

More migrants expelled leads to more reentries

The percentage of migrants detained more than once by the Border Patrol within a fiscal year, referred to as the recidivism rate, has likely grown in 2020 and 2021 because of Title 42, which allows the U.S. government to immediately expel migrants because of the pandemic rather than process them under immigration laws. The recidivism rate reflects expulsions under Title 42 and Title 8 — federal law relating to immigration policy.

