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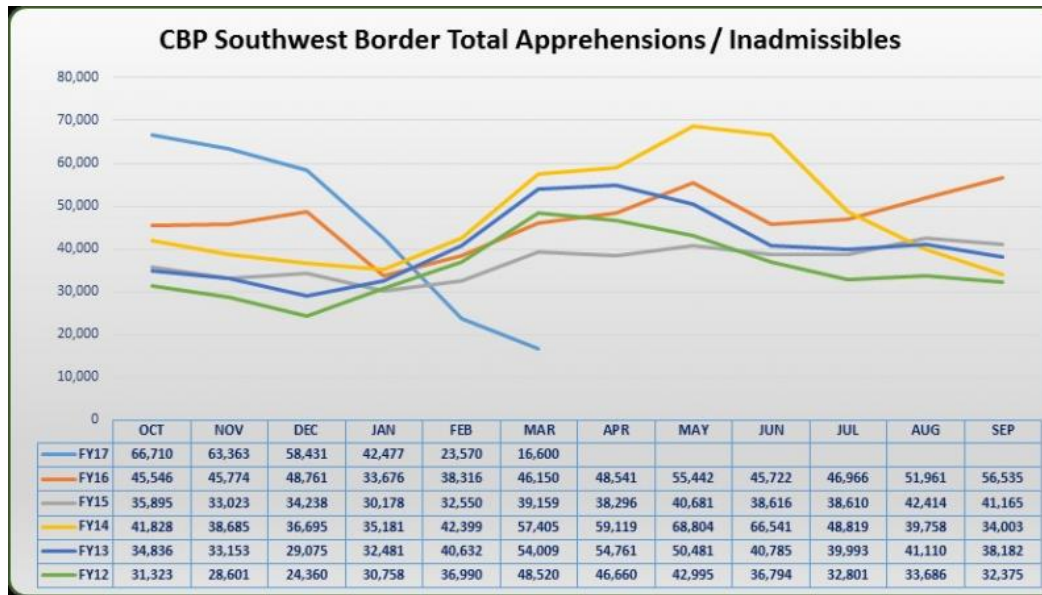
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Southwest Border Migration

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) continues to see a sharp decline in the number of individuals apprehended along the Southwest border, as well as a decrease in those found inadmissible at ports of entry on the Southwest border. In March 2017, 16,600 individuals were apprehended or deemed inadmissible, this is a 30% decrease from February 2017, and a 64% decrease from the same month in FY2016.

Since the Administration's implementation of Executive Orders to enforce immigration laws, the drop in apprehensions shows a marked change in trends.

As directed in DHS Secretary Kelly's memoranda implementing the President's executive orders, CBP will remain committed to carrying out fair, impartial and humane enforcement of the nation's immigration laws. CBP will remain vigilant to respond to any changes in trends, as numbers of illegal crossings typically increase between March and May.



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U.S. Border Patrol Apprehensions FY2017 YTD(October 1 - March 31)

USBP	Demographic	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	Total
Southwest Border	UAC	6,707	7,349	7,190	4,412	1,914	1,043	28,615
	Family Units	13,116	15,588	16,139	9,300	3,124	1,125	59,392
Southwest Border Total Apprehensions		46,183	47,213	43,250	31,577	18,754	12,193	199,170

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In March, a total of 12,193 individuals were apprehended between ports of entry on our Southwest Border, compared with 18,754 in February and 31,577 in January. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2016, USBP apprehended 408,870 individuals along our southwest border, compared to 331,333 in FY15, and 479,371 in FY14.

For breakdown by Sector, visit [USBP Southwest Border Apprehensions by Sector \(/newsroom/stats/usbp-sw-border-apprehensions\)](/newsroom/stats/usbp-sw-border-apprehensions)

Office of Field Operations Inadmissibles FY2017 YTD(October 1 - March 31)

Field Operations	Demographic	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	Total
Southwest Border	UAC	1,831	1,437	963	593	264	122	5,210
	Family Units	6,489	5,133	3,867	2,737	1,053	764	20,043
Southwest Border Total Inadmissibles		20,529	16,152	15,177	10,895	4,808	4,407	71,968

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In March, a total of 4,407 people presenting themselves at ports of entry on the Southwest Border were deemed inadmissible compared to 4,808 in February and 10,895 in January. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2016, 150,825 were deemed inadmissible compared to 114,486 in FY15 and 90,601 in FY14.

OFO inadmissibility metrics include individuals encountered at ports of entry who are seeking lawful admission into the United States but are determined to be inadmissible, individuals presenting themselves to seek humanitarian protection under our laws, and individuals who withdraw an application for admission and return to their countries of origin within a short timeframe.

For breakdown by Field Office, visit [Southwest Border Inadmissibles by Field Office \(/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles\)](/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles)

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U.S. Border Patrol Southwest Border Apprehensions by Sector

Southwest Border Unaccompanied Alien Children (0-17 yr old) Apprehensions

Comparisons below reflect Fiscal Year 2017 YTD(October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017) compared to the same time period for Fiscal Year 2016.

Unaccompanied Alien Children by Sector			
Sector	FY2016YTD	FY2017YTD	% Change FY16YTD to FY17YTD
Big Bend	631	341	-46%
Del Rio	1,351	969	-28%
El Centro	496	755	52%
El Paso	1,660	2,665	61%
Laredo	1,464	1,101	-25%

Rio Grande	16,398	17,870	9%
San Diego	736	914	24%
Tucson	3,465	2,233	-36%
Yuma	1,493	1,767	18%
USBP			
Southwest	27,694	28,615	3%
Border Total			

Southwest Border Family Unit* Apprehensions

Comparisons below reflect Fiscal Year 2017 YTD(October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017) compared to the same time period for Fiscal Year 2016.

Family Unit* Apprehensions by Sector			
Sector	FY2016YTD	FY2017YTD	% Change FY16YTD to FY17YTD
Big Bend	667	570	-15%
Del Rio	1,691	1,901	12%
El Centro	528	1,333	152%
El Paso	1,923	7,069	268%
Laredo	888	634	-29%
Rio Grande	21,298	39,267	84%

San Diego	1,059	2,293	117%
Tucson	1,618	1,463	-10%
Yuma	2,441	3,862	58%
USBP Southwest Border Total	32,113	58,392	82%

Unaccompanied Alien Children Apprehensions by Country

Numbers below reflect Fiscal Years 2010-2016, FY 2017 YTD(October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Unaccompanied Alien Children Apprehensions by Country					
Country	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017 YTD
El Salvador	5,990	16,404	9,389	17,512	7,670
Guatemala	8,068	17,057	13,589	18,913	9,780
Honduras	6,747	18,244	5,409	10,468	5,914
Mexico	17,240	15,634	11,012	11,926	4,801

Family Unit* Apprehensions by Country

Numbers below reflect Fiscal Year 2016, FY 2017 YTD(October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Family Units* Apprehensions by Country					

Country	FY 2016	FY 2017 YTD
El Salvador	27,114	20,641
Guatemala	23,067	17,252
Honduras	20,226	17,263
Mexico	3,481	1,450

***Note:** (Family Unit represents the number of individuals (either a child under 18 years old, parent or legal guardian) apprehended with a family member by the U.S. Border Patrol.)

Southwest Family Unit Subject and Unaccompanied Alien Children Apprehensions Fiscal Year 2017 - By Month

	October	November	December	January	February	March																												
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Rio Grande	8,719	4,082	22,642
San Diego	435	179	2,935
Tucson	356	581	5,925
Yuma	1,148	456	2,117
USBP Southwest Border Total	13,116	6,707	46,183

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Southwest Border Inadmissibles by Field Office

Southwest Border Unaccompanied Alien Children (0-17 yr old) Inadmissibles

Comparisons below reflect Fiscal Year 2017 YTD(October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017) compared to the same time period for Fiscal Year 2016.

Unaccompanied Alien Children			
Field Offices	FY2016YTD	FY2017YTD	% Change FY16YTD to FY17YTD
El Paso	952	1,908	100%
Laredo	915	1,747	91%
San Diego	1,408	706	-50%
Tucson	816	849	4%
Field Ops			

Southwest Border Total	4,091	5,210	27%
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Southwest Border Family Unit Inadmissibles*¹

Numbers below reflect Fiscal Year 2017 YTD (October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Family Units			
Field Offices	FY2016 YTD	FY2017 YTD	% Change FY16YTD to FY17YTD
El Paso	308	4,667	20% ¹
Laredo	798	7,951	-30% ¹
San Diego	1,374	3,581	-62% ¹
Tucson	261	3,844	40% ¹
Field Operations Southwest Border Total	2,741	20,043	-34%¹

¹ **Note:** Field Operations only started collecting Family Unit numbers as of March 2016. Percentage change totals reflect a comparison of February and March 2016 to February and March of 2017.

Unaccompanied Alien Children Inadmissibles by Fiscal Year

Numbers below reflect totals for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016, FY 2017 YTD (October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Unaccompanied Alien Children by Country			
Country	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017 YTD
El Salvador	454	2,553	1,453
Guatemala	1,378	3,961	2,032
Honduras	335	1591	866
Mexico	1,713	2,169	696

Family Unit Inadmissibles by Fiscal Year¹

Numbers below reflect the total for FY 2017 YTD (October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Family Unit by Country	
Country	FY 2017 YTD
El Salvador	3,420
Guatemala	3,935
Honduras	2,735
Mexico	4,554

***Note:** (Family Unit represents the number of individuals (either a child under 18 years old, parent or legal guardian) deemed inadmissible with a family member by the Office of Field Operations.)

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Cuban Inadmissibles

U.S. Customs and Border Protection maintains a robust posture regarding the enforcement of our immigration laws along the nation’s borders and coastal areas. We continue to promote safe, legal and orderly migration from Cuba under our Migration Accords and deter dangerous and unlawful migration from Cuba.

*Effective January 12, 2017, the United States ended the special parole policy, also known as the “wet-foot/dry-foot” policy, for Cuban migrants that has been in place since the mid-1990s. Since then, Cuban nationals who attempt to illegally enter the United States are subject to removal, consistent with our enforcement priorities. These actions are part of the ongoing normalization of relations between the governments of the United States and Cuba, and reflect a commitment to have a broader immigration policy in which we treat people from different countries consistently.

Numbers below reflect totals for Fiscal Years 2012-2016, FY 2017 YTD (October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Cuban Inadmissibles						
Field Office	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017 YTD
El Paso	154	219	415	685	5,018	326
Laredo	9,429	12,384	15,333	26,181	34,658	12,835
San Diego	727	959	1,229	1,555	1,589	552
Tucson	86	142	132	221	258	159
Southwest Border Totals	10,396	13,704	17,109	28,642	41,523	13,872

Haitian Inadmissibles

Recently, CBP has seen an increase in the number of Haitians arriving at border crossings with no status in the United States. In FY16, CBP officers at Ports of Entry at the Southwest Border saw 6,424 Haitian inadmissibles, which represented a significant increase as compared to FY15. The majority of Haitian inadmissibles are presenting themselves at the San Ysidro Port of Entry, which falls under the San Diego Field Office. In response to the influx, the Office of Field Operations deployed 100 additional officers to support ports of entry within the San Diego Field Office. OFO has also deployed 16 special personnel with Creole fluency to support the processing of Haitian nationals at the ports, has leveraged remote processing capabilities, streamlined administrative case processes with the collaboration of the Office of Chief Counsel, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and continues to coordinate with the U.S. Border Patrol to support the overflow of Haitian inadmissibles in custody. After officers have processed individuals with no status to legally enter the U.S., Haitians are placed into the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for further disposition. Some, but not all Haitians arriving at ports of entry without legal status, are expressing credible fear of their return to Haiti.

Numbers below reflect totals for Fiscal Years 2012-2016, FY 2017 YTD (October 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017)

Haitian Inadmissibles						
Field Office	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017 YTD
El Paso	0	0	1	0	2	17
Laredo	1	1	6	1	6	159
San Diego	821	921	477	333	6,377	7,903
Tucson	0	0	0	0	39	964

Southwest Border Totals	822	922	484	334	6,424	9,043
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Southwest Border Inadmissibles Fiscal Year 2017 - By Month

October	November	December	January	February	March
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	FMUA	UAC	Total Inadmissibles
Field Offices	FY 2017 OCT	FY 2017 OCT	FY 2017 OCT
El Paso	1,543	633	3,273
Laredo	2,762	760	8,727
San Diego	1,018	176	6,238
Tucson	1,166	262	2,291
Total	6,489	1,831	20,529

Cuban and Haitian inadmissibles*

	Cubans	Haitians
Field Offices	FY 2017 OCT	FY 2017 OCT
El Paso	90	0
Laredo	2,716	57

Laredo	3,110	31
San Diego	172	2,919
Tucson	44	495
Total	4,022	3,471

*Note: Cuban and Haitian inadmissibles are a subset of the Total Southwest Border Inadmissibles data above

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