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OUR FOREIGN-BORN

As shown by the 15th census and announced recently by the Director of the Census, on April 1, 1930, the foreign-born population of the United States was 14,204,149. Of this number 4,429,494, or 31.2 per cent arrived in 1900 or earlier; 3,823,694, or 26.9 per cent, between 1901 and 1910; 2,541,946, or 17.9 per cent, between 1911 and 1919; and 2,823,399, or 19.9 per cent, between 1920 and 1930. These included 13,336,407 white persons, 98,620 negroes, 616,998 Mexicans, 44,086 Chinese, 70,477 Japanese, 3,552 Indians and some 4,009 unclassified as to color or race. Since 1930 our immigration laws have been tightened and the quotas now admitted from the various countries are abnormally small. In 1931 a total of 280,679 persons were legally admitted while some 290,916 foreign-born took leave of our shores. Quota immigrants admitted in 1931 numbered only 54,118, while 21,139 were from non-quota countries and 17,264 were husbands, wives and unmarried children of American citizens.

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