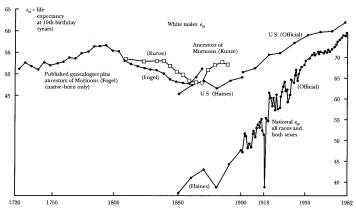
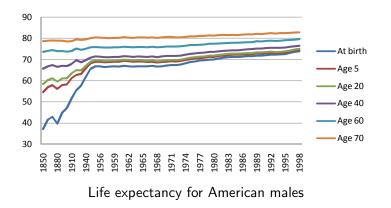


#### Life Expectancy in America, 1720-1982



Source: Peter Lindert, Comment," in National Bureau of Economic Research, Long Term Factors in American Economic Growth, vol. 51, ed. Stanley I. Engerman and Robert F. Gallman (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1986): 530



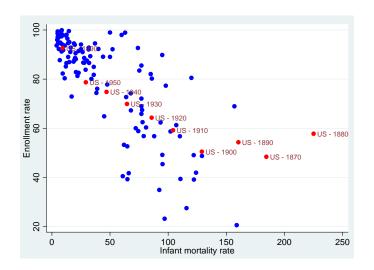
#### Leading Causes of Death in the United States, 1900

Rank	Cause	Rate per 100,000 people	
1	Pneumonia and influenza	202.2	
2	Tuberculosis	194.4	
3	Diarrhea, enteritis, and ulceration of the intestines	142.7	
4	Diseases of the heart	137.4	
5	Intracranial lesions of vascular origin	106.9	
6	Nephritis	88.6	
7	Accidents	72.3	
8	Cancer and other malignant tumors	64	
9	Senility	50.2	
10	Diptheria	40.3	

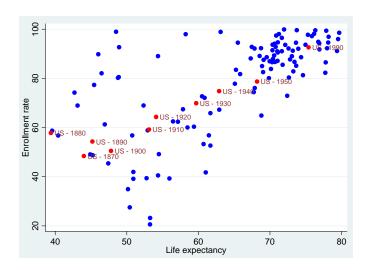
#### Leading Causes of Death in the United States, 1998

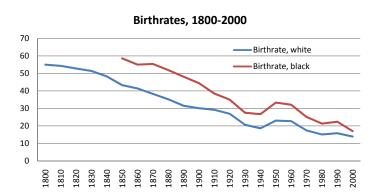
Rank	Cause	Rate per 100,000 people	
1	Diseases of heart	268.2	
2	Malignant neoplasms	200.3	
3	Cerebrovacular diseases	58.6	
4	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diases	41.7	
5	Accidents	36.2	
6	Pneumonia and influenza	34	
7	Diabetes	24	
8	Suicide	11.3	
9	Nephritis	9.7	
10	Chronic liver disease	9.3	

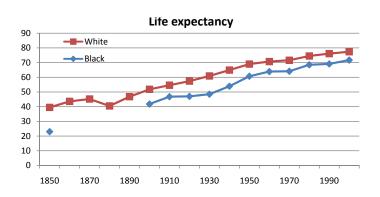
# Putting American Health in Perspective

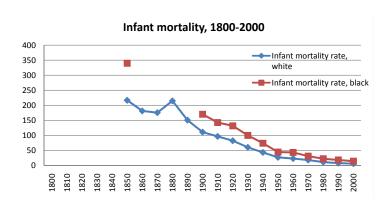


# Putting American Health in Perspective









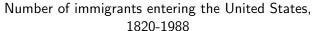
Fertility and Mortality in the United States

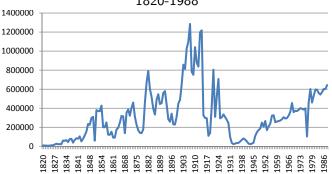
	1850		2000	
	White	Black	White	Black
Birthrate	43.3	58.6	13.9	17.0
Infant mortality rate	216.8	340.0	5.7	14.1
Life expectancy	39.5	23.0	77.4	71.7

# Possible Contributions to Racial Gaps

- Differences in average socioeconomic status
- Differences in location
- Differences in access to medical care
- Discrimination in medical care

# Immigration and the Demographics of the United States







Early 1800s - No Major Restrictions



1850s - Rise of Nativists



1882 - Chinese Exclusion Act

Sec. 3. That the following classes of aliens shall be excluded from admission into the United States: All idiots, imeciles, feeble-minded persons, epileptics, insane persons...persons of constitutional psychopathic inferiority; persons with chronic alcoholism; paupers; professional beggars; vagrants; persons afflicted with tuberculosis...

...persons who have been convicted of or admit having committed a felony or other crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; polygamists; anarchists...[persons] who advocate or teach unlawful destruction of property; ...persons coming to the United States for the purpose of prostitution or for any other immoral purpose...

...[The provision] shall not apply to the persons of the following status or occupations: Government officers, ministers or religious teachers, missionaries, lawyers, physicians, chemists, civil engineers, teachers, students, authors, artists, merchants, and travelers for curiosity or pleasure...

All aliens over sixteen years of age, physically capable of reading, who can not read the English language, or some other language or dialect, including Hebrew or Yiddish...That for the purpose of ascertaining whether aliens can read the immigrant inspectors shall be furnished with slips of uniform size...each containing not less than thirty nor more than forty words in ordinary use, printed in plainly legible type of some one of the various languages or dialects of immigrants.



1917 - Literacy Test



1920s - Quota Act and National Origins Act

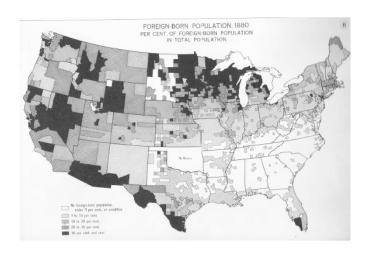


1965 - Immigration and Nationality Act

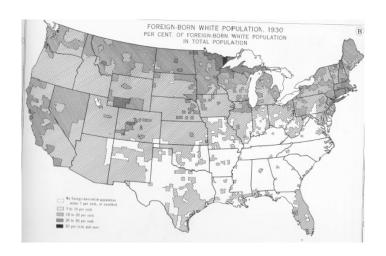
# The Forces of Immigration

- Push factors conditions in a person's home country encouraging emigration
  - Bad economic conditions, military conflict, religious persecution, natural disasters, ...
- Pull factors conditions in the destination country attracting immigrants
  - Economic opportunity, religious/political freedom, presence of social networks, ...

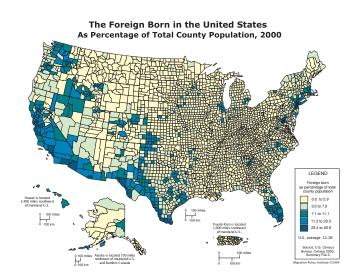
# Immigration and the Labor Force



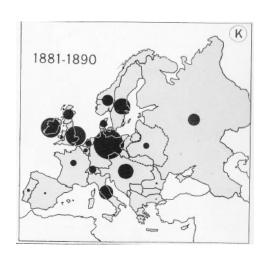
# Immigration and the Labor Force

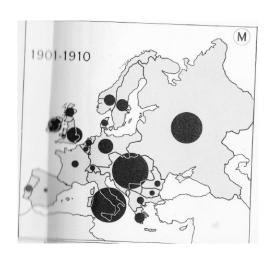


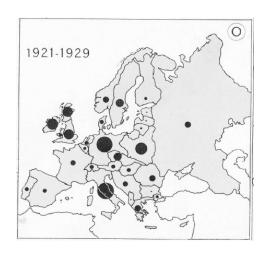
## Immigration and the Labor Force



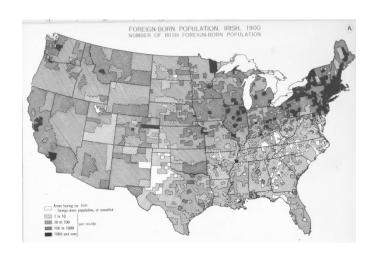








## Destinations of European Migrants



# Destinations of European Migrants

