# Denver, Colorado

# Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in the Denver metro area and Colorado. 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.

#### **Denver Metro Area**

# **360.3K**Denver

**360,300 immigrants** reside in **Denver**, or **12 percent** of Denver's population.

#### Colorado



**563,100 immigrants** reside in **Colorado**, or **10 percent** of the total population.

### Noncitizen population

188.3K

**188,300 noncitizens** are living in **Denver.** 

295.1K

**295,100 noncitizens** are living in **Colorado.** 

#### Children and families

#### **Denver Metro Area**

154.8K children

There are **154,800** children in Denver with at least one **immigrant parent**.

#### Colorado

245.4K children There are **245,400** children in Colorado with at least one **immigrant parent.** 



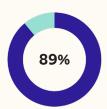
1 in 4

One in four children in Denver has at least one immigrant parent.



Two in nine children in Colorado have at least one immigrant parent.





The vast majority of children in Denver with at least one immigrant parent (89 percent) were born in the United States.

#### 2 in 9



The vast majority of children in Colorado with at least one immigrant parent (92 percent) were born in the United States.

#### Local community ties



**252,100** immigrants residing in the Denver metro area have lived in the United States since **2009** or earlier.



At least **84,600** homes in the Denver metro area are **owned by immigrants**.



**15,900** immigrants in the Denver metro area are **entrepreneurs**.



**42,000** immigrants in the Denver metro area are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

# Immigrants in the economy

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

#### Tax contributions\*

#### Colorado

\$29B Immigrant-led households earned \$29 billion.

\$2.5B Immigrants contributed \$2.5 billion in combined state and local taxes.

\$5.2B Immigrants contributed \$5.2 billion in federal taxes.

\$21.3B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated \$21.3 billion in spending power.

#### **United States**

\$2.4T Immigrant-led households earned \$2.4 trillion.

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

\$419.8B Immigrants contributed \$419.8 billion in federal taxes.

\$1.7T This means immigrant-led households have an estimated \$1.7 trillion in spending power.

## Employment and labor force participation

#### **Denver Metro Area**

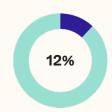


**246,900** immigrant workers make up **14 percent** of the metro area's labor force.



**72 percent** of the metro area's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, comparable to the share among the metro area's U.S.-born population (72 percent).

#### Colorado



**384,100** immigrant workers make up **12 percent** of the state's labor force.



71 percent of immigrants participate in the state's labor force, greater than the share among the state-born population (69 percent).

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<sup>\*</sup>Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.