

Policy talk for November 13, 2006

Today's Policy Talk has one item:

1. Rural Poll Reflects Reservations About Latino Immigration to Nebraska

The just released (November 13) Nebraska Rural Poll -- available at <http://cari.unl.edu/ruralpoll/immigration.pdf> reports on Nebraskans' attitudes towards Latino Immigration. This Report, coupled with the report on "Newcomers in Nebraska's Rural Communities," released in August and available at http://cari.unl.edu/ruralpoll/new_residents.pdf, indicates that while Nebraskans who have lived in rural communities for over five years feel they are welcoming to new residents in their communities (whether Latino or otherwise), newcomers themselves (Latino or otherwise) do not feel as warmly embraced. The challenge for newcomers is intensified for new Latino residents in rural Nebraska. (Because the Poll focuses only on rural Nebraska, it is not known whether it is the same in urban areas of the state.) Policy issues related to newcomers will be discussed in a [Thomas C. Sorensen Policy Seminar](#) that will be scheduled for early in 2007 at UNL.

The Rural Poll is an annual survey conducted by the Center for Applied Rural Innovation in partnership with the UNL Department of Agricultural Economics, NU Rural Initiative, and since 2005, the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center. See <http://cari.unl.edu/ruralpoll/> for more information about the Poll.