

Table 5.77

Immigration offenders investigated, charged in U.S. District Courts, and admitted to Federal prison

United States, 1985-2000

	Immigration offenders		
	Investigated	Charged	Admitted to Federal prison
1985	7,239	6,744	NA
1986	8,858	8,237	7,440
1987	7,424	6,677	6,571
1988	7,255	6,818	5,170
1989	7,854	7,493	5,870
1990	8,784	8,313	7,488
1991	7,854	6,632	6,228
1992	6,470	5,904	5,108
1993	5,934	5,390	5,036
1994	5,526	5,006	5,514
1995	7,256	6,294	5,873
1996	7,122	6,605	6,252
1997	9,366	8,472	7,300
1998	14,144	12,879	9,762
1999	15,539	14,729	11,857
2000	16,495	15,613	13,151

Note: These data are from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics' (BJS) Federal Justice Statistics Program, a database comprised of information from various Federal agencies. Immigration offenses are defined according to the BJS filing offense classification procedure followed by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. The category is composed largely of the following offense types: smuggling, transporting, and harboring aliens; unlawful entry and reentry of aliens; and misuse of visa and other documents. (Source, p. 8.) The data presented are for offenders for whom an immigration offense was the most serious offense.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Immigration Offenders in the Federal Criminal Justice System, 2000*, Special Report NCJ 191745 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, August 2002), p. 10, Appendix for figure 4.