Immigration Drives Population Growth in the Sunbelt, Pacific Northwest, and Mountain States

Share of total adult population growth from foreign-born adults from 1990 to 2012

Note: Share of county population growth attributed to an increase in the foreign born is calculated by dividing this population’s growth from 1990 to 2008-2012 by total population growth from 1990 to 2008-2012. Excluded counties are those with fewer than 1,000 residents in 1990 or for which no data were available.

Sources: Pew’s analysis of the 1990 decennial census and 2008-2012 American Community Survey

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