

District of Columbia, United States

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Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in District of Columbia and the United States. Nonetheless, no noncitizen is exempt from the risk of deportation, which threatens the stability and family unity of immigrants and U.S.-born people alike.

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96,500 immigrants reside in **District of Columbia**, or **14 percent** of District of Columbia's population.

United States



47.3 million immigrants reside in **the United States**, or **14 percent** of the total population.

Noncitizen population

49.6K

49,600 noncitizens are living in **District of Columbia**.

22.6M

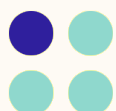
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Children and families

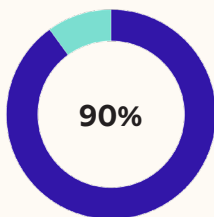
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32.5K
children

There are **32,500** children in District of Columbia with at least one **immigrant parent**.



One in four children in District of Columbia has at least one **immigrant parent**.

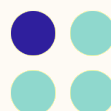


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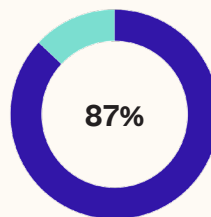
United States

18.7M
children

There are **18.7 million** children in the United States with at least one **immigrant parent**.



One in four children in the United States has at least one **immigrant parent**.



The **vast majority of children** in the United States with at least one immigrant parent (**87 percent**) were born in the United States.

Local community ties



74,100 immigrants residing in District of Columbia have lived in the United States **for 10 years or more**.



At least **28,100** homes in District of Columbia are **owned by immigrants**.



4,200 immigrants in District of Columbia are **entrepreneurs**.



13,700 immigrants in District of Columbia are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Immigrants in the economy

Immigrants in District of Columbia and the United States are indispensable members of the workforce and contribute to the economy by paying federal, state, and local taxes.

Tax contributions*

District of Columbia

\$7.6B Immigrant-led households **earned \$7.6 billion.**

\$886.4M Immigrants contributed **\$886.4 million** in combined **state and local taxes.**

\$1.6B Immigrants contributed **\$1.6 billion** in **federal taxes.**

\$5.1B This means that immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$5.1 billion** in **spending power.**

United States

\$2.35T Immigrant-led households **earned \$2.35 trillion.**

\$232.1B Immigrants contributed **\$232.1 billion** in combined **state and local taxes.**

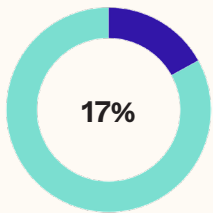
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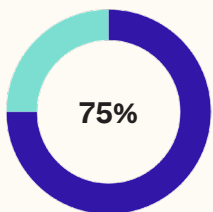
*Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.

Employment and labor force participation

District of Columbia

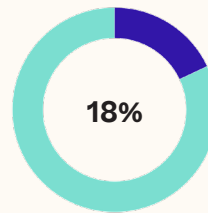


69,300 immigrant workers make up **17 percent** of the district's labor force.

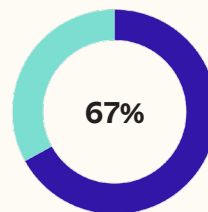


75 percent of the district's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, greater than the share among the district's U.S.-born population (71 percent).

United States



30.2 million immigrant workers make up **18 percent** of the country's labor force.



67 percent of immigrants **participate in the country's labor force**, greater than the share among the U.S.-born population (63 percent).

Sources

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Note: This analysis uses 2024 ACS 5-year PUMS data.

Tax contributions data from:

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