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Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in Iowa 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.

Iowa United States



187,300 immigrants reside in **lowa**, or **6 percent** of lowa's population.



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

Noncitizen population

106.1K

106,100 noncitizens are living in **lowa**.

22.9M

22.9 million noncitizens are living in **United States**.

Children and families

lowa

92K children There are **92,000** children in lowa with at least one **immigrant parent**.



One in seven children in lowa has at least one immigrant parent.

United States

17.9M children There are 17.9 million children in United States with at least one immigrant parent.



1 in 4

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



1 in 7

The vast majority of children in lowa with at least one immigrant parent (84 percent) were born in the United States.

86%

The vast majority of children in United States with at least one immigrant parent (86 percent) were born in the United States.

Local community ties



99,200 immigrants residing in Iowa have lived in the United States **since 2009** or **earlier**



At least **49,000** homes in lowa are **owned by immigrants**.



8,800 immigrants in lowa are entrepreneurs.



35,200 immigrants in lowa are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Immigrants in the economy

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

Tax contributions*

Iowa

\$7B Immigrant-led households earned \$7 billion.

\$721.2M Immigrants contributed **\$721.2 million** in combined **state** and **local taxes**.

\$1B Immigrants contributed \$1 billion in federal taxes.

\$5.2B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated \$5.2 billion in spending power.

United States

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

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

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

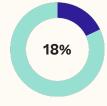
This means immigrant-led households have an estimated \$1.7 trillion in spending power.

Employment and labor force participation

Iowa United States



126,700 immigrant workers make up **7 percent** of the state's labor force.



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



74 percent of the state's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, greater than the share among the state's U.S.-born population (66 percent).



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

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