

Latino/Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15- October 15

FACTS

- 13.7% of US population are immigrants
- 44% of immigrants are of Hispanic/Latin origins
- 6% of immigrants are from Cuba and Dominican Republic
- 8% of immigrants are from Central America, mainly El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras
- 8% of immigrants are from South America, mainly Colombia, Brazil, Venezuela, Peru, and Ecuador
- 25% of Hispanic immigrants are from Mexico
- In 2020, most Hispanic/Latin immigrants came from Mexico, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, and Cuba
- Reasons for immigration include escaping poverty, food insecurity, natural disasters, and violence, seeking asylum, educational and economic opportunities, and family reunification.
- There is a complicated history of Hispanics/Latinos in the US. Experiences of xenophobia, racism, colorism, and discrimination significantly impact the Latino community.

Racism

(noun)

Prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against someone of a different race based on the belief that one's own race is superior.

Colorism

Colorism *n*: 1 a form of bias that is based primarily upon skin tone and hair type; 2 present in cultures all over the world; 3 occurs on an inter-group and intra-group basis;

point of view.
Xenophobia
fear or dislike of people from other countries.
right for what is

LINKS FOR MORE INFORMATION

- [Latinx Great Migrations - History and Geography](#)
- [Digna Rabia - Digital Journal in UC Berkeley Chicana Studies, students share immigration stories](#)
- [A history of anti-Hispanic bigotry in the US](#)
- [Hispanics progress against racism but have long way to go](#)
- [Colorism in the Latino Community](#)
- [Latinos and Hispanics you should know about](#)



Try this recipe!

BREAKING BREAD, BUILDING COMMUNITY

Sandra Quevedo Ratcliff was born in Chiclayo, northern coastal Peru, but grew up in Tarapoto, "the City of Palms" in the Amazon jungle. Her main memories growing are going to the river for a swim with her family on the weekends & eating fried plantains. Growing up, she had small turtles, bunnies, small parrots, and a monkey named Martin as pets. She moved to the US in 2016, where she works as a Sales Leader at Cisco Systems. She lives in Albany with her husband and her 2 kids, one of them is a Cornell student. Her favorite aspect about the Albany community is the diversity, which makes her feel very welcomed and at home! To get a taste of her home, don't forget to try the recipe for lomo saltado!



COUNTRY SPOTLIGHT: PERU

- Third largest country in South America
- Peru has 90 microclimates and is among the ten most biologically diverse countries in the world
- Machu Pichu, the lost city of the Incas, is one of the seven wonders of the world
- Peru has 3 official languages: Spanish, Quechua, and Aymara
- Peru has over 3000 varieties of potatoes

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Casacada de Flores Performance: music, dance, and stories @ Berkeley South Branch Library on 10/8 from 3-3:30pm
Folklorico Mexicano for Families: Free dance classes for ages 6+ from 1-2:30pm at the Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts in SF

Join Our District Event

AUSD's Celebracion Latina
 Saturday, October 15th 12pm-4pm
 @ Albany Middle School