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## CBP Publishes Fiscal Year 2014 Border Security Report



On December 19, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published a Fiscal Year 2014 Border Security Report. The report summarizes CBP's FY 2014 border enforcement efforts and reflects CBP's focus on transparency and building partnerships to secure a 21st Century border against a variety of threats and adversaries.

The Nation's long-term investment in border security has produced significant and positive results at and between ports of entry in FY 2014. Illegal migration, as defined by total Border Patrol apprehensions, continues to reflect an overall decline compared to the peak in FY 2000. Border Patrol apprehensions totaled 486,651 nationwide in FY 2014, compared to 420,789 in FY 2013. The uptick is largely due to the increase in unaccompanied children and family units who turned themselves in to Border Patrol agents in South Texas during the summer of FY 2014.

At ports of entry in FY 2014, CBP officers arrested 8,013 individuals wanted for serious crimes. Officers also stopped 223,712 inadmissible aliens from entering the United States through ports of entry, an increase of 9 percent from FY 2013. Grounds of inadmissibility included immigration violations, criminal and other violations, and national security reasons.

In FY 2014, CBP continued its efforts to interdict individuals by air and at sea through its Office of Air and Marine (OAM). During FY 2014, OAM agents contributed to 4,725 arrests and the apprehension of 79,343 individuals. OAM's joint operations resulted in approximately 15 percent of the Border Patrol's apprehensions.

Significant border-wide investments in additional enforcement resources and enhanced operational tactics and strategies have enabled CBP to address the changing composition of attempted border crossers and to maintain border security. Additionally, CBP is testing less lethal options, with enhanced range capabilities, to alter the threat perception by CBP agents and officers and provide frontline personnel with other safe tactics designed to minimize injury to officers or other persons.

CBP is committed to increased transparency and accountability. As part of its commitment to transparency, in May CBP publicly released the revised Use of Force Policy [handbook](#) and a consultant [study](#) on use of force. The full implementation of the handbook went into effect in October 2014.

CBP's focus and efforts in FY 2014 reflect its continued commitment to border security, while ensuring increased transparency and accountability. The men and women of CBP serving on the frontlines are dedicated to protecting our Nation's security, while facilitating trade and travel that are vital to our economic prosperity.

The [full report](#) and additional [FY 2014 statistics](#) are available on the CBP Website. For additional information, please contact the Office of Congressional Affairs.

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## Welcome to the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security, plays a critical role in ensuring the security of the American people and the Nation's economic prosperity – two areas of central importance to Congress.

CBP's strong partnership with Congress is critical to the successful performance of our mission, and CBP's Office of Congressional Affairs (OCA) is committed to ensuring Congress is kept informed of CBP's complex policies, programs and operations.

With the commencement of the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, OCA developed a [Congressional Toolkit](#) for new and returning staff. The Toolkit is available on the [Congressional Resources](#) section of CBP's website, which is regularly updated with valuable information, including guidance for assisting constituents and other Frequently Asked Questions.

We look forward to working with you in the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. Should you have any questions, or if you require further assistance, please contact the Office of Congressional Affairs at (202) 344-1760.

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## CBP Supports Security Operations at Super Bowl XLIX

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plays an important role in the security of many special events, including the Super Bowl. This year, CBP is providing support to Glendale, AZ, and the surrounding communities in their effort to host a safe and successful Super Bowl XLIX.

As part of the [Department of Homeland Security's \(DHS\) Super Bowl security operations](#), CBP and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will conduct operations specifically targeting counterfeit vendors and local merchants of game-related sportswear. This is part of a crackdown on intellectual property rights violations and to ensure fans are getting official Super Bowl related memorabilia. CBP officers will use non-intrusive inspection equipment to scan the cargo entering the

stadium for contraband such as narcotics, weapons, and explosives. Also, CBP's Office of Air and Marine will provide surveillance and assist the Department of Defense in providing airspace security around the venue.

"The support we provide state and local law enforcement and our federal partners is really important in events such as this and in giving a level of confidence and trust to the American public," said CBP Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske.

For additional information on CBP's security operations at Super Bowl XLIX, please visit the [CBP Website](#) for video remarks by CBP Commissioner Kerlikowske, or contact the Office of Congressional Affairs.



## CBP, Germany Launch Reciprocal Trusted Traveler Program Arrangement



On December 29, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced a reciprocal arrangement with Germany for each nation's trusted traveler program – the U.S. [Global Entry](#) program and the German [EasyPASS](#).

Global Entry and EasyPASS allow expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers.

Currently available at 42 U.S. airports and 12 preclearance locations, Global Entry streamlines the screening process at airports for trusted travelers. Global Entry members are also eligible to participate in the TSA Pre✓™ expedited screening program.

U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals and U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents may apply for Global Entry as well as citizens of certain countries with which CBP has trusted traveler arrangements, including Mexico, the Netherlands, Panama, the Republic of Korea, and now Germany. Canadian citizens and residents enrolled in NEXUS may also use Global Entry.

CBP continues to maximize resources to support a 16 percent growth in international air arrivals since 2009. CBP is working to bring advances in technology and automation, such as [Automated Passport Control](#) kiosks, the [Mobile Passport Control](#) app and the [I-94 form](#) automation, to the passenger-processing environment, while exploring public-private partnerships to help support current and future mission requirements.

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## U.S. Border Patrol Rescues Injured Man After Northern Border ATV Accident



On January 4, 2015, U.S. Border Patrol agents assisted local law enforcement in a successful search and rescue effort for a missing person.

At approximately 7:20 p.m. the Ferry County Sheriff's Office contacted Spokane Sector Border Patrol dispatch to request assistance in locating a

missing injured man. A private citizen called 911 advising he had been in an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) accident and needed immediate assistance. The exact location of the accident was unknown. Agents were dispatched to the most likely locations based on the limited information provided. Due to the snow level, tracked ATV's were deployed on the road for an extensive search of the area.

At approximately 10:10 p.m. agents from the Curlew Border Patrol Station found the injured man. The individual, although responsive, appeared to be severely injured. He suffered from exposure and complained of both back pain and trouble breathing. Based on the victim's condition and the inability for paramedics to reach the area with a vehicle, agents determined he had to be moved immediately to receive medical assistance. Agents transported him via ATV to Kettle River Road where emergency medical personnel were waiting.

"Thanks to the cooperation between the Ferry County Sheriff's Office and Curlew Border Patrol, agents were able to help find the man who was facing dropping temperatures and serious injuries," said Curlew Station's Patrol Agent in Charge Rick Petrey.

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