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IMMIGRANT WOMEN HAVE MORE BABIES

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A similar position is taken by FAIR, the Federation for American Immigration Reform, another limit-immigration group in Washington, D.C., whose board of advisers includes financier Warren Buffett and former Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm.

FAIR Director Daniel Stein argues that higher birth rates will give immigrants a disproportionate share of political power as their numbers increase in America.

"It's almost like they're getting into competitive breeding," he said. "You have to take into account the various fertility rates in designing limits on immigration."

Cecilia Munoz of the National Council of La Raza, a Hispanic civil rights group, said most immigrants have higher birth rates because "immigrants tend to be younger." She compared Stein's position to that of David Duke, the former Klan leader turned presidential candidate who has called for a halt to further immigration.

In the United States, according to another Census study, native-born Hispanics had 94 births