

Oakland, California

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Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in Oakland and California. 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.

Oakland



118.6K
Oakland

118,600 immigrants reside in **Oakland**, or **27 percent** of Oakland's population.

California



10.6M
California

10.6 million immigrants reside in **California**, or **27 percent** of the total population.

Noncitizen population

60.3K

60,300 noncitizens are living in **Oakland**.

4.8M

4.8 million noncitizens are living in **California**.

Children and families

Oakland

30.9K
children

There are **30,900** children in Oakland with at least one **immigrant parent**.

California

3.8M
children

There are **3.8 million** children in California with at least one **immigrant parent**.



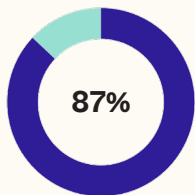
3 in 7

Three in seven children in Oakland have at least one **immigrant parent**.



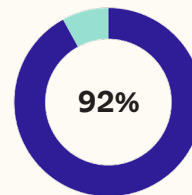
1 in 2

One in two children in California has at least one **immigrant parent**.



87%

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



92%

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

Local community ties



86,700 immigrants residing in Oakland have lived in the United States **since 2009 or earlier**.



At least **18,500** homes in Oakland are **owned by immigrants**.



6,300 immigrants in Oakland are **entrepreneurs**.



11,700 immigrants in Oakland are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Immigrants in the economy

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

Tax contributions*

California

\$572.5B Immigrant-led households **earned \$572.5 billion**.

\$61.8B Immigrants contributed **\$61.8 billion** in combined **state and local taxes**.

\$106.3B Immigrants contributed **\$106.3 billion** in **federal taxes**.

\$404.4B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$404.4 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**.

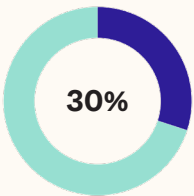
\$419.8B Immigrants contributed **\$419.8 billion** in **federal taxes**.

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

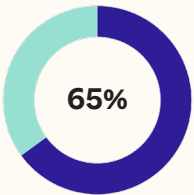
*Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.

Employment and labor force participation

Oakland

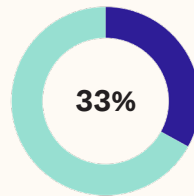


73,900 immigrant workers make up **30 percent** of the city's labor force.

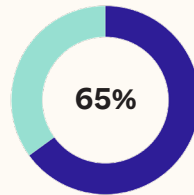


65 percent of the city's immigrants **participate in the labor force**.

California



6.6 million immigrant workers make up **33 percent** of the state's labor force.



65 percent of immigrants **participate in the state's labor force**, greater than the share among the state-born population (64 percent).

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