



Julian Samora Research Institute Symposium Series



"What's next for farm labor?"

Agriculture is akin to the canary in the coal mine when examining responses to the slowdown in unauthorized Mexico-US migration. About 70 percent of US crop workers were born in Mexico, and 70 percent of these Mexican-born workers are unauthorized, making half of all non-H-2A crop workers unauthorized. Unauthorized crop workers are aging, settling in one place with US-born children, and less willing to migrate. This prompts farmers to adjust to the slowdown in unauthorized newcomers by aiming to **satisfy** current workers to retain them, **stretch** workers with mechanical aids that increase their productivity, **substitute** machines for workers or switch to less labor-intensive crops, and **supplement** current workers with H-2A guest workers.

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