

**Table 522. Aliens Returned or Removed by Crime Categories and Country of Nationality: 2003 to 2007**

[As of the end of September. For definitions of immigration enforcement terms, see "Immigration Enforcement Actions, 2007 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics"]

| Crime category and country of nationality                     | 2003             | 2004             | 2005             | 2006             | 2007             |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Total Aliens Returned or Removed:</b> . . . . .            | <b>1,152,725</b> | <b>1,403,508</b> | <b>1,343,351</b> | <b>1,324,355</b> | <b>1,210,772</b> |
| Returns <sup>1</sup> . . . . .                                | 945,294          | 1,166,576        | 1,096,920        | 1,043,381        | 891,390          |
| Removals <sup>2</sup> . . . . .                               | 207,431          | 236,932          | 246,431          | 280,974          | 319,382          |
| Noncriminal . . . . .   | 125,097          | 146,029          | 154,706          | 183,609          | 219,458          |
| Criminal <sup>3</sup> . . . . .                               | 82,334           | 90,903           | 91,725           | 97,365           | 99,924           |
| Leading crime categories . . . . .                            |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Dangerous drugs . . . . .                                     | 32,441           | 34,071           | 34,215           | 33,485           | 33,449           |
| Immigration . . . . .   | 11,790           | 15,174           | 17,106           | 23,176           | 21,538           |
| Assault . . . . .   | 8,878            | 9,654            | 9,633            | 9,574            | 11,048           |
| Burglary . . . . .  | 3,324            | 3,406            | 3,351            | 3,506            | 3,466            |
| Robbery . . . . .   | 2,887            | 2,924            | 3,023            | 2,915            | 2,908            |
| Larceny . . . . .   | 2,606            | 2,830            | 2,742            | 2,757            | 2,878            |
| Sexual assault . . . . .                                      | 2,316            | 2,777            | 2,649            | 2,571            | 2,786            |
| Family offenses . . . . .                                     | 2,277            | 2,478            | 2,172            | 2,262            | 2,410            |
| Stolen vehicles . . . . .                                     | 1,577            | 1,797            | 1,806            | 1,934            | 1,875            |
| Sex offenses . . . . .  | 1,631            | 1,984            | 1,922            | 1,868            | 1,874            |
| Other . . . . .   | 12,607           | 13,808           | 13,106           | 13,371           | 15,692           |
| Leading country of nationality of criminals removed . . . . . |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Mexico . . . . .  | 64,641           | 70,113           | 70,178           | 72,157           | 75,243           |
| Honduras . . . . .  | 1,996            | 2,483            | 2,659            | 5,674            | 5,032            |
| El Salvador . . . . .   | 2,066            | 2,768            | 2,808            | 3,731            | 4,669            |
| Guatemala . . . . .   | 1,565            | 1,937            | 1,935            | 3,649            | 3,477            |
| Dominican Republic . . . . .                                  | 2,194            | 2,556            | 2,370            | 2,277            | 2,108            |
| Colombia . . . . .  | 1,380            | 1,493            | 1,393            | 1,322            | 1,226            |
| Jamaica . . . . .   | 1,522            | 1,670            | 1,506            | 1,260            | 1,160            |
| Canada . . . . .  | 474              | 565              | 590              | 537              | 521              |
| Nicaragua . . . . .   | 323              | 407              | 357              | 593              | 498              |
| Brazil . . . . .  | 220              | 763              | 1,433            | 563              | 328              |
| Other . . . . .   | 5,953            | 6,148            | 6,496            | 5,602            | 7,343            |

<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.