

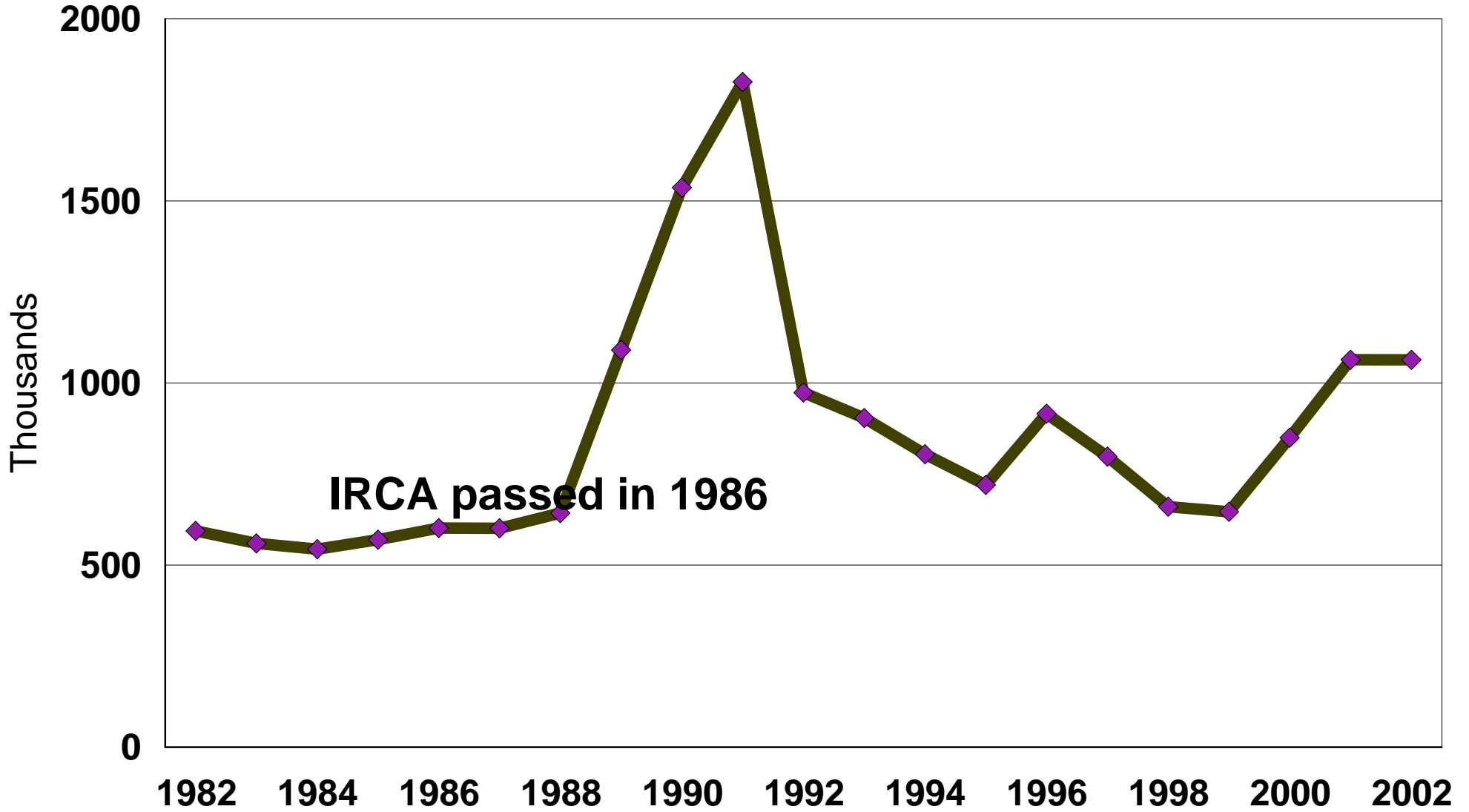
Immigration Trends in Minnesota

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Who Immigrates?

- **Young people - most immigrants are young working-age adults**
- **About half are female and half male**
- **About 30% of immigrants return home EXCEPT for refugees**
- **Refugees must prove that their lives are in danger in their homeland**
- **In 2002, 63% of immigrants came to join family (family preference)**
- **In 2002, 16% of immigrants came to work (employment preference)**
- **In 2002, 12% of immigrants came as refugees**

Immigration to U.S. Reflects Law Changes

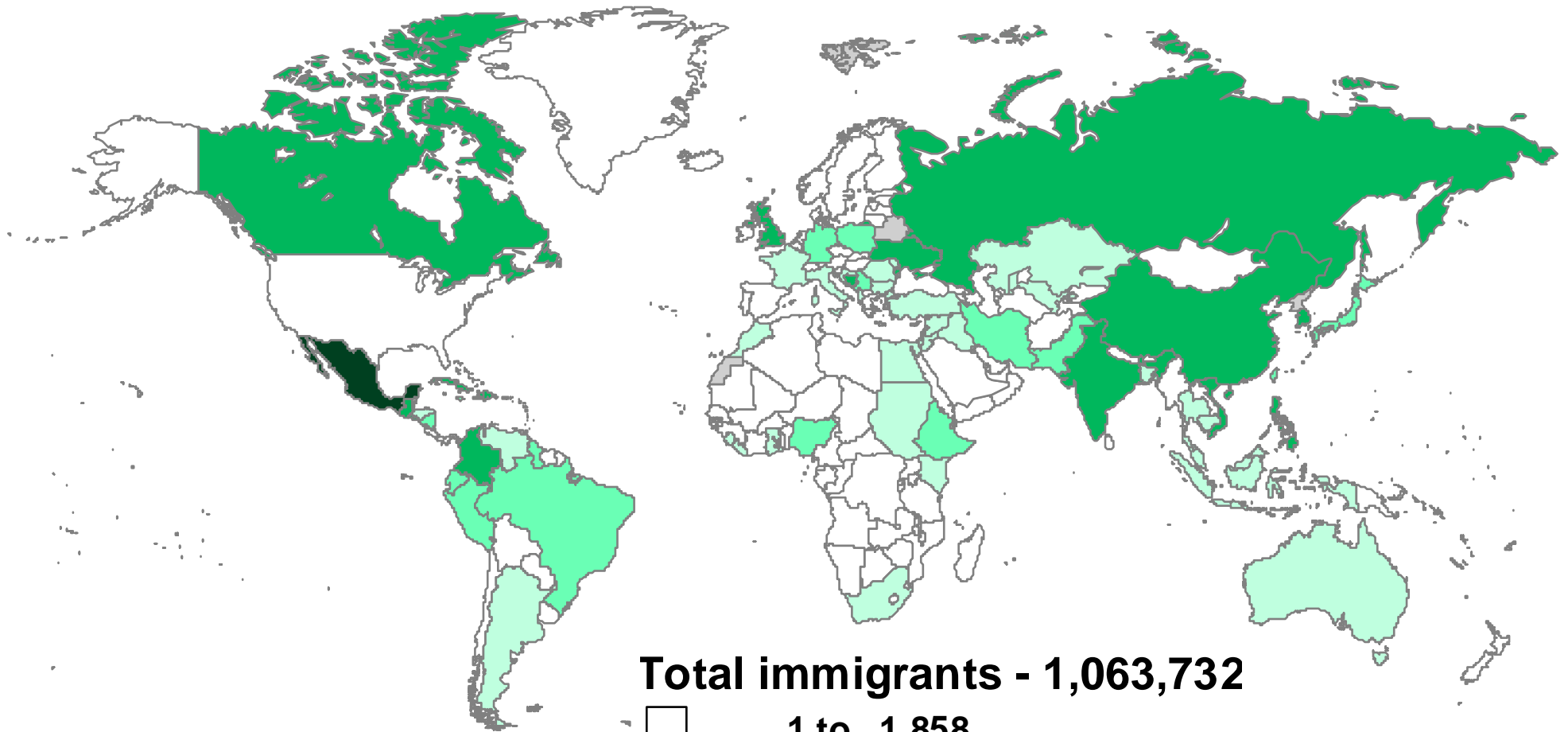


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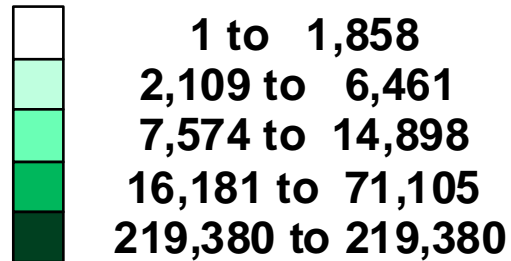
Immigration to the United States

2002

Source: Immigration Statistics, DHS

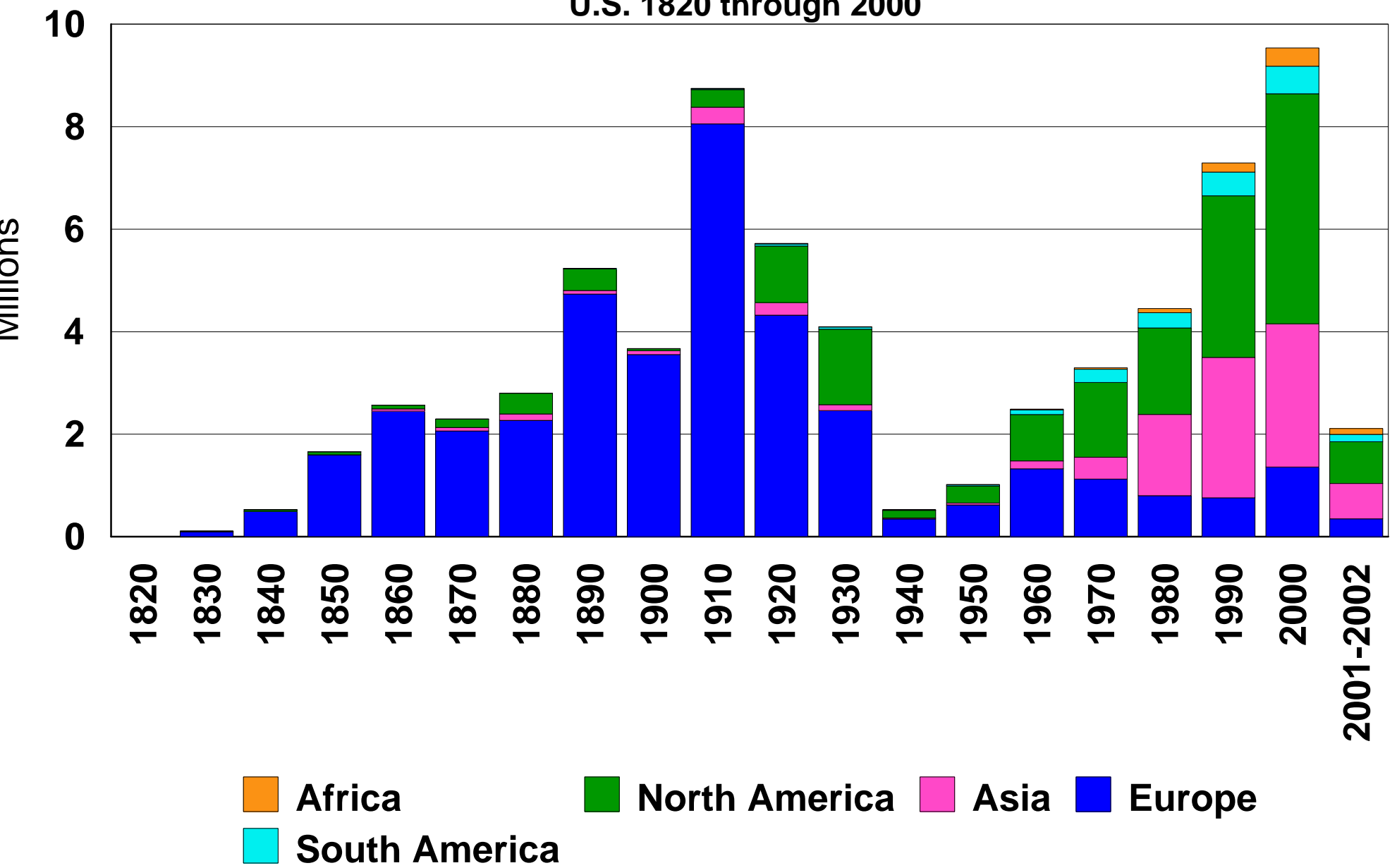


Total immigrants - 1,063,732



40% of Immigrants Come from North America* 25% from Mexico

U.S. 1820 through 2000



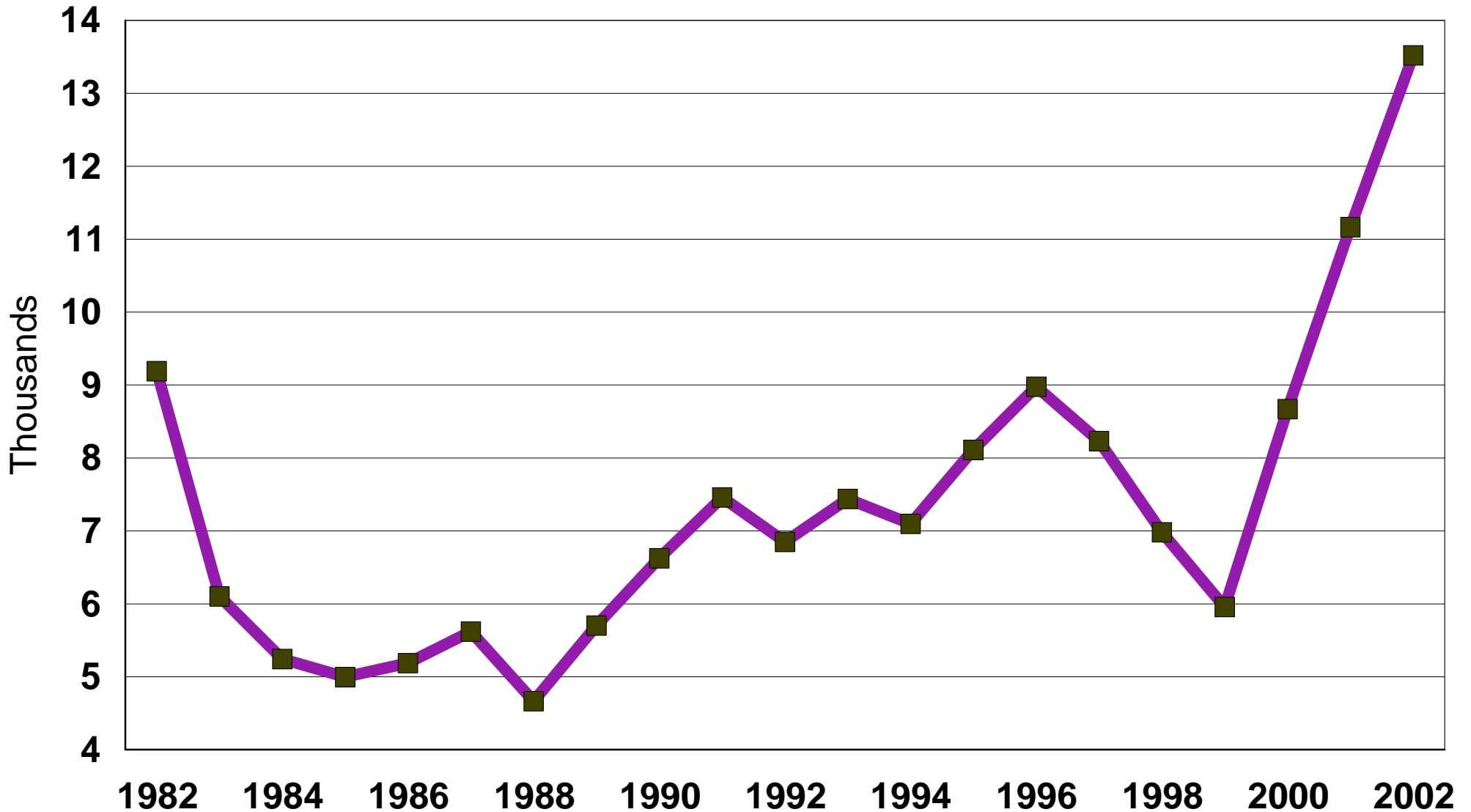
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*North America includes Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean nations and Central America.

We're Number 1!

- Largest population of Somali immigrants
- Highest proportion of refugees
- Second highest population of Hmong
- Highest number coming for the winter

Recent Immigration Trends in Minnesota Reflect Refugee Numbers

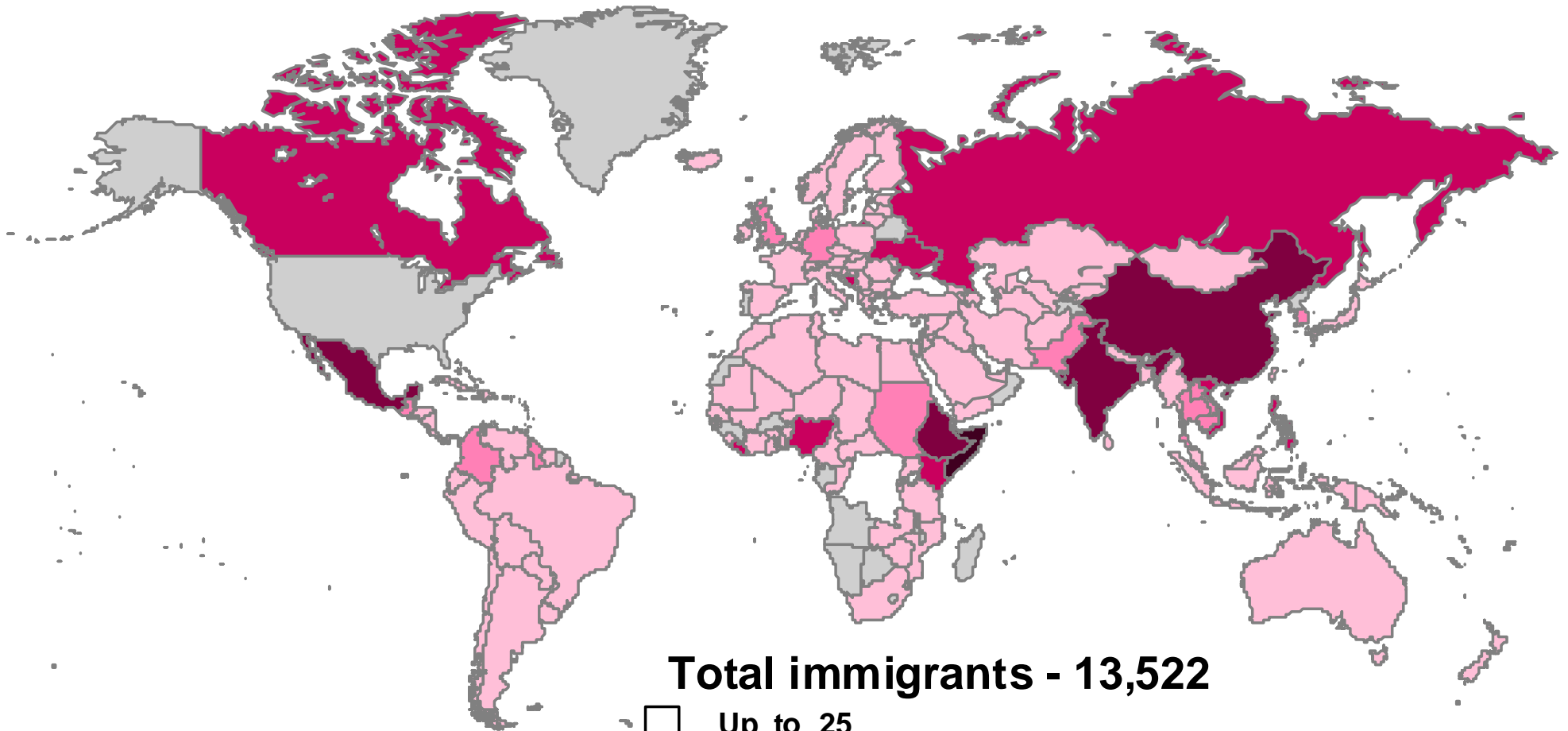


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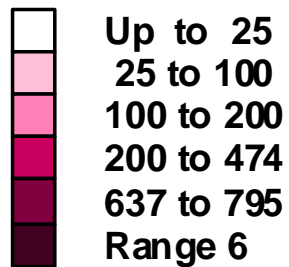
Immigration to Minnesota

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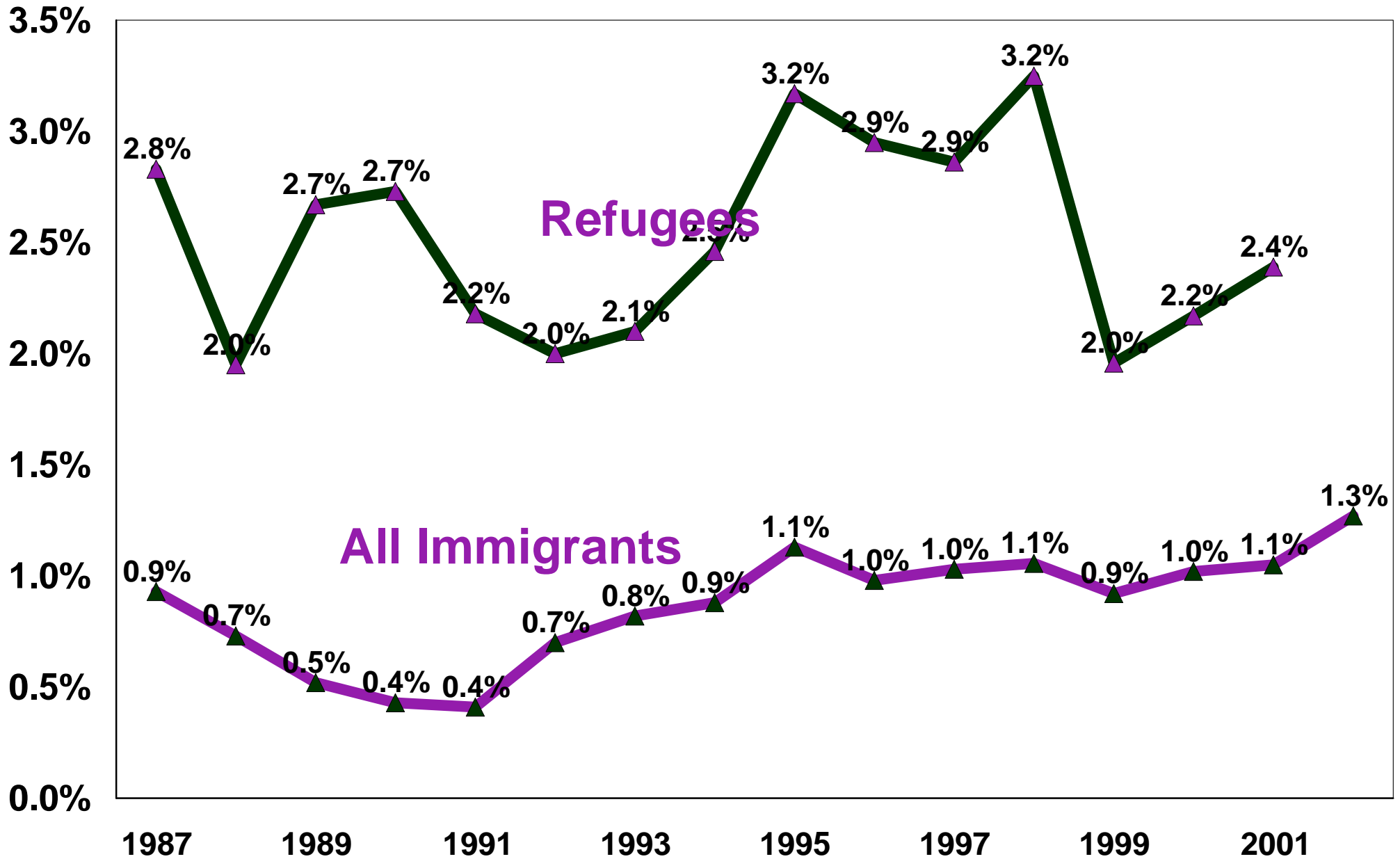
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Total immigrants - 13,522

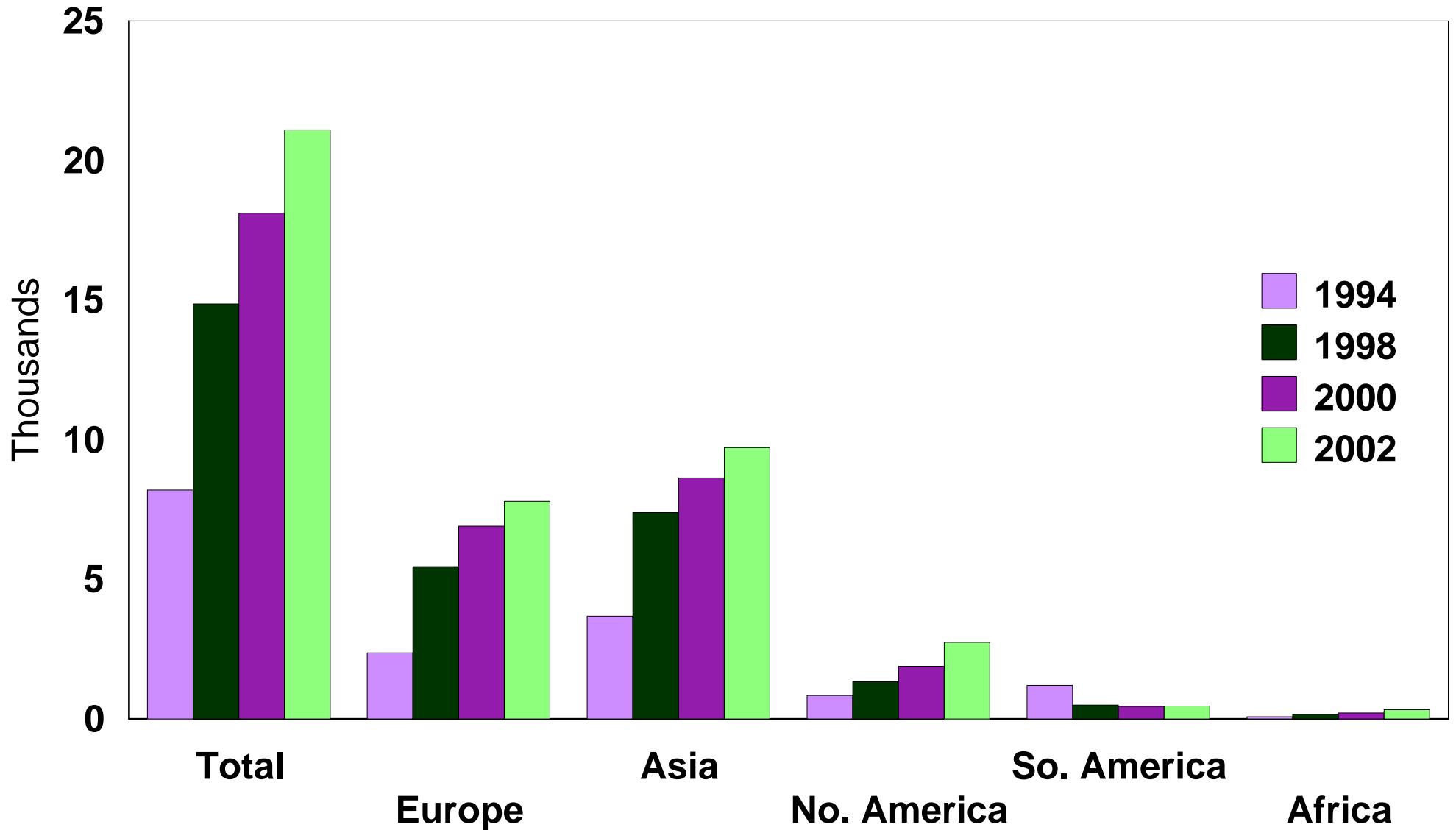


Minnesota's Share of U.S. Immigration is Small But Proportion of Refugees is Higher



Source: Immigration and Naturalization Service

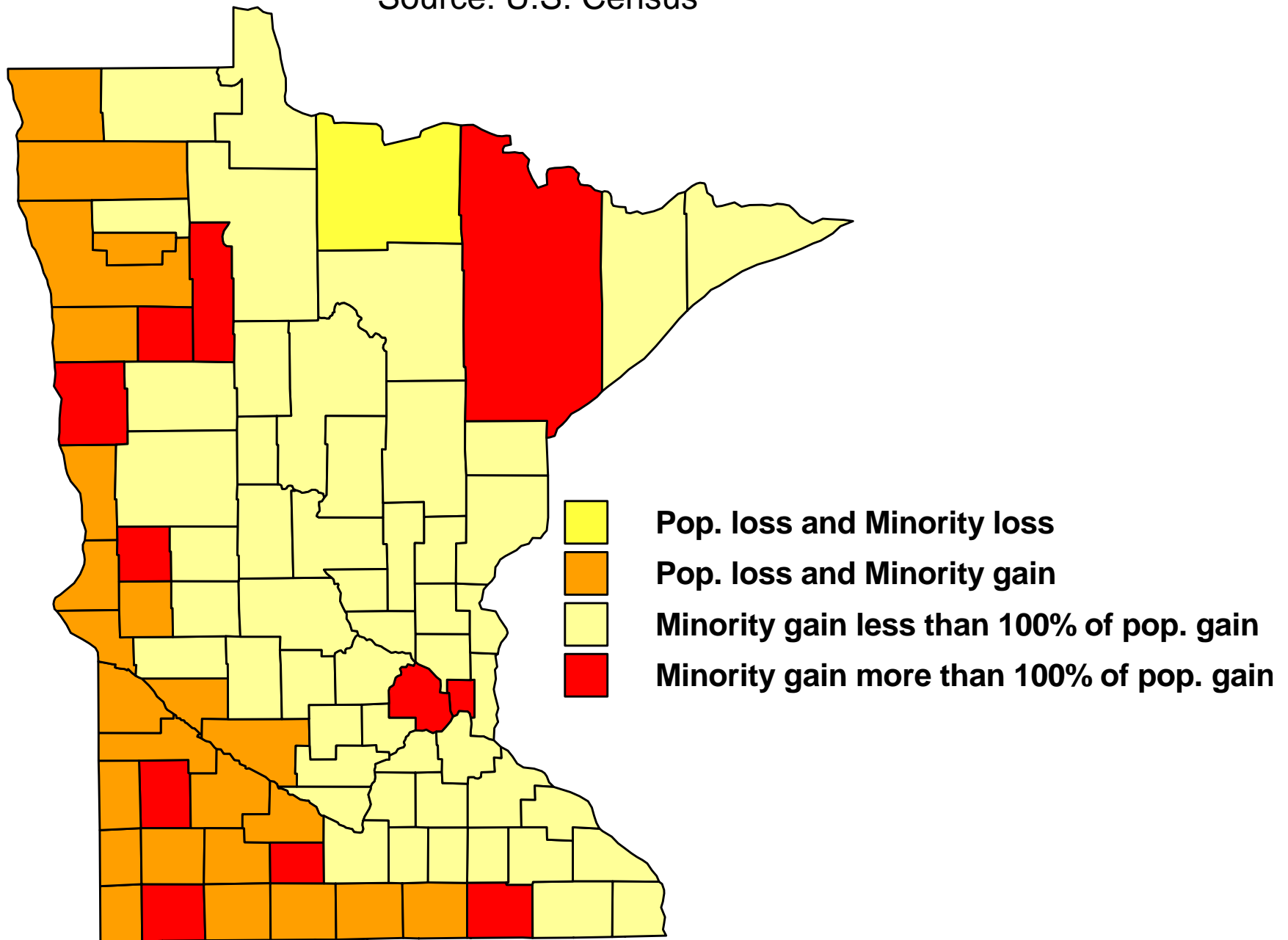
Politics Likely Cause of Change in Origin of Orphans



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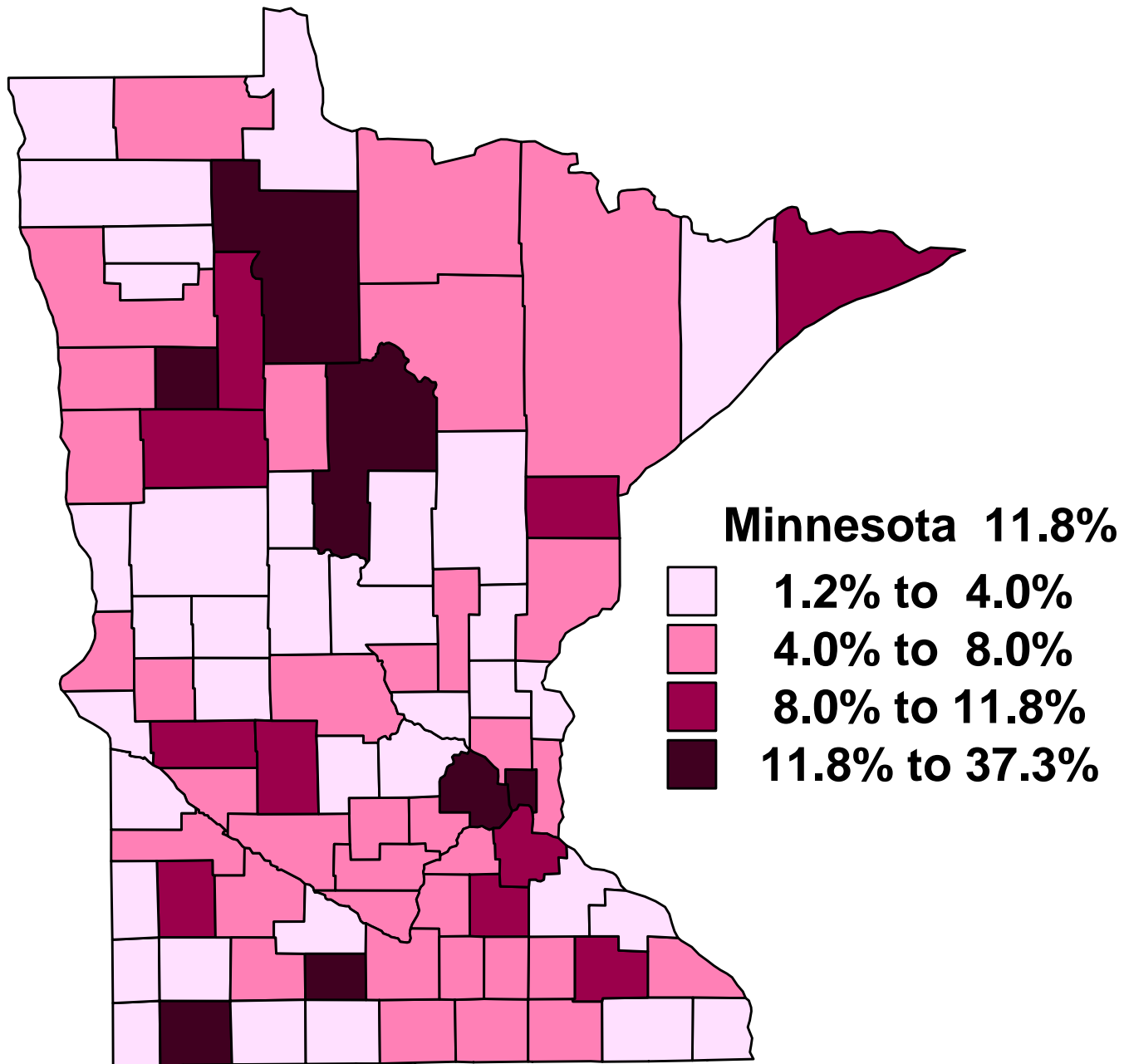
Minority Population Growth Accounts for 56.7% of Minnesota Population Growth in 90s

Source: U.S. Census



Minority Population in 2000

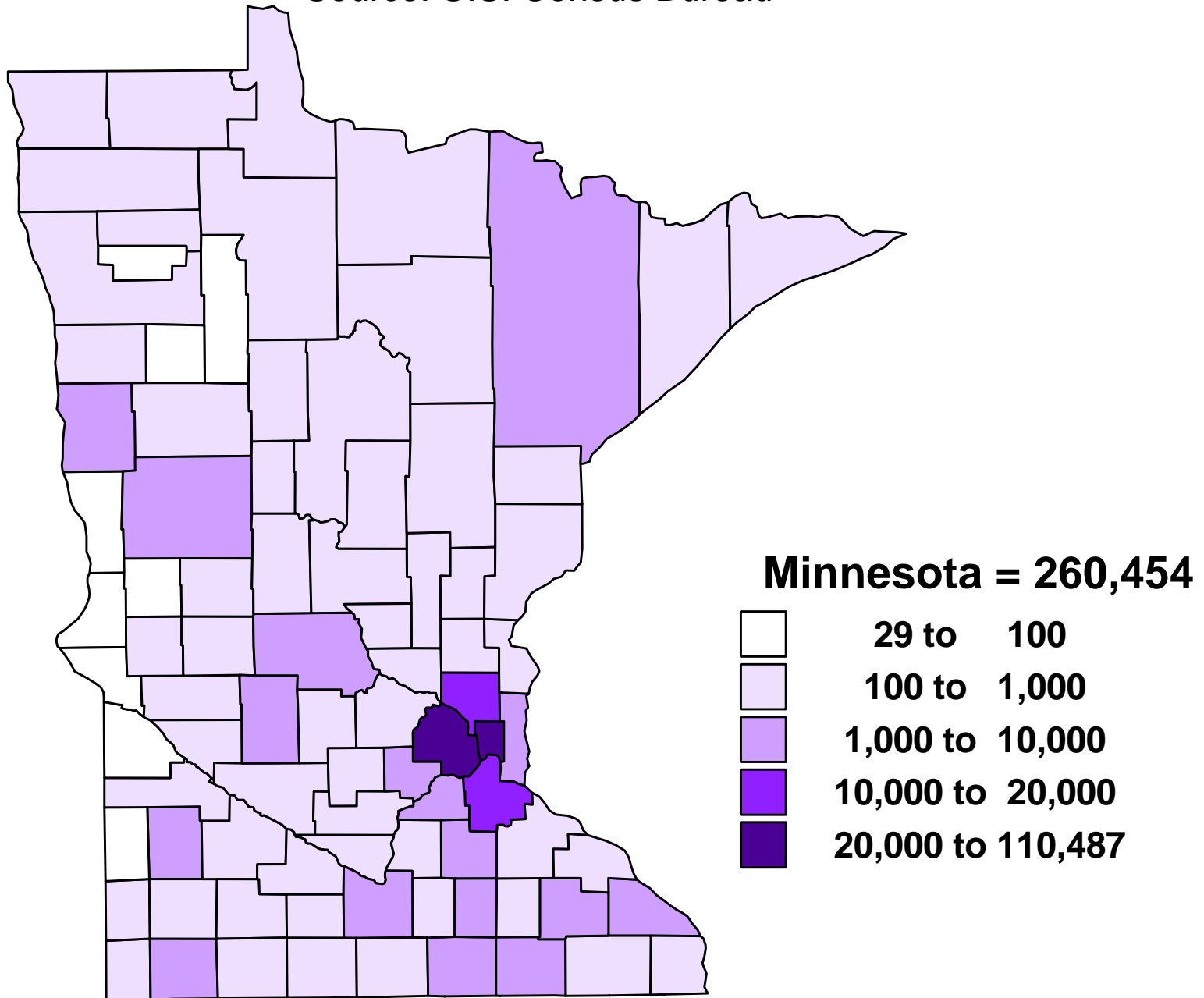
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Foreign Born Residents

2000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



Minnesota in 2000 Census Is a Patchwork Quilt of Ethnicities

AFRICAN

Ethiopian	5,413
Liberian	3,148
Nigerian	3,073
Somali	11,164

ASIAN

Arab	13,923
Afghan	467
Asian Indian	19,963
Cambodian	6,533
Chinese	18,622
Filipino	9,696
Hmong	45,443
Korean	15,255
Laotian	11,516
Vietnamese	20,570

LATINO

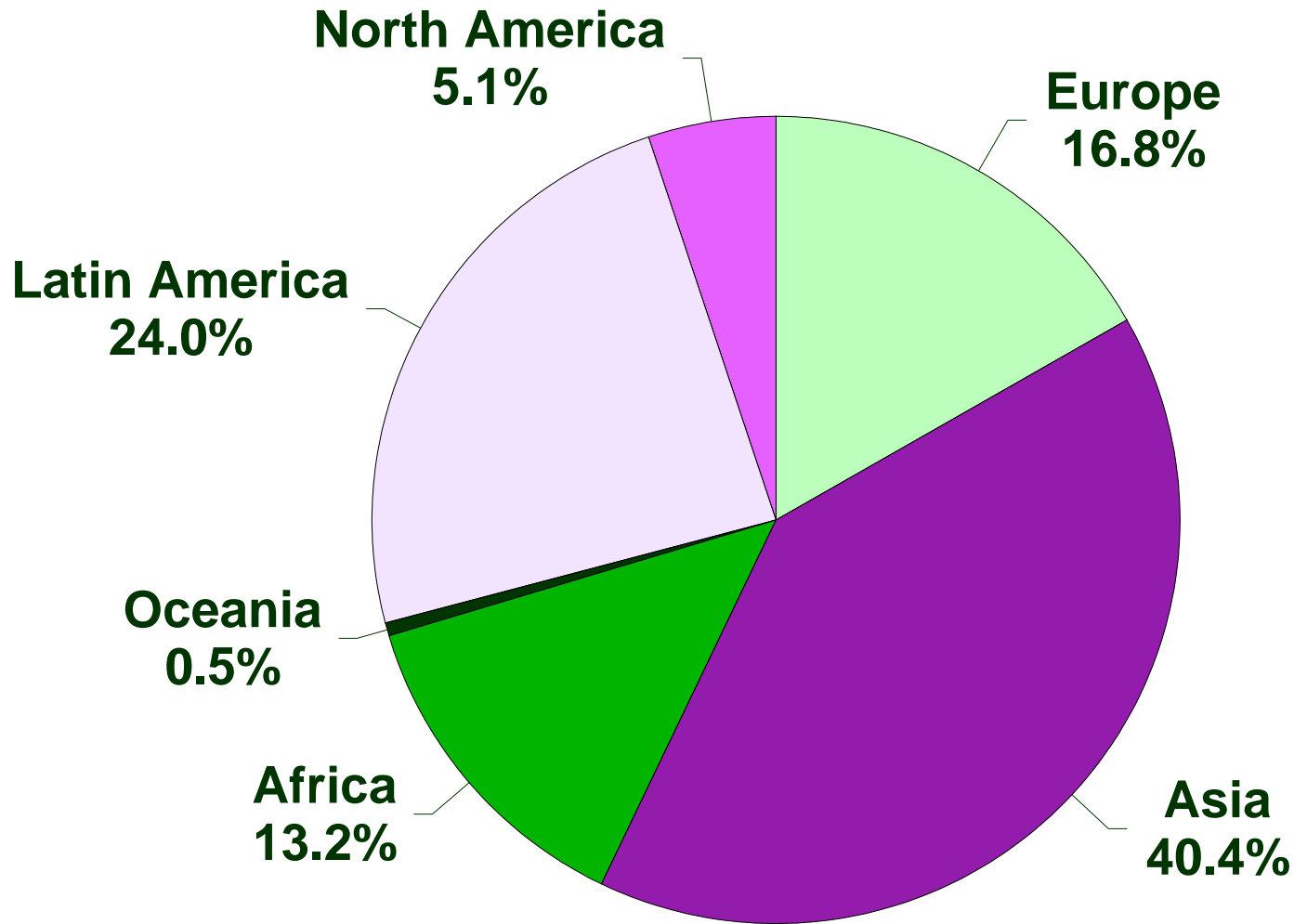
Cuban	2,527
Guatemalan	1,684
Mexican	95,613
Puerto Rican	6,616
Salvadoran	2,005

EUROPEAN

Serbian	4,296
Bosnian	2,193

Asians Most Numerous of Foreign-Born Minnesotans

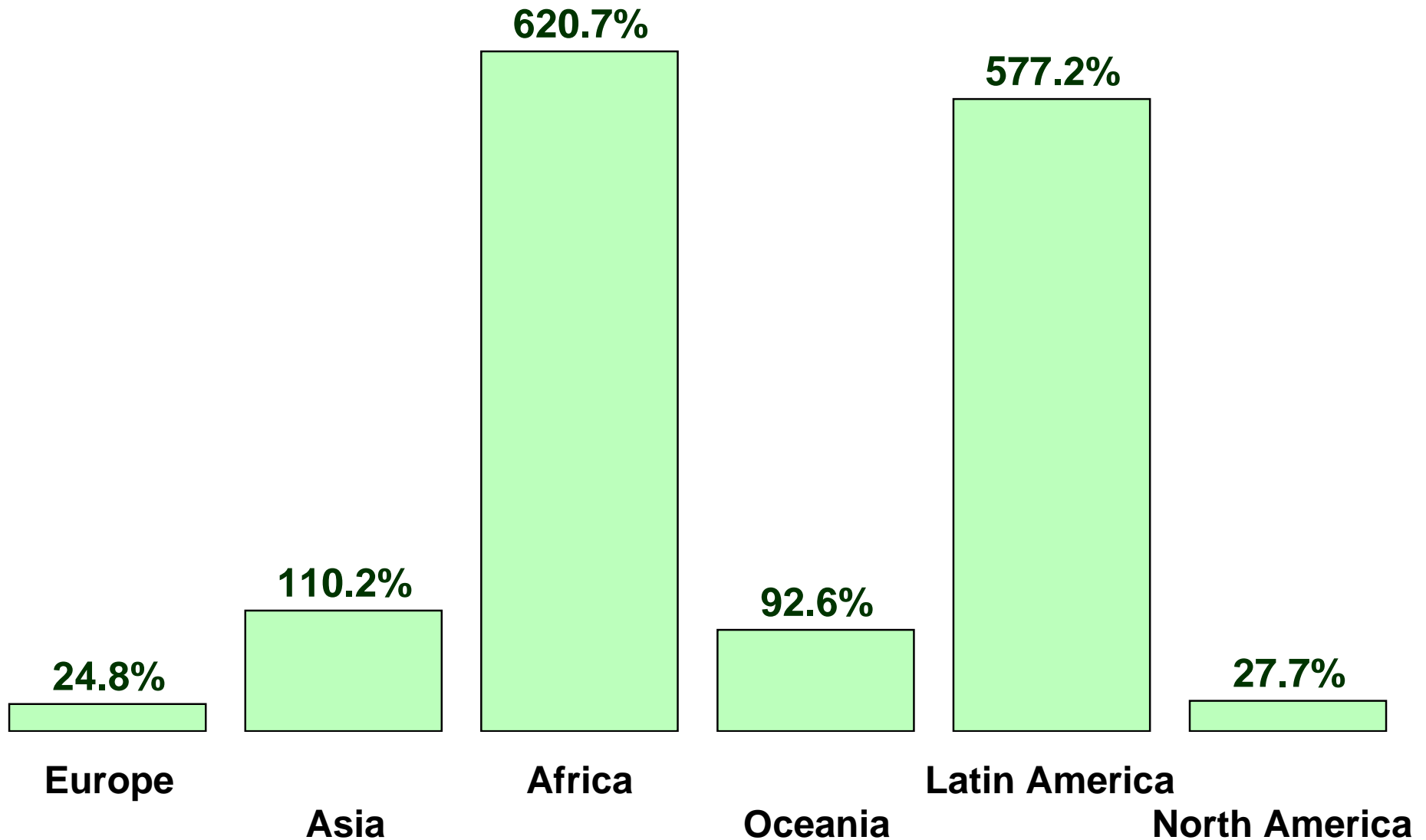
Source: 2000 Census



Total: 260,454

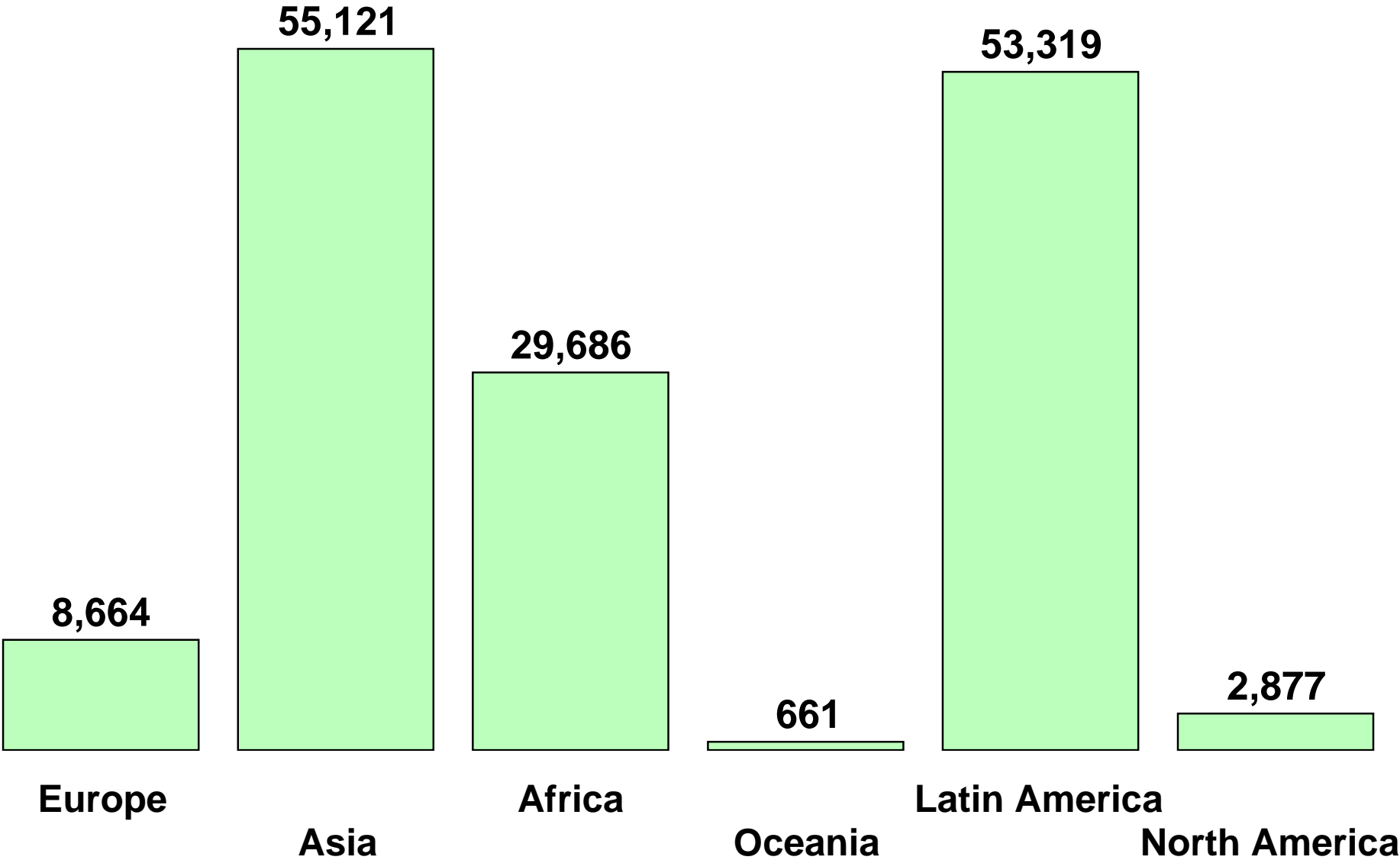
African Immigrants Grew Most Rapidly in 1990s

Source: U.S. Census



But Immigrants from Asia and Latin American Added the Most People

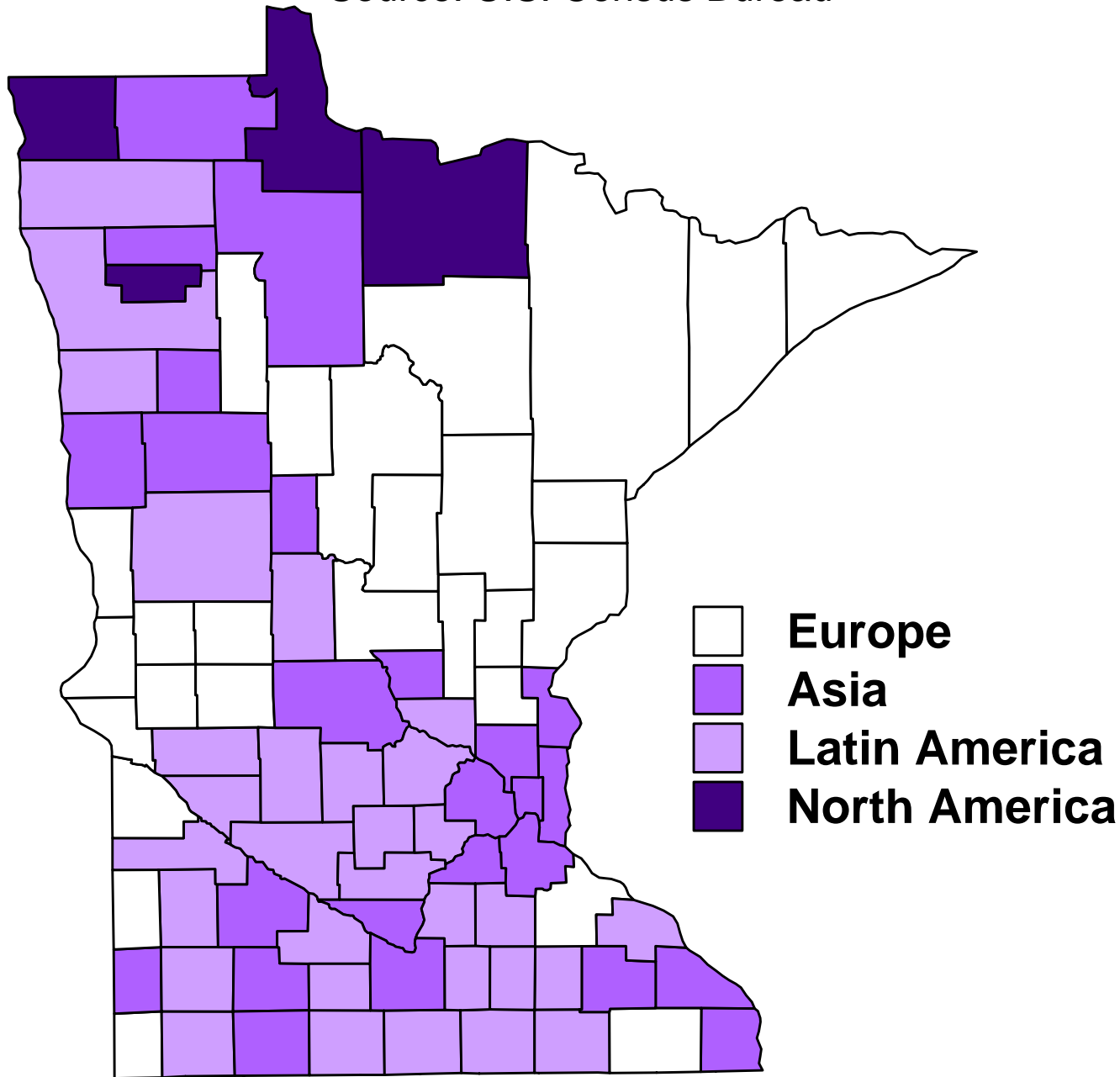
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Predominant Origin of Foreign Born Residents

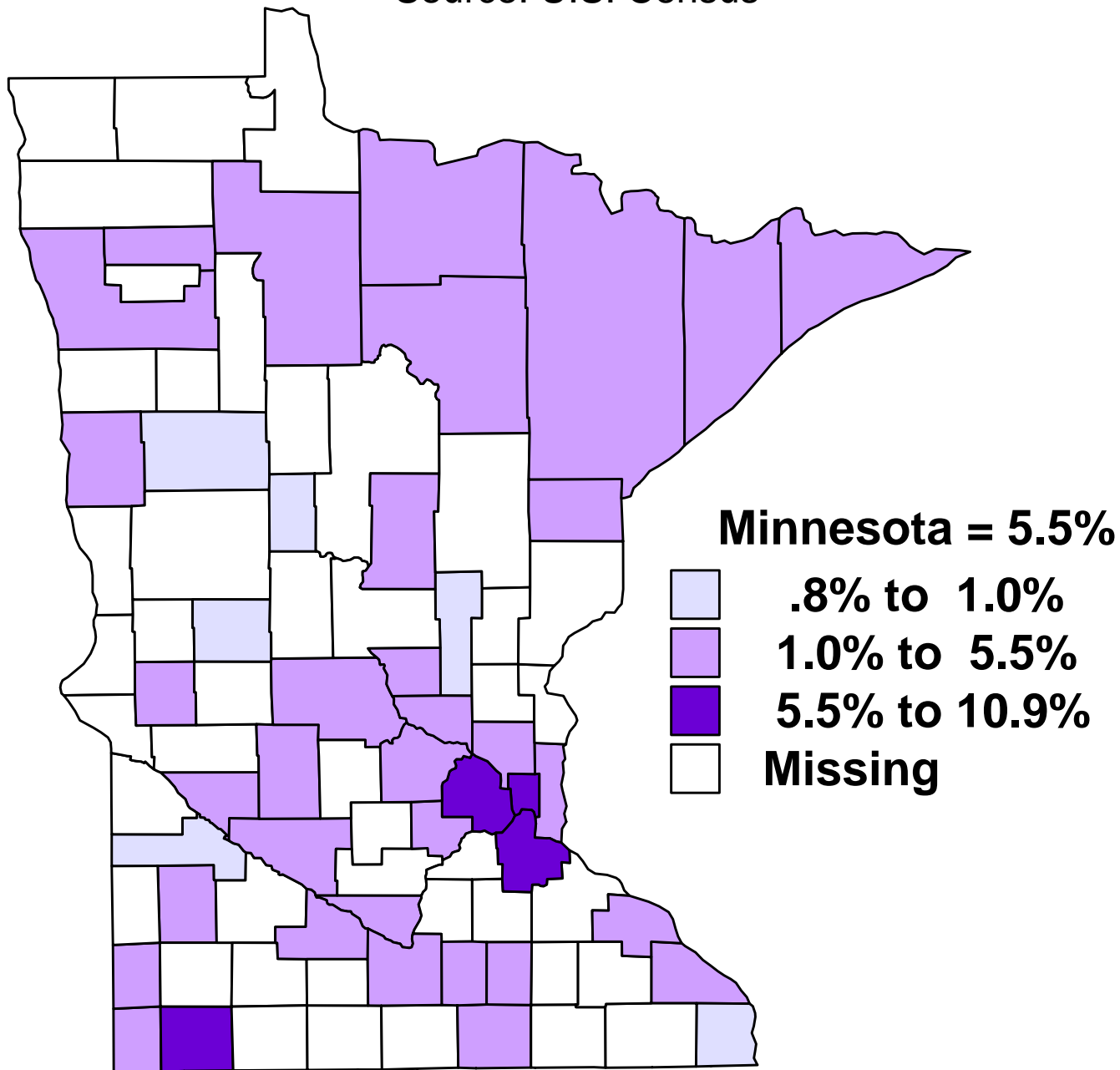
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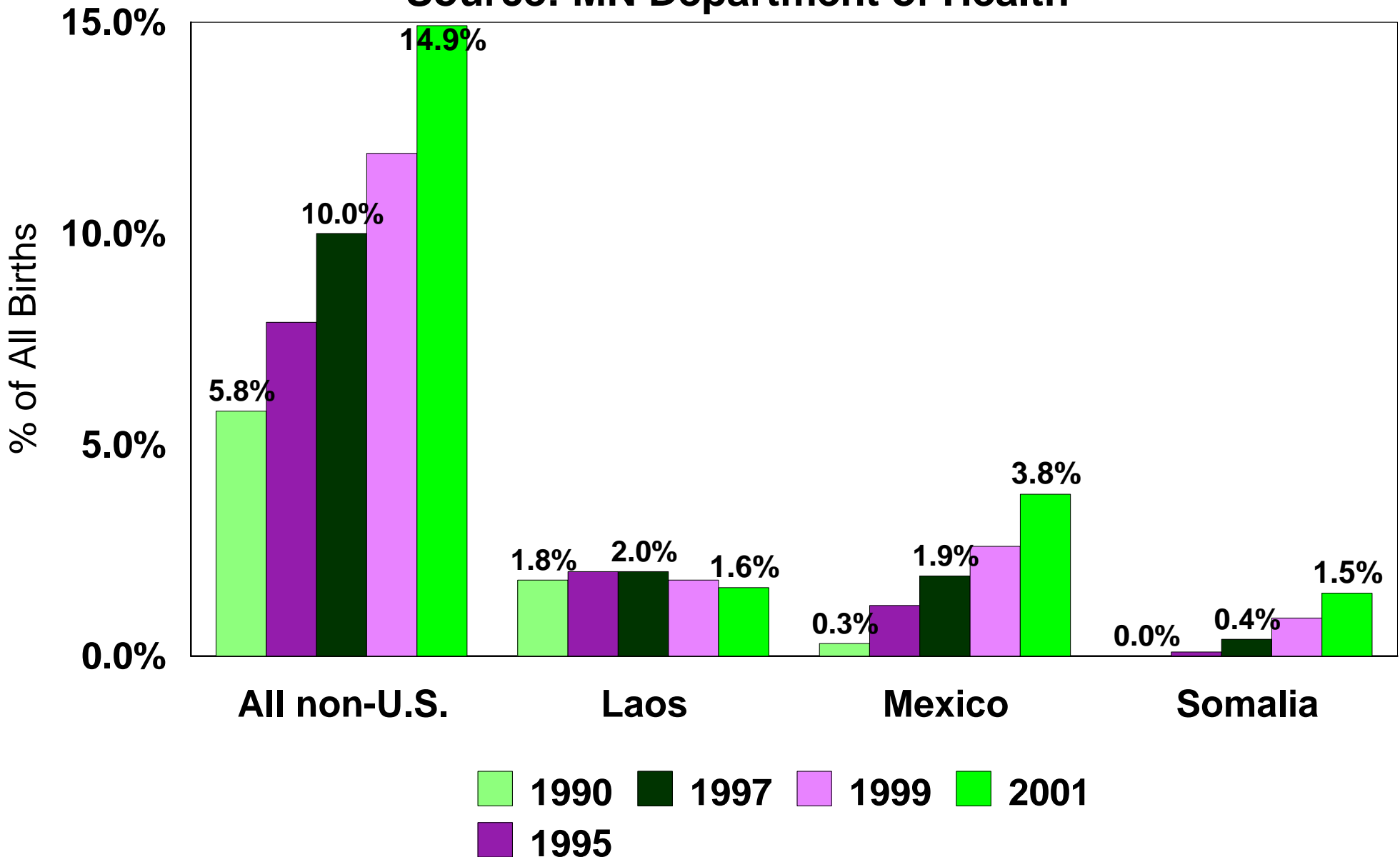
Percent of Employed Persons That Were Foreign Born 1999

Source: U.S. Census



Births to Mothers Born Outside U.S. Continue to Increase

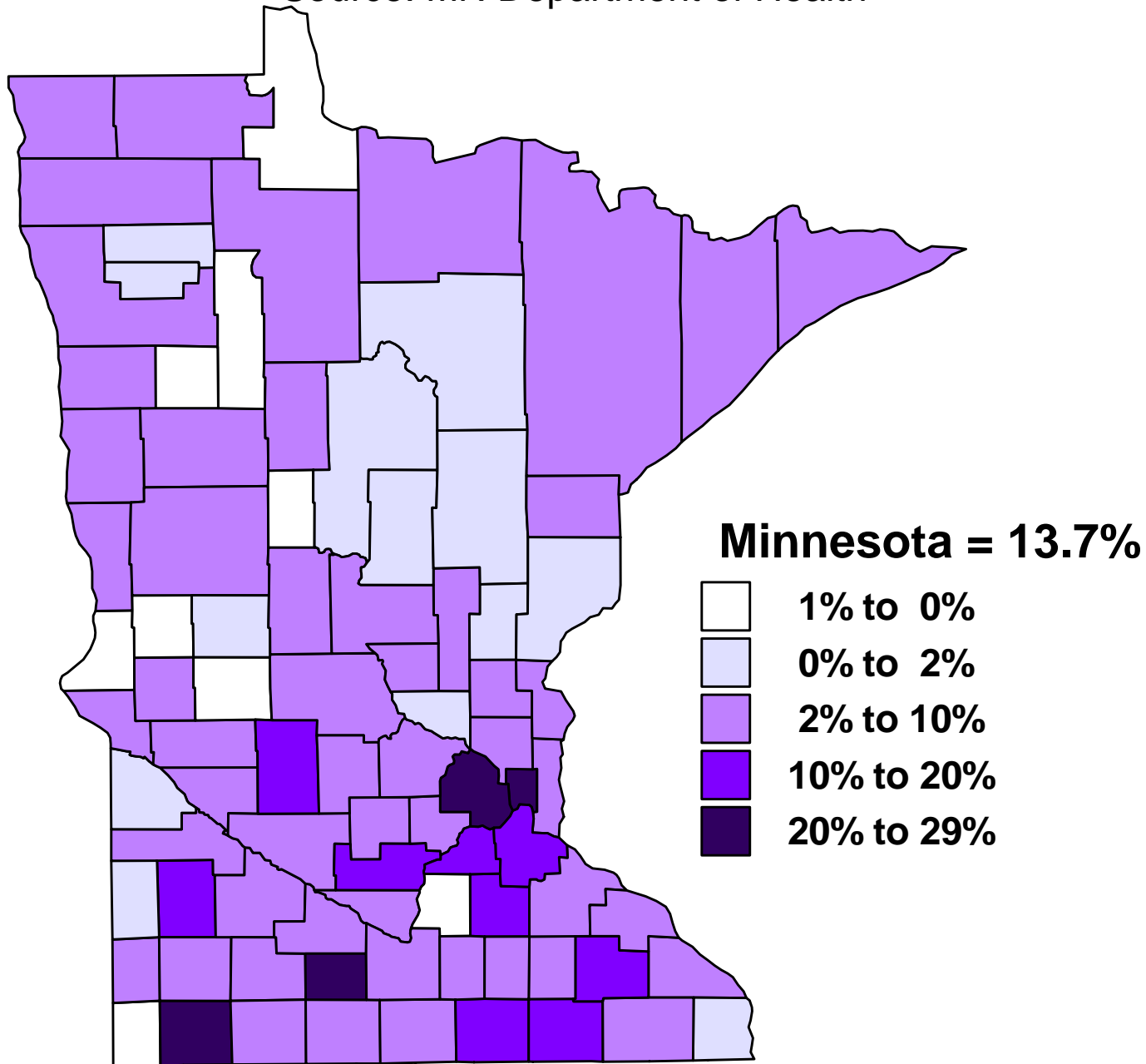
Source: MN Department of Health



More Babies Born to Foreign-Born Mothers

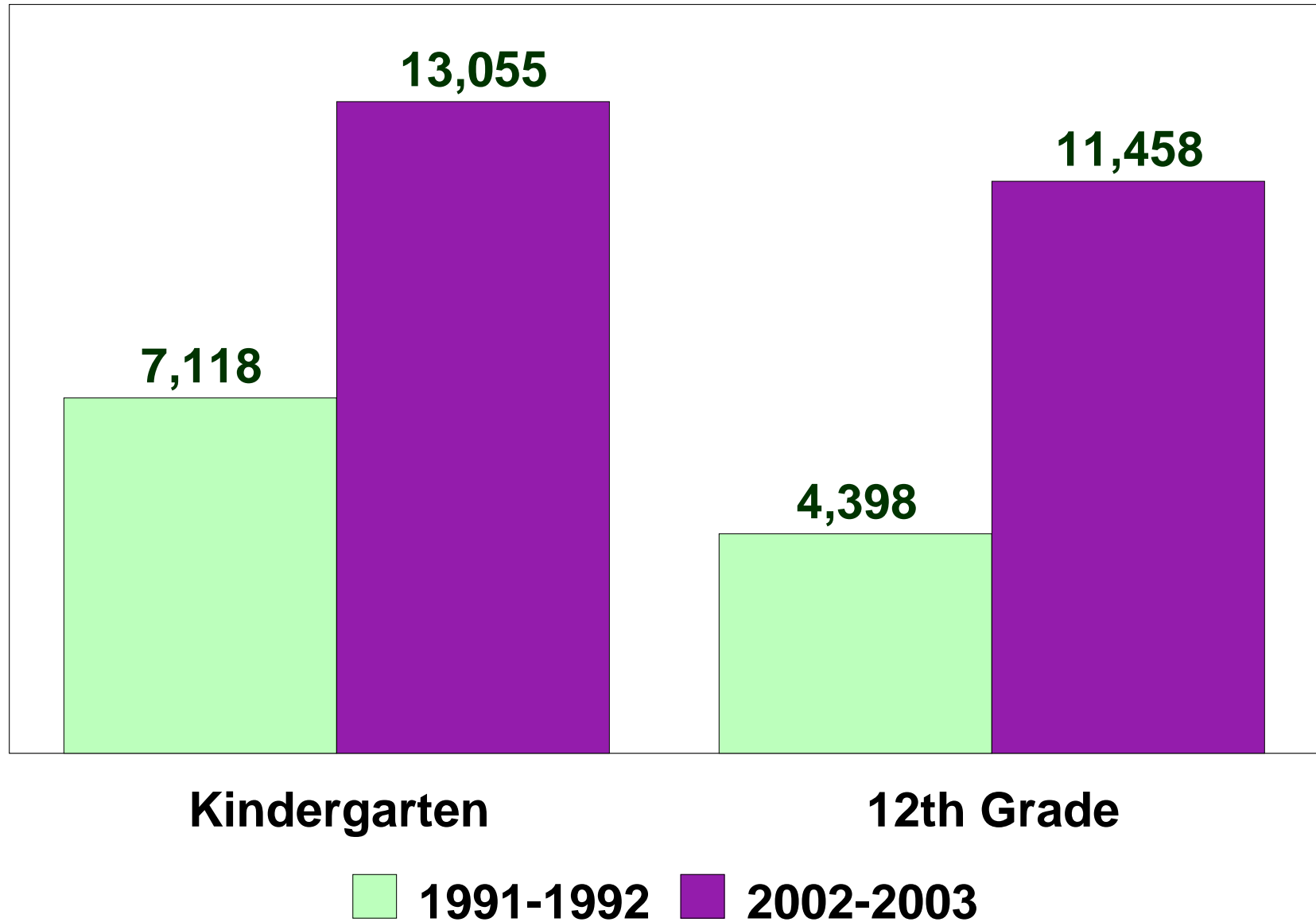
2000

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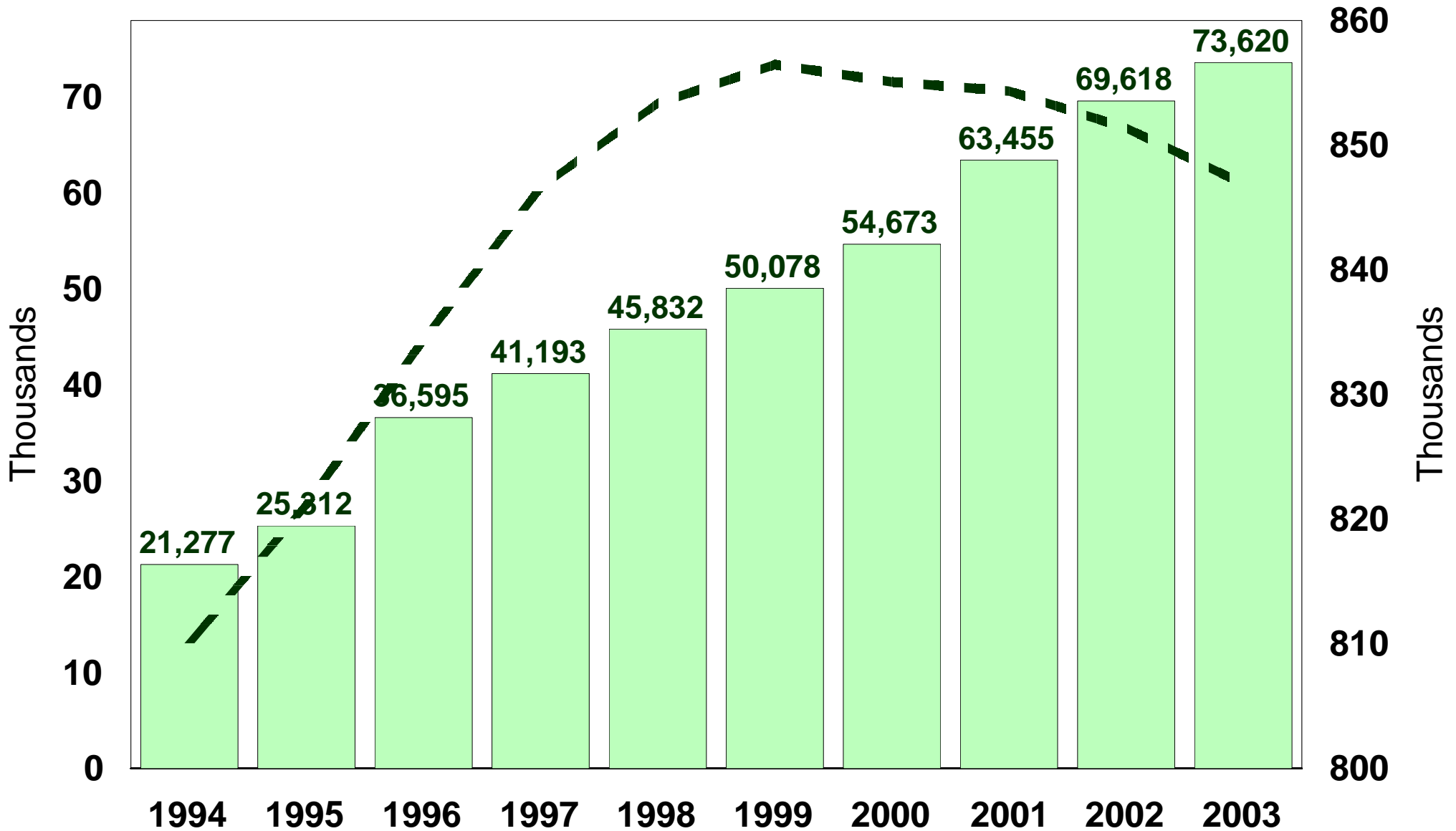
Minority Student Numbers Increase

1991-92 to 2001-02



Non-English Speakers Triple in 8 Years

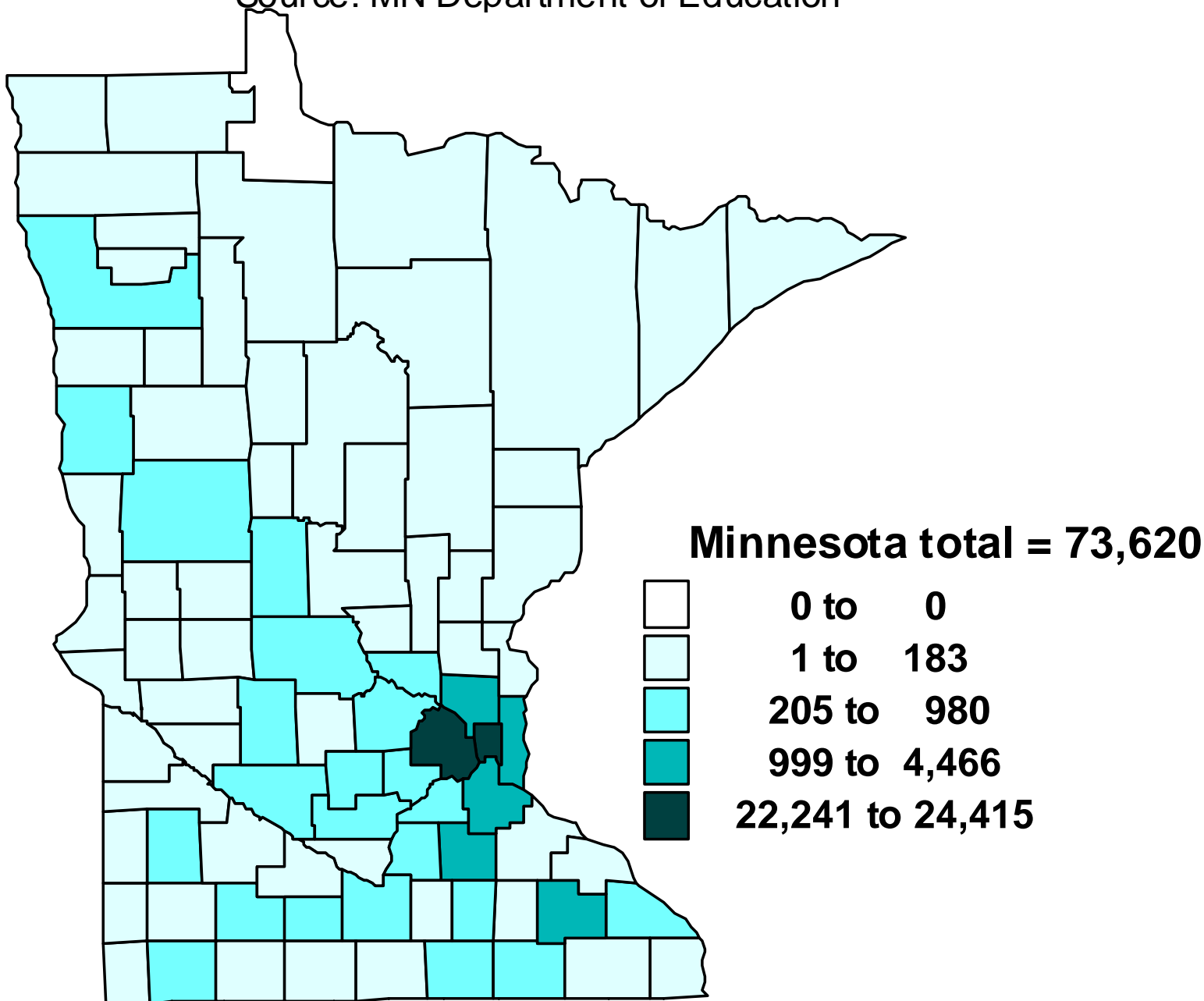
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Students Who Do Not Speak English at Home

2002-2003 School Year

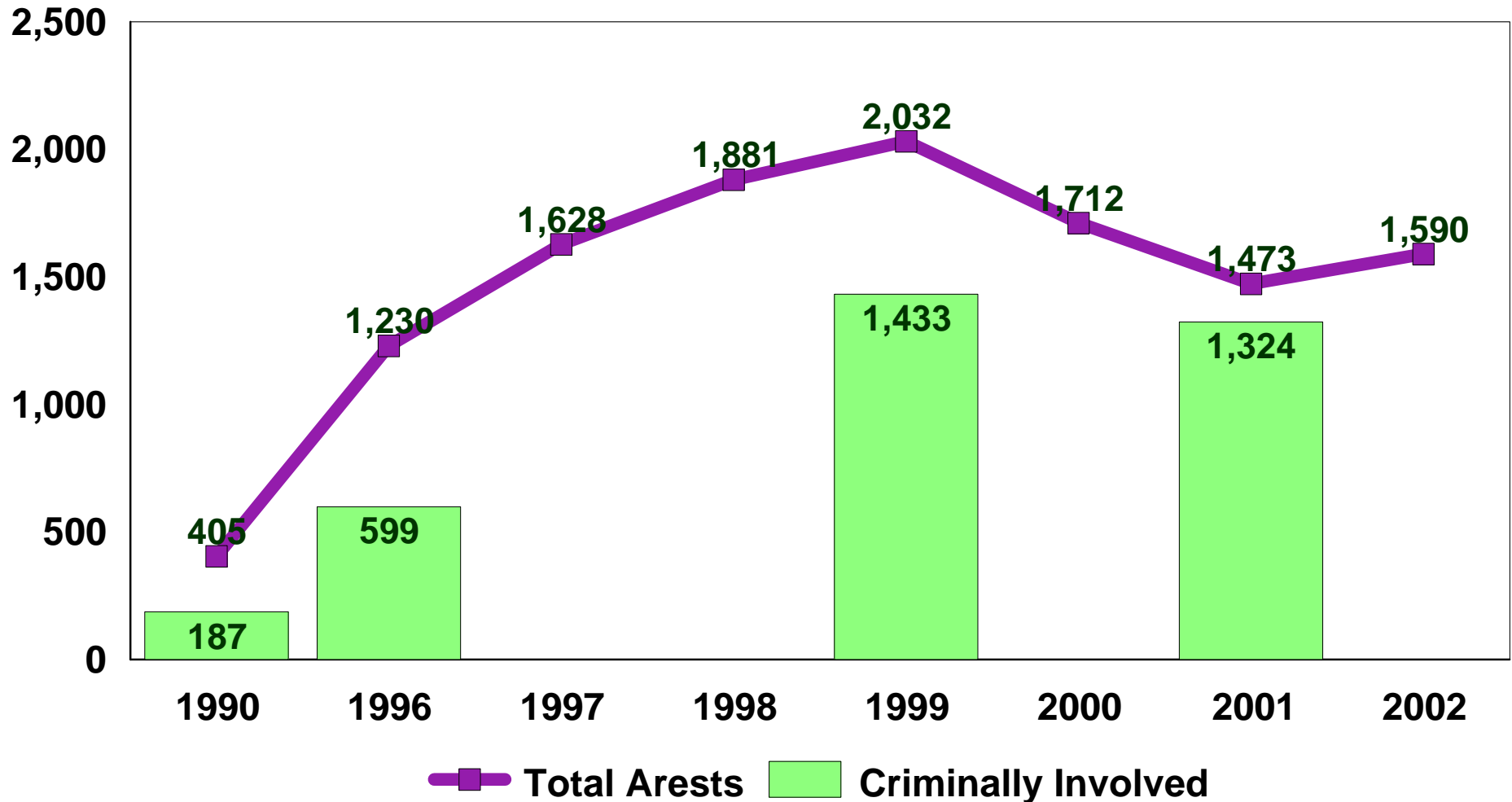
Source: MN Department of Education



Illegal Immigrant Numbers Small in Minnesota

- In 2002, 1,590 apprehensions in the St. Paul district - Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota.
- 46% of those arrested in 1990 had committed a crime (other than working in the U.S. without appropriate papers). In 2001, the rate was almost 90% .
- INS estimates about 7 million illegal immigrants resident in the U.S. in 2000, with about 32% in California. For Minnesota, Immigration Statistics estimated 60,000 illegal immigrants.
- 69% of illegal immigrants in U.S. are from Mexico.
- 33% of illegal immigrants are undocumented "overstays."

Illegal Immigrant Arrests Focus on Criminal Involvement



Source: Immigration and Naturalization Service

Most INS Arrests are Mexican Nationals

St. Paul District - 2001

■ Mexico	-	1,105
■ Guatemala	-	39
■ El Salvador	-	39
■ Ecuador	-	28
■ Honduras	-	28
■ Somalia	-	14
■ Nigeria	-	10
■ Canada	-	9
■ Liberia	-	9

Fewer Immigrants in the Future?

- **YES - Post-September 11**
- **YES -Minnesota less "welcoming"**
- **YES - Recession and fewer jobs**
- **NO - Current immigrants can now bring family members**

What Data is Available?

- **INS Statistical Yearbook**
- **MN Dept. of Health Refugee Data**
- **MN Dept. of Health Birth Certificates**
- **MN DCFL Language Spoken at Home Data**
- **MN DCFL Ethnicity and Race Data**
- **US Census Data on Race, Ethnicity, Ancestry, Foreign Born and Language**

For More Data on Immigration

- **Wilder Foundation report on immigration:**

<http://www.wilder.org/research/reports.html?summary=89>

- **Immigration and Naturalization Service:**

<http://www.ins.usdoj.gov/graphics/aboutins/statistics/index.htm>

- **State Demographic Center**

<http://www.mnplan.state.mn.us/demography/>

- **H.A.C.E.R. (University of Minnesota)**

<http://www.hacer-mn.org/>

- **Chicano Latino Affairs Council (C.L.A.C.)**

<http://www.clac.state.mn.us/chicanos.htm>

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