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Outline of the Presentation

• Define the foreign-born population
• Discuss change since 1960
• Provide data for selected states
• Review migration-related information available from the American Community Survey
Defining Terms: Native Born and Foreign Born

Native born – Anyone who *is* a U.S. citizen at birth

The native population includes anyone born in the United States, born in Puerto Rico or a U.S. Island Area (e.g., Guam), and born abroad of a U.S. citizen parent or parents.

Includes children born in the United States to foreign-born parents.

Foreign born – Anyone who *is not* a U.S. citizen at birth

The foreign-born population includes naturalized U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, temporary migrants, humanitarian migrants, and unauthorized migrants.

Note: The Census Bureau does not collect data by legal status, other than naturalized citizen/noncitizen.
Foreign-Born Population and Percentage of Total Population, for the United States: 1850 to 2010

Foreign-Born Population by Region of Birth: 1960 to 2010
(Numbers in millions)

Note: Other areas include Africa and Oceania.
Percentage Distribution of the Foreign-Born Population by Region of Birth: 1960 to 2010

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Note: Data presented for 2000 and 2010 are for the non-Hispanic White alone population. The 1970 Census included a question on the Hispanic origin of individuals asked of a 5-percent sample (see Gibson and Jung, 2005).

Note: Data presented for 2000 and 2010 are for the White alone, not Hispanic population and the Asian and Pacific Islander alone population.
Foreign-Born Population for Selected States: 2000 and 2010
(Numbers in millions)

- Tennessee: 0.3 (2010), 0.2 (2000)
- Hawaii: 0.2 (2010), 0.2 (2000)
- Oklahoma: 0.2 (2010), 0.2 (2000)
- District of Columbia: 0.1 (2010), 0.1 (2000)

## Foreign-Born Population as a Percentage of State Population, for Selected States: 2000 and 2010

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<tr>
<th>State</th>
<th>2000</th>
<th>2010</th>
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<td>California</td>
<td>26.2</td>
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<td>New York</td>
<td>20.4</td>
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<td>Tennessee</td>
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<td>Oklahoma</td>
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<td>District of Columbia</td>
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State Foreign-Born Population as a Percentage of the Total Foreign-Born Population: 2000 and 2010
(Percent distribution)

- **2000**
  - All other states: 59.1%
  - New York: 12.4%
  - California: 28.5%

- **2010**
  - All other states: 63.8%
  - New York: 10.8%
  - California: 25.4%

Percentage Increase in the Foreign-Born Population, for Selected States: 2000 to 2010

- California: 14.5%
- New York: 11.1%
- Tennessee: 81.8%
- Hawaii: 17.0%
- Oklahoma: 56.7%
- District of Columbia: 11.1%

## Foreign-Born Population by Region of Birth, for Selected States: 2011

(Percent distribution)

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<th>State</th>
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<th>Asia</th>
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<td>District of Columbia</td>
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<td>1.3</td>
<td>44.9</td>
<td>18.8</td>
<td>1.2</td>
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American Community Survey: Key Migration Items

- Place of birth/nativity (*not* country of citizenship)
- U.S. citizenship
- Year of naturalization (beginning in the 2008 ACS)
- Year of entry
- Migration history (residence 1 year ago)
- Race, ethnicity (Hispanic origin), ancestry
- Language spoken at home
American Community Survey: Selected Population Profiles (SPPs)
American Community Survey: Selected Data Products

Selected Population Profiles (S0201)
- Total; native; foreign born, including by specific country-of-birth groups

Subject tables (B0501 to B0506)
- Total; native; foreign born, including by regions (Europe, Asia, Latin America, Africa, Northern America and Oceania); period of entry

Detailed tables (B05001 to B05012)
- Nativity; citizenship; place of birth; sex; age; year of entry; children of immigrants

Percent foreign born (GCT0501 to GCT0505)
- Foreign born, including regions (Europe, Asia, and Latin America) and Mexico

State ranking tables (R0501 to R0505)
- Foreign born, including regions (Europe, Asia, and Latin America) and Mexico
Reports and Additional Information on the Foreign Born

www.census.gov/population/foreign

- Links to reports, data tables, definitions, infographics, etc.
- Description of data sets with foreign-born information
- Step-by-step instructions on how to access ACS data products through American FactFinder
  - Selected Population Profiles (SPPs), detailed tables, ranking tables, subject tables, etc.
  - www.census.gov/population/foreign/data/affinstructions2.html
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