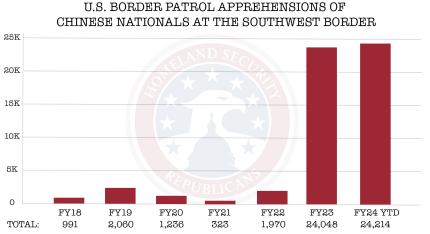


Encounters of Chinese Nationals Surpass all of Last Fiscal Year at the Southwest Border

MARCH FY2024 SWB ENCOUNTERS	
189,372	

MARCH FY2023 SWB ENCOUNTERS 193,249 MARCH FY2022 SWB ENCOUNTERS 222,574

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) recorded 246,432 encounters nationwide in March, including 189,372 at the Southwest border (SWB).
- Nationwide **encounters increased 28% compared to March 2021**. Southwest border encounters marked a 2% decrease compared to March 2023, but a **9% increase compared to March 2021**.
- Since President Biden and Secretary Mayorkas took office, there have been **9.2 million encounters** nationwide and over **7.6 million encounters at the Southwest border**.
- Additionally, over 1.8 million known gotaways have evaded U.S. Border Patrol under this administration. In testimony before the Committee last year, then-chief of U.S. Border Patrol (USBP), Raul Ortiz, said the total number of gotaways could be undercounted by as much as 20%.
- At the SW border in March 2024, CBP encountered **113,742 single adults**, **66,641 family unit individuals**, **and 8,829 unaccompanied children**.
- In March, nationwide border encounters by the Office of Field Operations (OFO) at ports of entry (107,298) increased 375% compared to March of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021.
- 44,000 individuals with CBP One app appointments were processed by OFO in March. Since January 2023, 547,000 individuals have scheduled appointments with the app. 95.8 percent of all inadmissible aliens who scheduled appointments through the app from January-September 2023 were ultimately issued a "Notice to Appear" and released into the United States on parole.
- So far in FY24, 24,376 Chinese nationals have been encountered at the Southwest border. Encounters of Chinese nationals in March 2024 increased 8,500% compared to March 2021, and have surpassed all of last fiscal year—just six months into FY24.
- Since the program began, 404,000 Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans have been mass paroled under the administration's CHNV parole program at ports of entry nationwide.
- In March 2024, 6 more individuals whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist were stopped trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry. Since FY21, 357 of these individuals have been caught crossing our Southwest border illegally.



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CHAIRMAN MARK E. GREEN, MD BORDER CRISIS STARTLING STATS

Secretary Mayorkas' Crime Crisis Endangers Americans

- So far this fiscal year, CBP has arrested 18,465 aliens with criminal convictions or outstanding warrants nationwide, including 248 known gang members, 35 of those being MS-13 members.
- In March, CBP, including Air and Marine Operations (AMO), seized 1,392 pounds of fentanyl coming across the Southwest border, bringing the total for the fiscal year to 9,657 pounds—enough to kill roughly 2 billion people.
 - Federal officials estimate they are only able to seize 5-10% of the fentanyl smuggled across the Southwest border.
- On March 2, an illegal alien, who entered the U.S. as a gotaway at an unknown time and location, struck and killed Washington State Trooper, Christopher Gadd.
- On March 12 alone, nearly 1,200 known gotaways crossed illegally into the U.S. from Mexico.
- A Haitian man who entered the U.S. via the unlawful CHNV parole program was arrested for sexual assault of a 15 year-old girl at a migrant shelter in Massachusetts on March 13.
- An illegal alien from Lebanon caught at the border on March 17 admitted to being a Hezbollah terrorist and having intentions of making a bomb.
- On March 21, illegal aliens in El Paso rushed the fence and Texas National Guard troops, rioting to get across the border into the U.S.
- An illegal alien was charged on March 23 with murdering 25-year-old Michigan resident, Ruby Garcia, after he had previously been deported in 2020.
- On March 29, a Chinese national in the U.S. illegally breached a military base in California and refused to leave.

Encounters at the Northern Border's Swanton Sector Hit All-Time High

MARCH FY2024 NB
ENCOUNTERS
16,238

MARCH FY2023 NB ENCOUNTERS 15,790 MARCH FY2022 NB ENCOUNTERS 7,822

- Encounters at the northern border in March of FY24 increased 716% compared to March of FY21 and increased 11% compared to February 2024, the previous month. March marked the highest monthly total of northern border encounters so far in FY24.
- Last month, encounters along the busiest sector of the northern border, the Swanton Sector, hit their highest total on CBP record at 1,109. Encounters at this sector increased 2,897% compared to March of FY21 and 46% compared to March of FY23.
- More than 1,000 Chinese nationals have crossed the northern border every month for the past five months.