In Their Own Words, 1980

Narrator: In less than 90 days, between April and June of 1980, more than 110,000 Cubans flee Cuba. They come the 140 kilometers from the port of Mariel to Key West, Florida in nearly 2,000 boats. Twenty-five die in the attempt.

Man [Subtitle Text]: I left Cuba without my family or my loved ones. I couldn’t get them out of the country.

Man 2 [Subtitle Text]: Twenty years buried alive and finally we made it out to try to live a happy life.