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Source of truth: *Border crossings plunge to lowest levels in decades: New data* written by Avery Lotz and Stef W. Kight and published in Axios.

Link: <https://www.axios.com/2025/03/04/illegal-border-crossings-february-decline-trump>

Thesis: Trump's sweeping immigration crackdown has greatly reduced the amount of illegal border crossings, accelerating a recent downward trend that is influenced by policies on both sides of the border.

Questions

1. How many apprehensions did border patrol have in February 2025?
2. When was the last time numbers this low were seen?
3. What are two factors other than Trump's policies that have influenced this decrease?
4. What are some specific things that Trump did to crack down on illegal immigration?
5. What are some things to watch for as the situation continues to develop?