

'The Basics of Immigration: Its Effects on America & Simple Solutions'

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ABSTRACT

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Illegal Immigration is a current hot button topic that is sure to polarize all who dialogue within this topic. Nevertheless, for the sake of the existing base of American government and the prevention of this country's collapse, many need to seriously ponder this topic and the negative ramifications that are sure to follow in order to take drastic measures and alter the dark course that this country is on. To qualify these statements, the statistics are alarming and the evidence...jaw dropping. Illegal immigration is changing the identity of America, both institutionally and individually.

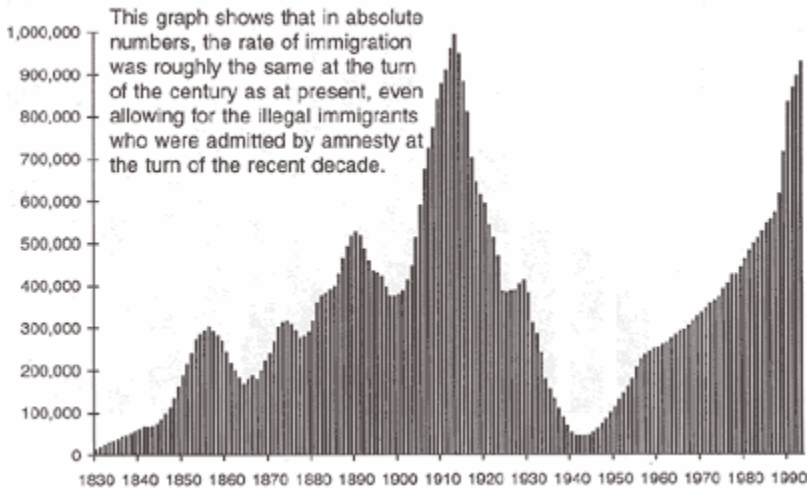
Introduction

Immigration has been occurring across civilization from the beginnings of time. There have been positive contributions from immigration such as culture exchanges, increases in the knowledge base and wealth pooling. On the other hand, there have been negative contributions to immigration, most notably illegal immigration, such as revolution and ethnic cleansing. America faces an illegal immigration crisis at this time. The negative contributions may not be as overt as a coup, but are covert and just as deadly. Such lethal consequences that are on the horizon from illegal immigration are disease, loss of national language, economic collapse and the overthrow of our existing basis of government. In this research paper, I hope to outline some details stemming from illegal immigration and awaken those whose attitude toward illegal immigration is that of a sleepwalker.

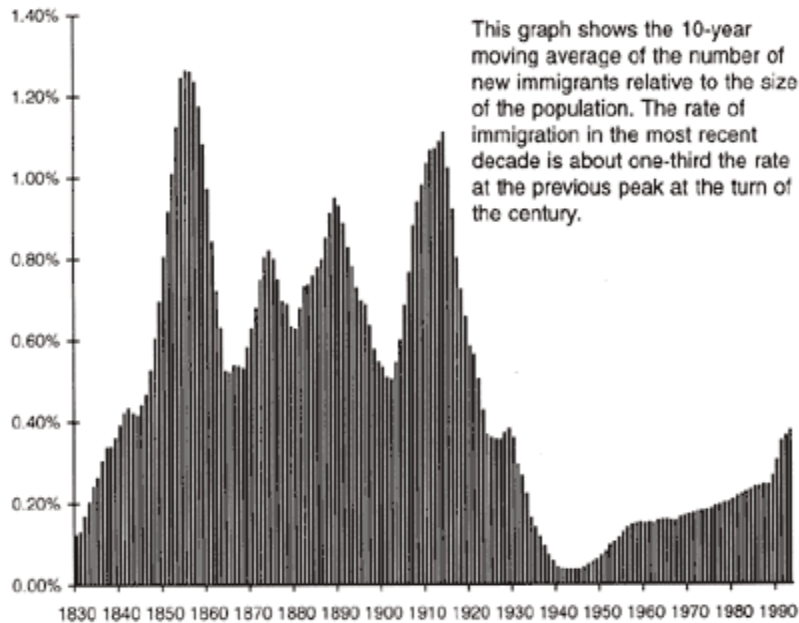
Statistical Data

Many in America have negative feelings and a negative perception towards immigration, particularly illegal immigration. Their concerns are many to include, job loss and bearing the economic burden of the immigrant. According to a New York Times poll (July 1986), 47% of Americans polled believe that ‘most immigrants wind up on welfare’. Additionally, according to a New York Times/CBS poll (June 1986), 49% of Americans polled believe that ‘most recent immigrants are here illegally’ (Cato Institute). ‘More than half of illegal aliens enter legally and overstay their visas and permits. Less than half of illegal immigrants cross the nation's borders clandestinely. The majority enter legally and overstay their visas’ (Fix and Passel 1994, p.4).

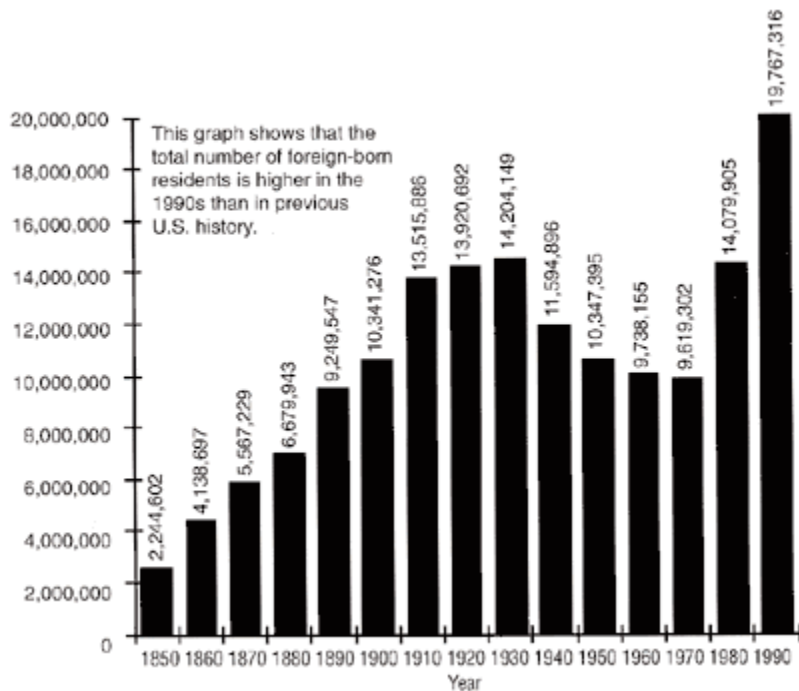
Under Title 8 Section 1325 of the U.S. Code, ‘Improper Entry by Alien’, any citizen of any country other than the United States who: Enters or attempts to enter the United States at any time or place other than as designated by immigration officers; or eludes examination or inspection by immigration officers; or attempts to enter or obtains entry to the United States by a willfully false or misleading representation or the willful concealment of a material fact; has committed a federal crime. Violations are punishable by criminal fines and imprisonment for up to six months. Repeat offenses can bring up to two years in prison. Additional civil fines may be imposed at the discretion of immigration judges, but civil fines do not negate the criminal sanctions or nature of the offense. Even though illegal immigration is a crime, sadly, the following statistics bear witness that the law has not been enforced as it should.



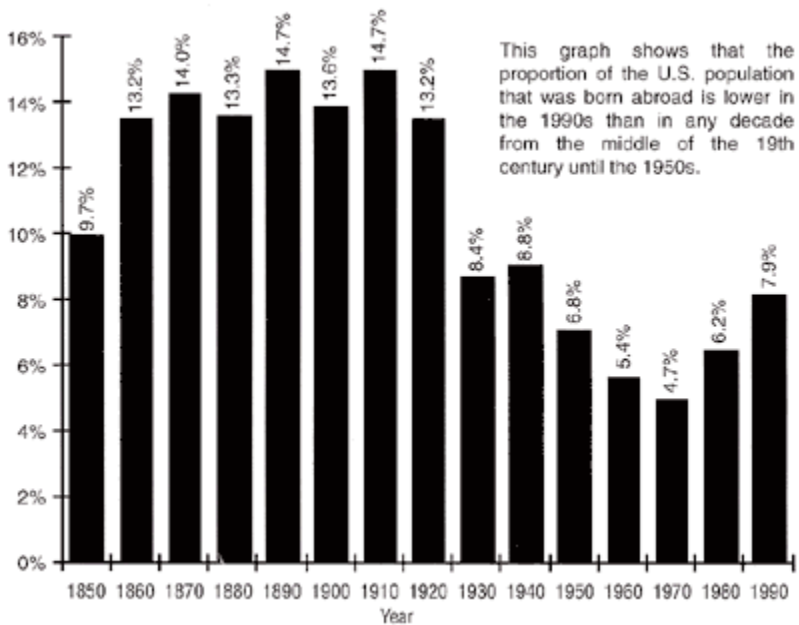
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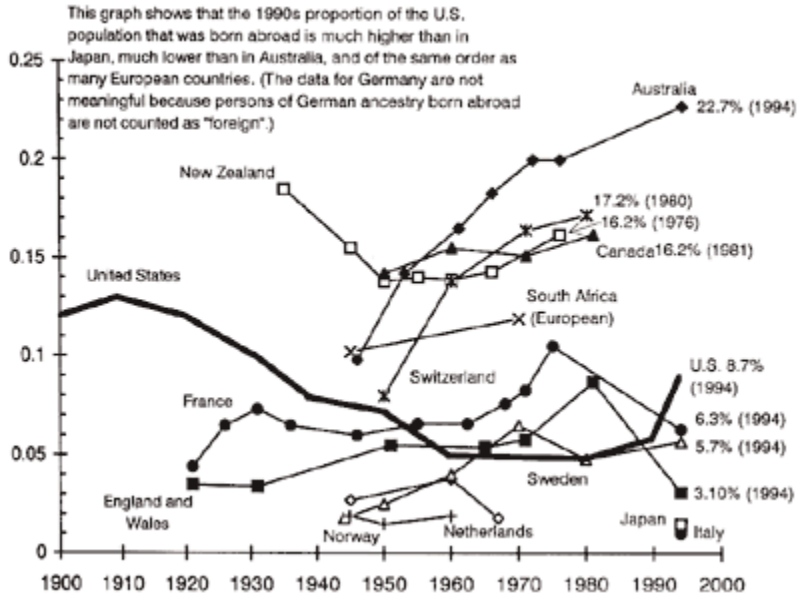
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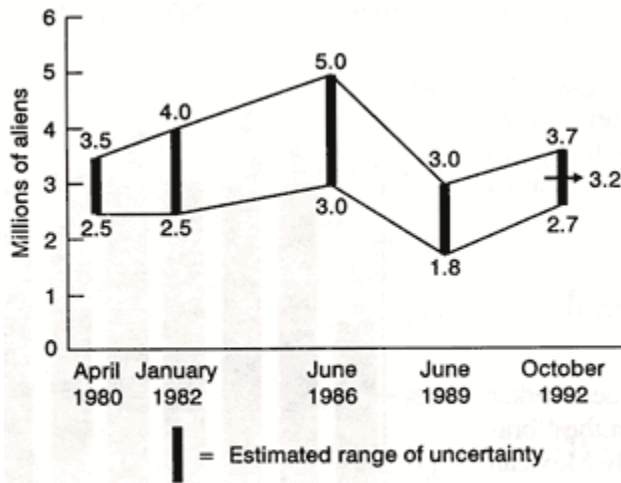
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Source: Simon, 1989, p.29; Vernez, 1994.



This figure shows that the stock of illegal aliens has tended to rise rather modestly, and the amnesty of 1987–1988 brought down the stock to the levels around 1980.

Source: Fix and Passel, 1994, p.23.

Economic, Health & Socialism Concerns

A great concern that illegal immigration poses is the growth of the immigrant population, both illegal and legal. Each year, thousands of women enter the United States illegally to give birth, knowing that their child will thus have U.S. citizenship. Their children immediately qualify for a slew of federal, state, and local benefit programs. In addition, when the children turn 21, they can sponsor the immigration of other relatives, becoming 'anchor babies' for an entire clan. The following story is worth pondering:

'In 1994, Alma Meza Guitierrez traveled hundreds of miles with her three year old son through Mexico and across the U.S. border in order to reach her aunt and uncle's small apartment in San Diego. She lives in squalid conditions in the apartment's kitchen, she does not speak English and has little prospects for employment. Why would a 20-year-old mother of one give up her life in Mexico to endure such circumstances? Alma is pregnant and she, like thousands of other women who enter the United States illegally each year, knows that giving birth in the U.S. means her child will be an 'anchor baby' and granted U.S. citizenship. For Alma, that means her child will immediately qualify for a slew of federal, state and local benefit programs. In addition, when Alma's child turns 21, he can sponsor the immigration of other members of the Guitierrez clan' ("Born In the USA," *San Diego Union-Tribune*, February 20, 1994).

This 'anchor baby' phenomena is occurring at alarming rates and we saw the evidence of its effects in Europe, as most of the indigenous countries will be mostly Moslem within the next 15-20 years. 'The rate of illegal immigration is agreed by all

experts to be about 250,000 to 300,000 per year' (Cosman). Thousands of illegal women per year are having children and billions are being spent on government benefits and most politicians country is willing to sacrifice the middle class, (the working base & the tax base) in order to placate the immigrant in hopes for future votes in return. As a result, 'the increasing number of illegal aliens coming into the United States is forcing the closure of hospitals, spreading previously vanquished diseases and threatening to destroy America's prized health-care system. 'The influx of illegal aliens has serious hidden medical consequences, we judge reality primarily by what we see. But what we do not see can be more dangerous, more expensive, and more deadly than what is seen' ...⁸⁴ California hospitals are closing their doors as a direct result of the rising number of illegal aliens and their non-reimbursed tax on the system and Anchor babies, born to illegal aliens instantly qualify as citizens for welfare benefits and have caused enormous rises in Medicaid costs and stipends under Supplemental Security Income and Disability Income' (Cosman).

In addition to the economic concerns, Dr. Cosman reports that 'many illegal aliens harbor fatal diseases that American medicine fought and vanquished long ago, such as drug-resistant tuberculosis, malaria, leprosy, plague, polio, dengue, and Chagas disease'. While legal immigrants are screened for disease before receiving their green cards, illegal immigrants cross the borders and are not. Thus, we have a plethora of unknown communicable diseases entering this country on a daily basis.

According to the Cosman report, other health threats from illegals include:

- Chagas disease, also called American trypanosomiasis or "kissing bug disease," is transmitted by the reduviid bug, which prefers to bite the lips and face. The protozoan parasite that it carries, *Trypanosoma cruzi*, infects 18 million people annually in Latin America and causes 50,000 deaths. The disease also infiltrates America's blood supply. Chagas affects blood transfusions and transplanted organs. No cure exists. Hundreds of blood recipients may be silently infected.
- Leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease, was so rare in America that in 40 years only 900 people were afflicted. Suddenly, in the past three years America has more than 7,000 cases of leprosy. Leprosy now is endemic to northeastern states because illegal aliens and other immigrants brought leprosy from India, Brazil, the Caribbean and Mexico.
- Dengue fever is exceptionally rare in America, though common in Ecuador, Peru, Vietnam, Thailand, Bangladesh, Malaysia and Mexico. Recently, according to the report, there was a virulent outbreak of dengue fever in Webb County, Texas, which borders Mexico. Though dengue is usually not a fatal disease, dengue hemorrhagic fever routinely kills.
- Polio was eradicated from America, but now reappears in illegal immigrants as do intestinal parasites, says the report.
- Malaria was obliterated, but now is re-emerging in Texas.

Thankfully, Dr. Cosman's report recommends the following remedies: 1) rescinding the U.S. citizenship of anchor babies, 2) closing America's borders with fences, high-tech security devices and troops 3) punishing the aiding and abetting of illegal aliens as a crime and 4) an end to amnesty programs.

Additionally, Health Care for Illegal Immigrants has no American threads of Constitutionality. The role of Government is not to provide health care for individuals. Further, the government is unable to provide for any. Government does not produce any wheat, nor barrels of oil nor loaves of bread. Government must take from others in order to re-distribute to the individuals of their choice. Thus, the government that can promise everything you want, must be definition take everything you've got to pay for it. In doing this, the middle class (tax-base, working base) is ravished and re-distribution takes

place...and eventually the country would collapse. This method has been tried and failed, miserably, as we see in Europe, with 25% - 50% inflation and unemployment. Further, California is going bankrupt due to the State Laws of absorbing Illegal Immigrant Health Care Costs, ‘Many California hospitals cannot afford to absorb costs and many are forced to close due to financial mandates for treating illegal immigrants. As recently reported, 84 California hospitals are closing their doors forever. Hospital closure degrades health care to all in the community and results in job losses (Glueck & Cihak). An old axiom states that what happens in California is a precursor to what happens in the rest of the nation. National Health Care and a Health Care plan for Illegal Immigrants as a government policy is a form of socialism. ‘Under socialism, the means of production is owned by the state’ (Demar). In our system of government, individuals have an ‘individual’ responsibility to provide food for their families, insurance for homes. Just as an individual would work and purchase a product such as home owner’s insurance within their means...or...work and purchase a product such as car insurance within their means...or...work and purchase a product such as life insurance within their means...so too does an individual have the responsibility to work and purchase a product within their means such as health care insurance. Not only do we live in a free market system of capitalism, where every individual can reach their full potential, we also live in a Constitutional Republic (rule by law). As Christians, we know that our original government was instituted by God under the auspices of Biblical context...*“For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king: He will save us” (Isaiah 33:22)*. Henceforth, we have our three branches of government...the legislative branch (our lawgiver), the executive branch (our king), and the judicial branch (our judge).

Socialism is a direct affront to our system and would perpetuate a national collapse of our existing form of government.

Solutions: Assimilation, 14th Amendment Interpretation, Border Control

Although gravely important, the concern about immigration is much deeper than just health and economics...it is also political. Eventually, the incoming immigrant population will use the strategy of populational take over to vote in new laws that overturn our government. Anchor babies are the key to this strategy. Unless, assimilation takes place, the incoming population will bring their socialistic values into this country and attempt to overthrow the existing basis of this government through legislation. 'America's genius has always been assimilation, taking immigrants and turning them into Americans. The key to assimilation, of course, is language. The real threat to the United States is not immigration per se but bilingualism and, ultimately, biculturalism. Our first task, therefore, should be abolishing bilingual education everywhere and requiring that our citizenship tests have strict standards for English language and American civics. The cure for excessive immigration is successful assimilation. The way to prevent European-like immigration catastrophes is to turn every immigrant -- and most surely his children -- into an American' (Krauthammer). Further, to assuage the anchor baby onslaught we should revisit a proper interpretation of the 14th Amendment. As stated, 'every person born within the limits of the United States, and subject to their jurisdiction, is by virtue of natural law and national law a citizen of the United States. This will not, of course, include persons born in the United States who are foreigners, aliens, who belong to the

families of ambassadors or foreign ministers accredited to the Government of the United States, but will include every other class of persons' (Howard). Further stated, 'the present guarantee under American law of automatic birthright citizenship to the children of illegal aliens can operate...as one more incentive to illegal migration and violation by nonimmigrant aliens already here. When this attraction is combined with the powerful lure of the expanded entitlements conferred upon citizen children and their families by the modern welfare state, the total incentive effect of birthright citizenship may well become significant' (Schuck and Smith).

The 14th Amendment was added to the Constitution as part of the post-Civil War reforms aimed at addressing injustices to African Americans. It states that 'all persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof are citizens of the United States' and was crafted so that state governments could never deny citizenship to blacks born in the United States. But at the time, the United States had no immigration policy, and thus the authors saw no need to state that explicitly. The 14th Amendment stipulates that Congress has the power to enforce its provisions by enactment of legislation, and the power to enforce a law is necessarily accompanied by the authority to interpret that law. Therefore, an act of Congress stating its interpretation of the 14th Amendment, as not to include the offspring of illegal aliens, would fall within Congress's prerogative. Furthermore, to help thwart the stem the negative contributions of illegal immigration, we need strong border control. Border control is vital to the integrity and sovereignty of a nation. Without secure borders, a nation is at risk for invasion, land disputes, disease infiltration and in these days of post '911'...terrorism. This concern is

key when understanding the subject of ‘Assimilation’. ‘According to the 2004 U.S. Census, 34 million Americans are foreign-born. More than half of them are from Latin America. Recently released government statistics, report that there are 11 million illegal aliens currently in the U.S. Estimates put the flood of illegals streaming over the U.S.-Mexican border at a half-million a year...In many parts of this country, there are communities which would appear unrecognizable to the majority of Americans. Whereas, immigrants to the United States once made a valiant effort to learn English and create a good life for their families--too many of today's immigrants want the rights entitled to American citizens, without making any effort to assimilate’ (Gibson). In essence, Immigration without Assimilation equals invasion and as a result, these United States are being colonized. There was a time when immigrants would come to America and be ‘Assimilated’. They would learn the language, adopt American values and customs such as our form of Government (Constitutional Republic), which is a rule by law. They would pledge alliance to the flag...they would be loyal to American patriotism.

Human Service Worker

The Human Service Worker has a vital role in serving the immigrant population. The Human Service Worker must be trained in to Multi-Cultural Issues and knowledgeable in the vast arena of support and community resources. When giving care, the Human Service Worker would do well to be familiar with the past and current trends of this issue and the various cultural implications involved. In doing so, the Human Service worker will be able to assist in giving quality support to their client. Basically, there are twelve ways the Human Service worker can build trust and serve the immigrant

client: 1) learn the culture, 2) create a welcoming atmosphere, 3) acknowledge the validity of their suspicion of you, 4) emphasize strengths in individuals and communities, 5) find sources of power, 6) use the net work of family and friend, 7) use the community of networks, 8) understand patterns of informality and friendliness, 9) be willing to share yourself, 10) understand client's lack of resources, 11) give concrete services and information, and 12) learn how to empower (Mandell, Schram). As Human Service workers, we are to serve and support the people with competent care and compassion. When giving care to the client, the Human Service Worker must be cognizant of the tension between their personal feelings about immigration and their professional role as a Human Service Worker, especially if the Human Service Worker is Christian and a strong patriot for traditional American Values.

Conclusion

When most people think about a national attack, think of war and enemy offensives. Notwithstanding, we as a nation are under attack, both spiritually (sin) and physically (immigration). As a nation, we are being invaded on a daily basis. As a result, our economy is eroding and our laws are being overturned. Prayerfully, by God's grace, wisdom can be applied to the political leadership and the electorate can be fully informed to expect interventions such as assimilation, godly legislation and border control.

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