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Statistics

Drug Seizures and Arrest in

VENEZUELA



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In complying with the Organic Law Against the Illicit Trafficking and Consumption of Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs, the National Anti-Drug Office (ONA) presents the following statistics relating to drug seizures and arrests made in the national territory. This report was made with the support of various security agencies of the State that take action against the illicit trafficking of drugs, corroborating Venezuela's contribution to the global problem of drugs, with the goal of reducing the traffic of narcotics and psychotropics and yet again displaying Venezuela's will to eliminate illicit drugs to the international community.



Table #1

Seizures by type of drug within the national territory

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Drug	Quantity (Kgs)	Percentage
Cocaine	20,625.714	59.92%
Marijuana	13,639.921	39.63%
Heroin	62.473	0.18%
Basuco*	48.712	0.14%
Crack	43.501	0,13%
Total	34,420.321	100%

Source: National Armed Force & Police Agencies

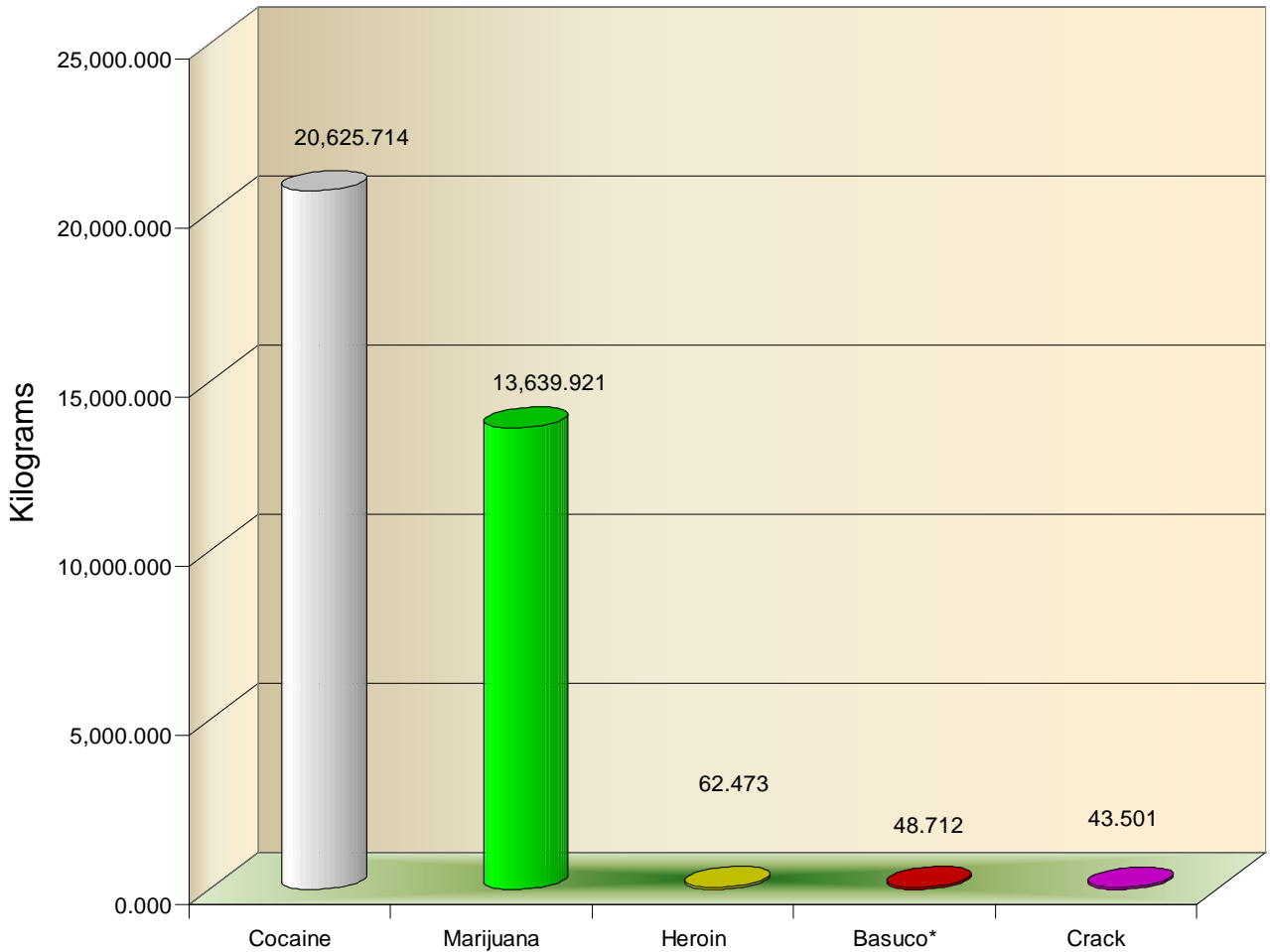
* Basuco is a drug made out of a mixture of coca paste and other substances



Figure #1

Seizures by type of drug within the national territory

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Source: National Armed Force & Police Agencies



Table #2



Drug seizures sorted by drug and by state
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008
 State/Drug # of Seizures Cocaine etc.

STATE \ DRUG	# Seizure	Cocaine	Marijuana	Heroin	Basuco	Crack	Total (Kgs.)	(%)
TACHIRA	470	558.785	5,423.094	-	1.469	0.133	5,983.481	17.38%
CARABOBO	290	5,156.347	128.910	16.400	0.006	3.157	5,304.820	15.41%
ANZOATEGUI	128	2,165.553	3,077.524	-	-	3.533	5,246.610	15.24%
FALCON	125	1,366.223	1,363.345	-	0.028	0.282	2,729.878	7.93%
VARGAS	269	2,140.144	1.526	33.286	-	1.973	2,176.929	6.32
AMAZONAS	1	1,161.000	-	-	-	-	1,161.000	3.37%
NUEVA ESPARTA	252	63,715	1,015.372	0.423	-	1.585	1,081.095	3.14%
CAPITAL DISTRICT	745	829.629	195.574	10.931	0.236	5.730	1,042.099	3.03%
MIRANDA	572	820.065	195.039	0.146	-	12.294	1,027.545	2.99%
ZULIA	43	831.872	58.042	-	40.814	0.043	930.771	2.70%
BARINAS	47	4.705	856.087	-	5.231	0.680	866.703	2.52%
LARA	154	726.410	119.653	0.286	0.401	0.989	847.739	2.46%



Table #2 continued



Drug seizures sorted by drug and by state

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

State/Drug # of Seizures Cocaine etc.

STATE \ DRUG	# Seizure	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL (Kgs.)	(%)
MONAGAS	76	745.776	4.395	-	-	2.930	753.101	2.19%
ARAGUA	155	2.129	558.051	-	-	2.535	562.715	1.63%
MERIDA	104	397.933	32.873	1.001	0.035	-	431.842	1.25%
SUCRE	5	-	341.275	-	-	-	341.275	0.99%
BOLIVAR	158	174.707	5.412	-	0.076	4.184	184.379	0.54%
GUARICO	72	4.482	165.510	-	0.376	0.105	170.473	0.50%
TRUJILLO	47	29.872	87.071	-	0.040	0.055	117.038	0.34%
APURE	5	113.671	0.030	-	-	-	113.701	0.33%
PORTUGUESA	17	41.020	10.648	-	-	2.954	54.622	0.16%
YARACUY	42	1.143	0.213	-	-	0.109	1.465	0.00%
COJEDES	18	0.156	0.225	-	-	0.224	0.605	0.00%
DELTA AMACURO	6	0.002	0.051	-	-	0.007	0.060	0.00%
INTERNATIONAL WATERS	2	3,290.375	-	-	-	-	3,290.375	9.56%
TOTALS	3,803	20,625.714	13,639.921	62.473	48.712	43.501	34,420.321	100%
		59.92%	39.63%	0.18%	0.14%	0.13%	100%	



Table #3



Drug seizures sorted by region
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

Central Region

STATES	QUANTITY OF DRUGS (Kgs)					
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL
CARABOBO	5,156.347	128.910	16.400	0.006	3.157	5,304.820
VARGAS	2,140.144	1.526	33.286	-	1.973	2,176.929
MIRANDA	820.065	195.039	0.146	-	12.294	1,027.545
CAPITAL DISTRICT	829.629	195.574	10.931	0.236	5.730	1,042.099
ARAGUA	2.129	558.051	-	-	2.535	562.715
YARACUY	1.143	0.213	-	-	0.109	1.465
TOTAL	8,949.457	1,079.313	60.763	0.242	25.798	10,115.573

Central-West Region

STATES	QUANTITY OF DRUGS (kgs)					
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL
FALCON	1,366.223	1,363.345	-	0.028	0.282	2,729.878
ZULIA	831.872	58.042	-	40.814	0.043	930.771
LARA	726.410	119.653	0.286	0.401	0.989	847.739
TOTAL	2,924.505	1,541.040	0.286	41.243	1.314	4,508.388

Source: National Armed Force and Police Agencies



Table #3 continued



Drug seizures sorted by region

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

Andean Region

STATES	Quantity of Drugs (kgs)					TOTAL
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	
TACHIRA	558.785	5,423.094	-	1.469	0.133	5,983.481
MERIDA	397.933	32.873	1.001	0.035	-	431.842
TRUJILLO	29.872	87.071	-	0.040	0.055	117.038
TOTAL	986.590	5,543.038	1.001	1.544	0.188	6,532.361

Llanos Region

STATES	Quantity of Drugs (kgs)					TOTAL
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	
BARINAS	4.705	856.087	-	5.231	0.680	866.703
GUARICO	4.482	165.510	-	0.376	0.105	170.473
APURE	113.671	0.030	-	-	-	113.701
PORTUGUESA	41.020	10.648	-	-	2.954	54.622
COJEDES	0.156	0.225	-	-	0.224	0.605
TOTAL	164.034	1,032.500	-	5.607	3.963	1,206.104

Source: National Armed Force and Police Agencies



Table #3 continued



Drug seizures sorted by region

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

North-Eastern Region

STATES	Quantity of Drugs (kgs)					
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL
ANZOATEGUI	2,165.553	3,077.524	-	-	3.533	5,246.610
NUEVA ESPARTA	63.715	1,015.372	0.423	-	1.585	1,081.095
MONAGAS	745.776	4.395	-	-	2.930	753.101
SUCRE	-	341.275	-	-	-	341.275
DELTA AMACURO	0.002	0.051	-	-	0.007	0.060
TOTAL	2,975.046	4,438.618	0.423	-	8.054	7,422.141

Southern Region

STATES	Quantity of Drugs (kgs)					
	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL
AMAZONAS	174.707	5.412	-	0.076	4.184	184.379
BOLIVAR	1,161.000	-	-	-	-	1,161.000
TOTAL	1,335.707	5.412	-	0.076	4.184	1,345.379

Source: National Armed Force and Police Agencies



Table #4

Drug seizures sorted by organization
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Organization	# Seizures	# Arrests	Quantity	Percentage
National Guard	726	488	14,848.085	43.14%
Cuerpo de Investigaciones Científicas, Penales y Criminalísticas C.I.C.P.C. (Venezuelan equivalent of the FBI)	90	118	10,262.742	29.82%
Regional Police	2,944	3,954	4,585.639	13.32%
Navy	2	14	3,290.375	9.56%
Second Theater of Operations	2	5	905.450	2.63%
Municipal Police	36	43	289.410	0.84%
DISIP (Venezuelan equivalent of the CIA)	2	2	198.100	0.58%
Army	1	4	40.520	0.12%
Total	3,803	4,628	34,420.321	100%

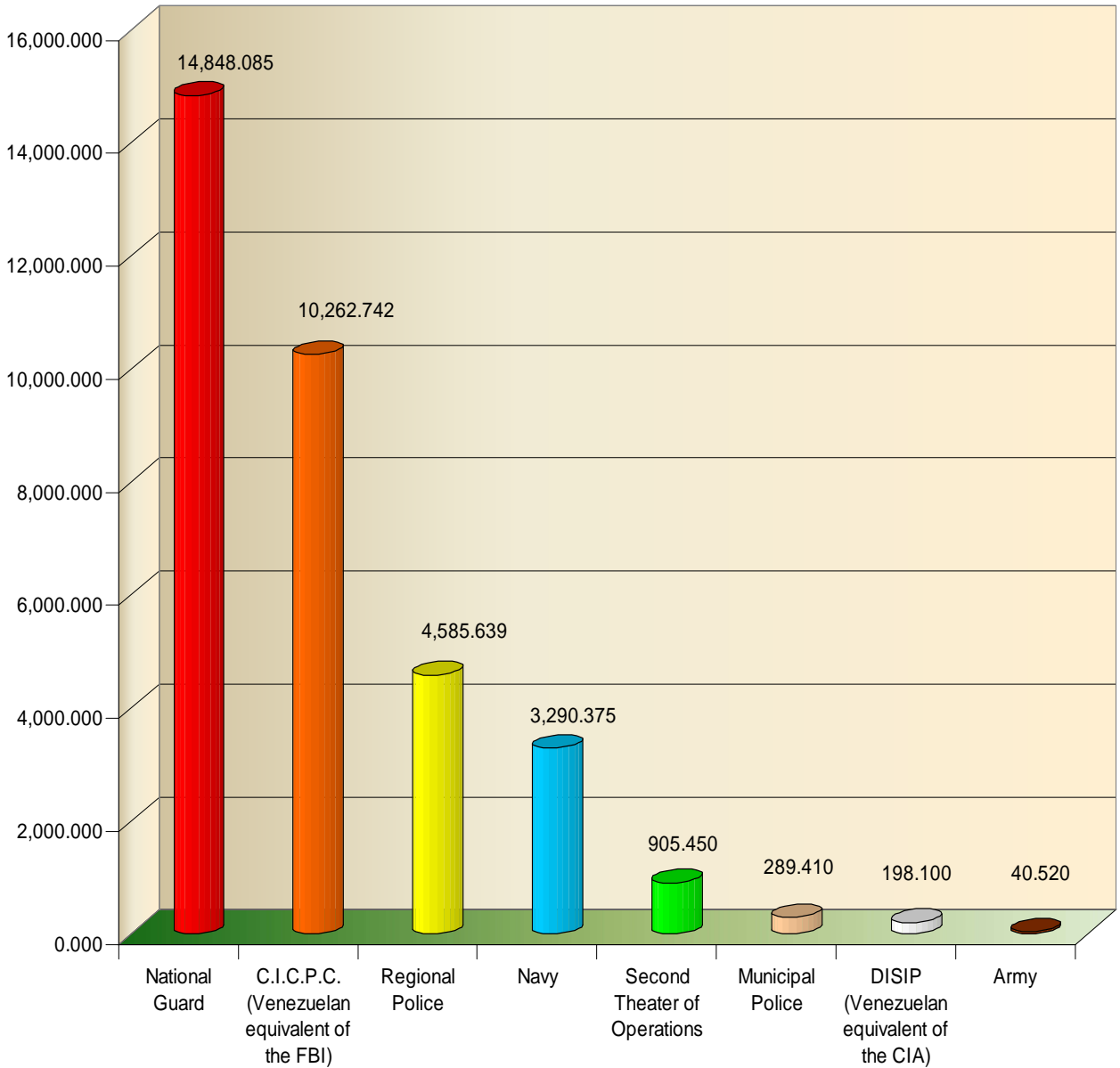
Source: National Armed Force and Police Agencies



Figure #2



Drug seizures sorted by organization
Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Source: National Armed Force and Police Agencies



Table #5

Regional Police drug seizures sorted by state
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Drug State	# SEIZURES	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL (Kgs.)	(%)
TACHIRA	404	1.854	3,280.685	-	1.357	0.133	3,284.029	71.62%
ANZOATEGUI	116	663.435	29.809	-	-	3.456	696.700	15.19%
CAPITAL DISTRICT	469	48.583	144.325	0.131	0.236	5.149	198.423	4.33%
MIRANDA	539	125.558	59.223	0.146	-	12.228	197.156	4.30%
FALCON	115	59.071	2.341	-	0.028	0.282	61.722	1.35%
CARABOBO	200	2.510	45.876	-	0.001	3.090	51.477	1.12%
MERIDA	93	6.683	15.493	1.001	0.025	-	23.202	0.51%
NUEVA ESPARTA	236	0.891	15.188	0.423	-	1.580	18.082	0.39%
BOLIVAR	142	3.032	5.376	-	0.076	4.152	12.636	0.28%
ARAGUA	151	1.971	8.005	-	-	2.535	12.511	0.27%
LARA	143	3.533	3.610	0.286	0.401	0.989	8.819	0.19%
GUARICO	70	4.482	1.330	-	0.366	0.105	6.283	0.14%



Table #5 continued



Regional Police drug seizures sorted by state
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

States \ Drugs	# SEIZURES	COCAINE	MARIJUANA	HEROIN	BASUCO	CRACK	TOTAL (Kgs.)	(%)
MONAGAS	68	0.526	0.974	-	-	2.921	4.421	0.10%
VARGAS	73	0.543	1.456	-	-	1.973	3.972	0.09%
BARINAS	37	0.821	2.568	-	0.052	-	3.441	0.08%
YARACUAY	42	1.143	0.213	-	-	0.109	1.465	0.03%
TRUJILLO	22	0.212	0.407	-	0.015	-	0.634	0.01%
COJEDES	17	0.156	0.221	-	-	0.224	0.601	0.01%
DELTA AMACURO	6	0.002	0.051	-	-	0.007	0.060	0.00%
PORTUGUESA	1	0.005	-	-	-	-	0.005	0.00%
AMAZONAS	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
APURE	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
SUCRE	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
ZULIA	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
TOTALES	2,944	925.011	3,617.152	1.987	2.557	38.932	4,585.639	100%
		20.17%	78.88%	0.04%	0.06%	0.85%	100%	

Source: Police Agencies

Table #6



Drug seizures sorted by nationality and sex
 Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



Sex	Nationality		Total	(%)
	Venezuelans	Foreigners		
Male	3,817	235	4,052	87.55%
Female	541	35	576	12.45%
Total	4,358	270	4,628	100%
(%)	94.17%	5.83%	100%	



Figure #3



Drug seizures sorted by nationality and sex
Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

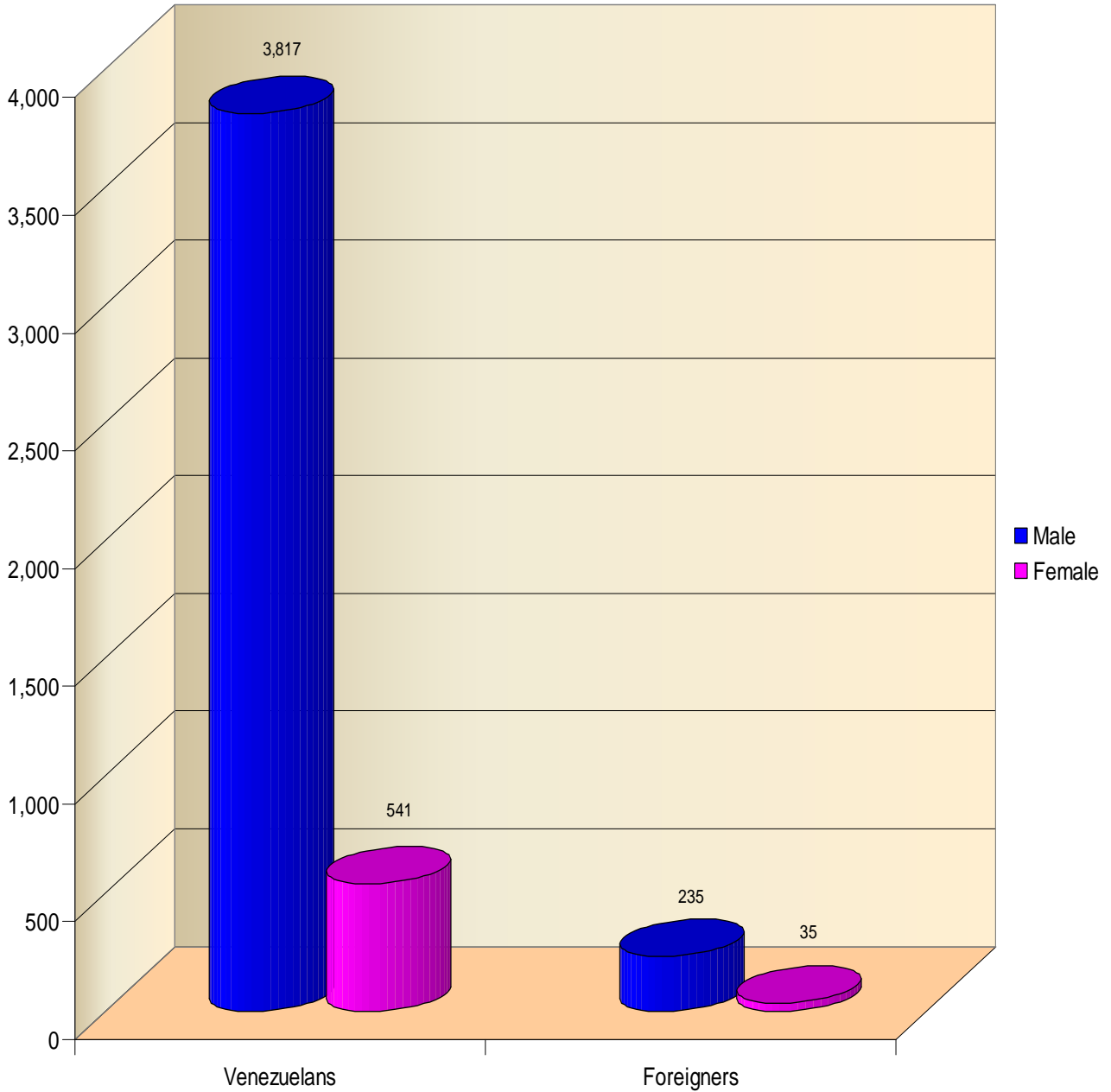


Table #7



Regional Police drug arrests sorted by sex,
nationality and state



Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

State	Venezuelans		Foreigners		Total Arrested	(%)
	Male	Females	Male	Female		
MIRANDA	634	134	11	4	783	19.80%
CAPITAL DISTRICT	498	24	9	-	531	13.43%
TACHIRA	376	15	63	3	457	11.56%
NUEVA ESPARTA	317	20	5	-	342	8.65%
CARABOBO	261	18	-	-	279	7.06%
BOLIVAR	186	46	4	3	239	6.04%
LARA	168	27	2	-	197	4.98%
ARAGUA	185	9	-	1	195	4.93%
FALCON	156	29	-	2	187	4.73%
ANZOATEGUI	129	32	-	-	161	4.07%
VARGAS	117	42	-	-	159	4.02%
MERIDA	91	12	1	-	104	2.63%
MONAGAS	71	16	-	-	87	2.20%



Table #7 continued

Regional Police drug arrests sorted by sex, nationality and state

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



State	Venezuelans		Foreigners		Total Arrested	(%)
	Male	Females	Male	Female		
GUARICO	74	4	-	-	78	1.97%
BARINAS	34	7	6	2	49	1.24%
YARACUY	48	1	-	-	49	1.24%
TRUJILLO	20	2	1	-	23	0.58%
COJEDES	20	1	1	-	22	0.56%
DELTA AMACURO	6	5	-	-	11	0.28%
PORTUGUESA	1	-	-	-	1	0.03%
AMAZONAS	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
APURE	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
SUCRE	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
ZULIA	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
TOTALS	3,392	444	103	15	3,954	100%

Source: Police Agencies



Table #8

Drug arrests of foreigners sorted by nationality

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008



NATIONALITY	# OF ARREST	PERCENTAGE
COLOMBIAN	165	61.11%
SPANISH	14	5.19%
PORTUGUESE	10	3.70%
BRAZILIAN	9	3.33%
ITALIAN	8	2.96%
LITUANIAN	7	2.59%
GUYANESE	6	2.22%
MEXICAN	6	2.22%
DOMINICAN	5	1.85%
AMERICAN	3	1.11%
LEBANESE	3	1.11%
NIGERIAN	3	1.11%
BULGARIAN	2	0.74%
COSTA RICAN	2	0.74%
FRENCH	2	0.74%
DUTCH	2	0.74%
MALAYSIAN	2	0.74%
ROMANIAN	2	0.74%
SUDAFRICAN	2	0.74%



Table #8 continued



Drug arrests of foreigners
sorted by nationality

Period: January 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008

NATIONALITY	# OF ARREST	PERCENTAGE
GERMAN	1	0.37%
BRITISH	1	0.37%
CHILEAN	1	0.37%
CHINESE	1	0.37%
ESTONIAN	1	0.37%
GHANAIAN	1	0.37%
HUNGARIAN	1	0.37%
IRANIAN	1	0.37%
IRAQI	1	0.37%
JORDANIAN	1	0.37%
MACEDONIAN	1	0.37%
PERUVIAN	1	0.37%
POLISH	1	0.37%
RUSSIAN	1	0.37%
SERBIAN	1	0.37%
SWISS	1	0.37%
TURKISH	1	0.37%
TOTAL	270	100%

Source: National Armed Force & Police Agencies
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