The Chinese in the U.S. have also had a difficult time, but they have managed to live and thrive. There were 200,000 Chinese in the U.S. during the late 19th century, and they have since become an integral part of American society. Although they have faced discrimination and prejudice, they have continued to contribute to the nation's culture and economy. Today, the Chinese are one of the largest and most successful immigrant groups in the U.S., with a population of over 3 million people.