



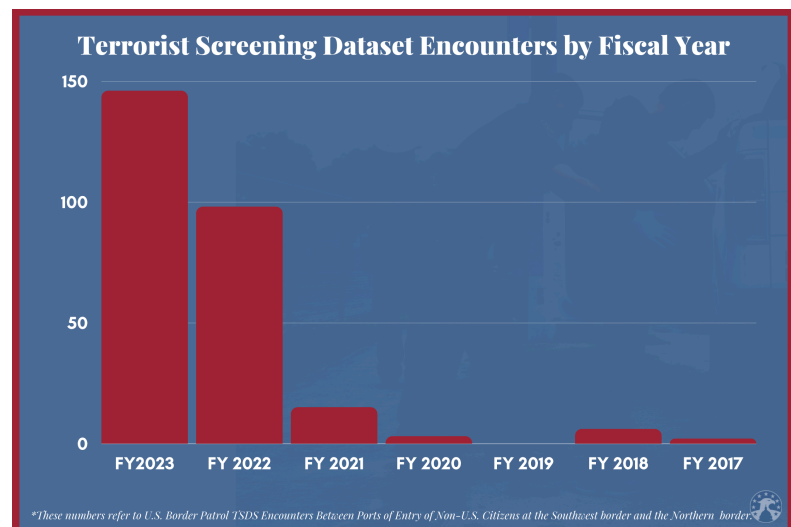
Illegal Encounters Jump From June as the Biden Administration Doubles Down on Open Border Policies Post-Title 42

JULY FY2023
 ENCOUNTERS
183,503

JULY FY2022
 ENCOUNTERS
200,162

JULY FY2021
 ENCOUNTERS
213,593

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) reported **183,503 alien encounters along the Southwest Border (SWB) in July 2023**. This represents a **357% increase** compared to July 2018.
 - Of these encounters, **132,652 were apprehended attempting to cross illegally between ports of entry**. This is a **33% increase** since the previous month.
 - This confirms a statement by **former Border Patrol Chief Raul Ortiz**, who briefed the Committee following the end of Title 42 and **said the decrease in illegal crossings is likely to be temporary**.
- **Among the 183,503 total encounters, the Office of Field Operations (OFO) at the Southwest border reported 50,851, a 12% increase from the previous month's record high and up 177% from July 2022.**
- Since the beginning of the FY23, **181,000** Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans have been **granted parole under the administration's CHNV parole processes**
- In July 2023, **86,501 single adults, 86,199 family unit individuals, and 10,648** unaccompanied children were encountered along the Southwest border. **Family unit encounters increased 54% compared to the previous month**, and single adults increased 6%.
- Since the **beginning of FY23, 17,894 Chinese nationals** have been encountered along the Southwest border—a **722% increase in encounters compared to all of last fiscal year**.
- Since President Biden took office, there have been nearly 7 million encounters nationwide and **5.79 million encounters at the Southwest border**, in addition to **over 1.5 million known gotaways** who evaded U.S. Border Patrol.
 - **Since the beginning of Fiscal Year 2023, there have been over 1.97 million alien encounters at our Southwest border.**
 - In the first ten months of the fiscal year, **146 individuals whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist** were stopped trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry.
 - This is a nearly **50% increase from all of FY22 and there are still two more months left in the fiscal year.**





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Cartels Have Learned Our Southwest Border is Open for Business

- So far in FY23, CBP has **arrested 28,325 aliens with criminal convictions** or outstanding warrants nationwide, including **515 known gang members**, **156 of those being MS-13 members**.
- In FY23 alone, CBP, **including Air and Marine Operations**, has seized **24,109 pounds of fentanyl**, coming across the Southwest border—**enough to kill 5.4 billion people**.
 - Notably, **Federal officials estimate they are only able to seize 5-10% of all illegal drugs** smuggled across the Southwest border.
- **Of July's OFO encounters, 44,700 inadmissible aliens** were processed with CBP One app appointments at the Southwest border. **88% of the OFO encounters in July were facilitated through the CBP One app**.
 - Secretary Mayorkas expanded the number of daily admission to more than **1,450 per day** via the app in July.
 - The continued increase in OFO encounters at ports of entry depicts that following the end of Title 42, Secretary Mayorkas has utilized the expansion of the **CBP One app to shift more, otherwise inadmissible, aliens to ports of entry and make the chaos seem orderly**.
 - **Almost all** of these inadmissible aliens **will ultimately be released into the interior**, regardless of whether they are granted parole or claim asylum.
- On **July 16, troopers in Eagle Pass** arrested an illegal immigrant from Honduras for **throwing a migrant child into the Rio Grande river**.
- On **July 25, Texas Department of Public Safety troopers** arrested a cartel smuggler who guided 15 illegal immigrants across the **Rio Grande with a machete**.
- On **July 25, Border Patrol agents in the El Centro Sector stopped a cloned Border Patrol vehicle** from entering the U.S. **after observing a cartel individual trying to breach the border fence**.

Northern Border Crisis Continues to Surge Through the Summer

JULY FY2023
ENCOUNTERS
18,581

JULY FY2022
ENCOUNTERS
13,056

JULY FY2021
ENCOUNTERS
3,359

- Encounters at the Northern border in July 2023 increased **453%** compared to July 2021.
- Encounters along the busiest sector of the Northern border, **the Swanton Sector, have increased 26% compared to the previous month**.
- **3 suspected terrorists** have been stopped attempting to cross the Northern border between ports of entry this fiscal year.