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Immigration as an Issue...

- Huge Increase in Immigration
  - Population Quadruples 1970-2008
  - In-flows Increase 4-fold
  - Undocumented Flows Begin in 1970s
- Geographic Dispersal
  - Top 6 States had 75% in ’90 → 65% today
  - 80% of Undocs in ’90 → <60% in ’06
  - 7-fold increase in “New Destinations”
  - Nationalized the issue
- Young, Working Unauthorized Families
  - <25% of Undocumented are “Solo males”
  - 75% live in Families
  - 3+ million U.S. Citizen Children in Families

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Latin Americans & Asians Dominate Foreign-Born

- Mexico: 32% (12.0 million)
- Other Latin America: 24% (9.0 million)
- Asia: 25% (0.7 million)
- Europe & Canada: 14% (5.1 million)
- Africa & Other: 9% (1.8 million)

37.6 Million Foreign-Born in 2006

Mexico is Largest Source of Unauthorized, Too

- Mexico: 57% (6.5 million)
- Other Latin America: 26% (3.6 million)
- Asia: 10% (1.2 million)
- Europe & Canada: 2% (0.2 million)
- Africa & Other: 5% (0.6 million)

11.5 Million in March 2006

Mexican In-Flows Peak in 2000; 2007 Less Than Half of Peak!

New Immigration Growth Centers

New Growth → High % Unauthorized

Major Redistribution Away From Big 6 Settlement States

- Percent of Total Unauthorized Migrant Population: 42%
- 2000 (3.5 million)
- 2006 (11.5 million)
- CA: 42%
- TX: 22%
- NY: 19%
- FL: 8%
- IL: 7%
- NJ: 6%
- All Other: 7%
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Characteristics of Unauthorized Migrant Population

- **Who Are They?**
  - Mainly in Families
  - Relatively Young
  - Almost All Work

- **What Are They Like?**
  - Low Education
  - Jobs Reflect Skills
  - Low Incomes
  - Lack of Insurance

Unauthorized Families — Mixed Composition

- Unauthorized Children: 1.6 million (14% of all unauthorized)
- U.S. Citizen Children: 3.4 million (67% of kids)
- Adult Men: 6.0 million (61% of Adults)
- Adult Women: 3.9 million (39% of Adults)
- Other Adults: 460,000

15.3 million in Unauthorized Families

"Mixed Status" Families Common Among Unauthorized

- "Mixed" families: 7% of unauthorized (4.4 million families)
- "Solo Men": 2.0 million
- "Solo Women": 700,000

7.1 Million Unauthorized Families

Unauthorized in Lower Wage & Education Occupations

- Service Occupations: 30% (10*)
- Transportation & Material Moving: 8% (9*)
- Production, Installation, & Repair: 15% (10*)
- Construction & Extractive: 22% (9*)
- Farming, etc.: 3% (0.5%)

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**Unauthorized Over-Represented in a Few Industries**

- **Leisure & Hospitality:** 18% (8%)
- **Construction:** 23% (7%)
- **Manufacturing:** 14% (11%)
- **Professional & Business Services:** 12% (13%)
- **Agriculture:** 3% (1%)
- **Other Services:** 6% (5%)
- **Wholesale & Retail Trade:** 11% (15%)

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**Unauthorized Migration to U.S.**

- **Very Large In-Flows**
  - Steadily Increasing Population
  - Slowing Growth (or Decline?)
- **Largely Mexican & Latino**
  - No Routes to Green Cards
- **New Destinations Emerge**
  - Job Availability in U.S.
  - Conditions in Mexico & Elsewhere
- **Majority in Families**
  - Spouses & Families Follow
  - 2/3 of Kids Born in U.S.

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