



# BORDER CRISIS STARTLING STATS

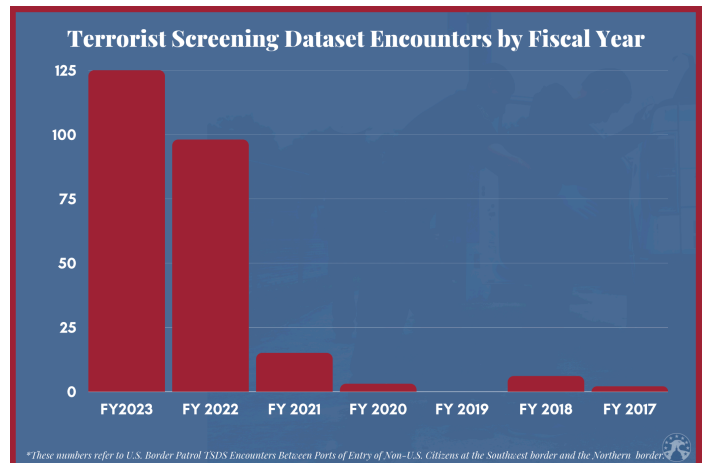
## Mayorkas' Post-Title 42 Shell Game Attempts to Hide Startling Crisis at Southwest Border

**MAY FY2023  
ENCOUNTERS  
204,561**

**MAY FY2022  
ENCOUNTERS  
241,136**

**MAY FY2021  
ENCOUNTERS  
180,597**

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) had **204,561 alien encounters along the Southwest Border (SWB) in May 2023** —up over 13% from May 2021.
- While the Biden Administration is celebrating a reported 25% decrease in encounters between **ports of entry, 35,317 aliens were encountered at ports of entry — 17% of the total encounters in May.** According to the Office of Field Operations (OFO), this is a 20% increase from April 2023 and a staggering 34% increase from January 2023, when the CBP One app was first expanded to non-commercial use.
  - **28,696 inadmissible aliens** were processed by OFO with CBP One app appointments. As promised, Secretary Mayorkas expanded the number of daily admission to more than **1,000 per day** via the app in May.
  - A recent media report shows that **99% of all CBP One app applicants were accepted before the end of Title 42 and released** into the country, further showcasing the Biden administration's deceptive **catch-and-release tactics.**
  - The increase in OFO encounters depicts that once Title 42 ended on May 11, Secretary Mayorkas utilized the **CBP One app to shift more, otherwise illegal, aliens to ports of entry in order to make it appear that “illegal” crossings were decreasing.** Almost all of these inadmissible aliens will ultimately be released into the interior, regardless of whether they are granted parole.
- In May 2023, **133,097 single adults, 61,319 family unit individuals, and 9,943 unaccompanied children were encountered along the Southwest border. 65% of total encounters were single adults.** Encounters of family unit individuals increased **5%** from the previous month.
- So far in FY23, **12,642 Chinese nationals** have been encountered at the Southwest border, with **May recording a 1,200% increase in these encounters compared to May 2022.**
- In the first 11 days of May, before the end of Title 42, CBP expelled **30,150 individuals under the public health authority.**
- Since President Biden took office, there have been roughly **5.45 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 1.6 million alien encounters at our Southwest border.**
- In just the first eight months of the fiscal year, **125 people whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist** were stopped trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry, surpassing **last fiscal year's total of 98.**
- **A shocking 29 were arrested attempting to cross in May alone, more than all of FY17, FY18, FY19, & FY20 combined and the largest one-month total ever.**
  - This includes the apprehensions of a **Pakistani national** and an **Afghan national.**





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### Secretary Mayorkas' Catch-and-Release Agenda is Incentivizing a Crisis

- So far in FY23, CBP has **arrested 20,923 aliens with criminal convictions** nationwide, including **442 known gang members**, **134** of those being MS-13 members.
- In FY23 alone, CBP has seized over **20,000 pounds of fentanyl** coming across the Southwest border—enough to kill over 4.6 billion people.
- Notably, Federal officials estimate they are only able to **seize 5-10% of all illegal drugs** smuggled across the Southwest border.
- In May 2023, fentanyl seizures at the Southwest border **increased 136% compared to May 2022**. If this extreme rate of fentanyl seizures continues, **FY23 is on track to double last year's fentanyl seizure total at the Southwest border**.
- On May 2, President Biden announced the **deployment of 1,500 troops to the Southwest border ahead of the end of Title 42**—contradicting to Secretary Mayorkas' statement that the "border is secure."
- Leading up to the end of Title 42, Border Patrol reported more than **10,000 illegal alien apprehensions a day**.
- In the first week of May, Border Patrol reported nearly **55,000 apprehensions and more than 18,500 known gotaways at the Southwest border—the highest ever recorded in one week**.
- In early May, hundreds of aliens **resided on the streets of El Paso**, Texas after being released en masse by CBP.
- A week before the end of Title 42, **FEMA announced it would give \$332,500,000 to local governments and nonprofits** within the interior of the U.S. to help illegal aliens who were released.
- According to a DHS Inspector General report released in March, **\$100 million of federal taxpayer funds** were spent by Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to aid illegal aliens released into the interior. This is one more way the Biden administration **is passing along the cost of its crisis onto the American people**.
- According to media reports, numerous illegal aliens who claimed asylum at the Southwest border were released **into the U.S. interior with court dates out as far as 2035**.
- While apprehensions hit **historic highs the weeks before the end of Title 42**, **8,000 ICE detention beds remained empty**—showcasing the Biden administration commitment to its catch-and-release agenda.

### The Northern Border Crisis is Only Getting Worse

MAY FY2023  
ENCOUNTERS

**16,834**

MAY FY2022  
ENCOUNTERS

**9,913**

MAY FY2021  
ENCOUNTERS

**1,449**

- Encounters at the Northern border in May 2023 increased **1,000%** compared to May 2021 and increased nearly **20% compared to the previous month**.
- Encounters along the busiest sector of the Northern border, **the Swanton Sector**, have increased **920% since May 2021**.
- **2 suspected terrorists** have been stopped attempting to cross the Northern border between ports of entry this fiscal year.