

Immigration



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What is Human Migration?

Human migration is the movement of people away from their homes to establish new homes in other places.

It has been occurring throughout history.

Humans have been moving across the globe for **70,000 years** or longer.

Glossary

Immigrants

People who **choose** to live in a country they were not born in.

Refugees

People who are **forced** to leave their home country due to a catastrophic event.

What makes people migrate?

PUSH Factors

Tragic or negative reasons for leaving a country.

- Escape war and poverty
- Lack of food and resources
- Political instability and violence
- Natural disasters
- Religious or political persecution
- Discrimination and lack of freedom

PULL Factors

Positive things that attract a migrant to a new country.

- Jobs and housing
- Educational opportunities
- Favorable climate and nature
- Religious, personal, and political freedom

Challenges faced by immigrants

Social & Cultural Barriers

Microaggression, xenophobia, racism, and hate crimes.

Communication

Learning a new language to navigate a new environment.

Daily Essentials

Getting paperwork, finding housing, and accessing healthcare.

Integration

Adjusting to new climates, foods, traditions, and finding friends.

Emotional Toll

Coping with being homesick while seeking acceptance and belonging.

Benefits of immigrating

Cultural Heritage

Sharing your language, culture, and heritage

New Experiences

Trying new foods and learning new things

Global Connections

Making connections with people from all over the world

Social Growth

Making new friends and building communities

Educational Opportunity

Access to good education and academic advancement

Questions to consider:

Educational Barriers

Why does Esperanza not go to school?

Modern Workforce

Are there still migrant workers in the US? Do they live in similar conditions today? Do their children have access to education?

Living Conditions

Why does she live in a camp with only Mexican farm workers?

Local Perspective

Does Michigan have farm workers? Where are they from? How do they live?