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**Compare and contrast essay outline**

1. **Introduction**

The United States has the highest number of immigrants which is over 40 million, out of that, 11 million of them are in the country illegally.

1. **Thesis statement**

The number of illegal immigrants coming to the United States is on the decline, but the number of those coming from Central America is on the rise; the Mexican border remains the biggest pathway for illegal immigrants coming to the country.

1. **Generally, the number of unauthorized immigrants entering the country has decreased since 2004**
2. Illegal immigrants from Mexico are also on the decrease.
3. People crossing the Mexican border has also decreased.
4. **Also, unauthorized immigrants have a significant impact on the economy of the country**
5. Some Americans feel that they strengthen the economy.
6. Others think that they do a lot of harm to the economy.
7. **As of 2017, more than 29 million immigrants were working in the United States, and Americans are still divided on the issue of deportation**
8. Overall, 45% of Americans feel that there should be an increase in deportation.
9. The same percentage of Americans feel that it is a bad thing to continue deporting them.

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