

## Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in St. Paul metro area and Minnesota. 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.

### St. Paul metro area



**414,000** immigrants reside in **St. Paul**, or **11 percent** of St. Paul's population.

### Minnesota



**491,300** immigrants reside in **Minnesota**, or **9 percent** of the total population.

## Noncitizen population

**161.9K**

**161,900** noncitizens are living in **St. Paul**.

**199.2K**

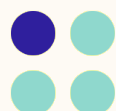
**199,200** noncitizens are living in **Minnesota**.

## Children and families

### St. Paul metro area

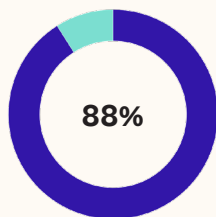
**220.9K**  
**children**

There are **220,900** children in St. Paul with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 4

**one in four children** in St. Paul has at least one **immigrant parent**.



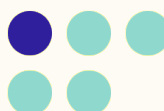
**88%**

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### Minnesota

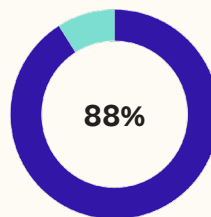
**262.5K**  
**children**

There are **262,500** children in Minnesota with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 5

**one in five children** in Minnesota has at least one **immigrant parent**.



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The **vast majority of children** in Minnesota with at least one immigrant parent (**88 percent**) were born in the United States.

## Local community ties



**346,800** immigrants residing in St. Paul metro area have lived in the United States for **10 years or more**.



At least **137,500** homes in St. Paul metro area are **owned by immigrants**.



**13,600** immigrants in St. Paul metro area are **entrepreneurs**.



**68,700** immigrants in St. Paul metro area are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

# Immigrants in the economy

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

## Tax contributions\*

### Minnesota

**\$23.1B** Immigrant-led households **earned \$23.1 billion**.

**\$2.3B** Immigrants contributed **\$2.3 billion** in combined **state and local taxes**.

**\$3.9B** Immigrants contributed **\$3.9 billion** in **federal taxes**.

**\$17B** This means that immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$17 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**.

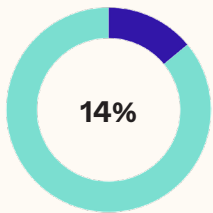
**\$419.8B** Immigrants contributed **\$419.8 billion** in **federal taxes**.

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

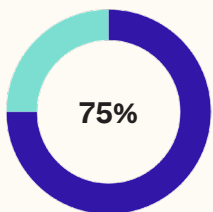
\*Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.

## Employment and labor force participation

### St. Paul metro area

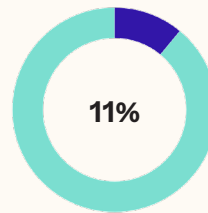


**292,200** immigrant workers make up **14 percent** of the metro area's labor force.

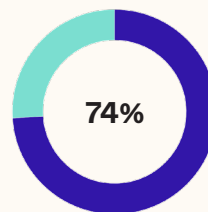


**75 percent** of the metro area's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, greater than the share among the metro area's U.S.-born population (70 percent).

### Minnesota



**342,000** immigrant workers make up **11 percent** of the state's labor force.



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

## Sources

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Version 16.0 [dataset], Steven Ruggles, et al., Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2025, <https://doi.org/10.18128/D010.V16.0>

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 St. Paul metro area includes parts of Wisconsin. 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 Minnesota. For this reason, metro area figures may appear larger than the corresponding state figures.