

Table 46. **Estimated Unauthorized Immigrants by Selected States and Countries of Origin: 2000 and 2006**

[In thousands (8,460 represents 8,460,000). As of January. Unauthorized immigrants refers to foreign-born persons who entered the United States without inspection or who were admitted temporarily and stayed past the date they were required to leave. Unauthorized aliens who have applied for but have not yet received approval to lawfully remain in the United States are considered to be unauthorized. These estimates were calculated using a "residual method," whereby estimates of the legally resident foreign-born population were subtracted from the total foreign-born population in order to derive the unauthorized immigrant population. All of these component populations were resident in the United States on January 1, 2006, and entered during the 1980–2005 period. Persons who entered the United States prior to 1980 were assumed to be legally resident. Estimates of the legally resident foreign-born were based primarily on administrative data of the Department of Homeland Security, while estimates of the total foreign-born population were obtained from the American Community Survey of the U.S. Census Bureau. Estimates for 2000 are based on the same methodology, assumptions, and definitions with the exception that data from Census 2000 were used to estimate the foreign-born population in 2000 that entered the United States from January 1, 1980, through December 31, 1999]

State of residence	2000	2006	Country of birth	2000	2006
United States, total	8,460	11,550	Total	8,460	11,550
California	2,510	2,830	Mexico	4,680	6,570
Texas	1,090	1,640	El Salvador	430	510
Florida	800	980	Guatemala	290	430
Illinois	440	550	Philippines	200	280
New York	540	540	Honduras	160	280
Arizona	330	500	India	120	270
Georgia	220	490	Korea	180	250
New Jersey	350	430	Brazil	100	210
North Carolina	260	370	China	190	190
Washington	170	280	Vietnam	160	160
Other states	1,750	2,950	Other countries	1,950	2,410

Source: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Immigration Statistics, "Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2006"; published August 2007; <<http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/statistics/publications/illpe2006.pdf>>.