

# **Immigrant Advances in Metropolitan New York**

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# **Objectives of Presentation**

- **Look at Change of New York Area Immigrants**
- **Present Information on the Size and Composition of Foreign Born**
- **Location of Foreign Born**
- **How Various Immigrant Groups Are Faring in New York Metro Area**

# **Data Sources Used**

- **Data from 1990 and 2000 Census**
- **Give a Good Picture of Size and Location of Groups**
- **Census 2000 Supplementary Survey**
- **Attempt to have Mini-Long Form During Census 2000**
- **PUMS Data Not Yet Released**

***Total Population******Foreign Born Population***

Census 2000    Census 1990    Percent Change    Census 2000    Census 1990    Percent Change

<b>Connecticut</b>	3,405,565	3,287,116	3.6%	369,967	279,383	32.4%
	11.1%	11.3%		6.5%	6.8%	
<b>New Jersey</b>	8,414,350	7,730,188	8.9%	1,476,327	966,610	52.7%
	27.3%	26.6%		25.8%	23.6%	
<b>New York Upstate</b>	10,968,179	10,667,891	2.8%	997,101	768,930	29.7%
	35.6%	36.8%		17.4%	18.8%	
<b>New York City</b>	8,008,278	7,322,564	9.4%	2,871,032	2,082,931	37.8%
	26.0%	25.2%		50.2%	50.8%	
<b>Tri State Area</b>	30,796,372	29,007,759	6.2%	5,714,427	4,097,854	39.4%
	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%	100.0%	

Source: Census 1990 and Census 2000

## Foreign Born Population by Continent and State

	Connecticut		New Jersey		New York Upstate		New York City		Tri State Area	
Foreign Born Population	369,967	10.9%	1,476,327	17.5%	997,101	9.1%	2,871,032	35.9%	5,714,427	18.6%
Americas	147,528	39.9%	651,019	44.1%	418,089	41.9%	1,529,485	53.3%	2,746,122	48.1%
All Europe	141,141	38.1%	352,914	23.9%	321,815	32.3%	557,492	19.4%	1,373,363	24.0%
Asia	70,156	19.0%	410,123	27.8%	229,998	23.1%	686,599	23.9%	1,396,877	24.4%
Africa	9,748	2.6%	59,917	4.1%	24,501	2.5%	92,435	3.2%	186,601	3.3%
Oceania	1,388	0.4%	2,354	0.2%	2,698	0.3%	4,982	0.2%	11,422	0.2%

Source: Census 2000

# Change in Foreign Born by Continent

Census 1990    Census 2000    Change

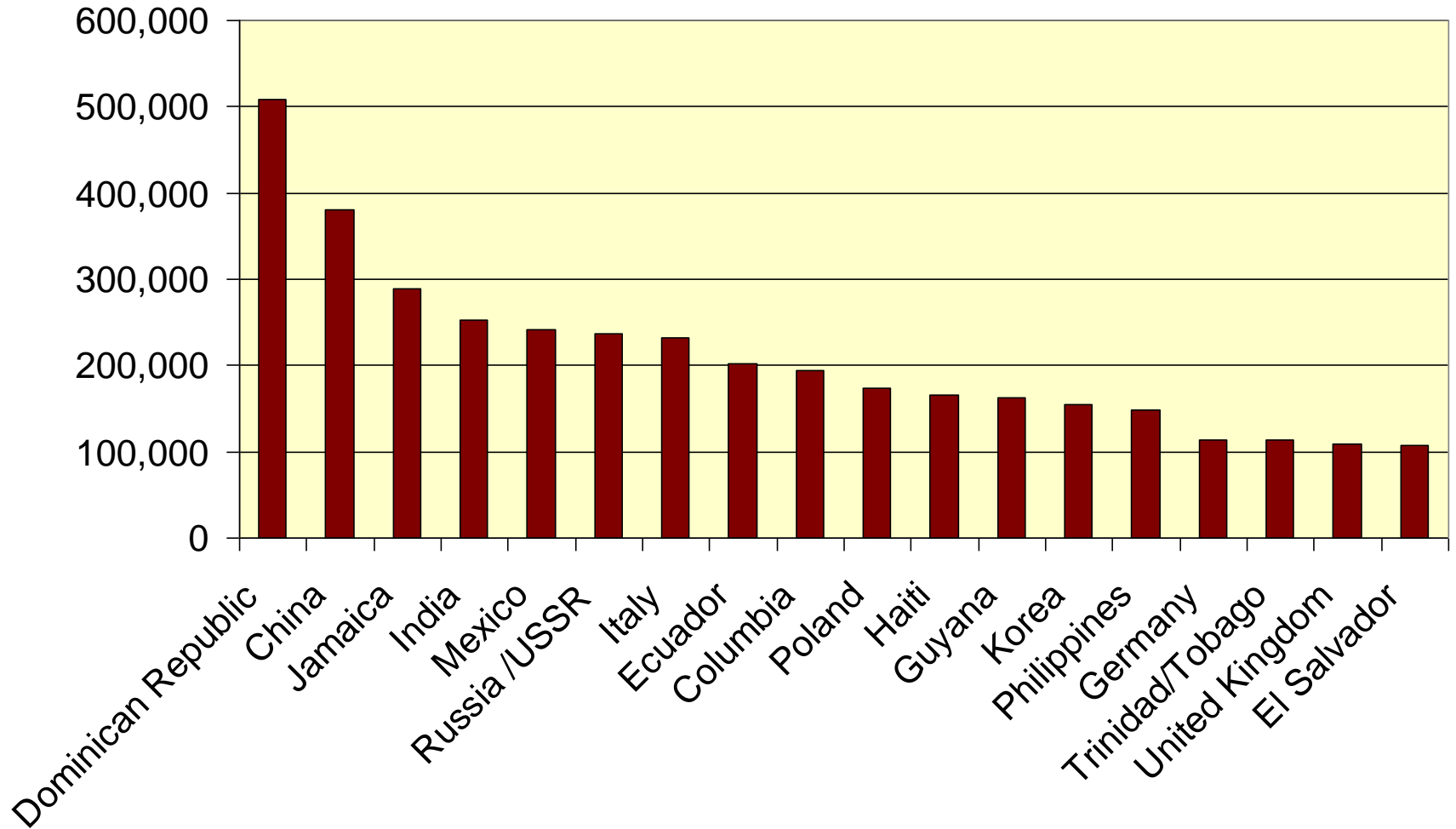
Foreign Born	4,097,854	5,714,427	1,616,573
			39.4%
Africa	86,084	186,601	100,517
	2.1%	3.3%	116.8%
Americas	1,654,364	2,746,122	1,091,758
	40.4%	48.1%	66.0%
Asia	811,620	1,396,877	585,257
	19.8%	24.4%	72.1%
Europe	1,325,671	1,373,363	47,692
	32.4%	24.0%	3.6%
Oceania	8,150	11,422	3,272
	0.2%	0.2%	40.1%

Source: Census 1990 and Census 2000

# Patterns of Change

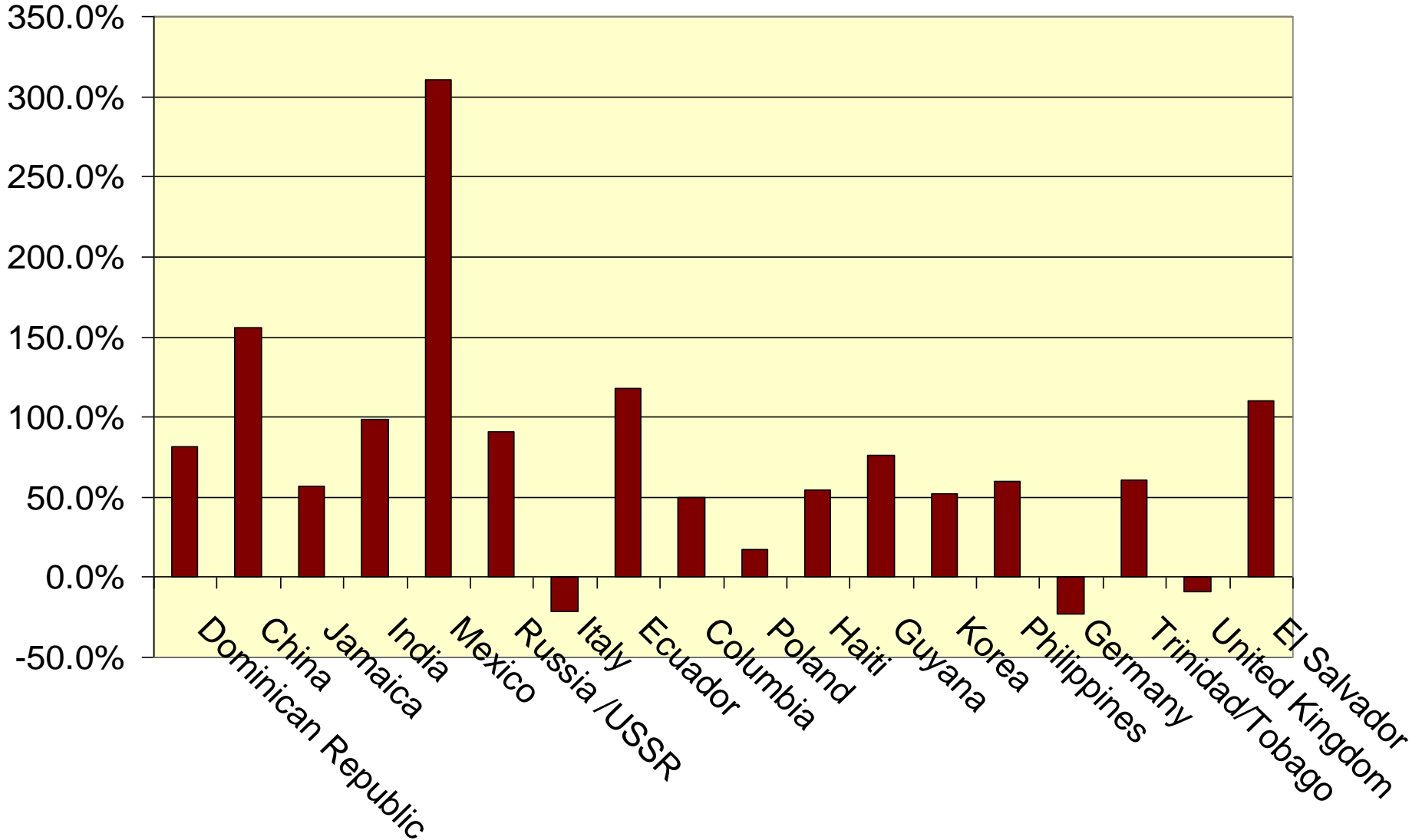
- Massive Growth of Immigrants
- Growth from Asia and Latin America  
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- Minimal Growth from Europe
- Growth Throughout Region
- New York City (especially Queens)  
Immigrant Hub

## Foreign Born Origin 2000





# Change in Foreign Origin

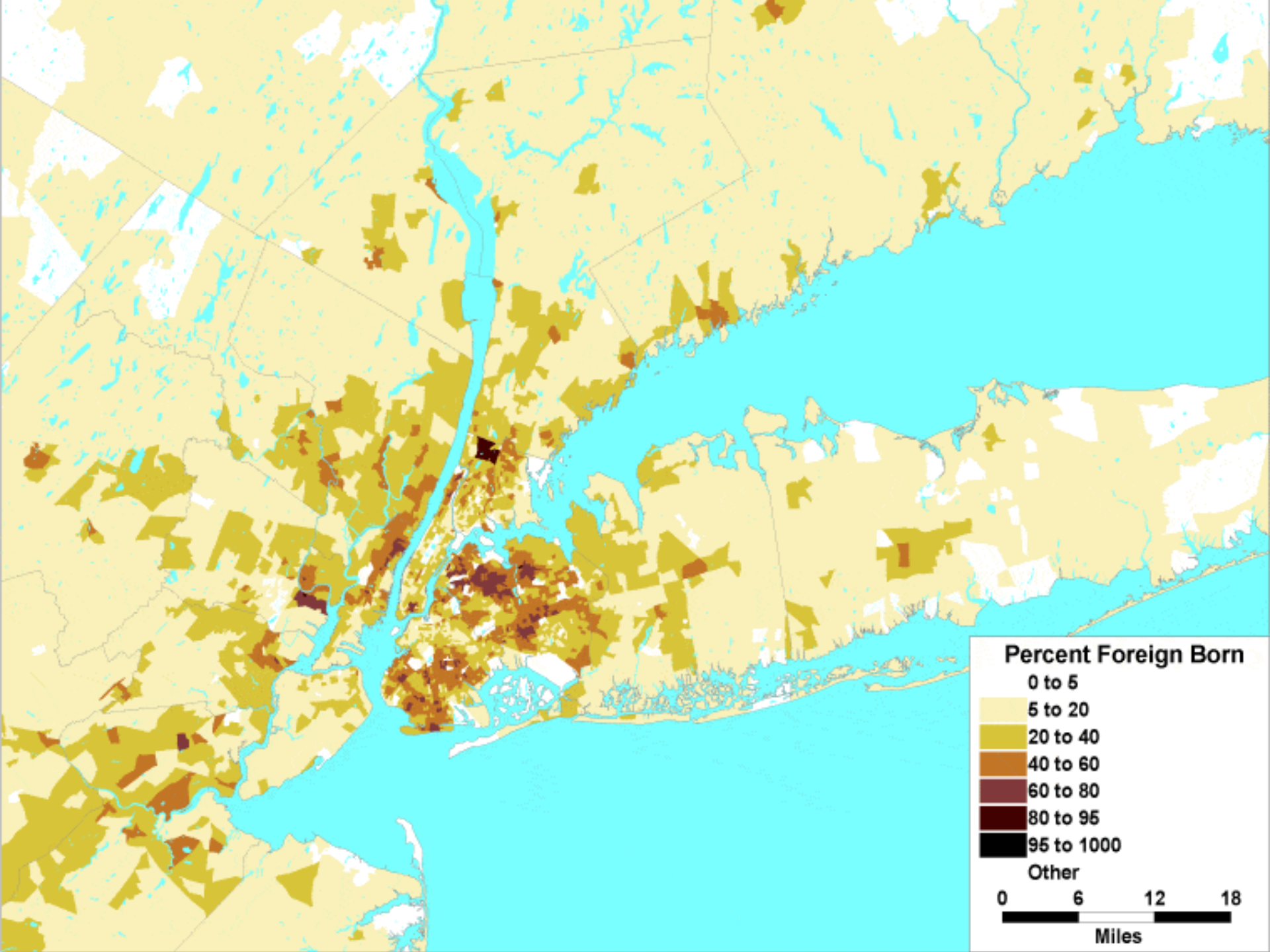


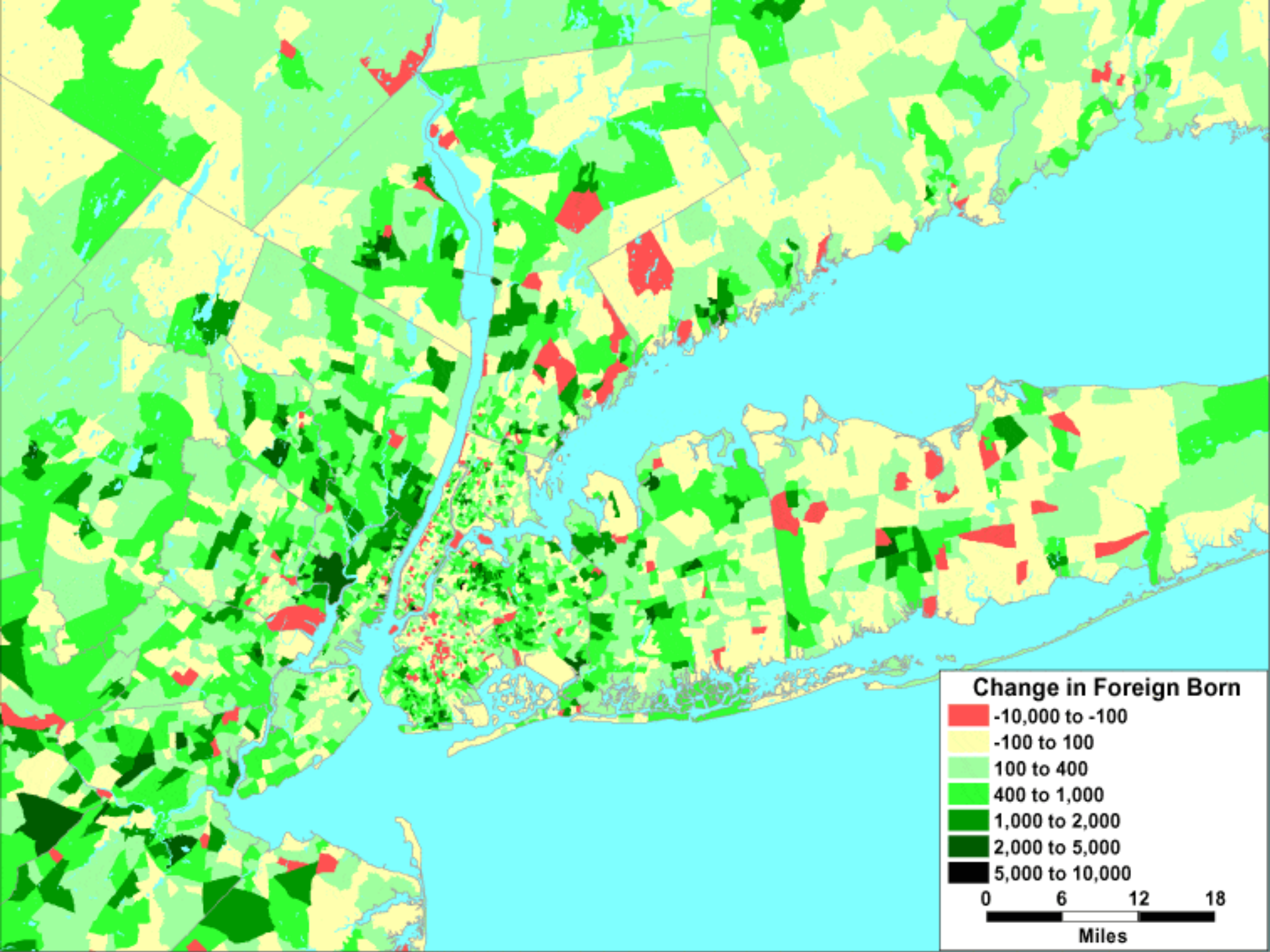
## Top 18 Foreign Origins in Tri-State Area

Country of Origin	Census 2000	Percent of Foreign Born	Cumulative Percent	Census 1990	Change in Number	Percent Change
Dominican Republic	507,902	8.9%	8.9%	279,934	227,968	81.4%
China	380,850	6.7%	15.6%	149,069	231,781	155.5%
Jamaica	289,732	5.1%	20.6%	184,857	104,875	56.7%
India	251,843	4.4%	25.0%	126,698	125,145	98.8%
Mexico	242,138	4.2%	29.3%	58,976	183,162	310.6%
Russia /USSR	236,163	4.1%	33.4%	123,576	112,587	91.1%
Italy	232,147	4.1%	37.5%	294,464	-62,317	-21.2%
Ecuador	201,728	3.5%	41.0%	92,701	109,027	117.6%
Columbia	193,490	3.4%	44.4%	128,917	64,573	50.1%
Poland	174,160	3.0%	47.4%	148,004	26,156	17.7%
Haiti	165,340	2.9%	50.3%	106,896	58,444	54.7%
Guyana	162,840	2.8%	53.2%	92,351	70,489	76.3%
Korea	155,411	2.7%	55.9%	102,086	53,325	52.2%
Philippines	148,428	2.6%	58.5%	93,053	55,375	59.5%
Germany	114,290	2.0%	60.5%	148,327	-34,037	-22.9%
Trinidad/Tobago	113,787	2.0%	62.5%	70,673	43,114	61.0%
United Kingdom	108,987	1.9%	64.4%	119,569	-10,582	-8.9%
El Salvador	108,037	1.9%	66.3%	51,369	56,668	110.3%

# Growth Very Diverse

- New York Metropolitan Immigrant Growth Very Diverse
- Origins Include Many Different Countries
- Older Source: Russia, Italy, Poland
- Caribbean: Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Haiti
- New Sources: Mexico, Ecuador, Colombia
- Asia: China and India

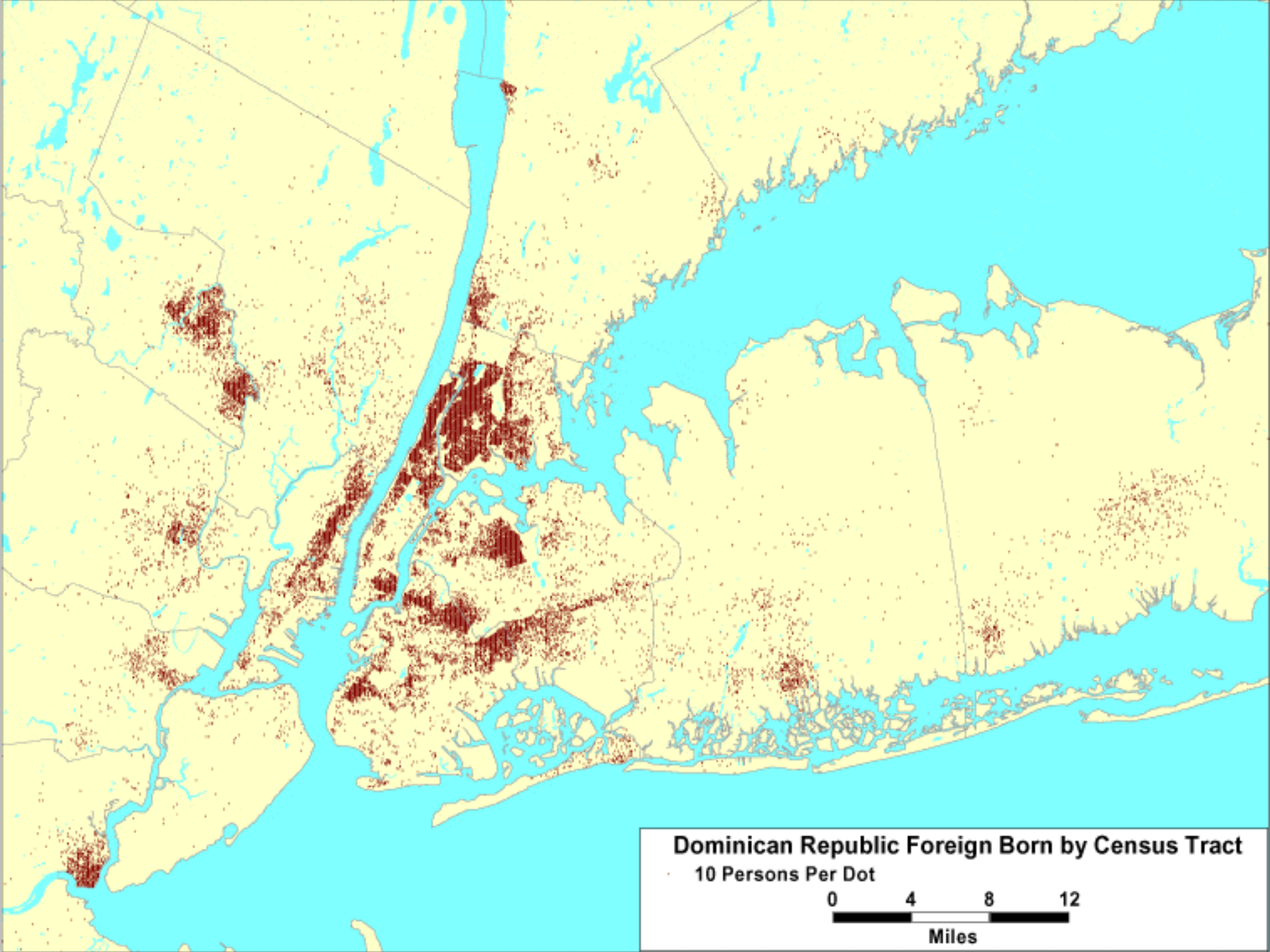




# Settlement Patterns

- New York and Some Other Urban Centers Most Intense
- Growth Moving Out Into Suburbs
- Settlement Patterns Vary By Group



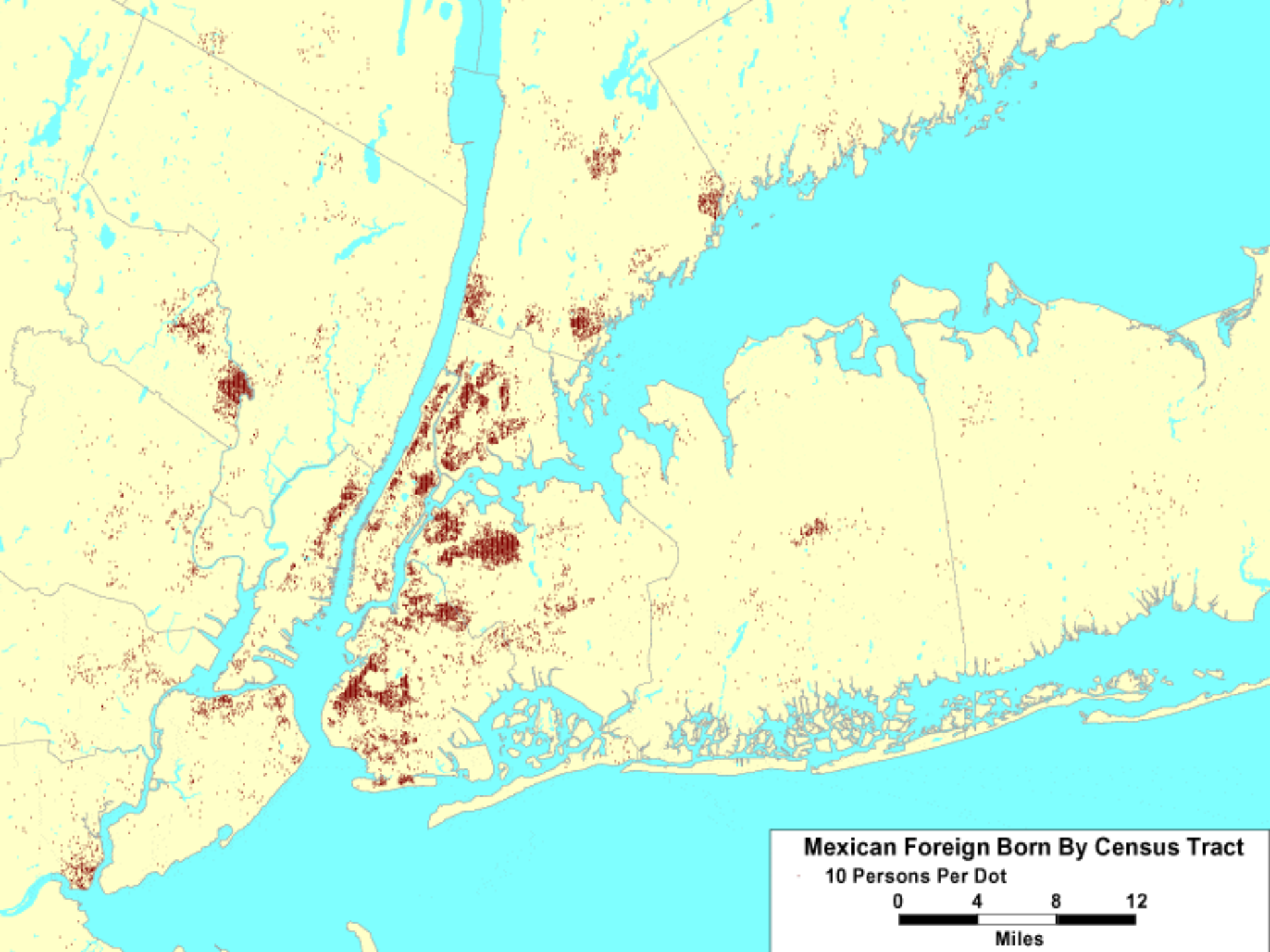


**Dominican Republic Foreign Born by Census Tract**

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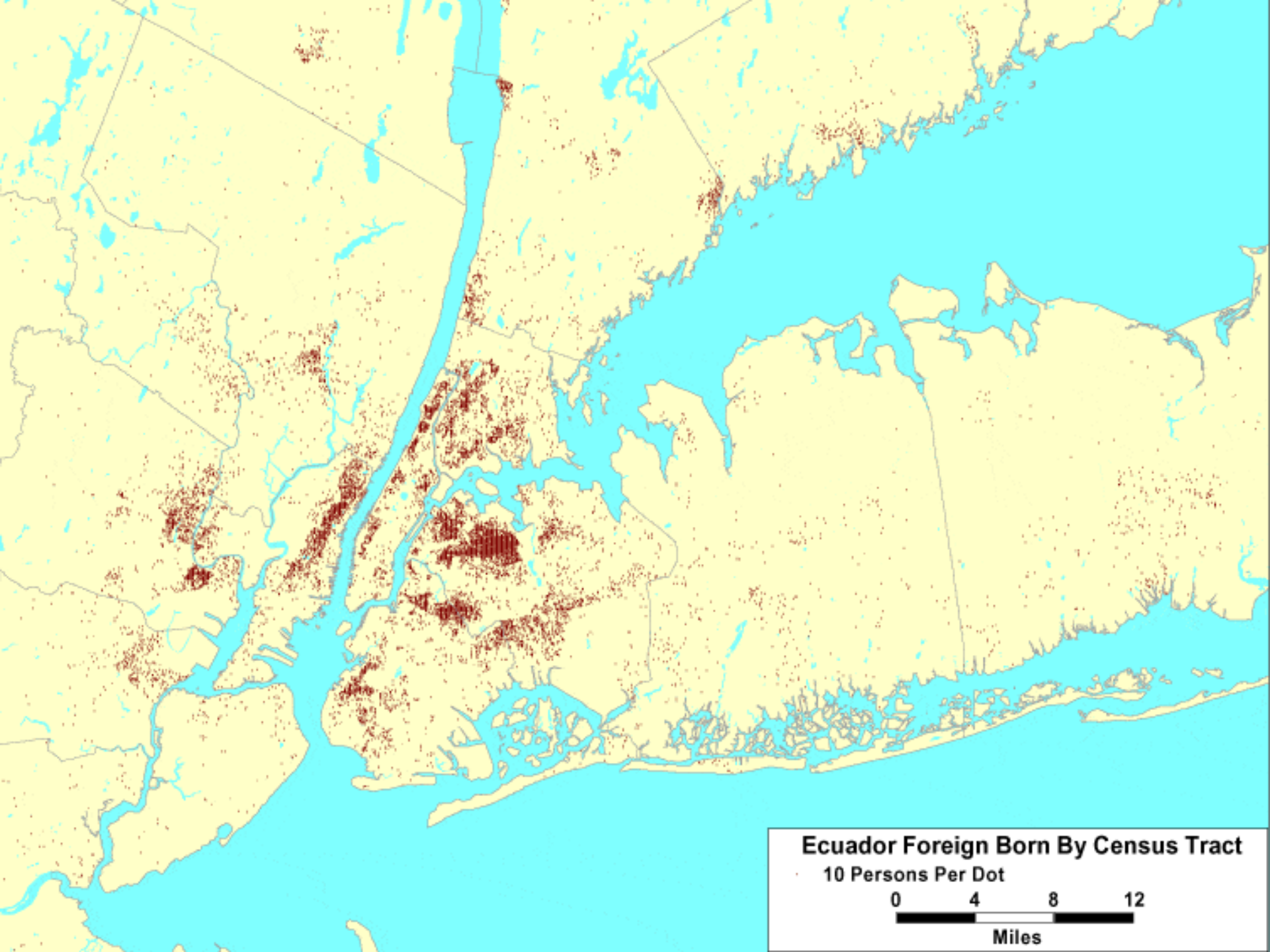
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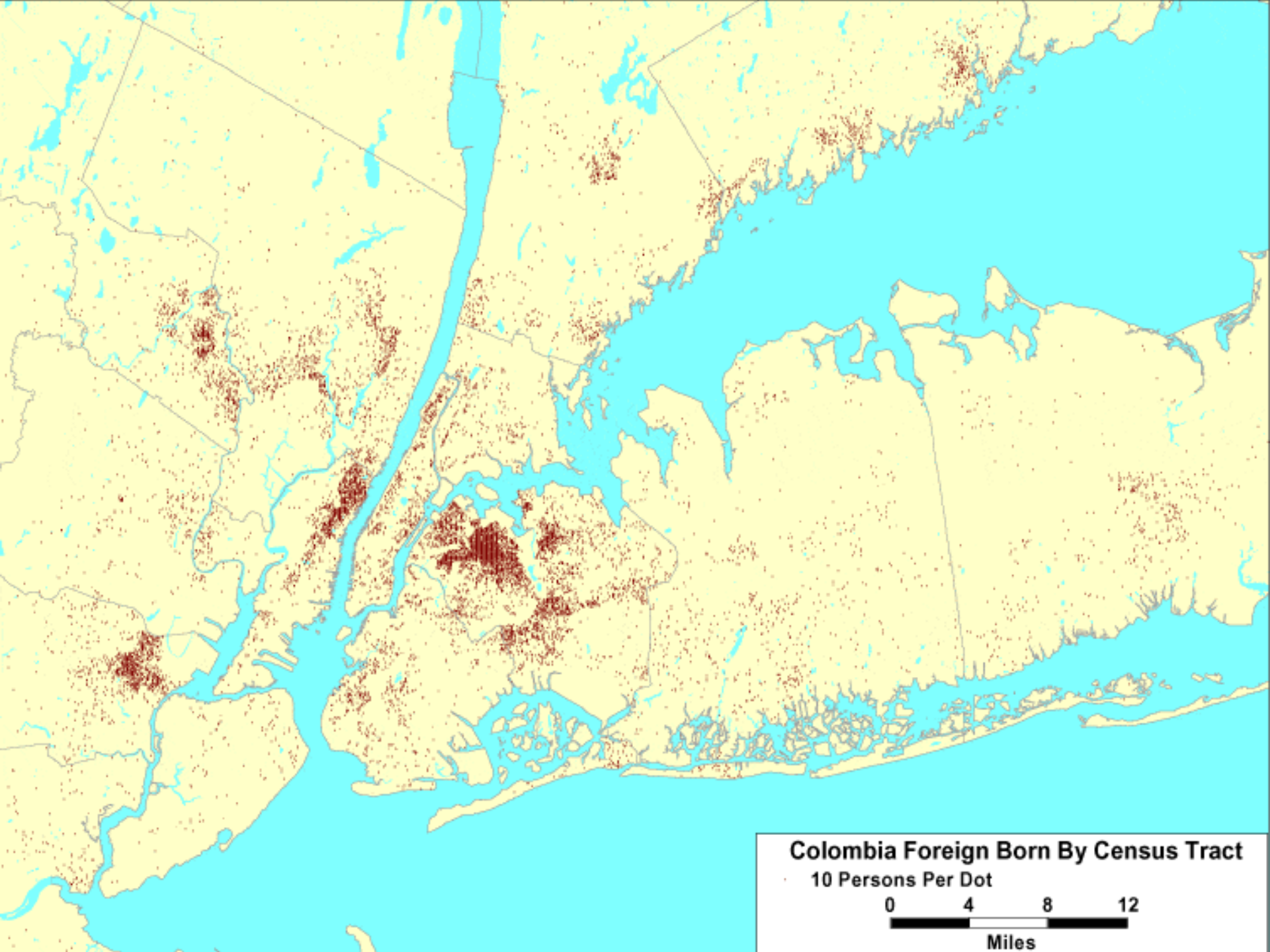


**Ecuador Foreign Born By Census Tract**

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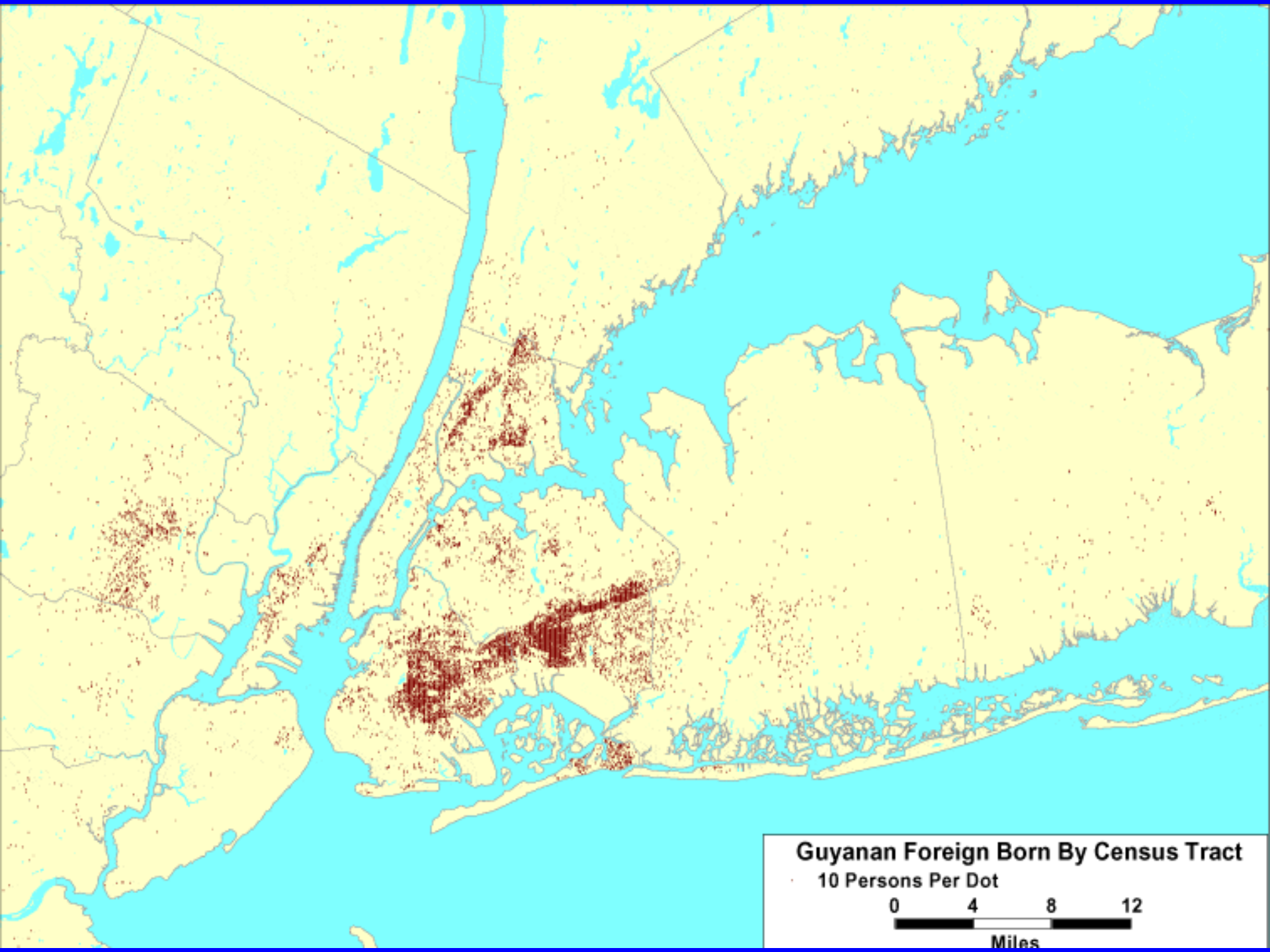


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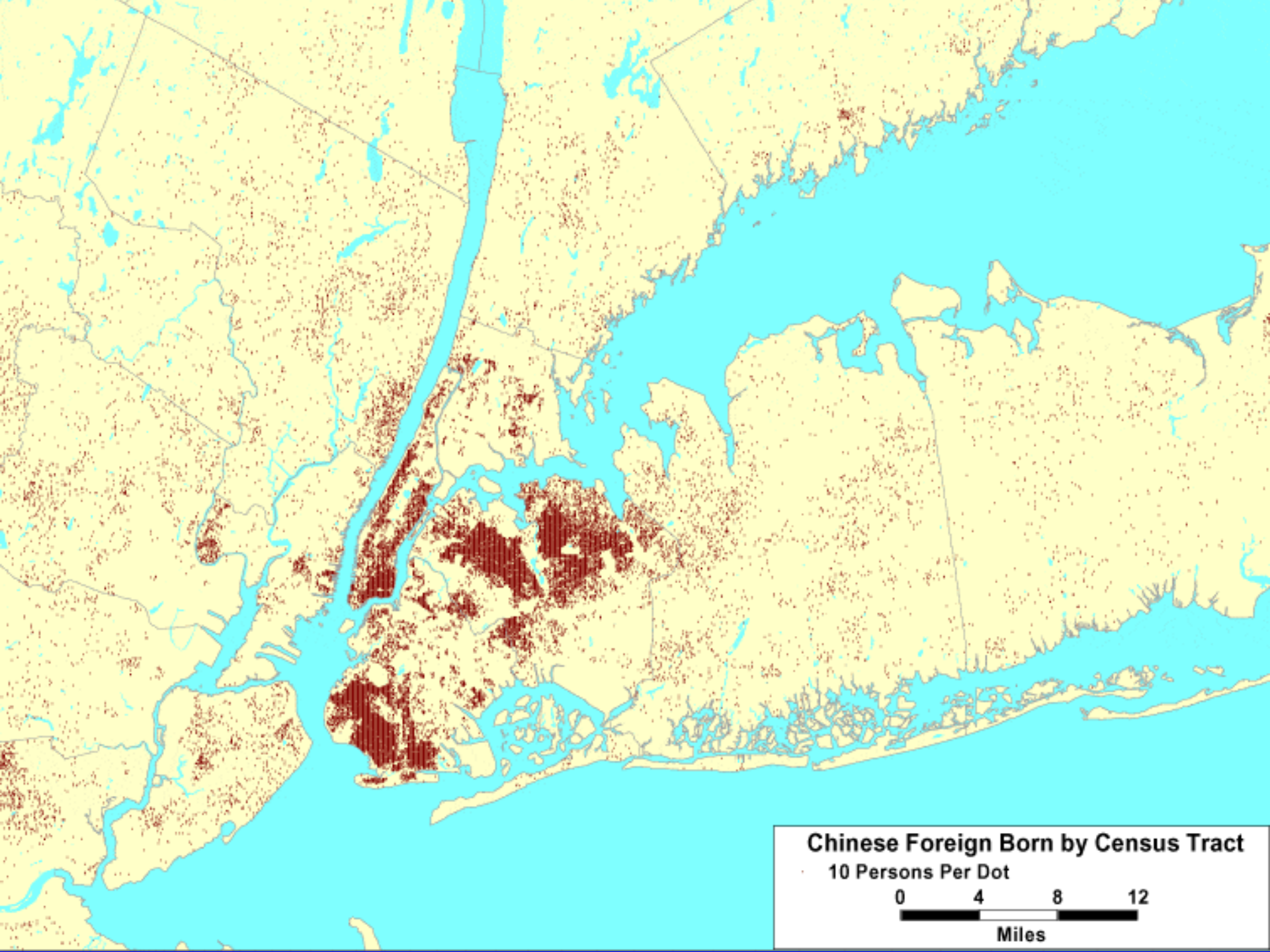
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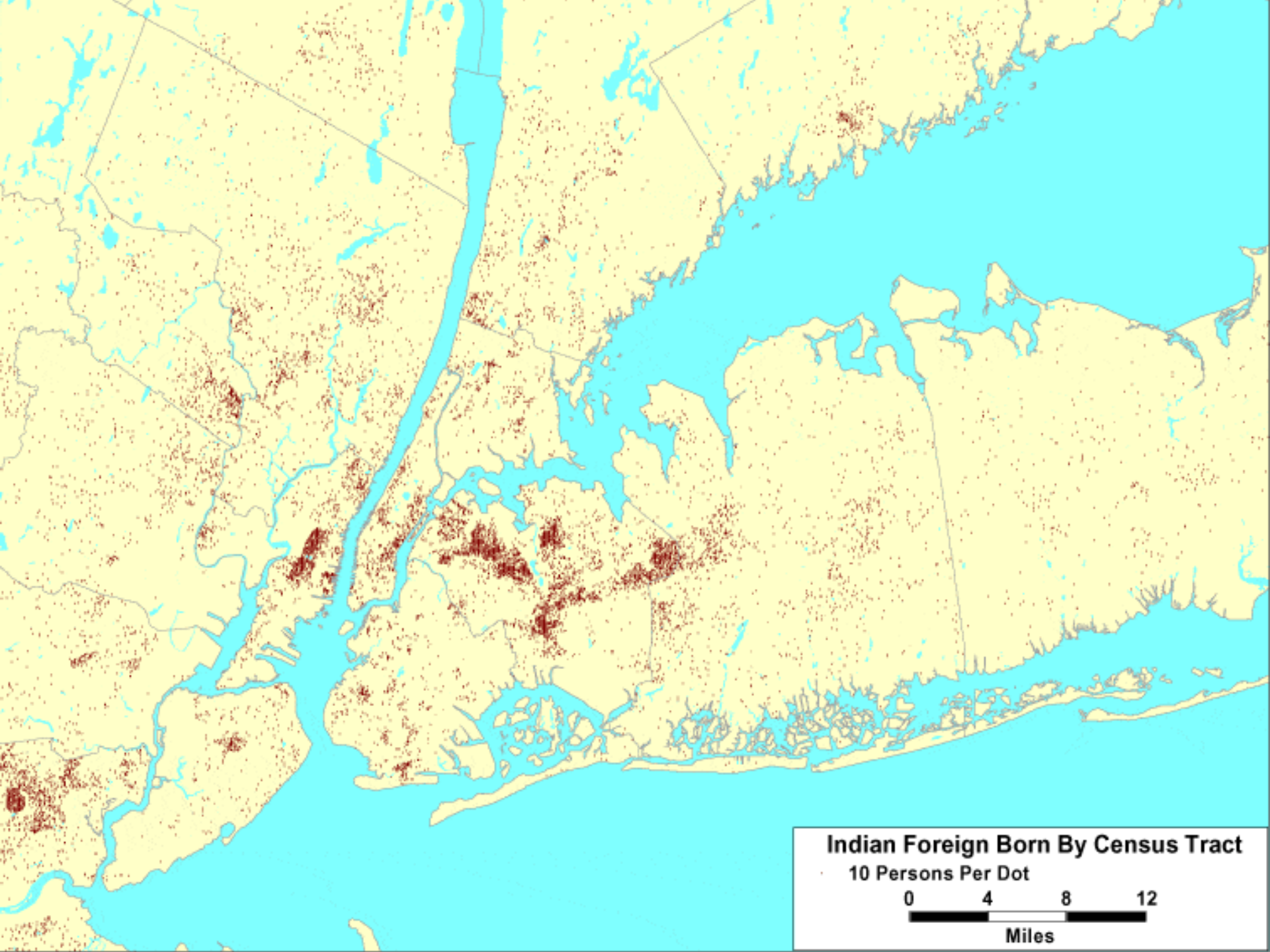


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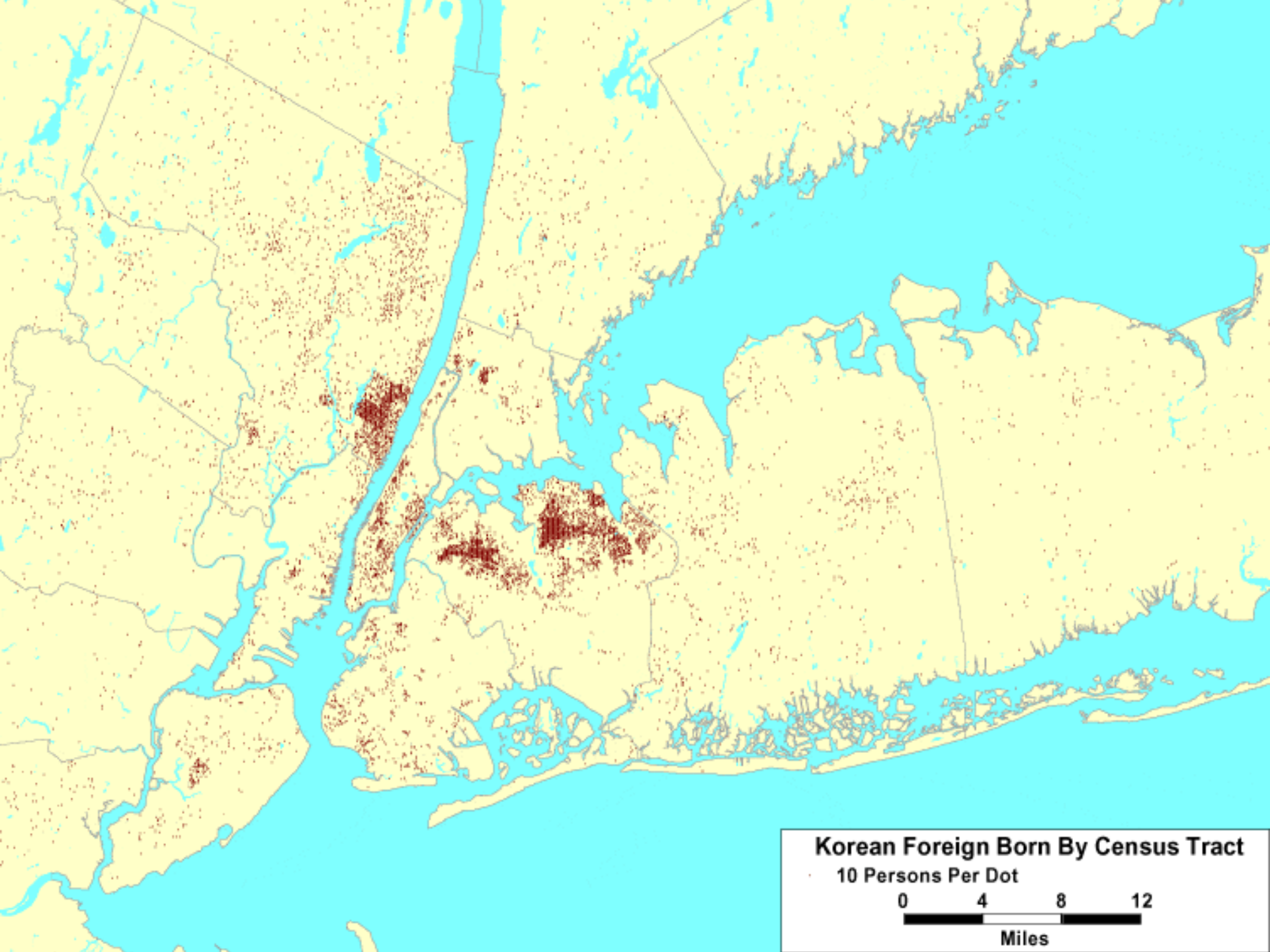


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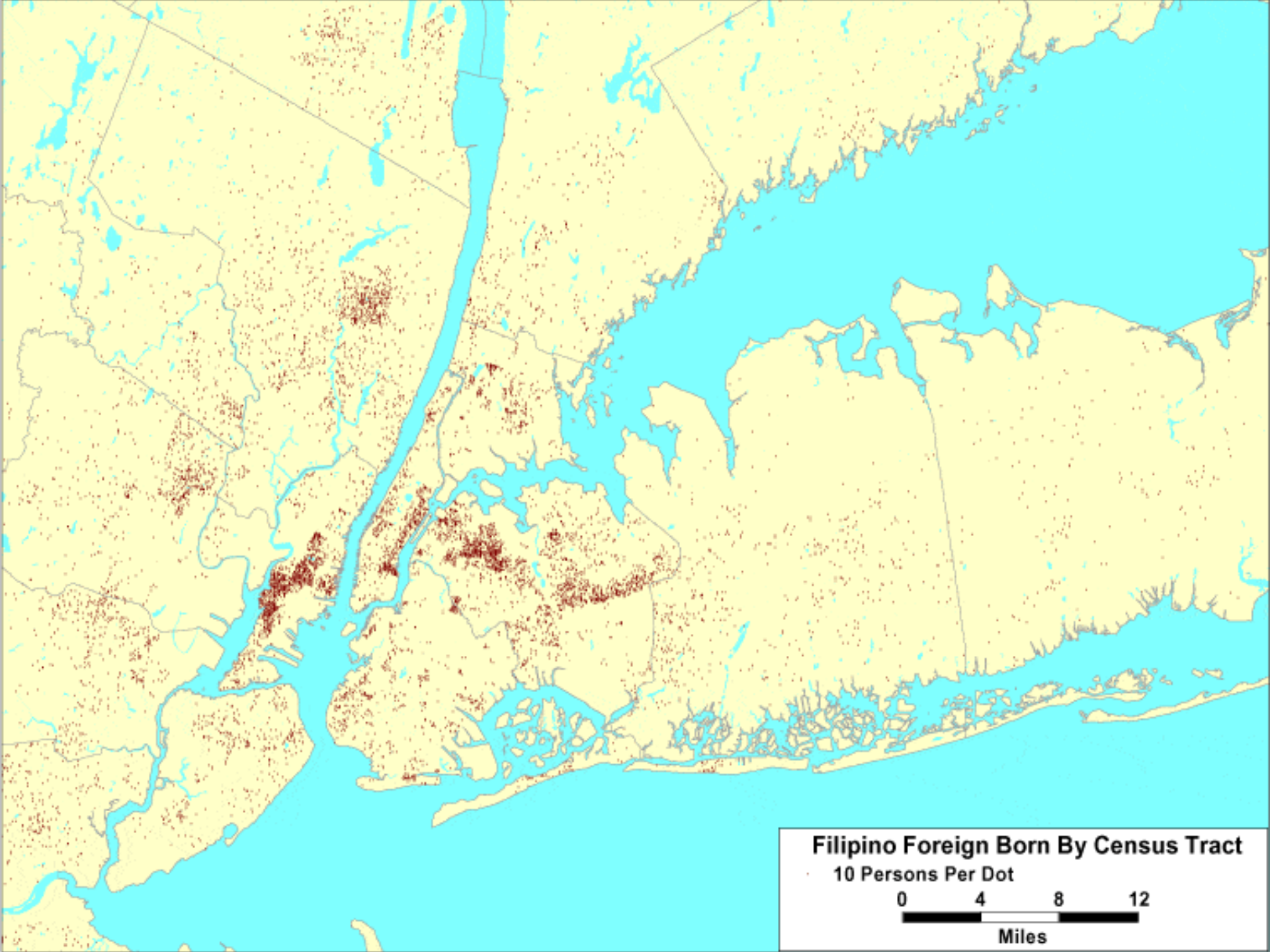
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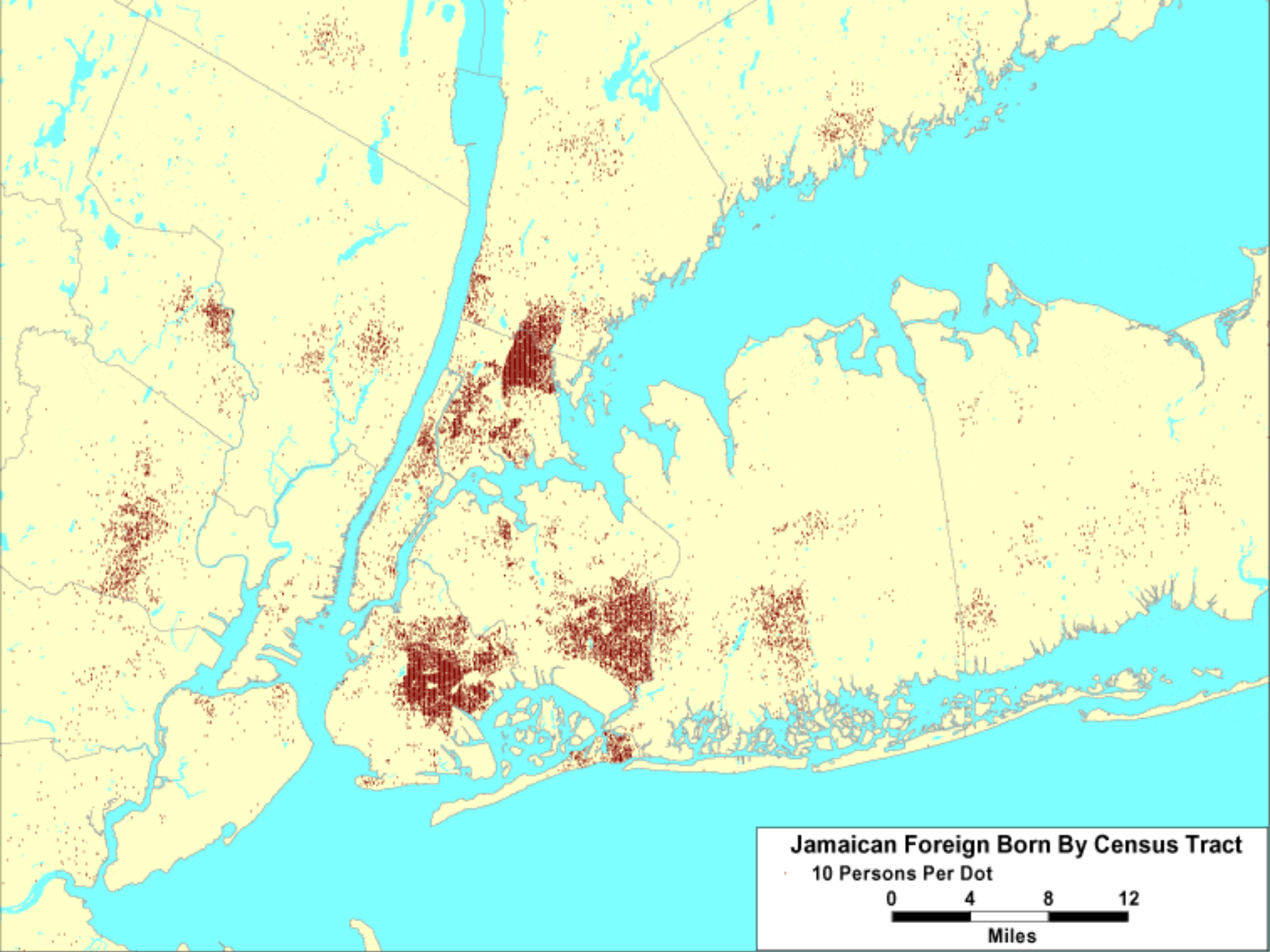


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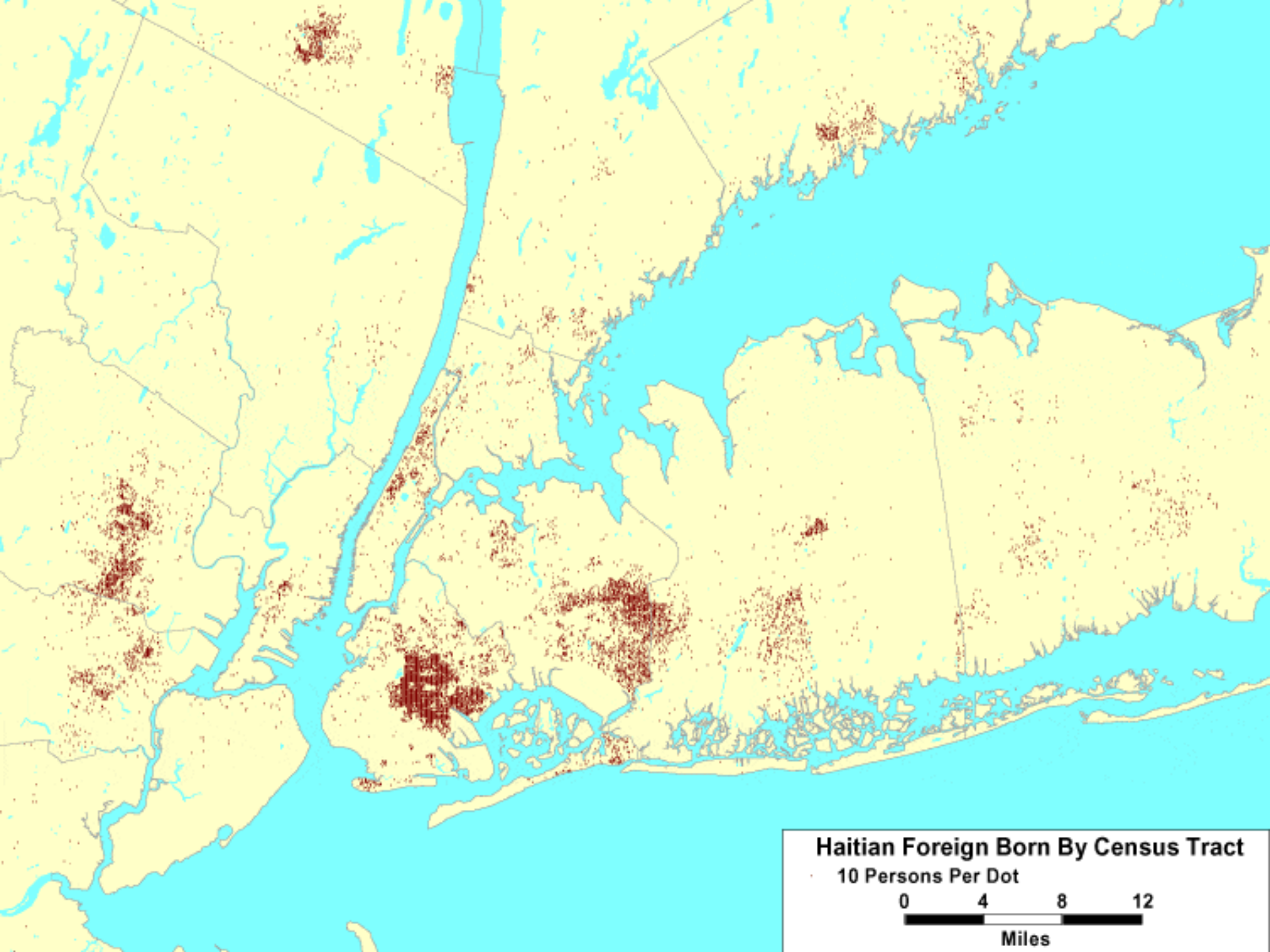
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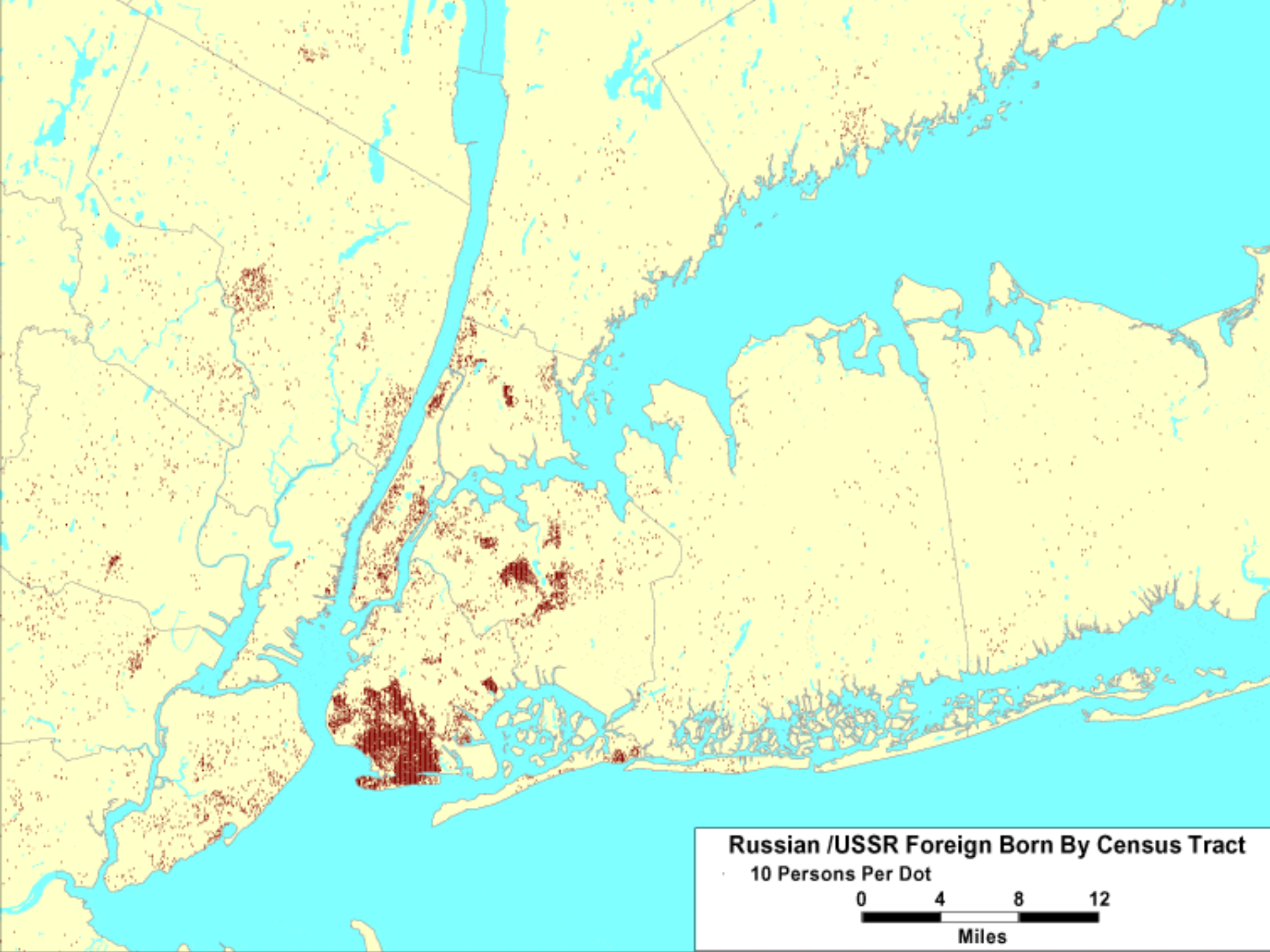


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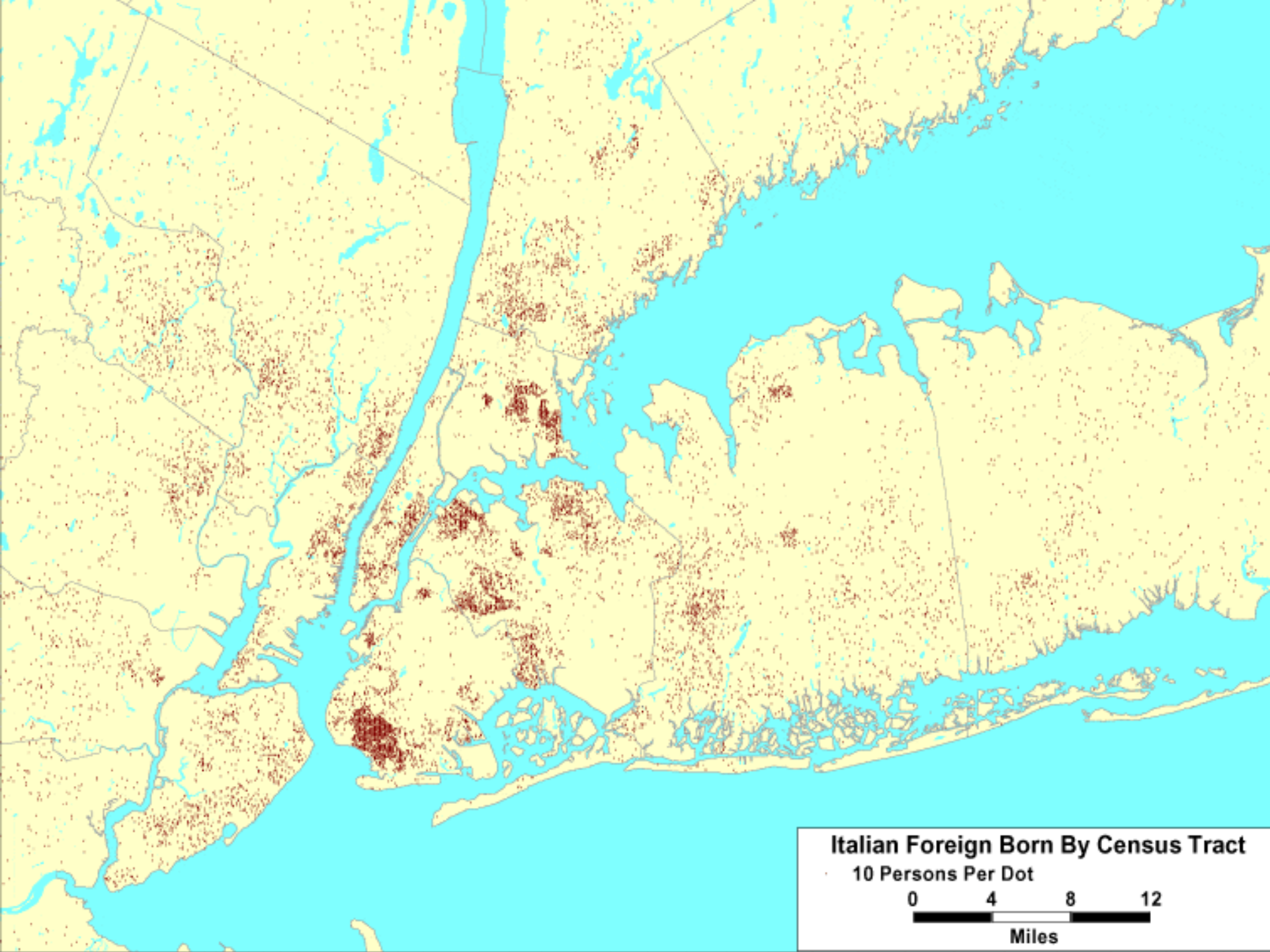


**Russian /USSR Foreign Born By Census Tract**

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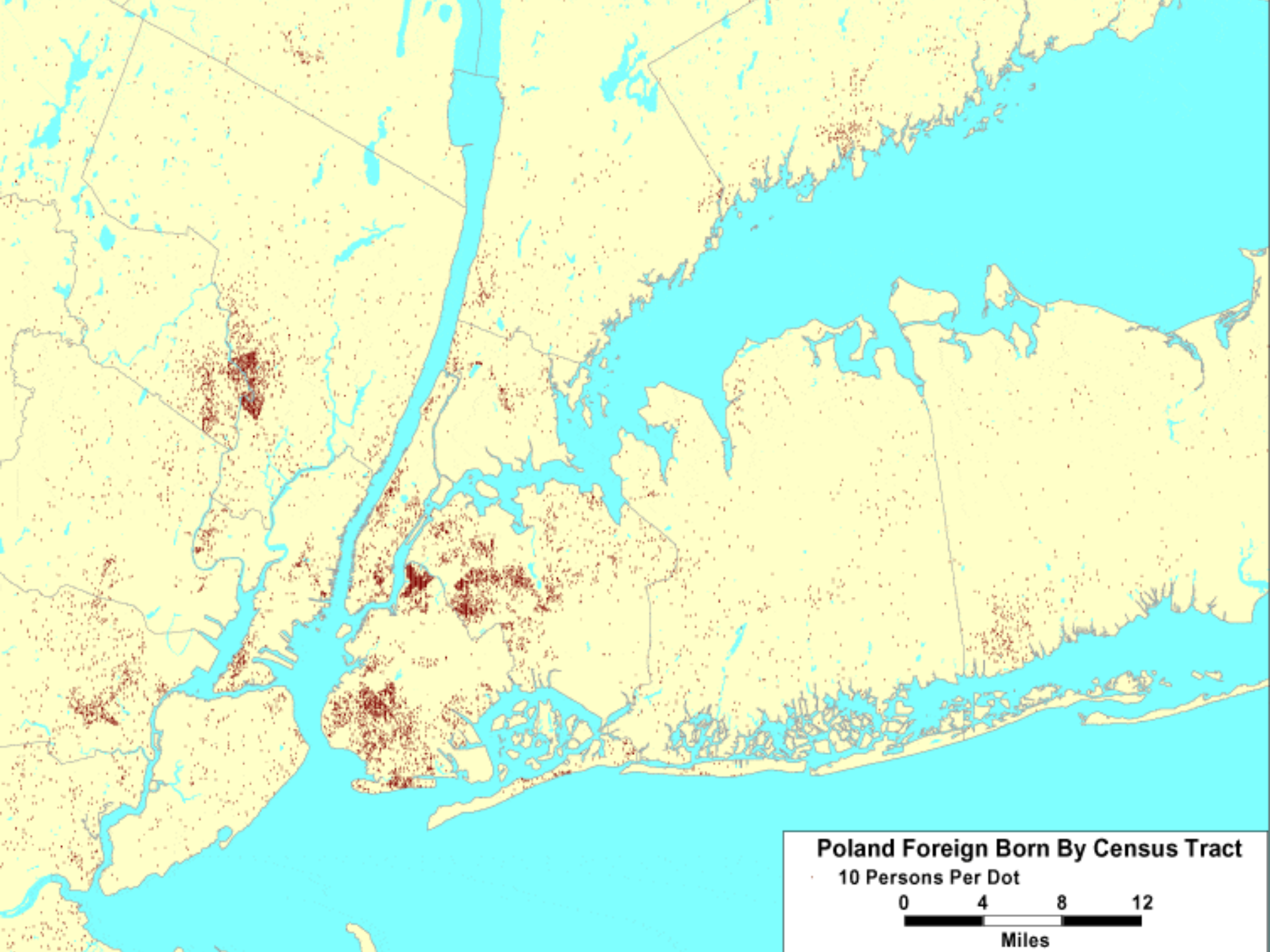
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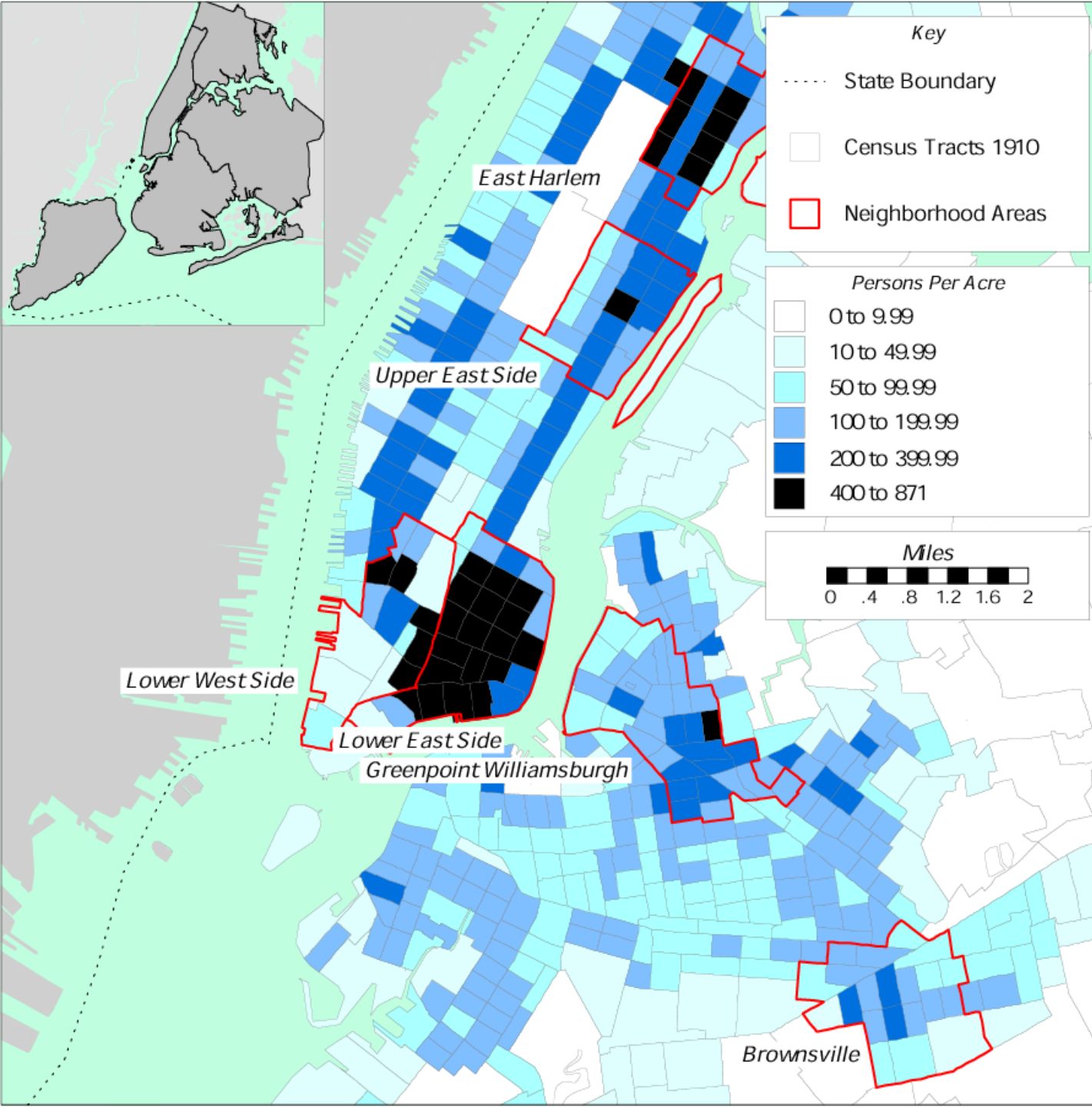


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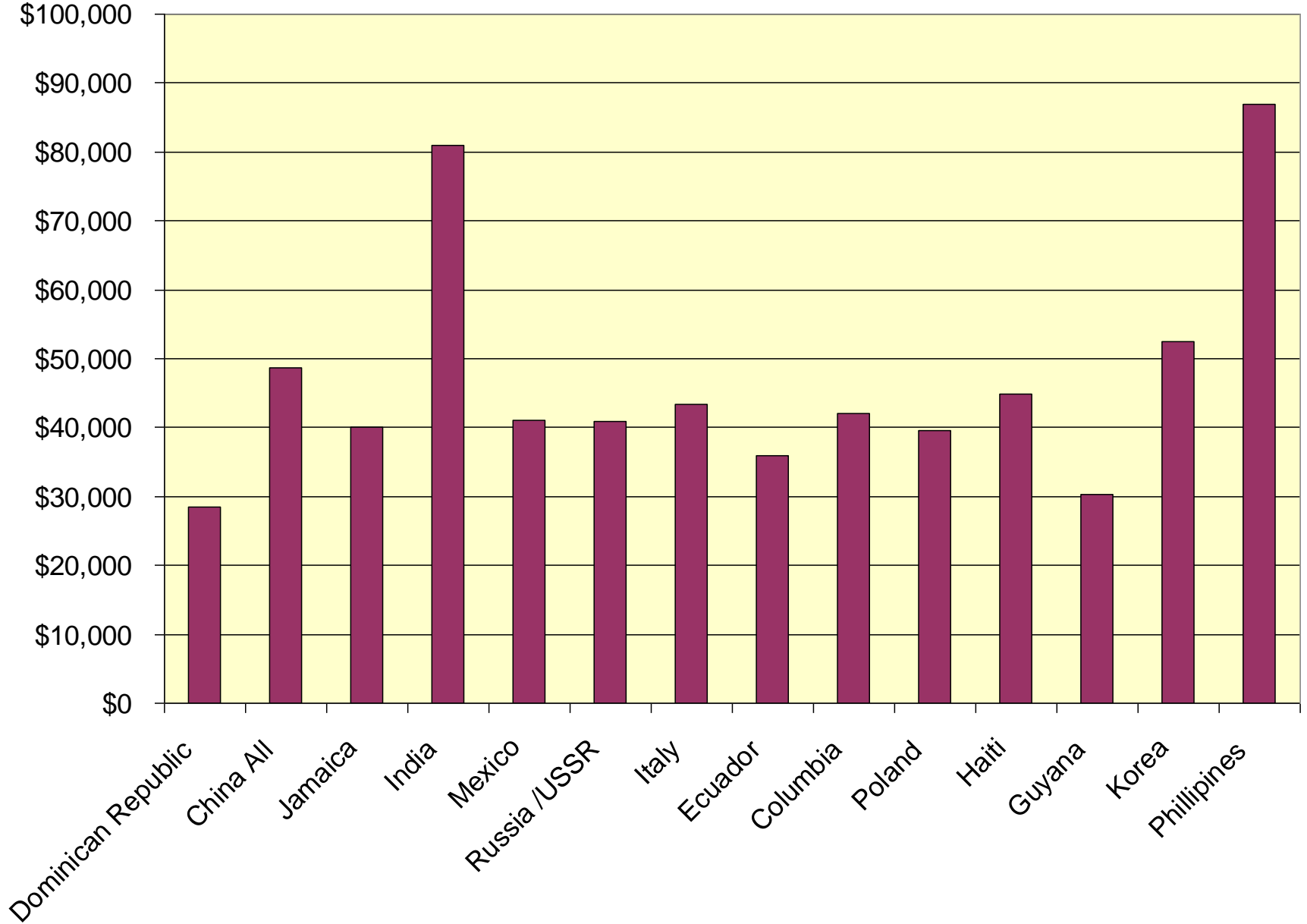


East Harlem, the Lower East Side, and the Lower West Side had the highest population density in turn-of-the-century New York. The density of immigrants in the Lower East Side was most remarkable; particularly considering that most lived in tenements no more than four stories high.

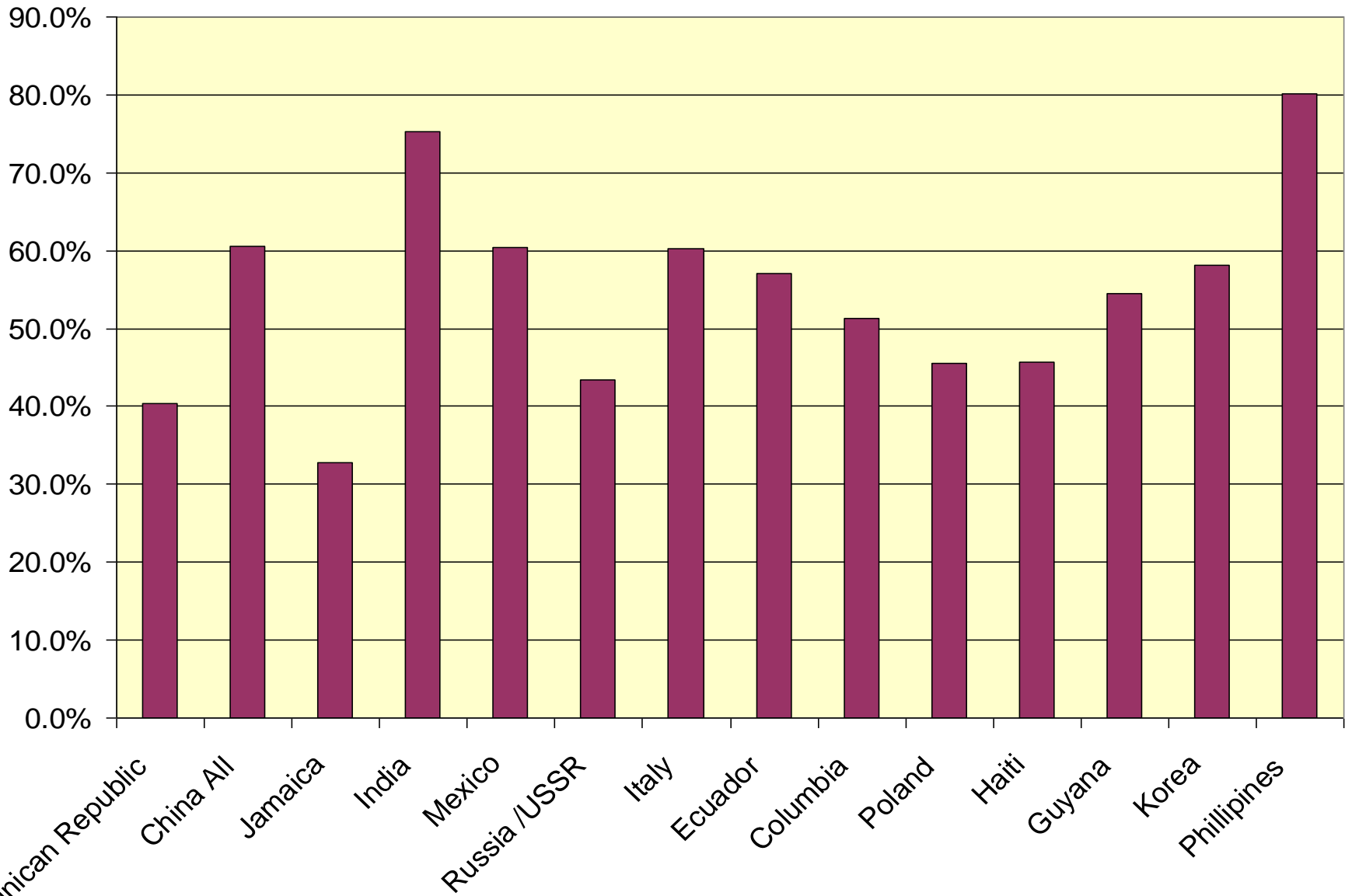
# Economic and Social Status

- Varies Greatly By Group
- Some In Highly Professional Areas
- Some In Entrepreneurial Businesses
- Some Economically Advanced
- Some Impoverished
- Some Mostly Family, Others Not
- Data Not Reliable, But Seems Consistent

## Median Household Income by Immigrant Group

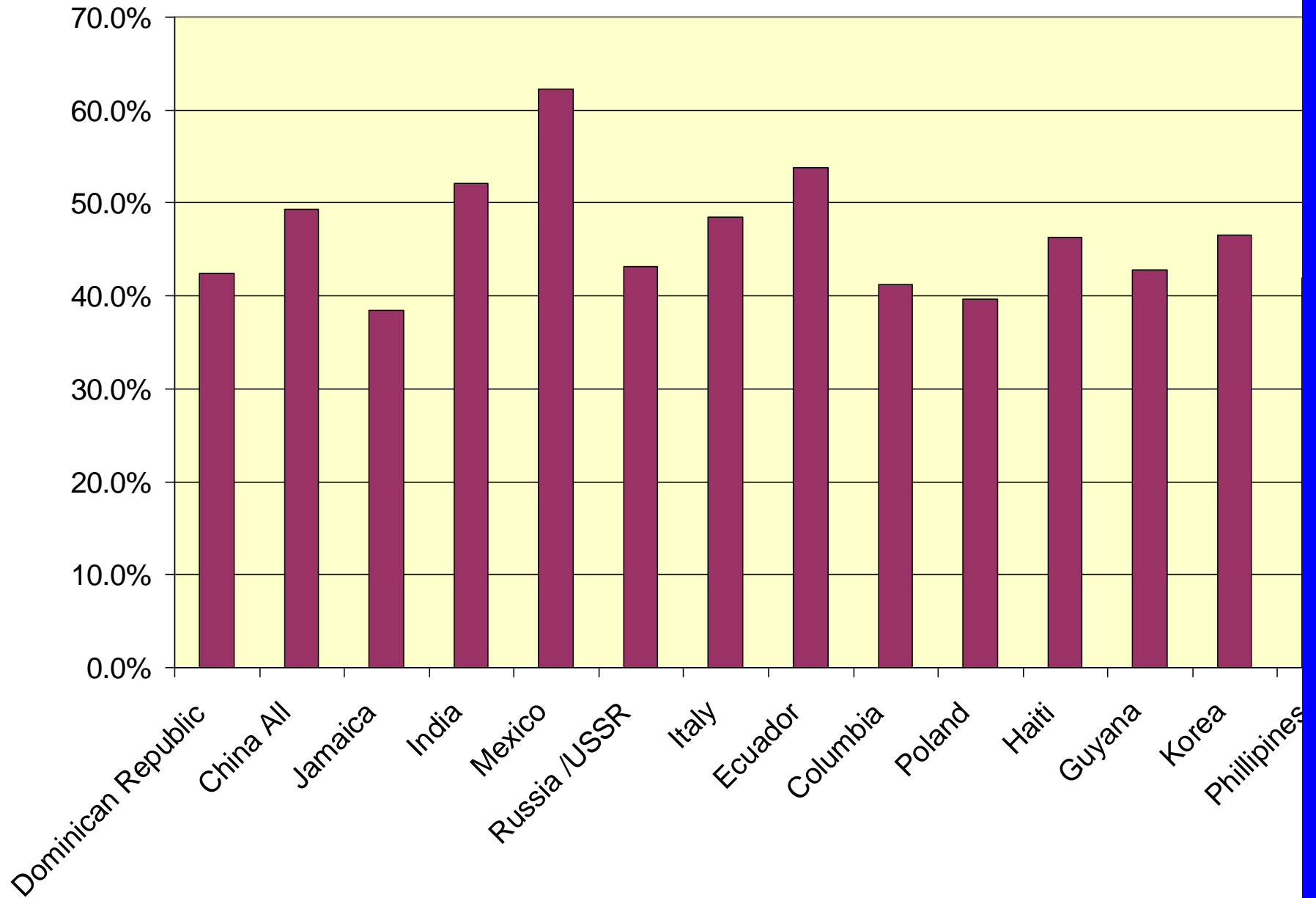


## % Married Couple Family by Immigrant Group

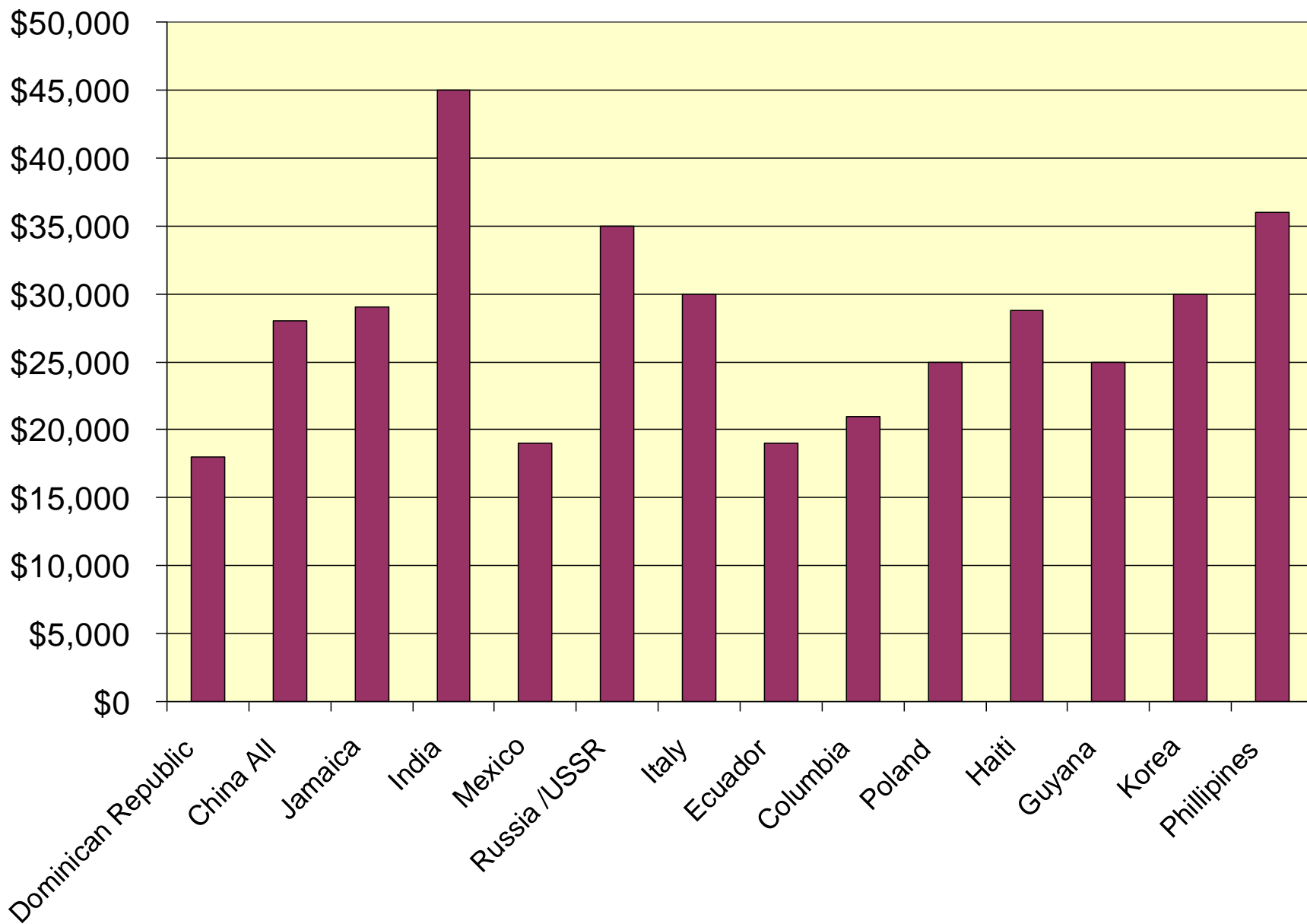




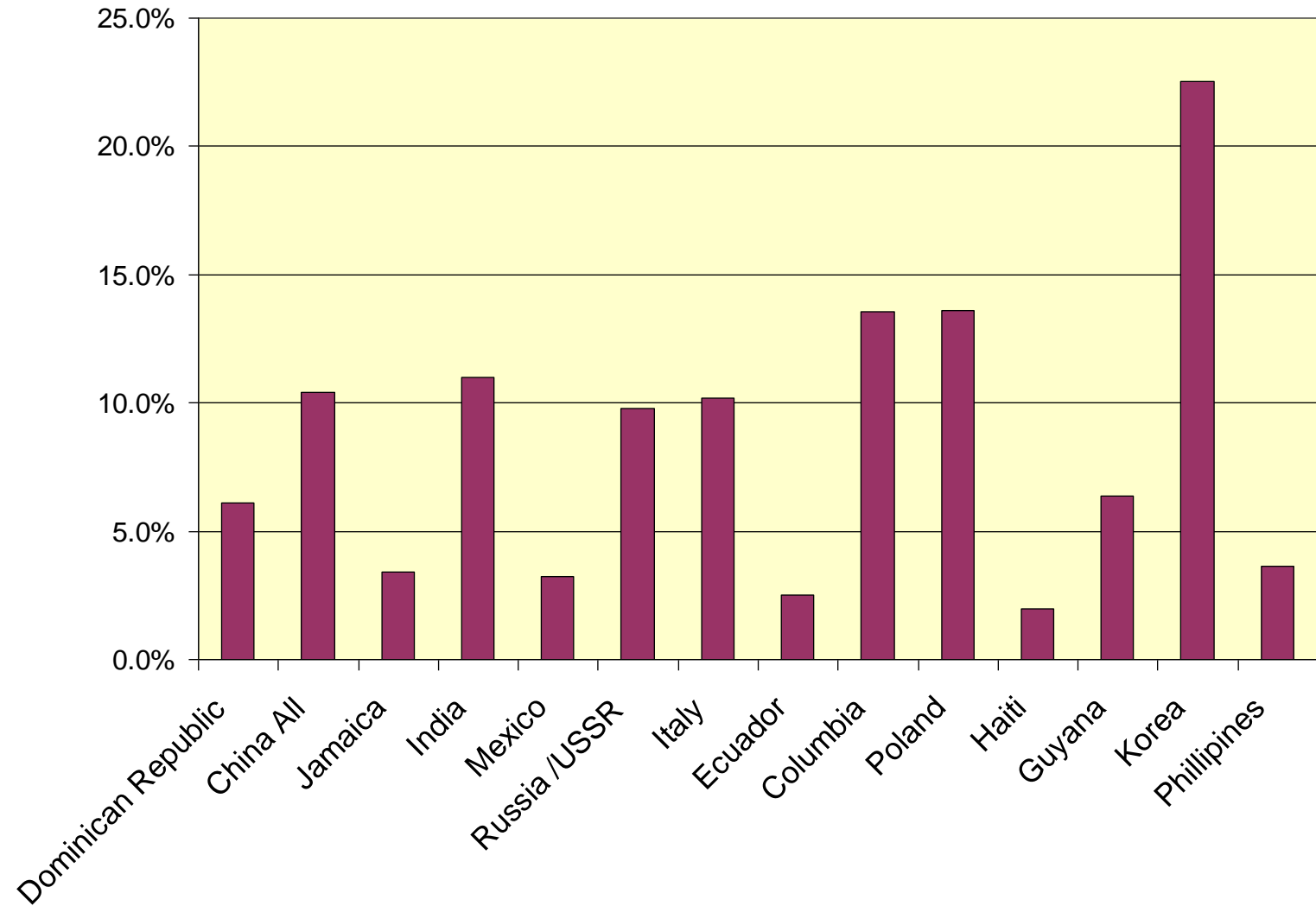
## Percent Male 18 or Older, Various Groups



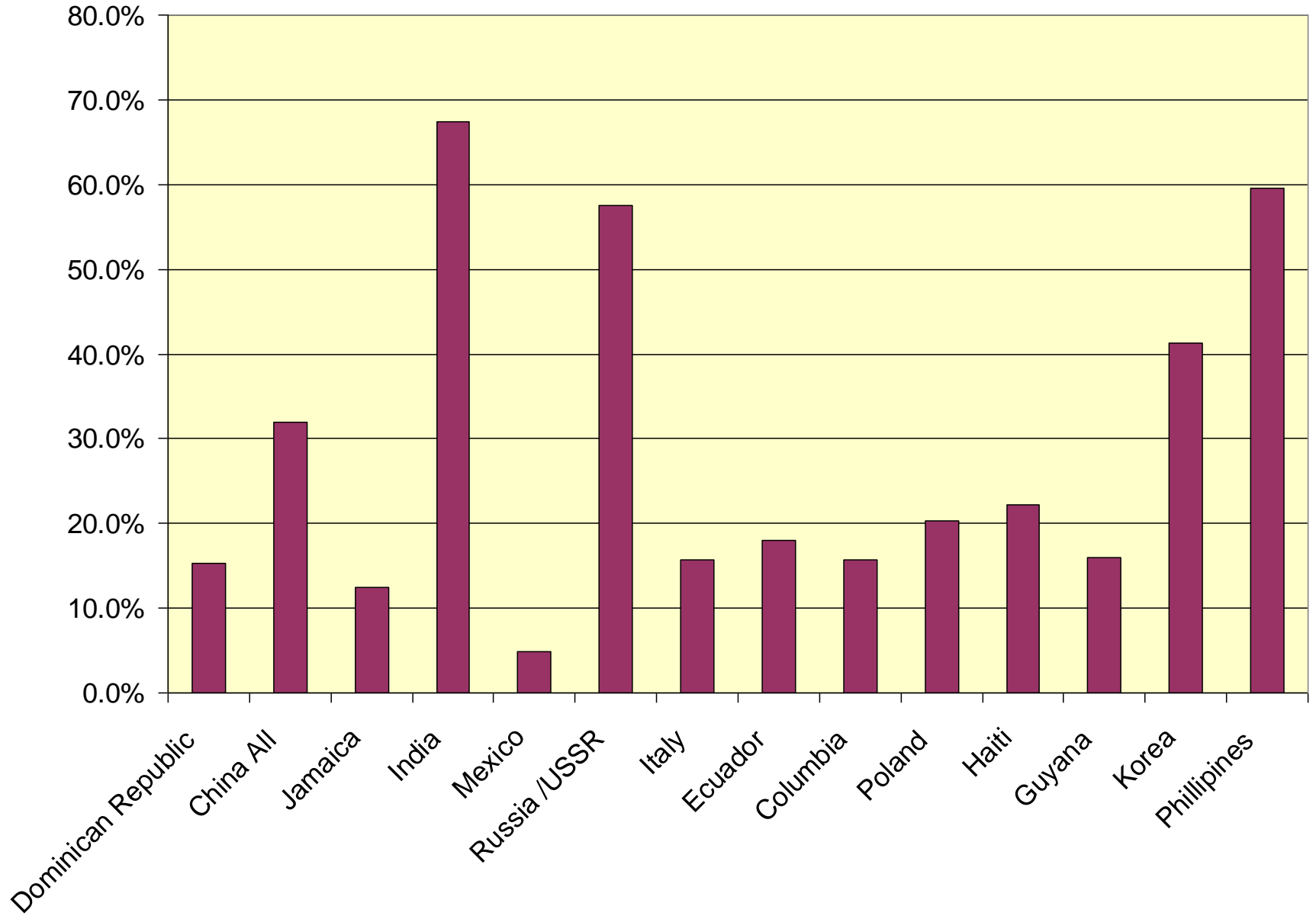
# Earnings of Workers From Various Groups



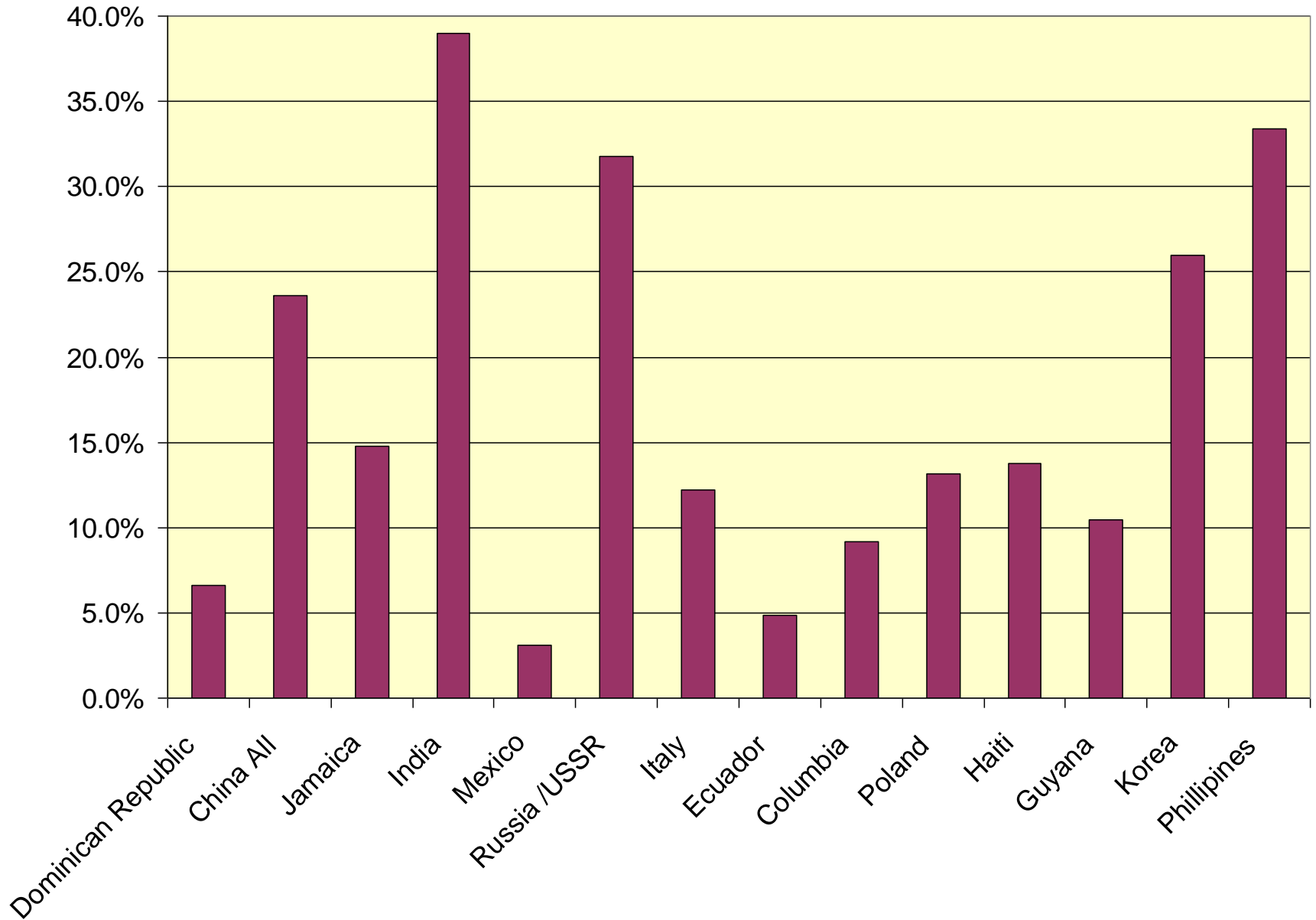
## Self-Employment By Various Groups



## At Least BA 25 and Over for Various Groups



## Percent Managerial/Professional Occupation Various Groups



# Varying Immigrant Fortunes

- Groups and Individuals in Each Group  
Different Credit Needs
- Some Entrepreneurial, Others Work in Low  
Wage Service Jobs
- Some Highly Professional, Developing  
High-Income Communities
- One Would Expect Groups (Such as  
Mexicans to Settle

# Other Information on New York Area

- [www.gothamgazette.com/demographics](http://www.gothamgazette.com/demographics)
- [www.socialexplorer.org](http://www.socialexplorer.org)

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