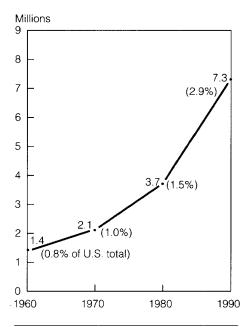
ASIAN-AMERICAN DEMOGRAPHICS

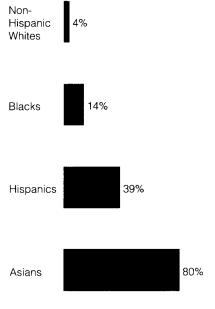
Asians are the fastest growing ethnic group in the United States, and the reason is immigration. They are a diverse lot—with varied backgrounds and native tongues, and sharply different current socioeconomic statuses.

Asian-American **Population**



Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Growth of selected **U.S.** populations during the 1980s



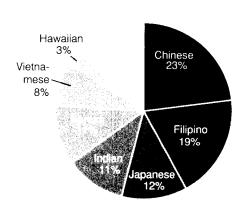
Source: Population Reference Bureau

Asians as a percentage of all immigrants to the United States



Note: Latin Americans equal 42% of incoming immigrants. Source: U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service

Ethnic origins of **Asian-Americans**



Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 data

Vital Statistics on Asian-Americans

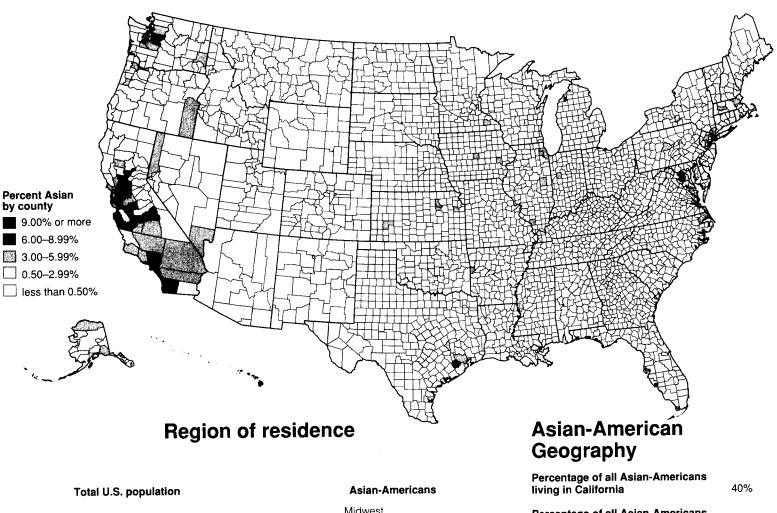
Average for all Asian-Americans = 100

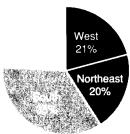
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Rate of college completion	111	112	80	158	102	39	28	36	29
Unemployment rate	77	102	64	123	121	174	NA	NA	149
Median family income	99	104	120	110	90	57	NA	23	85
Family poverty rate	98	58	39	69	122	328	570	NA	134
Professional or managerial job-holding	113	87	144	NA	95	54	51	21	NA

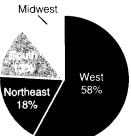
Source: Editor's calculations. Basic data from 1980 U.S. Census and "Post-1965 Asian Immigrants", Morrison Wong, The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, September 1986

Where Asian-Americans Live

Not surprisingly, Asian-Americans reside largely in our western states, particularly California, and they live almost exclusively in metropolitan areas. Their population has grown over the last decade or so to the point where they now outnumber blacks and Hispanics in a number of states.







Percentage of all Asian-Americans living in metropolitan areas 94%

Top 10 Asian-American metro areas

Los Angeles-Long Beach	955,000
New York City	556,000
Honolulu	526,000
San Francisco	330,000
Oakland	270,000
San Jose	261,000
Anaheim-Santa Ana	249,000
Chicago	230,000
Washington, D.C.	202,000
San Diego	198,000

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 data

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As a group, Asians are notable for their economic successes: their median family income exceeds that of whites by a slight margin. Many Asians came to the United States with high levels of training and they vigorously pursue education here.

States where Asians now equal or outnumber blacks

Oregon South Dakota Utah Vermont Washington Wyoming

States where Asians now equal or outnumber Hispanics

Alabama Alaska Hawaii Maine Maryland Mississippi

New Hampshire North Dakota Tennessee Vermont Virginia West Virginia

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 data.

California

Hawaii Idaho

Maine

Montana

New Hampshire

North Dakota

Economic Indicators

	Median Family Income	Average number of earners per family	Unemployment rate	Poverty rate
Asian-Americans	\$35,900	1.8	3.5	14%
Non-Hispanic whites	35,000	1.7	4.2	8
Hispanics	23,400	1.7	10.3	26
Blacks	20,200	1.5	12.3	31
All U.S.	34,200	1.7	6.8	13

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Population Reference Bureau. Data for years 1989 (cols. 1, 2, and 4) and 1990 (col. 3).

Educational Attainment

Percentage of persons 25 and over with for	ır
or more years of college, 1990	

Asian-Americans Non-Hispanic whites Blacks Hispanics	40% 23 12 10	
All U.S.	21	

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census and U.S. National Center for Education Statistics.

Percentage of 1980 high school seniors who earned a bachelor's degree by February 1986

Asian-Americans	29%
Non-Hispanic whites	21
Blacks	10
Hispanics	7
All U.S.	19

Occupations

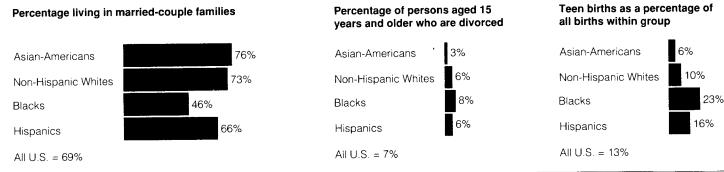
Percentage holding professional or managerial jobs

Indians	47%
Chinese	30
Japanese	28
Koreans	22
Whites	24

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, data from 1980 Census,

There are several other distinctive patterns behind the impressive accomplishments of Asian-Americans. They tend to have strong, intact traditional families. And they have emphasized business and entrepreneurialism while generally avoiding politics.

Family characteristics



Source: U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Bureau of the Census. Chart 1, 1990 data; Chart 2, 1980 data; Chart 3, 1988 data.

Asian-Americans holding political jobs

U.S. Congress

6 out of 535 seats

Los Angeles City Council

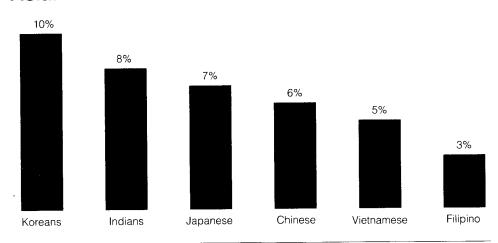
1 out of 15 seats

New York City Council

0 out of 51 seats

Source: City Councils, Los Angeles and New York Public Libraries. Data as of October 1991.

Percentage of entrepreneurs among Asian-Americans



Source: Estimates by Professor William O'Hare, University of Louisville, from U.S. Bureau of the Census data for 1987.

Businesses owned by Asian-Americans



Note: In 1987, black Americans (who were four times as numerous as Asians) owned 424,000 businesses, while Hispanics (three times as numerous) owned 422,000 Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census.