

Immigration and the Democratic National Convention

News Coverage

Immigration: Too Hot for the Dems?

<http://www.alternet.org/immigration/96515/immigration: too hot for the dems/>

By Roberto Lovato

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The Democratic Convention has overlooked immigration with delegates within the convention supporting either enforcement only or legalization. No group is addressing the need for more fundamental policy change regarding immigrants.

The Speeches They Write Often Go Unspoken

http://www.nytimes.com/2008/08/28/us/politics/28speech.html?_r=2&ref=us&oref=slogin&oref=slogin

By Raymond Hernandez and Jeremy W. Peters

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During the Democratic National Convention in Denver, few meaningful words have been directed towards immigration. Bronx Representative José E. Serrano's speech highlighted the hypocrisy of the welcoming Statue of Liberty in New York and the militarization of the border. Before he was able to make his speech on the convention floor, it was edited, with references to immigration deleted.

The Other Denver: Hispanics Haunted by Specter of Deportation

http://news.newamericamedia.org/news/view_article.html?article_id=b0e74d4823eae6ae3d2973250bdaa877

By Carmen Alarcón, El Diario/La Prensa, News Report,

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While delegates celebrate in Denver, the increased police presence, in addition to new laws that persecute local undocumented workers has cast a shadow of fear over the Latino population living in Denver.

Focusing on Immigration at the DNC

http://news.newamericamedia.org/news/view_article.html?article_id=8cd499cb176dc139ef917b478db3e086

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Few voices are discussing immigration policy reform at the DNC, among them Representative Zoe Lofgren. While Democrats keep mum on immigration issues, regional activists see immigration policy reform as the only way to end violence at the border and against immigrants.

Some Issues Key to Party Identity Have Been Shunted to the Side in Denver

<http://www.cqpolitics.com/wmspage.cfm?parm1=3&docID=news-000002941685>

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Among issues such as Gay rights, Environmental rights and the Free Trade Agreement, immigration has been pushed to the side at the DNC.