

# Of Immigrants and Muslims

At virtually every stage of the process of migrating or traveling to, from, and within the United States, people of color with and without U.S. citizenship status are subject to the legal and extralegal collection and analysis of extensive quantities of personal information. This information is being aggregated and stored by government agencies for long retention periods and shared among a variety of public and private actors, both inside and outside the United States, with little to no transparency, oversight, or accountability.

**1** Surveillance technology is being used to build a virtual border.

**DHS tracks the social media activity of visa applicants and foreign visitors to the U.S.**

 The Muslim Ban is being used to vet all immigrants.

ICE wanted to automate social media monitoring of all immigrants, but backed down.

**Federal spending on immigration enforcement is rising—and being spent on technology.**

**Silicon Valley is profiting from high tech immigration enforcement.**

Various tech companies have contracts with the government to support immigration enforcement, detention and deportation. Microsoft has a \$19.5 million contract with ICE. Vigilant Solutions contracts with ICE to grant access to its license plate reader database. Amazon's "Rekognition" tool gives law enforcement the power to use facial recognition in drone cameras, body worn cameras, and other surveillance video.