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Series C 228-295. Foreign-Born Population, by Country of Birth: 1850 to 1970—Con.

[Data are given for each country for all census years since 1850 for which figures are available]

Series No.	Country of birth	Total foreign born—Con.		Foreign-born, white						
		1860	1850	1970 ¹	1960 ²	1950 ³	1940 ⁴	1930	1920	1910
228	All countries.....	4,138,697	2,244,602	8,733,770	9,293,992	10,158,854	11,419,138	13,983,405	13,712,754	13,345,545
229	Northwestern Europe.....	2,472,211	1,437,475	1,528,092	1,968,797	2,326,887	2,825,671	3,726,844	8,828,876	4,237,373
230	England.....	433,494	278,675	453,867	526,157	554,625	621,975	808,684	812,828	876,455
231	Scotland.....	108,518	70,550	169,636	213,026	244,200	279,321	354,323	254,567	261,034
232	Wales.....	45,763	29,868	16,904	23,407	30,060	35,360	60,205	67,066	82,479
233	Northern Ireland.....			40,733	68,033	15,398	106,416	178,832		
234	Ireland (Eire).....	1,611,504	961,719	250,492	338,350	504,961	572,031	744,810	1,087,233	1,852,165
235	Norway.....	43,995	12,678	96,938	152,644	202,294	262,088	347,852	363,862	403,858
236	Sweden.....	18,625	3,559	126,843	214,313	324,944	445,070	595,250	625,580	665,185
237	Denmark.....	9,962	1,838	61,307	34,989	107,897	138,175	179,474	189,154	181,621
238	Iceland.....			2,868	2,769	2,455	2,104	2,764		
239	Netherlands.....	28,281	9,848	109,709	118,160	102,133	111,064	133,133	131,766	120,053
240	Belgium.....	9,072	1,313	41,259	50,210	52,891	53,958	64,194	62,686	49,397
241	Luxembourg.....			3,498	4,335	5,590	6,886	9,043	12,585	3,068
242	Switzerland.....	53,327	13,358	49,547	61,490	71,510	88,293	113,010	118,659	124,834
243	France.....	109,870	54,069	104,491	110,864	107,924	102,930	135,265	152,890	117,236
244	Central and Eastern Europe.....	1,311,722	586,240	2,802,546	3,711,725	4,218,903	4,383,393	5,897,795	6,134,825	6,013,720
245	Germany.....	1,276,075	583,774	830,498	986,564	984,331	984,331	1,068,583	1,686,102	2,311,085
246	Poland.....	7,298		547,010	747,250	861,184	993,479	1,139,978	1,139,978	937,884
247	Czechoslovakia.....			160,672	227,467	278,268	319,971	491,638	362,436	
248	Austria.....	25,061	946	213,501	304,192	408,785	479,906	370,914	575,625	845,506
249	Hungary.....			182,681	244,945	268,022	290,228	274,450	397,282	495,600
250	Yugoslavia.....			153,020	165,658	143,956	161,093	211,414	169,437	
251	U.S.S.R.....			646,144	668,462	894,844	1,040,884	1,153,626		
252	Latvia.....			41,558	50,658	31,590	18,636	20,673	1,400,489	
253	Estonia.....	3,160	1,414	12,130	13,974	10,085	4,178	3,550		51,184,382
254	Lithuania.....			75,806	121,349	147,765	165,771	193,606	135,068	
255	Finland.....			45,372	67,540	95,506	117,210	142,478	149,824	129,669
256	Romania.....			70,364	84,471	84,952	115,940	146,393	102,823	65,920
257	Bulgaria.....			8,490	8,195	9,615	8,888	9,399	10,477	11,453
258	Turkey in Europe.....	7,128	7,106	(?)	(?)	(?)	4,412	2,257	5,284	32,221
259	Southern Europe.....	20,365	8,152	1,387,288	1,525,251	1,706,640	1,896,886	2,093,976	1,902,781	1,523,934
260	Greece.....	328	86	176,025	158,894	169,083	163,252	174,526	175,972	101,264
261	Albania.....			8,895	9,572	10,510	(8)	(8)		1,343,070
262	Italy.....	11,677	3,679	1,005,687	1,255,812	1,427,145	1,623,580	1,790,424	1,610,109	
263	Spain.....	4,244	3,113	56,866	44,815	45,565	47,707	59,033	49,247	21,977
264	Portugal.....	4,116	1,274	89,810	56,158	54,337	62,347	69,993	67,453	57,623
265	Other Europe.....	1,403		20,232	14,166	15,670	8,9819	8,25,065	11,509	12,851
268	Asia.....	36,796	1,185	273,598	201,330	7,179,900	149,909	157,580	110,450	64,314
269	Armenia.....			(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)		
270	Palestine.....			(11)	(11)	(11)	7,047	6,135	3,202	59,702
271	Syria.....			14,840	16,566	35,325	50,859	57,227	51,900	
272	Turkey in Asia.....	(?)	(?)	47,705	7,51,887	7,71,730	52,479	46,651	11,014	
273	China.....	35,565	758	11,839	12,858	11,985	2,279	716	333	
274	Japan.....			6,085	11,686	11,685	632	278	198	
275	India.....			41,412	6,414	5,370		3,300	2,532	2,078
276	Korea.....			2,094	2,681					
277	Philippines.....			11,187	15,624					
278	Other Asia.....	1,231	377	11,187	15,624	11,187	15,624	11,187	15,624	11,187
279	America.....	288,285	168,484	2,860,490	1,743,058	1,564,189	1,509,855	2,011,224	1,656,801	1,453,186
280	Canada-French.....					12,238,409	273,366	370,852	307,786	886,983
281	Canada-Other.....	249,970	147,711	798,782	941,906	756,153	770,753	907,660	810,092	
282	Newfoundland.....					(12)	21,361	23,971	13,242	5,076
283	Cuba.....	7,353	5,772	425,974	74,921	29,295	15,277	16,089	12,843	12,869
284	Other West Indies.....			13,538	30,876	22,735	15,257	15,511	13,526	10,300
285	Mexico.....	27,466	13,317	746,327	572,564	450,562	377,433	639,017	478,383	219,802
286	Central America.....	233	141	145,251	38,773	23,475	7,638	7,791	4,074	1,507
287	South America.....	3,263	1,543	238,768	84,018	43,510	28,770	30,333	16,855	7,562
288	All other.....	7,915	43,116	411,529	129,665	146,715	58,630	70,921	67,512	40,167
289	Africa.....	526	551	48,021	16,545	13,260		7,868	5,222	3,518
290	Australia.....	1,419		23,699	22,060	19,900	10,998	12,720	10,801	8,938
291	Azores.....	1,361		28,397	22,467	26,025	25,751	35,432	33,788	15,795
292	Other Atlantic Islands.....			9,140	4,949	4,595	3,232	4,053	5,196	
293	Pacific Islands.....	721	588	14,2,570	14,7,665	14,5,760		4,367	3,643	2,344
294	Country not specified.....	1,366	41,977	299,702	55,979	77,175	17,638	1,518	3,560	2,687
295	Born at sea.....	2,522					1,011	4,963	5,302	6,885

NA Not available.
¹ Based on 15-percent sample.
² Based on 25-percent sample.
³ Foreign-born white based on 20-percent sample; total foreign born, on complete count.
⁴ Listed as Holland prior to 1910.
⁵ Persons reported in 1910 as of Polish mother tongue born in Austria, Germany, and U.S.S.R. have been deducted from their respective countries and combined as Poland.
⁶ White foreign born for 1920-1950, Armenia included with "Other Asia"; beginning 1960, total and white foreign born with U.S.S.R.
⁷ 1850-1900, Turkey in Asia included with Turkey in Europe; beginning 1950, Turkey in Europe included with Turkey in Asia.

8 1910, Albania included with Turkey in Europe; 1930 and 1940, with "Other Europe."
⁹ Includes countries for which figures are not shown separately.
¹⁰ Includes persons born in Serbia and Montenegro, which became part of Yugoslavia in 1918.
¹¹ Palestine included with "Other Asia."
¹² Newfoundland included with Canada prior to 1910.
¹³ Excludes U.S. outlying areas.
¹⁴ Includes New Zealand and Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands, but excludes outlying areas of the U.S.
¹⁵ There were 11,656,641 total foreign born persons in 1940; data by country of birth are not available.