Econ 113: April 28, 2015

- Evaluations Thank you!
- Immigration
 - Laws
 - Patterns
 - Activity

Last Class is Thursday April 30 GSI Review Session, here, Thurs May 7, 11:10-12:30 Olney office hours during RRR week: Thurs May 7, 3:00-5:00 Final is Thursday May 14, 8:00 am, 1 LeConte

Economics online evaluations

- 1. Please take out your electronic device; phone, laptop, or tablet, etc.
- 2. Open up a web browser; Chrome/Firefox work best.
- 3. You can access the evaluation at:

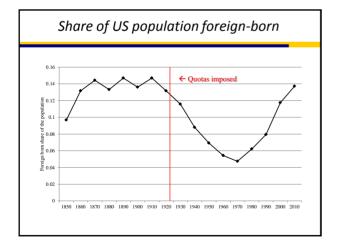
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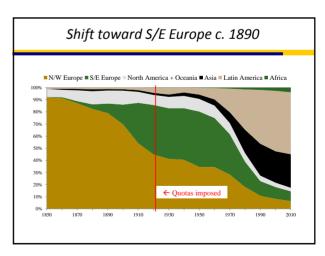
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- Click on "submit" once you have completed your evaluation. (You will be taken to a confirmation page verifying the evaluation has been submitted)
- Click the "save" button if you are not finished. You can return to the evaluation to complete it by the deadline Saturday May 16.





Immigration after WWII

- Major characteristics
 - Restrictions
 - Begun in 19th/early 20th century
 - Post-1965, change in sending countries
- Our focus: compare & contrast with earlier migration patterns

Bracero ("farmhand") Program

- 1942-1964
- Workers considered "foreign laborers" not immigrants
- Short-term contracts for wages and living arrangements

1940s & 1950s Immigration Acts

- 1943: Asian Exclusion Act ended
 - though small quotas of 100 per country
- 1952: Retained national origins quotas
 - But updated to 1920 base
 - Eliminated racial distinctions
 - 85 percent for Northern & Western Europe
 - Goal: building skilled domestic labor force

1965 Immigration Act

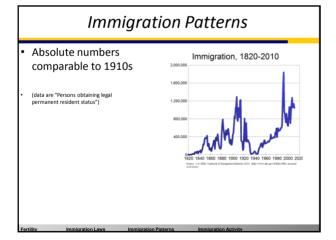
- · Established overall quotas by hemisphere
- · Abolished national origins quotas
 - Overall quotas by hemisphere
 - 170,000 / year from Eastern Hemisphere; 120,000 / year Western Hem.
 - 20,000 annual quotas for each Eastern Hemisphere nation
 - Quotas for Western Hemisphere countries added in 1976
 - Family unification not subject to quota
- · Goal: supporting family unity; assimilation
 - Also skilled labor

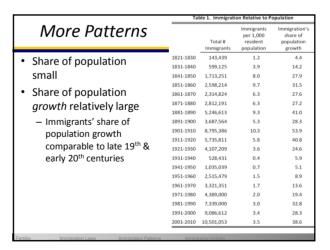
1986 Immigration Reform & Control Act

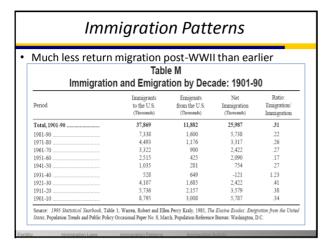
- Goal: slow undocumented immigration
- · Hiring undocumented workers made illegal
- Offered legal status to those in the U.S. without papers since 1/1/82
- Created the equivalent of a guest worker program for farm workers
 - Temporary visas, no permanent residency

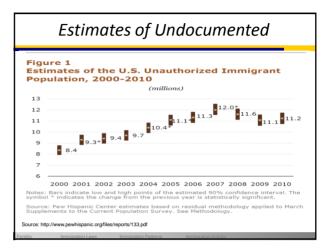
1990 Immigration Act

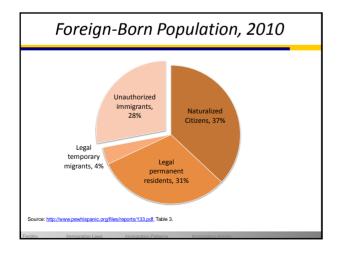
- Increased total limit to 675,000 immigrants per year
 - Plus immediate family members
- Preference to skilled labor and "entrepreneurs" with \$\$\$
- Goal: family re-unification
 - But also increase supply of skilled labor

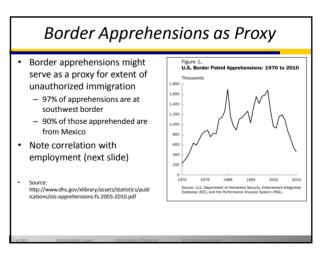


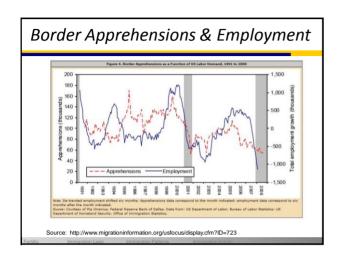


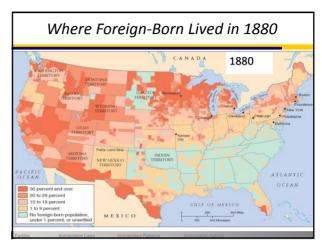




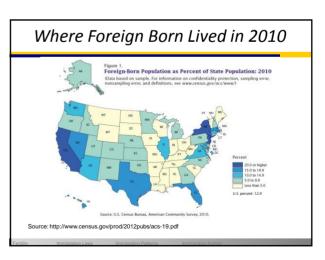


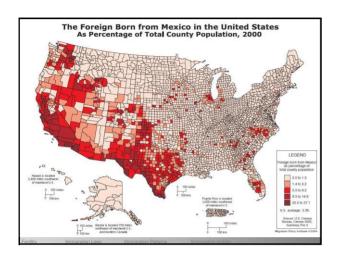


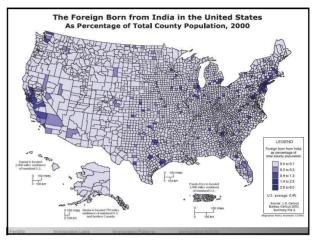


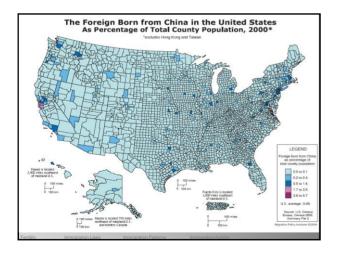












Source shifted away from Europe And toward Asia & Mexico	Table 2. Distribution of Immigrants by Place of Birth						
		1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s	
	Europe	34	18	10	15	14	
	Asia	13	35	37	31	33	
	Canada	12	4	2	2	2	
	Mexico	14	14	23	25	16	
	Caribbean & Central America	17	20	18	17	16	
	South America	8	7	6	6	8	
	Africa	1	2	2	4	7	

Education & Earnings Vary

		Education (average years completed):		Weekly Wage	
		Men	Women	Men	Women
Native-born		13.0	12.9	\$621	\$405
Europe, U.K.	Immigrant:	13.4	13.0	759	455
	2d generation:	13.8	13.3	773	498
Mexico,	Immigrant:	9.4	9.6	366	278
Central/S.A.	2d generation:	11.7	11.6	434	316
Asia	Immigrant:	13.9	13.1	646	465
	2d generation:	13.5	13.5	594	473
Carribean,	Immigrant:	12.8	12.2	587	399
Africa	2d generation:	13.2	13.2	621	428

Are Migrants Positively Selected?

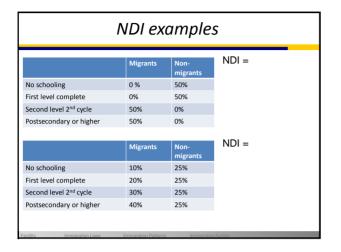
- Cynthia Feliciano
 - Sociologist, so the standard empirical approach is somewhat different than it would be for an economist
- What I liked about this article:
 - Distinguishes between countries (few articles do)
- Questions
 - Do migrants from country x have higher educational attainment than those who remain in country x?
 - What are determinants of educational selectivity by country?
 - Are there changes over time in educational selectivity?
 - Within 1 country, are there changes in educational selectivity?

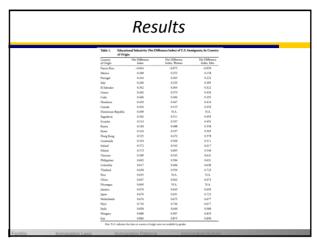
Definitions and Data

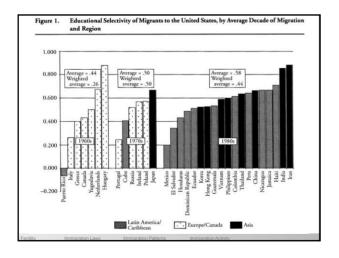
- 31 countries and Puerto Rico
- Data on educational attainment of migrants to US from country x and of those who remain in country x
 - Time frame depends on when country x sent most people to US
 - Sample restricted to age-at-migration ≥ 22
 - education likely complete
 - Selected migrants in same age range as home-country popul.
 - Distinguished between male & female

Educational Attainment Variable

- Educational Attainment has 6 categories
 - (1) no schooling/illiterate, (2) first level incomplete, (3) first level completed, (4) second level 1st cycle, (5) second level 2nd cycle, and (6) postsecondary schooling or higher
- · Computed NDI (net difference index)
- NDI = likelihood(migrants_j > nonmigrants_j) likelihood(nonmigrants_j > migrants_j)
 - Where $migrants_i$ = % of migrants with educational attainment j
 - nonmigrants_i = % of non-migrants with educ attainment j







Determinants of NDI (small sample) reen Select Factors and Immigrants' Educational Selectivity (Net Dif-Table 2. Relationships Betw ference Indexes) Bivariate Multivariate Correlation Coefficient Regression Regression Coefficient Average Years of Schooling in Home Country -.041* -.043* Distance (in thousands of miles) from the United States .421 .029* Percentage Who Migrated Before 1965 -.123 -.001 -.007 Gini Coefficient (inequality level in home country) -.302 Political Reasons for Migration (dummy variable = 1 if political) .240 .107 Average Age of Immigrants -.004 -.098 Percentage of Immigrants Who Are Female -.087 -.358 Constant for Multivariate Model .665*** R2 for Multivariate Model N for Multivariate Model 32 *p < .05; *** p < .001

Group Discussion Questions	Migration: Goal?
 On the timeline on the board, write in (to the best of your knowledge) When your family came to the U.S. From where And then talk about what you know of "why" family came 	
Migration: Push & Pull Factors?	Migration: Behavioral Assumptions?