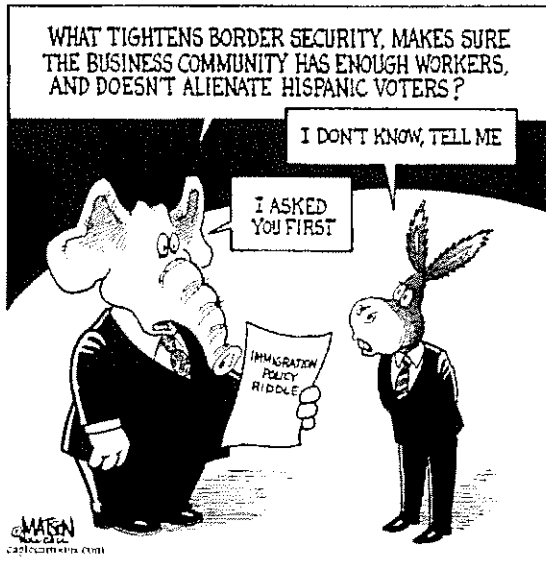




William H. Rau, Library of Congress, Division of Prints and Photographs, LC-USZ62-7307

This photo from 1902, "Emigrants coming to the land of promise," shows people huddled on the deck of a ship coming to the United States.

*"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,
Send these, the homeless, the tempest-tost to me
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"*
—Emma Lazarus, "The New Colossus"
inscribed at the Statue of Liberty



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These political cartoons reflect the debate in the United States about immigration. The cartoon above is from 2006. The cartoon on the right is from 1882, the year of the Chinese Exclusion Act. It depicts Republicans and Democrats holding the hair of a Chinese person while uprooting the tree of liberty.



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The caption reads: "(Dis) 'Honors are Easy.' Now both parties have something to hang on."