



**Quarantine and
Migration Health**

El Paso Quarantine Station

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the El Paso Quarantine Station includes New Mexico and Southwest Texas, which corresponds to Texas Health Districts 8–11. This jurisdiction also includes the United States–Mexico border along both states and the seaports of Port Isabel and Corpus Christi.

Activities

- Respond to reports of illness or death on airplanes, cargo vessels, and other conveyances at international ports of entry.
- Review medical records of immigrants who will reside permanently in the United States and notify state and local health departments of medical conditions of public health importance.
- Partner with other federal agencies, local and state health departments, private medical providers, and hospitals in preparedness and response activities related to quarantine and isolation at ports of entry.
- Monitor importations that may have pathogens infectious to humans.
- Partner with local and state health departments on emergency response, migrant health issues, and other public health issues.
- Provide leadership and participate in teams and workgroups for CDC’s Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, Quarantine and Border Health Services Branch.



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Ports of Entry Statistics 2006

Major Ports of Entry Arrivals

El Paso Port of Entry

- 37 million pedestrians
- 15.8 million vehicles
- 70,000 immigrants

Laredo Port of Entry

- 1.5 million cargo trucks
- 4.2 million pedestrians
- 6 million vehicles

Brownsville Port of Entry

- 2.9 million pedestrians
- 6.9 million vehicles

Quarantine Station Staff

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