

**“Mexican DTOs are the greatest drug trafficking threat to the United States; they control most of the U.S. drug market and have established varied transportation routes, advanced communications capabilities, and strong affiliations with gangs in the United States. . . . Mexican DTOs maintain drug distribution networks or supply drugs to distributors in at least 230 U.S. cities.”**

U.S. Department of Justice, National Drug Intelligence Center, “2009 National Drug Threat Assessment” p. 45

