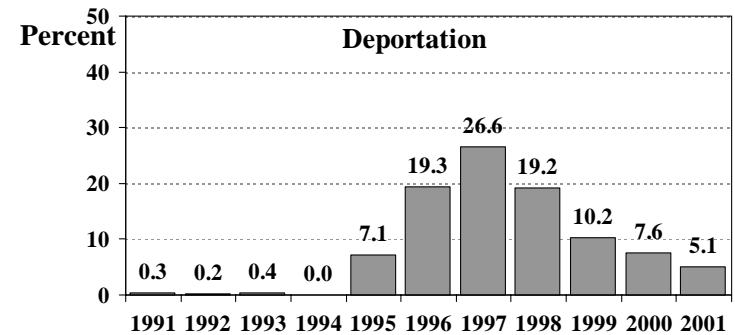
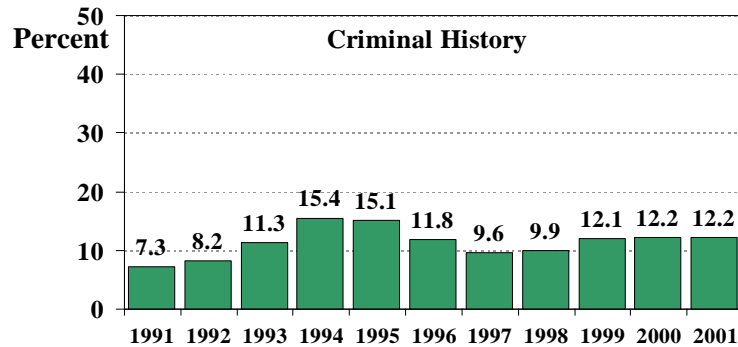
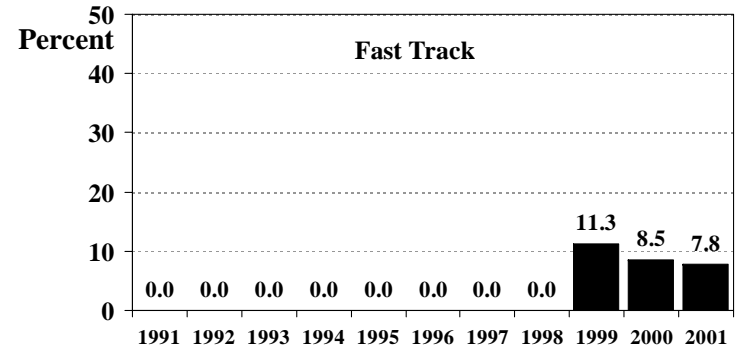
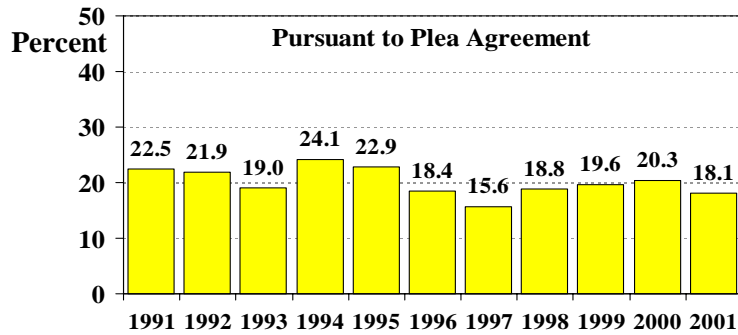
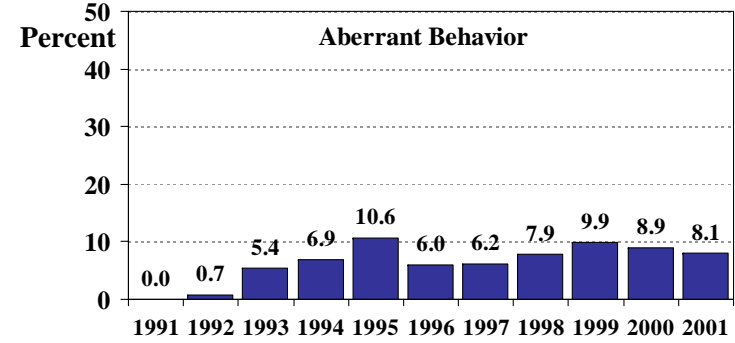
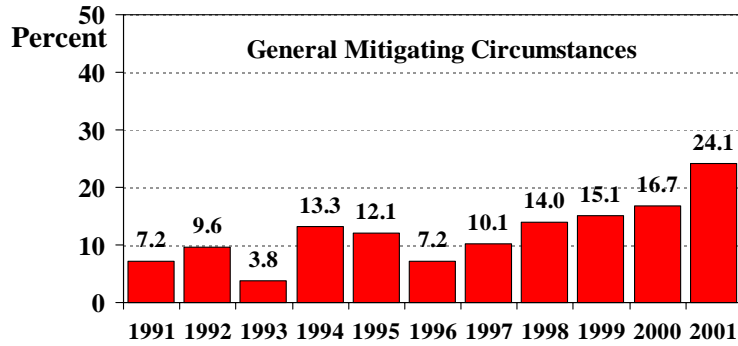
**Figure 11**  
**Most Frequently Cited Downward Departure Reasons**  
**Fiscal Year 1991 and Fiscal Year 2001**



Charts are based on the total number of downward departure reasons cited rather than the total number of cases receiving a downward departure because courts often provide multiple reasons for departure.

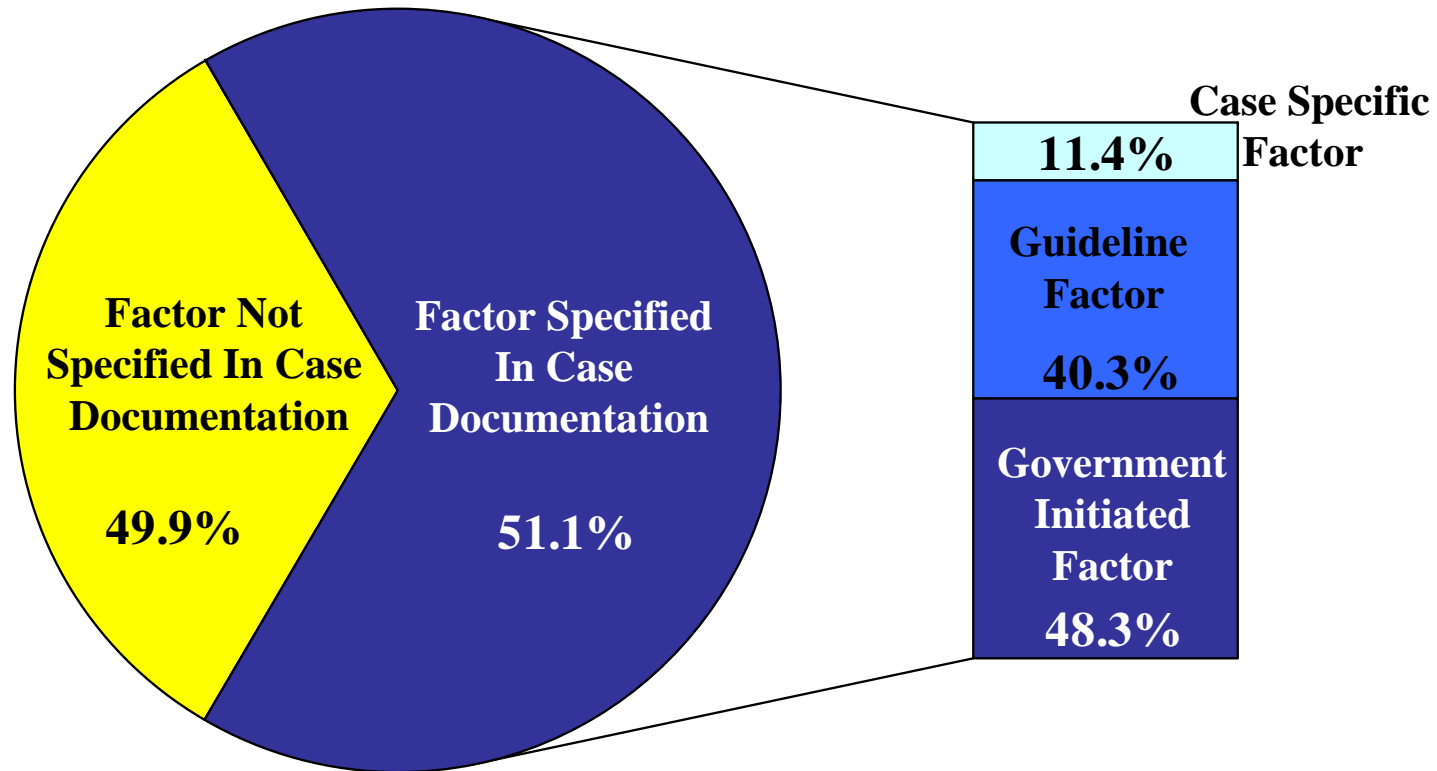
SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 1991 and 2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991 and NEWUSSCFY2001.

**Figure 12**  
**Trends in Most Frequently Cited Downward Departure Reasons**  
**Fiscal Year 1991- Fiscal Year 2001**



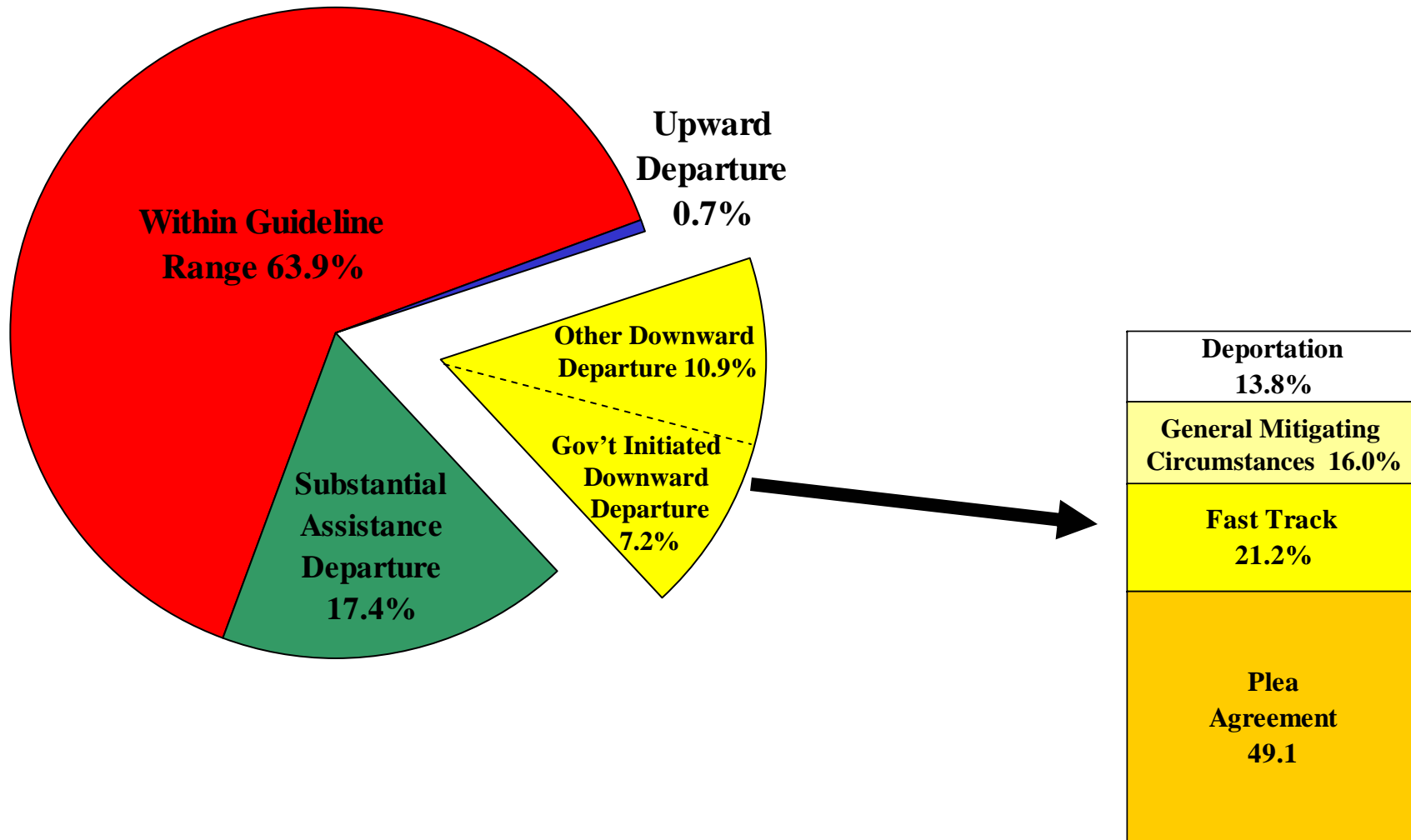
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**Figure 13**  
**Factors Underlying General Mitigating Circumstances Departures**  
**2001 Downward Departure Sample**



The pie chart represents the 223 downward departure cases coded for the general mitigating circumstances sample.  
 SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 2001 Departure Sample.

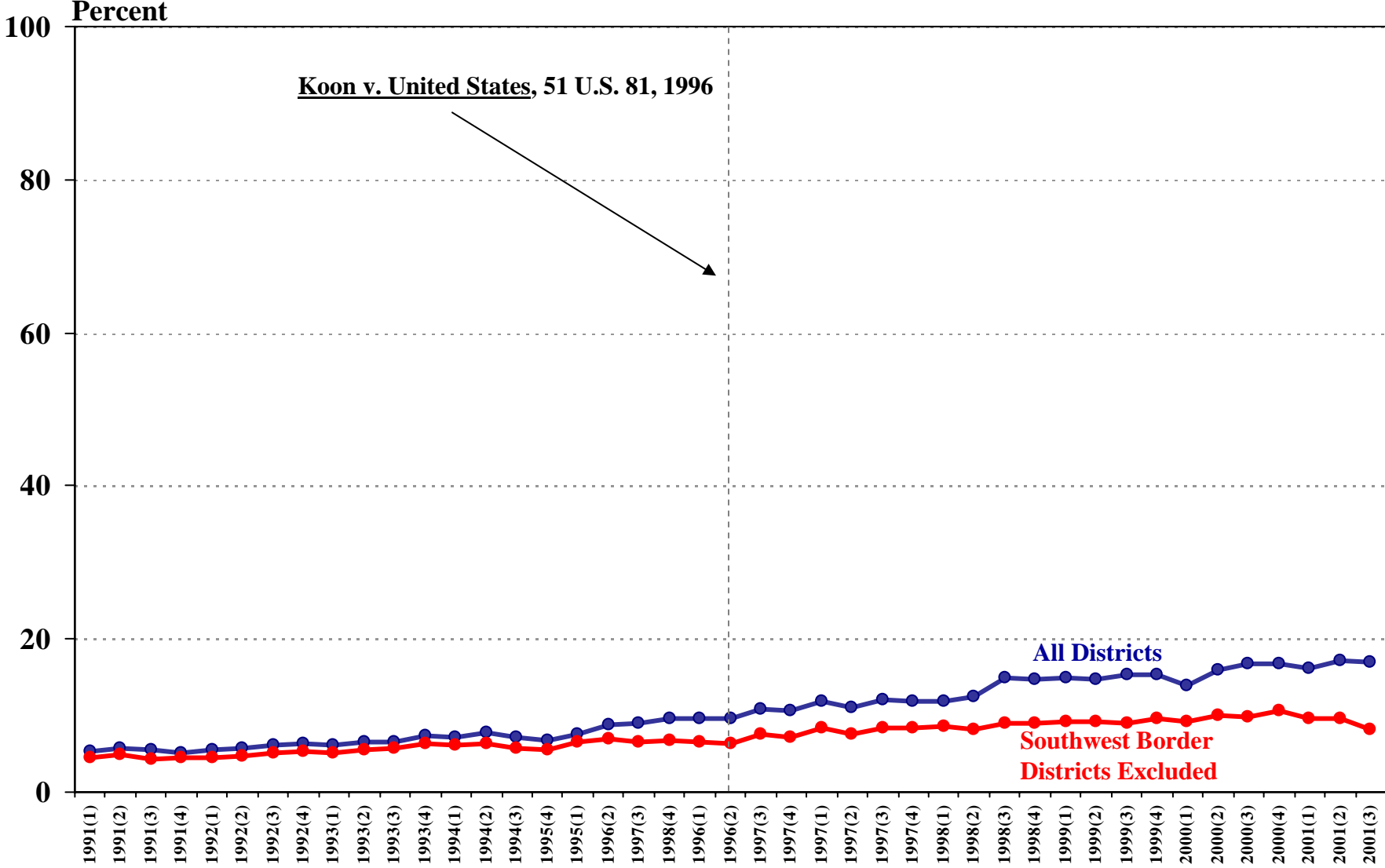
**Figure 14**  
**Departure Status and Classification**  
**Fiscal Year 2001 Downward Departure Sample**



The percentage of government initiated general mitigating circumstances departures was estimated based on the finding from the case review that 24.6% of general mitigating circumstances departures in the sample were government initiated.

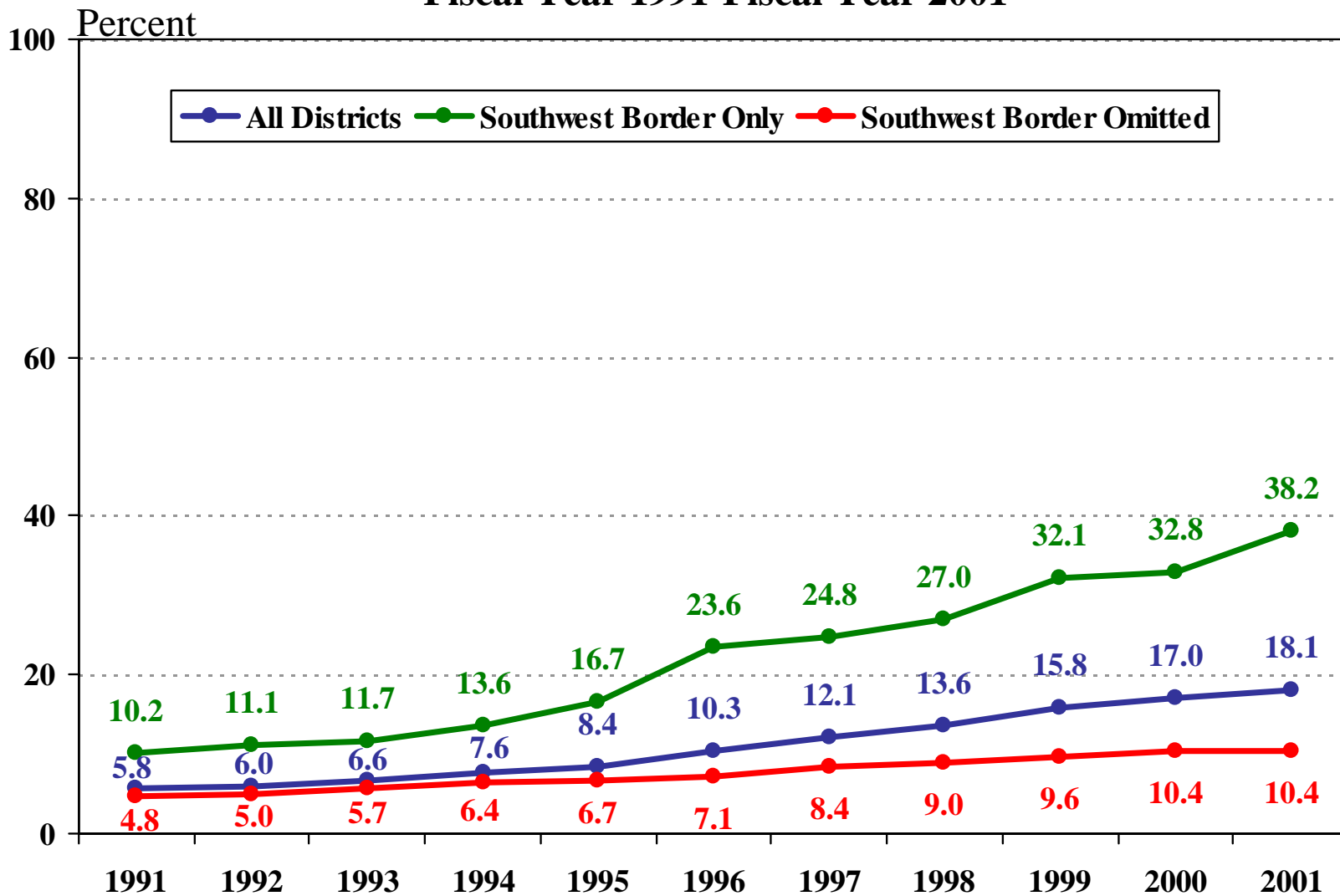
SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 2001 Departure Sample.

**Figure 15**  
**Quarterly Trends in Downward Departure Rates**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**



Southwest border districts include Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Western Texas, and Southern Texas.  
 SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 1991-2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991-USSCFY2001.

**Figure 16**  
**Trends in Downward Departure Rates**  
**Fiscal Year 1991-Fiscal Year 2001**



Southwest border districts include Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Western Texas, and Southern Texas.  
 SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission 1991-2001 Datafiles, USSCFY1991-NEWUSSCFY2001.