



Drug Offenses: Maximum Fines and Terms of Imprisonment for Violation of the Federal Controlled Substances Act and Related Laws

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Summary

This is a chart of the maximum fines and terms of imprisonment that may be imposed as a consequence of conviction for violation of the federal Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and other drug supply and drug demand related laws.

It lists the penalties for: heroin, cocaine, crack, PCP, LSD, marihuana (marijuana), amphetamine, methamphetamine, listed (precursor) chemicals, paraphernalia, date rape drugs, rave drugs, designer drugs, ecstasy, drug kingpins, as well as the other substances including narcotics and opiates assigned to Schedule I, Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule IV, and Schedule V of the Controlled Substances Act and the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (Title II and Title III of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse and Control Act).

It maps the penalty structure for violations of 21 U.S.C. 841 (drug trafficking), 21 U.S.C. 841(b)(5) (cultivation on federal property), 21 U.S.C. 841(b)(6) (environmental damage from illegal manufacturing), 21 U.S.C. 841(b)(7) (crime of violence), 21 U.S.C. 841(c) (offenses involving listed chemicals), 21 U.S.C. 841(d)(booby traps on federal lands), 21 U.S.C. 841(f) (distribution/possession of listed chemicals), 21 U.S.C. 841(g) (Internet sales of date rape drugs), 21 U.S.C. 841(h) (dispensing controlled substances that are prescription drugs by means of the Internet), 21 U.S.C. 842 (regulatory offenses), 21 U.S.C. 843 (communications-related offenses), 21 U.S.C. 844 (simple possession), 21 U.S.C. 846, 963 (attempt and conspiracy), 21 U.S.C. 849 (drug dealing at truck stops), 21 U.S.C. 848 (continuing criminal enterprises (CCE)), 21 U.S.C. 854, 855 (investment of illicit drug profits), 21 U.S.C. 856 (establishing manufacturing operations), 21 U.S.C. 858 (endangering human life), 21 U.S.C. 859 (distribution to infants, minors, children, juveniles, and those under 18 years of age), 21 U.S.C. 860 (distribution in school zones), 21 U.S.C. 861 (distribution to pregnant women), 21 U.S.C. 863 (trafficking in drug paraphernalia), 21 U.S.C. 864 (theft of anhydrous ammonia, or transportation of stolen anhydrous ammonia), 21 U.S.C. 865 (smuggling methamphetamine into the United States), 21 U.S.C. 960 (illicit drug import and export), 21 U.S.C. 960a (narco-terrorism), 21 U.S.C. 962 (recalcitrant drug smugglers), 21 U.S.C. 1906 (financial transactions with designated foreign narcotics traffickers), 18 U.S.C. 545 (smuggling goods into the United States), 18 U.S.C. 546 (smuggling goods into foreign countries), 18 U.S.C. 924(c) (firearms and armor piercing ammunition in connection to drug trafficking crime), 18 U.S.C. 924(e) (armed career criminals), 18 U.S.C. 1952 (Travel Act), 18 U.S.C. 1956 (money laundering), 18 U.S.C. 1957 (monetary transactions in property derived from unlawful activity), 18 U.S.C. 1959 (compensated crime of violence in aid of racketeering), 18 U.S.C. 1963 (racketeering (RICO)), 18 U.S.C. 3559(c)(three strikes), 19 U.S.C. 1590 (aviation smuggling), 26 U.S.C. 7201 (tax evasion), 26 U.S.C. 7203 (failure to file required returns), 26 U.S.C. 7206 (fraud and false statements), 31 U.S.C. 5322 (currency transaction reporting (smurfing)), 31 U.S.C. 5332 (bulk cash smuggling into or out of the United States), 46 U.S.C. 70506 (maritime drug law enforcement).

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Trafficking

Unlawful distribution, possession with intent to distribute, manufacture, importation and exportation, etc. (21 U.S.C. 841, 960, 962, and 46 U.S.C. 70506)¹

1st offense

Substance	Amount	Fine	Imprisonment
Heroin			
	One kilogram ² or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	100 to 999 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 100 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Coca leaf and derivatives			
	5 kilograms or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	500 to 4999 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 500 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Ecgonine (a cocaine precursor)			
	5 kilograms or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	500 to 4999 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 500 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Coca leaves, cocaine, or ecgonine containing cocaine base ("Crack," etc.)			
	50 grams or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	5 to 49 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 5 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
PCP (phencyclidine)			
	100 grams or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	10 to 99 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 10 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Mixture or substance containing detectable amount of PCP			
	1 kilogram or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
	100 to 999 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
	Less than 100 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years

¹ All trafficking offenses involving Schedule I and II substances (and gamma hydrobutyric acid and flunitrazepam) are subject to the same imprisonment penalty—20 years to life—if death or serious bodily injury results from the use of the substance involved. Unless otherwise indicated, weights apply to any mixture containing a detectable amount of the substance regardless of the weight of the substance in the mixture.

A reference to a fine of "\$4/10 million" means a fine of no more than \$4 million for an individual and no more than \$10 million for a defendant other than an individual. A reference to "10 years to life" means a term of imprisonment of not less than 10 years nor more than life.

² 1 kilogram is equal to 35.27 ounces; 1 gram is equal to 0.04 ounces.

LSD (lysergic acid diethylamide)		
10 grams or more	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
1 to 9 grams	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
Less than 1 gram	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide (Fentanyl, i.e., "synthetic heroin")		
400 grams or more (or 100 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of any analogue of it)	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
40 to 399 grams (or 10-99 grams of a mixture containing a detectable amount of any analogue of it)	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
Less than 40 grams	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Marihuana		
1000 kilograms or more or 1000 or more plants ³	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
100 to 999 kilograms or 100 to 999 plants	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
50 to 99 kilograms or 50 to 99 plants	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Under 50 kilograms ⁴ , 10 kilograms of hashish, one kilogram of hashish oil, or 1 to 49 plants	\$250,000/\$1 million	Up to 5 years
Methamphetamine		
50 grams or more or 500 grams or more of a mixture	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
5 to 49 grams or 50 to 499 grams of a mixture	\$2/5 million	5 to 40 years
Less than 5 grams or less than 50 grams of a mixture	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Gamma hydroxybutyric acid		
any weight	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Flunitrazepam ⁵		
1 gram	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Less than 1 gram	\$250,000/\$1 million	Up to 5 years ⁶

³ Unlike the penalties for manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, or possession, those for importation or exportation do not distinguish between quantities of marihuana plants in excess of 100. Importation or exportation of any marihuana plants in excess of 100 is subject to higher penalties than those for less than 50 kilograms of marihuana, etc.

⁴ Except in the case of 50 or more marihuana plants regardless of weight, and except that under section 841(b)(4) distribution of a small amount of marihuana for no remuneration is treated as a simple possession offense and punished under section 844, *infra*.

⁵ Importation or exportation of any quantity of flunitrazepam is subject to a fine of \$1/5 million and up to 20 years imprisonment.

⁶ As amended by the Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008, P.L. 110-425, with an effective date of April 13, 2009.

Any other Schedule I or II substance		
any weight	\$1/5 million	Up to 20 years
Any other Schedule III substance		
any weight	\$500,000/\$2.5 million	Up to 15 years ⁷
Any other Schedule IV substance		
any weight	\$250,000/\$1 million	Up to 5 years ⁸
Any Schedule V substance		
any weight	\$100,000/\$250,000	Up to 1 year
2 nd offense ⁹		
Heroin		
One kilogram or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
100 to 999 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 100 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Coca leaf and derivatives		
5 kilograms or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
500 to 4999 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 500 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Ecgonine (a cocaine precursor)		
5 kilograms or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
500 to 4999 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 500 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Coca leaves, cocaine, or ecgonine containing cocaine base ("Crack," etc.)		
50 grams or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
5 to 49 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 5 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
PCP (phencyclidine)		
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10 to 99 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 10 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Mixture or substance containing detectable amount of PCP		
1 kilogram or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
100 to 999 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 100 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
LSD (lysergic acid diethylamide)		

⁷ *Id.*⁸ *Id.*⁹ A second offense is one committed after a prior conviction for a felony drug offense has become final.

10 grams or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
1 to 9 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 1 gram	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidiny] propanamide (Fentanyl, i.e., "synthetic heroin") 400 grams or more (or 100 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of any analogue of it)	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
40 to 399 grams (or 10-99 grams of a mixture containing a detectable amount of any analogue of it)	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 40 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Marihuana		
1000 kilograms or more or 1000 or more plants)	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
100 to 999 kilograms or 100 to 999 plants)	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
50 to 99 kilograms or 50 to 99 plants ¹⁰	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Less than 50 kilograms, ¹¹ 10 kilograms of hashish, one kilogram of hashish oil, or 1 to 49 plants	\$500,000/\$2 million	Up to 10 years
Methamphetamine		
50 grams or more	\$8/20 million	20 years to life
5 to 49 grams	\$4/10 million	10 years to life
Less than 5 grams	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Gamma hydroxybutyric acid		
any weight	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Flunitrazepam ¹²		
1 gram	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Less than 1 gram	\$500,000/\$2 million	Up to 10 years ¹³
Any other Schedule I or II substance		
any weight	\$2/10 million	Up to 30 years
Any other Schedule III substance		
any weight	\$1 million/\$5 million	Up to 30 years ¹⁴
Any other Schedule IV substance		
any weight	\$500,000/\$2 million	Up to 10 years ¹⁵

¹⁰ See *supra* note 3.

¹¹ Except in the case of 50 or more marihuana plants regardless of weight and except that distribution of a small amount of marihuana is punishable as simple possession under section 844, *infra*.

¹² See *supra* note 5.

¹³ As amended by the Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008, P.L. 110-425, with an effective date of April 13, 2009.

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Any Schedule V substance		
any weight	\$200,000/\$500,000	Up to 4 years ¹⁶
3rd offense		
A Schedule I or II substance singled out for special penalty treatment (as indicated above) in amounts constituting a top level offense	Same as 2 nd offense	Life
Cultivation on Federal property (21 U.S.C. 841(b)(5))		
Any offense		
All substances/all weights	Greater of \$500,000/ \$1 million or the maximum fine for distribution of the substance involved	Maximum term for distribution of the substance involved
Environmental damage on Federal property resulting from controlled substance manufacturing or distribution (21 U.S.C. 841(b)(6))		
Any offense¹⁷		
All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years
Offenses involving essential (listed) chemicals, generally (21 U.S.C. 841(c))		
Any offense¹⁸		
List I chemicals [under 21 U.S.C. 802(34)]	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
List II chemicals [under 21 U.S.C. 802(35)]	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
Wrongful distribution or possession of essential (listed) chemicals (21 U.S.C. 841(f))		
Knowing unlawful distribution		
Listed chemicals [under 21 U.S.C. 802 (33)]	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years
Knowing possession of unreported listed chemicals		
Listed chemicals [under 21 U.S.C. 802 (33)]	Up to \$100,000	Up to 1 year

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¹⁵ *Id.*

¹⁶ *Id.*

¹⁷ Creating a serious hazard to human or animal life, or harming the environment, or causing water pollution as a result of using poisons, chemicals or other hazardous substances on Federal property while in the course of unlawfully manufacturing or otherwise distributing a controlled substance

¹⁸ Possession with intent to use for unauthorized manufacture of a controlled substance; possession or distribution knowing that the chemical will be used for unauthorized manufacture of a controlled substance; or, with intent of causing evasion of the record-keeping or reporting requirements of 21 U.S.C. 830 (or regulations pursuant thereto), receipt or distribution of a reportable amount in units small enough so that the making of records or filing of reports is not required.

Internet Sales of Date Rape Drugs (21 U.S.C. 841 (g))		
Knowingly using the Internet to distribute a date rape drug ¹⁹	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
Dispensing Controlled Substances by Means of the Internet (21 U.S.C. 841(h))²⁰		
Knowingly or intentionally using the Internet to deliver, distribute, or dispense a controlled substance without a valid prescription ²¹ (or aiding or abetting such activity)	Sentences determined according to the penalties authorized under 21 U.S.C. 841(b) ²²	
Regulatory offenses & use of communications to facilitate distribution (21 U.S.C. 842, 843)		
1 st offense		
Generally ²³	Up to \$100,000	Up to 1 year
Deception offenses, etc. ²⁴	Up to \$250,000	Up to 4 years
Methamphetamine equipment offenses	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
Advertisement offenses ²⁵	Up to \$250,000	Up to 4 years

¹⁹ “Date rape drug” means gamma hydroxybutyric acid (GHB) or any controlled substance analogue of GHB, including gamma butyrolactone (GBL) or 1,4-butanediol; ketamine; flunitrazepam; or any substance which the Attorney General designates, through a rulemaking proceeding, to be used in committing rape or sexual assault. 21 U.S.C. 841(g)(2)(A).

²⁰ Offense added by the Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008, P.L. 110-425. The effective date of the Act is April 13, 2009.

²¹ Examples of prohibited activities include knowingly or intentionally: (1) delivering, distributing, or dispensing a controlled substance by means of the Internet by an online pharmacy that is not validly registered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); (2) writing a prescription for a controlled substance for the purpose of delivery, distribution, or dispensation by means of the Internet; (3) serving as an agent, intermediary, or other entity that causes the Internet to be used to bring together a buyer and seller to engage in such distribution; (4) offering to fill a prescription for a controlled substance based solely on a consumer’s completion of an online medical questionnaire; and (5) making a material false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation on the homepage of Internet sites operated by an online pharmacy regarding the pharmacy’s compliance with federal and state controlled substance laws. 21 U.S.C. 841(h)(2).

²² See pages 1-5 of this report for these penalties, which vary by type of substance, weight or other factual circumstances, and repeat offender status. 21 U.S.C. 841(h)(4).

²³ Knowingly distributing a controlled substance to an unauthorized person by a registrant, removing required labels, unlawful use of information acquired during a controlled substance inspection, failing to keep required records, etc. For more information about these federal requirements pertaining to the lawful handling of controlled substances, see CRS Report RL34635, *The Controlled Substances Act: Regulatory Requirements*, by James E. Nichols and Brian T. Yeh,

²⁴ To knowingly: use fictitious, revoked, suspended or expired registration number; obtain a controlled substance by fraud, forgery, or other form of deceit; provide false information; use labels and other markings to render a drug a counterfeit substance; unlawfully possess certain controlled substance manufacturing equipment; being a registrant, unlawfully distribute a controlled substance in the course of legitimate business; create or receive a mixture containing listed chemicals to evade regulatory requirements.

²⁵ Knowingly placing in any newspaper, magazine, handbill, or other publications, any written advertisement that has the purpose of seeking or offering illegally to receive, buy, or distribute a schedule I controlled substance. 21 U.S.C. 843(c). However, this offense does not include any advertisement that merely advocates the use of a schedule I controlled substance and does not attempt to propose or facilitate an actual transaction in a schedule I controlled substance. *Id.* The Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008, P.L. 110-425, creates an additional advertisement offense, new subsection 21 U.S.C. 843(c)(2), effective April 13, 2009: knowingly or intentionally using the Internet to advertise the sale of, or to offer to sell, distribute, or dispense a controlled substance in a manner that is not authorized by federal controlled substances law, including directing prospective buyers to online pharmacies that are not registered with the DEA. The penalties for the offense are the same as those for advertising in printed publications.

2 nd offense		
Generally	Up to \$250,000	Up to 2 years
Deception offenses, etc.	Up to \$250,000	Up to 8 years
Methamphetamine equipment offenses	Up to \$60,000	Up to 20 years
Advertisement offenses	Up to \$250,000	Up to 8 years
Manufacturing or Distributing Controlled Substances Within 1000 Feet of a Truck Stop or Highway Rest Area (21 U.S.C. 849)		
1 st offense		
All substances	Up to twice the penalties otherwise authorized	
2 nd offense		
All substances	Up to three times the penalties otherwise authorized	
Distribution to persons under age 21 by those age 18 or older (21 U.S.C. 859)		
1 st offense		
All substances	Up to twice the penalties otherwise authorized ²⁶	
2 nd offense		
All substances	Up to three times the penalties otherwise authorized	
Distribution or manufacturing in or near schools, colleges, or certain youth-centered recreational facilities (21 U.S.C. 860, 860a)²⁷		
1 st offense		
All substances (except methamphetamine)	Up to twice the penalties otherwise authorized for distribution or manufacture but at least 1 year in prison ²⁸	
2 nd offense		
All substances (except methamphetamine)	Up to three times the penalties otherwise authorized for distribution or manufacture but at least 3 years in prison	
Any offense involving methamphetamine	Other sentence as imposed plus imprisonment for no more than 20 years	

²⁶ Except that violation carries a mandatory minimum of no less than one year unless the offense involves marijuana in an amount of 5 grams or less.

²⁷ The offense includes distribution or manufacturing in or on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school or a public or private college, junior college, or university, or a playground, or housing facility owned by a public housing authority, or within 100 feet of a public or private youth center, public swimming pool, or video arcade facility.

²⁸ Also, at least twice any term of supervised released otherwise authorized for a first offense. An exception to the mandatory 1-year minimum is provided with respect to an offense involving 5 grams or less of marijuana. Where the statute provides for a different mandatory penalty, the higher prevails.

Trafficking in drug paraphernalia (21 U.S.C. 863)

Interstate or foreign sale and transportation of, or use of the mails to sell, drug paraphernalia	Up to \$250,000	Up to 3 years
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Possession**Simple possession (21 U.S.C. 844)²⁹**1st offense

Cocaine base, over 5 grams	Not less than \$ 1,000	5 to 20 years
All other	Not less than \$ 1,000	Up to 1 year

2nd offense³⁰

Cocaine base, over 3 grams	Not less than \$ 1,000	5 to 20 years
All other	Not less than \$2,500	15 days to 2 years

3rd offense

Cocaine base, over 1 gram	Not less than \$ 1,000	5 to 20 years
All other	Not less than \$5,000	90 days to 3 years

Any offense

Flunitrazepam	Up to \$250,000	Up to 3 years
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Controlled Substance Violations and Other Crimes/Activity**Attempt and conspiracy (21 U.S.C. 846, 963)**

Any offense

All substances	Same as penalties for the underlying offense	
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Use of a controlled substance to commit a crime of violence (21 U.S.C. 841(b)(7))Any offense³¹

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
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Boobytraps on Federal property (21 U.S.C. 841(d))³²

1 st offense	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
2 nd offense	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years

²⁹ If convicted of a simple possession offense, the defendant is required, if able, to pay the “reasonable costs” of the investigation and prosecution of the offense. Penalties for simple possession are also applicable to distribution of a “small amount” of marijuana for no remuneration.

³⁰ For purposes of the section under which the possession penalties are imposed, a prior conviction includes conviction of *any* offense under the Controlled Substances Act or the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act and any drug or narcotic offense chargeable under State law.

³¹ Distributing a controlled substance to another with the intent to commit a crime of violence upon the victim.

³² Assembly, maintenance, or placement—in connection with the manufacture, distribution, or dispensing of a controlled substance.

**Continuing Criminal Enterprise (CCE) (“kingpin”)
(21 U.S.C. 848)³³**
1st offense

All substances	Up to \$2 million	20 years to life
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2nd offense

All substances	Up to \$4 million	30 years to life
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Any offense, if the offender is a major participant, involving an enterprise that grosses \$10 million a year or more or involving 300 times³⁴ the amount of controlled substances required to trigger the most severe distribution penalties of 21 U.S.C. 841

All substances	Up to \$4 million	life
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Establishing manufacturing operations (21 U.S.C. 856)

Opening, maintaining, financing or making available a place for unlawful manufacture, distribution or use of controlled substances

All substances	Up to \$500,000	Up to 20 years
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Endangering human life while illegally manufacturing a controlled substance (21 U.S.C. 858)

Any offense

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
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Employment of persons under 18 years of age (for violation of the CSA) or unauthorized distribution to a pregnant individual (21 U.S.C. 861)1st offense

Generally	Up to twice the penalties otherwise authorized for the underlying offense but at least 1 year in prison ³⁵
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2nd offense

Generally	Up to three times the penalties otherwise authorized for the underlying offense but at least 1 year in prison ³⁶
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Any offense

Use of person under 14 or distribution to a person under 18	Up to \$50,000	Up to 5 years
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³³ Under the statute, a person is considered to be engaged in a continuing criminal enterprise if (1) he commits any felony violation of the Controlled Substances Act or the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act, (2) the violation is a part of a continuing series of violations of those statutes (A) which are undertaken by the person in concert with five or more other persons with respect to whom such person occupies a position of organizer, a supervisory position, or any other position of management, and (B) from which such person obtains substantial income or resources.

Note that some violations carry the death penalty as discussed *supra*.

³⁴ Except in the case of methamphetamine, where these provisions apply to any enterprise that grosses \$5 million or more a year, or involves 200 times of the amount of controlled substances required under 21 U.S.C. 841.

³⁵ Also, at least twice any term of supervised release otherwise authorized for a first offense. Any higher mandatory penalty otherwise authorized for the offense would prevail.

³⁶ Also, at least three times any term of supervised release otherwise authorized for a first offense. Penalties for third and subsequent offenses are governed by 21 U.S.C. 841(b)(1)(A).

Narco-Terrorism (21 U.S.C. 960a)

Engaging in prohibited drug activity knowing or intending to provide anything of pecuniary value to terrorists	Up to \$250,000	At least twice the minimum punishment authorized under 21 U.S.C. 841 (b)(1).
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Theft of anhydrous ammonia, or transportation of stolen anhydrous ammonia with intent or knowledge that such will be used to manufacture a controlled substance (21 U.S.C. 864)

1 st offense	Up to \$250,000	Up to 4 years
2 nd offense	Up to \$250,000	Up to 8 years

Violation of regulations proscribing financial transactions with significant foreign narcotics traffickers (21 U.S.C. 1906)

Any offense (individual)	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
Any offense (organization)	Up to \$10,000,000	
Any offense (organization officer or agent)	Up to \$5,000,000	Up to 30 years

Travel Act: use of interstate facilities in aid of a racketeering enterprise involving controlled substances (18 U.S.C. 1952)

Any substance and the intent to commit the following act:

A crime of violence in furtherance of the racketeering enterprise	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years, or any term of years or life if death results
Distributing the proceeds from the racketeering enterprise	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years
Promotion or facilitation of the racketeering enterprise	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years

18 U.S.C. 924(c) (use or possession of firearms or armor piercing ammunition in connection to a drug trafficking crime)³⁷1st offense involving a firearm

Generally		Not less than 5 years
If a firearm is brandished		Not less than 7 years
If a firearm is discharged		Not less than 10 years
If firearm is a short-barreled rifle, short-barreled shotgun, or semiautomatic assault weapon		Not less than 10 years
If firearm is a machinegun or destructive device, or equipped with a silencer/muffler		Not less than 30 years

2nd or subsequent offense involving a firearm

Generally		Not less than 25 years
If firearm is a machinegun or destructive device, or equipped with a silencer/muffler		life

³⁷ The penalties listed for this offense apply *in addition* to the punishment provided for the drug trafficking crime.

Any offense involving armor piercing ammunition		
Use or possession		Not less than 15 years
If such ammunition is used for murder		Any term of years or life
If such ammunition is used for manslaughter	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
If such ammunition is used for manslaughter	Up to \$250,000	Up to 6 years
Armed career criminal: possession of a firearm by a convicted felon or other disqualified person with 3 or more prior serious controlled substance convictions (drug crimes punishable by imprisonment for 10 years or more) or prior violent crime convictions (18 U.S.C. 924(e))		
Any offense		
All substances	Up to \$250,000	Not less than 15 years
Three strikes: commission of a serious violent felony by an individual with a prior serious controlled substance conviction (drug kingpin or most seriously punished trafficking offense) and a prior serious violent felony conviction or 2 or more prior serious violent felony convictions (18 U.S.C. 3559(c))		
Any offense		
All substances	Up to \$250,000	life

Racketeering

Commission of a pattern of racketeering activity including one or more narcotic or dangerous drug felony to invest in, acquire, operate or participate in the affairs of an interstate enterprise ((RICO)(18 U.S.C. 1963))

Any offense		
Narcotic and dangerous drugs	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years or life if the maximum for the predicate is life

Compensated crime of violence in aid of RICO (18 U.S.C. 1959)

Any offense involving any substance and the following criminal act:

Murder	Up to \$250,000	life
Kidnapping	Up to \$250,000	Up to life in prison
Maiming	Up to \$250,000	Up to 30 years
Serious injury	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
Threats	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years
Attempt or conspiracy to murder or kidnap	Up to \$250,000	Up to 10 years
Attempt or conspiracy to maim or commit a serious assault	Up to \$250,000	Up to 3 years

Smuggling

Smuggling Goods into the United States (18 U.S.C. 545)

Any offense

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
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Smuggling Goods into Foreign Countries (18 U.S.C. 546)

Any offense

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 2 years
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Smuggling methamphetamine or methamphetamine precursor chemicals into the United States while using facilitated entry programs (21 U.S.C. 865)

Any offense

Imprisonment Sentence for Methamphetamine Offense Enhanced By	Up to 15 years
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Aviation smuggling (19 U.S.C. 1590)

Any offense

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 20 years
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Laundering Money from Controlled Substance Violations

Laundering (18 U.S.C. 1956)

Any offense

All substances	Up to greater of \$500,000 or 2X the amount of \$ laundered	Up to 20 years
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Monetary traffic in property derived from unlawful activity (18 U.S.C. 1957)

Any offense

All substances	Up to greater of \$250,000 or 2X the amount of \$ laundered	Up to 10 years
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Currency transaction and transportation reporting (31 U.S.C. 5322)

1st offense

All substances	Up to \$250,000	Up to 5 years
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2nd offense

All substances	Up to \$500,000	Up to 10 years
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Bulk cash smuggling into or out of the United States (31 U.S.C. 5332)

Knowingly concealing more than \$ 10,000 across a U.S. border

Up to 5 years

Investment of illicit drug profits (21 U.S.C. 854, 855)

Any offense

All substances	Up to the greater of 2X profit/proceeds or \$50,000	Up to 10 years
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Tax Offenses

Attempted evasion [concerning income from controlled substance violations] (26 U.S.C. 7201)

Any offense

All substances Up to \$250,000 Up to 5 years

Willful failure to file return [concerning income for such violations] (26 U.S.C. 7203)

Any offense

All substances Up to \$250,000 Up to 5 years

Fraud and false statements [concerning income from such violations] (26 U.S.C. 7206)

Any offense

All substances Up to \$250,000 Up to 3 years

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