

Chicago, Illinois

Immigrant population

The foreign-born population in Chicago and Illinois represent an important and diverse share of their local communities, many of whom live in mixed-status families.

Chicago Metro Area



1.7 million immigrants reside in **Chicago**, or **18 percent** of the total population.

Illinois



1.8 million immigrants reside in **Illinois**, or **14 percent** of the total population.

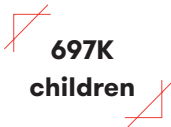
Population at risk of deportation

829K **828,800 non-citizens** residing in **Chicago** are potentially at risk of deportation.

900K **899,900 non-citizens** residing in **Illinois** are potentially at risk of deportation.

Children and families

Chicago Metro Area



There are **696,500 children** in Chicago with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 3

One in three children in Chicago has at least one **immigrant parent**.



The **vast majority of children** with at least one immigrant parent in Chicago are **U.S. citizens**.

Illinois

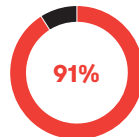


There are **741,600 children** in Illinois with at least one **immigrant parent**.



1 in 4

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Local community ties



1 million immigrants in Chicago have lived in the United States for **more than 15 years**.



427,600 immigrants in Chicago are **homeowners**.



110,000 immigrants in Chicago are **entrepreneurs**.



183,300 immigrants in Chicago are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

Economic and labor force contributions

Immigrants in Chicago and Illinois contribute critical tax dollars to the local economy and are indispensable members of the workforce.

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\$52.2B immigrant-led households **earned \$52.2 billion.**

\$5B immigrants contributed **\$5 billion** in combined **state and local taxes.**

\$9.6B immigrants contributed **\$9.6 billion** in **federal taxes.**

\$37.7B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$37.7 billion** in **spending power.**

Illinois

\$60.8B immigrant-led households **earned \$60.8 billion.**

\$5.7B immigrants contributed **\$5.7 billion** in combined **state and local taxes.**

\$11B immigrants contributed **\$11 billion** in **federal taxes.**

\$44.1B This means immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$44.1 billion** in **spending power.**

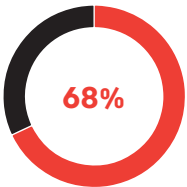
Labor force participation

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1 million immigrant workers comprise 22 percent of the city's labor force, or **one in five.**

1 in 5



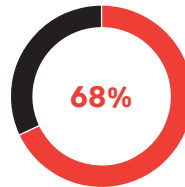
68 percent of the city's immigrants **participate in the labor force**, comparable to the share among the city's native-born population (67 percent).

Illinois



1.1 million immigrant workers comprise 18 percent of the state's labor force, or **one in six.**

1 in 6



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Sources

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