

## **New IPC Report Featured in USA Today**

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The IPC's new report, "Bordering on Criminal: The Routine Abuse of Migrants in the Removal System," was featured in a USA Today article titled, "Report: Migrants in Custody Often Abused."

"Mexican migrants are frequently subjected to physical abuse and verbal mistreatment while in custody of U.S. border authorities, according to a new study.

"Migrants also frequently have possessions taken from them while in U.S. custody that are not returned, according to the study released Tuesday by the Immigration Policy Center, a Washington, D.C., think tank. The study was conducted jointly with researchers at the University of Arizona, Georgetown University and the University of Texas-El Paso.

"The study comes as Congress considers immigration reforms including bills calling for the addition of thousands of new Border Patrol agents.

"Researchers said the frequency of abuses suggest systemic problems resulting from the lack of transparency and accountability within the Border Patrol and U.S. Customs and Border Protection. They recommended that Congress pass legislation that creates stronger oversight and accountability when abuses occur."

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