

Map Overlay Transparency 21 **ACTIVITY 21-1**

Immigration From Europe

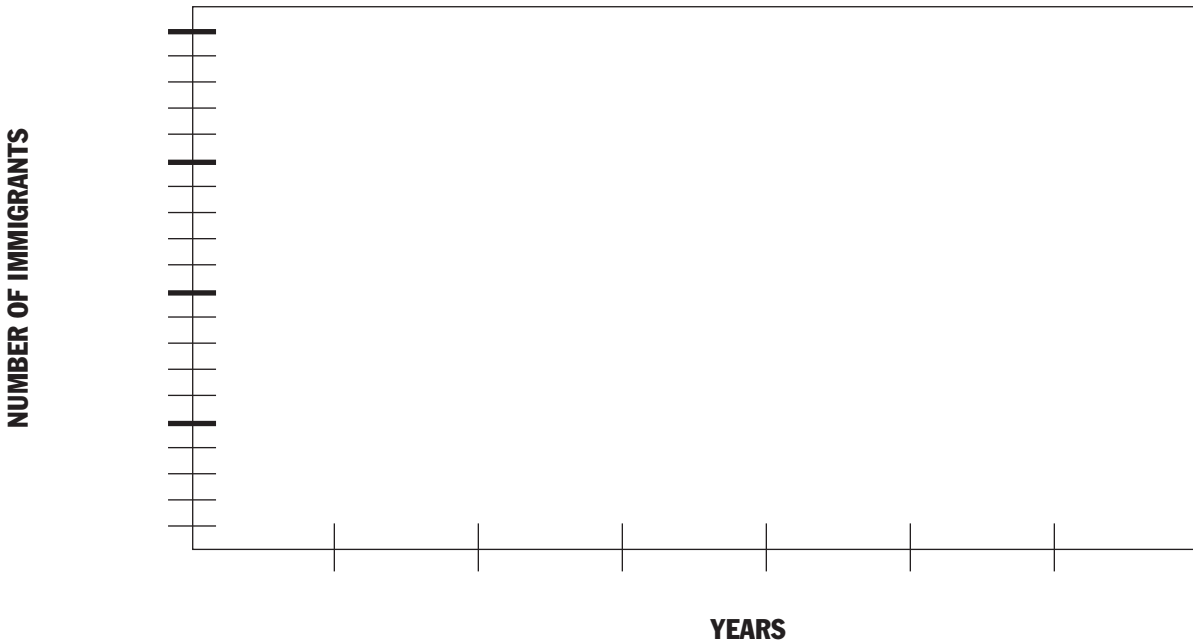
The first 10 years of the twentieth century probably marked the greatest period of immigration in our nation’s history. Nevertheless, immigrants have been coming to America since before the founding of the United States.

DIRECTIONS: Creating a Line Graph Use the information in the table below to complete the line graph that follows. Be sure to label the vertical axis and the horizontal axis and to correctly plot the data.

Immigration from Europe to the United States 1900–1950

YEAR	NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS	YEAR	NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS
1900	424,700	1930	147,138
1910	926,291	1940	50,454
1920	246,295	1950	199,115

(Source: *Historical Statistics of the United States: Colonial Times to 1970: Part 1*, page 105)



- How many immigrants arrived in the United States in 1930? _____
- Did more immigrants arrive in 1930 or in 1950? _____
- How many years are there between each of the dates shown? _____
- In which year did the most immigrants arrive in the United States? _____
- Is there a pattern indicated by this graph? Explain your answer. _____

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Answer Key

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Students should correctly label each of the years along the horizontal axis and should label each of the tick marks along the vertical axis in multiples of 50,000.

1. 147,138 or about 140,000

2. 1950

3. 10

4. 1910

5. No discernible pattern. Immigration increased from 1900 to 1910, then decreased to 1920, decreased again to 1930, and then increased in 1940 and 1950.