

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: NRCC Communications
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RE: A Warning for Extreme Democrats on Illegal Immigration Politics



Extreme Democrats know their radical open border policies could very well doom their reelection chances and remain desperate to flip the script.

Our response is simple: Bring It.

Extreme House Democrats voted against policies to end the border crisis as well as ways to mitigate the devastating effects of the migrant crisis on Americans' daily lives.

They created this crisis. They own it.

Republicans own the issue and polling shows that voters overwhelmingly trust conservative policies over a dangerous liberal agenda that paved the way for the Biden border crisis.

AMERICANS' DISDAIN FOR THE BORDER CRISIS IS CLEAR:

- **52%** of **Likely** U.S. Voters approve of the effort to impeach Mayorkas.
- **64%** of Americans disapprove of President Biden's handling of the border, **according to Real Clear Politics' polling average.**
- **93%** of Americans describe the situation at the border as **"serious"** or worse.

The Situation At the U.S. - Mexico Border

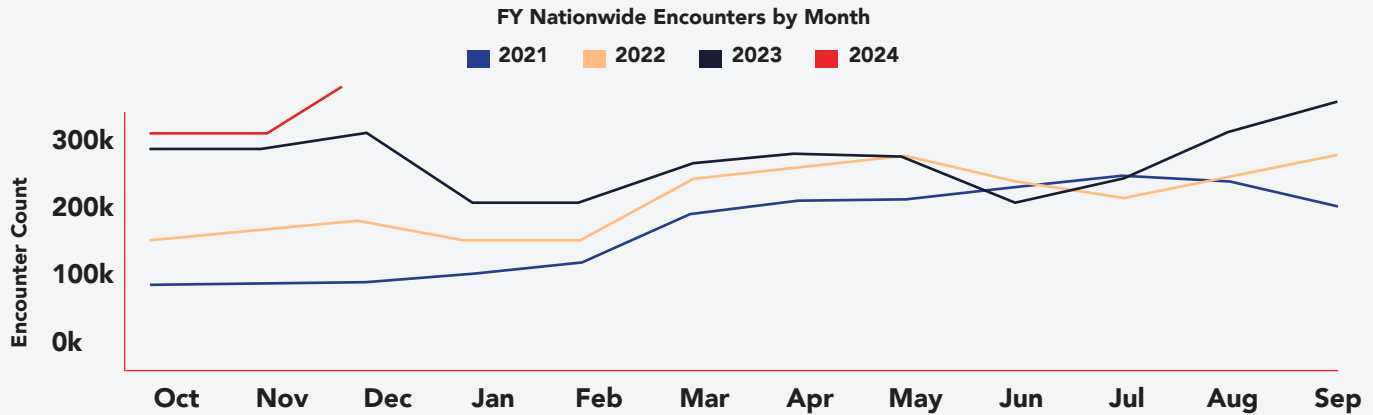
| **93%** Serious or Worse

| **7%** Not Much of a Problem

- **63%** of Americans think President Biden's border policies **"should be tougher"** – an increase of **13%** since just September of 2023.
- **50% of Americans** now say they support building a physical border wall at the Southern border – including **44%** of independent voters and **34%** of Democratic voters.
- Voters in **six of seven** swing states **described** immigration as the **"single most important issue' to them."**
- By a **52% to 30% margin** swing-state voters trust Trump over Biden on immigration. The **22%** margin is up **5%** since Bloomberg/Morning Consult's last poll in December.

WHY AMERICANS ARE ANGRY ABOUT THE BORDER CRISIS:

Since Biden took office, the number of illegal immigrants crossing the border increased by 225%, when comparing the January 2021 to December 2023 **CBP statistics**.



Yet, the daily impact of the border crisis is felt every day by Americans through reduced services in cities, a lower quality of education for their children, a tragic rise in deaths from drugs like fentanyl, and the expectation of higher local taxes as a result of the massive cost of care for illegal immigrants.

Why? Because every state is now a border state because of the massive surge of illegal immigrants:

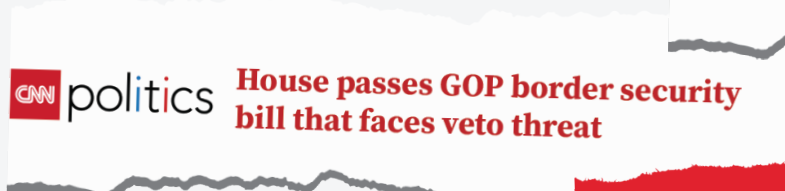
- The **mayors of New York, Chicago and Denver** said a never ending flow of migrants arriving from the southern border pushed their cities to the 'breaking point' heading into the New Year, as border crossings swell.
- After seeing an increase of 40,000 illegal immigrants, Denver, CO is **slashing the city budget and services for legal residents across the board**, as estimates say the unexpected influx of migrants will cost **\$100 million over 2024**.
- 168,000 migrants arrived in New York City in the past 18 months – **one-third of whom are school age children**. Now, overcrowded classrooms and a reduced quality of education are a serious concern for the parents of school age children as the city struggles with a teacher shortage.
- New York City Schools have closed – forcing a dreaded return to virtual learning for students – as a result of the decision **to house illegal immigrants in schools during inclement weather**.
- New York slashed funding for the **NYPD**, as well as **schools and sanitation services** as the migrant crisis strains the city's budget.
- Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson said that their **"local economies were not designed and built to respond to"** the influx of illegal immigrants.
- The city of Chicago **converted police stations into migrant shelters** – risking public safety in an already violent city.

- President Biden issued an **order allowing illegal immigrants to create Hooverville-esque tent cities on National Park lands**. An order extreme House Democrats voted to uphold in the face of House Republicans' opposition.
- Massachusetts Gov. Maura Healey **estimated the state is spending \$45 million monthly** to shelter illegal immigrants.
- The Yuma County Arizona Supervisor Jonathan Lines said the cost of caring for illegal immigrants is **"not sustainable,"** while pointing out the Yuma Regional Medical Center racked up nearly \$26 million in uncompensated expenses in 2023 from caring for migrants.
- The migrant crisis in El Paso forced the city to **decommission a middle school and spend \$3.8 million in taxpayer money** to convert it into a shelter for illegal immigrants.

EXTREME HOUSE DEMOCRATS HELPED CREATE THE CRISIS BY REPEATEDLY REFUSING TO SECURE THE BORDER:

House Democrats **unanimously voted against** the Secure the Border Act which would have:

- Forced the Biden Administration to restart construction of the border wall.
- Deployed technology to secure the border.
- Increased the number of Border Patrol agents and provided bonus pay.
- Required transparency regarding illegal crossings from the Department of Homeland Security.
- Strengthened current law to protect unaccompanied children from human trafficking.
- Ended catch and release.
- Halted the abuse of executive immigration authority.
- Strengthened and streamlined the asylum process.



132 House Democrats refused to **vote** to classify all fentanyl related drugs, which are frequently trafficked across the border, as Schedule 1 substances.



House Democrats nearly **unanimously** voted to reject a bill preventing the use of elementary and secondary schools from housing illegal immigrants.

187 House Democrats **voted to refuse to urge** President Biden to end his open-border policies.

House Democrats **voted** against making Social Security fraud a deportable offense for illegal immigrants.

House Democrats **voted** against making it a deportable offense to evade law enforcement in a motorized vehicle.

EXTREME HOUSE DEMOCRATS SUPPORT BIDEN'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS TO THROW OPEN THE BORDER:

These executive orders from the first month of Biden's presidency include destructive measures like:

- Halting the emergency **construction** of a border wall.
- Ending the **prior Administration's expansion of immigration enforcement** within the United States.
- Terminating limitations and restrictions against immigration from certain countries associated with **terrorism**.
- Issuing a **moratorium on deportations and immigration enforcement**, effectively providing amnesty to criminals and other removable illegal immigrants, risking public safety.
- Allowing illegal immigrants **to remain in the United States**, instead of Mexico, while their asylum claims were processed.
- Encouraging parents to pay cartel members to traffic illegal immigrant children by ending **Title 42 for unaccompanied minors**.



THE BOTTOM LINE:

Extreme House Democrats helped create the border crisis with their destructive votes to cripple border security.

Extreme House Democrats supported President Biden's campaign promise to open the border to mass illegal immigration.

Extreme House Democrats supported President Biden's executive actions that caused the border crisis.

If extreme House Democrats were serious about solving the border crisis, they would demand Biden reverse his radical open-border policies. Instead all we hear are crickets.

Voters associate securing the border with Republicans like peanut butter to jelly.

Now, with the effects of the border crisis being felt from New York to Colorado to Illinois, families know exactly who to blame for the havoc in their communities.

Come Fall 2024, these voters will deport extreme House Democrats from their seats. In their place, voters will elect pro-border security Republicans who won't simply pretend to care about this issue because it is an election year.