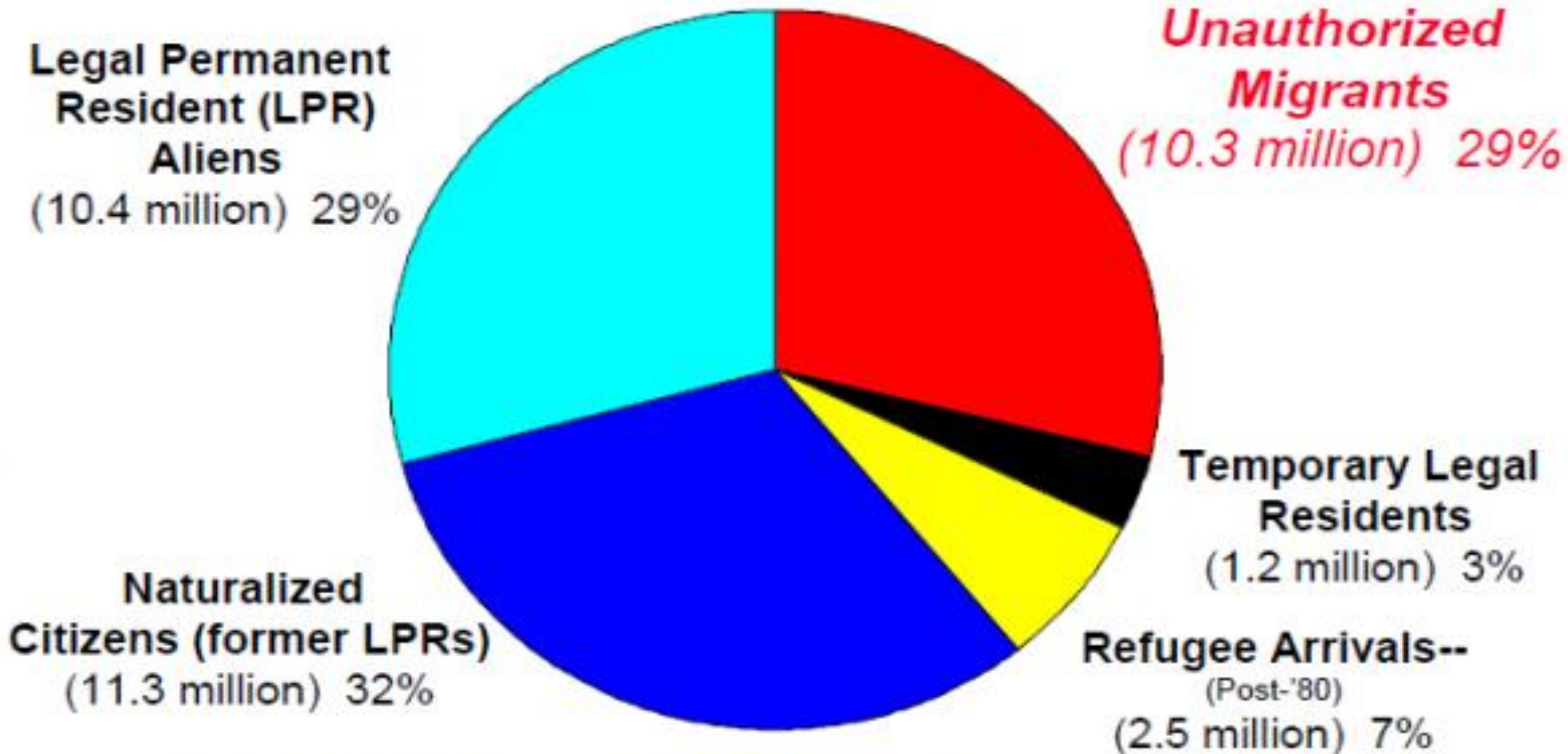


Conservative immigration reform

as an example of illegal immigration reform and immigration
responsibility act of 1996(IIRIRA)

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Legal Status of Immigrants



35.7 Million Foreign-Born in 2004

(Demographic estimates based on March 2004 CPS
with allowance for omissions)

Questions:

- * Why IIRIRA is a conservative legislation ?
- * The reasons of its conservative
- * Does it work in practice and why
- * What's lessons from this legislation

Why IRIRA is a conservative legislation ?

- * Legislation Strictly limits enter and exist of aliens :
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 - * the people, Who illegally stay in U.S from 180 days –one year , will not permitted to reenter U.S by any legal status in 3 years;
 - * the people , who illegally stay in U.S one year , will not permitted to enter U.S by any legal status in 10 years;
 - * The people ,who illegally enter U.S and delay 180-365 days ,will be deported for 3 years;
 - * the people , who illegally enter U.S and delay 365 days , will be deported in 10 years.

- * Sponsor' requirements: at least 18 years , income is the 125% of federal poverty line, the exception is that sponsor 's income is 100% of poverty line if he apply for his children and life partners
- * Border control: in the 5 years, add 1000 people in border patrol every year until 2000 and the number of patrol people is 10000
- * Employer sanction : checking status phone system

The reasons of conservatism

- * More and more illegal immigrants , state governments have to pay for public education and emergent medical fees
- * 187 act of California
- * The influence of election

The cost of illegal immigration

Illegal immigrants lead to the deficit of budget every year : 2 billion dollars, including public education and medical fees.

- * Illinois

- * illegal immigrants enjoy 82.22% emergent medical aid :

- * The cost of public education : total 101.9 million dollars;

- * state government pay for 29.2 million dollars;

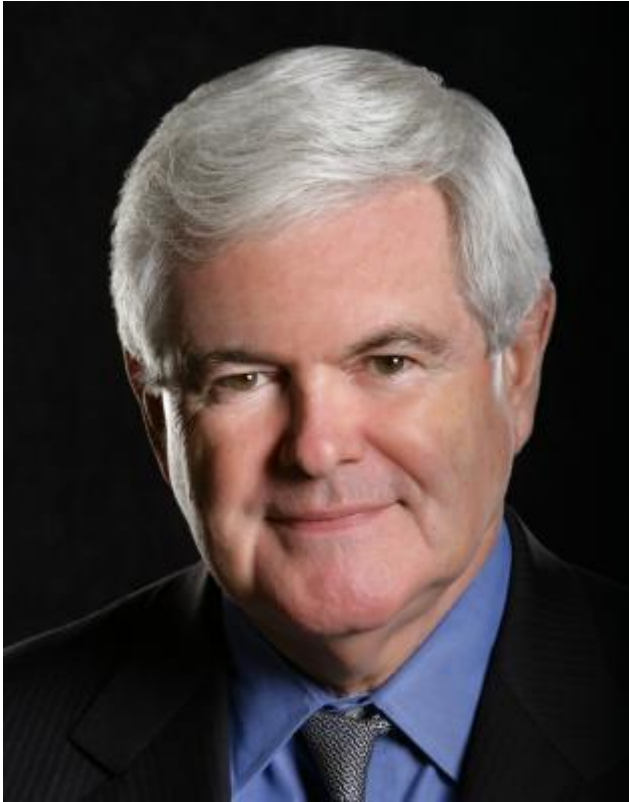
- * local government pay for 66.2 million dollars;


187 act of California

- * In 1994, California enacted 187 act,
- * According to this act, teachers and
- * Schools have responsibility to check
- * The status of immigration of children,
- * As a result, many illegal immigrants
- * Children are deported from public
- * Schools
- * It is an arguable legislation,
- * However, it influences other states



The influence of election

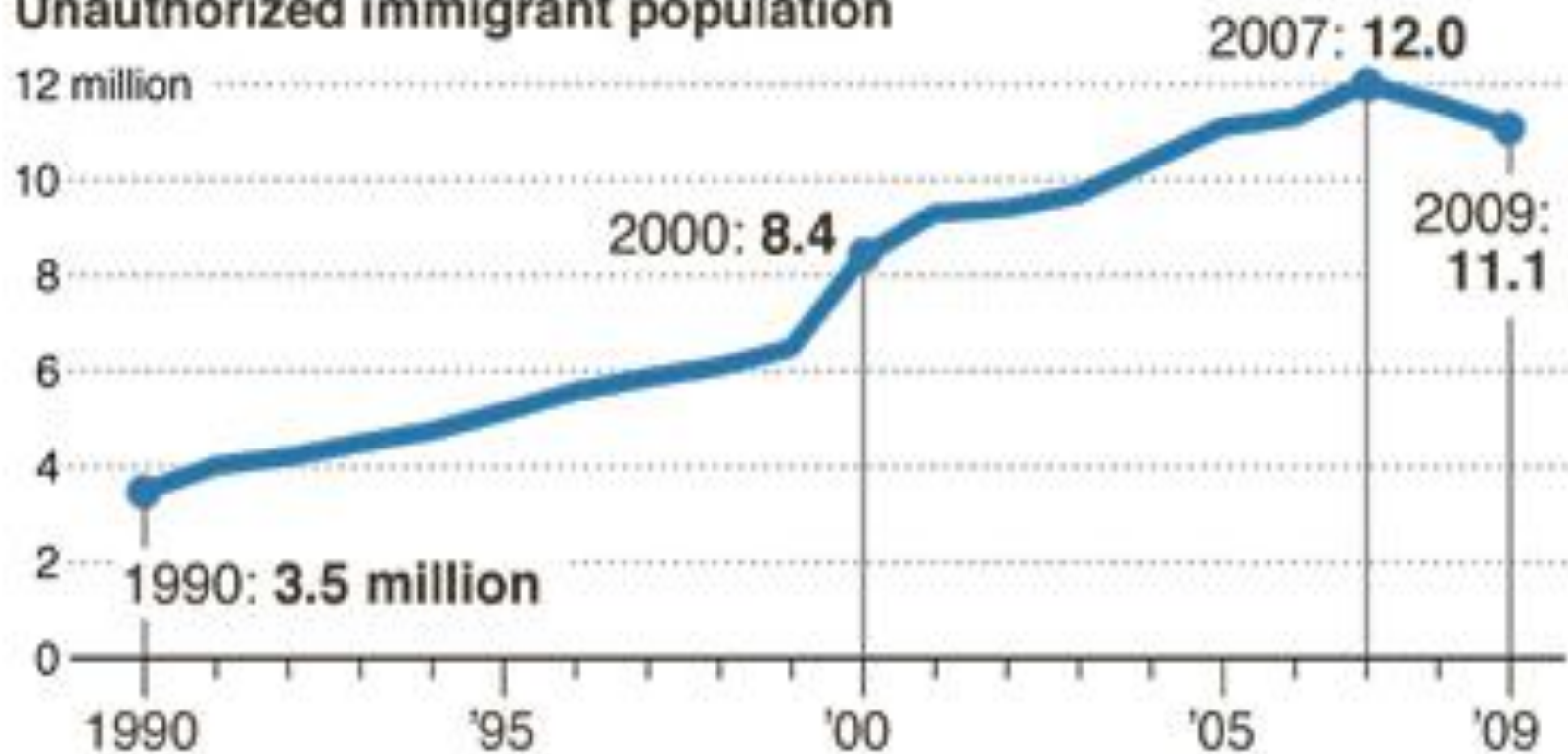


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- * 1994 congress election : republic party control congress
 - * 1996 president election : Clinton reelection
 - * In the 1990s, immigration issue began to be connected with election

Drop in inflow of illegal immigrants

The number of illegal immigrants in the U.S. declined to 11.1 million in March 2009 from a peak of 12 million in March 2007. This marked the first reversal in growth in two decades.

Unauthorized immigrant population




SOURCES: Pew Hispanic Center; Department of Homeland Security

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Why its' failure

- * One reason is that there is something wrong with Legislation itself:
- * Verification status of aliens system , not realistic
- * Border control: cost too much , does not work

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- * Other reason is the failure of enforcement : not strictly enforcement:
 - * NAFTA

Lessons from the legislation of 1996

- * Legislation should be realistic: improvement of verification status system
- * Comprehensive reform : illegal immigrants: public education and emergent medicine ;enforcement
- * Border control is necessary but not all.
- * State government/federal government