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> U.S. Senate, Subcommittee on Energy, Nuclear Proliferation and Government Processes, Committee on Governmental Arairs, Washington, $D C$.

The subcommittee met at 2:06 p.m., in room SD-342, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Hon. Thad Cochran (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Senator Cochran.

## OPENING STATEMENT OF SENATOR COCHRAN

Senator Cochran. The subcommittee will please come to order. I want to welcome you all here today for our hearing. This hearing is on the enumeration of undocumented aliens in the decennial census.

It is our intention to examine the practice of enumerating undocumented aliens and the legal history and requirements for enumeration, as well as legal alternatives.

The Constitution requires the apportionment of the House of Representatives among the States according to their respective numbers and establishes the decennial census to be carried out in such a manner as Congress directs. The Bureau of the Census has the responsibility of conducting the census and has made special efforts to ensure that an accurate and complete accounting of the Nation's population is accomplished.

This accounting has included undocumented aliens who are present in the United States.

I want to commend the Bureau of the Census for its diligence and commitment to fulfilling its responsibilities. But frankly, I am concerned about the fact that the U.S. House of Representatives is apportioned on the basis of an accounting of our population which includes persons who are not citizens, who don't have a right to vote.
I think it is important that we understand fully what the census practices are with respect to illegal aliens, persons who are not citizens, and what impact their inclusion in the decennial census has on the allocation of U.S. Representatives among the States.
No one really knows how many illegal aliens there are in the United States, but most agree that the number is large and increasing. Estimates have ranged from 2 to 12 million.

In the 1980 report to the Select Commission on Immigration and Refugee Policy, the Census Bureau estimated that in 1978, there were between 3 and 6 million illegal immigrants in the United States, with a growth rate of 250,000 to 500,000 per year.

Most recently, the Bureau has estimated that it counted over 2 million illegal immigrants in the 1980 census. That figure is only slightly less than the total population of the entire State of Mississippi, just as an aside.

Illegal immigration is a very important social issue confronting our country, and as everyone knows, we are working today to wrap up legislation to finalize our action on legislation reported out of the Judiciary Committee for immigration reform.

Whether our Constitution and laws require the enumeration and representation of undocumented aliens is a question that requires our careful examination.

So that we may obtain a better understanding of the facts and legalities surrounding the issue, we have invited representatives of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Bureau of the Census, and one of the country's legal scholars to present testimony to this hearing.

We have with us Executive Associate Commissioner Doris Meissner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service; Robert Warren, Acting Director of Statistical Analysis, who will assist us at the hearing; and Dr. Jack Keane, Director of the Census Bureau, Peter Bounpane, Assistant Director for Demographic Censuses and Jeff Passel are here to explain enumeration procedures. Prof. John Noonan of the University of California, Berkeley, will discuss the legal side of the issue.

At this point in the record I would like to insert a statement by Senator Glenn, who was unable to be here today.
[Senator Glenn's statement follows:]

## Opening Statement of Senator John Glenn

Mr. Chairman. I wish to express my appreciation for the work you and your staff have done in beginning to focus on the complex issue of counting undocumented aliens in the Decennial Census.
I am familiar with this subject because it came up in hearings I conducted as chairman of this subcommittee some 5 years ago pertaining to the results of the 1980 Census. At that time, of course, the primary problem concerned "undercounts", but we did touch on the issue of enumeration of illegal aliens.
The decision of whether to count or not count undocumented aliens is one ripe with controversy. It touches on fundamental Constitutional issues. Of particular interest to me, and certainly to my colleagues, are the political impacts such as reapportionment and redistricting, plus the principle of "one man, one vote". As I've indicated before, some States obviously benefit when Congressional apportionment is determined on the basis of total population count, illegal aliens included, while other States claim this results in an imbalance in Congressional representation.
I think anytime we deal with fundamental Constitutional issues, we must tread delicately. There has been an on-going debate over the constitutionality of any legislative provision affecting the counting of illegal aliens and this issue remains far from settled. However, I am interested to note that one of our witnesses here today, through precedential Supreme Court decisions, has provided his interpretation that restrictions on counting undocumented aliens would be constitutionally permissible.

Even if one assumes that these constitutional issues can be overcome, a far more pragmatic problem has to be dealt with. That is essentially the mechanics of operational and managerial procedures available to implement and enforce any such provision. I have a preliminary analysis from the Congressional Research Service made at my request which outlines possible operational approaches if it were decid-
ed to exclude undocumented aliens from the Census count. ${ }^{1}$ The CRS report suggests three possible alternatives:

1. Exclude undocumented aliens from the census count by placing a notice on the questionnaire asking them not to complete it and instructing census workers not to include persons found to be undocumented aliens.
2. Include undocumented aliens in the census count but add a question that required them to identify themselves. Subsequently, remove them from the count used for the apportionment.
3. Do not change the field procedures but estimate the number of undocumented aliens counted in the census in each State and subtract that number from the State's count when apportionment is calculated.
While each of these methods has its distinctive advantages, each has its own inherent disadvantages. Certainly it may be possible to invent a more perfect means of accomplishing this objective. However, until we have reached that stage, it seems that each of the currently available methods has significant potential drawbacks.
Finally, during one of my prior hearings on this issue, the then-Director of the Census Bureau, Mr. Vincent P. Barraba, testified that there was no truly reliable means or procedure to either estimate the total number of illegal aliens, and further, to exclude those people from the census count itself. That statement was made in 1980. However, I note that in 1983, the Census Bureau, did, in fact, issue a study which was prepared by one of the witnesses here today, Mr. Jeff Passel, which broke down State-by-State those illegal aliens who were included in the 1980 Census. I am anxious to hear about the specific procedures involved in the compilations of this report and to find out what new developments occurred in this 3 -year interim to enable the Census Bureau to produce this report.
I look forward to being present with you, Mr. Chairman, to hear the testimony today on this most important subject.

Senator Cochran. I want to welcome the witnesses and express my appreciation for your being here and for your cooperation with the subcommittee. We received your statements, which we have reviewed, and for which we thank you very sincerely.

Now, I invite Doris Meissner and Robert Warren to come to the witness table.

We appreciate your being here and giving us the benefit of your statement concerning the legal requirements for enumerating illegal aliens. We invite you to present your testimony. You may abbreviate the written remarks. All of your statement will be included at this point in the record as if it had been verbally stated.

Thank you for being here. You may proceed.

## TESTIMONY OF DORIS MEISSNER, EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATION COMMISSIONER, IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE, ACCOMPANIED BY ROBERT WARREN, ACTING DIRECTOR FOR STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Mrs. Meissner. Thank you, Senator Cochran. On behalf of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, we are pleased to appear at this hearing, and in line with your suggestion, would ask that our testimony be admitted into the record, and I will briefly summarize.
I am accompanied by Robert Warren, who is, as you mentioned, the Acting Chief of our Statistical Analysis Branch and who will assist in answering questions as you ask them.

Our testimony addresses the history of and the current scope of illegal immigration into the United States. We are all proud, of course, of our heritage as a nation of immigrants. We continue to have an economic allure to people around the world, and the free-

[^0]doms and values that we enjoy are those that are hoped for by many people in many other countries. That means that we continue to draw people into this country, and we, of course, assume and hope that this draw will be through legal channels.
We are in a period of very high immigration into the United States. Immigration into the United States is as high for the last two decades or so as it was prior to World War I. So, we should be thinking of ourselves as being in period of time when immigration is on the upswing and will likely continue to be so.

But accompanying that legal immigration has been a very, very high incidence of illegal immigration. That, of course, is your concern in this hearing, and that is a very, very critical concern of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

We apprehended last year over $11 / 4$ million people, and that is an annual figure that has been established during the 1980's and is likely to continue.
This apprehension total represents activity. It doesn't represent individuals. Some individuals are apprehended more than once. Nonetheless, it is a dramatically high number, and it is a number that we see increasing every year. To give some comparison, 20 years ago, in 1965 , we apprehended only 110,000 a year. So that is really a tenfold increase in 20 years and something that is of serious concern.

It is our view that absent some legislative relief to give more authority to the executive branch to deal with the problem that brings about illegal immigration, that this increase is simply going to continue into the foreseeable future.

You, of course, know that as we speak, the Senate is debating the issue of reform legislation. We want to express our appreciation to the leadership that the Senate has shown over the past several years in consistently passing legislation that we believe would help us. We hope it passes again this time, but in the specific, we hope that it passes the House so that we can move forward in implementing employer sanctions which, to us, are critical.

Nonetheless, we have a large and illegal immigrant group in the United States. Our present estimates are that there are 4 to 6 million people in the country here illegally. We break this total into a "permanent illegal immigration population" or "settlers" of about 3 to 4 million and then a moving group that is referred to as "commuters" or "sojourners" of about 1 to 2 million additional people.

The settler population is growing by about a quarter million a year, and it is unlikely to stop growing unless some positive actions are taken that will change it.

The estimates that I have given you are consistent with those that the Census Bureau has developed, and they are also consistent with the remarks that you made at the beginning of the hearing.

As far as the Census Bureau and the Immigration Service are concerned, we have worked very closely together on the issue of numbers of illegal aliens. It is important to us and to the Census Bureau to be as precise about this issue as we can be.

For the 1980 census, we shared some important information with the Census Bureau, which, in retrospect, I think, was very helpful to them in being able to come up with accurate estimates. We
would be happy to describe that methodology later if you wish to go into it.
But it is important to say that that cooperation and that kind of exchange of information is continuing, and we have been participating with the Census Bureau in their planning for the 1990 census.
In addition to the kind of assistance we were able to give for the 1980 census, we will probably be able to be considerably more helpful in the next several years, because our own ability to extract information from our information systems through a very aggressive automation effort has improved enormously.

We have a number of data bases that have important information in them about the number of immigrants coming into the country, for instance, the number of people naturalized, that is those who receive U.S. citizenship, that are important check points for the Census Bureau to use to evaluate data that they are developing. That kind of cooperation and that kind of exchange of information is going on and will increase as we get closer to the 1990 census.
So let me simply finish by saying that we believe from the point of view of overall numbers and the extent of the problem that the only thing that is really going to make any measurable difference is strong legislative solutions which we hope will be forthcoming from the Congress quite quickly.

In the interim, however, we are continuing to work with the Census Bureau and would foresee that cooperation will continue in the future as they go forward with the 1990 census to enumerate this population in the most effective fashion.

Thank you.
Senator Cochran. Thank you very much, Mrs. Meissner. Of the 3 to 4 million settlers, as you call them, who are in our country today and who are illegally here, how many do you expect will become citizens of the United States?

Mrs. Meissner. There would be very few who could become citizens unless some kind of a legalization program were enacted. Most of those people are in an illegal status and will remain in an illegal status unless there is some legislative relief that would allow them, through a legalization kind of approach, to gain a legal status.

Some portion of those people will, over time, marry U.S. citizens, in which case they would have a vehicle to enter the legal system. Some portion of them will have children in this country, and when those children grow up and become 21 years of age, the children having been born here could then confer permanent residence upon their parents. Additionally, some number could, through the right kind of job or job situation, perhaps apply under certain sections of the act for legal status. But all of those taken together still, I think, would add up to quite a small percentage of those actually entering the legal stream.

Senator Cochran. I have forgotten the number of those who would be affected by the amnesty provision of the bill that we have on the floor of the Senate today. What is that number, do you recall? How many would become legally here who are now illegally here if we enact the bill that is on the floor today?

Mrs. Meissner. We believe that at most 2 to 2.5 million, would be eligible to apply with a January 1980 eligibility date.
How many of those actually would apply will only be known by experience.
Senator Cochran. It is not an open-ended thing?
Mrs. Meissner. No, no, because the bill is written such that only people who enter prior to 1980 and remain would be able to apply, and a goodly proportion, in fact, the majority of the illegal alien population probably, as time goes on, entered since 1980.

Senator Cochran. There have been discussions from time to time in the Congress and in the courts about whether or not those who are citizens should be counted for the purpose of deciding how many seats in Congress should be allocated among the States.

Has your agency or has the Department, to your knowledge, taken a position on that one way or the other? I am not aware of any. I just wonder if you are.

Mrs. Meissner. No. We have no position, and I think it is very unlikely that we would have a position on that issue. Should the issue come forward in the frame of a lawsuit, then, of course, the Justice Department would defend the Government's position, but the Government's position would be developed in an agency other than the Justice Department.

Senator Cochran. There was a suit in 1980, I think, litigating the issue, and it was dismissed because the person who filed the suit was said by the court not to have standing in the suit. You didn't participate or INS didn't participate in that as such? I don't recall. As a friend of the court or anything, you didn't file a brief or take a position?

Mrs. Meissner. No, to my knowledge, it never got far enough to require that.

Senator Cochran. I appreciate your being a lead-off witness and putting in context the numbers that we are dealing with and what is at issue. I think the Census Bureau witnesses will be able to answer this question. Let me ask it of you. Do you have any records that would indicate where these 3 to 4 million or 6 million, as many as we might have, where they are? In other words, if we enacted legislation that said that you can't count, for the purpose of apportioning House seats, illegal aliens, what States would be affected? Do you have that information that you could share with us?

Mrs. Meissner. Well, we do. I think Census probably would wish to elaborate, but it is important to know that the illegal alien population is very disproportionately arranged. Basically, it is California, Texas, Florida, Illinois, and New York which are affected.

Almost half, as far as we know, of this population is in California.

Senator Cochran. You talked about the growth rate of the illegal aliens, and you put that number at 250,000 per year. What we are seeing, I guess, then, is that every 2 years, we get enough illegal aliens in the country to entitle a State to another Congressman. About 500,000 constituents make up a congressional district.

Mrs. Meissner. That is a correct extrapolation, but it is not really a fair representation of what would likely happen, because of a phenomenon called clustering, which is that illegal aliens go where legal aliens are. Under the pattern we presently see, the ille-
gal alien population is concentrated in about five States and mostly in California. These States are where the incremental increases would likely be in the future, as well.

Senator Cochran. You have been very helpful to the committee. We appreciate your being here and Mr. Warren being here to help us in our examination of this issue. Thank you very much.

Mrs. Meissner. Thank you very much.
[Mrs. Meissner's prepared statement follows:]

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#### Abstract

Chairman Cochran and members, of the Subcomnittee on Energy, Nuclear Proliferation, ard Goverrment Processes


I am pleased to represent Commissioner Nelson in testifying concerning the history and current scope of the illegal alien problem in this country. I will also present our views about how this problem can be brought under control before the 1990 Census. I will be glad to provide whatever infomation that I can for your deliberations; however, I am aware that the complex legal and operational questions surrounding your topic are outside the perview of the Service. Therefore, my testimony will be brief. Mr. Robert Warren will be available to provide more detailed statistical information.

The conditions which have led to our present problems in immigration are neither new nor unusual. The United States has for many years presented an attractive way of life to people from much of the world. The individual freedoms of its residents and the opportunity to better one's place in life have encouraged immigration since the very beginning of our country. Because of this, we have developed as a nation with all the benefits which people from every part of the world can enjoy.

The political freedom and economic opportunities available here have also led to a substantial flow of illegal aliens to this country, and indications are that the situation has been getting worse for some time. Again during the last fiscal year, the number of illegal aliens apprehended at the border increased. More than 5 million apprehensions have occurred since the 1980 census was done. Total apprehensions increased steadily fran 110 thousand in 1965 to the present level of a million and a quarter each year. In the absence of effective new
legislation many more illegal aliens are likely to be in the united states in 1990.

The most widely accepted estimates of the illegal alien population at the present time are in the 4 to 6 million range, with permanent residents accounting for perhaps 3 to 4 million and other illegals estimated at between 1 to 2 million. The Census Bureau recently reported that the number of illegal residents was growing by nearly a quarter of a million each year in the sarly 1980's. At that rate, the population will double every 10 years; the problem will keep growing until positive action is taken to gain control over the entry and presence of aliens in our country.

Fortunately, a vital piece of legislation that we believe will restore control over immigration is presently before Congress. S 1206, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1985 , is a multi-faceted approach to the variety of immigration problems that we face in this country. It has the necessary elements of authority for enhanced enforcement of the law, humanitarian concern for aliens who have established strong and abiding commitments to the United States, and provisions whereby the legitimate needs of employers may be met.

Through the placing of sanctions on the knowing hiring of illegal aliens, the bill addresses one of the primary reasons aliens enter illegally or, after legal arrival, violate the conditions of their admission. In addition to effectively stemming the flow of illegal immigration, the bill recognizes the need to legalize aliens who have resided in our society for several years.

We believe that prompt passage of effective legislation can bring about a situation by 1990 in which the flow of illegal immigration is curtailed and those found to be eligible have been legalized. If so, the illegal alien
population could be reduced to a level where it would not pose a practical problem for the 1990 census. On the other hand, failure to enact legislation and provide the resources to support it will greatly add to future dollar and societal costs. The question of what to do about the millions of illegal aliens now included in the census total, although not specifically identified will be only one of many problens that will grow more acute if he fail to act.

Regardless of the outcone of pending legislation, we will continue tu provide as much statistical information as possible about immigration to the Census Bureau and others interested in this important component of our populetion. In 1980 we provided detailed information about legal aliens and naturalized citizens that enabled the Bureau to estimate the total number of illegil aliens counted in the census. The estimates were done by subtracting estimites of the legally resident foreign-born population (citizens and aliens) fran the census count of the foreign-born. The INS provided the detailed figures for both citizens and aliens used to estimate the legally resident population.

The INS also has participated in preliminary planning for the 1990 census. Following sample selection procedures set up by the Census Bureau, our district offices pulled information from a sample of files for recent immigrants so that the Bureau could test new methodology for estimating undercount in the 1990 census. Also, a member of the Statistics staff was co-chair of a Federal subcomittee on planning 1996 census questions on country of birth, citizenship and year of inmigration.

During the next few years we will continue to implement our extensive plans for automated data processing. The timely and detailed information produced by the new systems will be useful for evaluating the 1990 census. For example, the number of immigrants admitted during the five years prior to the census is
extremely useful for estimating the number of illegal aliens counted in the census who entered during the previous 5 years. Also, the census data for the number of naturalized citizens for various periols of entry can be evaluated using INS statistics. In the 1980 census this ccmparison led to the conclusion that the Cenaus Bureau's question on citizenship needed to be revised. Finally, the census count of foreign students ty country of origin and residence in the U.S. can be compared to the infomation in the INS' automated foreign student data base. In addition to making more infomation available we will continue to share our insights into the prucess of immigration and continue to work with the Census Bureau and othe: groups interested in the impact of immigration on our society.

In summary, the United States has demonstrated ir, the past that it can control its borders when it is detemined to do so. During the last twenty years the pressures to immigrate to this country have exceeded our legal limits, which are higher than those of any other country in the world.

The illeg̣al alien population grew so rapidly in the 1970 's that illegal immigration became a major problem facing the nation. The population grew so large that it is estimated that over two million illegal aliens were counted (although not individually identified), and millions more probably were not counted, in the 1980 census. Since 1980 the illegal population has grown at a rate that would cause it to double in less than 10 years.

The INS will continue to provide information to develop an effective immigration policy and assist the Census Bureau in preparing for the 1990 census.

If the pending Immigration Reform and Control Act is enacted this year we should be able to regain control of immigration to this country before the 1990 census. If so, the issue of whether to count illegal aliehs in the population used for apportioment would continue to be a legal question.

Senator Cochran. Let me now ask the witnesses from the Bureau of the Census, Dr. John Keane, who is here, to come forward. I will let you introduce those who are with you. We appreciate your being here and helping us understand the issues.
Welcome, Dr. Keane.

## TESTIMONY OF JOHN KEANE, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF THE CENSUS, ACCOMPANIED BY PETER BOUNPANE, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR DEMOGRAPHIC CENSUSES, AND JEFF PASSEL, CHIEF, POPULATION ANALYSIS STAFF

Mr. Keane. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You have already identified them. I will just say that Mr. Bounpane is on my right and Dr. Passel is on my left.

We certainly share this committee's interest in the topic. With your permission, I would like to just give an oral overview.

Senator Cochran. Please do. We will include your entire statement in the record at this point.
Mr. Keane. Let me divide my overview into three areas: The historical perspective; enumeration practices, especially in the 1980 census; and research that the Census Bureau has done to estimate undocumented aliens in the 1980 census.
Beginning with the historical perspective, the Constitution tells us to count the whole number of persons, essentially meaning those resident in the country. The issue, of course, has been debated within Congress in 1929, 1931, and 1940. One legal opinion of note is that of the Legislative Counsel's Office of the Senate, and that opinion concluded: "There is no constitutional authority for the enactment of legislation excluding aliens from enumeration for the purposes of apportionment of Representatives among the States."
And the courts have taken up the issue. The one that comes most to mind is fairly recent. In 1979, when the Federation of American Immigration Reform, commonly known as FAIR, filed a lawsuit seeking to exclude undocumented aliens from the 1980 apportionment counts, and the three-judge court found, "It-" meaning the Constitution, "-requires the counting of the whole number of persons for apportionment purposes," and illegal aliens are clearly persons.

So there we have a constitutional basis, a congressional legislative counsel opinion and a three-judge opinion in a lawsuit.

Going on to the second part of the overview, let me focus on enumeration practices. In connection with the 1980 census, we provided materials in 32 languages, as well as in English, of course, to facilitate that process. In connection with Spanish, questionnaires were readily available in that language. We hired enumerators with foreign language skills to further the effort.
We set up numerous assistance centers geographically dispersed around the country with printed telephone numbers on the questionnaires where people could be reminded and could get help in calling.

We convinced the Immigration and Naturalization Service to curtail its law enforcement activities around census day. We were also successful in getting numerous people engaged in testimonials and support from hispanic leaders and celebrities.

Then we hired special enumerators to canvass a variety of places other than housing units, including migrant camps.
The third part of my overview is the research into the area of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census. Without going into detail on the research, it was independent of the census. We used aggregate data sets. The net result of that effort is that we estimate that in 1980, we counted about 2 million undocumented aliens.

Just for illustrative purposes and I do not underline the word illustrative, we did an estimate of apportionment, excluding undocumented aliens. Without getting into details the methodology does have some shortcomings that affect the quality of apportionment estimates in our judgment. What would have happened is two States would have lost a seat and two other States would have gained a seat.

Summarizing, there are severe limitations, in our judgment, to using those estimates of undocumented aliens at the State level. One of the shortcomings is simply the reliance on sample data. Second is that the estimates took a long time to produce. In other words, we were not able to submit the estimates until 3 years after the data was due by law.

Finally, Doris Meissner mentioned that there was cooperation with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and there surely was, which we welcomed. One of the aids that the INS gave us was the use of the alien registration data file. This file was essential in making our estimates. Unfortunately, such a file no longer exists, so that the same methodology would be valueless, presumably, in the future.

On balance, the apportionment formula requires data of acceptable quality for all States, not just a few with the large, undocumented alien populations. We have confronting us methodological difficulties. We have gaps in necessary data now because, as I mentioned, the INS file would not be available. Very likely, there would be operational difficulties in the field were we to design and implement a new methodology after all these years of taking the census essentially in the same way.

We, therefore, do not believe that these estimates should be used for apportionment. Thank you.

Senator Cochran. Are there statements to be made by any of your associates?

Mr. Keane. No.
Senator Cochran. Dr. Keane, let me thank you again and express my appreciation for your statement and your cooperation with our committee.

I notice that one part of your statement includes some research findings. On page 11 of your prepared statement, you identify the places of residence for the over 2 million undocumented aliens which are estimated to be included in the 1980 census. Among those States listed are California, New York, Texas, Illinois, and Florida, where 81 percent of all of those undocumented aliens are said to reside.

Which of those States would end up losing representation in Congress if the 1980 census count separated illegals from citizens?
Mr. Keane. New York and California.

Senator Cochran. So New York would lose one Member of Congress and California would lose one?
Mr. Keane. Yes, and again I emphasize, if I may, that this was for illustrative purposes only. We are very uneasy with the data and the estimates that we had to make.
Senator Cochran. Which States, as a matter of curiosity, would have gained representation in Congress? You mentioned two States would gain a seat in Congress.
Mr. Keane. Georgia and Indiana.
Senator Cochran. Georgia and Indiana. But it was in Indiana where they had this litigation, wasn't it, about whether or not undocumented aliens should have been counted for apportionment? Isn't that where they litigated that?
Mr. Keane. There is a suit that has since been resolved.
Senator Cochran. Oh, I see. They filed a suit and they worked it out?
Mr. Keane. If I recall correctly, the evidence was not sufficient for the judge to, I assume, admit the suit to a further stage.

Would you care to comment?
Mr. Bounpane. Senator, if I could clarify that a little, the Indiana suit was not on the issue of illegal aliens. Their suit was on a different issue, about an aspect of the enumeration when we make numerous calls to count persons and cannot find them at home. The question was whether we should use the computer procedures to count those persons. That issue has been resolved.

Senator Cochran. So they decided a computer was better or smarter than a person? [Laughter.]

The point is, there would be an impact on the representation of at least four States, if, in 1980, the law had required the Bureau to separate its count of illegals from citizens. That is your testimony?

Mr. Keane. Under certain assumptions. Remember, our estimate is that we counted approximately 2 million undocumented aliens; but that is not necessarily our estimate for the number that are in the country.

Senator Cochran. The fact of the matter is, there are more than that in the country; there are more illegals than 2 million in the country, especially now, and even in 1980 there probably were; is that correct?

Mr. Keane. The research that we have done to date would suggest that in 1980 there were somewhere between $21 / 2$ to 4 million undocumented aliens.

Senator Cochran. You mentioned several problems that would be encountered if the law required you to make some finding of numbers of illegals as compared to the numbers of citizens. I heard all of that. I am sure that there would be problems encountered. But it is not your testimony that it couldn't be done, is it?

Mr. Keane. Certainly, at this point, with what we know and can do, it would be very difficult. I see at least three sets of major difficulties confronting us. One is the one you just alluded to; that is, we have never asked a question about legal status. How do you do it? How would you know a person is answering honestly? Does a person necessarily know if the individual is a legal immigrant or not? That might seem obvious, but it is not altogether obvious in all instances.

A second category of difficulties besetting us would be legal considerations. We have neither the expertise nor necessarily the responsibility, and perhaps Professor Noonan will elaborate on that. But at least to us, at this point, it is clear that it causes us to have reservations.
Finally, perhaps more importantly than the others, because it could be so risky, is the perceptual problem. Would the Census Bureau suffer were some kind of an approach such as this invoked? Would we suffer from perceptual problems? Would we be perceived perhaps as an enforcement agency? If so, what kind of harmful ruboff might that have on the amount and quality of cooperation people would give us in the 1990 census and thereafter?
If we were to breach that enviable level of cooperation which we get now, how would we recover in 1990? How would we compensate from their effort? Besides that, what ruboff might it have outside of the decennial census? After all, we have about 250 surveys annually that we do and 3 other major censuses.
Overall, that is descriptive of why we are so careful and want to be so cautious in that general area.

Senator Cochran. I understand that we are seeing a growth in the number of illegals; according to the INS testimony, a growth rate of some 250,000 aliens per year. Do you agree with that estimate of the growth rate of the population of the illegal aliens that we are witnessing?

Mr. Keane. That is within our range, although it is on the high side. Our range for the 3 years 1980 through 1982, is that on the average the net annual increase would be somewhere between 100,000 and 300,000 .
Senator Cochran. Assuming that we would have the average 200,000 a year, then over time, that grows into millions, and by the 1990 census, we could have as many as 4 million additional illegal residents of the United States being counted in that census. Assuming 500,000 persons per Congressman, instead of just two States gaining a seat in Congress or two States losing a seat in Congress, we could see many others affected.
Would you agree that it is likely that we could, by 1990, have 4 to 5 million more illegal aliens counted for the purpose of apportioning the House of Representatives?

Mr. Keane. I would agree that is a possibility. I don't necessarily think that it would be a likelihood. It depends on what assumptions you make.
Senator Cochran. The assumption is that the current growth rate would continue. Is that an accurate assumption? Is that based on facts that we do have?
Mr. Keane. If it were, say, at the low end of our range, 100,000 , as opposed to at the high end, that would make quite a difference in the number of them over that time. Surely it is, it seems to me, a reasonable conclusion to come to that if the current rate continues, without pinpointing that for the moment, that there would be quite a few more, and were we to invoke some kind of a new apportionment system, that there would be some consequential impacts.

Senator Cochran. We would have more States affected, would we not?

Mr. Keane. Well, I don't know. The concentration might continue; as you pointed out, 81 percent in five States. Even within those States, for instance, Los Angeles County had, according to our research, one-third of all the undocumented aliens in the country.
So the concentrations are geographically high. Unless there were quite a departure in that pattern, I don't know that so many States would be affected.

Would you care to elaborate, Mr. Passel.
Mr. Passel. The apportionment formula is a funny formula. It is very sensitive to small numbers, right around the 435th seat. It is very difficult to predict what States would be affected and how many.
It is difficult to do that without knowing what the populations were going to be in 1990 . It would have been hard to predict in advance, for instance, the particular States in 1980 would have been the ones to gain or lose.
If there are more undocumented aliens, it is possible that more States could be affected. It is also possible that the same or fewer States could be affected, depending on exactly where the undocumented aliens are and exactly what the populations of all 50 States are and how they rank out with the apportionment formula. But it could, indeed, be more. But it could be fewer, as well.

Senator Cochran. In a hearing we held earlier this year, we talked about problems in taking the census in other countries and how the lack of confidence or support among the population made it very difficult in some countries to get an accurate counting of people within the country.

I wonder if, in your dialog and communication with others around the world, you could tell us, do they count persons who are inhabitants for the purposes of apportioning seats in Parliament in Great Britain, or do they count those who can vote?

Mr. Bounpane. Senator, I don't think we know the answer to that. We would be glad to try and find out and submit that to you for the record.

Senator Cochran. Yes, I would like to know, if you know. I guess I could call them up and ask them. [Laughter.]

I thought maybe you might know. It just occurred to me that I wonder whether other countries that have representation in a central government count people who are passing through or who are legally residing there for the purpose of deciding how many representatives should be in the Parliament.
Mr. Keane. We will take that as an assignment because you asked and because you pigued my curiosity, too.

Senator Cochran. I am curious. It would be interesting to know the answer to that.
[The information referred to follows:]

[^1]Senator Cochran. I appreciate your being here and helping us look at the issue. I thank you for helping the committee in the way that you have.
[Mr. Keane's prepared statement follows:]

Statement of the director of the bureau of the census John G. Xeane<br>Before the Subcomnittee on Energy, Nuclear Proliferation, and Government Processes<br>Committee on Governmental Affatrs<br>U.S. Senate<br>September 18, 1985


#### Abstract

The Census Bureau welcomes this opportunfty to discuss the enumeration of undocumented aliens in decennial censuses. I am accompanied by Mr. Peter Bounpane, the Assistant Director for Demographic Censuses, and Dr. Jeffrey Passel of the Population Division.


I shall provide a historical perspective on why we include undocumented aliens In the census, discuss how we enumerate them, and comment on our research to estimate the number of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census.

## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

## The Constitution

Article 1. Section 2, of the Constitution, as amended by the Fourteenth Amendment, specifically provides that "Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each State, excluding Indians not taxed." The Constitution gives to the Congress the authorfty to direct the manner in which the census is conducted. The Congress has directed the Secretary of Commerce to conduct the census and the Secretary has delegated that authority to the Census Bureau.

Traditional understanding of the Constitution and the legal direction provided by the Congress has meant that for every census since the first one in 1790 , we have tried to count residents of the country, regardless of their status.

It is the phrase "whole number of persons" that has generally guided decisions as to who should be included in the census count for apportionment.

From 1790 to the present, Congress has recognized that the total population, regardless of legal status, was to be included in the decenntal census. The First Decennial Census Act, adopted in 1790, says: "Be it enacted, that every person whose usual place of abode shall be in any family on the aforesaid first Monday in August next shall be returned as of such family." Although the wording varied over the decades, the concept remained the same--to enumerate all of the inhabitants. The current wording, "the tabulation of the total population by States," was contained in the amendment to title 13 of the United States code passed by Congress on June 18, 1929. ${ }^{\text {// }}$ The Census Bureau has never sought to count separately the number of undocumented allens in the United States as a discrete group or to differentiate respondents in any way based on legality of residence in the United States.

Tine Congress
The Congress has debated the inclusion of aliens for apportionment purposes several times. In 1929, Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg included in the record a legal opinton provided by the Legislative Counsel's Office of the Senate. This opinion concluded that "there is no constitutional authority for the enactment of legislation excluding aliens from enumeration for the purposes of apportionment of Representatives among the States." This opinion also says that "persons" as used in the Constitution includes aliens as well as
 During the 1931 debates in Congress on the same subject, this legal opinion was again included in the record of the hearings.

1/ 46 Stat. 21
2/ 71 Cong. Rec. pp. 1821-1B22 (1929)

During a discussion in April 1940 on the floor of the House on the inclusion of aliens, the subject of "illegal" aliens was raised explicitly. Asked whether "aliens who are in this country in violation of law have the right to be counted and represented," Congressman Emanuel Celler responded: "The Constitution says that all persons shall be counted. I cannot quarrel with the founding fathers. They said that all should be counted. We count the convicts who are just as dangerous and just as bad as the Communists or as the Nazis, as those aliens here illegally, and I would not come here and have the temerity to say that the convicts shall be excluded, if the founding fathers say they shall be included. The only way we can exclude them would be to pass a constitutional amendment." 3/

## The Courts

In 1964, the Supreme Court addressed the requirement that apportionment of the House of Representatives was to be based on total inhabitants. "The debates at the Convention make at least one fact abundantly clear: that when the delegates agreed that the House should represent 'people' they intended that in allocating Congressmen the number assigned to each State should be determined solely by the number of the State's inhabitants. The Constitution embodied Edmund Randolph's proposal for periodic census to ensure 'fair representation of the people,' an idea endorsed by Mason as assuring that 'number of inhabitants' should always be the measure of representation in the House of Representatives." 4/

The most recent review of this issue occurred in connection with the 1980 census. In 1979, the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) filed a lawsuit

3/ 86 Cong. Rec. 4372 (1940)
4/ Wesberry v. Sanders, 376 U.S. 1, 13 (1964).
against the Census Bureau seeking to exclude undocumented aliens from the 1980 census apportionment counts. The plaintiffs argued that including undocumented aliens in the population base for apportionment defeated the purpose of apportionment, that is, equal representation for equal numbers of "people of the United States."

In defending the Census Bureau, the Government's attorneys argued that the Constitution requires that all persons be included. The legal argument centered on the wording of the Constitution, which specifies persons as the basis for apportionment, without distingushing among inhabitants other than Indians not taxed and slaves.

The Three-Judge District Court that heard the FAIR case decided the lawsuit on procedural grounds (lack of standing). However, the court also addressed the substance of the case. They sajd: "It [the Constitution] requires the counting of the 'whole number of persons' for apportionment purposes, and while fllegal aliens were not a component of the population at the time the Constitution was adopted, they are clearly 'persons'." 5/ The appellate court affirmed the opinion; the Supreme Court denied plaintiffs' request to review the decision.

## enumeration practices

## Census Planning

The Census Bureau discusses its plans with the Congress before every decennial census. From May 1974 until January 1980, Congress held 16 hearings on the plans for the $19 B 0$ census. In the September 1976 hearings, Census Bureau officials testified on the procedures on whom to count and where to count them. The Census Bureau refers to these procedures as "rules of residence."

5/ D.C.D.C. (1980) 486 F. Supp. 564

They have remained virtually unchanged since the 1790 census, that is, to count every person who is a resident at his/her usual place of residence. There have been only small changes in interpretation, and these changes mainly did not Involve the "who" but rather the "where." Consistent with the interpretation of the Constitution and the law, the procedures have always provided that a citizen of a foreign country living in the United States is to be enumerated.

In addition, the Census Bureau is guided by practical considerations. If the Census Bureau were directed to enumerate undocumented aliens separately in order to remove them from the apportionment count, we would run the risk of being perceived as an enforcement agency. Most likely such a perception would occur among those respondents who could suffer injury as a result of being identified as undocumented aliens. This, in turn, could have a major effect on the cooperation we receive, not only from this segment of the population, but from the population at large. In a free society, we are entirely dependent upon respondent cooperation. The Census Bureau goes to great lengths to avoid misperceptions that could adversely affect that cooperation. We must convince the population that it is safe to be included in the census. For those who are undocumented aliens, we must assure them that we will not turn their names over to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and that they will not be deported as a result of responding to the census.

As a practical matter, the rules for counting people must be kept simple and must be understood readily by our enumerators. Determining the legal status of aliens is not simple at all in many instances, and involves legal considerations on which
the Census Bureau has no expertise and for which responsibilities are given by law to other Federal agencies.

Another consideration to keep in mind is that if we are required to exclude undocumented aliens, we would need to ask additional questions on a 100 -percent basis.

## Previous Censuses

The next section describes the Census Bureau's efforts to improve coverage in the 1980 census for all residents, including undocumented aliens. Here we provide the background that led up to these efforts.

The Census Bureau has always attempted to count every person residing in each state or territory on census day. Foreign diplomatic personnel living on embassy grounds (living on foreign soil and thus not in a state) and foreign tourists (who do not reside here) have been excluded as nonresidents. Americans living overseas are excluded, but those traveling overseas on business or vacation are included.

The decennial census population count represents the most precise person-byperson count achievable in this country within existing resources. Contact is made with every known housing unit identified by the Census Bureau, either by mail or in person. Using special procedures and forms, census takers enumerate individuals who do not live in housing units where they are found. Admittedly, the census is not perfect. Some housing units and people are missed. Each census, however, tries to echieve a better count than the one before.

Following the 1950, 1960, and 1970 censuses, the Census Bureau prepared, and announced publicly, estimates of the undercount. The published estimates of the percent of the population that was missed in 1950, 1960, and 1970 are
$3.3,2.7$, and 2.5 , respectively. While these percentages are relatively small, the Census 8 ureau recognized that the estimated undercount was not uniform for all segments of the population. Some demographic and geographic segments of the population had undercount rates that substantially exceeded the rates estimated for other segments. Because of these variations in the undercount rates, the Census 8ureau focused considerable attention on minimizing any differential counting in the 1980 census.

## 1980 Census--Precensus Activities

For the 1980 census, the Census Bureau developed numerous procedures to improve coverage and reduce the undercount. Procedures that were successful in the 1970 census for reducing the undercount were extended in 1980 to cover more areas. Innovative techniques, based on successful tests during the decade, were incorporated into the 1980 census. In an effort to obtain maximum public cooperation, the 1980 census also included the most extensive census promotional/advertising/ public relations campaign we have ever used.

Some special programs were designed specifically for certain racial and ethnic populations to help reduce any coverage differential between these groups and the rest of the population. While we undertook programs directed at these groups, the purpose was to increase cooperation overall, not just for specific groups such as undocumented aliens.

These programs apparently were successful in reducing the undercount. Our research shows that coverage of the 1980 census was significantly improved over the 1970 census.

## 1980 Census Enumeration

Ouring the 19705, many legal immigrants from Asia and Latin America came to this country. It is generaliy assumed that the number of undocumented aliens also
increased during this period. To aid in the enumeration of this diverse population, we provided census materials in languages other than English in the 1980 census. A message in Spanish on the regular census questionnatres informed Spanish-speaking householders that they could obtain a Spanish language questionnaire either by marking box on the questionnaire and mailing it back or by telephoning the census district office. Followup enumerators also were given Spanish-language questionnaires. There were special translations of the questionnaire into 32 other languages to use as respondents required. Whenever possible, we hired enumerators with language skills to work in selected areas where we knew a language other than English was routinely spoken. We also set up walk-in assistance centers in some areas with large numbers of non-English speaking persons.

To help people who did not understand how to fill out their questionnaires, the Census Bureau established questionnaire assistance telephone lines and printed the telephone numbers on the questionnaires.

Because undocumented aliens have particular reasons for wanting to remain anonymous, the Census Bureau took special steps to convince this group that the census is confidential and that no harm could come to anyone by answering the census. He successfully convinced the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to curtail its law enforcement activities around Census Day in most areas where there were large numbers of undocumented aliens. This was necessary because INS arrests around census time could have been perceived as a cooperative effort between INS and the Census Bureau. We also obtained testimonials and support from Hispanic leaders and celebrities who encouraged undocumented aliens to answer the census. Although our attempt to get the Conference of Catholic Bishops to publicly support the census was unsuccessful, many Bishops and local Catholic clergy

Individually encouraged their parishioners, many of whom may have been undocumented aliens, to answer the census.

As mentioned, we also hired enumerators to canvass a variety of places other than housing units where people reside. Counts were made of people living in group quarters such as nursing homes, prisons, hospitals, dormitories, fraternity or sorority houses, halfway houses, and rooming or boarding houses. We also canvassed hotels and motels, missions, flophouses, bus depots, raflway stations and other places where people were known to spend the night. In major urban areas, we visited places where transient persons congregate such as employment offices, pool halls, and street corners.

These special enumerators also enumerated migrant farm camps, where we might expect some undocumented aliens to reside. Migrant camps included temporary living quarters for transient agricultural workers (such as pickers, harvesters, and cultivators) as well as temporary living quarters for persons employed at logging camps, fisheries, and so forth.

The only significant procedural difference between the 1970 and 1980 censuses regarding the enumeration of migrant camps concerned those in the migrant camp who listed their usual residence as elsewhere. in 1970, persons living in migrant camps at the time of the census were not asked about usual residence and were counted as residents of the area where the camp was located. In 1980, persons in migrant camps were allowed to provide a usual residence other than the camp. If they did they were counted in the census at the place they called their usual residence. Very few persons in migrant camps listed another address, so the 1980 process was basically the same as 1970.

No specific coverage improvement program was directed toward undocumented alfens. Rather all such programs were directed toward improving the coverage of all residents of the United States.

## UNDOCUMENTED ALIENS COUNTED IN THE 1980 CENSUS


#### Abstract

Research Program The Census Bureau's increased interest in the undocumented alien population developed primarily as a result of our efforts to measure census coverage through demographic analysis. This demographic analysis involves constructing an estimate of the total population of the United States from data sources essentially independent of the census and then comparing the estimate to the census count. The components used to estimate the total population are births, deaths, emigration, and immigration, including undocumented immigration.

In developing estimates of coverage with demographic analysis, it would have been preferable to include estimates of the total number of undocumented aliens residing in the United States in the independent population estimates. However, since definitive estimates were not avaflable for the total undocumented alien population, an alternative procedure had to be considered. The estimated number of undocumented aliens included in the census was first estimated and subtracted from the census count. Thus, undocumented aliens would, not be included in elther the census count or the independent population estimates. The resulting comparison would produce estimates of census coverage for the legally resident population in the 1980 census.

Through their research efforts, Census Bureau demographers have estimated the number of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census. The estimates were not made by attempting to ascertain the legal status of individuals.


Rather, they were made by comparison of statistical aggregates. We subtracted an estimate of aliens residing in the country legally, developed primarily with INS data, from an estimate of all aliens counted in the 1980 census. The difference between the two is assumed to represent undocumented aliens included in the 1980 census. Census figures for the alien population come from the sample phase of the census. The sample questionnaire, distributed to about 19 percent of the population, included questions on country of birth, citizenship, and year of immigration.

Before the final estimates could be produced, the data had to be corrected for known deficiencies in the 1980 census figures on aliens enumerated as well as the INS figures on aliens registered in the 1980 Alien Registration Program. The census data required adjustment for misreporting of citizenship status as naturalized citizens, failure to report country of birth, and misreporting of nativity. The INS data required adjustment for underregistration and had to be updated to include the aliens entering between the registration period, January 1980, and Census Day, April 1, 1980.

## Research Findings

The Census 8ureau research just described led to an estimate of $2,057,000$ undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census. Subsequent work has allowed us to subdivide the national estimates to provide estimates of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census for each of the 50 states and the 0istrict of Columbia. Of the $2,057,000$ undocumented aliens estimated to be included In the 1980 census, over 80 percent reside in 5 states:

| California | $1,024,000$ | $(50 \%)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| New York | 234,000 | $(11 \%)$ |
| Texas | 186,000 | $(9 \%)$ |
| Illinois | 135,000 | $(7 \%)$ |
| Florida | 80,000 | $(4 \%)$ |

Of the remaining states, 33 had fewer than 10,000 undocumented aliens in the 1980 census. in many, the number was near zero.

Illustrative Effect on Apportionment and Limitations
For fllustrative purposes, we subtracted these estimates of undocumented aliens counted in each state from the 1980 census counts of the total population used for apportionment. We then used the resulting estimate of legal residents in each state to compute an alternative apportionment.

In considering this alternative apportionment, certain assumptions made in the development of the state estimates of undocumented aliens and their potential effects should be made explicit. In terms of the quality of the estimates. the most relevant assumptions are related to the fact that the various data adjustments described earlier were avallable at the national level only. No state-specific data were avallable so that there was no basis for adjusting differentially among the states for misreporting of eftizenship and nativity in the census and for underregistration in the INS data. We do not expect the assumptions used to be exact because there are certainly differences among the states in these various factors. 8ecause of the variation among states and several other factors which could not be taken into account explicitly. the estimates of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census for states must be viewed as approximations.

This alternative apportionment differs from that provided to Congress on January 1, 1981. Two states would gain a seat. Two other states would lose a seat. Unfortunately, the method used to apportion Representatives among the states can be extremely sensitive to rather small differences; in large states
as well as small. For example, if the largest state estimate of undocumented aliens were changed by only 6 percent, then that state would lose an additional seat. Shifts of only a few thousand undocumented alfens counted in the census for any of three states estimated to have a small undocumented alien population could shift a seat for any of the three.

There are a number of other features of the method used to estimate undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census that would limft the utllity of such estimates for apportionment purposes. First, the estimates are based on sample data from the census, rather than data collected on a 100 -percent basis. Also, the estimates of undocumented aliens made for the 1980 census were not completed until 1984, nearly 3 years after the date required for apportionment. Even more important for 1990, however, the data set which enabled us to produce subnational estimates-the IMS Alten Registration Data--no longer extsts; the program was canceled after 1981. Thus, we no longer have a methodology that would enable us to produce estimates of undocumented aliens counted in the 1990 census for states.

The Census Bureau plans to continue its research on undocumented immigration. Not only is this research valuable in its own right, but these estimates are crucial to us for measuring total immigration to the United States.

## CONCLUSION

In closing, 1 would like to reiterate that the Constitution requires that we enumerate residents. Even if the Congress and the states were to change this requirement, technical and practical considerations must be addressed. We would be required to ask every person citizenship question, and then determine the legal status of each one. This involves.legal considerations for which the

Census Bureau has neither expertise nor responsibility. Furthermore, the Census Bureau could be perceived as an enforcement agency, and this could have a major effect on census coverage.

In addition, the estlisates of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census for states have serious limitations for use in detemining Congressional apportionment. They have been a valuable source of information on this difficult-to-measure population, particularly for states with large numbers of undocumented aliens. However, the apportionment formula requires data of ecceptable quality for all states, not just the few with large undocumented alien populations. We, therefore, do not belfeve that these estimates should be used for apportionment purposes.

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today. My colleagues and 1 will be pleased to answer any questions.

Senator Cochran. We will now have before the committee John Noonan, who is professor of law at the University of California at Berkeley. We have a very fine detailed analysis of the legal issues surrounding this question, which has been prepared by Professor Noonan.

We thank you for that and ask you to make any kind of an oral presentation that you see fit to the committee. Thank you for helping us.

## TESTIMONY OF PROF. JOHN NOONAN, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF LAW, BERKELEY, CA

Mr. Noonan. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. It is a pleasure to be here and to offer what enlightenment I can. I think I should state for the record that I am here at the invitation of the committee; that the only instructions I received were to look at this question as a fresh question and to come up with the best answer I could, whichever way that answer fell.

As you know, in my written statement, I go through the arguments pro and con on the question: Does Congress have the power to exclude illegal aliens from being counted for purposes of determining representation in the House? In this overall presentation now, I should like to summarize the arguments both ways and my answers to one set of arguments, because I now do have a position.

I began with the argument in the negative, that Congress does not have the power. I start with the district court decision, FAIR v. Klutznick that the Director of the Census referred to, and then there is an actual holding in the Young v. Klutznick, district court decision. I don't think either one of those cases is responsive to the question, because neither one of them dealt with the exercise of congressional power. So, although they are of some interest, they are essentially dicta, both in the FAIR case where the district court case was overruled, and in the Young case: They don't respond to the exercise of congressional powers. They are not determinative.

Then we come on the negative side to the practice of the Census Bureau. I think it is fair to say that in any understanding of our Constitution, practice is of considerable importance. Clearly, the Census Bureau has thought it right to count aliens of all description. However, when we look at why this count goes on, we see that the Census Bureau is influenced by certain interpretations of the Constitution. It really isn't an independent practice. It is a practice influenced by, dependent upon certain interpretations of the Constitution.

I would say at first blush it looks as though there is a case here to be made for what the Census Bureau does. It is certainly true that article 1, section 2 speaks of "number of persons," "whole number of persons," "actual enumeration;" and the 14th amendment, section 2 also uses "number" and "whole number." Whenever you talk about numbers, I suppose you think of counting and what you are supposed to count: persons.
That is plausible, but I think most people who have had anything to do with the constitution realize that rarely is the blindly literal interpretation the correct one. Certainly, the Census Bureau itself
doesn't take it quite literally, because they don't count foreign diplomats and embassies, and they don't count foreign travelers if they are in a hotel. They really shifted from the literal word in the Constitution to another term that isn't there at all: residents. So I don't find that they are actually following the text.
I do see, particularly in the litigation that was engaged in over the Census practice in 1980, that there has been a lot of citation of Supreme Court decisions going back as far as Yo Wick v. Hopkins on section 1 of the 14th amendment, which says that aliens are persons for purposes of section 1. I think there was a natural spillover argument that that affects how section 2 should be read.
But, of course, section 1 and section 2 are different. Section 1 persons, ever since 1888, have included corporations. I don't think anybody has supposed that the Bureau of the Census should go around counting corporations because they are persons. The section 1 reading is not going to transfer to section 2 in that case. Similarly, I suppose if the situation ever obtained that there was a foreign army on our soil, I doubt very much that the Bureau would take it literally and count the troops by flying over them so that we could get all the residents in the country. [Laughter.]

I think we are asked to do something more than just take the literal meaning of the terms.

I think a fairly strong argument for what is the practice is there is some sense of fairness; that where there are a lot of aliens, there are a lot of governmental burdens, and some how, those areas ought to have representation in Congress because they are going to have to provide a lot of governmental services.

I think that is a beguiling argument, but not a persuasive one. It is not the way we have representation in Congress. It is not the principle of our Government that representation depends on the burden of a particular area. Representation depends on the persons that are counted, so it is begging to question to say: Well, we should do it by burden.

Finally, I would say probably the strongest argument for the negative is the intention of the framers of the 14th amendment. I don't think there is much doubt that the canny Senators and Congressmen from the Northeast wanted a formula that would help them, in the Northeast have more women than the West and more aliens than in the South or the West, and it was obviously to the interest of the Northeast that "persons" be taken in the broadest sense possible.

That intention is something we ought to respect, if we can. But I think there are two things to be said about it. One is that the problem of the illegal alien was not present in the minds of the framers of the 14th amendment. They just did not categorize aliens in those terms.

Second, ever since Wesberry v. Sanders, it is not the 14th amendment that is controlling here, but article 1 , section 2 , and that answers that question in a way that prohibits the interpretation that would give weight to the intention of the framers of the 14th amendment.

Moving to the affirmative side, I would say Congress has five powers that bear upon direction to the Census Bureau. First of all, in article 1, section 2 itself. The census is to be done "in such
manner as they (the Congress) direct." I don't think any of those words are surpluseage. I think they must be given a content. They mean that it is not for the courts to say, it is not for the executive branch, it is not for technical experts to say. It is for Congress to direct the manner in which the census is taken.

Second, there is the section 5 of the 14th amendment, which gives Congress the power to enforce, "by appropriate legislation," the entire article. The Supreme Court, in Katzenbach v. Morgan, has interpreted that language to mean that Congress has a distinct grant of legislative power to enforce all of the 14th amendment by appropriate legislation.

On top of those basic powers, there are the powers of article 1, by which Congress can regulate commerce with foreign nations and can establish uniform rules of naturalization, two powers that obviously give Congress great latitude as to all aliens.
Finally, although it is a perhaps strong argument to evoke, I think that article 4 is not irrelevant in its requirement that the United States guarantee", a republican form of Government' and protect against "invasion."
The Supreme Court has drawn a firm line between treating aliens for purposes of economic benefit and for purposes of political function. Addressing itself mainly to the States, the Court has imposed certain requirements on the States as to economic benefits given aliens. But as to political function, it says the States may treat aliens differently.

To quote Justice White in the Cabell case, "The exclusion of aliens from governmental processes is not a deficiency in the democratic system but a necessary consequence of the community's process of self-definition." As he went on to say, "By definition, aliens are outside the political community." Well, if the States can draw that line, I am sure Congress can draw it, exercising the several powers to which I have referred.

The decisive argument, I believe, is that under Wesberry v. Sanders, Congress should draw the line. The teaching of Wesberry v. Sanders, is that it is unconstitutional to dilute votes in congressional elections. That violates the provision in article 1, section 2 that the House be elected "by the People," and clearly, if you take a fantastic case, you could have a rotten borough situation in which 10 voters and 500,000 illegal aliens constituted a congressional district. The 10 voters would have very valuable votes.

If you take a more realistic case, where there may be 50,000 illegal aliens in the county, still, those who vote there have more valuable votes than those in the rest of the State, and the dilution is not only between the States, it is within the State, as in the case of California. I don't believe the Census Bureau testimony touched on that dilution within the State. I think the courts, if they had the Wesberry argument put squarely before them, might do this exclusion themselves. But without putting it to the courts, Congress, in the exercise of the powers already given by the Constitution, should carry out the constitutional mandate to prevent the dilution of votes by illegal aliens.

Senator Cochran. Professor Noonan, I appreciate so much your taking the time and making the effort to give us the benefit of your
expertise in this area, looking at the law, the cases, the Constitution.

I have had the notion, and it has been no more than a notion, I suppose, that Congress ought to be able to legislate in this area without having to go to the extreme or amending the Constitution. But I couldn't find any easily reachable authority for that, other than my own inate sense of fairness and good judgment and that kind of thing. [Laughter.]
I appreciate the work that you have done in coming up with this analysis for us. I guess to put it in a sentence, it is your judgment, based on your review of the law, that Congress does have the power to exclude aliens or to direct the exclusion of aliens for the purpose of apportioning seats in the U.S. House of Representatives.
Mr. Noonan. Yes, Mr. Chairman, that is my conclusion.
Senator Cochran. I know that we are going to see a continuation of debate in this area, because the Judiciary Committee not only has reported out this bill of immigration reform, but I understand that others on that committee are considering offering a resolution to amend the Constitution to more clearly define the view of Congress in this area.

But I have in mind introducing a bill which would direct the Bureau of Census to differentiate between illegal aliens, those not entitled to vote, and citizens, for the purpose of counting those on whose presence the apportionment of seats depends.
I wonder what your reaction would be to a bill; whether or not you feel that it would be legally sufficient to effect a change in the law if it is short of constitutional amendment on the subject that simply directs; the operative phrase here would be. "That the Secretary should make such adjustments in total population figures as may be necessary using such methods and procedures as the Secretary determines appropriate in order that aliens in the United States in violation of the immigration laws shall not be counted in tabulating population for purposes of Subsection (b) of this section."
Subsection (b) is simply the typical statute. It just simply describes apportionment of the seats of the House of Representatives.

What would be your view of the legal effect or efficacy of that?
Mr. Noonan. I believe that would be a fully constitutional exercise of the several powers that Congress has to correct the manner in which the census will be taken for these purposes.

I think I might add that it is clear that an important consideration is that that bill would be aimed at the political function of representation and not get into the question of economic benefits, which is a different area and I suppose is one where people are very sensitive towards any improper discrimination. But this bill is relating to an area where the community is defining itself by leaving out those who illegally are here.

Senator Cochran. That is consistent with my attitude about the legislation that I am contemplating introducing. We have debated in the course of considering the immigration reform bill allocation of resources and responsibilities of states as compared with the Federal Government toward the alien population; those undocumented aliens who are in this country.

I think we are sorting through those issues in a sensitive and fair way, and this is a separate issue completely, in my view, and it is our attitude in this Subcommittee to focus narrowly on the issue of apportioning seats in the House of Representatives.

So this hearing today is for the purpose of looking at that, both from the practical consequences, what problems would we run into if the law were changed to require this differentiation, this separate counting, as it were. We realize there would be some difficulties in counting, and we will look at that further and consider it further.

I deeply appreciate your being here. Rather than embarking on sort of a session of just discussing all the reasons for your conclusion, I think you very generously gave us your time and the benefit of your analysis looking at specific cases; tracing the development of those cases over time. It was interesting, I think, to look at the Constitution as a whole in bringing up article 4, for example, as an additional basis for the conclusion that was reached. The Matthews case, those others which were discussed, leads me to share your conclusion that Congress does have the power, and not just the power, but the responsibility to legislate in this area.

Thank you very much for being here, and again, we express our appreciation for your hard work and your help to us in our hearings, all of the witnesses. Thank you very much.

Mr. Noonan. Thank you.
[Mr. Noonan's prepared statement follows:]
TESTIMONY
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ACTUAL ENUMERATION OF THE ALIEN

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    Has Congress the power to exclude allens unlawfully within
the country from the "actual Enumeration" of persons upon whom
the Constitution prescribes that representation shall be based?
    I. Arguments in the Negative.
    Three principal arguments deny Congress the power to exclude
aliens who are in the country in violation of law from
enumeration for the purpose of determining representation in the
House of Representatives.
1. The text of the Constitution. The Constitution, Article I, section 2 declares:
Representation and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their representative Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, including those bound to Servitude for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons. The actual Enumeration shall be made within three years after the Eirst meeting of the Congress of the United States, and w1thin every subsequent term of ten Years, in such manner as they shall by law direct. (Italics supplied)
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The Constitution speaks twice of "Numbers" and once of "Enumeration" without any qualifications as to those to be counted, except for the untaxed Indians and the "other Persons," slaves, who are counted at three-fifths. The "whole number of Eree Persons" appears to include aliens, legally or illegally within the United States.
The Fourteenth Amendment, section 2 , removing the reference to slaves, has not altered the basic emphasis on numbers:
Repreaentation shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed....(Italics supplied)
The text again makes an exception that emphasizes the otherwise inclusive nature of the enumeration. Moreover, there is provision for reduction of the representation in proportion to the number of male adult citizens who are denied the vote, but no provision for reduction because of other voteless persons in a state. It is plain that the constitution contemplated that the voteless would be counted--women, before the Nineteenth Amendment; children of every age; prisoners; and aliens.
2. The Analogy of Decisions and Dicta of the Supreme Court of the United States. The Supreme court has decided cases bearing on the rights of aliens, and in the course of doing so, has created analogies and issued dicta that point to the conclusion that for most purposes of constitutional law all aliens must be counted as "persons."
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In Yo Wick v. Hopkins 118 U.S. 356,369 (1886), enforcing the due process and equal protection clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment on behalf of lawfully-resident aliens, the Court said:

These provisions are universal in their
application, to all persons within the territorial
jurisdiction, without regard to any differences of race, of color, or of nationality.

If "persons" under section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment includes everyone without regard to "any differences... of nationality," it is reasonable to believe that "persons" in section 2 of the Fourteenth Amendment includes everyone without regard to nationality.

The Supreme Court has found it unconstitutional to deny such social benefits as public education to children unlawfully within the country, Plyler v. Doe 102 S . Ct. 2382 (1981). In doing so the Court has taken note of the danger of a "shadow population" and "the spectre of a permanent caste of undocumented resident aliens," ibid., 2395. Failure to count, and to provide representation for, such aliens would indeed make their presence ghostly and increase the likelihood of their becoming a kind of inferior, exploited caste. The Court drew attention to the statement of Senator Jacob M. Howard during the debate on the Fourteenth Amendment that the rights conferred by the first section belong "to all persons who may happen to be within their [the states'] jurisdiction." The Court quoted the teaching of Yo Wick, supra. The Court found that a state could not draw a line between lawfully and unlawfully resident alien children in making education available.

If the states cannot withhold sccit an important benefit as education, and if as a matter of course the states must provide police and fire protection and make available the highways, it is only fight that the undccumented aliens be represented in Congress. Only in this way will the states with large numbers of undocumented aliens be assured of getting their fair share in the federal programs which would assist them in meeting their obligations to the strangers in their midst. To have the Supreme Court impose upon the states obligations towards the alien, and to have representation in Congress not reflect the distribution of the alien population, would be a species of unfairness. As the burdens of government increase with the existence of an alien population, legal or illegal, so should representation increase.
3. Actual Litigation of the Issue. In EAIR (Federation for American Immigration Reform) v. Klutznick 486 Supp. 564 (D.D.C. 1980), appeal dismissed 447 U.S. 918 (1980), affirmed per curlam (D. C. Cir., November 6, 1980) cert. den. 101 S . Ct. 1697, the plaintiffs sought an injunction to prevent the Census from counting aliens illegally in the country. Not only was the case dismissed on the grounds of lack of standing, but the court commented on the merits. It quoted Representative Emanuel Cellar speaking in the House of Representatives and specifically arguing that the Founders intended everyone, including illegal allens, to be counted. The court then said at 576 , "We see little on which to base a conclusion that illegal aliens should now be excluded."

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In Young v. Klutznick 497 F. Supp. 1318 (E. D. Mich. 1980), reversed 651 F. 2d 617 ( 6 th Cir. 1981), the plaintiffs sought an order directing the Bureau of the census to avoid an undercount of minorities and aliens. No distinction was drawn between legal and illegal aliens. The district court cited with approval FAIR V. Klutznick, supra. It issued an order, saying inter alia st 1339, that it was "the right of every person within the United States of America on April 1, 1980 to be counted in the census." The decision was reversed on the ground that a causal connection had not been established between a census undercount and injury to the plaintiffs; the district court's statement on the right to be counted was undisturbed.
Constitutional text, Supreme Court dicta, actual decisions thus support the view that Congress has no power to exclude undocumented aliens from being counted.
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                    II. Arguments in the Affirmative
    1. The Text of the Constitution. The Constitution itself is
ambiguous and open to interpretation on this question. "Persons"
in the Constitution is not used in the same sense in every
context. For example, it is settled law that "persons" in
section l of the Fourteenth Amendment includes "corporationa,"
Santa Clara County v. Southern Pacific Railroad 118 U.S. }39
(1888). Yet no one has supposed that the Bureau of the Census
should count corporations when counting persons under section 2
of the Fourteenth Amendment. This commonsense reaction--that
"persons" in section l means something different from "persons"
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in section 2--demonstrates that "persons" in the abstract is an ambiguous term whose meaning is to be determined by the context and purpose of the Constitution.
2. The Powers Conferred by the Constitution on Congress.

Article 1 , section 2 says that "the actual Enumeration" is to be made by Congress "in such manner as they shall by law direct." The language confers on Congress the power to make the actual count in such ways as Congress shall determine; it confers broad discretion on Congress to determine what "the actual Enumeration" shall be.

The Fourteenth Amendment, section 5, confers on Congress the "power to enforce, by appropriate legislation," the provisions of the amendment. The Supreme Court has recognized that this section gives Congress "a positive grant of legislative power" and a wide latitude, including the power to make determinations that will lead the Supreme Court to change its own reading of the Constitution, Katzenbach v. Morgan 384 U.S. 641 (1966).

Congress has also the powers conferred under Article $I$, section 8: "To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations" and "to establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization." The United States as a sovereign also has the duty and right under Article IV, section 4, "to guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government" and to "protect each of them against Invasion."

These powers--the Article I, section 2, power carried over and strengthened by the Fourteenth Amendment, sections 2 and 5; the foreign commerce power; the naturalization power; and the
power to guarantee a republican form of government and to prevent invasions--are ample to legitimate the exercise of congressional authority to regulate representation based on undocumented aliens. As Justice Jackson, writing for the Court, said in Harrisades v. Shaughnessy 342 U.S. 580 at 588 (1952): "It is pertinent to observe that any policy towards aliens is itself intricately interwoven with contemporaneous policies to the conduct of foreign resolution, the war power, and the maintenance of a republican form of government. Such matters are so exclusively entrusted to the political branches of government as to be largely immune from judicial inquiry or interference." Where the courts should not interfere, it remaina for Congreas to set down the law constituting the proper rule.
3. The Decided Cases. Only one case litigated the iasue of whether illegal aliens had to be counted, and it was decided on procedural grounds, FAIR v. Klutznick, supra. The other relevant case, Young $v$, Klutznick, gupra was reversed on appeal, and the validity of its order to the Bureau of the Census was never examined on the merita. Neither case addressed itself to the power of Congress to make a determination of the iasue. Neither case is a precedent on this question.
4. Dicta of the United States Supreme Court. The Supreme Court, upholding the exclusion of short-term resident aliens from Medicare, recognized that it is not necessary that "all aliens must be placed in a single homogenous legal classification,'"

Matthews v. Dlaz 426 U.S. 67 at 78 (1976). There were, the Court said through Justice Stevens, at least the following categories:

1. The overnight visitor
2. The unfriendly agent of a foreign power
3. The resident diplomat
4. The illegal entrant (ibid. at 80 )

It is not the policy of the Bureau of the Census to count all foreign diplomats, although in the most literal sense they are Obviously persons, Affidavit of Daniel B. Levine, Deputy Director of the Census Bureau, filed in fair $v$. Klutznlck, supra. If there was an invading army on American soll, one does not suppose the Bureau of the Census would count the enemy troops. There is no necessity that the Bureau count any alien who is unlawfully within our borders.

The Supreme Court has recognized that the states may exclude lawfully-admitted resident aliens from certain public offices. In a dictum the Court said a state could reserve for citizens those offices which "perform functions that go to the heart of representative government," Sugarman v. Dougail 413 U.S. 642 at 647. In Foley v. Connelie 435 U.S. 391 (1978) the Court, upholding a state discrimination against aliens, declared that "the right to govern is reserved to citizens" and acknowledged at 296 "the right... of the people to be governed by their citizen peers." Recently, in Cabell v. Chavez-Salido 454 U.S.. 432 (1982), the Court (5-4) upheld California's exclusion of resident aliens from the occupation of peace officer, accepting the argument that "although citizenship is not a relevant ground for
the distribution of economic benefits, it is a relevant ground for determining membership in the political communty." The Court, through Justice White, went on to say:

The exclusion of aliens from governmental
process is not a deficiency in the democratic system but a necessary consequence of the community's process of self-definition.

By definition, aliens, the Court observed, are outside the political community.

If it is proper for the states to distingulsh aliens from citizens as participants in the political process, it is a fortiori proper for Congress, which has far greater power as to aliena, to do ao--especially is it proper where the function "goes to the heart of representative government." If "the right to govern is reserved to citizens" in the allocation of public offices in a state, the right to govern is a fortiori to be reserved to citizens in determining representation in the Congress. If the exclusion of even lawfully-admitted aliens, residents of long-standing, is congtitutional, if it is not a deficiency but "a necessary consequience of the community's powers of self-definition," then, a fortiori, it is constitutional and even neceasary for Congress to exclude from "the governmental proceas" aliens who have entered the country in violation of our laws.
5. Holdings of the Supreme Court. In Wesberry $v$. Sanders

377 U.S. 1 (1964), the Court ordered the Georgia legislature to rediatrict the congreasional districts in the state because of
marked disparities in their populations. The plaintiffs had contended that living in a large congressional district they were deprived of "the full benefit of their right to vote" in violation of Article 1 , section 2 , of the Conatitution. The Court accepted their claim and disapproved of "vote-diluting discrimination." The Court, through Justice Black, went on to state:

> To say that a vote is worth more in one district than another would not only run counter to our fundamental ideas of democratic government, it would cast aside the principles of a House of Representatives elected by "the People," a principle tenaciously fought for and established at the Constitutional Convention, ibid. at 8 .
The delegates at the Convention, the Chief Justice continued, wanted "every man's vote to count." He referred to "the Great Compromise" that gave every state two senators and made representation in the House proportionate to numbers, and then said at 14, "The principle solemnly embodied in the Great Compromise--equal representation in the House for equal numbers of people"--would be defeated if a state were "to give some voters a greater voice in choosing a Congressman than others."
Wesberry v. Sanders does not, of course, mandate absolute equality of congresaional districts thoughout the country: the Constitution itaelf, Article I, assures every state, however small, of one congressman. But it is apparent that counting
large numbers of illegal aliens violates the principle of Wesberry v. Sanders. In districts where there are large numbers of such persons, the vote of those voting in the district counts more than the vote of those voting in districts of identical population where there are more persons voting. To take extreme examples:

District A: Population 400,000;
200,000 voters.
100,000 undocumented aliens
District B: Population 400,000;
300,000 voters,
no undocumented aliens
In District $A, 101,000$ votes are a majority sufficient to elect a Congressman; in District B, 151,000 votes are necessary. A vote in District $A$ is worth more than a vote in District $B$. There is dilution of the votes in District $B$ and discrimination against the citizens of District $B$.

Why has this discrimination not existed where other voteless groups have been counted? The answer is clear. There was no reason to think in 1787 that there would be an unequal distribution of women, or of children, or of convicts or of aliens. In the two cases where it was foreseen that the distribution of the voteless would not be random, explicit provision was made for their exclusion (the untaxed Indians) or for being counted at three-fifths (the slaves). What is new today is the presence of large groups of undocumented aliens not randomly distributed but concentrated in certain congressional
districts. It is true when the Fourteenth Amendment was adopted, the distribution of voteless women and voteless allens was unequal--of women because of the male migration westwards, and of allens because of the substantial immigration from Europe to the Northeast, (Joseph B. James, The Framing of the Fourteenth Amendment, Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1956, pp. 23 and 185.) Consequently Senator Henry Wilson of Massachusetts and Representative Roscoe Conkling of New York opposed basing representation on the number of voters, Congressional Globe, 39 th Cong. lst Sess. 359 and 1256. But this intention to make the right to vote more valuable in one part of the country than another cannot be accorded recognition today. Since Wesberry v. Sanders, it has been clear that the controlling text of the Constitution is Article 1 , section 2 , clause 1 : The House of Representatives shall be chosen "by the People." In the light of that command and its interpretation in Wesberry it is unconstitutional to constitute congressional districts which unequally represent "the People."

The People, who have a right established by Article $I$, section 2 , to elect the House of Representatives, are clearly the citizens, not aliens who have entered the country against the law. It is the member of the political communty, self-defined to exclude aliens, that are represented in the political process. It destroys the basic constitutional norm established by Wesberry v. Sanders when voters in districts characterized by large numbers of lllegal aliens have "a greater voice in choosing a Congressman" than voters in districts where there are few such
persons. The "shadow population" pointed to by plyler v. Doe, supra, then functions to swell the value of votes in their district; and this, according to Wesberry $v$. Sanders, the Constitution forbids.

As Chief Justice Warcen put it in Reynolds v. Sims 377 U.S. 533, 567 (1964), the case requiring redistributing of state legislative districts:

To the extent that a citizen's right to vote
is debased, he is that much less a citizen.
To create unequal election districts is one way to debase a citizen's vote. To create election districts unequally swelled by shadow populations, illegally in the country, is another way to debase the value of a citizen's vote.

Such a situation threatens the republican form of government guaranteed by Article IV. As Reynolds v. Sims at 573 quotes Thomas Jefferson: A "government is republican in proportion as every member composing it has equal voice in its concerns...by representatives chosen by himself." A government where those who are by definition nonmembers determine the number of representatives subverts the republican form. The "members" do not have equal voice. As in Animal Farm, some members are "more equal than others"-those who come from the districts where a vote is worth more.

Congress has power to correct this situation. Applying the rule of Reynolds $v$. Sims that electoral districts for a state legislature be equal, the Court pointed out that the states are not required "to include aliens, transients, short-term or
temporary residents," Burns v. Richardson 384 U.S. 73 (1966) at 92 (Brennan, J., upholding districting by Hawaii that did not count military transients in achieving equality of voting districts). Analogously, Congress, exercising its powers under Article $I$ and the Fourteenth Amendment, may determine that illegal aliens not be counted.

## Conclusion

The argument that the Constitution textually requires the enumeration of every person is superficially appealing, but unpersuasive on examination of the ambiguity of "Persons." The statements of the Supreme Court on the rights of aliens under the Fourteenth Amendment relate to section 1 rights and do not govern section 2. The Supreme Court itself has recognized the right of Congress to discriminate between types of aliens. No case has denied Congress the right of exercising its multiple powers under the Constitution to direct that aliens unlawfully within the country not be numbered in "the actual Enumeration." On the contrary, the principles laid down by the Supreme court in

Reynolds v. Sims and Wesberry v. Sanders require that such aliens, when they exist in large numbers, not be counted in determining congressional districts. The claim that representation should reflect population needs is appealing but overridden by the Constitution's direction that the participants in the political process--the citizens of the country--be equal in their votes. At the very least Congress has power under both Article I and the Fourteenth Amendment to direct that such aliens not be counted.

Senator Cochran. That concludes our hearing. We stand in recess.
[Whereupon, at 3:05 p.m., the subcommittee was recessed, subject to the call of the Chair.]

# ADDITIONAL MATERIAL SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD 

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INCLUSION OF ILLEGAL ALIENS IN POPULATION TOTALS USED FOR REAPPORTIONMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL SEATS FOLLOWING THE 1980 CENSUS

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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, on behalf of the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), I thank you and the Committee for holding' these hearings. I am pleased to present the views of FAIR concerning the inclusion of illegal immigrants in the population totals used to divide congressional seats among the states.

FAIR is a national non-profit membership organization. Our national advisory board is chaired by Colorado Governor Richard Lamm and includes, to name only a few, former Senator Walter D. Huddleston, former Attorney General William French Smith, and former ranking minority member of the House Judiciary Committee Robert Moclory.

FAIR's two primary goals are to end illegal immigration to the United States and to 1 imit legal immigration to a level consistent with the national interest. FAIR is concerned that the inclusion of the illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base (the population total used to divide congressional seats among the states) will result in both increased institutionalization of illegal inmigration and the creation of political groups or representatives who see a continued flow of illegal immigrants as in their political interests. FAIR believes that immigration has had a dramatic effect on the American political system in the last twenty-five years, and those special interests who benefit from the distortions caused by immigration are the ones who fight immigration reform the hardest.

FAIR has been concerned about the inclusion of illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base throughout its life as an organization. FAIR was organized late in 1978 and filed suit against the Census Bureau on this issue soon after the 1979 decision to include illegal immigrants in the reapportionment population totals.

In 1979, FAIR filed suit against the Census Bureau (among others) to stop
the Bureau from including illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base. ${ }^{1}$ FAIR was joined in its suit by more than three dozen Members of Congress, and by a inner-city civil rights organization from Los Angeles.

FAIR's case was intricate and multi-faceted, but its central issue was that the inclusion of illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base violates the constitutional principle of "one person, one vote."2 That is, by including illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base, the Census Bureau would dilute the votes of persons who live in areas with few illegal immigrants and enhance the votes of persons who live in states with many illegal immigrants.

FAIR and its co-plaintiffs noted that the inclusion of illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base would shift congressional seats away from states with few resident illegal immigrants and toward states with many resident illegal immigrants. Since FAIR filed suit before the 1980 Census, it could only speculate about the outcome (in terms of shifted congressional seats) of that Census. FAIR predicted, however, that both California and New York would benefit from the inclusion of illegal immigrants - California by gaining additional congressional seats and New York by not losing as many congressional seats as it otherwise would have. This prediction was made on the basis of projections of the likely illegal immigrant populations of the various states (both California and New York were known to have large illegal immigrant populations).

The State and City of New York intervened as Defendants in FALR's suit. New York argued that they were entitled to have all of their residents,

[^2]temporary and permanent, legal and illegal, counted for reapportionment. They argued that even tourists and diplomats should be counted, since both the State and the City had to provide services to foreign visitors.

The position of the Census Bureau was that they were required by the words of the Fourteenth Amendment to count every person in the United States on Census Day, and that they were simply conducting an actual head-count (enumeration) without any adjustments or corrections. They intended to make every effort to count every human being in the country on April $1,1980$.

FAIR pointed out that the Census Bureau did, in fact, systematically exclude certain groups of aliens (foreign tourists, diplomats, temporary residents and others) from the reapportionment base. In addition, the Census Bureau routinely adjusted figures prior to reporting the reapportionment base. The Bureau was thus not conducting an actual enumeration.

In addition, FAIR pointed out that there was no indication that the authors of the Fourteenth Amendment wanted illegal immigrants to be counted for reapportionment purposes. There were no illegal aliens at the time the Fourteenth Amendment was drafted. Thus there was no way that the drafters of the Fourteenth Amendment could have intended to include an unknown class of aliens under the Fourteenth Amendment.

FAIR also noted that the 1980 Census questionnaires deliberately omitted any questions which could be used to determine whether a person responding was an illegal inmigrant or not. The Census Bureau claimed that it would be impossible to include any such questions in 1980 (although similar questions had been used in several prior decades), and that any such attempt would reduce the number of legally-resident persons who would respond to the 1980 Census.

The court agreed that the inclusion of illegal immigrants in the
reapportionment base would affect reapportionment after the 1980 Census, The court also agreed that the inclusion of illegal inmigrants in the reapportionment base would harm citizens. The court did not agree with FAIR's interpretation of the Fourteenth Amendment as not including illegal
immigrants.
The court, bowever, decided the case only on procedural grounds. It held that FAIR and its co-plaintiffs did not show "with requisite specificity" which citizens would be harmed. Therefore, the court held that FAIR did not have "standing" to continue the suit.

FAIR was in a difficult position. The court held that FAIR and its coplaintiffs could not show, prior to the Census, which citizens would be hurt. Yet the deliberate design of the 1980 Census forms was to omit the questions necessary to produce that information after the Census. FAIR could not bring its suit again until information was developed to show which states, and thus which citizens, were hurt by the Census Bureau's decision to include illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base.

FAIR had to wait until last year to receive that information. Through a complex series of analyses and calculations, the Census Bureau produced a partial count of the number of illegal immigrants in the United States. The Bureau found in 1984 that at least 2.1 million illegal aliens answered the 1980 Census (and hence were included in the 1980 reapportionment base). ${ }^{3}$ Just

[^3]a few days ago, in testimony before the House Judiciary Comittee, a Census
Bureau representative raised the estimate of the 1980 illegal immigrant population to $21 / 2$ to 4 million.

The Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress, at the request of then-Senator Walter D. Huddleston, calculated the effect on reapportionment of the inclusion of the 2.1 million illegal immigrants who answered the 1980 Census. (The calculations used the lower 1984 figures since the Census Bureau did not correct itself until this montho The Congressional Research Service used the computer program reguired by law to be used by the Census Bureau for reapportionment. 4

Even at the lower 1984 figure for illegal immigrants, there was an effect on congressional reapportionment As FAIR had predicted in its suit four

[^4]years before, both California and New York benefitted from the inclusion of illegal immigrants. California gained an extra seat it would not have without counting illegal immigrants and New York did not lose a seat it would otherwise have lost.

Two other states - Georgia and Indiana - were hurt by the inclusion of illegal immigrants. Georgia did not gain a seat it was entitled to by population growth, and Indiana lost one of its seats. The effect on those two states was dramatic; Indiana went through a wrenching reapportionment process to decide which of its seats would be eliminated, and Atlanta's black community was denied a seat of its own to which it would have been entitled by population growth. Thus, according to its own calculations, the Census Bureau's 1979 decision to include illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base increased the value of a Californian's and a New Yorker's vote, at the expense of a Georgian's and a Hoosier's.

The Bureau's social enginsering will not be confined to the 1980 reapportionment. The Bureau apparently does not intend to alter its policy of including illegal immigrants for the 1990 Census.

The Census Bureau was reluctant to predict for this Committee the effect on the country of including illegal immigrants in the 1990 reapportionment base. But such predictions are not that difficult.

Even using the 1984 lower 2.1 million figure for illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base in 1980, and making a few assumptions about population growth and illegal migration, we can calculate the effect on the 1990 reapportionment process. Even more states, perhaps as many as five more states, will be hurt.

If the proportion of illegal immigrants counted in the Census remains the same relative to the states' populations (that is, if illegal immigrants
remain the same percentage of each state's 'populations), the Congressional Research Service calculates that after the 1990 Census, five more states will be hurt. Connecticut, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania will all lose one seat to the states with big illegal immigrant populations. California and New York will get two more seats each, and Texas will gain another seat.

Thus, over twenty years, ten states will have been affected, for better or worse (and mostly for the worse), because illegal immigrants were included in the reapportionment base. And that calculation is based on only a partial count of illegal immigrants in the Census.

If more illegal immigrants were actually counted, the shifts would be even more dramatic. If, for example, the higher 4 million illegal immigrant figure just admitted by the Census Bureau was used in recalculating the 1980 reapportionment, California would have received two more seats, and Alabama and Missouri would have lost one seat each.

This social engineering by the Census Bureau was the result of an administrative decision, not of an informed reading of the Constitution. The Bureau's position at this hearing is essentially the same as its position in the FAIR suit. It has not directly acknowledged its adjustments of the reapportionment base to exclude groups of aliens. Nor has it responded to the constitutional arguments eloquently and accurately presented by professor Noonan.

The Bureau, in perhaps its most telling omission, has not explained to the Committee why it decided to eliminate the information needed to correct its administrative decision. The Bureau, by removing any questions which could be used to calculate the number and distribution of illegal immigrant respondents, insured that its social engineering could not be reversed. No one would have sufficient information to make any corrections in a reasonable
time.
Without that information, no person, using the FAIR $v_{0}$ Klutznick court's standards, could prove "with requisite specificity" which citizens would be or were harmed by the Bureau's decision. Thus, no person would have standing to challenge in court the Bureau's infliction of constitutional injury on American citizens.

The Census Bureau says it doesn't make policy decisions. In the past, that description may have been accurate. In this case, however, a conscious Census Bureau policy was made to incIude a category of persons which had not been included in the past, and which, as Professor Noonan pointed out, like corporations and foreign diplomats, were never intended to be counted for reapportionment purposes.

Nor was the Census Bureau simply implementing a policy decision made by someone else when it spent millions of dollars to encourage illegal immigrants to respond to the 1980 Census. The Bureau even went to the Justice Department and got the Immigration and Naturalization Service to suspend enforcement of the immigration laws for nine months before and following the 1980 Census. (That suspension of immigration law enforcement was unlawful, and was not adequately explained during the testimony of the INS before this Committee.) Such practices could only be interpreted as the single-minded pursuit of a policy decision by the Census Bureau, not as the simple execution of a dulyauthorized program.

In pursuing its policy to transfer voting power to states with large illegal immigrant populations, the Census Bureau exceeded its own constitutional powers; its actions were ultra vires. The only branch of government with the power to determine the methods and means of conducting the

Census is Congress. ${ }^{5}$ Although Congress has, through the Census Acts, 6 delegated power to the Census Bureau to conduct the Census, that delegated power is ministerial and does not include the power to dilute the votes of citizens.

There are three possible remedies to the Census Bureau's unconstitutional policies. The most drastic would be an amendment to the Fourteenth Amendment. Such an amendment could clarify the wording in the Fourteenth Amendment regarding which persons are to be counted for reapportionment purposes. Unfortunately, the only way to amend the Fourteenth Amendment is through another Constitutional amendment, and such amendments are extremely difficult to enact (among other reasons, many people have an appropriately negative response to changing the Constitution, however valid the reason). .

Yet there may be no need for an amendment, since Congress has the power to direct the Census Bureau to stop its odious. violations of constitutional rights. Under the analysis explained by Professor Noonan, with which I concur, Congress does have the power to require the Bureau to conduct the Census in accordance with the Constitution and the intent of the Framers. Congress is given that power by the Constitution. It has, in fact, delegated certain powers to the Census Bureau, and it is those ststutes which govern both the taking of the Census and reapportionment.

Even congressional action, however, would not be necessary if the Bureau would simply reverse its own internal decision. The Census Bureau could easily return to the position it took prior to the 1980 Census: that aliens

[^5]who are not permanent residents should not be counted for reapportionment purposes. They could add those few questions about citizenship required to determine the number and distribution of illegal immigrants among the states. They could, if the necessary questions were restored to the Census forms, make the needed adjustments prior to reporting the reapportionnent base, as they $\mathbf{d o}$ with foreign tourists and diplomats.

This is not a radical suggestion. The problems with illegal immigrants in the reapportionment base come from a 1979 Census Bureau decision; the decision can be reversed and the Census restored to its historical nonpartisan, non-political status by a similar administrative decision.

We strongly urge this Committee to require the Census Bureau to make that administrative adjustment. The Census Bureau has a hard-won reputation as an impartial ministerial body; it should not allow the petty politics of the late 1970's to endanger that reputation. Nor should the Congress allow the Census Bureau to violate the constitutional rights and voting power of an entire nation merely to satisfy an erroneous theory about the distribution of political power and voting strength.

Thank you for allowing me to present the views of the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR). I would be happy to answer any guestions.

# CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE 

September 17, 1985

To: Senator John Glenn (Attention: Brian Detelbach)

From: Daniel Melnick, Specislist, American National Government

Subject: Anelysis of Procedurea the Census Bureau Could Use Regarding Counting Undocumented Aliens in the 1990 Census


#### Abstract

This memorandum responds to your request for a brief analyais of the operational considerations that the Censur Bureau might face if it was decided to exclude undocumented aliens from the calculations used to determine the apportionment of the U.S. House of Representatives. You ssked that this memorandum essume that the decision had been made and not discuss its legality or arguments for or against the proposal.


## LIMITATIONS

Our analysis is based on availsble information. We did not perform any tests of the alternative procedurea discussed.
Consequently, we are limited to identifying some of the alternative procedures that could be used and highlighting their strengths and weaknesses. It is possible that other procedures could be developed which would be superior to the ones we were ble to identify.

## THREE ALTERNATIVE APPROACLES

If it were decided to exclude undocumented allens from the census counts used for apportionment three of the possible operstional approaches that might be used are:
A. Exclude undocumented aliens from the census count by placing a notice on the questionnaire asking them not to complete it and instructing census workers not to include persons found to be undocumented aliens.
B. Include undocumented aliens in the cenaus count but add a
question that required them to identify themselves. Subsequently, remove them from the count used for the apportionment.
C. Do not change the field procedures, but estimate the number of undocumented aliens counted in the census in each State and subtract that number from the State's count when the apportionment is calculated.

The remainder of this memorandum outlines some of the strengths and weaknesses of each of these procedures.
I. Exclude undocumented aliens from the census count by placing a notice on the quastionneire asking them not to complete it and instructing census workers not to include persons found to be undocumented olians.
A. Strengths

1. This procedure would provide one count for all purposes served by the census. The same set of numbers would be used for apportionment, redistricting, federal funds allocation, and social research.
2. This might be the simplest procedure to administer. The bureau would be given a clear mandate to exclude undocumented aliens.

B Weaknesses

1. This procedure might inhibit some people from responding to the census questionnaire even though they are legal residents of the United States. Some recipients might fear reprisals based on the answers that they provided to the census takers. In addition, some undocumented aliens might complete the form if they believe that doing so may later enhance their prospects for legalization.
2. Census workers who must find people not filling out the mail questionnaire might encounter confusion when approaching nonresondents. How will they know whether a nonresponding household is supposed to respond? This might results in an undercount of legal residents, if enumerators assumed some of this group to be undocumented allens.
II. Include undocumented eliens in the census count but add quastion that required tham to identify themselves. Subsequently, remove them from the count used for the apportionment.
A. Strengths
3. This procedure would provide a direct count of undocumented aliens, making it possible to judge their impact on various jurisdictions.
4. If it were later decided to include undocumented aliens in the apportionment [i,e, if the decision were changed] this procedure would provide a basis for including them.

B . Weaknesses

1. The procedure would rely on persons to identify themselves as undocumented aliens. The Bureau could be in the position of having to verify a legal status - a function which it is not equipped to perform.
2. The inclusion of the question might give the census form a punitive appearance. Persons who are legal reaidents might be less likely to respond if they felt that the census procedure was being used as an administrative tool. Persons who are undocumented alfens might be less likely to complete the form or to identify themselves as undocumented if they were concerned that the information might later be used to identify their legal status.
III. Do not change the fiald proceduras, but estimate the number of undocumented aliens counted in the census in aech state and subtract that numbar from tha State's count when tha apportionment is calculated.
A. Strengths
3. This would be a low cost option. Costs would be limited to the effort of census demographers and statisticians. Possibly supplemental procedures would be needed, but these would not have a major impact on the census procedure.
4. The decision to exclude undocumented aliens could be overturned if it was subsequently decided that the procedure did not work.
B. Weaknesses
5. While unofficial estimates of the number of undocumented aliens counted in the 1980 census have been produced by a member of the Census Bureau's staff, the methods are still experimental. These estimates were produced at the State level. Eatimates for places within states have not yet been produced, If the same experimental methods were developed for official use, this procedure would result in one set of figures for the apportionment and a different set for all other purposes. Critics might question how states will redistrict with figures including undocumented aliens that were not figured into the reapportionment.
6. As with any adjustment procedure, the exact methods used to figure the number of undocumented aliens in each State relies upon the assumptions selected by the statisticians and demographers. Some of the choices they might make could be criticized as being arbitrary. States that are disadvantaged by these decisions might object that the results depended upon the assumptions and could change if different and equally plausible conditions were assumed.

I trust this brief analysis meets your needs. If if there is any other way in which I can be of help, please do not hesitate to cane. coitact

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August 3, 1984

| T0: | The Honorable Walter Huddleaton Attn: Roger LeMaster |
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| FROM: | David C. Huckabee <br> Analyat ia American National Government Government Diviaion <br> Policics Section |
| SUBJECT: | Adjusting the State Populations Daed for Reapportionment Account for Aliena |

In accordance with your request and our telephone conversation relating to using Jeffrey Paseell and Karea Woodrow's estimates of the uadocumented imigrant population couated ia the 1980 Censue by State to compute apportionmenta, I am submitting this memorandum and accompanying tsbles. 1/

We agreed tbat I would use "unrouaded" aumbers (if I could obtain them) for the stete-by-Stete eatimate of uadocumented licas rather than the aumbers published ia the report available from the Ceasua surasu. The Population Division of the Census Buresu sent me theae numbera (sea Appendix I). These are the eatimates that $I$ ued in my celculations. Several caveats should be noted about these eatimates. Firat, outside of the Census Buresu, there has beea little aystenatic research in the area

1/ Jeffrey Pessell and Keren A. Woodrow. Geopgraphic distribution of uadocumented imigrant: eatimstes of the undocumented slieas counted in the 1980 Ceasue by Stete. d.S. Bureeu of the Ceasur. Populetioa Division, Washiogtoa, D.C.

A peper presented et the ennual meeting of the Population Association of Americe, Minneapolia, Minnesote, May 3-5, 1984.
to which these Census estimates can be compared. I am agading a copy of report describing the methodology of the atudy, as vell as citatians to other studies, but sumary from Passel and Woodrow's caveats about theit assumptions may be useful.

Alchough there are numerous limitations (which I will describe belou) that should be considered in using these data for apportionments, the resulta of my analyais mey be sumarized as follows. Under your firat option, subtracting the estimates of the total number of undocumented aliens from each State's population results in the following changes from the 1980 apportionment currently in effect. California and New York each would lose one seat in the House. Indiana and Georgia each would gain a seat. Under option two, where you asaume that the Census Bureau underestimated the number of undocumented aliens counted by fifty percent (so that the number of undocumented aliena reported as having been included in the ceacua count ia doubled, with these totals then aubtracted from the State'a apportionment population) California vould lose three aeate and New York one, with Alabama, Georgia, Iodiana, and Misaouri each gaining one aeat each.

Method Used to Compute the Alien Population

The basic courcee for Paacell and Woodrow' eatimates of the undocumented alien population were (1) questiona on the foreign-born population in the Census, ad (2) the alien registration data for January 1980 collected by the Imigration and Naturalizetion Service. Data from these source were adjutced by the authore to account for

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the deficiencies they knew existed in the numbers. 2/ Based on these
analyses, Pasaell and Woodward's eatimate that at least 2.06 mlllion
undocumented aliens were included in the 1980 Census. Psssell and
Woodward report that the geographic distribution of undocumented
alieos "is quite similar to that of legally resident aliens, but
some fmportsnt difference da exist. The major differences are accounted
for mostly by the fact that the undocumented group has a much larger proportion
from Mexico"--the country that the authors report to be the source of the
greatest number of undocumented allens. Table l below sets out Passell
and Woodward's (rounded) estimates of undocumented aliens counted in the
census and the total number of legally resident sliens living in,each State.
TABLE 1. Estimatea of the Undocumented Aliens Counted in the 1980 Census
        and the Legally Resident Aliens by State of Resideace
                            (Population in thousands) 3/
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| State | Paasell and Woodward'a estimstes of the population of undocumented aliens | Passell and Woodward'a estimates of the populatioo of legally resident aliens |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 5 | 11 |
| Alaska | 1 | 6 |
| Arizome | 25 | 75 |
| Arkansas | 3 | 6 |
| California | 1024 | 1520 |
| Colorado | 19 | 38 |
| Compecticut | 4 | 90 |
| Delaware | 1 | 6 |
| Florida | 80 | 427 |
| Georgia | 12 | 30 |

2/ Ibid., $p$. 6.
3/ Ibid., p. 29.

TABLE 1. Eatimetee of the Undocumented Aliens Counted ia the 1980 Census and the Legally Resident Aliens by State of Residence (Population in thousanda)--Continued

| State of | ```Pagsell and Woodward's estimatea of the population of undocumented aliens``` | ```Passell and Woodward'a estimates of the population of legally resident alieng``` |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hawail | -1 * | 69 |  |
| Idaho | 5 | 7 |  |
| Illinoia | 135 | 306 |  |
| Indiana | 8 | 33 |  |
| Iowa | 2 | 17 |  |
| Kansaa | 8 | 19 |  |
| Kentucky | 4 | 19 |  |
| Louisiana | 7 | 39 |  |
| Maine | -1 * | 10 |  |
| Maryland | 32 | 66 |  |
| Masaachusetta | 17 | 174 |  |
| Michigan | 8 | 123 |  |
| Minneaota | 9 | 32 |  |
| Mississippi | 4 | 6 |  |
| Miseouri | 7 | 25 |  |
| Mootana | 0 | 4 |  |
| Nebraska | 3 | 8 |  |
| Nevada | 7 | 23 |  |
| New Hampahire | 0 | 10 |  |
| New Jeraey | 37 | 281 |  |
| New Mexico | 13 | 22 |  |
| New York | 234 | 832 |  |
| North Cerolina | 9 | 26 |  |
| North Dakota | 1 | 3 |  |
| Ohio . | 10 | 76 |  |
| Oklahoma | 11 | 22 |  |
| Oregon | 15 | 35 |  |
| Peansylvacia | 7 | 107 |  |
| Rhode Ialand | 2 | 35 |  |
| South Carolina | 4 | 15 |  |

* Negative numbers appeared becauae of the method uaed. For the purpooee of the apportionmeats computed in thia analyaia all negative numbera were oet to zero.

TABLE 1. Estimatea of the Undocumented Aliens Counted in the 1980 Cencus and the Legally Resident Aliens by State of Reaidence
(Population in thousands)--Continued

|  | Passell and Woodward's <br> eatimates of the population <br> of undocumented aliena |
| :--- | :--- |
| State | Passell and Woodward'a <br> estimates of the population <br> of legally resident aliena |
| Tenth Dakota | 0 |
| Texas | 6 |
| Utah | 186 |

Passell and Woodward succinctly sumarize their concerna about these
estimates to the following paragraph.
The validity of the estimates of undocumented alfen counted in the ceasus necesssrily depends on a number of factors, including the sccuracy of the estimatea of legally resident aliens; the validity of the various gsaumptions for allocation of estimates to the Stste level; the validity of the various assumptiona used to modify the 1980 census data; the escumptions for allocation of estimatea to the State level; and the cencus coverage of legally resident aliens. The utility of the estimatea for generalizing about undocmmented aliena dependa further oo the coverage of this group in the 1980 census. The estimates presented here should generally be regarded aa lower bounda on the numbers of undocumented aliens in esch state. As diacussed by Warrea and Paasel (1984), the national estimates were desigoed to provide a firm lower bound; for States, the greater number of asaumptions required weaken this firm nature of the bound, but probably not by very much. 4/

Although theae eatimatee mey realiatlcally report the diatribution of the undocumented aliea population, using estimates such as these for

[^6]apportionment is not without risk. First, the issue of timing must be addressed. In 1980, the Census Bureau was still cieaning up" numbers for various Statea in late December--days before the December 31 deadine for reporting the results of the reapportionment. Although the Census Bureau might be able to produce estimates of the number of undocumented aliens counted for each State sooner than four years after census day as they did for this census, could they be expected to produce reasonably accurate estimatec eight months after the date? A difference of a few hundred persons to a State population count can, and hss, made a difference in past apportionments in how many seats are awarded to state.

Second, if the Census Bureau adjusts the counts used for apportionment to exclude the undocumented alien population, should the Buresu add back figures for persons that the Bureau eatimatea that were falled to be counted? If this happened the Buresu elther would have to develop rapid meand of adjusting for the undercount" as well as for estimating the number of umdocumented alieos counted in the ceosus, or the reapportionneot date would have to be moved back to accomodate the necessary research to adjust the epportionmeat populationa Since the apportionment mugt be done to be effective in the next Congreas following the proclamation of how many seats wil be assigned to the Stetes, substantial elippage of the delivery date for the data would severly hiader State redistricting. Delaying the reapportionment too long could regult In postpouing the effective data of the reapportionment to the middle of the decade between censusea.

I know that you are aware of the constitutionel issues, since Senator Buddleston was e party to the Fair iuit, ao I wili not reatate them here.

Teble 2., below, sumarizes the results of the trial apportionments that you requested. In addition to the options you requested, I alao included several other acenarios that others might suggest a alternatives to your propoвalв.

TABLE 2: 1980 Apportionment Based on Various Assumptions About the Impact of Accounting for the Undocumented Alien Estimates of Passell and Woodward

| State $\quad 19$ | $1980$ <br> apportionment | Change if undoc. aliens subtracted | Change undoc. allena doubled and aubtracted | Change if all aliens are aubtracted | Change if undoc. alfens counta are added |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 7 |  | +1 |  |  |
| Alaska | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Arizons | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Arkanseat | 4 |  |  | +1 |  |
| Calif. | 45 | -1. | -3 | -3 | +2 |
| Colorado | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Conn. | 6 |  | - |  |  |
| Delaware | 1 |  |  |  | . |
| Florida | 19 |  |  | -1 |  |
| Georgia | 10 | +1 | +1 | +1 |  |
| Hewall | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Idaho | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Illinois | 22 |  |  |  |  |
| Indiane | 10 | +1 | +1 | +1 | . |
| Iowa | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Kanset | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Kentucky | 7 |  |  |  | - |
| Loulaian* | 8 |  | - |  |  |
| Maine | 2 |  |  |  | , |
| Maryland | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| Mesa. | 11 |  |  |  |  |
| Michigan | 18 |  | . . |  | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Mindesota | $8$ |  | - - |  | - |
| Misalesippi | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| Misami | 9 |  | +1 | +1 |  |

(This table aumarite: the changes set out. ia the apportionment deta conteined in the appeadicea.)

TABLE 2. 1980 Apportionment Beed on Varioue Assumptione About the Impact of Accounting for the Undocumented Alien Estimates of Passell and Woodward--Continued

| State $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { a } \\ & \text { t }\end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1980 \\ & \text { appor- } \\ & \text { tionment } \end{aligned}$ | Change if undoc. aliena subtracted | Change undoc. aliene doubled and subtracted | Change if all aliens are aubtracted | Change if undoc. aliens counta are added |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montana | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Nebraska | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Nevada | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| N. H. | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| New Jercey | y 14 |  |  |  |  |
| New Mexico | - 3 |  |  |  |  |
| New York | 34 | -1 | -1 | -2 | - |
| N.C. | 11 |  |  | +1 |  |
| N.D. | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Ohic | 21 |  |  |  | -1 |
| Oklahoma | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Oregon | 5 |  |  |  | - |
| Penne. | 23 |  |  |  | -1 |
| R.I. | 2 |  | - |  |  |
| S.C. | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| S.D. | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Tennesaee | 9 |  |  |  |  |
| Texec | 27 |  |  |  |  |
| Utah | 3 |  |  |  | - |
| Vermont | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Virgiaie |  |  |  |  |  |
| Washington | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| W.Va. | 4 |  | - |  |  |
| Wieconeien | 9 |  |  | - |  |
| Wyoming | 1 | - |  |  |  |

(Thie table mumarizes the changea aet out in the apportionment date coateined in the appendices.)

In eddition to the data for the 1980 Cenaua, you also requeated atmilar
used to compute these apportionmente were issued in 1983 by the Census
Bureau. The Census Buresu hss stated numerous caveats about the 2 imitetions
of these projections sumarized from their introduction.

This report presents projections of the resident population of each Stste by five year age groups and sex for July 1, 1990 and 2000. These projections represent the first serles of State population projections released by the Census Bureau that are based on the 1980 census results and thst are coosistent with the middle series of. nationsl population projectiona published ss Current Population Reports, Series $\mathrm{P}-25$, No. 922 . This set of projections is proviaional io that it was developed with a cohort-component projections model employing residual measures of migration. The projections presented here are not forecasts of each State'a future growth patterna. They preaent the resulta of cootinuing the migrstion pstterns by age and sex estimeted for the 1970-1980 decade. 5/

Projections of this type have been insccurate in the past. If we sdjuat these numbers to reflect the number of undocumeated aliens counted io the 1980 Ceosus, the numbers become even more speculative. Table 3 below reports apportfonment figurea-for the alien populatioas that you specifically requested, figuring the impact of aubtrscting the number of uadocumeated aliens estimated to have beea counted ia 1980 by the Census Buresu, and twice that number to account for a possible undercount of half the undocumented alieas.

If we had eatimates of the tread of the migration of undocumented aliena in the Statea we might be sble to extend those trend lioes into the future uaing the same asamptions thet the Cenaus Bureau used in producing its populatioo projections for 1990. Because we lack such informstion, we

5/ U.S. Departmeat of Comerce. Burea of the Censula. Population estimates ad projections. Provisional projections of population of States by age and sex: 1980 to 2000. Seriae P-25, No. 937.
are'preseoting your requeated 1990 projections' in two ways. The first method assumea that the ame number of undocumented alfens that were eatioated to have been counted in the 1980 Censuat for each State will be estimated to have been counted in the 1990 Census. We aerely aubtracted the sppropriate figurea from the Ceaaus Eureau's 1990 total State population projections. The second method assumes that the undocumented sifed population will change at a rate proportional to the change in the State's total population. Thus we calculated the proportion of the State's population that was eatimated to have been undocumented allena. We theo multiplied this figure by the State's eatimated 1990 population and subtracted the result from the State' a projected populatioa* Neither of these methods should be regarded ss estimates of the impact of Including the undocumented liens ia the population figurea that will be used for the 1990 Census * There are too mony unknown to even characterize these figures an rough entimeten. Theae figures ahould be used for illustrative purposes oaly.

TABLE 3. 1990 Apportionmeat Based oa Various Assumptioas About the Impact of Accounting for the Uadocumeated Alien Estimatea of Pasaell and Woodward

| State | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Projected } \\ & 1990 \\ & \text { appor- } \\ & \text { tionment } \end{aligned}$ | Change if 80 eat . of undoc. allens subtracted | Change if 80 undoc. allens doubled and subtracted | Change if 7 of 80 undoc. allens subtracted | Change if $Z$ of 80 undoc. ere doubled 6 subtracted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 7 |  | +1 |  | +1 |
| Alsska | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Arizona | 7 | - |  | - |  |
| Arkansa | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Calif. | 48 | -1 | -3 | -2 | -3 |

[^7]TABLE 3. 1990 Apportionment Based on Various Assumptions About the Impact of Accounting for the Undocumented Alien Egtimates of Pasaell and Woodward--Continued

| $\begin{array}{ll} & \text { Pr } \\ & 19 \\ \text { State } \\ & \text { ap } \\ \text { ti }\end{array}$ | Projected 1990 <br> apportionmeot | Change if 80 eat of undoc. allens subtrscted | Change if 80 undoc. allens doubled and subtracted | Change if \% of 80 undoc. alieds subtracted | Change if 7 of 80 undoc. sre doubled \& subtracted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colorsdo | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Conn. | 5 | +1 | +1 | +1 | +1 |
| Delaware | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Florida | 23 |  |  |  |  |
| Georgia | 11 |  |  |  |  |
| Hawsil | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Idsho | 2 |  |  |  | - |
| Illinois | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| Indiana | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| Iowa | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Kanges | 4 |  |  |  | - |
| Kentucky | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Louisiana | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| Maine | 2 |  | - |  |  |
| Maryland | 8 | - |  |  | . |
| Mese. | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| Michigan | 16 |  | +1 | +1 | +1 |
| Mioneaote | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| Misaiagipp1 | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| Miasouri | 9 |  |  | +1 |  |
| Mootans | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Nebragka | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Nevada | 2 |  |  | - |  |
| N.H | 2 |  |  |  | * |
| New Jercey | 13 |  | - |  |  |
| New Mexico ${ }^{\circ}$ | - 3 |  |  |  |  |
| New York | 29 |  | -1 | -2 |  |
| N.C. | 11. |  | +1 | +1 |  |
| N.D. | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio | 19 |  |  |  | . ${ }^{\circ}$ |

(Thia table aumarizes the change aet out in the apportionment data cootained in the appendicea.)

Tsble 3. 1990 Apportionment Based on Various Assumptions About the Impact of Accounting for the Undocumented Alien Estimates of Passell and Woodward--Continued

|  | Profected 1990 <br> spportionment | Change if 80 est. of undoc. sliens Gubtracted | Change if 80 undoc. alfens doubled and subtracted | Change if $\%$ of 80 undoc. allens subtracted | Change if \% of 80 undoc. are doubled \& qubtracted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oklahoms | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Oregon | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Penns. | 20 | +1 | +1 | +1 | +1 |
| R.I. | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| S.C. | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| S.D. | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Tennegsee | 9 |  |  |  | - |
| Texas | 31 | -1 | -1 | -1 | -1 |
| Utah | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| Vermont | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Virginia | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| Washingtoo | - 9 |  |  |  |  |
| W.Va. | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| Wisconsisn | 09 |  | - |  |  |
| Wyoming | 1 |  |  |  |  |

(This table summarizes the changea set out in the apportionment data contaiaed in the appeadices.)

## Appendicies

The appendices that follow include a copy of the Census Burean'a "unrounded" eatimates of the undocumented slien population counted in the 1980 Census for each State (Appendix A). Appendices B and C-J are the sumary pages from the calculations of the apportionments that are sumarized further io the tablea
above. We have not included all the "priority" lists that show how each seat is assigned by the apportionment formula. We are including the priorty list for Appendix $B$ as an illustration of what is available. The priority list is labeled Appendix $C$. If you need this data for all the tables we can provide this as well.

I trust that this will meet your needs in this matter. Please feel free to call me if 1 can further assist you. I can be reached on 287-7877.

Appendix A: Dorounded Estimates of the Undocumented Alien Population


July 19, 1984

Mr. David Huckabee
Congressional Research Service
Library of Congresa
Washington, D.C. 20540
Dear Mr. Huckabee:
Enclosed are unpublished estimates of undocumented aliens resident in the 50 states and counted in the 1980 census. Drs. Passel and Woodrow have indicated to me your interest in using these eatimatea for the purpose of examining the effecta of inclusion of undocumented aliena in the apportionment process.

The figures shown are the unrounded version of the eatimates contsined in table 1 of the paper, "Geographic Distribution of Undocumented Immigrants: Estimates of Undocumented Aliens Counted in the 1980 Census by State", by Passel and Woodrow. As such, they are subject to sll of the limitations discussed in that paper. For your reference, a copy of the paper is alao encloaed.

As requested, you have been placed on the mailing list for "Enumeration of Undocumented Aliens in the 1980 Census and Implications for 1990" to be presented by Drs. Passel and Woodrow at the American Statistical Association Meeting, Auguat 13-16, in Philadelphia.


ROGEB/A. HERRIOT
Chief, Population Division
Bureau of the Census
Enclosures

## Estimates cf Undocumented Aliens Counted in the 1980 Census, by State

| 111 States | 2,056,574 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 4,794 |  | Montana |  |  | 366 |
| Alaska | 1,283 |  | Nebraska |  |  | 3,444 |
| Arizona | 24,759 |  | Nevada |  |  | 6,620 |
| Arkanses | 3,344 |  | New Nampshire |  |  | 148 |
| California | 1,023,711 |  | New Jersey |  |  | 36,752 |
| Colorado | 18,536 |  | New Mexico |  |  | 13,166 |
| Coniecticut | 4,118 |  | New York |  |  | 234,495 |
| Delaware | 814 |  | N. Carolina |  |  | 9,311 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 13,877 |  | N. Dakote |  |  | 799 |
| Florida | 80,258 |  | Ohio |  |  | 9,814 |
| Georgia | 11,938 |  | Oklahoma |  |  | 11,486 |
| Hawaii | -859 | - | Oregon |  |  | 14,557 |
| Idaho | 5,013 |  | Pennsylvania |  |  | 7,443 |
| Illinoia | 135,497 |  | Rhode Island |  |  | 1,743 |
| Indiana | 7,531 |  | S. Carolina |  |  | 4,258 |
| Iowa | 2,375 |  | S. Dakota |  |  | 100 |
| Kansal | 0,081 |  | Tennessee |  |  | 6,438 |
| Kentucky | 4,485 |  | Texas |  |  | 18\%,180 |
| Louisiana | 7,130 |  | Utah |  |  | 8,553 |
| Maine | -610 |  | Vermont |  |  | -2 |
| Maryland | 32,134 |  | Virginia |  |  | 34,488 |
| Massachusetta | 17,496 |  | Washington |  |  | 22,139 |
| Michigen | 7,724 |  | W. Virginia |  |  | 1,445 |
| Minnesota | 9,283 |  | Wisconsin | .. |  | 8,327 |
| Mississippi | 3,949 |  | Myoming | . |  | 1,004 |
| Missouri | 6,836 |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: Unrounded figures consistent with a paper presented the anmual meeting of the Population Association of America, Minneapolia, Minnesota, May 3-5, 1984, entitled "Geographic Distribution of Undocumented Imigrants: Estimate of Undocumented Aliens Counted in the $1880^{\circ}$ Census by State", by Jeffrey S. Pastel and karen A. Woodrow.

Appendix 2: 1580 Apportionment if Pastell and Noodrow Estimates of the Uncoctmented Aliens Vere Subtracted Iros the Popalation Figeres Used for Peapportioning Seats io the Rouse of Representatives

| 2telf | 15, 45150.80014104 |  | PEPTESENTATIVES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AL | 3EES267 |  | 7 |
| A8 | 399198 |  | 1 |
| A2 | 2693107 |  | 5 |
| AR | 2282169 |  | 4 |
| CA | 22644851 |  | 44 |
| CO | 2870298 |  | 6 |
| CN | 3103457 |  | 6 |
| DL | 594411 |  | 1 |
| FL | 9659734 |  | 19 |
| 6a | 5452326 |  | 11 |
| HA | 965000 |  | 2 |
| 10 | 938922 |  | 2 |
| 11 | 11282964 |  | 22 |
| 1N | 5482648 |  | 11 |
| 10 | 2911012 |  | 6 |
| W. | 2355127 |  | 5 |
| KY | 3656948 |  | 7 |
| L | 4196842 |  | 8 |
| ME | 1124660 |  | 2 |
| M | 4184312 | - | 8 |
| MA | 5719541 |  | 11 |
| MS | 9250620 |  | 18 |
| MN | 4067865 |  | 5 |
| M5 | 2516689 |  | 5 |
| MO | 4911058 |  | $8-$ |
| MT | 786324 |  | 2 |
| N6 | 1566562 |  | 3 |
| WV | 792564 |  | 2 |
| NH | 920462 |  | 2 |
| NJ | 7327406 |  | 14 |
| NM | 1286802 |  | 3 |
| NY | 17322793 |  | 33 |
| NC | 5865118 |  | 11 |
| NO | 651898 | - | 1 |
| OH | 10767605 |  | 21 |
| OK | 3013780 |  | 5 |
| OR | 2348106 |  | 5 |
| PA | 11859285 |  | 23 |
| R1 | 945411 |  | 6 |
| 5 C | 3114949 | - | 6 |
| 50 | 890076 |  | 8 |
| TN | 4584312 |  | $\stackrel{9}{27}$ |
| TX | - 14042203 |  | 3 |
| U1 | 1452484 |  | 1 |
| V1 | 61145 | , | 10 |
| VA | 6311791 |  | 10 |
| WA | 4108024 |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| -WV | 1948199 |  | 4 |
| WS | 4697008 469812 |  | 1 |
| WY | 469812 |  | 1 |
| OTAL | QESENTATIVES | * | 435 |

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Appendix C: Priority List for 1980 Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow' Estimates of the Undocumented Aliens Were Subtracted from the Population Figures Used for Reapportioning Seat in the House of Representatives

|  | CA | 17 | 001373045.74 |  |  |  | 18 | 00099027 A .12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 171 | WS | 4 | 001355909.39 |  | 231 |  | 12 | 000982055.81 000979165.46 |
| 172 | TX | 11 | 001338870.86 |  | 233 | WG | 10 | 000975100.49 |
| 173 | NJ | 6 | 001337794.94 |  | 234 | VA | 6 | 000969795.74 |
| 174 | IL | 9 | 001329709.47 |  | 235 | TX | 15 | 000969003.31 |
| 175 | TN | 4 | 001323376.85 |  | 235 | ca | 24 | 000963828.80 |
| 176 | NC | 5 | 001311480.06 |  | 237 |  | , | 000961476.46 |
| 177 | CA | 8 | 001294519.91 |  | 238 | OR | 3 | 000958610.15 |
| 178 | FL | 8 | 001290835.79 |  | 239 | PA | 13 | 000949502.48 |
| 179 | NY | 14 | 001284049.82 |  | 240 | OH | 12 | 000938940.35 |
| 180 | MA | 5 | 001278928.06 |  | 241 | La | 5 | - 00938442.26 |
| 181 | 5C | 3 | 001271672.46 |  | 242 | NY | 19 | 000936709.36 |
| 182 | OH | 9 | 001271330.88 |  | 243 | Mo | 5 | 000935640.47 |
| 183 | CN | 3 | 001266980.87 |  | 244 | ${ }_{\text {AR }}$ | 3 | 000931691.49 |
| 184 | PA | 10 | 001250077.80 |  | 244 | ${ }_{\text {ca }}$ | 25 | 000924472.12 |
| 185 | MG | 8 | 001236165.65 |  |  | FL | 11 | 000921019.04 , |
| 186 | OK | 3 | 001230370.39 |  | 247 | wa | , | 000918581.95 |
| 187 | IN | 5 | 001225957.18 |  | 248 | NM | 2 | 000909906.40 |
|  | CA | 19 | 001224493.29 | ; | 249 | MN | 5 | 000909602.13 |
| 189 | TX | 12 | 001222216.70 |  | 250 | TX | 16 | 000906419.77 |
| 190 | GA | 5 | 001219176.98 | ! | 251 | NC | 7 | 000905007.13 |
| 191 | La | 4 | 001211523.90 |  | 252 | IL | 13 | 000903359.88 |
| 192 | Mo | 4 | 001207906.80 |  | 253 | ${ }_{5 C}$ | 4 | 000899208. 30 |
| 193 | NY | 15 | 001195385.36 |  | 254 | MO | 6 | 000896632.25 |
| 194 | IL | 10 | 001189328.26 |  | 255 | CN | 4 | 000895890.85 |
| 195 | 10 | 3 | 001188415.54 |  | 256 | NY | 20 | 000888640.50 |
| 196 | VA | 5 | 001187752.40 |  | 257 | CA | 26 | 000888204.08 |
| 197 | wa | 4 | 001185884.35 |  | 258 | ma | 7 | 000882544. 12 |
| 198 | MN | 4 | 001174291.45 |  | 259 | MG | 11 | 000882011.57 |
| 199 | co | 3 | 001171794.12 |  | 260 | PA | 14 | 000879067.99 |
| 200 | CA | 20 | 001161656.31 |  | 261 | OK |  | 000870003.33 |
| 201 | FL | 9 | 01138410.07 | ! | 262 | AL | 5 | 000868771.98 |
| 202 | OH | 10 | ¢01137112.86 |  | 263 | OH | 13 | 000863699.43 |
| 203 | PA | 11 | 001130737.90 |  | 264 | NJ | 9 | 000863542.69 |
| 204 | NJ |  |  |  | 265 | WS | 6 | 000857552.25 |
| 205 | ${ }_{\text {AX }}^{\text {AL }}$ | 13 | 001124275.75 001121579.95 |  | 266 | ${ }_{\text {ca }}$ | 27 | 000854674.79 |
| 207 | NY | 16 | 001118180.82 |  |  |  | 17 | 000851433.60 |
| 208 | N8 | 2 | 001107726.59 |  | 268 | IN | 21 | 000845265. 74 |
| 209 | CA | 21 | 001104955.58 |  | 279 | G ${ }_{\text {ch }}$ | 2 | 000841311.96 |
| 210 | ${ }_{\text {Az }}$ | 3 | 001099456.20 |  | 271 | fL | 12 | 000840771.80 |
| 211 | mo | 5 | 001098145.79 |  | 272 | 10 | 4 | 000840336.76 |
| 212 | MG | 9 | 01090195.54 |  | 273 | iN | 6 | 000836976.88 |
| 213 | IL | 11 | ${ }^{001075787.88}$ |  | 274 | IL | 14 | 000836348.27 |
| 214 | ${ }_{\text {NY }}$ | 6 | 001070818.95 |  | 275 | co | 4 | 000828583.64 |
| 215 | KY | 2 | 0010556693.93 |  | 276 | CA | 28 | 000823585.25 |
| 216 | ca | 22 | 01053533.75 |  | 277 | Va | 7 | 000819626.94 |
| 217 | NY | 17 | 001050348.58 |  | 278 | PA | 15 | 000818367.78 |
| 218 | WS | 5 | 001050282.76 |  | 279 | KY | 5 | 000817718.31. |
| 219 | m | 6 | 001044240.35 |  | 280 | NY | 22 | 000805929.22 |
| 220 | $7 \times$ | 14 | 001040876.50 |  | 281 | MG | 12 | 000805163.00 |
| 221 | PA | 12 | 001032218.17 |  | 282 | ${ }^{1 \times}$ | 18 | 000802739.29 |
| 222 | OH | 11 | 001028557.27 |  | 283 | OH | 14 | 000799629.84 |
| 223 | ms | 3 | 001027433.86 |  | 284 | wv | 3 | 000785348.82 |
| 224 | UT | 2 | 001027061.26 |  | 285 | ME | 2 | 000795254.69 |
| 225 | 7N | 5 | 001025083.17 |  | 286 |  | 29 | 000794678. 41 |
| 226 | FL | 10 | 001018224.88 |  | 287 | NC | 8 | 000793759.09 |
| 227 | CA | 23 | 01006688.36 |  |  |  | 15 | 000778597.88 |
| 228 | IN | 6 | 000995453.80 |  | 289 |  | 4 | 000777433.01 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix C: Priority List for 1980 Apportionment if Passell end Woodrow's Estimates of the Undocumented Aliena Were Subtrected from the Population Figurea Used for Reapportioning Seate in the House of Representatives


Appendix C: Priority List for 1980 Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow's Estimates of the Undocumented Aliens Were Subtrscted from the Population Figures Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representatives

| 410 TX | 26 | 000550780.47 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4111 L | 21 | 000550552.26 |
| 412 OK | 6 | 000550238.33 |
| 413 NY | 32 | 000549999.21 |
| 414 WA | - | 000548957.60 |
| 415 CA | 42 | 000545698.60 |
| 416 MA | 11 | 000545336.57 |
| 417 mN | 8 | 000543591.13 |
| 418 NJ | 14 | 000543143.03 |
| 419 TN | 9 | 000540266.11 |
| 420 NY | 33 | 000533072.09 |
| 421 CA | 43 | 000532856.85 |
| 42210 | 6 | 00531475.55 |
| 423 TX | 27 | 000529988.77 |
| 424 MG | 18 | 000528822.72 |
| 425 PA | 23 | 000527209.49 |
| 426 KA | 5 | 000526622.33 |
| 427 OH | 21 | 000526381.22 |
| 428 Nm | 3 | 000525334.65 |
| 429 OR | 5 | 000525052.38 |
| 430 IL | 22 | 000524930.96 |
| 431 CO | 6 | 000524042.22 |
| 432 1N | 11 | 000522749.72 |
| 433 FL | 19 | 000522338.59 |
| 434 CA | 44 | 000520605.61 |
| 435 GA | 11 | 000519858.63 |

Appendix D: 1980 Apportionmeat if Pasell and Woodrow's Eatimates of the Undocumented Aliens Were Doubled and then Subtracted from the Population Figures Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representstives

| STATE | AOJUSTED POPULATION | REPRESENTATIVES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { STAL }}{\text { A }}$ | 3880473 | 8 |
| AK | 397915 | 1 |
| $A Z$ | 2668348 | 5 |
| AR | 2278825 | 4 |
| CA | 21621140 | 42 |
| CO | 2851762 | 6 |
| CN | 3099338 | 6 |
| DL | 593597 | 1 |
| FL | 9579476 | 19 |
| GA | 5440387 | 11 |
| HA | 965000 | 2 |
| 10 | 933909 | 2 |
| IL | 11147467 | 22 |
| IN | 5475117 | 11 |
| 10 | 2908637 | 6 |
| KA | 2347046 | 5 |
| KY | 3652463 | 7 |
| LA | 4189712 | 8 |
| ME | 1124660 | 2 |
| Mo | 4152178 | 8 |
| MA | 5702045 | 11 |
| MG | 9242896 | 18 |
| MN | 4058582 | 8 |
| MS | 2512740 | 5 |
| MO | 4904672 | 10 |
| mT | 785958 | 2 |
| N8 | 1563118 | 3 |
| NV | 785944 | 2 |
| NH | 920314 | 2 |
| NJ | 7290654 | 14 |
| NM | 1273636 | 3 |
| NY | . 17088298 | 33 |
| NC | - 5855807 | 11 |
| NO | 651097 | 1 |
| OH | 10777791 | 21 |
| OK | 3002294 | 6 |
| OR | 2333549 | 5 |
| PA | 11851842 | 23 |
| RI | 943668 | 2 |
| SC | 3110690 | 6 |
| So | 689978 | 1 |
| TN | 4577874 | 9 |
| TX | 13856023 | 27 |
| UT | 1443931 | 3 |
| VT | 511456 | 1 |
| VA | 5277303 | 10 |
| WA | 4085885 | 8 |
| WV | 1946754 | 4 |
| WS | 4688681 | 9 |
| WY | 468808 | , |
| TOTAL | RESENTATIVES | 435 |

Appendix E: 1980 Apportionment if Paseell and Woodrow's Estimates for All Classes of Aliens Were Subtracted from the Population Figurea Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representstives


Appendix F: 1980 Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow's Estimstes of the Undocumented Aliens Were Added to the Population Figures Used for Respportioning Seats in the House of Representativea

| STATE | AOJUSTED POPULATION | REPRESENTATIVES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STL | 3894855 | 7 |
| AK | 401764 | 1 |
| $A 2$ | 2742625 | 5 |
| AR | 2288857 | 4 |
| CA | 24692273 | 47 |
| CO | 2907370 | 6 |
| CN | 3111695 | 6 |
| DL | 596039 | 1 |
| FL | 9820250 | 19 |
| G4 | 5476204 | 10 |
| H4 | 965000 | 2 |
| 10 | 948948 | 2 |
| IL | 11553958 | 22 |
| 1N | 5497710 | 10 |
| 10 | 2915762 | 6 |
| K | 2371289 | 5 |
| KY | 3665918 | 7 |
| LA | 4211102 | 8 |
| ME | 1124660 | 2 |
| MD | 4248580 | 8 |
| MA | 5754533 | 11 |
| MG | 9266068 | 18 |
| MN | 4086431 | 8 |
| MS | 2524587 | 5 |
| MO | 4923830 | 9 |
| MT | 787056 | 2 |
| NB | 1573450 | 3 |
| NV | 805804 | 2 |
| MH | 920758 | 2 |
| NJ | 7400910 | 14 |
| NM | 1313134 | 3 |
| NY | 17791783 | 34 |
| NC | 5883740 | 11 |
| NO | 653494 | 1 |
| OH | 10807233 | 20 |
| OK | 3036752 | 6 |
| OR | 2377220 | 5 |
| PA | 11874171 | 22 |
| RI | 948897 | 2 |
| 5 C | 3123467 | 6 |
| 50 | 690278 | 9 |
| TN | 4597188 | 97 |
| TX | 14414563 | 27 |
| UT | 1469590 | 3 |
| VT | 511456 | 1 |
| VA | $5380767^{\circ}$ | 10 |
| Wh | -4152302 | 8 |
| WN | 1951089 | 4 |
| W5 | 4713662 | 8 |
| WY | 471820 | 1 |
| TOTAL | RESENTATIVES | 435 |

TOTML REPRESENTATIVES
435

[^9]| STATE | ADJUSIED POPULATION | REPRESENTALIUES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }_{\text {AL }}$ | 4209006 | 7 |
| AK | 520817 | 1 |
| A | 3968941 | 7 |
| AR | 2576456 | 5 |
| CA | 26501889 | 47 |
| CO | 3736564 | 7 |
| CN | 3131481 | 6 |
| OL | 628986 | 23 |
| FL | 13235742 | 23 |
| GA | 6162651 | 11 |
| Ha | 1138100 | 2 |
| 10 | 1208787 | 20 |
| IL | 11367003 | 20 |
| IN | 5671769 | 10 5 |
| 10 | 2980925 | 5 |
| KA | 2455319 4069015 | 7 |
| KY | 4069015 4739870 | 8 |
| ${ }_{\text {L }}^{\text {L }}$ E | 1229400 | 2 |
| мо | 4458966 | 8 |
| MA | 5686404 | 10 |
| MG | 9386576 | 16 |
| MN | 4349117 | 8 |
| MS | 2757451 | 5 |
| no | 5070414 | 9 |
| MT | 888034 | $\stackrel{2}{3}$ |
| N8 | 1636356 | 3 |
| NV | 1268780 | $2{ }_{2}$. |
| ${ }_{\text {NH }}$ | 1138652 7476348 | 13 |
| NM | 1522834 | 3 |
| NY | 16222205 | 29 |
| NC | 6464089 | 1 |
| ND | 6777601 | 19 |
| O\% | 10763286 3491914 | 19 |
| OR | 3304043 | ${ }^{6}$ |
| PA | 11712957 | 21 |
| R1 | 949057 | 2 |
| 5 C | 3555341 | 1 |
| S0 | 698400 5066162 | 1 |
| TN | $\begin{array}{r}5066162 \\ 17312020 \\ \hline 2\end{array}$ | 30 |
| UT | 2031747 | 1 |
| VT | 574600 | 1 |
| VA | 5926412 | ${ }_{9}$ |
| wa | 4989661 2035955 | 4 |
| ws | 5024373 | 9 |
| wr | 700298 | 1 |
| total representatives |  | 435 |


| STATE | ADJUSTEO POPULATION | REPRESENTATIVES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AL | 4204212 | 8 |
| AX | 519534 | 1 |
| Az | 3944182 | 7 |
| AR | 2573112 | 5 |
| CA | 25478178 | 45 |
| co | 3718028 | 7 |
| CN | 3127362 | 6 |
| OL | 628172 | 1 |
| FL | 13155484 | 23 |
| GA | 6150722 | 11 |
| HA | 1138100 | 2 |
| 10 | 1203774 | 2 |
| 1 L | 11231506 | 20 |
| IN | 5664238 | 10 |
| 10 | 2978550 | 5 |
| KA | 2447238 | 4 |
| K | 4064530 | 7 |
| LA | 4732740 | 8 |
| ME | 1229400 | 2 |
| M | 4426832 | 8 |
| ma | 5668908 | 10 |
| MG | 9376852 | 17 |
| MN | 4339834 | 8 |
| MS | 2753502 | 5 |
| mo | 5064028 | 9 |
| MT | 887668. | 2 |
| NB | 1632912 | 3 |
| NV | 1262160 | 2 |
| NH | 1138504 7439596 | ${ }_{13}^{2}$ |
| NJ | 7439596 1509668 | 13 |
| NY | 15987710 | 28 |
| NC | 6454778 | 12 |
| NO | 676802 | 1 |
| OH | 10753472 | 19 |
| O\% | 3480428 | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ |
| OR | 3289486 |  |
| P1 | 11705514 947314 | 21 |
| ${ }_{51} 5$ | 3551082 | 6 |
| 50 | 698300 | 1 |
| TN | 5059724 |  |
| TX | 17125840 | 30 |
| UT | 2023194 574600 | 1 |
| VT | 574600 6891924 | 10 |
| WA | 4967522 | 8 |
| w | 2034510 | 4 |
| W5 | 5016046 | 9 |
| wr | 698292 | 1 |
| total | esentatives | 435 |







| 30¢5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 418858 | 7 |
| 0 |  | 1 |
| 12 | -56769 | 7 |
| 13 | 20.15/25 | 5 |
| 4 |  | 4 |
| (1) | 3720\%5 | 7 |
| 0 | 3-3:444 | c |
| 0 | 67\%69 | 1 |
| ${ }^{1}$ | 1228278 | 23 |
| 6 | E151209 | 11 |
| M | 112\%100 | 2 |
| 10 | 1218764 | 2 |
| 11 | 1129F5\% | 20 |
| IM | 6871510 | 10 |
| 10 | zacese | 5 |
| Ya | 2454976 | 4 |
| EV | $4 \times 2510$ | 7 |
| L4 | 4125949 | \% |
| WC | 1229400 | 2 |
| M | 4456873 | e |
| 4 | seessos | 10 |
| * | 936483 | 17 |
| 4 | 4348477 | \% |
| MS | 2757074 | 5 |
| H | 5070207 | 9 |
| 4 | 887986 | 2 |
| 110 | 1636203 | 3 |
| N | 1264535 | 2 |
| H4 | 1138817 | 2 |
| NJ | 7475605 | 13 |
|  | 1520443 | 3 |
| MV | 16236904 | 29 |
| NC | 6463140 | 11 |
| H0 | 577670 | 1 |
| OH | 10763300 | 19 |
| OM | 3490099 | 6 |
| OR | 3206153 | 6 |
| Pa | 11713049 | 21 |
| R1 | 949050 | 2 |
| $5 C$ | 3554740 | 6 |
| 50 | 596399 | 1 |
| 7N | 5065488 | - |
| $7 x$ | 17259234 | 30 |
| UT | 2026356 | 4 |
| VT | 574600 | 1 |
| VA | 5922447 | 10 |
| WA | 4984935 | 9 |
| WV | 2035890 | 4 |
| Ws | 5023794 | \% |
| Wr | 699804 | \% |
| fotal m | Sentatives | 435 |

Appendix J: 1990-Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow's Estimatea of the Undocumented Alien Population are Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representatives So thst the Undocumented Alien Population Would be Double the Proportion to the Total State

Population as it was in the 1980 Estimstes


REPRESENTAIIYES | 8 |
| :---: |
| 1 |
| 7 |
| 5 |
| 45 |
| 7 |
| 6 |
| 1 |
| 123 |
| 11 |
| 2 |
| 2 |
| 20 |
| 10 |
| 5 |
| 4 |
| 7 |
| 8 |
| 2 |
| 8 |
| 10 |
| 17 |
| 8 |
| 5 |
| 9 |
| 2 |
| 3 |
| 2 |
| 2 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ See p. 64.

[^1]:    There are very few countries that use census data for representation purposes. England, Wales, and Australia use census figures for representation, but adjust the figures for underenumeration. Most countries count everyone and ask questions on citizenship, when did the individual come to the country, where the individual resided five years previously, and whether the individual is in the country as a representative of a foreign government (diplomat) or a member of a foreign military service stationed in the country. In general, other countries do not exclude "illegal" or sojourner aliens in their census counts.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ FAIR $V_{4}$ Klutznick, 486 F.Supp. 564 (D.D.C. 1980)(three-judge court), appeal dismissed, 447 Ü.S. 918 (1980), affirmed per curiam (D.C. Cir., 1980), cert. den. U.S. $\qquad$ , 101 S.Ct. 1697 (1980).
    ${ }^{2}$ Wesberry V. Sanders, 377 U.S. 1 (1964).

[^3]:    $3_{\text {The }}$ Census Bureau count of 2.1 million illegal immigrants represents only a part of the illegal immigrant population in the United States on Census Day 1980. The Bureau itself estimates that it did not count even half of the illegal immigrants.

    In addition, the Bureau counted only one of three groups of illegal inmigrants; the Bureau counted only "permanent settler" illegal aliens, and did not include "sojourner" illegal aliens (who work for a few years and then return home), or "border crosser" illegal aliens (who. repeatedly cross the border). We are not sure exactly how the Bureau decided which illegal aliens were "permanent settlers" or "sojourners" or "border crossers," or even whether those differences are significant.

[^4]:    Thus, we do not know exactly how many illegal ismigrants were in the United States on Census Day 1980. We have the number the Census Bureau included in the reapportionment base - 2,056,574 - but that number represents the lowest possible number, the "lowest bound." The actual illegal immigrant population is probably much larger, perhaps as many as eight million.
    ${ }^{4}$ By law (2 U.S.C. $S 2(\mathrm{a})$ ), the division of congressional seats among the states - reapportionment - is made by applying a complex statutory formula known as the method of equal proportions to the reapportionment base. The only variable in the formula is the population of the states; if, by migration or otherwise, one state's population increases more than other states' populations, the larger state will get more congressional seats.

    The method of equal proportions, adopted in 1941, weighs claims of each state for each congressional seat against the claim of every other state. The seat is assigned to the state whose claim for that seat is numerically the highest.

    The method of equal proportions multiplies each state's population by a fraction that incoporates the "priority" of a particular congressional seat. To see if a state should have received a second seat (beyond the Constitutionally-mandated first seat) after the 1970 Census, for example, the state's population was multiplied by the constant 0.70710678 .

    The first non-mandated seat after the 1970 Census went to California (which had a "priority value" of 14,212,042). New York, whose priority value for a second seat $(12,913,236)$ was second highest, got the second seat. The fourth available seat in 1970 went to California, since its next priority value for another seat (found by multiplying the constant for another seat 0.40824829 - by its population) was greater than the priority value of multiplying any other state'a population by the constant for a second seat.

[^5]:    ${ }^{5}$ Both Article I and the Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution provide that Congress is to determine how the Census is to be conducted. Burns $\mathbf{v}_{\text {. }}$ Richardson, 384 U.S. 73 (1966).
    ${ }^{6} 13$ U.S.C. S 1, et seg.; Census Act of 1976; P.L. 94-521; 90 Stat. 2459.

[^6]:    4/ Ibid., p. 20.

[^7]:    (Thia table summarizea the changes set out ia the apportionment data contaioed in the eppendices.)

[^8]:    Appendix C: Priority List for 1980 Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow's Estimates of the Undocumented Aliens Were Subtrscted from the Population Figures Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representatives

[^9]:    Appendix G: 1990 Apportionment if Passell and Woodrow's Estimates of the Undocumented Aliens Were Subtracted from the Population Figures Used for Reapportioning Seats in the House of Representatives

