Trump: a new immigration policy in the United States?
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According to many commentators, the US immigration policy is totally new with President Trump. The American Administration, at the head of a country whose population was largely made up of migratory inflows, is said to have become hostile to immigration. What is the real truth?

A precisely announced policy

Indeed, on August 31st, 2016, in a speech in Phoenix, Arizona, several months before the election, Donald Trump presented ten proposals for US immigration policy. Their stated goals were to reduce immigration, including stricter enforcement of existing laws on illegal immigration. This speech was the most detailed of his campaign. The issue of immigration was then one of the key points of his state-speech was the most detailed of his campaign. The issue of immigration was then one of the key points of his state-

1. In a context of differentiated voting according to the categories of the population; cf. Dumont, Gérard-François, Démographie politique. Les lois de la géopolitique des populations, Paris, Ellipses, 2007.
3. There is indeed a first wall erected in 1994 between the border towns of San Diego (United States) and Tijuana (Mexico) and barriers built discontinuously since 2006.
4. However, this issue is the subject of negotiations with Congress.
5. In view of the global refugee crisis, the Obama administration increased the number of refugees from 70,000 to 85,000 in fiscal 2016 and to 110,000 in fiscal 2017. The Trump administration immediately reduced the 2017 fiscal year limit to 50,000. In total, 53,716 refugees were admitted in fiscal 2017.
6. Hence the decision of those leaving Cherbourg to carry out initial checks themselves; cf « Cherbourg, d’une migration l’autre », Le Monde, 5 avril 2016.