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Abstract

The United States is a nation of immigrants. Contrary to popular beliefs, there are many positive impacts that immigration has on daily life. I will be focusing on the economic impact of Hispanic immigration. People tend to believe that the new wave of immigration is the cause of the economic problems in our country. With the research I've acquired, I've come to the conclusion that this is the wrong view of Hispanic immigration. I will be showing key facts that will support my perspective.

Important Facts from Research

- By 2007, immigrants made up 15.6 percent of the U.S. labor force. Over the last decade or so, foreign-born workers have contributed roughly half of annual labor force growth.(Orrenius and Michael)
- This study found that although immigrants were only 11 percent of the job candidates in their sample, they represented 26.4 percent of those hired.(Congressional Testimony)
- A study done by the Cato Institute discovered that new legal immigrant workers could contribute a net increase of \$180 billion over ten years in the nations GDP.(Cato Institute)

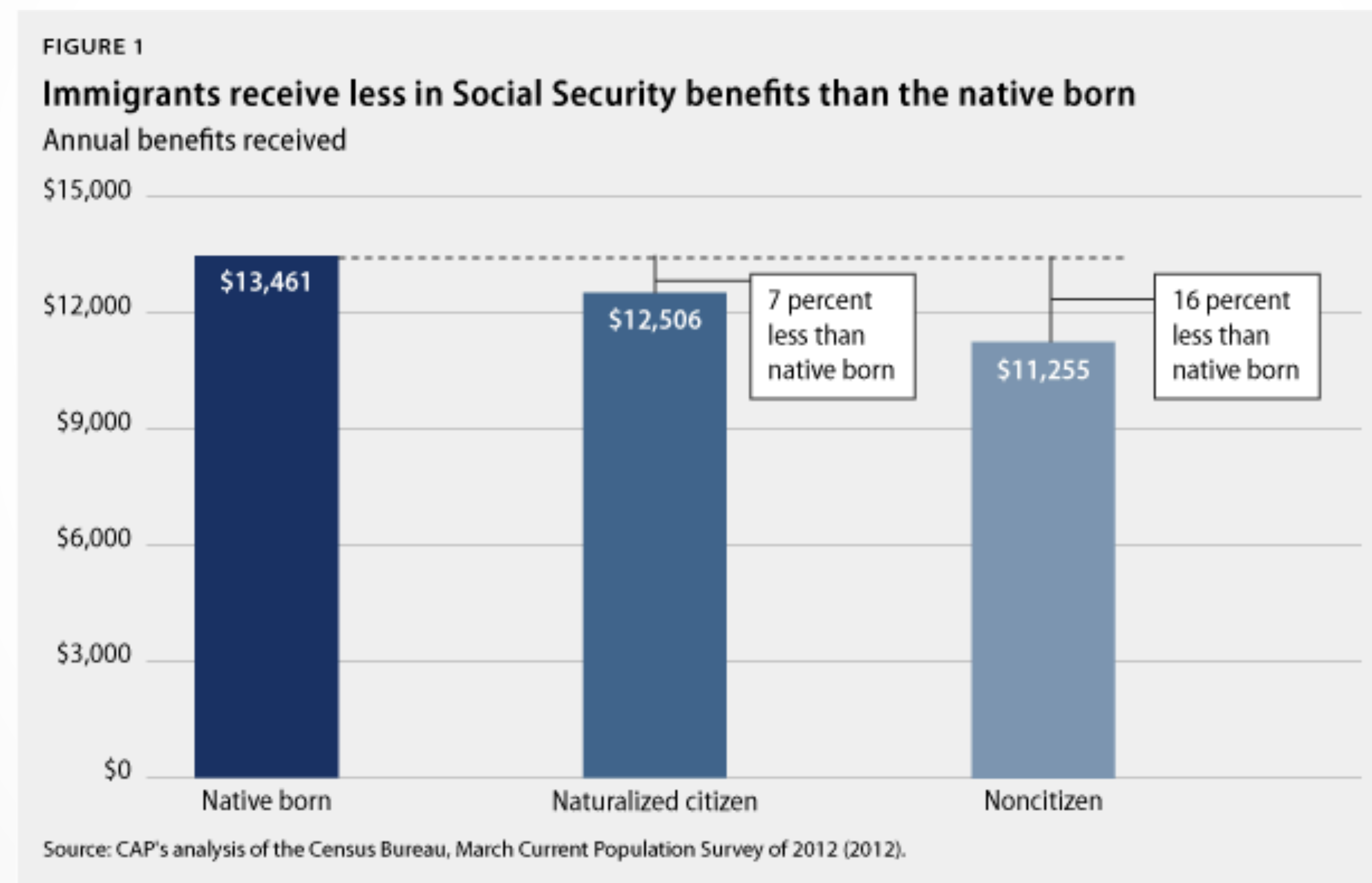
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Conclusion and Further Research

To sum it all up, Hispanic immigration does indeed have a positive impact on the United States. There are misconceptions that influence people to think negatively about the new people coming into the country. Hopefully with the information I've presented you've been able get a better idea on the economic impact of Hispanic immigration on the United States.

Ideas for future research could be conducted under the premise of going further in detail. Options that can be explored are the economic impact of different ethnic groups in the US, Hispanic immigration impact in specific states, or Hispanic immigration economic impact on the city of Grand Island. All of these could be interesting to explore learn about.



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Noncitizen immigrants receive less Social Security benefits than native workers.

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