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A VISUAL HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES

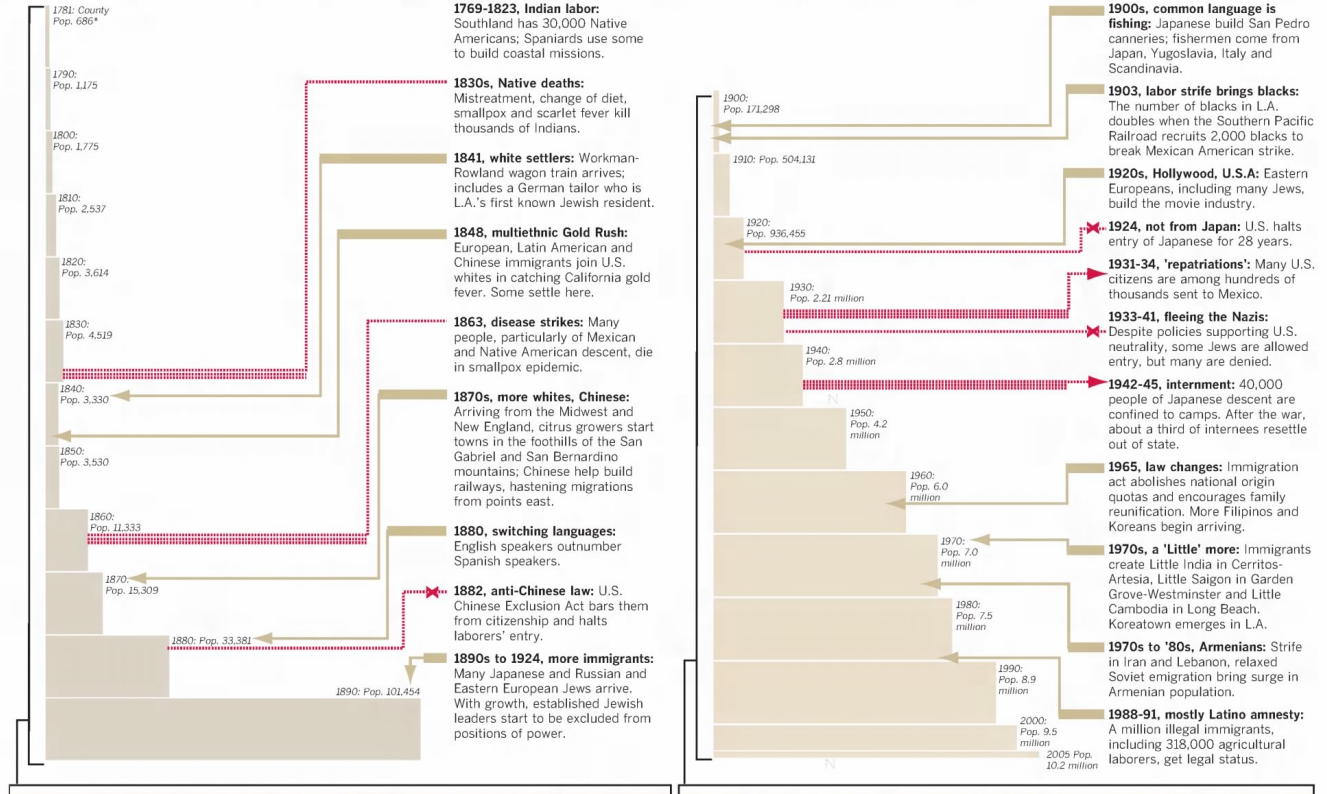
Southland's ethnic tree

The Southland's rich variety of cultures, races and ethnicities dates back to the founding of the Spanish pueblo of Los Angeles in the 18th century. As part of a periodic series leading up to the city's 225th anniversary next month, here is the first of two parts on how Los Angeles County and the metropolitan area have developed with infusions of new groups up to the 21st century:



Comings and goings

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1781 1790 1800 1810 1820 1830 1840 1850 1860 1870 1880 1890 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2005

44 people of Spanish, Mexican, Indian and black descent found El Pueblo de Los Angeles.

1824, Spanish military ends Indian revolt at La Purisima and Santa Barbara missions.

1848, State's Indian population drops over Mission-rancho period from 310,000 to 100,000.

California statehood

1871, 19 die in Chinatown massacre.

1892, Discovery of oil; boomtowns dot coastal plains and hills.

1902, Pacific Electric trolley starts; Long Beach is fastest-growing U.S. city.

1913, Los Angeles Aqueduct opens.

1939-45, World War II

1943, Zoot Suit riots; 1948, high court bars racial deed covenants, also used against Jews and other ethnic groups.

1965, Watts riots; Blacks protest lack of opportunities.

Chicano Moratorium; Vietnam War and military draft protests.

1992, L.A. riots

More than a third of L.A.-Long Beach-Santa Ana area residents are foreign born.

* Early figures do not include Native Americans.
 For more information, go to: www.cr.nps.gov/history/online_books/5views/5views.htm; www.loc.gov/folklife/other.html; www.census.gov/pubinfo/www/hotlinks.html; http://lewis.spsr.ucla.edu/special/metroamerica/diversity.htm
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