

**Chapter 7 Multicultural
Ethnicity**

Key Issue 1: Where are ethnic groups distributed in the USA?

1. Ethnic indicators nationally
 - A. Ethnic group – A group of people sharing a common ancestry as well as cultural traditions of a particular homeland or heritages
 - i). Nationality – “I’ve never been born in a particular” and an identity with a group of people who share legal attachment and personal allegiance to a particular country
 - ii). Nationalism – Loyalty and devotion to a nationality
 - iii). State – An area separated from a political unit and where the government is recognized internationally
 - iv). Nation-State – Ethnicity and politics coincide – rare, e.g. – Denmark, but Denmark also controls Greenland
 - B. Many times ethnic groups may be minorities living with larger populations
2. In USA, 2 major ethnic groups are Afro-Americans (12%) and Hispanic (9%)
3. Next largest ethnic groups are Asian-Americans (3%) and American Indians (1%)
4. Regional clustering of ethnic groups in USA
 - A. Afro-Americans – SE USA because brought here as slaves
 - B. Hispanics – SW USA because it is closer to Middle America
 - C. Asians – Alaska and Hawaii – also closer to homelands