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Illegal crossings of migrant families at US-Mexico border hits all-time high

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Record numbers of migrant families crossed the US-Mexico border in August, a bombshell new report said this week after The Post revealed that US officials **have inexplicably welded open more than 100 gates along the Arizona border**.

US Border Patrol officials arrested at least 91,000 migrants who crossed the border as part of family groups, according to **preliminary data obtained by the Washington Post** — beating the previous one-month record of 84,486 migrant families arrested in May 2019, under the Trump administration.

Migrant families accounted for the largest demographic group crossing the border in August, surpassing single adults for the first time since President Biden took office in 2020.

The August tally brings the number of "family member units" surrendering at the border over the fiscal year to more than half a million people, another record.

Officials also saw a marked increase in the number of unaccompanied minors crossing into the country.

The uptick in illegal crossings comes as The Post revealed that US officials **have welded open 114 massive gates along the Arizona border** to allow water to flow freely during the annual monsoon season, which typically runs from June through September.

Erin Heeter, a spokeswoman for the Department of Homeland Security, blamed the steady stream of crossings on "ebbs and flows of migrants arriving, fueled by seasonal trends and the efforts of smugglers to prey on vulnerable migrants and encourage migration."



A record-number of migrant families crossed the southern border in August.
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The latest Customs and Border Protection data show that more than 54,000 migrants were processed in August at the US border, where the Biden administration is allowing up to 1,450 migrants each day to schedule an appointment to enter the country legally using a mobile app.

That increased the total number of migrants encountered by CBP agents at the southern border in August to about 230,000 — the highest one-month total of 2023.

Overall, border arrests rose more than 30% from July through August, after falling sharply in May and June, when the Biden administration rolled out new migration restrictions.

But Heeter said the government also ramped up deportation flights carrying families in August, and since May has repatriated more than 17,000 parents and children.



Erin Heeter, a spokeswoman for the Department of Homeland Security, blamed the uptick on smugglers preying on desperate migrant families.
REUTERS



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She said the Biden administration is trying to slow the number of illegal entries by expanding lawful immigration and increasing the penalties for border crossings.

One such program accepts nearly 30,000 applicants each month from Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua and Venezuela who obtain authorization to live and work in the United States for two years if they have a financial sponsor and clear background checks.

The program, known as parole, allows the migrants to fly into the country rather than cross at the border.

Since it was enacted two years ago, illegal crossings from those countries have decreased as at least 541,000 entered the country under the program, [according to CBS News](#).

But at the same time, there have been major increases in migration from Guatemala, Honduras, Ecuador, Peru and a slew of Asian and African countries.

In May, the Biden administration unveiled another solution to the migrant crisis — the Family Expedited Removal Management Program, which places some heads of households under GPS monitoring and into the fast-track deportation system.

But fewer than 100 family members have been deported under that program, CBS reported, as a majority of the migrants are released into the United States, where they are allowed to live and work while their humanitarian claims are processed in the judicial system.



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It typically takes several years for the backlogged US immigration courts to reach a decision on each migrant's claims, The Post reported, and the process rarely ends in deportation.

Backlogs at immigration court stand at 2.5 million cases waiting to be heard, [according to figures compiled by the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse](#) at Syracuse University.

To expedite the process, the Department of Homeland Security and the Justice Department in 2021 created a "dedicated" immigration court docket in 11 cities to adjudicate family cases within 300 days of their initial hearing.

It operates in Boston, Denver, Detroit, El Paso, Los Angeles, Miami, Newark, New York, San Diego, San Francisco and Seattle.

It remains unclear, however, how families are assigned to the faster docket.

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In the meantime, the FBI is said to be scrambling to locate more than a dozen Uzbek natives who crossed into the United States with the help of a smuggler who has ties to ISIS.

Authorities say no specific ISIS plot has been identified, and nothing in any of the migrants' background checks raised any red flags.

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Has it ever been said or questioned, who exactly welded open these gates?
These hard working border patrol agents are overworked, shorthanded and behind the game trying simply to do their jobs.
But for over a month, our southern border has been wide open. Welcoming everyone. Unvetted of course. Welcome to the United States. We'll leave the light on for you.

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Randy Smith

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part of that 2 million wave on it's way here ..smiles they close to promise land all free phone housing food education cars they all full of smiles , no entries they will raise your taxes to pay for them, as they keep pushing our American homeless and veterans away

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Mac Thunyfe

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His failure or more accurately, his unwillingness to the secure the border is sufficient grounds to impeach Biden. Then when you add the fact that he's selling out the country to foreign interests not only should he be impeached for that as well, but also jailed for treason along with his son, bro...

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RSM4

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At an Immigration Conference in IA, in August 2019, Biden started saying the US can afford to pay for 2 million immigrants and refugees a year. Everything he and his crew are doing, including doing nothing, is to achieve getting in 2 million illegals a year. He gave an interview to the Washington...

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Exactly! People whom voted for Biden knew this! If you voted Democrat, you can not complain! Most won't though, because they either:
1. Don't pay taxes.
2. Think we (Americans) have so much money, help terrorists, human traffickers, drug smugglers, and S. Americans.

1. Always voted D.
(Edited)

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Virginia Alt

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The reason Dems won on the elections is because they told women they would protect abortion rights up to birth. This is the one item that won the Dems the election. Women are over 50% of the population and were enraged that Republicans would take away their abortion rights. This year Republicans...

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John Smith

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They're already telling us that our Soc Security and Medicare will potentially be cut. They're going to spend Trillions on this destruction. Why would any US citizen vote for it?

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Ratpack71

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Just look to NYC. They vote for anything with a D...AOC, Adams, Hochul, DeBlasio, Schumer, Nadler...as long as the billionaires, who control the city, hold fund raisers in the Hamptons, pols like these will forever be voted in.

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Phil D

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Spent some time with my daughter and her family who live in a rural area north of Nashville. Went for a walk in a local park near her home. Beautiful scenery . Couldn't help but notice the number of "migrants" in the park though. My son in law informed me that they had to close the soccer field in ...

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hayley3

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They are no longer on the southern border, they have infiltrated the entire country. I had my basement fixed and the two guy that came to fix it could not even speak enough English to tell me what they were doing.

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Get armed if you're not already. Be sure our side wins.
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John O'Connor
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The old theory: KJP was hired because she is female/black/gay.

New theory: KJP was hired so that China Joe and Harris would not be the two dumbest people in the White House.

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Maybe we need a real Jan 6.
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Sophie
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All I can say is if you don't want them to fill up YOUR neighborhoods too, start helping Texas get the border secured. There's NO MORE ROOM in Texas for them so they're headed your way. Every day. Expect it. Courtesy of Texas.

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Hunters Laptop
1 September, 2023

It's time for the American people to rise up against the government. These corrupt politicians clearly do not have our wants and best interests at heart and continue to do things that hurt or impede us. These criminals (MS-13 cartel and migrants that won't show up for their court dates) streaming i...**See more**

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Jerseyfresh · 1 September, 2023

Just another chapter in the ongoing "Joe's gotta go" story. Voters, Democrats crafted this ruination of our Constitution. Remember that in the voting booth.

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Joe Biden is not the real President. Obama is on his third term.
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5th world, not 3rd.

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DJ1718

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We are being invaded while Dems collect from the cartels. Dems are now hiring illegal aliens as police. We are doomed.
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Eyeneverben

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Send money to trump for his legal bills

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We are witnessing the destruction of our country. For folks who pride themselves on diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and embrace sustainability as a virtue, it is odd that they seem to care very little about hurting minorities who are here legally by advocating for work permits for illegal al...

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Cathy S

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Let's see, we're feeding them, housing them, giving them cell phones, making their newborns American citizens eligible for benefits, educating their children, and now the effing Democrats want to fast track work permits. How flipping absurd!!!
Spend the money sending all of them- each and every one o...

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E Brent

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They can vote in NYC elections.

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Born Intheusa

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We are paying billions on billions for these unvetted intruders to have free hotels, free food and free healthcare- anything they want! I met one who swam across the rio grande, made it to Tennessee, is working under the table & on public benefits. She has a 5 bedroom house and a brand new car now!...

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WHY can't people see this!!? Why is there not a "border stop"?!
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Kirkcap67

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Joe Biden does and will have blood on his hands he is allowing people in that hates us they come here are supported by taxpayers this is disgusting ...

Any Country needs Borders and Laws !!

disgusted Republicans are doing nothing on this Matter !

Donald J Trump

Will can and has secured our border for u...
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Charles Darwin

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It's not "migration", it's an invasion, and the dems are encouraging it. The "Great Replacement" isn't a conspiracy theory, it's Biden's policy.

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RB

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The inept Biden administration!
Dems, your plan is working perfectly! Get them in ! As many as possible! You are harvesting future votes !
You are guaranteeing future election wins ! You will make this country a one party dictatorship!
You have ruined this country! The funny thing is you also get to...

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Madamebutterfly

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These people aren't coming to vote for the people DESTROYING our country! As you know nothing is free and when Americans finally have had enough and stand up, The government will hand guns over to all these illegals to take us out!

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Alex Kije

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Friends won't let friends vote Democrat.

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Sandydoodle

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Welcome to Bidenville.. Nothing Built, Nothing Back, Nothing Better., just lies, more lies, weaponazation and corruption.

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Don't forget 81 million votes and an orderly withdrawal from Afghanistan

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Roman Craig

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These migrants show up with nothing and complain. I need somewhere to live, something to eat, my kids need folders and pencils and supplies for school. Like it's a magic piggy bank from the US taxpayer. Like we owe them cause we can afford it.

Meanwhile, thousands of 8th and 10th generation Ameri...

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Ok. I am 47 years old. I have a construction company, concrete detail. Had to dissolve because of taxes and more beneficial being an employee. So sad being a small business owner under Bidenomocs
(Edited)

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Government shouldn't be there to hinder us, but to HELP US.

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Fake news Fake news

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All economic immigrants. This has to stop. If a Republican wins, they should institute a shoot if it moves rule.

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BreezySummerWind

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Shame on the US when is this going to end?

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Again?

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Soon. There will be no one left in Central America, they'll be all here.

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Not_A_Lib DonkeypoxIsKillingAmerica

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nothing to see here just Democrats importing more voter fraud in time for elections

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Neverdem

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Illegal crossings of illegal. Aliens get it straight.

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Kirkcap67

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The Post is joke lately.

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KC Chief

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Why is Barack Obama (the real President) pushing all these actions which can only speed up the fall of the American empire?

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Destruction of White America.

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Kimberly Jay

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You just answered your own question. Obama bin Laden a true Jihadist is reeking same on America 24/7/365. It's the Muslim way. Better stop letting them in look at Europe. Look at the Middle East. Unevolved angry Savage Beasts. Islam = Death. STOP THE ISLAMIZATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

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As far as I'm concerned, America is done.

Better countries to live in.

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Dreamduster47

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The total destruction of the United States and the Capitalism the Communists, and communists, hate so much. To the 49% who vote Democrat I say, you're gonna hate what comes next.

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They're not paying taxes yet they are using our hospitals and schools. Next time you need the ER don't mind the 4 hr wait because Juanita's daughter has a running nose.

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Wrath of God

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They are coming for your jobs, homes, healthcare, Govt. Benefits, education, etc. etc. etc. Question is what part will remain after the ants have feasted?

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Danika

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Hey NYP, they're called illegal aliens

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T Hehyena

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I have never seen such inept and destructive leadership by a President. WE ARE A COUNTRY, NOT A FREE FOR ALL.

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Not a country anymore.

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Chacha

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Absurd! The u.s has no laws, no boundaries and fast becoming a 3rd world encampment

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matt p

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