

Figure 2
The Effects of an Increase in the Skilled Relative to Unskilled Labor

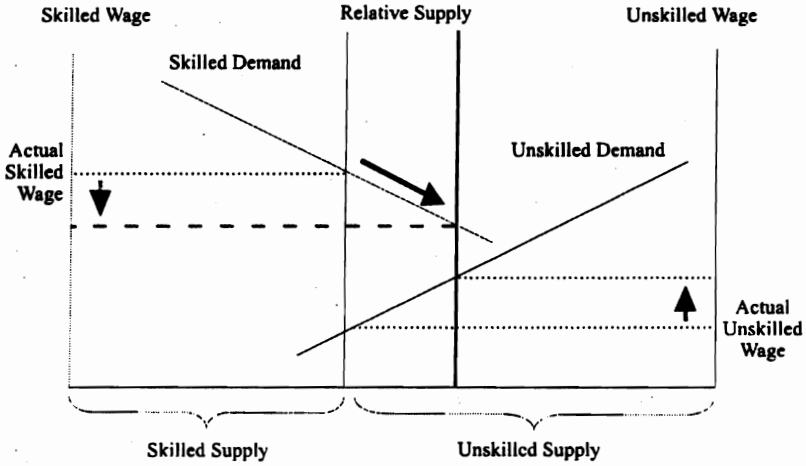


Figure 3
The Effects of Relative Supply and Demand Shifts

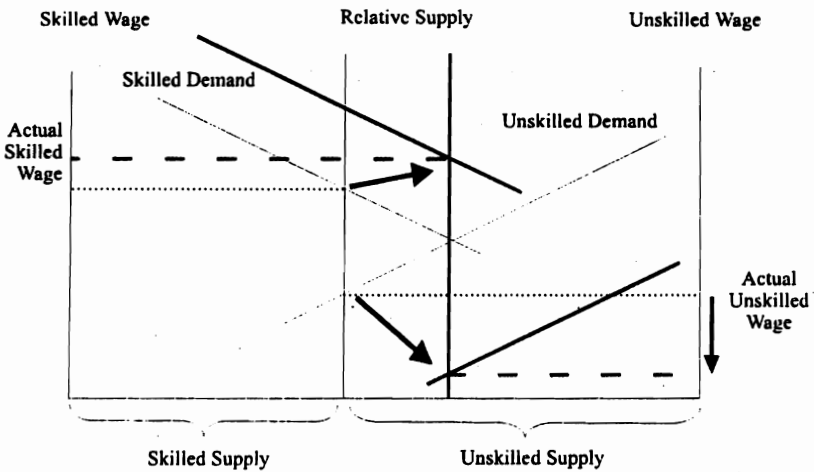
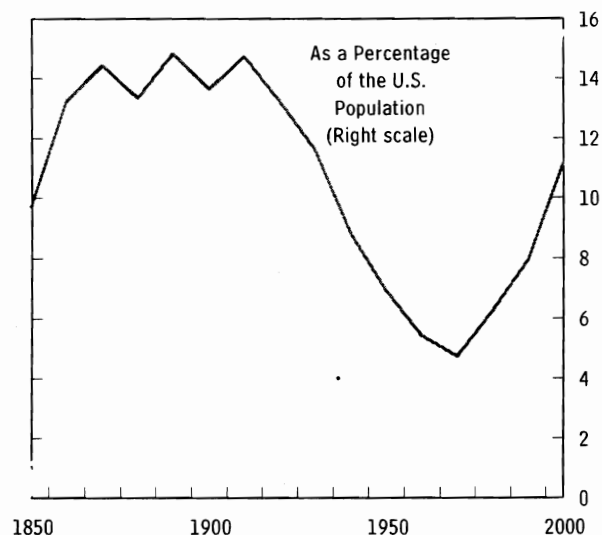


Figure 1.**The Foreign-Born Population, 1850 to 2000**

Source: Congressional Budget Office using data from Campbell J. Gibson and Emily Lennon, *Historical Census Statistics on the Foreign-Born Population of the United States: 1850-1990*, Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Population Division, Working Paper No. 29 (February 1999); and Nolan Malone and others, *The Foreign-Born Population: 2000*, Census 2000 Brief (Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, December 2003).

Table 1

Educational Attainment of Natives and Immigrants in the 2000 Census

Highest Education	All	Natives	Immigrants:		
			All	In US 5+ yrs.	In US <5 yrs.
Dropouts	17.8	14.7	38.2	37.6	40.3
<i>Of which:</i>					
1-8 Years completed schooling	5.3	2.8	21.5	21.3	22.2
9-11 Years completed schooling	12.6	11.9	16.7	16.3	18.1
High school diploma	37.2	39.2	24.0	24.3	23.1
Some college (including Associates degree)	22.6	23.7	15.5	16.3	12.5
Bachelors degree	14.8	15.0	13.2	12.9	14.0
Advanced degree	7.7	7.5	9.2	8.8	10.1
<i>Of which:</i>					
Masters degree	5.2	5.2	5.4	5.1	6.3
Professional degree	1.7	1.6	2.3	2.2	2.4
Doctorate	0.8	0.7	1.5	1.5	1.4

Note. Based on tabulations of individuals age 18-64 in the 2000 Census. High school diploma group includes people with less than 1 year of college (8% of the overall sample).

Table 2
Immigrant Densities and the Relative Fractions of Less Educated Workers, Selected Cities 1980 and 2000

	% Dropouts 1980			% Dropouts 2000				
	% Immigrants in city	Among immigrants	Among natives	% Dropouts in city	% Immigrants in city	Among immigrants	Among natives	% Dropouts in city
All Cities	9.5	38.9	23.0	24.3	18.0	37.8	13.0	17.7
New York	23.2	39.6	26.4	29.5	41.8	32.0	17.5	23.6
Los Angeles	25.3	49.2	19.5	27.0	47.8	47.2	14.4	30.1
Chicago	11.8	44.0	23.7	26.1	21.2	37.7	11.8	17.3
Philadelphia	4.9	31.1	25.2	25.5	8.3	21.9	13.3	14.0
Detroit	6.3	34.3	25.8	26.4	8.6	26.2	14.4	15.5
Houston	9.4	46.1	25.1	27.1	26.0	51.6	15.5	24.9
Dallas	5.1	43.7	24.3	25.3	19.7	54.2	13.6	21.6
Washington DC	9.6	18.3	16.8	16.9	20.6	25.8	9.9	13.2
Boston	10.3	35.6	15.6	17.6	17.8	24.0	7.9	10.7
San Francisco	17.0	28.4	14.3	16.7	36.4	26.6	6.9	14.0
Miami	41.1	38.5	23.3	29.6	61.2	33.3	18.6	27.6
Atlanta	3.1	14.8	24.9	24.6	12.1	34.0	13.6	16.1
Pittsburgh	2.6	28.1	21.5	21.7	2.6	12.5	10.4	10.5
Cleveland	5.8	34.5	24.0	24.6	5.6	19.7	14.2	14.5

Note. Based on tabulations of 1980 and 2000 Census public use files. 'All cities' includes 272 Standard Metropolitan Areas in 1980 and 325 Metropolitan Statistical Areas in 2000. Boundaries of some cities change between 1980 and 2000. Samples include individuals age 18-64 only.

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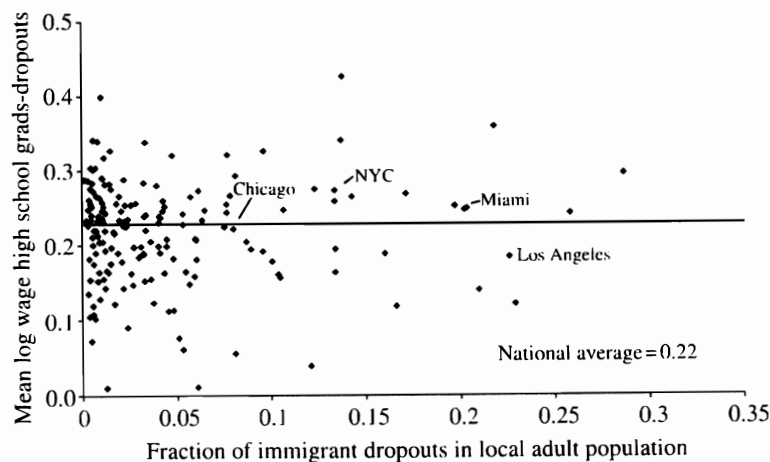


Fig. 2. *Relative Wage of High School Graduates and Dropouts vs. Fraction Low Education Immigrants*