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Reasons immigrants come to the United States:

1. Religious freedoms to practice as they wish. To not be persecuted for religious beliefs.
2. Family – to join members of family already here.
3. Economic (single most important reason immigrants come to the U.S.)
	* Farm workers
	* Industrial workers
	* Railroad workers
	* Wages
	* Housing/education/medical benefits
4. Wars in foreign countries force migrations
5. Adventure
6. Searches for gold (other natural resources)
7. Poverty, war, socio-economic instability abroad encourages immigrants to come to the  U.S.
8. Genocide/persecution in other countries.
9. In addition to these eight reasons, think of 2-3 of your own reasons not mentioned above.

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