

ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION

WHAT WE DO

ERO's ATD program uses technology and case management protocols to monitor noncitizen compliance with final orders of removal or with release conditions while their immigration proceedings are pending on the non-detained docket.

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WHO WE ARE

The Alternatives to Detention (ATD) Program is a noncitizen **compliance tool** overseen by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO).

While the non-detained docket has risen to 3.26 million noncitizens, ATD allows for closer monitoring of a portion of non-detained cases awaiting immigration court proceedings or final orders of removal. The level of supervision and technology assigned to participants is based on:

- current immigration status
- criminal history
- compliance history
- · community or family ties
- · being a caregiver or provider
- other humanitarian or medical conditions

In the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2021, ATD participants adhered to the following types of monitoring:



SmartLink

Facial recognition technology allows participants to report compliance via an app

26,000



GPS Monitoring

Satellites track location to ensure compliance with the conditions of release

28,000

Telephonic Reporting

Phone calls are compared against a voiceprint obtained during enrollment

32,000

Enforcement and Removal Operations

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GOAL OF ATD:

ATD seeks to increase compliance with release conditions, court appearances and final orders of removal while allowing noncitizens to remain in their communities.



Released

Pursuantto

Supervision







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Community Ties

High ATD Compliance

ATD is most effective when used to monitor those with community ties, a history of compliance, and their release from detention is contingent on adherence to check-ins.

ACHIEVING

On a case by case basis, ERO
Officers based in the local ERO
Field Office determine the type and
manner of monitoring appropriate
for each participant. ERO may
adjust the level of supervision
required as the level of compliance
either increases or decreases.

COMPLIANCE







On average, there is 1 ATD Case Manager for every 125 ATD participants. In FY 20, the ATD average daily population was

90,000

\$149 million total cost of ATD in FY 20

\$440 million enacted in FY21 for ATD

