

Recent immigrants should call for an end to immigration

It is hard for a recent immigrant to Canada in 2020 to understand what Canada was like in the 1970's when our population was almost half what it is today.

Most were unionized in the 70's; I was working thru high school making \$14.00 an hour nights in a unionized grocery store. Friends picked tobacco in Tilsonburg in the summer and came back with \$5,000 dollars cash in their pockets, there were no seasonal foreign workers so good paying farm jobs were everywhere. The average worker in a unionized factory make 20 or 30 dollars an hour.

With the fall of communism that threat dispersed, increased globalization and increases in global population from 2+ billion to 8+ billion and the flood of international migration ballooned.

A house in the 70's cost less than \$30,000 and rent on our first apartment, a two bedroom with large kitchen living and dining room was a touch over \$300 a month, electricity extra. By the time I finished high school my girlfriend and I, now wife of 45 years had each saved \$20,000 dollars and while I was in college we got married and bought our first house; paid cash. We both had cars with V-B engines and it cost \$15.00 to fill up each gas tank.

College tuition was \$180 dollars a semester or just over 10 hours of working, my wife who went to university paid \$450 a semester for tuition. You could easily work thru the summer and save and pay for school. There was no such thing as student debt. There were also no foreign students paying \$10,000 dollars a semester for schooling driving up the cost of education and universities did not depend on corporations for funding.

50 years later the unions are busted by the flood of competition for low wage jobs, housing is skyrocket mostly due to the influx of so many people, and in the 70's the big racial divide was between Catholic and Protestant, no one talked about racism. Today that is all the news covers because the mass influx of "visible minorities" has created strife, as many cannot find work and the government gives plum token jobs to the highly educated one. When the mass of poorly educated can not have it all and they are not happy about it they blame race, rather than their sheer numbers.

Today we consume more than 1.6 times what the world produces. We are living in a Malthusian crisis, exactly as predicted 200 plus years ago. You do not pile more passengers on a crashing plane. We need to brace for impact and reduce our population in an orderly fashion for our survival

The recent immigrant should be the one shouting the loudest to end massive immigration, its the only way they will get to live the "Canadian Dream". Coming from overpopulated countries they know what it is like to not have a home, clean air or a bad job that a thousand people want. They should be the ones closing the door.