

**Table 47. Estimated Unauthorized Immigrants by Selected States and Countries of Birth: 2000 and 2008**

[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, 2008, and entered during the 1980–2007 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	2008	Country of birth	2000	2008
<b>United States, total</b> . . . . .	<b>8,460</b>	<b>11,600</b>	<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>8,460</b>	<b>11,600</b>
California . . . . .	2,510	2,850	Mexico . . . . .	4,680	7,030
Texas . . . . .	1,090	1,680	El Salvador . . . . .	430	570
Florida . . . . .	800	840	Guatemala . . . . .	290	430
New York . . . . .	540	640	Philippines . . . . .	200	300
Arizona . . . . .	330	560	Honduras . . . . .	160	300
Illinois . . . . .	440	550	Korea . . . . .	180	240
Georgia . . . . .	220	460	China . . . . .	190	220
New Jersey . . . . .	350	400	Brazil . . . . .	100	180
North Carolina . . . . .	260	380	Ecuador . . . . .	110	170
Nevada . . . . .	170	280	India . . . . .	120	160
Other states . . . . .	1,760	2,950	Other countries . . . . .	2,000	2,000

Source: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Immigration Statistics, “Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2008” (published February 2009); <<http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/statistics/publications/oisillpe2008.pdf>>.