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Kaushal is a labor and health economist and conducts research on how policies and events affect the wellbeing of low-income families, with special emphasis on immigrants. Her current research includes: labor market impacts of foreign-trained registered nurses and physicians; how immigration of foreign-trained physicians impacts healthcare use and health outcomes of US population; cross-national research on immigration in the United States and Canada; effect of Syrian refugee crisis on electoral preferences in Turkey; long-term impact of tribal resettlement in India. She has authored or co-authored over 50 peer-reviewed scientific articles in top-tier journals and book chapters on immigrants and other vulnerable populations.

Kaushal is the author of Blaming Immigrants: Nationalism and the Economics of Global Movement (2018, Columbia University Press), in which she investigates the core causes of rising disaffection towards immigrants globally and tests common complaints against immigration. https://cup.columbia.edu/book/blaming-immigrants/9780231181457

She also writes a monthly column in the Economic Times, India's largest financial daily. She is currently working on a documentary on tribes-folks in India.