

Illegal Immigration Crisis Fact Sheet

Terror Crisis

- The Census Bureau estimates that about 115,000 people from the Middle East are in the United States illegally.
- “In 2008, the DHS Office of Immigration Statistics reported that federal law enforcement agencies detained 791,568 deportable aliens. According to the agency 5,506 of them were special interest aliens.”
- A 2009 Government Accounting Office report confirmed agents picked up three known terrorists who crossed the southwestern border of the United States. No other information was released.
- Of 900 companies audited since 2003 having links to national security, nearly *thirty percent* were employing illegal workers.

Economic Crisis

- Mexico received \$21.27 billion in 2010 from Mexican citizens in the U.S
- Texas Gov. Rick Perry has asked DHS for nearly \$350 million to cover the costs of detaining illegal immigrants in state prisons and county jails.
- The Texas State Comptroller estimates \$1.3 billion in hospital costs for illegal immigrants in 2006.
- According to a study by the Center for Immigration Studies of data from the Census Bureau, population growth in Texas from 2007-2010 came primarily from native-born citizens. But 40 percent of new jobs created went to illegal immigrants.
- The Impact of Illegal Work on Social Security: New report from the Social Security IG details the growing problem of thousands of Mexicans who routinely visit the United States once a month to establish a claim to Social Security benefits.
- President Obama’s Treasury Dept. reveals the 2.3 million illegal immigrants who paid no income taxes in 2010 still received \$4.2 billion in tax refunds.
- In 2009(based on 2010 data),57% of households headed by an immigrant(legal and illegal)with children(under 18)used at least one welfare program, compared to 39% for native households with children.

Criminal Crisis

- Assaults against U.S. Border Patrol agents increased 46 percent from 752 incidents in FY2006 to 1,097 incidents in FY2008. Three USBP agents have been murdered from 2008 to 2010.
- From October 2008 through August 2011, Texas has identified a total of 88,080 unique criminal alien defendants in Texas. These defendants are responsible for 344,398 individual criminal charges over their criminal careers.
- More than seven-in-ten Hispanics sentenced in federal courts in 2007 did not hold U.S. citizenship. They accounted for 29% of all federal offenders in 2007.
- From FY2005 to FY2008 there were 7,538 Operation Predator arrests of sexual offenders. 5,964 of these were not US citizens and 4,143 of them were deported.

Medical Crisis

- President Obama has announced the elimination of immigration provisions which ban entry of immigrants with HIV in a move that will undoubtedly increase HIV infection cases in the

United States.

- In the U.S., cases of Leprosy rose drastically, from 900 documented cases in 40 years to 7,000 cases in 3 years. Most of these new cases are illegal immigrants.
- Chagas disease, for which no cure exists, kills 50,000 people annually in Latin America. Americans are now at risk for this disease from blood transfusions and organ transplants.
- Multi-Drug Resistant tuberculosis is being imported through illegal aliens and can kill 60% of its victims. Each illegal infected with MDR-TB can infect 10 to 30 people.

Environmental Crisis

- Illegals trespassing on private ranches cut and damage fences, endangering livestock and causing financial loss to ranchers. They destroy water sources, etch damaging trails, and leave vast amounts of garbage and human waste in their wake.
- Illegal immigrants from Mexico are believed responsible for more than one-third of human ignited wildfires in Arizona over a five-year period, according to a government report.
- As the illegal immigrant population grows unchecked, it will increasingly tax environmental resources, and conditions within United States cities will continue to deteriorate.