

Conservative immigration scholar claims genetic component to racial disparities in IQ

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Jason Richwine, the coauthor of the conservative Heritage Foundation's [controversial study](#) on the supposed \$6.3 trillion cost of comprehensive immigration reform, has received much attention and criticism for his 2009 Harvard dissertation that [argued there was "a genetic component" to racial disparities in IQ](#). But this dissertation wasn't the first time Richwine had expressed such views publicly. In 2008, he told an audience at the American Enterprise Institute that "major" ethnic or racial differences in intelligence between the Irish, Italian, and Jewish immigrants who flocked to the United States at the turn of the 20th century and the immigrants coming to the US today justified severely restricting immigration.

Read the full story here: [Conservative Immigration Scholar: Black and Hispanic Immigrants Are Dumber Than European Immigrants](#)