Foreign-born population in N.C. increases

BY RYAN C. TUCK
ASSISTANT CITY EDITOR
The number of foreign-born residents continues to increase in Orange County and in North Carolina, sustaining a multicultur-

Carolina, sustaining a muticulturi al influx that began in the 1990s. The American Community Survey, released Wednesday by the U.S. Census Bureau, ranks North Carolina 24th in the nation with 6 percent foreign-born residents, up from less than 2 percent in 1990.

While the proportion of foreign-born residents increased to 10.8 percent in the Triangle, Orange County failed to crack the top 200

counties nationwide.

The ACS differs from the U.S. Census Survey, which is conducted every decade, because it uses a much smaller sampling base.

The recently published report surveyed about 742,000 house-holds to estimate the number of foreign-born residents in larger city and state communities.

In this survey, gateway states for immigration such as California, New York and Florida ranked the highest in proportions of foreign-born residents. Miami-Dade County and its biggest city, Miami, were ranked highest in their respec-

were ranked nignest in their respective categories.

Bob Coats, the governor's census liaison for North Carolina, said these findings are accurate but only reflect larger cities. "It was only started on some target areas," he said "It's easier to great a workable. he said. "It's easier to get a workable sample size in larger areas when you're trying to get 15 percent." Some readers questioned the

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survey's inclusiveness because it seemed to refute the findings of the 2000 Census, which credited North Carolina and Orange County with some of the highest net immigration and foreign-born populations in the nation.

North Carolina ranked fourth in net immigration, the difference between those individuals leaving

the state and those entering.
Between 1990 and 2000, North Carolina experienced positive net immigration, whereas other states

such as New York and California showed negative numbers.

Of the new North Carolina residents, 62.4 percent were foreignborn residents. In Orange County, 61.1 percent of new residents were of foreign birth, Coats said.

Of these foreign-born new residents in Orange County, nearly a quarter are from Mexico, 10.4 percent from China and 5.5 percent from Canada.

Carrboro Alderman John Herrera said he is not surprised by ers "North Carolina is a great place to raise a family," he

He listed Chapel Hill-Carrboro

POPULATION FACTS

A large portion of the foreign-born population in North Carolina, and more specifically in the Triangle, is from Latin America. These numbers have increased during the last few years.

	Total Pop.	Foreign-Born	Latin American	
North Carolina				
2002	8,063,874	480,248	281,286	
2001	7,932,350	460,325	252,966	
2000	7,795,432	408,294	241,598	-
Raleigh/Durham/Chap	el Hill			1
2002	1,216,690	130,801	59,690	
2001	1,188,284	120,007	48,914	
2000	1,142,419	105,551	52,349	29
OURCE: AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY			DTH/DEBBIE ROSEN	

City Schools and the proximity to the Research Triangle Park and universities as attractions for new residents.

Coats said the seasonal employment opportunities in agriculture attract many to North Carolina

The United States continues to experience an influx of foreignborn residents, who accounted for 44 percent of the population

growth last year, he said.

Although the ACS focused on surveying larger cities in this edition, the organization will conting ue to conduct surveys in smaller areas and publish its findings annually as the averages of the last five years.

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Guild's festival showcases student films, hard work

BY MICHAEL PUCCI ASSISTANT ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

In February, the dedicated student filmmakers of the Carolina Production Guild were just break-

ing ground on a new project.
Tonight, the CPG Fall Film
Festival allows the public to view
the fruits of their labor.
The festival marks the premiere

of two films, as well as a short to be announced at the event.

The featured film, "Melencolia," concerns a freshman who comes to terms with her own identity while completing an art project.
"Expiration Date," a murder mystery, will be shown afterward.

The movies are the culmination of almost a year's worth of blood, sweat and tears.

sweat and tears.
"It was hectic," said CPG
Co-president Chris Cianci. "Trying
to make a film while taking classes is not easy. I edited most of the film over the summer."

Formed in 1993, the guild cites

as one of its key attributes the fact that it goes beyond merely the storytelling aspect of moviemaking and teaches students about the

technical side as well.
Senior Amanda Wilson, who produced both short films, said CPG hopes to attract new members and showcase its work through the festival.

"We want to keep film alive in the digital world," she said. "That's our goal."

The guild also gives students hands-on experience with profes-sional equipment, although obtaining the equipment can be

"It is expensive, and we're working on a limited budget from Student Congress," Wilson said.

CPG granted Cianci, who wrote and directed "Melencolia," a \$1,000 grant to finance the film. Wilson said that the guild will

award another grant this semester and that people interested in any aspect of filmmaking should attend the festival.

Despite limited funds, writer

Justin Lockamy said, money isn't the main obstacle. It often comes down to how much time you can Date: Today

Time: 8 p.m Location: Swain Hall 1A Info: Free admission

put into a project.
Only in his second year at UNC, Lockamy knows the value of a few hours, having already worked on many films.

"One day we had to shoot a scene at the Open Eye Cafe in Carrboro," Lockamy recalled. "But we had to go in at 5 a.m., for four hours before it opened, just to shoot a couple scenes."

That dedication is why those involved in the making of these films are anxious for the public to see the finished product before starting the process all over again.
"I'm only a sophomore," Cianci

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