## Immigration



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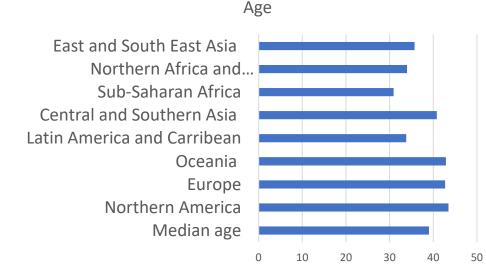
Source: Justice for Migrants " Root causes"	Push	Pull	
Safety/Security	Persecution Violence War	Safety Stability Freedom	
Economic	Poor wages Lack of Jobs Poverty	Higher Wages Job prospects Education	
Environmental	Crop Failure Pollution Natural Disaster	Food availability Better environment	
Social /Humanitarian	Limited opportunities Lack of Services Family Separation/Marriage	Family Reunification Better quality of life Availability of services	

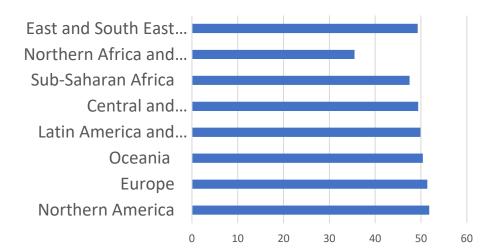
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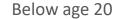
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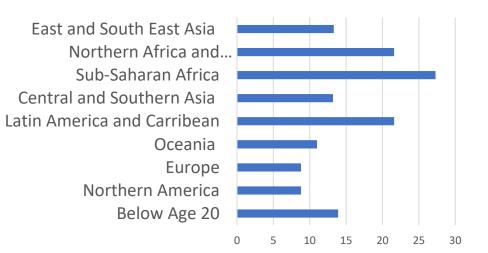
## Data on International Migrants

Source: UN world migration report 2020









# Countries with the Most Immigrants

United Kingdom10 million immigrants3.7% of totalRussia12 million immigrants4.4% of totalSaudi Arabia13 million immigrants4.7% of totalGermany13 million immigrants4.8% of totalUSA51 million immigrants19% of total

**Source:** 12/18/2020 *Immigration News* https://citizenpath.com/countries-with-the-most-immigrants/

## Global Migration Trends

**258 Million INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS** (2017)

**\$466 Billion REMITTANCES** (2017)

**18.8 Million** in 135 countries **PEOPLE AFFECTED BY CLIMATE CHANGE** (2017)

4.8 Million STUDENTS (2016)



14% of all immigrants were **CHILDREN** (2017)

66 Million Adults had plans to **MIGRATE** (2015)

Source: United Nations https://www.iom.int/global-migration-trends

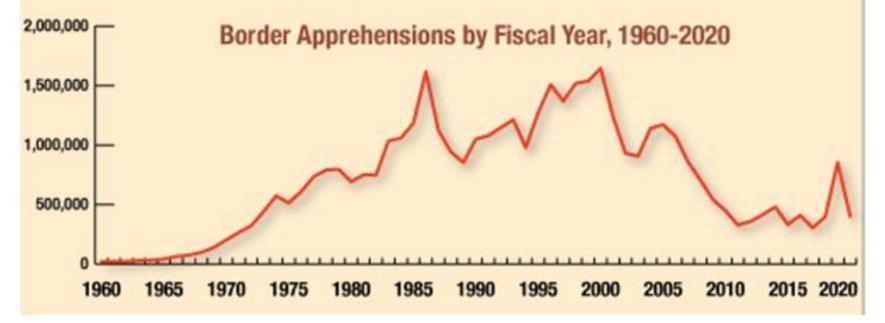
**Migration from the Northern Triangle Countries** (Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras) to the United States

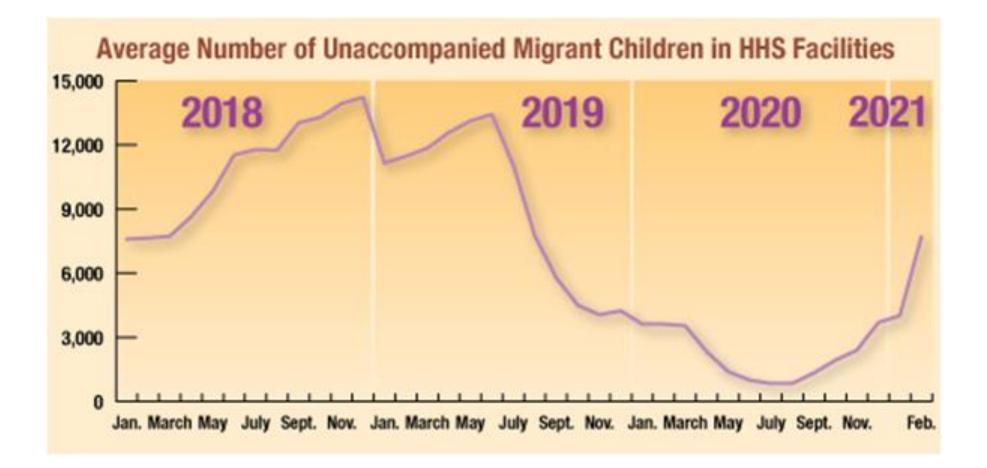
- People flee El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, largely due to chronic violence, corruption, and poverty. Crime & homicide rates are high
- Climate changes have had big impacts: hurricanes; the Big Drought: agricultural land has dried up
- Why don't those who flee go to various South American countries? A researcher in this area told me that many So American countries are too unstable and many of the immigrants in the Northern Triangle speak native dialects, rather than Spanish.

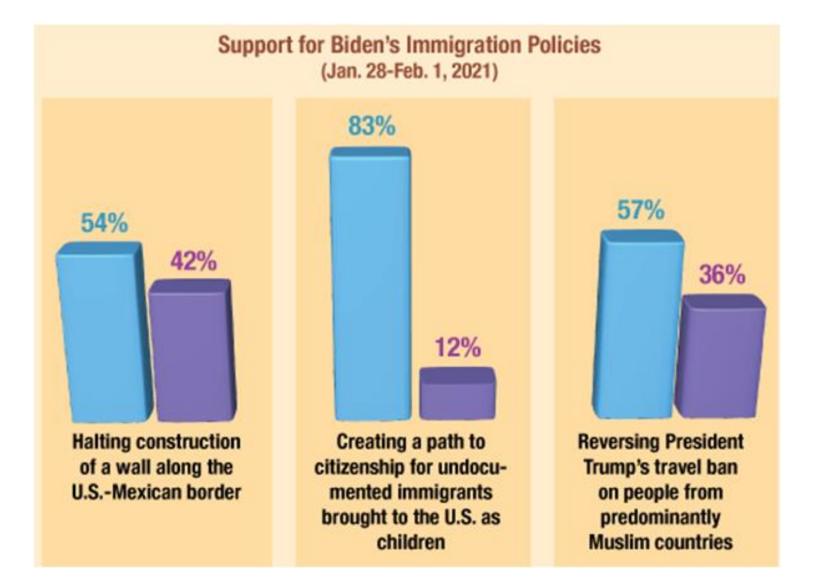
Source: Council on Foreign Relations info about the Northern Triangle <u>https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/central-americas-turbulent-northern-triangle</u>

### **Border Apprehensions Peaked in 2000**

Apprehensions at the Southwest border, which surged in the 1980s and '90s after Congress passed major immigration reforms in 1965 and 1986, have totaled less than 1 million per year since 2007.

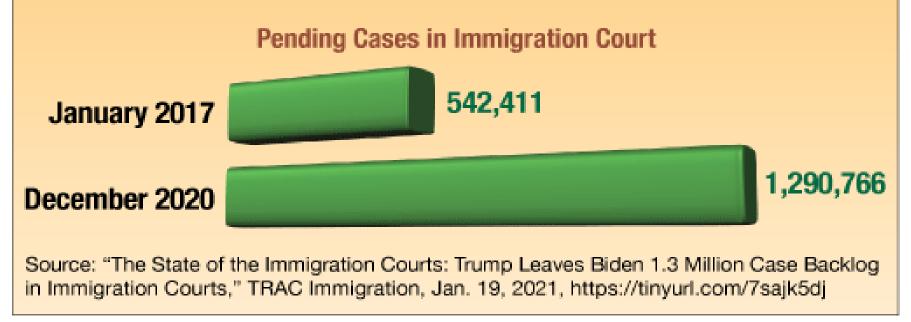






### **Court Backlog Doubled During Trump Administration**

The number of unresolved cases pending in U.S. immigration courts more than doubled during the Trump administration, with would-be immigrants waiting an average of more than four years to have their cases heard.



### US Immigration System

Basic principles

- Reunification of families
- Admit immigrants with skills that are valuable to the U.S. economy
- Protect refugees
- Promote diversity

### System itself is very complex.

Source: American Immigration Council https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/research/how-unitedstates-immigration-system-works

## Studies about Opposition to Immigration

News about the costs of immigration boosts White opposition far more when Latino immigrants, rather than European immigrants, are featured.

Source: American Journal of Political Science 2008

In the U.S., analysis of voting patterns over time shows that White Americans with anti-immigrant views have been shifting steadily toward the Republican Party. The end result is a nation divided by race and outcomes that often favor Whites over immigrants and minorities.

Source: Daedalus 2021

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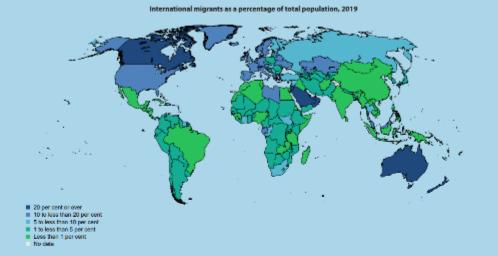
### **International Migration 2019**

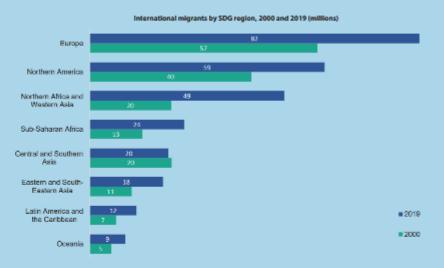
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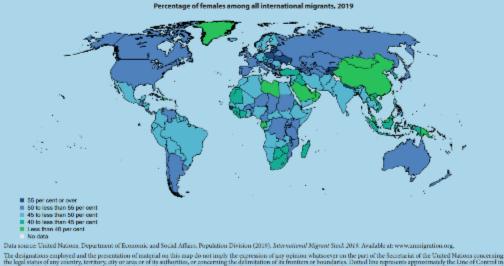
**Population Division** 

www.unpopulation.org





Countries with the largest numbers of international migrants, 2000 and 2019 (millions)





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