

Biden administration expands asylum restrictions at southern border

The Biden administration announced Monday it will expand its asylum restrictions at the U.S.-Mexico border, cementing tougher standards that will cut off access to protections for many migrants.

Monday's rule finalizes an earlier policy that cut off access to asylum for those who crossed in between ports of entry if border figures ticked above a 2,500 average over the course of a week.

But while the interim policy put in place in June would allow asylum processing to restart once border crossings averaged 1,500 over seven consecutive days, the new rule enacts a much tougher standard, requiring that metric be sustained for 28 straight days.

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