

Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in Indianapolis metro area and Indiana. 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.

Indianapolis metro area



204,000 immigrants reside in **Indianapolis**, or **9 percent** of Indianapolis's population.

Indiana



435,300 immigrants reside in **Indiana**, or **6 percent** of the total population.

Noncitizen population

120.8K

120,800 noncitizens are living in **Indianapolis**.

253.9K

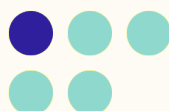
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Children and families

Indianapolis metro area

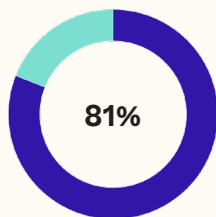
107.9K
children

There are **107,900** children in Indianapolis with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 5

One in five children in Indianapolis has at least one **immigrant parent**.

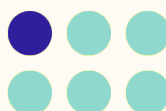


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Indiana

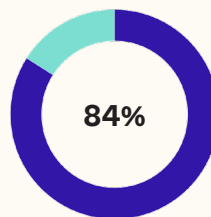
208.9K
children

There are **208,900** children in Indiana with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 6

One in six children in Indiana has at least one **immigrant parent**.



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

Local community ties



151,800 immigrants residing in Indianapolis metro area have lived in the United States for **10 years or more**.



At least **63,300** homes in Indianapolis metro area are **owned by immigrants**.



8,300 immigrants in Indianapolis metro area are **entrepreneurs**.



35,500 immigrants in Indianapolis metro area are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Immigrants in the economy

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

Tax contributions*

Indiana

\$16.4B Immigrant-led households **earned \$16.4 billion**.

\$1.5B Immigrants contributed **\$1.5 billion** in combined **state and local taxes**.

\$2.6B Immigrants contributed **\$2.6 billion** in **federal taxes**.

\$12.3B This means that immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$12.3 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**.

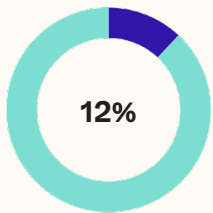
\$419.8B Immigrants contributed **\$419.8 billion** in **federal taxes**.

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

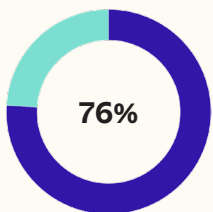
*Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.

Employment and labor force participation

Indianapolis metro area

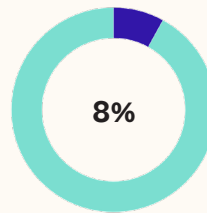


140,600 immigrant workers make up **12 percent** of the metro area's labor force.

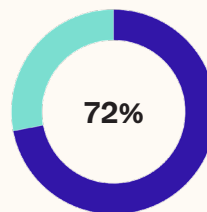


76 percent of the metro area's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, greater than the share among the metro area's U.S.-born population (66 percent).

Indiana



290,500 immigrant workers make up **8 percent** of the state's labor force.



72 percent of immigrants **participate in the state'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.

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