Table 12.2 Federal Marijuana Penalties

Possession	A first offense for possession of marijuana is punishable by up to one year in jail and a minimum fine of $1,000 for a first conviction. A second conviction results in a fifteen-day mandatory minimum sentence with a maximum of two years in prison and a fine of up to $2,500. Additional convictions carry a ninety-day mandatory minimum sentence and a maximum of up to three years in prison and a fine of up to $5,000.
Manufacture or distribution	Manufacture or distribution of less than fifty plants or fifty kilograms of marijuana is punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of up to $250,000. The sentence for fifty to ninety-nine plants or fifty to ninety-nine kilograms is enhanced to up to twenty years in prison and a fine of up to $1 million. Manufacture or distribution of 100 to 999 plants or 100 to 999 kilograms carries a punishment of five to forty years in prison and a fine of $2 million to $5 million. The penalty for one thousand plants or one thousand kilograms or more is from ten years to life in prison and a fine of $4 million to $10 million.
Distribution to a minor	Distribution of more than five grams of marijuana to an individual under the age of twenty-one is punishable by twice the normal sentence. Distribution within one thousand feet of a school, playground, or public housing, or within one hundred feet of a youth center, public pool, or video arcade, also enhances the possible penalties.
Paraphernalia	The sale of paraphernalia is punishable by up to three years in prison.
Death penalty	The sentence of death can be imposed on a defendant who has been found guilty of manufacturing, importing, or distributing a controlled substance if the act was committed as part of a continuing criminal enterprise in those instances in which the defendant is a central leader; the quantity of the controlled substance is sixty thousand kilograms or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of marijuana, or sixty thousand or more marijuana plants; or the enterprise received more than $20 million in gross receipts during any twelve-month period of its existence.

Source: Federal Laws & Penalties, http://norml.org/laws/item/federal-penalties-2.