

***The Immigration Issue and the 2008  
Presidential Election:  
Exit Poll of Hispanic Voters in Miami-Dade  
County, Florida and Los Angeles County,  
California***

November 6, 2008



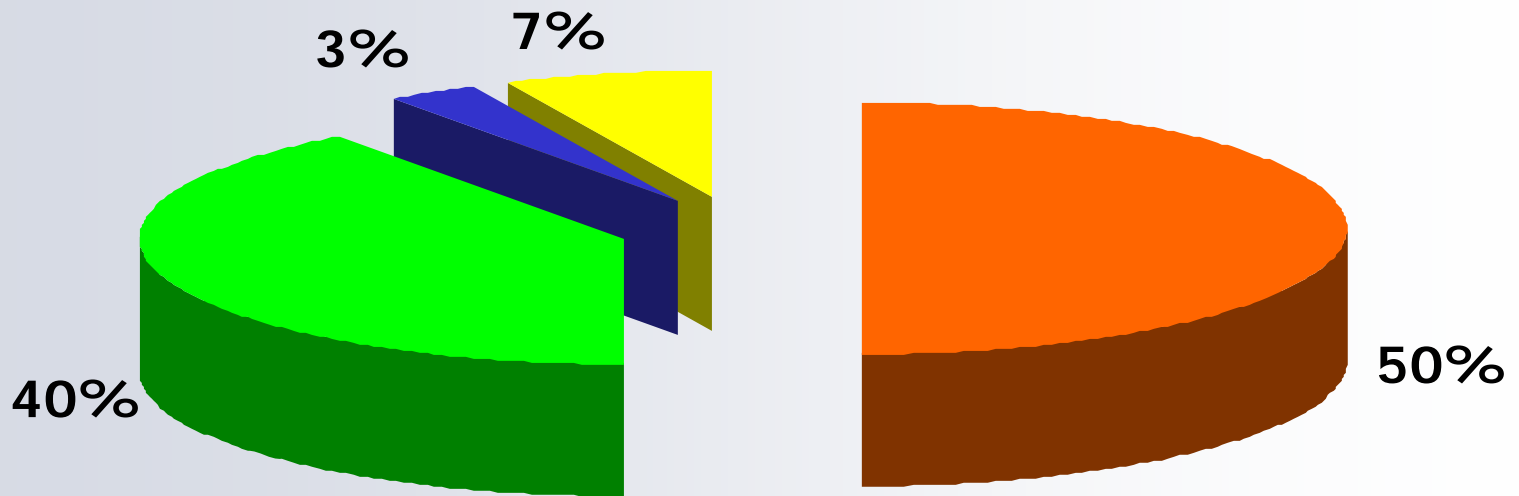
# Methodology

<i>Sample size</i>	2,102 interviews with Latin American immigrant voters in Miami and Los Angeles
<i>Dates of interviews</i>	October 23 – November 4, 2008
<i>Margin of error</i>	2 percentage points
<i>Languages of interviews</i>	Spanish, English

# Demographics of Latin American Immigrant Electorate

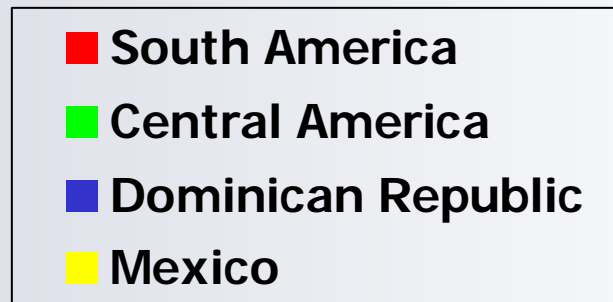
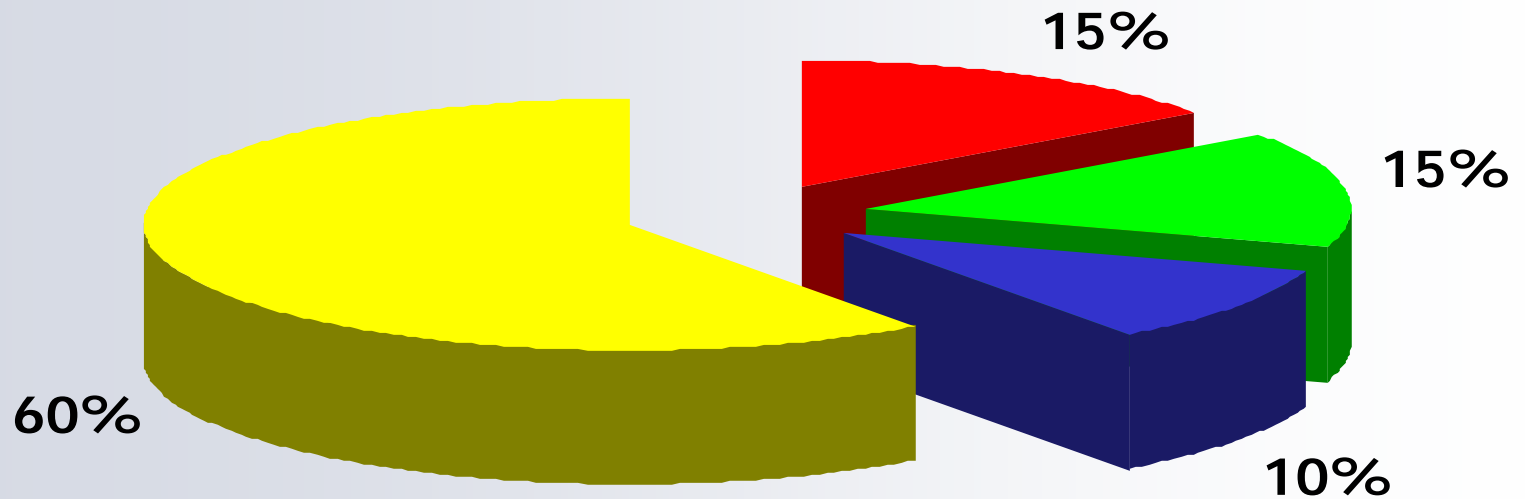
- The Latin American immigrant electorate does not include U.S. born Hispanic voters, Cuban refugee voters, or Puerto Rican voters.
- The Latin American immigrant electorate represents 40 percent (approximately 4 million) of the overall Hispanic vote in the United States.

# The Hispanic Electorate



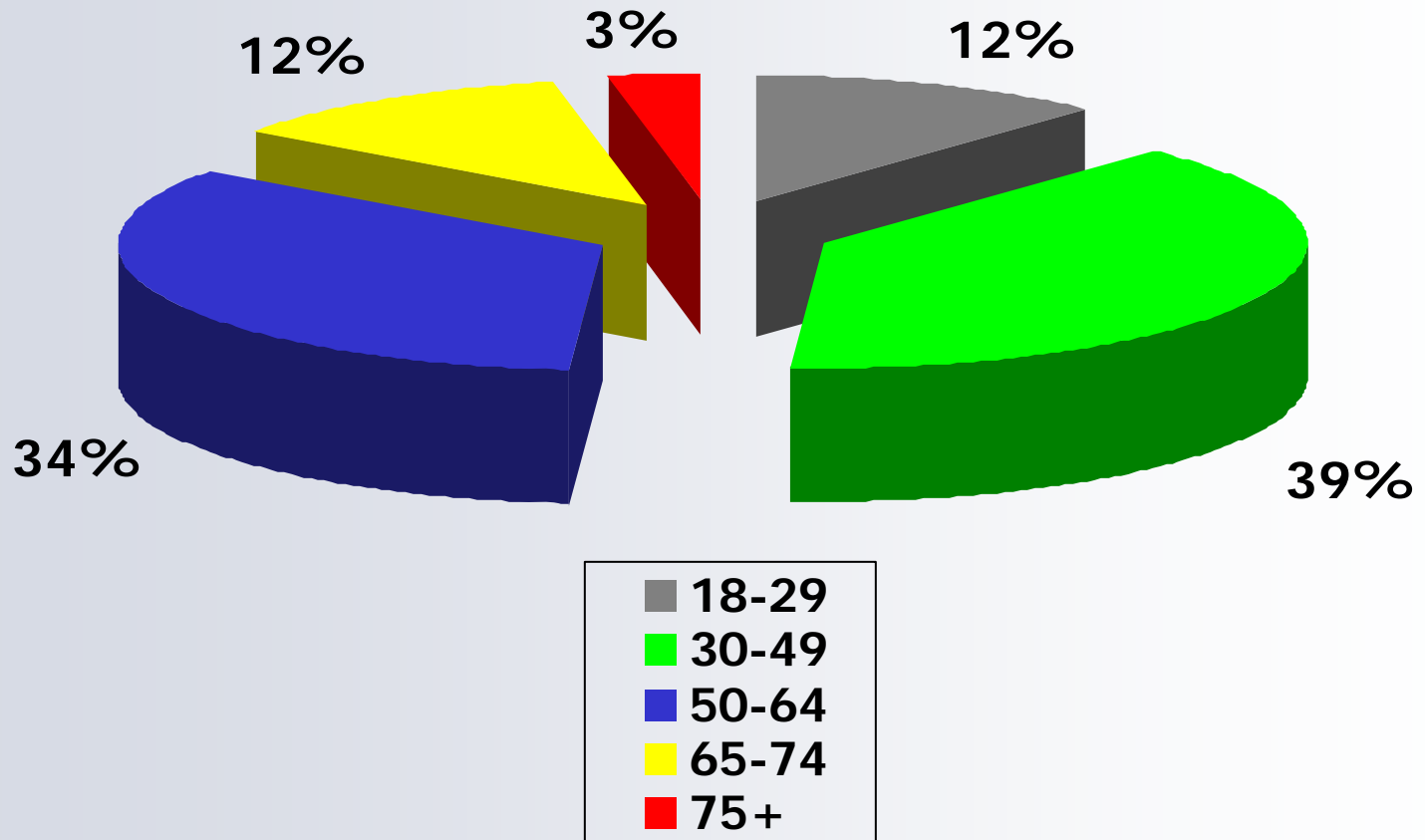
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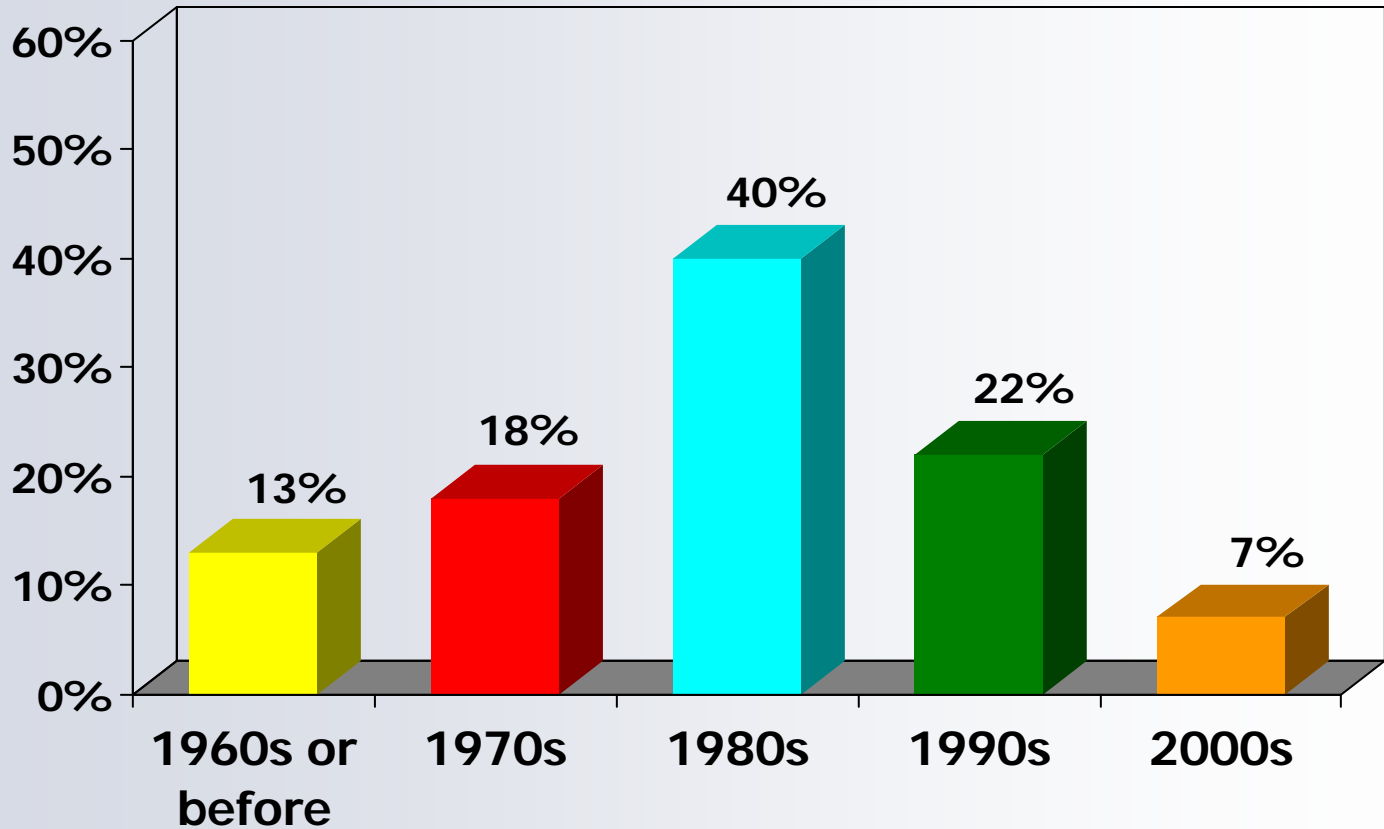
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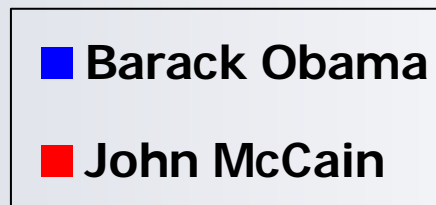
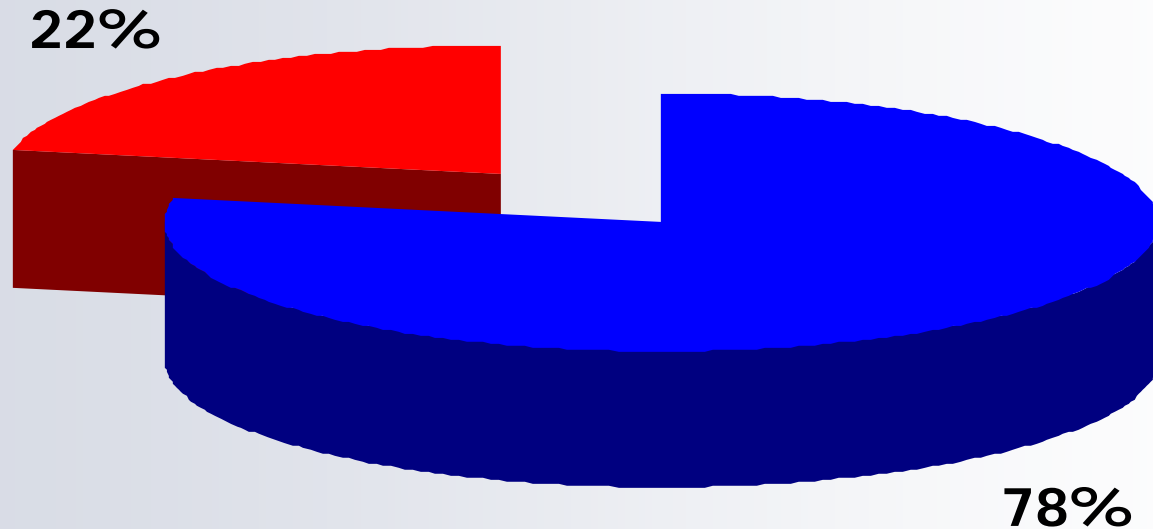


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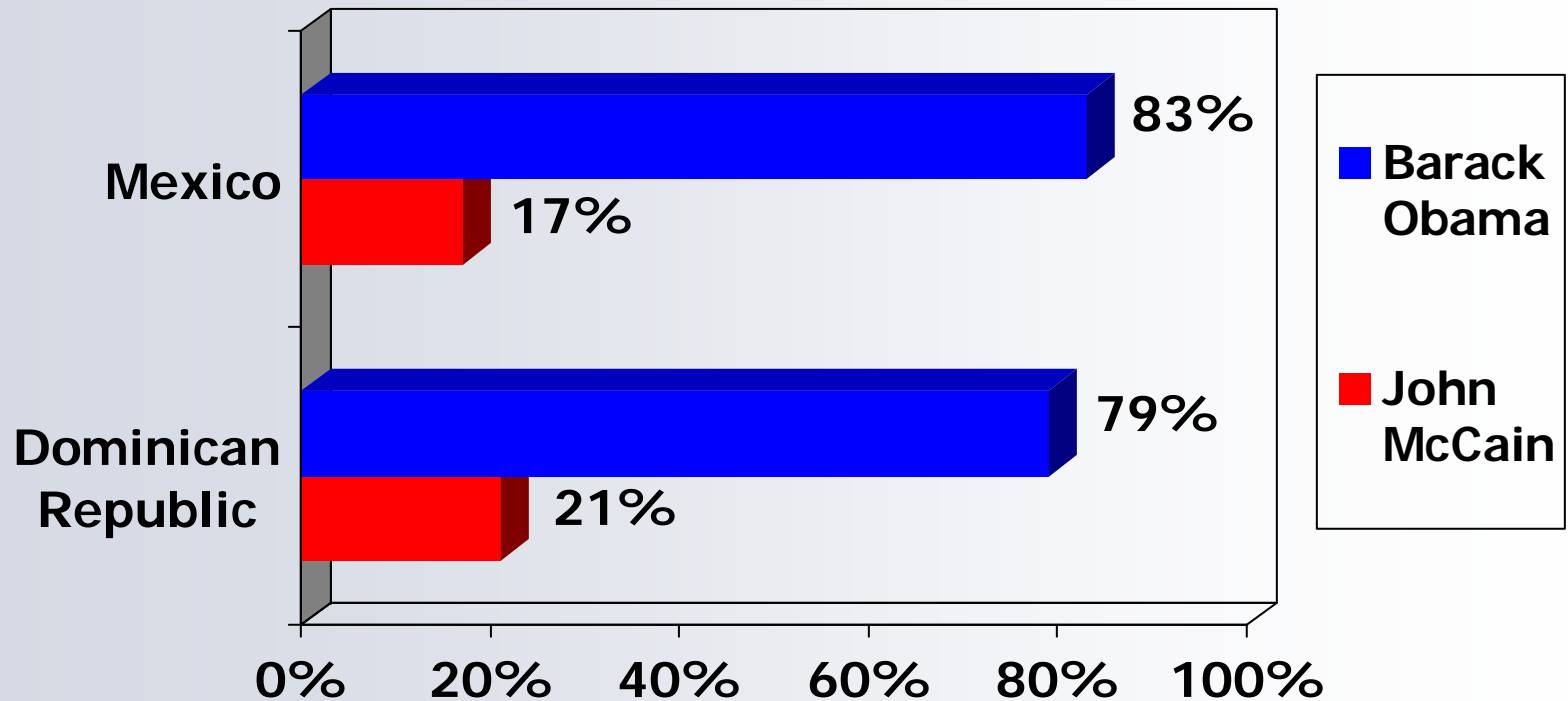
- Immigrant voters from Latin America voted overwhelming for Barack Obama for President.
- Obama had the strongest support among Mexicans, Dominicans, and young voters (ages 18-29).

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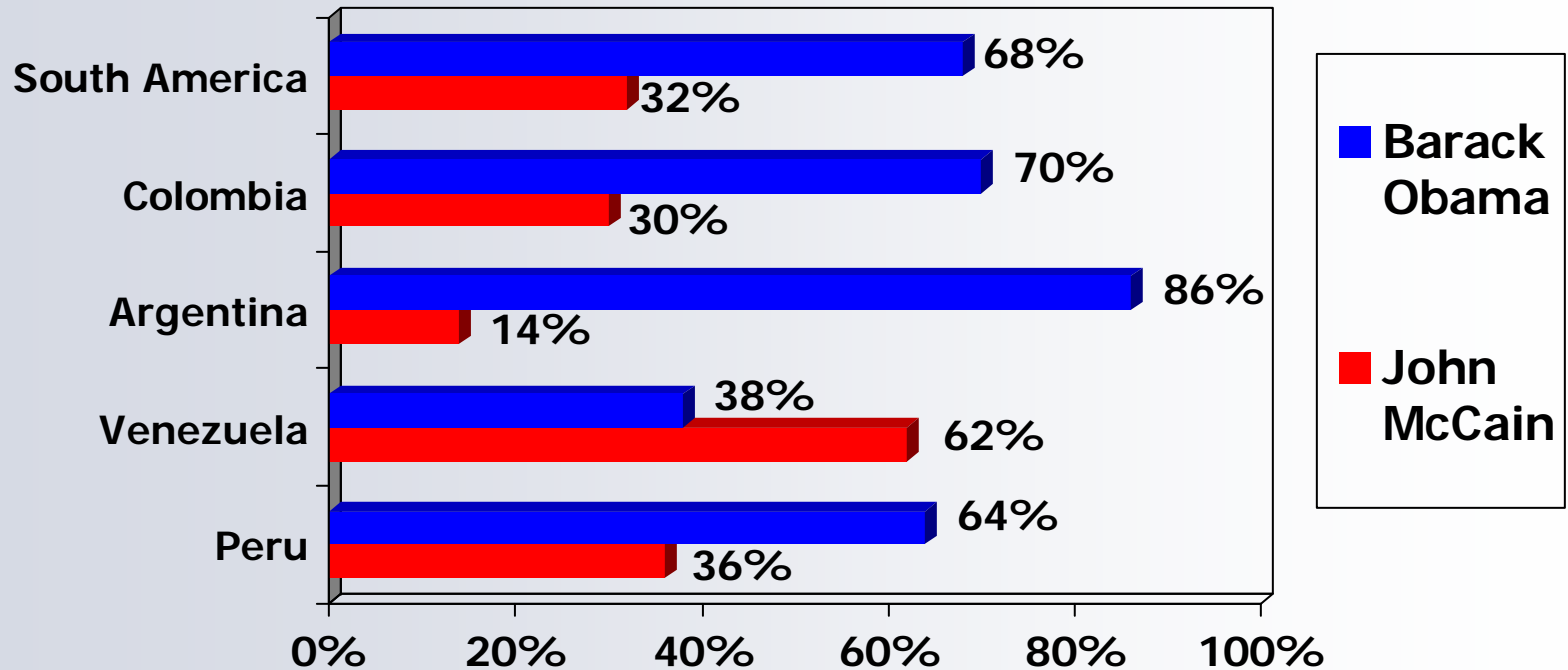


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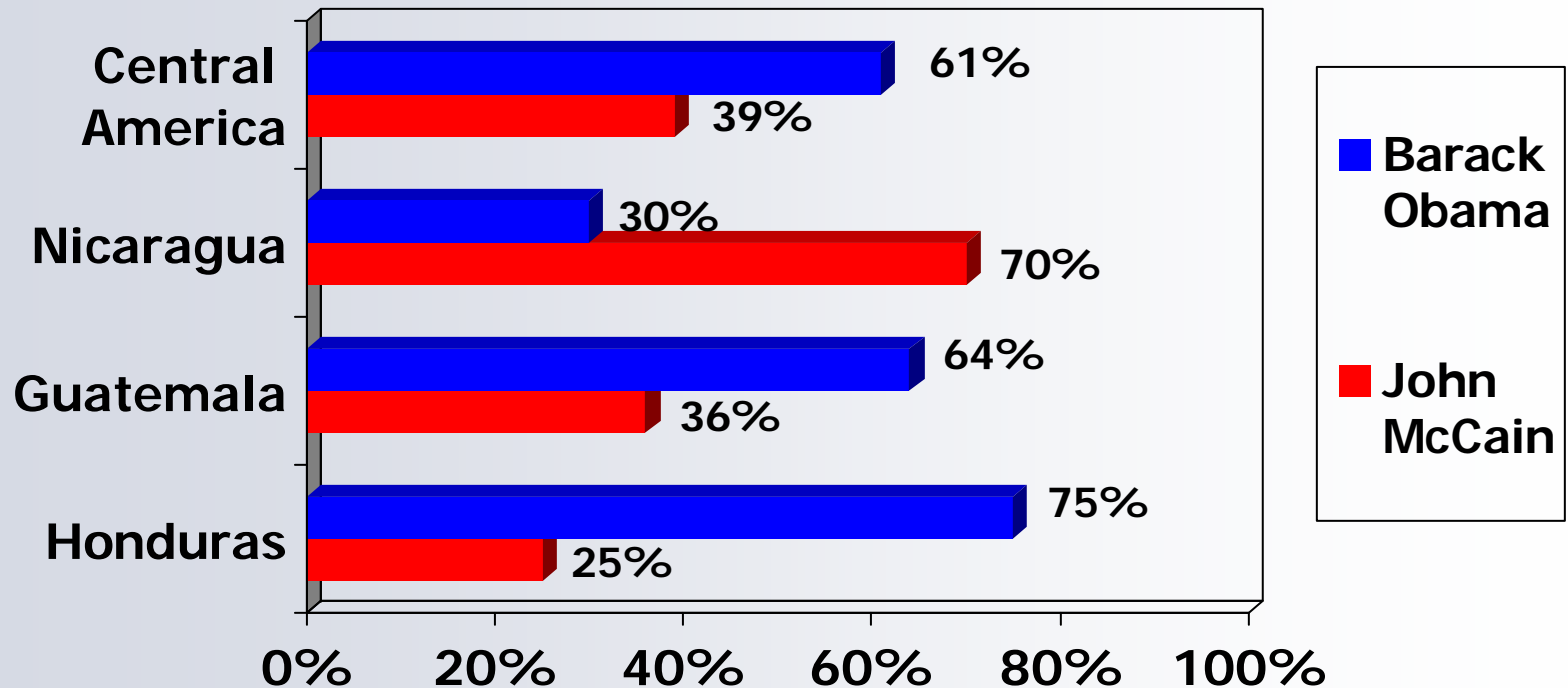
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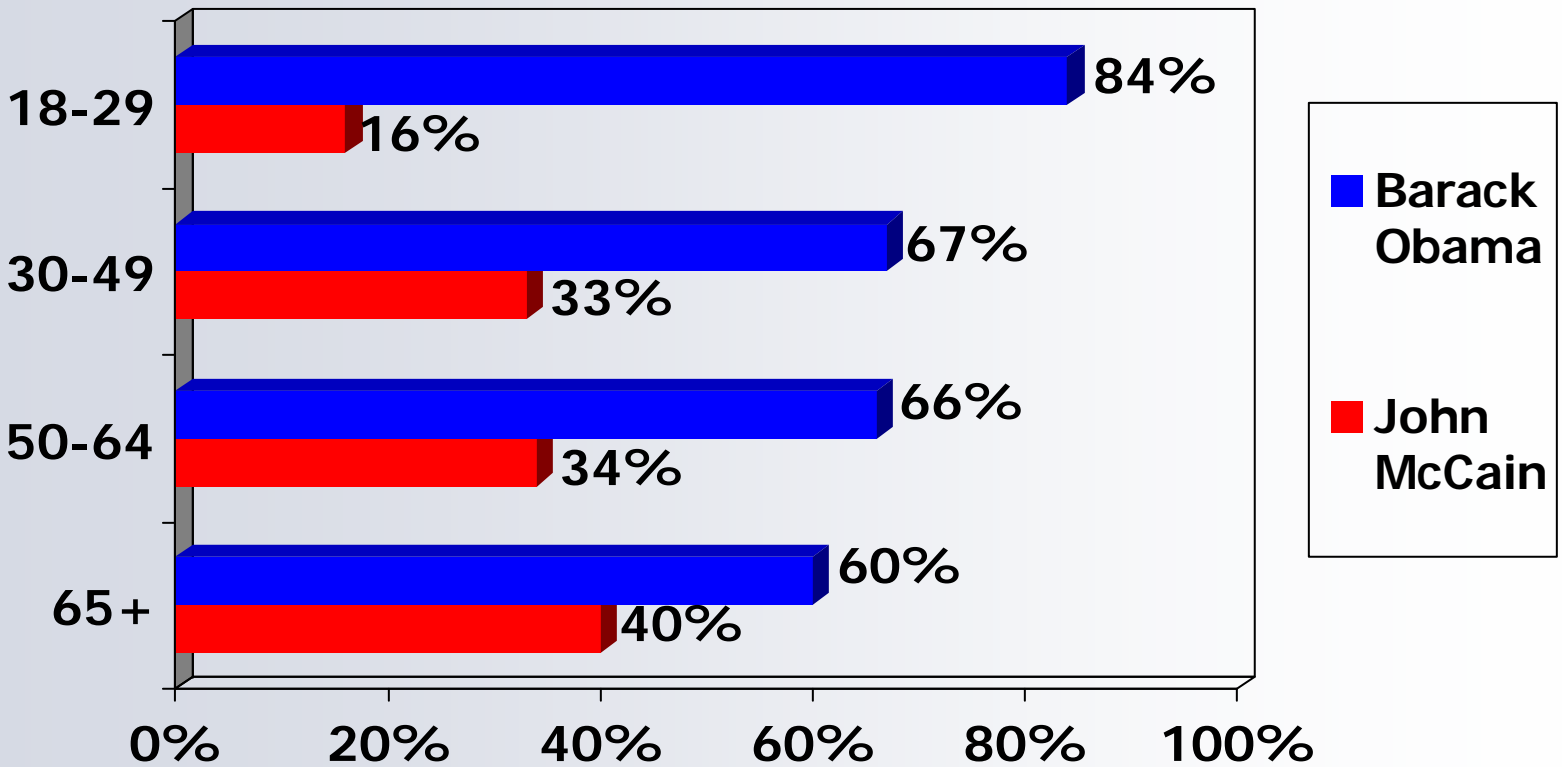
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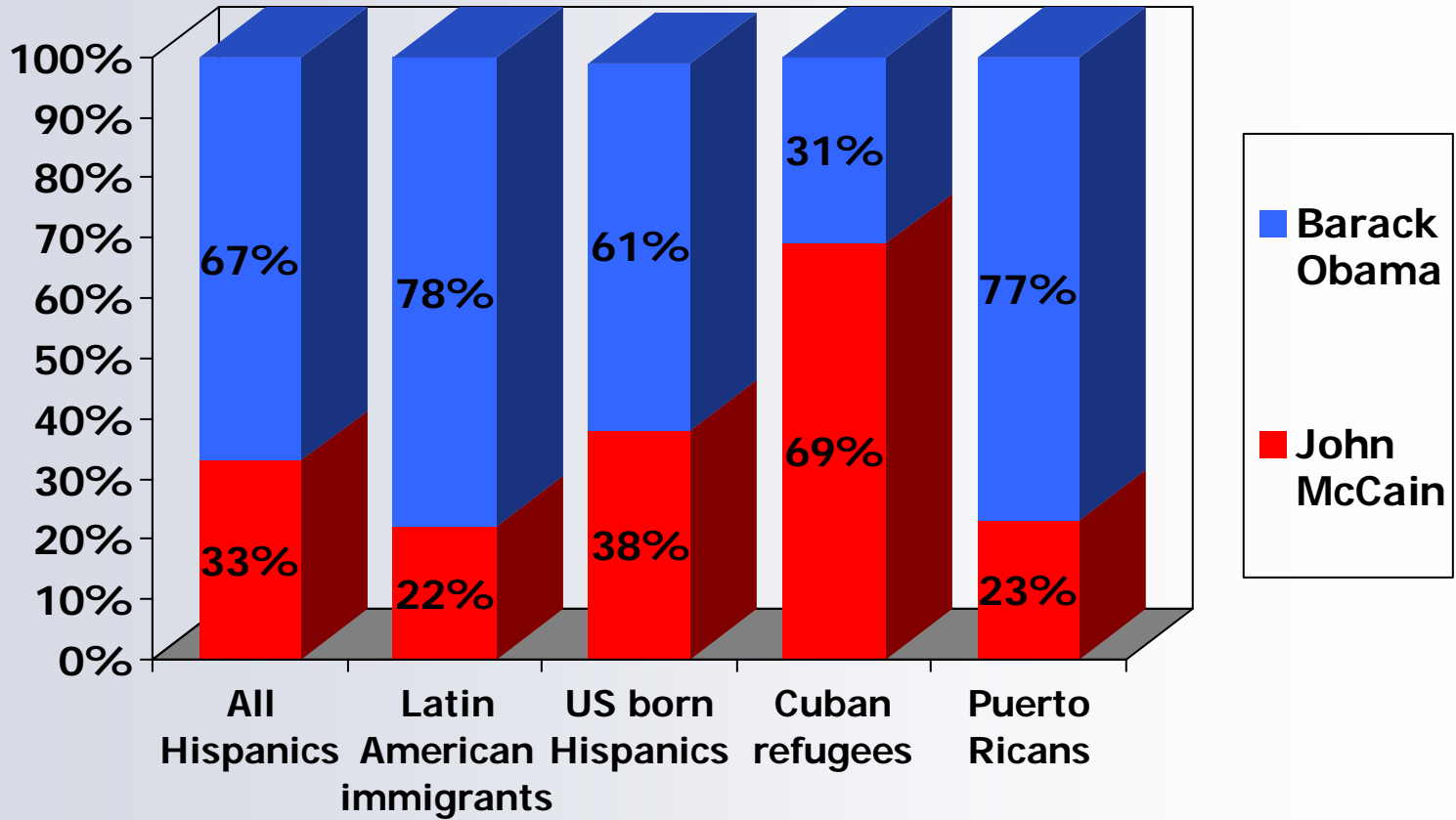
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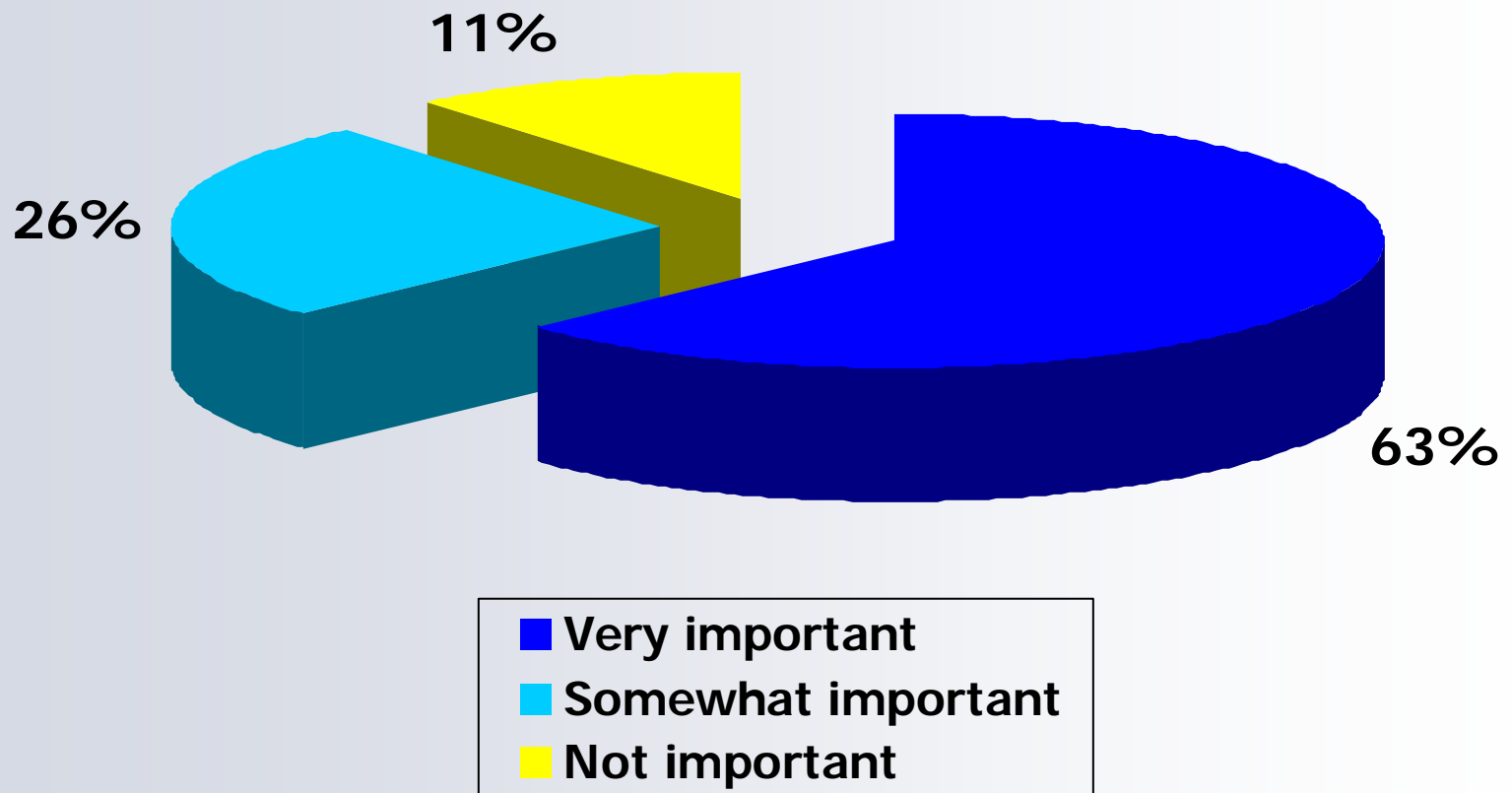


# The Immigration Issue

- The immigration issue is considered to be “very important” by more than three-fifths of all Latin American immigrant voters. This is especially true among those from Central America and the more recent arrivals.

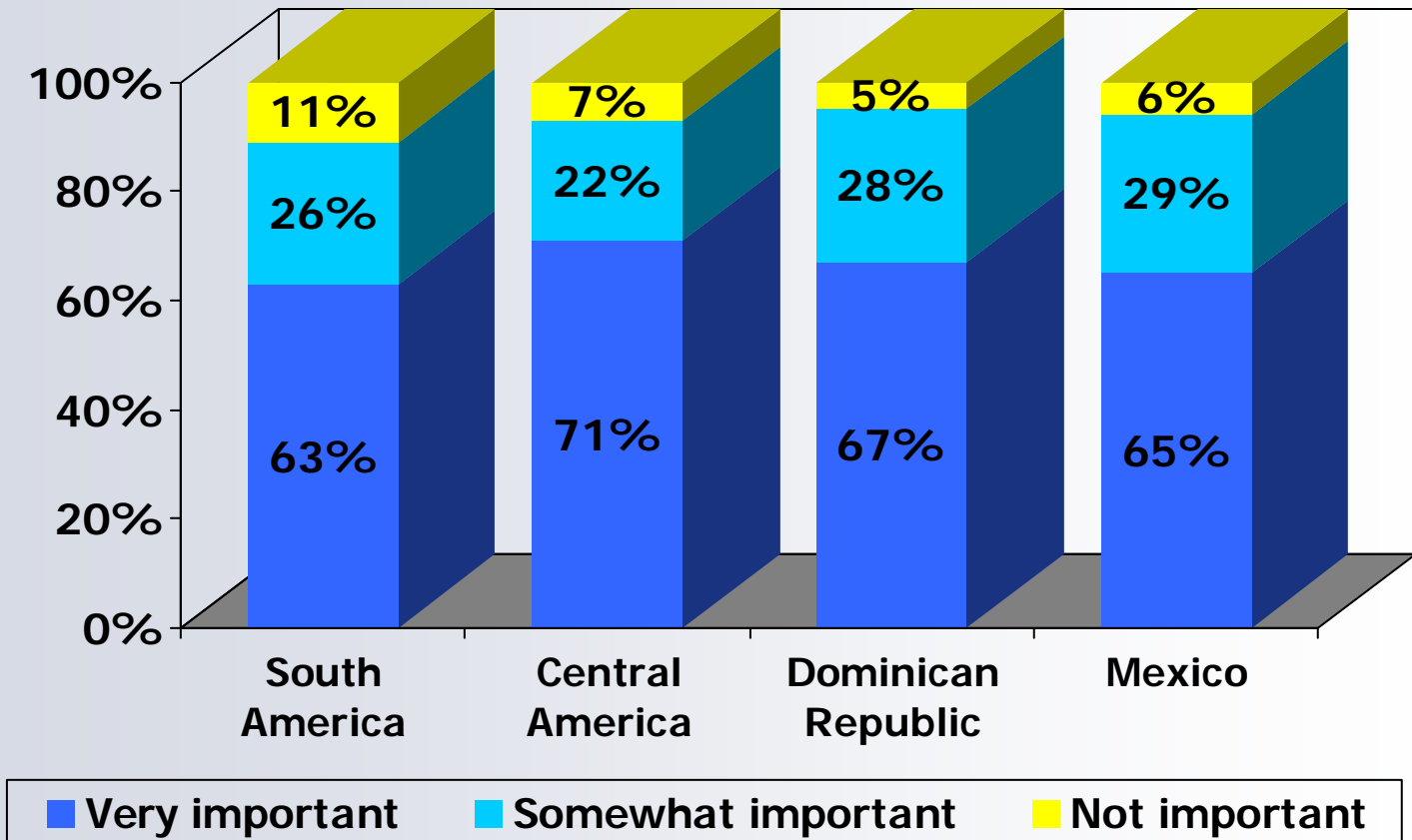
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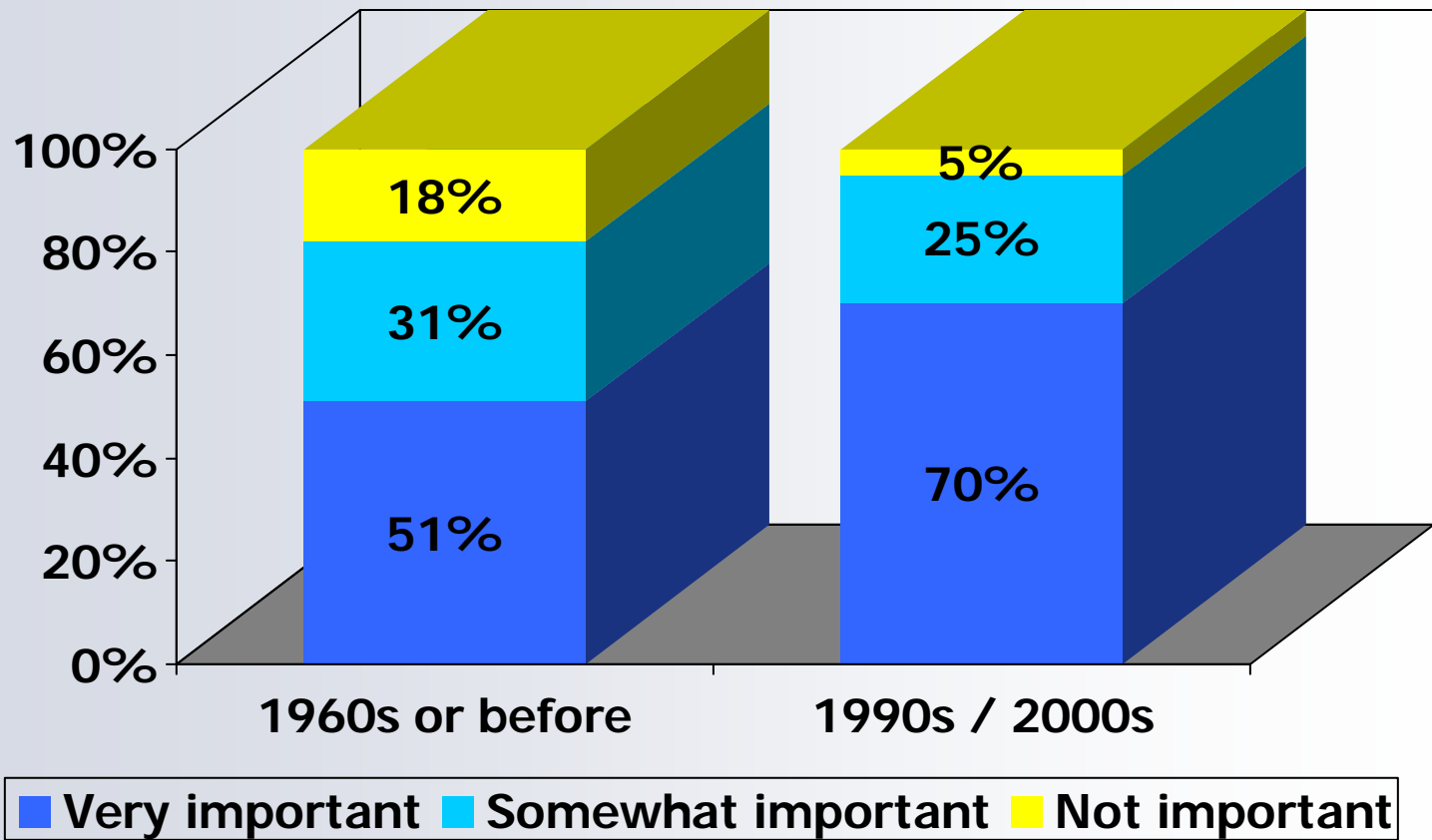
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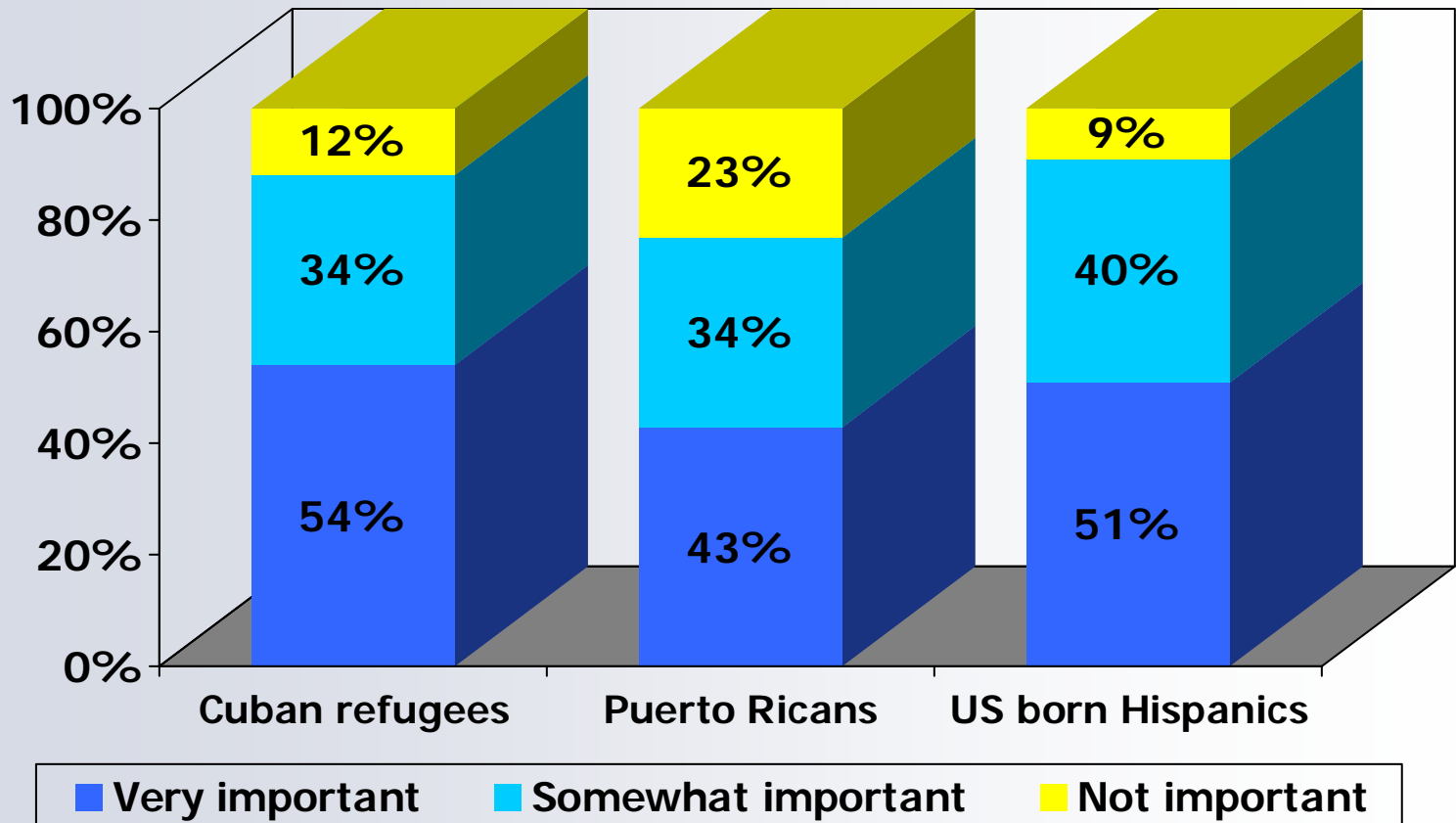
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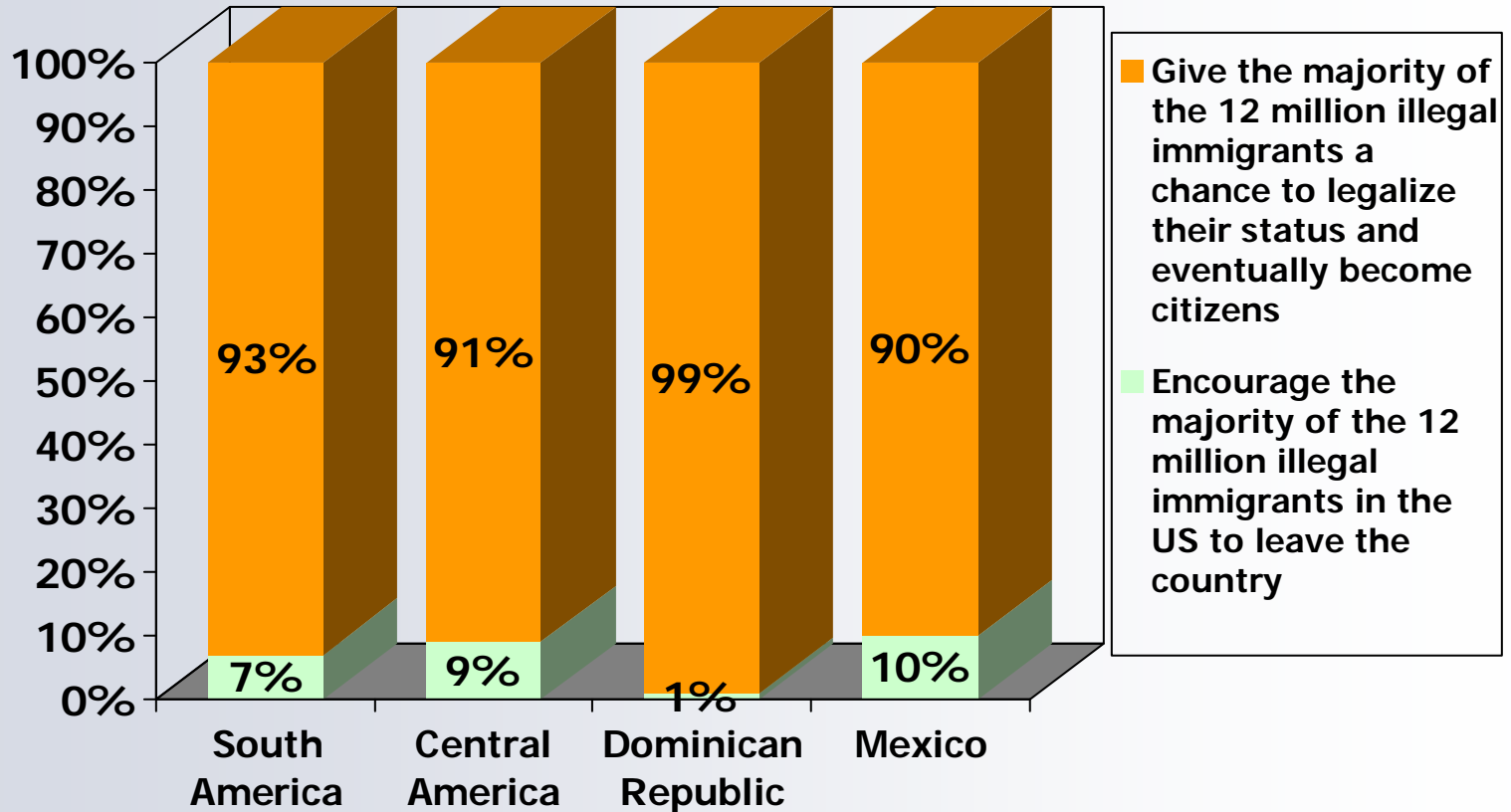


# Immigration Policy

- Latin American immigrant voters are united on immigration policy. More than 90 percent support giving illegal immigrants a chance to legalize their status and eventually become citizens.
- A rise in discrimination against Hispanics because of the tone of the immigration debate contributed to the rejection of the Republican nominee for President.

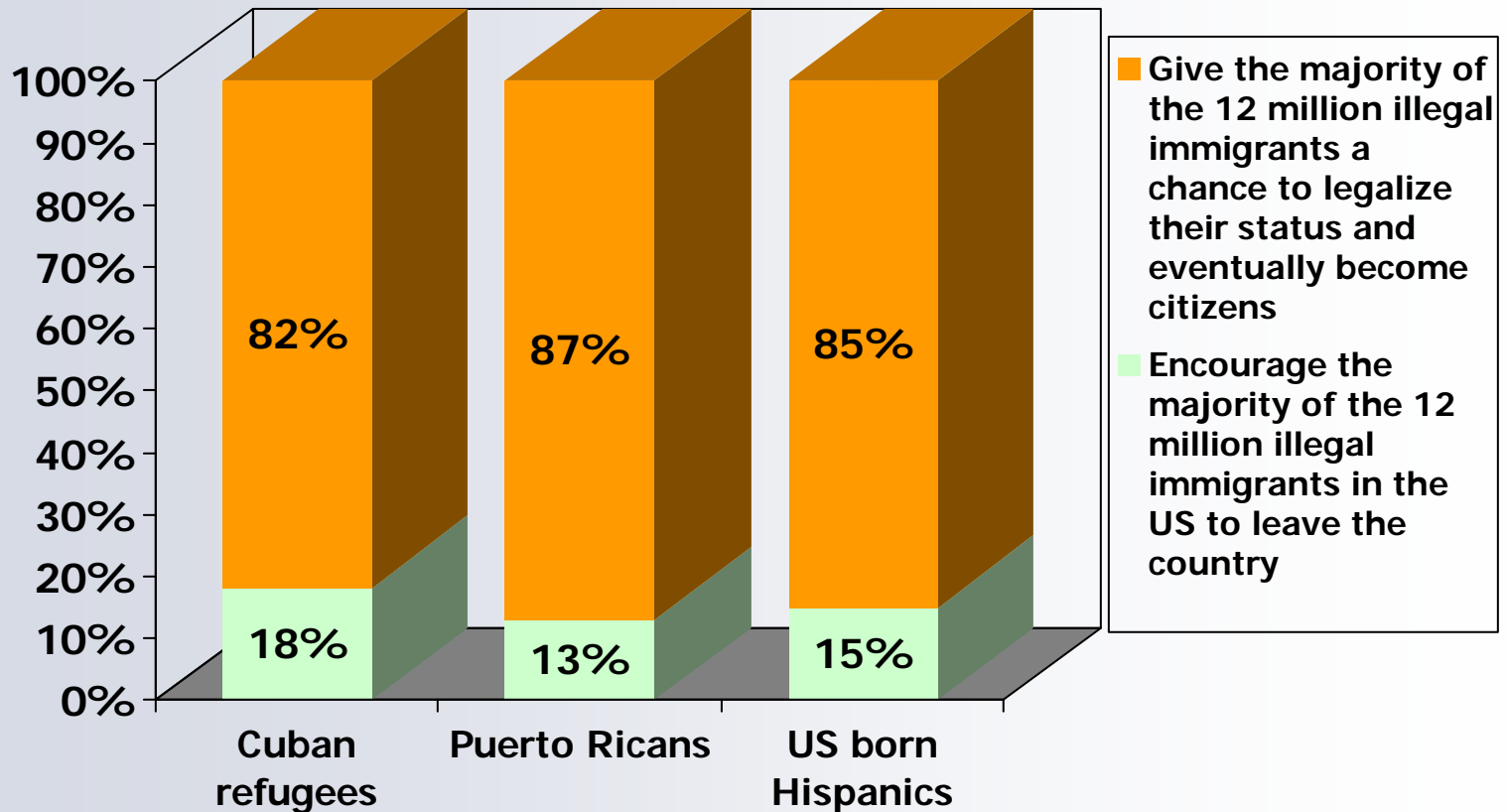
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## *Latin American Immigrant Voters By Country of Birth*



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*Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?  
Discrimination against Hispanics in the U.S. has  
increased in the last two years because of the  
tone and rhetoric from the immigration debate.  
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