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At the beginning of the twenty-first century, Michigan was home to the second-largest Belgian population in the United States, and Detroit had

one of the largest Belgian populations in the nation. Although

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immigration declined after World War I, the Belgian- American community is still prominent in the state. Political, religious, and economic conditions, including a nineteenth- century economic depression, helped motivate the move to America. Belgians brought with them the ability and willingness to innovate, as well as a tradition of hard work and devotion. The Gazette van Detroit, a Flemis