Fiscal Year 2021 Enforcement Lifecycle Report
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OIS Lifecycle Dataset: Overview

- Comprehensive dataset encompassing enterprise immigration data
- Records ingested on routine schedule and processed according to shared reporting standards
- Records linked at person level to create end-to-end analytic dataset for noncitizens encountered at the Southwest Border
- Single source of truth for DHS/enterprise reporting and analysis
OIS combined 22 datasets matched by person identifiers to create the current version of the Flow Dataset.
The OIS Flow encompasses 22 million unique individuals across 120 million events covering fiscal years 2013 through 2021.
Between 2013- March 2020, CBP completed 3.8 million encounters
- 56% resulted in repatriations,
- 27% were still being processed as of 12/31/2021
- 9% has unexecuted removal orders
- 7% had been granted relief or other protection from removal.

Since March 2020, CBP completed 2 million encounters
- 65% were immediately expelled under T42
- 3% resulted in T8 repatriations,
- 29% were still being processed as of 12/31/2021
- 0.5% has unexecuted removal orders
- 0.1% had been granted relief or other protection from removal.
Mexican nationals were the most likely to result in expulsions/repatriations
- 91% pre-pandemic and 97% during the pandemic

Nationals from countries other than Mexico or Northern Central America (NCA) were most likely to result in grants of relief or other protection from removal
- Other: 22% pre-pandemic and 2% during the pandemic
- Mex: 1% pre-pandemic and 0% during the pandemic
- NCA: 10% pre-pandemic and 0% during the pandemic

Notes: Pre-pandemic period includes FY2013 through March 19, 2020; pandemic period includes March 20, 2020 through FY2021. Encounters with no subsequent event are excluded. Outcomes are current as of December 31, 2021. Source: OIS Statistical Immigration Data.
Overall, 85 percent of SAs had been expelled/repatriated as of 12/31/2021

- SA: 83% pre-pandemic and 91% during the pandemic
- FM: 9% pre-pandemic and 30% during the pandemic,
- UC: 25% pre-pandemic and 24% during the pandemic

FM and UC were most likely to have pending cases (still being processed)

- FM: 64% pre-pandemic and 70% during the pandemic.
- SA: 9% pre-pandemic and 9% during the pandemic.
- UC: 34% pre-pandemic and 76% during the pandemic.

Notes: Pre-pandemic period includes FY2013 through March 19, 2020; pandemic period includes March 20, 2020 through FY2021. Encounters with no subsequent event are excluded. Outcomes are current as of December 31, 2021. Source: OIS Statistical Immigration Data.
Total encounter levels were significantly higher during the pandemic, but repeat encounters suddenly made up a notable share of total encounters

- Prior to the pandemic, monthly repeat encounter rate (RER) fluctuated around 20%.
- During the early months of the pandemic, it rose to close to 50%.
- driven mainly by RER for migrants expelled under Title 42 authority.

When processed under Title 42 authority, all country/family groups have higher repeat encounter rates

- Single adults, regardless of nationality had the highest RER when processed under T42.
- Family units’ (FM) RER when processed under T42 ranged between 19% to 36%, with Mexican FMs in the lead.
- Pre-pandemic T8 RER was consistently lower than pandemic era T8 RER except for New source countries SA.
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**Conclusion**

The 2021 enforcement lifecycle report describes enforcement outcomes, as of December 2021, for persons encountered at the Southwest Border from 2013 to 2021 with a focus on pre-pandemic vs pandemic era cohorts

### Pre-Pandemic Era

- 56% of encounters had been repatriated and 27% have pending cases still with DHS or DOJ.
- The outcomes varied considerably by citizenship and family status:
  - 83% of SAs and 91% of Mexican nationals were repatriated,
  - 63% of FM, 43% of UC, 41% of NCA nationals, and 48% of nationals of other countries were still being processed.
  - UCs and non-Mexican, non-NCA were the only groups granted relief or other protection from removal in substantial numbers (36% and 22%).
  - And for SAs and FM, almost all repatriations occur within the first year of an encounter.

### Pandemic Era

- 66% of encounters resulted in expulsions and 3% in repatriations. 30% have pending cases with DHS or DOJ.
- Expulsion rates varied by citizenship and family status:
  - SAs and Mexican nationals were expelled or repatriated at higher (90% and 97%) compared to NCA nationals (66%)
  - 94% of UCs and 68% of FM are still being processed for removal.
  - Repeat encounters as a share of total encounters rose from less than 10% pre-pandemic to more than 30% during the pandemic.
  - Repeat encounter rates for migrants expelled under Title 42 authority rose to a record high of 50%.
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