



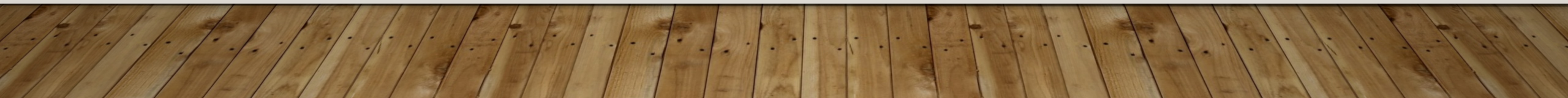
THE GREAT MIGRATION AND NEW YORK CITY

QUEENS COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

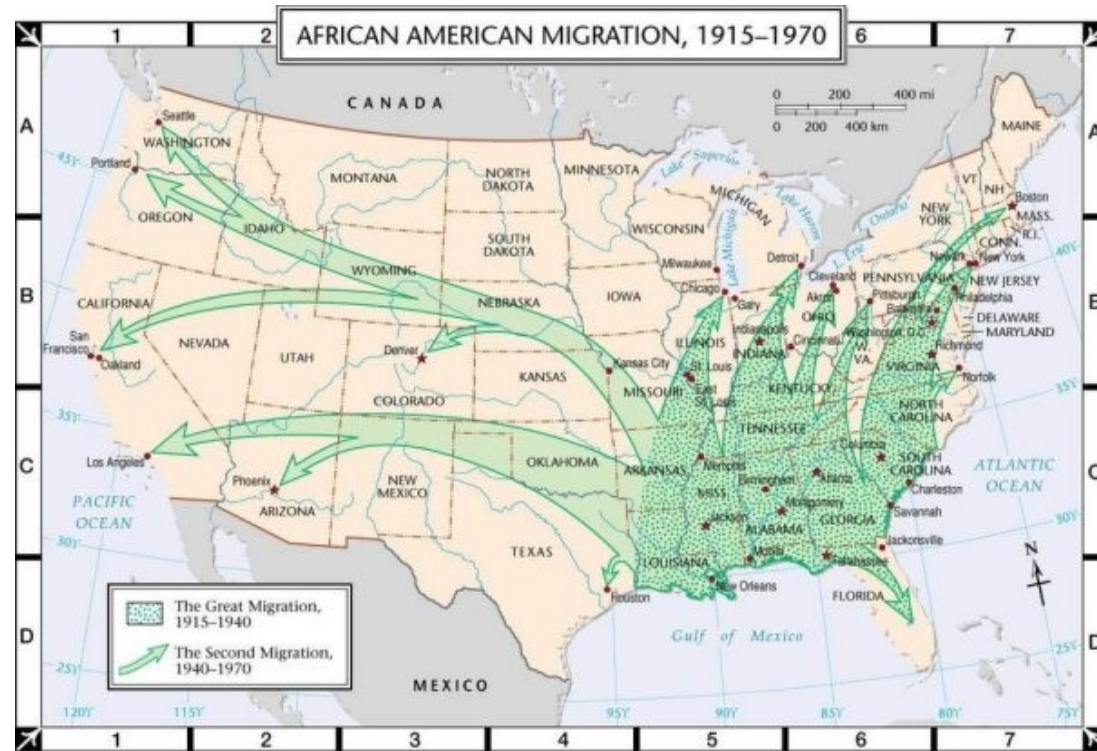
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AFRICAN AMERICAN GREAT MIGRATION ROUTES, 1915 - 1970





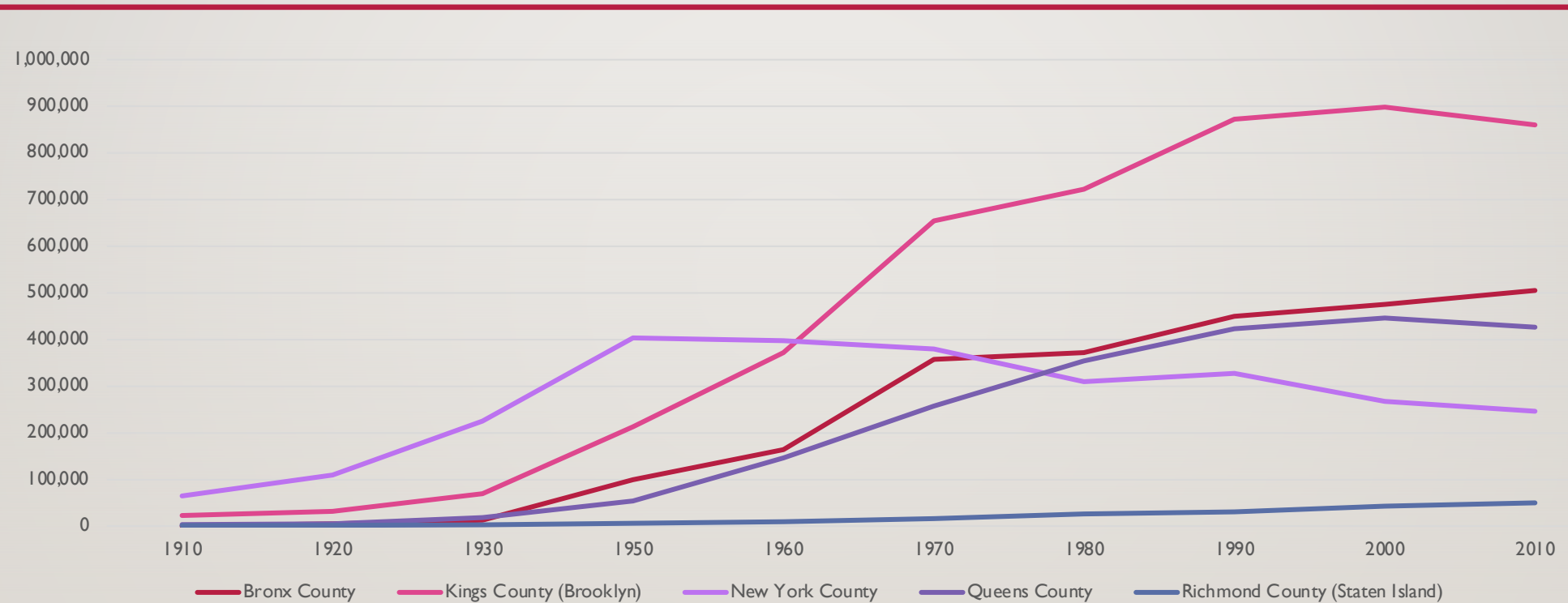
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NEW YORK CITY'S INCREASING AFRICAN AMERICAN POPULATION

- New York City is composed of 5 counties
- During the Great Migration NYC's African American population increased by 1.5 million
- In Queens the African American population grew by more than 250K between 1910 and 1970

	YEAR											
COUNTY	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010
Bronx County	n/a*	n/a*	4,803	12,930	n/a*	99,615	163,896	357,099	371,926	449,399	475,007	505,200
% Change				169%		670%	65%	118%	4%	21%	6%	6%
Kings County (Brooklyn)	n/a*	22,708	31,912	68,921	n/a*	213,057	371,405	654,988	722,812	872,305	898,350	860,083
% Change			41%	116%		209%	74%	76%	10%	21%	3%	-4%
New York County	n/a*	64,651	109,133	224,670	n/a*	403,502	397,101	379,731	309,854	326,967	267,302	246,687
% Change			69%	106%		80%	-2%	-4%	-18%	6%	-18%	-8%
Queens County	n/a*	3,198	5,120	18,609	n/a*	53,723	145,855	257,873	354,129	423,211	446,189	426,683
% Change			60%	263%		189%	171%	77%	37%	20%	5%	-4%
Richmond County (Staten Island)	n/a*	1,152	1,499	2,576	n/a*	5,619	9,674	15,779	25,616	30,630	42,914	49,857
% Change			30%	72%		118%	72%	63%	62%	20%	40%	16%
Subtotal New York City	n/a*	91,709	152,467	327,706	n/a*	775,516	1,087,931	1,665,470	1,784,337	2,102,512	2,129,762	2,088,510
Overall % Change	n/a*	-	66%	115%	n/a*	137%	40%	53%	7%	18%	1%	-2%
* 1900, 1910, and 1940 County level data not available												
** 1950 Non-white population												

AFRICAN AMERICAN POPULATION BY BOROUGH, 1910 - 2010



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