



NEW FWD.US REPORT FINDS PRICES WILL UNNECESSARILY RISE UNDER ANNOUNCED IMMIGRATION POLICIES, IMPACTING CRUCIAL SECTORS OF TEXAS' LABOR FORCE

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TEXAS — Today, FWD.us is publishing a new report, “Prices for all Americans are set to unnecessarily rise by an additional \$2,150 per family under announced immigration policies impacting the U.S. labor force,” that details how the Trump administration’s proposed plans to prematurely revoke immigrants’ employment authorizations, deport millions of workers, and slash legal immigration will trigger massive price increases on everyday goods, raising costs for American families by billions. The report provides the most comprehensive analysis to date of how announced and underway immigration policies would impact American families’ costs, resulting in an additional cost of \$2,150 more each year for everyday goods and services. Texas’ economy could lose up to \$35 billion annually and an estimated \$4.1 billion in foregone state and local taxes that workers contribute each year.

This year, the Trump administration has attempted to prematurely revoke employment authorization of millions of individuals, ramped up deportations, and sought to restrict the number of immigrants lawfully entering the U.S. These actions are harmful to these individuals and will make life more costly for all Americans. In Texas, the industries most affected by announced immigration policies will be agriculture, construction, leisure, and hospitality. This would lead to thousands of workers being removed.

“Immigrants are a critical part of Texas’s economic engine. Policies that take work permits away from longtime residents would drive up costs and shrink our workforce at a time when Texas employers are already struggling to fill open jobs. From construction to agriculture to hospitality, we need smart, forward-looking immigration policies that support economic growth, not ones that make it harder for businesses to compete or for families to afford basic goods and services,” said Justin Yancy, president of the Texas Business Leadership Council.

“If we want to stabilize the costs of goods and services for Americans while also uphold the best of American family values, Congress and the administration should maintain work permits for temporarily protected immigrants, stop mass deportation plans, and find new pathways to legalize immigrants, while also investing in the full functioning of our legal immigration system,” said FWD.us President Todd Schulte.

Announced and underway, immigration policies would also result in many immigrant parents already living in the U.S. losing their incomes and being unable to support their families, driving tens of thousands of U.S. citizen children into poverty.

Key Takeaways:

- Nationally, announced immigration policies will result in American families paying an additional \$2,150 for goods and services each year by the end of 2028.
- Producer prices for most food products can be expected to increase by 14.5% and 6.1% in construction. America’s working class spends most of its income on food and housing, and consequently would experience the highest cost-of-living increases.
- Deporting 1 million immigrants without legal status or who once held temporary protections each year would mean the total removal of 2.4 million workers from the labor force by the end of 2028.

The report is part of FWD.us’ initiative to protect America’s workforce.

About FWD.us: FWD.us is a bipartisan political organization that believes America’s families, communities, and economy thrive when more individuals are able to achieve their full potential. For too long, our failed immigration and criminal justice systems have locked too many people out of the American dream. Founded by leaders in the technology and business communities, we seek to grow and galvanize political support to break through gridlock and achieve meaningful reforms. Together, we can move America forward.