

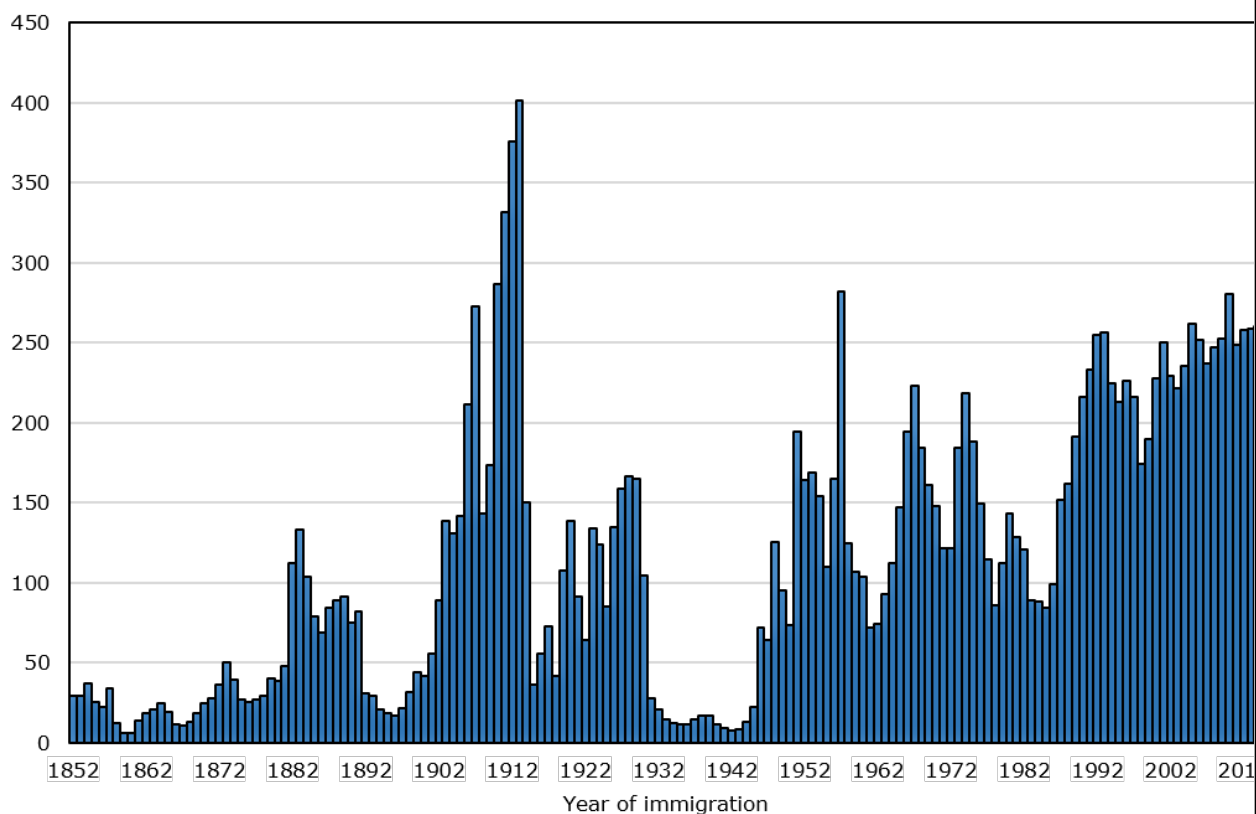
Why do people immigrate today? Create a list of reasons why.

- war
- job opportunities
- healthcare
- cost of living
- natural factors
- politics/education
- family/religious

Remember back to Geography: Which ones are Push or Pull Factors?

Chart 1
Number of immigrants who landed annually in Canada, 1852 to 2014

thousands



Sources: From 1852 to 1979—Employment and Immigration Canada, 1982. For 1980—Immigration Statistics, Immigration and Demographic Policy Group, Catalogue no. MP22-1/1980. From 1980 to 2014—Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

Why do you think there was so much immigration? Consider push/pull factors.

What could this have to do with immigration?



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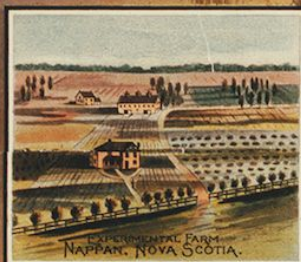
Railway from Ocean to Ocean.



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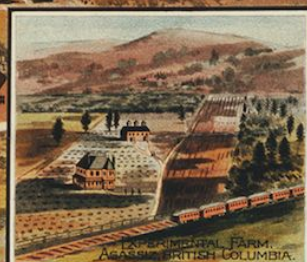
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1908



“When I speak of quality I have in mind ... I think a stalwart [loyal] peasant in a sheep-skin coat, born on the soil, whose forefathers have been farmers for ten generations, with a stout [strong] wife and a half-dozen children, is good quality. A Trades Union artisan who will not work more than eight hours a day and will not work that long if he can help it, will not work on a farm at all and has to be fed by the public when his work is slack is, in my judgement, quantity and very bad quantity. I am indifferent as to whether or not he is British-born. It matters not what his nationality is.”

— *Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior*

What type of immigrant did Clifford Sifton wish to attract?

In small groups, prepare answers to the following questions

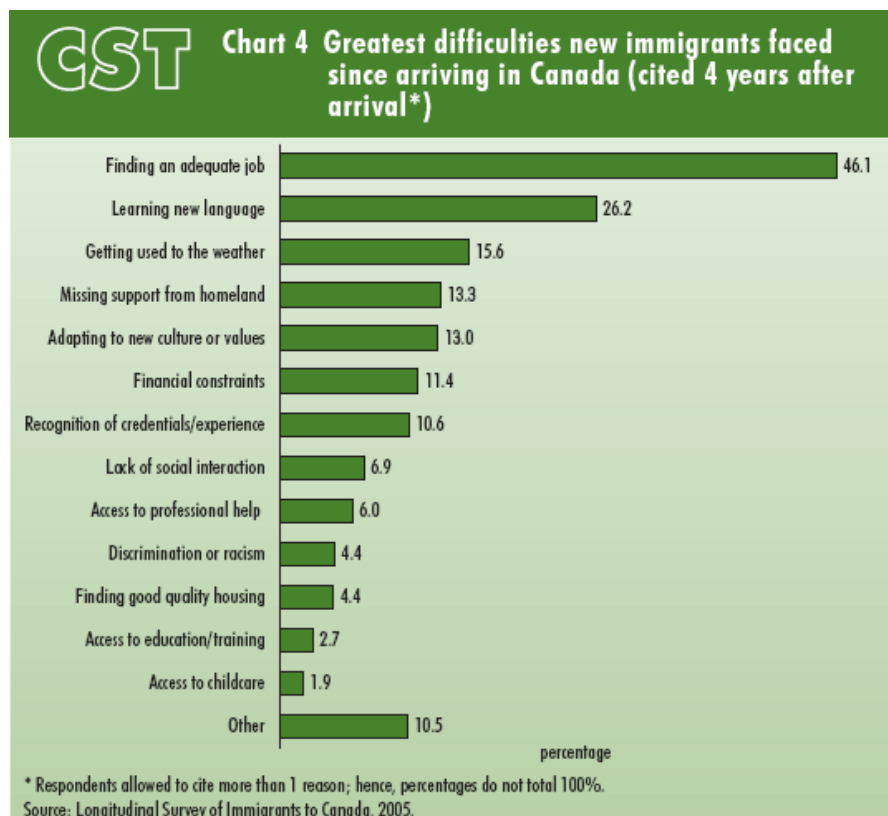
- 1) What made these posters so appealing and effective to immigrants?
- 2) How did this "targeted" immigration affect Canada in the long term?
- 3) Explain why this was a "win-win" situation.
- 4) Compare today's immigration. What type of workers or immigrants would our government want to attract (to be able to contribute)

Why do you suppose the immigration rate stopped growing so high after 1910?

Perspective: What would citizens of Canada have to say about the new immigrants? What might be some other perspectives involved?

- discrimination
- travelling
- getting a job
- \$
- climate adjustment.
- language.

What do you think life was like for new immigrants? What challenges did they face?



Immigrants came from several different countries, with large populations coming from:

- 1 - Ukraine 2 - Italy 3 - Netherlands
- 4 - China 5 - Jewish background

Choose one of these groups of people for your next assignment that you will receive in class

<https://www.pier21.ca/research/immigration-history/settling-the-west-immigration-to-the-prairie>

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Immigration Act of 1906: What do some of these terms show about who Canada values as an immigrant?



“No immigrant shall be permitted to land in Canada,
who is:

- ... an idiot, or an epileptic, or who is insane, or has had an attack of insanity within five years; nor shall any immigrant be so landed who is deaf or dumb [unable to speak], or dumb, blind or infirm; ...
- afflicted with a loathsome disease or with a disease which is contagious or infectious and which may become dangerous to the public health; ...
- a pauper, or destitute, or professional beggar, or vagrant, or who is likely to become a public charge”

— *Immigration Act, 1906*



“38. The Governor in Council may, by proclamation or order whenever he deems it necessary or expedient, ...

(a) prohibit the landing in Canada ... of any immigrant who has come to Canada otherwise than by continuous journey from the country of which he is a native or naturalized citizen, and upon a through ticket purchased in that country, or prepaid in Canada; ...

(c) prohibit for a stated period, or permanently, the landing in Canada ... of immigrants belonging to any race deemed unsuited to the climate or requirements of Canada, or of immigrants of any specified class, occupation or character.”

— *Immigration Act, 1910*

Why do you suppose the government created this "Immigration Act?"

Describe some of the perspectives of people living in Canada at this time?

- Newly landed immigrant
- Second generation immigrant
- Born "Canadian"
- Potential migrant to Canada

Suppose there is an open hearing and all of these groups appear to voice their opinions. What might they say? In your groups, create a list of points you would bring to voice at the hearing.

Bloc Settlements: Small colonies that are formed of groups of settlers from the same country of origin.

What are the different perspectives on bloc settlements shown here:



“The Galicians [Ukrainians] and Doukhobors ... are allowed to live in communities. If they do that, they are bound to perpetuate their religion and their habits – and I must say that some of those habits are very filthy – and will not, in any reasonable length of time, assimilate with the rest of the population. If these people must be brought in, for heaven’s sake, let us have them distributed here and there so that they may learn in a short time a different way of living.”

— *E.G. Prior, member of Parliament*



“If we are ever going to have the North-West populated, we shall not succeed in doing it by standing on our boundary with a club or putting the microscope on every man who wishes to come into the country.... [The Ukrainians] are people who have lived in poverty. That is no crime on their part.... [They are] of good physique, and they are people of good intellectual capacity; and they are moral and well-living people.”

— *Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior*