

Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in Kansas City metro area and Missouri. 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.

Kansas City metro area



75,000 immigrants reside in **Kansas City**, or **6 percent** of Kansas City's population.

Missouri



278,000 immigrants reside in **Missouri**, or **4 percent** of the total population.

Noncitizen population

36.8K

36,800 noncitizens are living in **Kansas City**.

136.8K

136,800 noncitizens are living in **Missouri**.

Children and families

Kansas City metro area

37.1K
children

There are **37,100** children in Kansas City with at least one **immigrant parent**.

Missouri

121.2K
children

There are **121,200** children in Missouri with at least one **immigrant parent**.



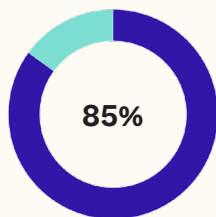
1 in 10

One in ten children in Kansas City has at least one **immigrant parent**.

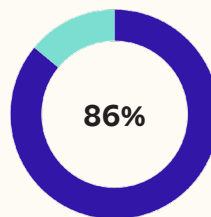


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One in ten children in Missouri has at least one **immigrant parent**.



The **vast majority of children** in Kansas City with at least one immigrant parent (**85 percent**) were born in the United States.



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

Local community ties



60,200 immigrants residing in Kansas City metro area have lived in the United States for **10 years or more**.



At least **26,300** homes in Kansas City metro area are **owned by immigrants**.



2,500 immigrants in Kansas City metro area are **entrepreneurs**.



11,200 immigrants in Kansas City metro area are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Immigrants in the economy

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

Tax contributions*

Missouri

\$13.2B Immigrant-led households **earned \$13.2 billion**.

\$1.1B Immigrants contributed **\$1.1 billion** in combined **state and local taxes**.

\$2.2B Immigrants contributed **\$2.2 billion** in **federal taxes**.

\$9.9B This means that immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$9.9 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**.

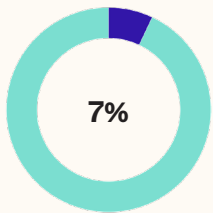
\$419.8B Immigrants contributed **\$419.8 billion** in **federal taxes**.

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

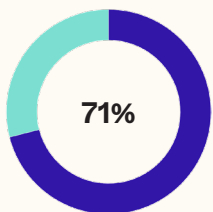
*Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.

Employment and labor force participation

Kansas City metro area

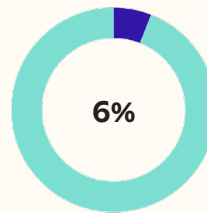


49,100 immigrant workers make up **7 percent** of the metro area's labor force.

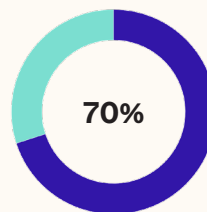


71 percent of the metro area's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, greater than the share among the metro area's U.S.-born population (67 percent).

Missouri



180,900 immigrant workers make up **6 percent** of the state's labor force.



70 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.

Tax contributions data from:

American Immigration Council:

"Map the Impact," available through <https://data.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/map-the-impact/> (accessed April 2026).

Note: The Kansas City metro area includes parts of Kansas. Immigrants in the metro area who reside in this additional state are thus counted in the population for the metro area, but are excluded from the population of Missouri. For this reason, metro area figures may appear larger than the corresponding state figures.