Urbanization, Migrant Labor and Health Care



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The turnout in the primary election in Seattle was higher than expected reaching 38% eral election turnout will probably exceed the usual 50% mark.

Licata attributes the 26% lead over his nearest

fighting for the greater common good over special interests. That confidence is an honor that Licata takes seriously.

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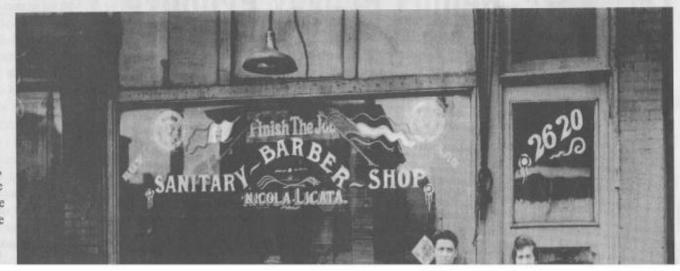
MAIL IN YOUR GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT BY NOV 3RD

The Seattle Planet

IN THE TIME OF A GREAT INFLUENZA

In 1918 my grandparents stood in front of my grandfather's barber shop in Cleveland, Ohio with a faint image of a horse-drawn cart reflected in the window. It was the year of a great influenza pandemic, where over 50 million people died worldwide, largely due to bacterial pneumonia.

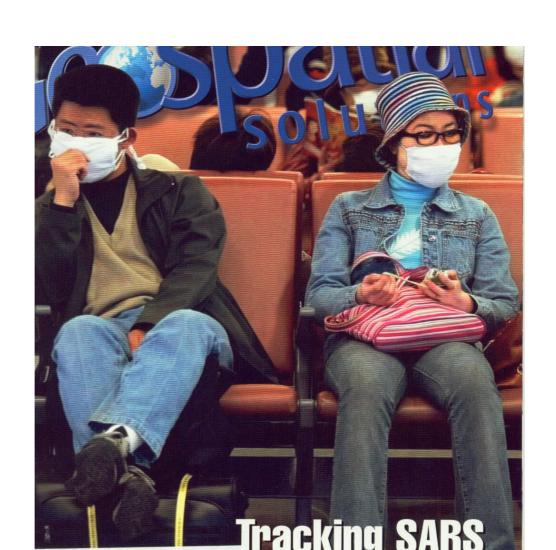
As this flu season begins we face the H1N1 virus, also known as swine flu, which has proven far less deadly than the H1N1 virus of 1918; less than 5,000 have died worldwide so far in 2009. While we do face an uncertain future, through the Seattle/King County Board of Health we



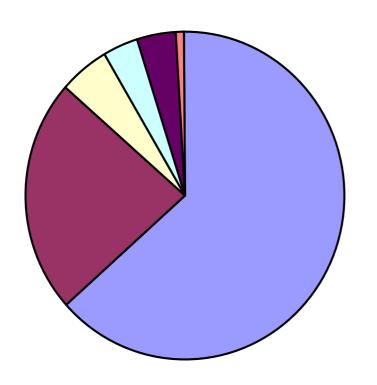
Back to the Flu Season Swine Flu 2009



Back to the Flu Season SARS 2003



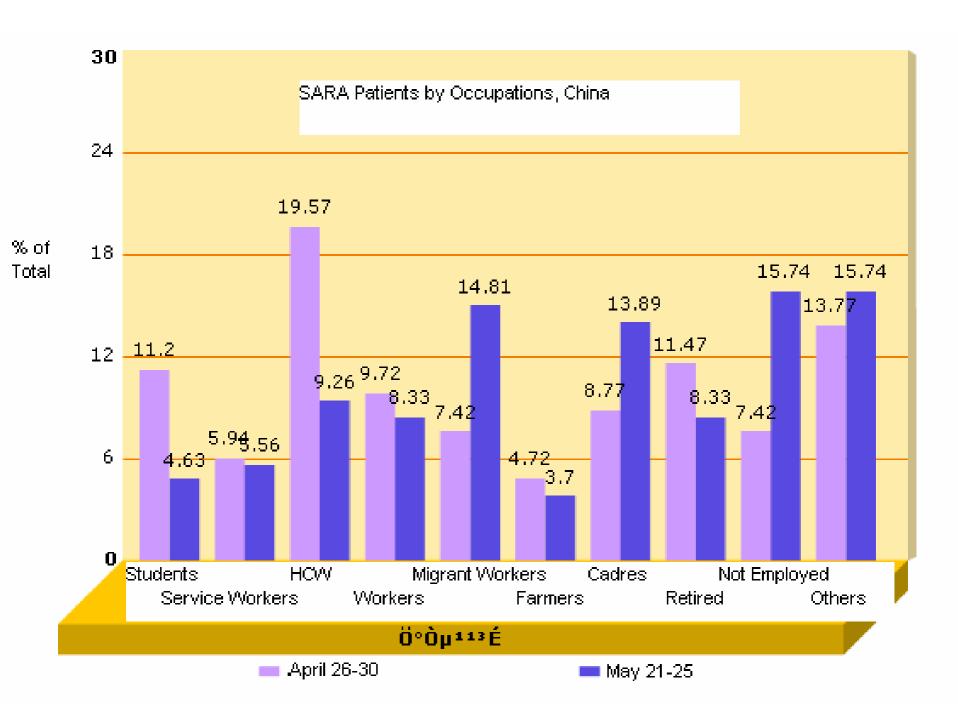
Distribution of SARS by Country/Region, 2003

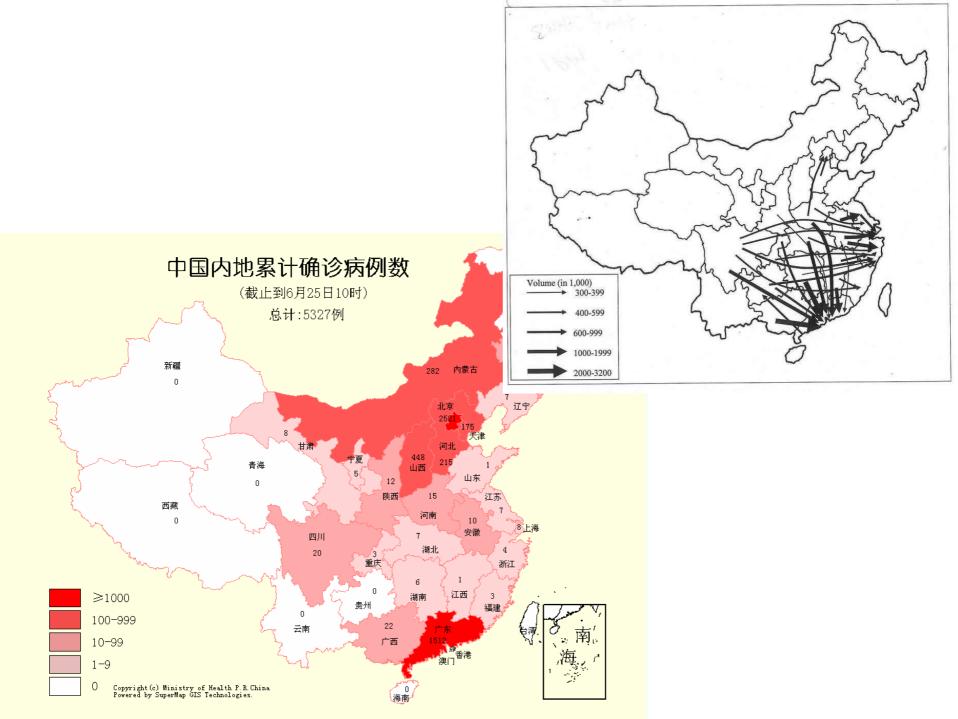


- Mainland China
- Hong Kong
- □ Taiwan
- □ Canada
- Singapore
- Viet Nam

SARS and Migrants?







劳动保障部发布报告:

http://www.sina.cem.cn 2003年06月10日(

本报北京6月9日电(记者刘声) 劳动和社会保障部

年發現首宗愛滋病感染者至今,

Table 1. County-Level Correlation Coefficients between the Number of Temporary Migrants Per 1,000 Permanent Residents and STD/HIV Risk-Taking Indices, 1996-2000

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* p<0.05; **p<0.01

XS Yang (2002)



The Hukou System

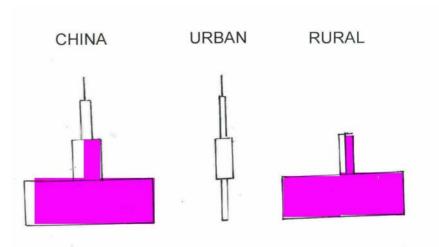


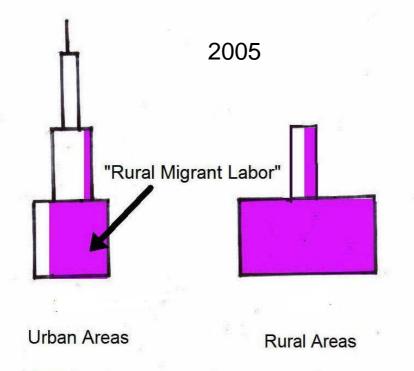
(The Household Registration System, 户口制度)

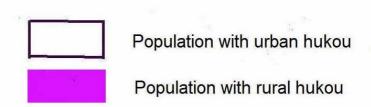
- Set up in 1958 to serve China's industrialization
- 1979-present, serves as a system for determining social welfare benefit eligibility system: "rural" labor in cities does not have state-provided welfare, permanent residency rights, access to social services, etc.
- Institutional discrimination
- This makes rural labor (mobile or not) very cheap and vulnerable

1965

Social Pyramids







Urbanization with Chinese Characteristics

- Rapid industrialization
- "Urbanization" has been kept low
 - Currently, a significant % of de facto urban residents and workers (ie. migrant workers) are kept out of the urban social security and welfare system
 - "incomplete urbanization"
- Permanent "temporary" migrants
 - not "uprooting" rural-urban migrants, unlike other countries

Non-agricultural *Hukou* Population, Urban Population and GDP, 1949-2007 (% of the National Total)

	A	В	С	D	Е
Year	Non-agricultural <i>Hukou</i> Population (NHP) ^a	Urban Population ^b	GDP of Non- agricultural Sectors	=A-C	=A-B
1949	17.4	10.6			6.8
1955	15.2	13.5	53.7	-38.5	1.7
1958	18.5	16.2	65.9	-47.4	2.3
1965	16.7	18.0	62.1	-45.4	-1.3
1970	15.3	17.4	64.8	-49.5	-2.1
1975	15.4	17.3	67.6	-52.2	-1.9
1978	15.8	17.9	71.8	-56.0	-2.1
1980	17.0	19.4	69.8	-52.8	-2.4
1985	20.1	23.7	71.6	-51.5	-3.6
1990	21.1	26.4	72.9	-51.8	-5.3
1995	23.8	31.7	80.1	-56.3	-7.9
2000	26.1	36.2	84.9	-58.8	-10.1
2005	32.0	43.0	87.5	-55.5	-11.0
2006	32.5	43.9	88.3	-55.8	-11.4
2007	32.9	44.9	88.7	-55.8	-12.0

Rural Migrant Labor and Urban-*hukou* Workers, 2002-2009

(in millions)

Year-end	Rural migrant labor	Urban- <i>hukou</i> workers	Ratio (in %)
2002	104.7	247.8	42.3
2003	113.9	256.4	44.4
2004	118.2	264.8	44.7
2005	125.8	273.3	46.0
2006	132.1	283.1	46.7
2007	137.0	293.5	46.7
2008	140.4	300.0	46.8
2009			
(mid-year)	150.1		

背重債貸款難

2008年12月26日

星島日報 SINGTAO DAILY

公司合

窗15日突然 7000工人 頭16日有逾 及到鎭政府 。鎭政府後 00萬,全額 日晨,仍有 **学候消息**。

木頭的兩家玩

聚集示威。工

溫情地」感謝 爲改善家庭生

鎮政府表示衷 谢铜對民工而

破產企業逾1200 (人民幣,下同)的欠薪 預計這些企業欠供貨、

經濟參考報》報道,以外向 支柱的浙江省、受到金融海 0個半月,停産、破産企業逾 1企業家投資微望已降至多年

+萬打工仔

有350多家企業停產、或破產 即平均每天就至少有一個老 18000萬元的欠薪爛帳・讓政 速十多萬。

【是過去10年的總和。」浙江

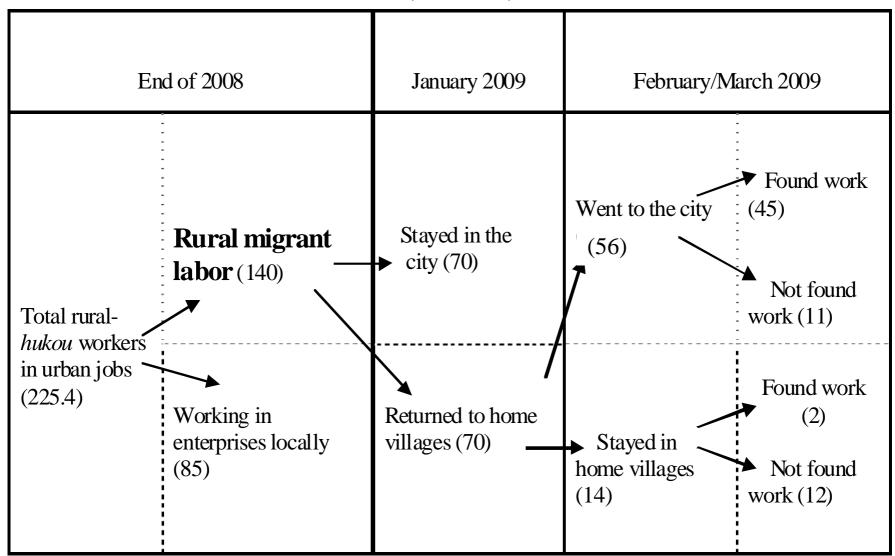


而在浙江之前,廣東早在上個月就出現了企業者属攜軟外追溯。彌為東第大批討薪工人與警察對峙。 法新社資料圖片

據中新網引述《巴黎人報》的 了一會兒,並一口氣買了價值達

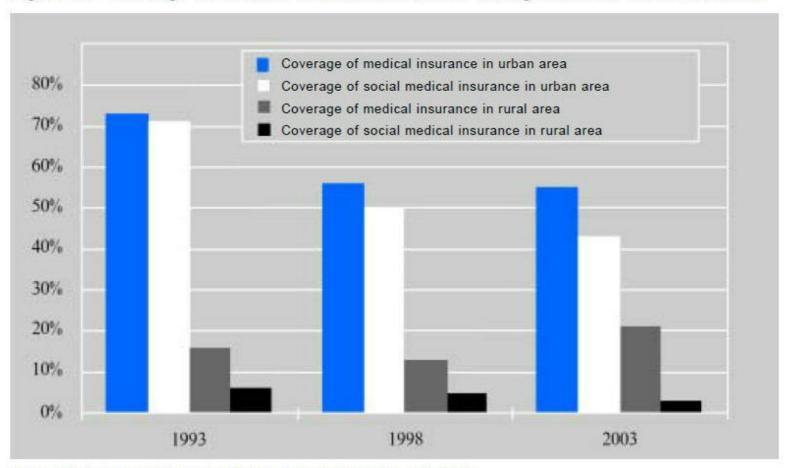
報道說,這位「中國大亨」先 買了一瓶價值19900歐元的酒。接著 添了一條花色新聞,令法國人喜不

Employment Status of Rural Migrant Labor: Before and After Spring Festival (January 26, 2009) (in millions)



R/U Medical Care Insurance Systems

Figure 4.1 Coverage of All Kinds of Medical Insurance among Rural and Urban Residents



Source: Statistics and Information Center of the Ministry of Health, 2004a.

UN (2005)

Medical Care for Migrants

Sample survey of Migrant Labor in Changsha, 2007

ACTION TAKEN WHEN ILL:	Person (人)	%
Consult a regular doctor 生病后立即去正规医院检查	42	24.56
Consult an "informal" doctor 到街头小医院、私人诊所检查、治疗	48	28.07
Find some medicine from a drug store 自己到药店买药	71	41.25
Wait till it is unbearable to see a doctor 能忍则忍,能拖则拖,不到万不得已不去医院	9	5.26
WHO PAID THE MEDICAL BILLS?		
Personal (and family) 医疗费用全部由个人或家庭承担	158	89.28
Medical bills are too high 认为医疗费用非常或比较贵	127	74.72

(Deng 2008)

A System for Migrants?

- State Council (2006) Document
- Different regional (city) models:
 - Chengdu and Shenzhen
 - Beijing
- Issues
 - Mobility (requiring a national system)
 - Inadequate coverage
 - Latest developments

Shenzhen Model

时间	医疗保险内容	缴费额	缴费主体	参保人数
1992.5—1996.6	综合医疗保险 (既保住院又保 门诊)	本人工资的 8%	企业承担 6%,个人承 担 2%	2万
1996.7—2003.6	住院医疗保险	社平工资的 2%	企业	70 万
2003.7—2005.2	住院医疗保险地 方补充医疗保险 综合医疗保险		企业 企业负担 6%,个人负 担 2%	142 万
2005.3—2005.12	住院医疗保险 地方补充医疗保 险 综合医疗保险	同上	同上	163 万
	劳务工合作医疗	12 元	企业 8 元, 个人 4 元	124万

Issues

- Inadequate coverage
 - Low coverage of the migrant workers
 - Not attractive still high self payments
 - Not covering what is really needed
 - More costly with delayed treatments
 - Significant surplus of the funds
- Long-distance mobility

Issues

- Migration is inter-provincial, some seasonal
 - Requires a national potable system
 - A national public service, like education
 - Latest developments
 - Signs of moving in that direction

Implications - Hukou Reforms

- Incomplete urbanization is not paying the "full bill" of industrialization (by denying migrants many urban benefits)
 - Give rise to a huge urban underclass → public health problems
 - Need more hukou reforms and to uproot the peasantry by allowing them to settle and assimilate in cities.
 - But how to start, how to proceed forward?
 - Lessons from USA's current health care reform?

USA Health Care Reform, 2009

- Universal coverage
 - Especially to protect the "weak" (30-40 M)
- National system
 - Mobility of pop (not just labor) and must be portable (also economies of scale)
- Health care as a public service, like education
- Cannot be totally privatized and left to the market
 - to rein in costs and "greed," prevent scams, etc

2009 Reform

详解8500亿元医改投入"方程式"



Trade-Urbanization-Environment Nexus

- Trade → "world's factory" → "China price"
- Migrant labor is the critical factor
- Rural-urban migration and urbanization
- High GDP growth = high "happiness" growth?
- As Fineberg reminded us: Happiness must include environment, distribution, and more.
- Health services of the rural migrant labor.



Thank you!

