

**Table 515. Aliens Returned or Removed by Crime Categories and Country of Nationality: 2002 to 2006**

[As of the end of September. For definitions of immigration enforcement terms, see "Immigration Enforcement Actions, 2006 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics." "Crime categories" and "Countries of nationality" ranked by latest data year]

Violations	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Total Aliens Returned or Removed: . . . . .</b>	<b>1,174,981</b>	<b>1,152,725</b>	<b>1,403,508</b>	<b>1,338,698</b>	<b>1,315,770</b>
Returns <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	1,012,116	945,294	1,166,576	1,096,920	1,043,381
Removals <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	162,865	207,431	236,932	241,778	272,389
Noncriminal . . . . .	90,309	125,097	146,029	150,879	176,637
Criminal <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	72,556	82,334	90,903	90,899	95,752
<b>Leading crime categories</b>					
Dangerous drugs . . . . .	29,614	32,441	34,071	33,979	33,046
Immigration . . . . .	11,278	11,790	15,174	16,909	22,697
Assault . . . . .	7,486	8,878	9,654	9,492	9,373
Burglary . . . . .	2,881	3,324	3,406	3,342	3,454
Robbery . . . . .	2,690	2,887	2,924	2,993	2,861
Larceny . . . . .	2,089	2,606	2,830	2,714	2,713
Sexual assault . . . . .	1,810	2,316	2,777	2,635	2,485
Family offenses . . . . .	1,857	2,277	2,478	2,160	2,232
Stolen vehicles . . . . .	1,331	1,577	1,797	1,788	1,918
Sex offenses . . . . .	1,170	1,631	1,984	1,910	1,859
Other . . . . .	10,350	12,607	13,808	12,977	13,114
<b>Leading country of nationality</b>					
Mexico . . . . .	56,960	64,641	70,113	69,704	70,951
Honduras . . . . .	1,481	1,996	2,483	2,588	5,591
El Salvador . . . . .	1,756	2,066	2,768	2,767	3,688
Guatemala . . . . .	1,240	1,565	1,937	1,895	3,608
Dominican Republic . . . . .	2,016	2,194	2,556	2,350	2,250
Colombia . . . . .	1,497	1,380	1,493	1,379	1,313
Jamaica . . . . .	1,550	1,522	1,670	1,499	1,250
Nicaragua . . . . .	250	323	407	357	588
Brazil . . . . .	134	220	763	1,428	560
Canada . . . . .	578	474	565	525	479
Other . . . . .	5,094	5,953	6,148	6,407	5,474

<sup>1</sup> Returns are the confirmed movement of an inadmissible or deportable alien out of the United States not based on an order of removal. Most of the voluntary departures are of Mexican nationals who have been apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol and are returned to Mexico. <sup>2</sup> Removals are the compulsory and confirmed movement of an inadmissible or deportable alien out of the United States based on an order of removal. An alien who is removed has administrative or criminal consequences placed on subsequent reentry owing to the fact of the removal. <sup>3</sup> Refers to persons removed based on a criminal charge or those with a criminal conviction.

Source: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Immigration Statistics, *2006 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics* and unpublished data. See also <<http://www.dhs.gov/ximgtn/statistics/publications/yearbook.shtml>> (accessed 9 June 2008).