

Millions of Americans expected to travel for Memorial Day

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AAA projects 45.1 million people will travel at least 50 miles from home over the Memorial Day holiday period from May 22-26. This year's domestic travel forecast is an increase of 1.4 million travelers compared to last year. But despite the increase in holiday travel volume projections, and outside of the dramatic impacts on travel during COVID-19 in 2020, 2025 is projected to have the lowest year-over-year growth rate in nearly a decade for the Memorial Day holiday.

Economic uncertainties and concerns over rising prices are on the minds of travelers, however, many Americans say

they're taking advantage of the long holiday weekend to spend time with loved ones, even if the trips are closer to home.

"Memorial Day weekend getaways don't have to be extravagant and costly," said Stacey Barber, vice president of AAA Travel. "While some travelers embark on dream vacations and fly hundreds of miles across the country, many families just pack up the car and drive to the beach or take a road trip to visit friends. Long holiday weekends are ideal for travel because many people have an extra day off work and students are off from school."

AAA projects 39.4 million people will travel by car over Memorial Day weekend. Driving is the preferred mode

of transportation during holiday travel periods, with 87% of Memorial Day travelers choosing to take road trips.

This year, drivers have the benefit of cheaper gas prices. Last Memorial Day, the national average for a gallon of regular was \$3.59. This spring – thanks to lower crude oil prices – gasoline prices haven't seen typical seasonal spikes.

With the unofficial start of summer kicking off the busy driving season, demand is expected to rise, and pump prices may creep up along with it. Gas prices typically peak in the summer and start coming down when schools go back in session in the fall.

For drivers who are renting cars over Memorial Day weekend, AAA car rental

partner Hertz says May 23 is expected to be the busiest day for pickup. SUVs are some of the most popular rental vehicles for the long holiday weekend.

Even with gas prices lower than last Memorial Day weekend, drivers are looking to save at the pump.

Once you hit the road, keep in mind the gas stations right off the interstate are usually the most expensive. If you're looking to save money, drive a little bit farther down the road for cheaper gas.

After you fill up, avoid speeding. Fuel economy peaks around 50 mph on most cars, then drops off as speeds increase. Reducing highway speeds by 5 to 10 mph can increase fuel economy by as much as 14%.

Noem, Democrats tangle over immigrant detention center

Wire report

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem Wednesday harshly criticized three Democrats who were accosted by federal immigration officials while protesting the opening of an immigrant detention center in New Jersey.

Democrats at the hearing of the House Homeland Security Committee in turn said Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials physically assaulted the lawmakers.

Noem, who was appearing to discuss President Donald Trump's fiscal year 2026 budget for the agency, said the Democrats who went to Delaney Hall to oversee the conditions were not conducting proper oversight.

Members of Congress are allowed to conduct oversight visits at any DHS facility that detains immigrants, without prior notice, under provisions in an

appropriations law.

"I believe that it was breaking into a federal facility and assaulting law enforcement officers," Noem, the former governor of South Dakota, said.

Last Friday, the three New Jersey Democratic members – Reps. Bonnie Watson Coleman, LaMonica McIver and Rob Menendez – were in Newark protesting the reopening of an immigrant detention center.

The mayor of Newark, Ras Baraka, was arrested. It was a stark escalation of Democratic lawmakers' opposition to the Trump administration's immigration crackdown.

After the incident, Menendez detailed how ICE agents "pushed, physically assaulted two female members of Congress."

Several Republicans on the panel that oversees Homeland Security, including Chair Mark Green of Tennessee, said there should be consequences for the

Democrats, such as criminal charges.

Green accused one of three Democrats of assaulting a law enforcement officer.

Arizona GOP Rep. Eli Crane suggested there be criminal charges lodged against the Democratic members and Republican Rep. Andy Ogles of Tennessee suggested to Noem that she "look into actions (to) be taken if a member assaulted" law enforcement.

The top Democrat on the panel, Rep. Bennie Thompson of Mississippi, slammed Noem for the incident.

"Instead of following the law, masked ICE personnel stopped and assaulted the members," he said. "Then, to make matters worse, instead of launching an investigation into the incident, your department lied to the press about the situation and threatened to arrest members of Congress for doing their job."

One of the Democrats who was at the detention center protest, McIver, sits on the committee, but she did not speak to

Noem about the incident.

"This is not about me," McIver said, and instead pressed Noem about international students who had their visas revoked.

Democrats criticized Noem and the Trump administration's aggressive immigration enforcement that has led to swift deportations and concerns about a lack of due process.

They especially focused on Kilmar Abrego Garcia, a Maryland man who was wrongly deported to a prison in El Salvador.

Rhode Island Democratic Rep. Seth Magaziner called Noem's leadership of DHS "sloppy," and said it has led to immigrants and even U.S. citizen children being wrongly deported.

"Instead of enforcing the laws, you have repeatedly broken them," Magaziner said. "You need to change course immediately before more innocent people are hurt on your watch."

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