

# Bush calls for troops on border



In a move designed to win support from conservatives, President Bush plans to station thousands of National Guard troops along the Mexican border to help curtail illegal immigration. However, Mexican President Vicente Fox has expressed concern over the "militarisation" of the border

**National Guard:** Will support Border Patrol, who keep primary responsibility for guarding border

**Border Patrol Sectors:** Arrests for illegal entry to U.S. via Mexico in 2004 – **1,139,282**



**Border Patrol:**

11,000 agents

San Diego **138,608**

EL Centro **74,467**



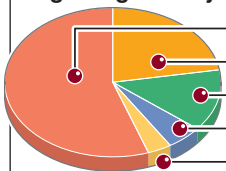
**Border fence:**

Congress debating whether to construct two-layer fence along 1,125km of 3,220km Mexico-U.S. border.

Fencing already exists along 160km of border near cities



**Illegal migrants by origin (millions, 2005)**



**Living in U.S.**

(millions, 1980-2005)

