

BORDER CRISIS STARTLING STATS

Encounters at the Southwest Border on The Rise Again—Just Days Before Secretary Mayorkas Will Testify On Woefully Inadequate FY24 Border Security Budget

MARCH FY2023 ENCOUNTERS

191,899

MARCH FY2022 ENCOUNTERS **222,574**

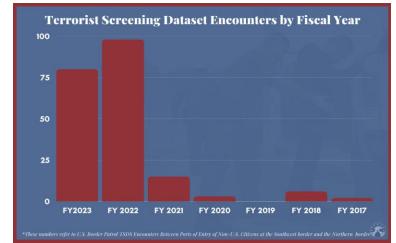
MARCH FY2021 ENCOUNTERS **173,277**

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) had <u>191,899 alien encounters along the Southwest</u> Border (SWB) in March 2023 up almost 24% from the previous month.
- This total includes <u>133,292 single adults</u>, <u>45,964 family unit individuals</u>, <u>and 12,374 unaccompanied children</u>.
- The percentage of illegal alien encounters between ports of entry increased <u>25% from the previous</u> month totaling 162,317 in March.
- CBP expelled **87,661** individuals under Title 42 in March 2023 **46% of the overall total.**
 - With nearly half of all monthly encounters expelled under Title 42, the public health order is scheduled to end on May 11th, and the Biden administration has no plan to stop a surge in its absence.
- The total number of March 2023 encounters includes <u>27,783 Cubans</u>, <u>Haitians</u>, <u>Nicaraguans</u>, and <u>Venezuelans</u>, who were released into the country under the Biden administration's newest parole program.
- Since President Biden has been in office, there have been over 5 million encounters at the Southwest border, in addition to over 1.3 million known gotaways who evaded U.S. Border Patrol agents.

 According to testimony from Border Patrol Chief Raul Ortiz before the Homeland Security Committee last month in Pharr, Texas, there are approximately an <u>additional 20% of illegal alien 'gotaways'</u>

that go unaccounted.

In just the first six months of the fiscal year, 80 people whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist, including 11 in March alone, were stopped trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry and 2 were stopped attempting to cross the Northern border between ports of entry.





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Concerning Rise in Northern Border Encounters Not Slowing Down

MARCH FY2023 ENCOUNTERS

15,774

MARCH FY2022 ENCOUNTERS

7,822

MARCH FY2021 ENCOUNTERS

1,989

- As of March 2023, the most active sector of the Northern border, the Swanton Sector, has now seen an increase of more than 1,000% compared to March 2022.
- Signaling that the worsening crisis at our Northern border is going nowhere under Secretary Mayorkas. <u>Border</u>
 Patrol agents apprehended an individual on the terrorist watchlist for the second month in a row attempting to illegally enter the country between ports of entry.

Biden's Refusal to Enforce Law & Order Endangers Every American

- So far in FY 2023, nationwide, CBP has arrested 15,039 individuals with criminal convictions, including 330 known gang members, 97 of those being MS-13 members.
- From February 2023 to March 2023 there was nearly a 29% increase in arrests of individuals with criminal convictions.
- CBP saw a nationwide 23.7% increase in the weight of drugs seized in March 2023 from February 2023.
- In FY 2023 alone, CBP has seized over <u>14,000 pounds of fentanyl</u> coming across the Southwest border—enough to kill over <u>3.1 billion people</u>.
- As of March 2023, fentanyl seizures at the Southwest border have increased 25% compared to the previous month. If this extreme rate of fentanyl seizures continues, FY23 is on track to nearly double last year's fentanyl seizure total at the Southwest border.
- From February 2023 to March 2023 there was nearly a 29% increase in arrests of individuals with criminal convictions.
- In late March, <u>smugglers abandoned a one-year-old Guatemalan child along the Colorado River</u> left him to fend for himself along the water's edge before Border Patrol agents rescued the child.

<u>The Biden Administration is Hoping to Hide the True Startling Stats Behind His Border</u> Crisis

- According to a DHS Inspector General report released in March, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are
 working with the Biden administration —<u>to the tune of \$110 million of taxpayer money</u> to help migrants evade
 apprehension.
- A new media report shows that <u>99% of all applicants</u> on the CBP One App are being accepted and released into the country, further showcasing the Biden administration's deceptive catch-and-release tactics.
- In March, CBP processed <u>22,865 individuals</u> at ports of entry as exceptions to Title 42 based on the newly available CBP One app appointment scheduler—this is one of the latest attempts by the Biden administration to increase the processing of aliens into the interior.