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What We Spend on Immigration Enforcement

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From this morning's Washington Post:

U.S. government spent \$18 billion on immigration enforcement in 2012. That is 24 percent more than it spent collectively for the FBI, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Secret Service, the U.S. Marshals Service, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Yet, our system is broken. Anyone who thinks we don't need comprehensive reform of our immigration laws needs to explain how we can continue to fund this enormous expense of enforcing our current immigration policies. More on this issue tomorrow.

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