Ramped-up enforcement In an ongoing push to fortify the Southwestern border, apprehensions of illegal border-crossers are on the decline.

How Border Patrol efforts and results have changed

From 2005 to 2009, more Border Patrol agents were deployed to the Southwest border and more tactical infrastructure, such as border-security fence and vehicle barriers, was constructed. In the same time, apprehensions of undocumented immigrants declined significantly, but seizures of drugs and cash were on the rise.

Note: Unless otherwise noted, all figures shown on map refer to fiscal year 2009 and changes since fiscal 2005.

Border Patrol agents. .17,408 (up 76%) Miles of barriers .646.4 (up 380%) **Apprehensions** 540.865 (down 53.8%) Drug seizures (pounds)*. .. **672.696** (up 39.2%) Cash seizures (outbound).\$37,169,509 (up 393%)

Border-security fence

347.9 miles (18%)

* Change from 2006 to 2009.

Texas

How much border fence exists

This sector, which includes some double-layer fencing as well as 19.1 miles of border along the Colorado River, has seen the greatest decline in apprehensions since 2005.

6,951 (down 95%) **Border Patrol agents** 972 (up 77.7%)

Tucson has consistently led the border sectors in number of apprehensions

241,673 (down 45%)

Border Patrol agents

TUCSON SECTOR

Apprehensions

3,318 (up 42.8%)

Customs and Border Protection recorded more drugs seized in the regions surrounding El Paso and and Border Patrol agents. especially San Diego, but the Tucson area saw the sharpest increase in drug traffic since 2006.

> **Drug seizures (pounds) 109,574** (up 102%)

El Paso

 Border-security fence A growing drug corridor? Vehicle barrier Sector boundary

MARFA SECTOR Apprehensions

6,360 (down 39.6%) **Border Patrol agents**

682 (up 210%)

RIO GRANDE VALLEY

SECTOR

Apprehensions

DEL RIO SECTOR Apprehensions

17,082 (down 75.1%)

Border Patrol agents 1,682 (up 85.4%)

> **LAREDO SECTOR Apprehensions** 40,569 (down 46,2%)

> > Granjeno

Border Patrol agents 1,863 (up 98.8%)

> » Mobile surveillance systems, manned trucks equipped with a monopole holding up a day-and-night camera and radar apparatus. They communicate with a command center via radio.

High-tech tools and a 'virtual fence'

In addition to personnel and tactical infrastructure such

as the border fence. Customs and Border Protection also

relies on several technological tools to monitor and

respond to situations on the border. They include:

» Remote video-surveillance systems, cameras

mounted on poles with a direct feed to a command

» Unattended ground sensors.

seismic sensors used to detect motion and alert a command center



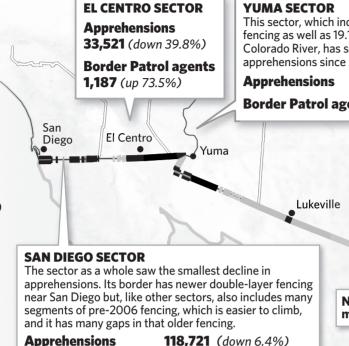
» SBInet, the technology component of CBP's wideranging program known as the Secure Border Initiative. This technology component, commonly referred to as a virtual fence, combines the above tools and pulls the data into a "common operating picture" in an attempt to provide agents with a complete sense of the surveyed region and quickly guide them to border-crossers.

The first of two deployments is in place along 23 miles of the border near the Sasabe port of entry. It is undergoing testing, and agents are conducting early operations with it. The system includes:

- **»** 9 sensor towers.
- » 8 communication towers.
- > 200 unattended ground sensors.

The second deployment is under construction over 30 miles near the Lukeville port of entry. It will include:

- » 6 sensor towers.
- >> 5 communication towers.
- » 200 unattended ground sensors.



Apprehensions Border Patrol agents 2,570 (up 64.5%)

Nearly 650 miles, or about one-third, of the border is lined with border-security fence or vehicle barrier.

Vehicle barrier

298.5 miles (15%)

Rio Grande

1,131.4 miles (59%)

New Mexico

1.241 miles

Near urban areas, fencing is more likely to be found

EL PASO SECTOR

Nogales Douglas

Apprehensions 14,999 (down 87.8%) **Border Patrol agents 2.712** (up 103.9%)

> Remaining 155.6 miles (8%)

1,933 MILES TOTAL

179.5 miles

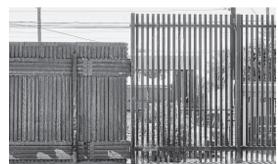
60.989 (down 54.5%) **Border Patrol agents**

2,422 (up 75.5%)

Vehicle barriers are built to block vehicles but reportedly have been crossed with ramps. They can't stop pedestrians.

Types of barriers along the border

Border-security fence includes fencing in place prior to 2006 (left) and newer, taller fencing (center, right) designed to be more difficult to climb.

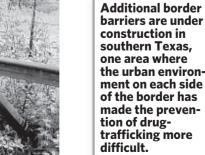














372.5 miles

Sources: Patrol and apprehension data from Customs and Border Protection, Map and fence data from American Border Patrol, a border watchdog group, and Customs and Border Protection