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Abowd, John, and Freeman, Richard. "Immigration, Trade and the Labor Market." *University of Chicago Press*, (1991).
<https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/unistthomas-ebooks/reader.action?docID=408318>

This source would be for someone who wants to dig into the deep relationships between immigration, trade, and the labor market (a 464-page read).

Bohanon, Cecil, and Nick Currott. "Increasing immigration would help economy." *Indianapolis Business Journal*, (February, 2018): p17A.
<http://link.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/apps/doc/A529490592/ITOF?u=clie-stthomas&sid=ITOF&xid=befa16e0>.

This article briefly discusses the benefits of immigration for the economy from economists Bohanon and Currott from Ball State University. A high-level read, but hits on some main arguments in favor of increasing migration.

Borjas, George J.. "Heaven's Door: Immigration Policy and the American Economy." *Princeton University Press*, (April, 2001).
<https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/unistthomas-ebooks/reader.action?docID=804864>

In this book Borjas proposes a ten-part framework to be used when analyzing and discussing immigration policy and during debate. It also gives background knowledge on the history of immigration and the politics behind it.

Borjas, George J.. "The Economics of Immigration," *Journal of Economic Literature*, Vol. 32, No. 4 (December, 1994): pp. 1667-1717. https://www-jstor-org.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/stable/2728791?seq=1#metadata_info_tab_contents

This article discusses the global increase in immigration in the light of three specific questions: How do immigrants perform in the host country's economy? What impact do immigrants have on the employment opportunities of natives? Lastly, which immigration policy most benefits the host country? Borjas uses population flow charts and mathematical regression models to back his findings.

Blanchard, Olivier J., and Jean Tirole. "The Joint Design of Unemployment Insurance and Employment Protection: A First Pass." *Journal of the European Economic Association*, Vol. 6, No. 1 (March 2008): 45-77. <https://www-jstor-org.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/stable/pdf/40005151.pdf?refreqid=excelsior%3A463b1983afbe56449dfb0a27bcefb344>

This journal article discusses the relationship between unemployment insurance and employment protection and finding the optimal state of the combination of the two. It provides the mathematical optimal state through stated formulas and discusses the implications and conclusions of each considered formula. The authors have a strong conclusion for specific policy reforms.

Cahuc, Pierre, and Zylbergberg, André. "Le Chomage. Fatalité ou Nécessité." *Flammarion* (July, 2007): <https://www-jstor-org.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/stable/pdf/20450997.pdf?refreqid=excelsior%3A9e02797e7d5290c886a4ea23c607975b> and <https://translate.google.com/translate?hl=en&sl=fr&u=http://ses.ens-lyon.fr/les-fiches-de-lecture/le-chomage-fatalite-ou-necessite--25678&prev=search>

This article is a review of the book. It is in French (the first URL) and a translation to English is provided (the second URL). The book itself was cited in the annotation, but is in French. The translation gives a chapter-by-chapter breakdown of what is covered in the text. I am not sure of the usefulness of this source.

Card, David. "The Impact of the Mariel Boatlift on the Miami Labor Market." *ILR Review*, Vol. 43, No. 2 (January 1990): 245-57. https://clicsearch.stthomas.edu/primo-explore/fulldisplay?docid=TN_sage_s10_1177_001979399004300205&context=PC&vid=STTHOMAS&search_scope=stthomas&tab=default_tab&lang=en_US

This article discusses the Mariel Boatlift dilemma, and how the Miami community fared after a flood of immigrants entered the community. It discusses the timeline of events and how the influx of immigrants affected the community and its jobs.

Drinkwater, Stephen. "Immigration and the economy." *National Institute Economic Review*, No. 213 (2010): http://link.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/apps/doc/A238556984/ITOF?u=clic_stthomas&sid=ITOF&xid=b3ea8f4a.

An overview from a European perspective of the negative implications about immigration from United States and European perspectives. This article discusses a few papers that could be looked into further on the subject, with a common theme between sources being the skill levels of incoming immigrants having a large economic impact.

Dustmann, Christian, et. al. "The Impact of Immigration: Why Do Studies Reach Such Different Results?" *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 30, No. 4 (Fall, 2016): pp. 31-56. <https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/jep.30.4.31>

This article discusses why different economists come to such different conclusions about immigration. I find this article helpful because of the differing stances even seen in this annotated bibliography. It is mathematically based, but it may only be useful at a conceptual level.

Fath, Julia, and Fuest, Clemens. "Experience Rating of Unemployment Insurance in the US: A Model for Europe?" *CESifo DICE Report*, ISSN 1613-6373, *ifo Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung an der Universität München*, Vol. 3, No. 2 (2005): pp. 45-50.

<https://www.econstor.eu/bitstream/10419/166845/1/ifo-dice-report-v03-y2005-i2-p45-50.pdf>

This article researches the findings of the effects of unemployment insurance on the United States economy based on historical data. The authors then discuss if this would be a feasible or desirable policy for the EU.

Frédéric Docquier, Caglar Ozden, and Giovanni Peri. "The Labour Market Effects of Immigration and Emigration in OECD Counties," *Economic Journal*, 2014, Vol. 124, No. 579, (September, 2014): pp. 1106-1145.

<https://academic.oup.com/ej/article/124/579/1106/5077783>

This journal discusses the rising rates of immigration over the last few decades and their implications on labor markets and different economies. It also discusses the difference between how growing immigration populations have affected differently the uneducated population versus the college-educated.

Hanson, Gordon, and McIntosh, Craig. "Is the Mediterranean the New Rio Grande? US and EU Immigration Pressures in the Long Run." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 30, No. 4 (Fall, 2016): pp. 57-82.

<https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/jep.30.4.57>

This journal article looks at the global migration patterns and compares them with data on the income of the destination country. It digs into what the drivers of immigration are and various pressures for migration over time.

"Harvard Economist George Borjas and the Center for Immigration Studies Posts New Study (Report)." *Gale Business Insights: Essentials, Professional Services Close-Up*, (April, 2013).

http://bi.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/essentials/article/GALE%7CA325913149?u=clic_stthomas

This is simply a report on the key takeaways of George Borjas's newest published findings on illegal immigration. It gives further links to the article itself but provides some thought-provoking background knowledge to the subject matter.

Krishnakumar, Jaya and Müller, Tobias. "The political economy of immigration in a direct democracy: The case of Switzerland." *European Economic Review*, Vol. 56, No. 2 (February, 2012): pp. 174-189. <https://www.sciencedirect.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/science/article/pii/S0014292111000948>

This source analyzes immigration policy and provides voting models in a democracy setting. It includes useful opinion polls as well as a strong conclusion on the basis of their model's findings.

Krugman, Paul. "Lumps of Labor." *The New York Times*, (Oct. 7, 2003): Opinion and Editorial pA27.

http://go.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/ps/retrieve.do?tabID=T004&resultListType=RESULT_LIST&searchResultsType=SingleTab&searchType=AdvancedSearchForm¤tPosition=1&docId=GALE%7CA108577259&docType=Column&sort=Relevance&contentSegment=ZGPN&prodId=ITOF&contentSet=GALE%7CA108577259&searchId=R2&userGroupName=clic_stthomas&inPS=true

This New York Times opinion editorial discusses the "lump of labor fallacy" in which there are only a set amount of jobs in the economy, and a few major flaws in this state of thinking.

Patwari, Neeta. "COLUMN: Merit-based immigration will hurt the economy." *UWIRE Text*, (November, 2017): p. 1.

http://link.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/apps/doc/A523823516/ITOF?u=clic_stthomas&sid=ITOF&xid=c358b195.

A high-level article that may or may not be helpful in research. This text centers around the American immigration standings and President Trump. It has a focus around low-skilled immigrants and labor.

Peri, Giovanni. "Immigrants, Productivity, and Labor Markets." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 30, No. 4 (Fall, 2016): pp. 3-30.

<https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/jep.30.4.3>

This article shows a different perspective on the opinion of immigration populations, arguing that they have stayed fairly steady over the last half-century. Peri also describes immigration trends and the evolution of economist framework for addressing the issue. Also discusses the Mariel Boatlift study that is included in this annotated bibliography. This article also has a very good citations list for further research.

"Study: Arizona economy hurt by anti-immigration measures." *EFE World News Service*, (September, 2012):

http://link.galegroup.com.ezproxy.stthomas.edu/apps/doc/A303426105/ITOF?u=clic_stthomas&sid=ITOF&xid=d18acbb0.

A high-level article about the state of Arizona regarding recent immigration. The text describes how certain immigration laws can hurt the economy. Further research into this specific topic could be useful.