

Immigration Data Resources

An Annotated Guide

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How to use this guide. These are the public tools, dashboards, and reports referenced in our working session. Each entry says what the resource is, who maintains it, what it contains, and why it is useful for the questions it can answer. Where a resource is the original government source that others build on, that is noted so a figure can always be traced to its origin. Nearly all of these are free and public.

Enforcement and detention data tools

Deportation Data Project • <https://deportationdata.org>

UC Berkeley and UCLA researchers. Obtains raw, case-level federal immigration-enforcement records through Freedom of Information Act litigation and publishes them for public use: ICE arrests, detainers, detention, and immigration-court data. This is the primary source dataset behind the national and state enforcement figures, and the place to go for the most granular, individual-level data available anywhere.

Immigration Enforcement Dashboard • <https://enforcementdashboard.com>

Relevant Research. Turns the latest ICE arrest, detainer, detention, and removal data into interactive charts and maps a non-specialist can read. Filter by date, state, ICE Area of Responsibility, gender, criminal history, and citizenship. Best for a quick, credible answer to “what is happening in our area,” drawn from the Deportation Data Project records above.

DetentionReports.com • <https://detentionreports.com>

Relevant Research. Facility-level detention statistics drawn from ICE’s own biweekly spreadsheet, made searchable and sortable. Best for questions about a specific detention facility: its population over time, capacity, and type.

TRAC • <https://tracreport.org> (formerly trac.syr.edu)

The Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse. A long-running clearinghouse for immigration-court and enforcement data. Best for immigration-court trends: backlog, case outcomes, asylum grant rates, and representation, broken out by court and nationality.

287(g) Program Tracker • <https://www.tituslegaldesign.com/immigration-101/287g-program>

Titus Legal Design. An interactive report and dashboard tracking active 287(g) agreements, which deputize state and local police for certain federal immigration functions. Includes a canceled-agreements log, county-level maps, and Census population context. Useful for understanding where local law enforcement has entered into these agreements, and what that means locally.

ICE Detention Management • <https://www.ice.gov/detain/detention-management>

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (original source). The government page where ICE posts its periodic detention statistics workbook. This is the original release that DetentionReports.com and others build on, included so any detention figure can be traced back to its origin.

Detention Pregnancy Tracker • <https://detentionpregnancytracker.com>

Women's Refugee Commission. A crowdsourced intake portal for attorneys, healthcare providers, chaplains, and family members to report, in real time, on pregnant, postpartum, and nursing women held in ICE detention. Useful for anyone in a health or legal role who encounters these cases.

Analysis, reports, and advocacy

Austin Kocher's newsletter • <https://austinkocher.substack.com>

Austin Kocher, Relevant Research. Regularly updated charts, methodology notes, and validation of the headline immigration numbers, written for a general audience. A useful starting point is "ICE is quietly arresting more people," <https://austinkocher.substack.com/p/ice-quietly-arresting-more-people>.

Collateral Damage • American Families United

American Families United, <https://www.americanfamiliesunited.org>. A survey-based report on U.S. citizens married to someone without permanent status, documenting the toll of family separation on citizens themselves. Useful for the human and civic cost of enforcement beyond its intended targets. Report: [https://assets.nationbuilder.com/americanfamiliesunited/pages/1/attachments/original/1765905970/afureport_\(4\).pdf](https://assets.nationbuilder.com/americanfamiliesunited/pages/1/attachments/original/1765905970/afureport_(4).pdf).

Additional public resources worth having

Not discussed in the session, but directly relevant to the topics raised:

- **ICE Deaths in Custody (UCLA Prison Data Project).** A public dataset on deaths in ICE custody. <https://uclaprisondata.org/ice-deaths-in-custody>
- **Third Country Deportation Watch.** Monitors forced third-country transfer agreements and individual cases, a joint project of Human Rights First and Refugees International. <https://www.thirdcountrydeportationwatch.org>
- **ICE use-of-force dataset (The Washington Post).** A dataset of roughly 1,460 use-of-force incidents at detention centers, January 2024 to February 2026, released with an investigation. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2026/05/04/ice-detention-centers-force/>

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