

The Federation for American Immigration Reform
FAIR FACTS
Mexican Matricula Consular ID Cards Facts

DID YOU KNOW?

- Over 5 million Mexican Matricula Cards have been issued to Mexican Nationals residing in the United States.
- Mexican Matricula ID Cards are issued to illegal aliens who cannot access U.S. issued identity documents.
- Mexican Matricula ID Cards are only needed by people who aren't legally in the U.S. in the first place. No one here legally has a need for a Mexican Matricula for ID. Every non citizen other than illegal aliens will have identity documents issued by U.S. Government.
- Government offices, communities and businesses that accept the Mexican Matricula ID Card as valid ID are undermining immigration enforcement and compromising U.S. security.
- The FBI and the Department of Justice say the Mexican Matricula ID is not a reliable form of identification and pose "major criminal threats" and a "potential terrorist threat".
- The Mexican Government actively lobbies federal, state and local governments and businesses to accept the IDs for establishing identity, opening bank accounts, various social service uses, check cashing, and airline travel.
- Government and Businesses who accept the Mexican Matricula are turning a blind eye to illegal immigration and gutting immigration law enforcement.
- Acceptance of the Mexican Matricula ID is placing critical national security matters in the hands of the corrupt Mexican Government.
- Acceptance of the Mexican Matricula ID is working at odds with the critical efforts of Homeland Security.
- Local and State governments who accept the Mexican Matricula are exercising a form of their own foreign policy, which the Constitution reserves for the federal government under the Constitution, and are in direct conflict with federal law.
- The presentation of a Mexican Consular ID by an individual who does not also possess and present a corresponding valid document issued by the U.S. government is prima facie evidence that the person is unlawfully present in the U.S. Thus, an official who provides any benefit of service in such a case would be subject to criminal liability.
- Mexican Consular IDs are not recognized by any major bank in Mexico and may not be used to open accounts there.
- The Mexican Consular ID is not accepted in Mexico for government services, and only 10 of the Mexican 32 state and districts will recognize the card for identification purposes.