

# Increased Number Of Migrants From India And Haiti Attempting To Cross Into The US



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An increasing number of migrants from India, Romania, Haiti, and Cuba are attempting to enter the U.S. through the southern border, Axios reported Wednesday.

Migrants are reportedly flying to Central America since U.S. courts are backlogged with asylum cases preventing them from living or working in the country as their case is processed, according to Axios. Border officials encountered over 33,000 migrants from countries other than Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador attempting to enter the U.S. in April, according to Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

Some smugglers and migrants are waiting until border officials are overwhelmed to attempt to cross the border, Migration Policy Institute Associate Policy Analyst Jessica Bolter told Axios.

“The Biden administration has made it clear that our borders are not open and individuals and families are subject to border restrictions, including expulsion,” a

Department of Homeland Security said, Axios reported.



A migrant family waits to be processed after being apprehended near the border between Mexico and the United States in Del Rio, Texas on May 16, 2021. (Photo by SERGIO FLORES/AFP via Getty Images)

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CBP officials encountered 35% more migrants attempting to enter the U.S. from countries other than Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador in April than in March, according to the agency. Around 30% of the families encountered in April came from countries other than Central America or Mexico.

While most of the migrants are single adults or families, Border officials have encountered several unaccompanied minors from Bangladesh, India, and Armenia, including a 1-year-old from Ecuador, Axios reported. **(RELATED: Migrants Who Thought They Could Stay In The US ‘If We Came With Our Children’ Filling Up Mexico’s Shelters)**

“Immigration from Central America is important,” independent research consultant and migration analyst Cris Ramón, told Axios. “But we can no longer assume that that’s going to be the only source of immigrants coming to the U.S.-

Mexico border, because of the fact that immigrants are far more mobile, with being able to fly to countries like Mexico.”

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