



BORDER BRIEF

U.S. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

CHAIRMAN MARK E. GREEN, MD | SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL GUEST

President Trump Turns the Tide on Biden's Catch-and-Release Legacy

MAY FY2025 SWB
ENCOUNTERS

12,452

MAY FY2024 SWB
ENCOUNTERS

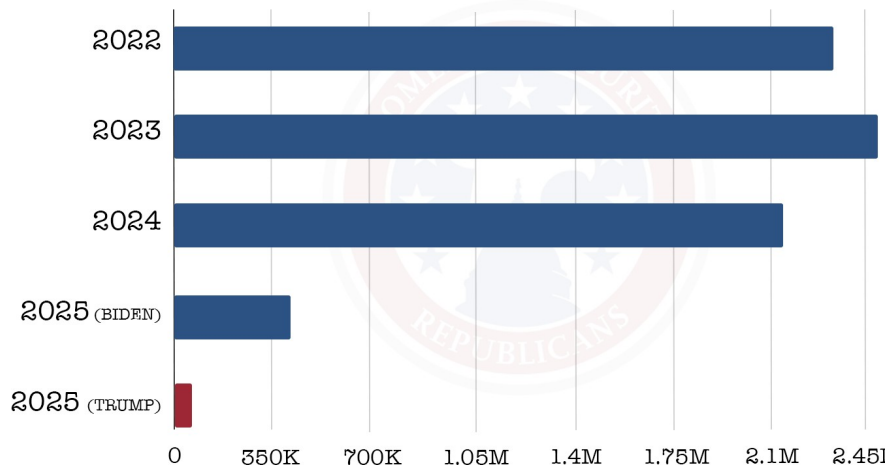
170,716

MAY FY2023 SWB
ENCOUNTERS

206,690

- **U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)** recorded just **29,502 encounters nationwide in May**, including **12,452 at the Southwest border**. Nationwide border encounters in May **decreased by 88%** compared to May 2024. **Southwest border encounters dropped 93%** compared to May 2024, proving that President Trump's border security policies are an effective deterrence against illegal immigration.
- U.S. Border Patrol (USBP) **apprehensions between ports of entry at the Southwest border last month (8,725) decreased by 93% compared to May 2024 (117,905) and 95% compared to May 2023 (171,382)**, at the height of the Biden border crisis.
- **USBP averaged roughly 281 apprehensions per day on the Southwest border in May**, a 93% drop from the daily average in May 2024 (3,803).
- **CBP encounters of inadmissible aliens at the Northern border dropped by 73% in May 2025 (5,063) compared to May 2024 (18,663).**
- **After President Trump ended Biden's unlawful mass-parole schemes, encounters at ports of entry nationwide dropped 84% in May (19,140) compared to May 2024 (119,278).**
- Encounters of **unaccompanied alien children (UACs) at the SWB dropped by 88% last month (1,044) compared to May 2024 (8,632).**
- **Last month, zero inadmissible aliens were released by USBP into American communities**, compared to the 62,000 inadmissible aliens that were released under Joe Biden last May.
- Encounters of family unit individuals at our borders **nationwide were down 98% in May (1,572) compared to May 2024 (82,836).**
- In the first 100 days of the Trump administration, **Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) arrested 66,463 illegal aliens and removed 65,682 aliens.**
- In May, **fentanyl seizures at the Southwest border (679 lbs.) decreased 70% compared to May 2024 (2,301).**

CBP SOUTHWEST BORDER ENCOUNTERS,
BY FISCAL YEAR





BORDER BRIEF

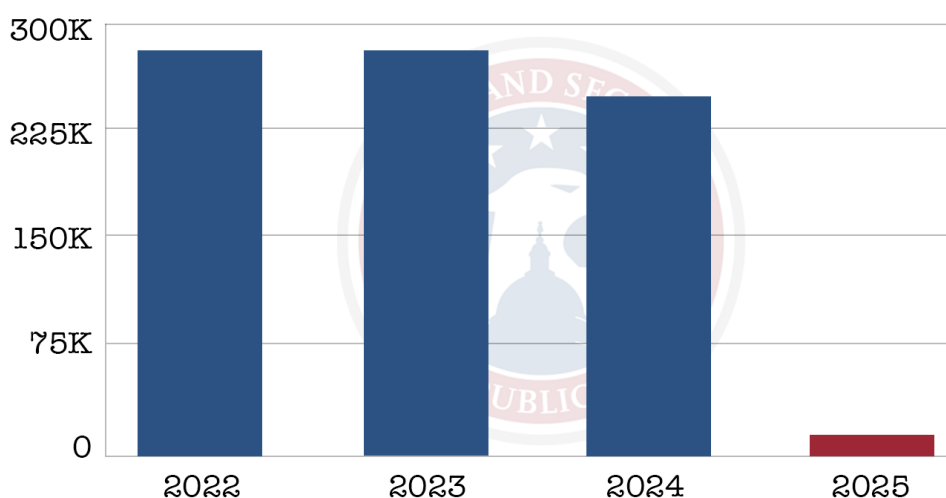
U.S. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

CHAIRMAN MARK E. GREEN, MD | SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL GUEST

Homeland Republicans Are Working to Ensure ICE and CBP Can Protect the Homeland

- In May, ICE arrested a **foreign fugitive** and Russian national who is **suspected to be affiliated with al Qaeda**.
- In June, an Egyptian national, who **overstayed his visa but was still granted a work authorization** under the Biden administration, carried out an antisemitic terror attack in Boulder, Colorado.
- Homeland Republicans **sent a letter to DHS** and are reviewing information related to the attacker's immigration history.
- In June, far-left groups helped foment **riots against lawful immigration enforcement** in Los Angeles.

CBP NATIONWIDE ENCOUNTERS
IN THE MONTH OF MAY



- Attacks on ICE officers have **increased by more than 500%**, according to DHS. There have also been cases of **ICE agents and their families being doxed**.
- In June, House Homeland Security and House Judiciary Committees launched a probe into Nashville Mayor Freddie O'Connell for potentially **obstructing ICE enforcement**. **According to DHS**, "of the 196 illegal aliens ICE arrested [in the city], 95 had prior criminal convictions and pending criminal charges and 31 were previously removed individuals who reentered the U.S. illegally, which is a felony offense under federal law."
- Also this month, Homeland Republicans **probed more than 200 non-governmental organizations** that provided services to illegal aliens or benefitted from the crisis. One recipient, the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA), is also **reportedly connected to the LA riots**.
- In order to continue President Trump's proven border security agenda, **House Republicans advanced the "One Big, Beautiful Bill Act" last month**, which includes what would be one of **the largest investments in border security ever considered by Congress**. It's time for the Senate to follow suit.
- Homeland Republicans advanced more than **\$7 billion in funding to increase CBP personnel, training, and incentives**. The bill would fund: **3,000 new USBP agents, 5,000 new customs officers, 200 new AMO agents, 290 support staff, and eligible retired agents and officers**.