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U.S./MEXICO BORDER REGION

The 2,000 mile-long U.S./Mexico international boundary makes for a border region that has the distinction of being the only place in the world where a highly developed country and a developing nation meet and interact. The complex socio-economic history of the region provides for a timely and significant area of study.

The Catalog
To locate specific books and other materials about the U.S.-Mexican border region, search the SDPL Catalog at computer terminals located throughout Central Library or within any of 34 branches.

Search by SUBJECT or KEYWORD for Mexican-American Border Region. SUBJECT search results are subdivided into more specific subjects such as history or a geographical area. KEYWORD searching will yield a continuous list of materials without subdivisions.

Fiction
From the SDPL Catalog's Welcome page, locate the "NoveList" online database found under Online Resources. "Reading & Literature," for relevant titles. While viewing a specific title within "NoveList," you may then click on the Check SDPL for holdings link in order to see if a particular title is owned by SDPL. At the Central Library, be sure to utilize the Fiction Subject Card Catalog in the Literature & Languages Section. Search under subject headings "Mexican Americans," "Mexicans in the U.S.,” "Mexico,” and "Mexico - history."

Current Magazine, Newspaper and Journal articles
To search periodicals by topic, consult the online databases listed below, available on all public terminals located throughout the Central Library.

Academic Search Elite: Multi-disciplinary database with full text for nearly 2,050 scholarly journals, from 1985-present. Updated daily.

American Humanities Index: A collection of bibliographic references to over 1,000 literary, scholarly and creative journals published in the United States and Canada, from 1975-present.

MasterFILE Premier: In-depth multidisciplinary database, with full text for over 2,050 general reference publications with full text information dating as far back as 1975. Includes some book, document, and image content. Updated daily.


Ethnic Newswatch: This database provides full-text articles from over 200 ethnic and community press publications.

Informe!: Periódicos y revistas hispanas

Fuente Academica: Periódicos y revistas académicas (en Español).

Government Documents Catalog: Indexes federal publications issued since July, 1976 and can be searched by title, subject or keyword. Available on all catalog terminals.

Selected Print Indexes:
Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature. History Section, 1st floor.
Social Sciences Index. Social Sciences Section, 3rd floor.
Humanities Index. History Section, 1st floor.

Internet
Go to these U.S./Mexico border sites from home or at an Internet terminal in the Central Library’s Computer Lab or any Branch library:

http://www.bordercounties.org/
US/Mexico Border Counties Coalition: a nonpartisan, consensus-based policy and technical forum to address challenges facing county governments located on the United States/Mexico Border.

http://www.utep.edu/border/
The Borderlands Encyclopedia - A digital educational resource on contemporary United States—Mexico border issues. This site may be viewed in either English or Spanish.

http://www.sil.si.edu/silpublications/us-mexico-border-issues.htm
U.S.-Mexico Border Issues: A Selected Bibliography from the Smithsonian Institution Libraries’ Collections (Includes several U.S. – Mexico border related sites).

http://lanic.utexas.edu/la/mexico/usmex/
This website is sponsored by the University of Texas, and provides links to web pages related to the United States-Mexico border region.

http://www.smithsonianeducation.org/migrations/border/intro.html#his
The United States-Mexico Borderlands/Frontera. An overview of the history and peoples of the U.S./Mexico border region.
RESOURCES
A sampling of the materials available at the Central Library on the U.S./Mexican Border Region

**History & World Affairs**

Across the wire: life and hard times on the Mexican border. 1993. 972.2/URREA

Bloody border: riots, battles, and adventures along the turbulent U.S.-Mexican borderlands. 1992. 972.1/MEED


Border: the U.S.-Mexico line. 1989. 972.1/METZ

Crossings: photographs from the U.S.-Mexico border. 2003. 972.1083 WEBB

Dead in their tracks: crossing America's desert borderlands. 1999. 917.90433/ANNERINO

Forging the tortilla curtain: cultural drift and change along the United States-Mexico border, from the Spanish era to the present. 2000. 972.1/TORRANS


Puro border: dispatches, snapshots & graffiti from La Frontera. 2003. 972.1/PURO

The U.S.-Mexican border in the twentieth century: a history of economic and social transformation. 1999. 972.1/LOREY


Beyond smoke and mirrors: Mexican immigration in an era of economic integration. 2002. 325.272/MASSEY

Border games: policing the U.S.-Mexico divide. 2000. 363.45/ANDREAS

By the lake of sleeping children: the secret life of the Mexican border. 1996. 306.09722/URREA

The children of NAFTA: labor wars on the U.S./Mexico border. 2004. 331.10972/BACON

Crossing over: a Mexican family on the migrant trail. 2001. 306.85089/MARTINEZ


Down by the river: drugs, money, murder, and family. 2002. 363.45/BOWDEN


On the rim of Mexico: encounters of the rich and poor. 1998. 303.48273/RUIZ

Twilight on the line: underworlds and politics at the U.S.-Mexico Border. 1998. 363.45/ROTELLA

**Social Sciences**

Batos, bolillos, pochos, & pelados: class and culture on the South Texas border. 1999. 305.5/RICHARDSON

Beyond smoke and mirrors: Mexican immigration in an era of economic integration. 2002. 325.272/MASSEY

Border games: policing the U.S.-Mexico divide. 2000. 363.45/ANDREAS

By the lake of sleeping children: the secret life of the Mexican border. 1996. 306.09722/URREA

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En Español (Literature Section)

Cultura al otro lado de la frontera: inmigración mexicana y cultura popular. 1999. SPA 305.868/CULTURA

Cruzando la frontera: la cronica implacable de una familia mexicana que emigra a Estados Unidos. 2003. SPA 306.85089/MARTINEZ

Estrella de la calle sexta. 2000. SPA FIC/CROSTHWAIT

Instrucciones para cruzar la frontera: relatos. 2002. SPA FIC/CROSTHWAIT

La experiencia migrante: iconografía de la migración México-Estados Unidos. 2000. SPA 973.04687/DURAND