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13K Illegal-alien Murderers Free in U.S.; Almost 650K Criminals Total

Nearly 650,000 illegal-alien criminals are roaming American streets, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has confessed.

In a letter to GOP U.S. Representative Tony Gonzales of Texas, ICE reported that almost 450,000 are convicted criminals, while another nearly 227,000 are criminal suspects. More than 13,000 are murderers, and more than 25,000 are sex fiends.

The data might explain the crime rampage that has left Americans vulnerable to out-of-control Third World criminals who rob, rape, and murder with impunity — even as they permitted to attend school during a murder probe or take over an apartment buildings in Colorado with federal subsidies.

The illegal-alien thugs are everywhere, waiting for their chance.

As of July 21, 2024, there were 662,566 noncitizens with criminal histories on ICE’s national docket—13,099 criminally convicted MURDERS!

Americans deserve to be SAFE in our own communities. pic.twitter.com/floCAduJ9M

— Rep. Tony Gonzales (@RepTonyGonzales) [September 27, 2024](#)

The Numbers

The news came from ICE’s Patrick J. Lechleitner, who carries the mystifying title of “Deputy Director and Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Director.”

What portfolio at ICE that hefty 11-word designation includes is unclear. All too clear, though, are the data Gonzales released.

Wrote Lechleitner:

As of July 21, 2024, there were 662,566 noncitizens with criminal histories on ICE’s national docket, which includes those detained by ICE, and on the agency’s non-detained docket. Of those, 435,719 are convicted criminals, and 226,847 have pending criminal charges.

An accompanying chart offers slightly lower numbers of criminals and criminal suspects running wild and free (non-detained): 425,431 and 222,141. Total thugs on the prowl: At least 647,572.

The data also include the crimes they committed or with which they are charged.



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The major crimes are these:

Convicted Criminals

- *Homicide: 13,099*
- *Sexual assault: 15,811*
- *Sex offenses: 9,461*
- *Kidnapping: 2,521*
- *Arson: 792*
- *Dangerous Drugs: 56,533*
- *Burglary: 14,301*
- *Fraud: 15,979*

Criminally Charged

- *Homicide: 1,845*
- *Sexual assault: 4,250*
- *Sex offenses: 2,650*
- *Kidnapping: 851*
- *Arson: 177*
- *Dangerous Drugs: 13,846*
- *Burglary: 3,266*
- *Fraud: 5,127*

“ICE is bound by statutory requirements not to release certain noncitizens from ICE custody during the pendency of removal proceedings and notes that most noncitizens who are convicted of homicide are typically not eligible for release” under the Immigration and Nationality Act, Lechleitner wrote.

But “ICE officers may use their discretion in making custody determinations and release noncitizens with conditions,” the letter continued:

ICE custody determinations are made on a case-by-case basis and take into account the individual case circumstances, primarily considering risk of flight, national security threat, and threat to public safety.

Translation: If they want to, ICE officials can release murderers into your hometown. The same is true for rapists and drug dealers, and, of course, gang members and terrorists.

“As of July 21, 2024, there were 662,566 noncitizens with criminal histories on ICE’s national docket — 13,099 criminally convicted MURDER[ERS]!” Gonzales wrote on X. “Americans deserve to be SAFE in our own communities.”

The entire letter from Lechleitner to Gonzales appears below.

Rape, Murder, Other Crimes

The list of crimes committed by Biden-Harris “migrants” either caught and released at the southwest border or flown directly into the country is a long one. Barely a day goes by that Americans won’t read about one of them committing a particularly heinous crime:

- • Venezuelan Biden-Harris “migrant” Jose Ibarra, caught and released at the southwest border, [is charged](#) with the murder of nursing student Laken Riley in Athens, Georgia.



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- • Venezuelan Biden-Harris “migrants” Franklin Jose Pena Ramos and Johan Jose Rangel, caught and released at the southwest border, [are charged](#) with the murder of Jocelyn Nungaray in Houston, Texas.
- • Peruvian Biden-Harris “migrant” Gianfranco Torres-Navarro, wanted for 23 murders in his home county, [was caught and released](#) at the border and only captured later, when immigration officials finally checked into this past.
- • Salvadoran Biden-Harris “migrant” Walter Martinez, caught and released at the southwest border, recently [pleaded guilty](#) to murdering 20-year-old Kayla Hamilton in Harford County, Maryland. An MS-13 gang member, he was permitted to enroll in high school.
- • Four Venezuelan Biden-Harris “migrants,” caught and released at the southwest border, [are charged](#) with attempted murder in Aurora, Colorado. Those “migrants” are part of the murderous Tren de Aragua gang [now operating nationwide](#) that has taken over apartment buildings in the city. The Biden-Harris administration subsidized the takeover.
- • Haitian Biden-Harris “migrant” Jefferson Jerome, once deported, then caught and released at the border, [is charged](#) with assault and battery in Dorchester, Massachusetts.
- • Haitian Biden-Harris “migrant” Cory Alvarez, flown into the country via the administration’s illegal program to import Colombians, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans (CHNV) directly from their native lands, [is charged](#) with the rape of a 15-year-old girl in Rockland, Massachusetts.
- • Haitian Biden-Harris “migrant” Akim Marc Desire, flown into the country via the illegal CHNV program, [is charged](#) with molesting a 10-year-old boy in Mansfield, Massachusetts.
- • Nicaraguan Biden-Harris “migrant” Daniel Davon-Bonilla [is charged](#) with raping a woman at knifepoint on New York’s Coney Island. A Mexican accomplice clubbed the woman’s boyfriend with a metal pipe.
- • Senegalese Biden-Harris “migrant” Papa Diop is charged with raping a woman on a park bench in the South Bronx in New York City.
- • Eight Tajikistani Biden-Harris “migrants,” caught and released at the southwest border, were ISIS-linked terrorists [later arrested](#) for plotting a bomb attack.
- • A Somali Biden-Harris “migrant,” caught and released at the southwest border, was later determined to be a member of the [al-Shabaab terror outfit](#).

And that list of criminals doesn’t include the illegal-alien gotaways — those never caught when they jumped the border — such as the Dominican illegal whom authorities [have charged](#) with the murder of a family of four in Irondequoit, New York.

H/T: [Fox News](#)



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**U.S. Immigration
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September 25, 2024

The Honorable Tony Gonzales
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Gonzales:

Thank you for your March 13, 2024 letter to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). I am responding on behalf of the Department and apologize for the delay.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) recognizes the importance of its relationships with its law enforcement partners to carry out its mission. In recent years, however, as you know, some jurisdictions have reduced their cooperation with ICE, to include refusal to honor ICE detainer requests, even for noncitizens who have been convicted of serious felonies and pose an ongoing threat to public safety. ICE recognizes that some jurisdictions are concerned that cooperating with federal immigration officials will erode trust with immigrant communities and make it harder for local law enforcement to serve those populations. However, “sanctuary” policies can end up shielding dangerous criminals, who often victimize those same communities.

Despite the challenges of operating within a broken immigration system, and in the face of an enormous workload and consistently limited funding, DHS continues to enforce the law to secure our borders. We are removing and returning record numbers of migrants who are unable to establish a legal basis to remain in the United States, and prioritizing for removal those who present national security and public safety risks, and recent border crossers. From mid-May 2023 through the end of July 2024, DHS removed or returned more than 893,600 individuals, including more than 138,300 individuals in family units. The majority of all individuals encountered at the Southwest Border over the past three years have been removed, returned, or expelled.

Your letter requests the number of noncitizens on ICE’s docket convicted or charged with a crime. As of July 21, 2024, there were 662,566 noncitizens with criminal histories on ICE’s national docket, which includes those detained by ICE, and on the agency’s non-detained docket. Of those, 435,719 are convicted criminals, and 226,847 have pending criminal charges. Please refer to the following chart. It is important to note that detention determinations are made using a few guidelines. First, ICE is bound by statutory requirements not to release certain noncitizens from ICE custody during the pendency of removal proceedings and notes that most noncitizens who are convicted of homicide are typically not eligible for release from ICE custody under §236(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Second and in limited circumstances when

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236(c) does not apply, ICE officers may use their discretion in making custody determinations and release noncitizens with conditions. ICE custody determinations are made on a case-by-case basis and take into account the individual case circumstances, primarily considering risk of flight, national security threat, and threat to public safety. ICE takes other factors into consideration as well, including when a noncitizen has a serious medical condition, is the primary caregiver of minor children, or other humanitarian considerations.

National Docket Data for Noncitizens by Criminality and Most Serious Charge Category as of July 21, 2024

Most Serious Charge Category	Currently Detained		Non-Detained	
	Convicted Criminal	Pending Criminal Charges	Convicted Criminal	Pending Criminal Charges
Total	10,288	4,706	425,431	222,141
<i>Antitrust</i>	-	-	1	1
<i>Arson</i>	36	3	792	177
<i>Assault</i>	2,348	1,498	62,231	42,915
<i>Bribery</i>	3	-	131	22
<i>Burglary</i>	365	126	14,301	3,266
<i>Civil Rights</i>	-	-	1	-
<i>Commercialized Sexual Offenses</i>	18	12	2,200	1,771
<i>Conservation</i>	1	1	225	183
<i>Damage Property</i>	46	65	1,396	1,270
<i>Dangerous Drugs</i>	1,352	328	56,533	13,846
<i>Embezzlement</i>	6	-	233	97
<i>Extortion</i>	4	5	217	136
<i>Family Offenses</i>	150	71	6,477	3,861
<i>Flight / Escape</i>	121	37	2,317	949



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<i>Forgery</i>	117	53	7,525	4,627
<i>Fraudulent Activities</i>	296	57	15,979	5,127
<i>Gambling</i>	1	-	155	222
<i>General Crimes</i>	245	138	10,998	7,851
<i>Health / Safety</i>	6	1	448	228
<i>Homicide</i>	277	51	13,099	1,845
<i>Immigration</i>	947	444	51,933	40,142
<i>Invasion of Privacy</i>	151	37	3,866	3,222
<i>Juvenile Offenders</i>	1	-	20	14
<i>Kidnapping</i>	85	27	2,521	851
<i>Larceny</i>	330	217	18,234	12,397
<i>Liquor</i>	31	26	1,367	1,186
<i>Military</i>	-	-	-	11
<i>Obscenity</i>	22	2	151	77
<i>Obstructing Judiciary, Congress, Legislature, Etc.</i>	118	54	7,446	4,579
<i>Obstructing the Police</i>	181	131	6,567	3,543
<i>Public Peace</i>	93	77	5,642	2,485
<i>Robbery</i>	285	71	10,031	2,039
<i>Sex Offenses (Not Involving Assault or Commercialized Sex)</i>	446	69	9,461	2,650
<i>Sexual Assault</i>	509	142	15,811	4,250



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<i>Smuggling</i>	15	2	218	154
<i>Sovereignty</i>	-	-	29	6
<i>Stolen Property</i>	31	23	2,508	1,593
<i>Stolen Vehicle</i>	53	38	2,663	1,189
<i>Tax Revenue</i>	1	2	106	58
<i>Threat</i>	54	35	1,101	635
<i>Traffic Offenses</i>	1,090	720	77,074	49,269
<i>Weapon Offenses</i>	453	143	13,423	3,397

You also requested ICE’s current detention capacity. Under the DHS appropriations bill enacted on March 23, 2024, ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) is funded at 41,500 beds through the rest of the fiscal year (FY), which is an increase from 34,000 in FY 2023.

Regarding the number of declined detainees since FY 2021, from October 1, 2020, through July 22, 2024, ICE lifted¹ 24,796 detainees. Of those, 23,591 were declined by state and local law enforcement agencies, and 1,205 were lifted due to insufficient notice to ICE. Additionally, from October 1, 2020, through July 22, 2024, ERO issued 2,897 detainees that were declined by state or local law enforcement agencies and where the subject of the detainee had a subsequent apprehension by ERO.

Thank you again for your letter. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact the ICE Office of Congressional Relations at CongressToICE@ice.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Lechleitner
Deputy Director and
Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Director

¹ ICE may lift a detainee at any time after it has been issued. The lifting of a detainee is based upon the totality of the case and ICE may lodge another detainee at a later date, if appropriate. The circumstances under which ICE may lift a detainee are unlimited; however, these circumstances may include, but are not limited to, criminal convictions and pending criminal charges, the noncitizen has lawful status to remain or reside in the United States, health-related concerns, etc.



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