Population

Migration in a Single Day

Why Do People Move?

- · Most migration is voluntary.
- Most common reason people move is for better economic opportunities

Definitions:

Push Factor: Reason why a person wants to

leave a location.

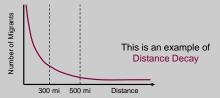
Pull Factor: Reason why a person wants to

relocate to a specific destination.

Lee's Model of Migration Intervening Obstacles Place of Origin Intervening Opportunity Place of Opportunity

Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

- · Most Migrants move only short distance.
 - > An inverse relationship exists between the number of migrants and distance moved.



Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

- Long Distance Migrants tend to move to large cities.
 - Migrants are drawn to large urban areas because of the perceived opportunities available.
 - The Gravity Model of Migration states that two locations are attracted to each other with a force proportional to their importance.

Ravenstein's Laws of Migration Gravity Model: US Cities with Largest Immigrant Populations Chicago New York Washington Houston Miami

Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

- · Migrant Demographics:
 - Most migrants tend to be young adults.
 - Women are more likely to migrate within a country.
 - Men are more likely to migrate outside of their country



Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

 Migration occurs in a series of stages (Step Migration)



Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

 Every Migration stream has a counter-migration stream (not necessarily equal in numbers).



Ravenstein's Laws of Migration

 Rural residents are more likely to migrate than urban residents.



Involuntary Migration

- People are sometimes forced to move from their place of residence (Internally Displaced Persons) or even their home countries (Refugees).
 - IDPs and Refugees leave their homes or country because they are in imminent danger.
 - IDPs and Refugees are not able to bring any possessions with them.
 - IDPs and Refugees usually intend to move back to their homes.

Political IDPs and Refugees

 Some people must move because of political unrest or war.



Environmental IDPs and Refugees

 Natural Disasters force people to flee quickly from their homes.



Social IDPs and Refugees

 Social and Ethnic problems force people to flee quickly from their homes.



Involuntary Migration

- Slavery
 - Modern slavery targets primarily children and women.
 - Most slaves work in agriculture, as domestic help, and as sex workers.
 - Human trafficking in LDCs is increasing.

Effects of Migration

- · Area of Origin Often Experiences:
 - Loss of educated professionals (Brain Drain).
 - > Loss of working age population.
 - Demographics skewed towards older and younger people.

Effects of Migration

- Area receiving immigrants often experiences:
 - > Societal tension between racial/ethnic groups.
 - > Influx of low skilled and cheap labor.
 - > Money sent out of country.
 - > Small influx of educated professionals.

More Information

 Migrants tend to settle near people of their own race/ethnicity (Ethnic Enclave)



More Information

• Migrants are more likely to own a business or work two jobs.



More Information

 Migrants tend to integrate themselves into culture slowly (Generational Process)