

How will we manage mass forced migration in 2025?

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It has to be acknowledged that Trump might win the US Presidential election.

Or that he might win the civil war if he does not do so.

If that is the case, he has a number of truly frightening policies. One of them is on migrants. As [the Guardian notes](#) today:

Raids and mass deportations lie at the heart of the former president's second-term vision – [a web of policies so vast](#) that critics say their collective implementation would challenge the very ideal of the United States as a nation of immigrants.

His aim is to deport maybe 11 million migrants into the US who are undocumented. The plan, which will supposedly start in January if he gets in, will involve placement in mass deportation camps first of all. Children of these migrants, who would have a legal right to stay in the US, will, of course, go with them.

Ignore for a moment the complete inhumanity of this.

Ignore the obvious and shocking symbolism of putting people in camps en masse before moving them.

Ignore, too, the mass disruption to lives, communities, and those who remain, but on whom pressure will be brought to bear, often by intimidation and threat.

Ignore too the wreckage of the US economy that this will leave behind.

Instead, think about the risk that 2025 will begin the era of mass world migration.

From the US.

From Lebanon.

From Gaza.

And, of course, Syria, Sudan, Afghanistan and elsewhere.

And this is before climate migration begins.

How do we cope with this?

What does this mean for us?

How will we react?

Where will these people go?

What are the answers?

I do not know. But I do know it is time to start asking the questions because they will have to be answered. Fascists are forcing us to address this issue. How we react will define the state that we are.