Looking Forward: A Changing America & the Context for Early Childhood Education

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IMMIGRATION AS A (NON-) FACTOR

A Growing Immigrant Share of America?

Percent of U.S. Population

percent US-born
percent immigrant


7.9% 12.5% 13.5%

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percent immigrant
IMMIGRATION AS A (NON-) FACTOR

Immigrant Share of the Population, United States, California, and Los Angeles County, 1860-2016

Note that last data points are for six year change.
Change in Youth Population (<18), 2000-2017, U.S., by Race/Ethnicity

- Non-Hispanic White: -6,854,947
- Black: -649,409
- Latino: 6,259,548
- AAPI: 1,033,229
- Native American: -127,200
- Other/Mixed: 1,727,698
Changing Demographics
United States, 1980-2050

- Other
- Native American
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Latino
- Black
- White

Percentage changes over time:
- 1980: 80%
- 1990: 76%
- 2000: 69%
- 2010: 64%
- 2020: 59%
- 2030: 55%
- 2040: 51%
- 2050: 47%
Changing Demographics
California, 1980-2050

Other
Native American
Asian/Pacific Islander
Latino
Black
White
About a fourth of all American children have at least one immigrant parent.

About 11 million undocumented immigrants—about a fourth of all immigrants—with nearly two-thirds having lived in the U.S. for more than a decade.
# Legacy of Change

## Table 1

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Note: “Noncitizen immigrant population” excludes the unauthorized immigrant population. “Child” refers to people under 18 years of age. The total number of people with at least one unauthorized family member in their household may not add up to the sum of the “child” and “adult” population due to rounding.

LEGACY OF CHANGE

Immigration Status and Family Ripple Effects, Los Angeles County, 2012-2016

Approximately 20 percent of residents of Los Angeles County are either undocumented or live with a family member who is undocumented.
2040 Percent People of Color by County

- **Less than 40% People of Color**
- "Tipping Point" Counties: 40 to 50% People of Color
- **Greater than 50% People of Color**

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau.
ANOTHER GEOGRAPHY OF DEMOGRAPHY

COMEBACK CITY
A FINAL DIMENSION OF DEMOGRAPHY

Median Age by Race/Ethnicity, 2012-2016

THE NEW “GENERATION GAP”
Racial generation gap, ranked: Arizona, 2014
AN UNCERTAIN ECONOMY

Source: Emmanuel Saez, *Striking It Richer: The Evolution of Top Incomes in the United States (Update: August 31, 2016).*
United States, 1980 to 2010-2014

Source: IPUMS
REPRODUCING RACIAL INEQUALITY

Kids of color concentrated in high-poverty schools (U.S. as a whole)
GROWING SOCIAL DISTANCE

Proportion of Families Living in High-, Middle-, and Low-Income Neighborhoods
Metropolitan Areas with Population > 500,000, 1970-2008

Neighborhood Type (Based on Median Family Income Level)
- Affluent (>150% of Metro Median)
- Low Middle Income (80-100% of Metro Median)
- High Income (125-150% of Metro Median)
- Low Income (67-80% of Metro Median)
- High Middle Income (100-125% of Metro Median)
- Poor (<67% of Metro Median)
Percent of Families Living Below 150 Percent of the Federal Poverty Line by Race/Ethnicity

United States

1990  2010-2014
DIFFERING FAMILY FORTUNES

Median Household Income by Race/Ethnicity, California, 2012-2016

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DIFFERING FAMILY FORTUNES

Median Household Income for Households with Children under Five by Race/Ethnicity, California, 2012-2016

- White: $95,297
- Black: $43,278
- Latino: $46,368
- API: $107,463
- Native American: $48,000
- Other or Mixed Race: $73,805
We increasingly live in “landslide counties” where our neighbors share our politics and perspectives.

We increasingly get our information not from broadcast news but from narrowcast social media.

HOW DO WE GET PUT BACK TOGETHER?
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- We wind unable to cooperate, collaborate and compromise because we don’t agree on what is real, what is needed, and what we have in common.
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Equity is fundamental for achieving economic prosperity.

Knowing together creates a higher possibility of growing together.

Conflict is an important part – and not antithetical – to collaboration.
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New economic thinking: this level of inequality damages economic growth.

Using model from IMF, we look at what predicts length of employment growth for 200 metros, 1980-2010 – inequality & social distance are key dragging factors on sustained growth.
ELITE-LED REGIONAL STEWARDSHIP
STRUGGLE AND THE CITY
COLLABORATION AND THE NEW ECONOMY

Seattle process

$15 MINIMUM WAGE

seattle.gov

RACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE (RSJI)

King County Equity and Social Justice
NOW MORE THAN EVER
HOW DO YOU GET THERE?

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- Insist on tracking disparity and opportunity
- Engage and build power among parents
HOW DO YOU GET THERE?

- Expect challenges on the way – the moral arc may bend toward justice but someone has to pull hard, particularly in turbulent times.