

# "REMAIN IN MEXICO" IMPACTS

## What is "Remain in Mexico"?

"Remain in Mexico," (RIM) officially known as the Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP) was implemented in January 2019. It is a U.S. immigration policy forcing asylum seekers arriving at ports of entry (POE), on the U.S. southern border, to be returned to Mexico to wait for the duration of their U.S. immigration proceedings.

**20,000 +** migrants have been returned to Mexico

as of July 12, 2019

2

## Migrant Returns By City

**Mexicali**  
19.5% (3,887 migrants)

**Tijuana**  
33.4% (6,649 migrants)

**Juárez**  
46.8% (9,314 migrants)

**Nuevo Laredo**  
0.3% (61 migrants)

3

## POE's/Cities Involved

Brownsville/Matamoros  
Calexico/Mexicali  
El Paso/Ciudad Juárez  
Laredo/Nuevo Laredo  
San Ysidoro/Tijuana

1

The Mexican border state of Tamaulipas, the location of a RIM city, is a recommended no travel zone for U.S. citizens according to the U.S. State Department.

4

At least

**4,780**

children have been returned to Mexico

6

## VULNERABLE POPULATIONS RETURNED

LGBTQ+  
Pregnant Women  
Children  
Disabled



Members of all of these groups have been returned to Mexico under this policy.

5

## Human Rights Violations Faced by Returned Migrants



7

Extortion  
Due Process Violations  
Family Separation  
Physical/Verbal Abuse

Sexual and Gender Based Violence  
Kidnapping  
Death



**Innovation Law Lab  
v. McAleenan**

Lawsuit by the ACLU, Southern Poverty Law Center, and Center for Gender & Refugee Studies, which is currently pending in federal courts in California. In the meantime, the policy continues to be implemented.

8

**1.2%** *Decided*

RIM cases were represented in court

9

Asylum seekers in Juárez outnumber the spaces available in humanitarian shelters

**11 TO 1**

11

**163**  
OUT OF  
**12,997**

*Pending*  
RIM cases have representation in court

10

*Migrants expected to be returned to Mexico by end of August 2019*

**60,000**

12

**STOP**

**"Remain in Mexico"**  
is an  
**unsafe & unlawful policy**  
that will continue to harm asylum seekers at the U.S. southern border.

**#MigrantPersecutionProtocols**

1. "U.S. Government's 'Remain in Mexico' Policy Expanded | Time," <http://bit.ly/30N5n9x>  
2. Internaciones en México de extranjeros solicitantes de asilo en EU | Instituto Nacional de Migración | Gobierno | gob.mx, <http://bit.ly/2YQWcrb>  
3. Ibid  
4. Mexico Travel Advisory- U.S. Department of State, <http://bit.ly/2YSEwvt>  
5. "Immigration: 'Vulnerable' Migrants Are Not Always Exempt From 'Remain In Mexico : NPR," <https://n.pr/320cLTW>  
6. "U.S. Returns of Asylum Seekers to Mexico: Human Rights Watch," <http://bit.ly/32TRGYb>  
7. "Trump's 'Remain in Mexico' Plan Puts Migrants in More Danger: The Intercept," <http://bit.ly/32NJAR7>  
8. "ACLU Comment on Appeals Court Ruling in Forced Return to Mexico Lawsuit | American Civil Liberties Union," <http://bit.ly/32QRitF>  
9. "Access to Attorneys Difficult for Those Required to Remain In Mexico: TRAC Immigration", <http://bit.ly/2YKRxY6>  
10. Ibid  
11. "U.S. Returns of Asylum Seekers to Mexico: Human Rights Watch," <http://bit.ly/32TRGYb>  
12. Ibid