



BORDER CRISIS STARTLING STATS

Worst on Record: Biden & Mayorkas Make Border Crisis History in Fiscal Year 2023

FY23 SWB ENCOUNTERS
2.47 million

FY22 SWB ENCOUNTERS
2.37 million

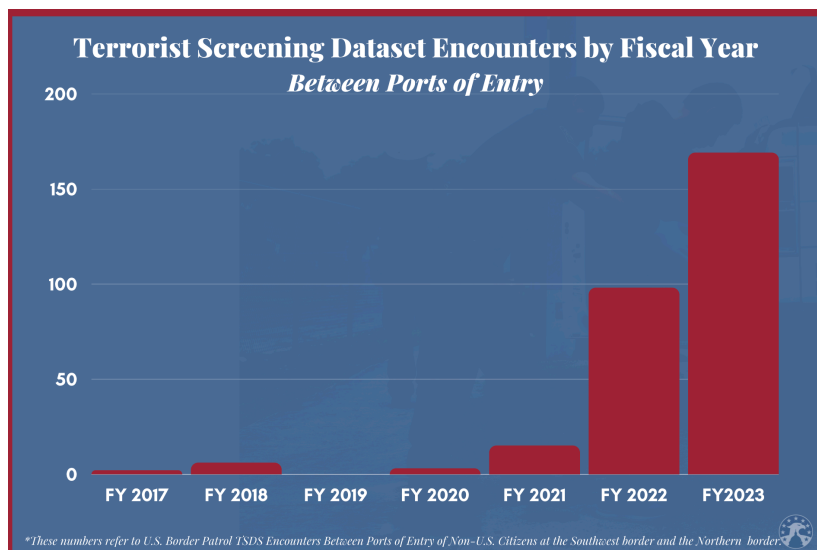
FY21 SWB ENCOUNTERS
1.73 million

SEP SWB FY23 ENCOUNTERS
269,735

SEP SWB FY22 ENCOUNTERS
227,547

SEP SWB FY21 ENCOUNTERS
192,001

- Encounters at the Southwest border (SWB) in **FY2023 increased over 40% since FY2021, 4% compared to FY2022, and more than 100%** compared to **FY2019**, making last fiscal year the worst on record under the Biden administration.
- Last month, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) reported a **40% increase compared to September 2021 and 18% compared to September 2022**. This monthly number also represents an **86% increase from June 2023**, when the Biden administration celebrated a short-lived drop in illegal crossings following the end of Title 42.
 - Of these encounters, **218,763 individuals were apprehended attempting to cross illegally between ports of entry**. This is a **20% increase** since the previous month.
 - Encounters by **the Office of Field Operations (OFO) in September increased 155% compared to September 2022**.
 - **Around 43,000 inadmissible aliens** were processed by **OFO with CBP One app appointments in September**. **Almost all** of these inadmissible aliens will ultimately be released into the interior, regardless of whether they are granted parole or claim asylum.
 - In response to a **subpoena threat**, the Committee on Homeland Security has received **startling information and documents** regarding the expanded use of the CBP One app by DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.
- Since President Biden took office, there have been **7.5 million encounters nationwide** and **6.2 million encounters at the Southwest border**, in addition to **1.7 million known gotaways** who evaded U.S. Border Patrol.
- In FY2023, **240,000** Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans have been **granted parole under the administration's CHNV parole process at ports of entry nationwide**.
- At the SW border in September 2023, CBP encountered **132,017 single adults, 123,815 family unit individuals, and 13,771 unaccompanied children along the Southwest border**.
- In FY2023, family unit encounters increased **46% compared to FY2022** and **71% compared to FY2021**.
- In FY2023, **169 individuals whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist** were stopped trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry. 18 were apprehended in September alone.
- FY2023 represents a **72% increase from FY2022** for apprehensions of individuals on the terrorist watchlist, and is the most on record.





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The Northern Border Makes History Under Biden & Mayorkas

FY23 NB ENCOUNTERS

189,402

FY22 NB ENCOUNTERS

109,535

FY21 NB ENCOUNTERS

27,180

SEP NB FY23
ENCOUNTERS

18,852

SEP NB FY22
ENCOUNTERS

13,327

SEP NB FY21
ENCOUNTERS

3,698

- Encounters at the Northern border in September 2023 **increased 409%** compared to September 2021 and **41%** compared to September 2022.
- In FY2023, encounters along the busiest sector of the Northern border, **the Swanton Sector**, increased **1,797%** compared to FY2021 and **550%** FY2022.

The Biden-Mayorkas Border Crisis Impacted Communities Across the Country in FY23

- So far in FY2023, CBP has **arrested 35,433 aliens with criminal convictions** or outstanding warrants nationwide, including **598 known gang members**, **178** of those being **MS-13** members.
- In FY2023, CBP, including **Air and Marine Operations**, has seized **27,293 pounds of fentanyl**, coming across the Southwest border—enough to kill around 6 billion people.
 - Total CBP fentanyl seizures in FY2023 increased 88% compared to FY2022.
 - Notably, Federal officials estimate they are only able to **seize 5-10% of all illegal drugs** smuggled across the Southwest border.
- **Reported by the New York Post** on Sept. 2, Venezuelan immigrant Daniel Hernandez Martinez, who **crossed the Southwest border illegally in July**, has been arrested six times on 14 different charges since arriving in New York.
- An illegal immigrant from Peru was **charged with murder** in Eagle Pass, Texas on Sept. 19. He had initially crossed illegally into Eagle Pass in May and **was released into the U.S. with a 2025 court date**.
- On Sept. 6, Border Patrol agents patrolling near Fronzon, Texas **discovered backpacks with ammo and a homemade explosive** in the same area where cartel gunman have been repeatedly seen on cameras crossing illegally into the U.S.
- **On Sept. 13, and Sept. 15, mass street releases of aliens** were conducted due to CBP facilities being overcapacity. CBP released **13,000 aliens** in San Diego over the last month alone. **On Sept. 14**, CBP in Cochise County, Arizona announced their facilities were overcapacity and they were **forced to begin releasing aliens into the community**.
- On Sept. 19, the city of **Eagle Pass issued an Emergency Declaration** after around **4,000 aliens crossed into the city in the span of just four days**.
- On Sept. 27, **Eagle Pass Border Patrol** released an internal memo stating **no agents were in the field between ports of entry** because many had been diverted to help process aliens into the interior.