# West Virginia

## Immigrant population

Immigrants make up an important part of local communities in West Virginia 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.

#### West Virginia



**33,000 immigrants** reside in **West Virginia**, or **2 percent** of West Virginia's population.

#### **United States**



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

### Noncitizen population

15.6K

**15,600 noncitizens** are living in **West Virginia**.

22.9M

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

### Children and families

#### West Virginia

10.4K children There are **10,400** children in West Virginia with at least one **immigrant parent**.

One in nine children in West Virginia has at least one immigrant parent.

1 in 9



The vast majority of children in West Virginia with at least one immigrant parent (93 percent) were born in the United States.

#### **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.

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



**22,100** immigrants residing in West Virginia have lived in the United States **since 2009 or earlier**.



**700** immigrants in West Virginia are **entrepreneurs**.



At least **9,800** homes in West Virginia are **owned by immigrants**.



**5,700** immigrants in West Virginia are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

## Immigrants in the economy

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

#### Tax contributions\*

#### West Virginia

\$1.7B Immigrant-led households earned \$1.7 billion.

\$150M Immigrants contributed \$150 million in combined state and local taxes.

\$300.3M Immigrants contributed \$300.3 million in federal taxes.

\$1.2B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated \$1.2 billion in spending power.

#### **United States**

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

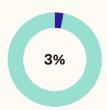
\$232.1B Immigrants contributed \$232.1 billion in combined state and local taxes.

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

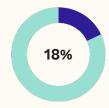
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### Employment and labor force participation

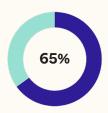
## West Virginia United States



**20,800** immigrant workers make up **3 percent** of the state's labor force.



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



**65 percent** of the state's immigrants participate in the labor force, greater than the share among the state's U.S.-born population (54 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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<sup>\*</sup>Earnings, tax contribution, and spending power data reflect annual figures for 2023.