

50 States: Immigrants by Number and Share

There are 50 million immigrants in the United States, making up 15 percent of the overall population. This includes all people who are living in the United States and were born in another country, irrespective of immigration status.

Around the country, the share of immigrants in the population varies from two percent in West Virginia to 28 percent in California. Below is a table to show where your state fits in.

This table also shows the number of non-citizens. Nationally, about half (51 percent) of all immigrants are naturalized citizens, and about half (49 percent) are non-citizens immigrants.

The three leading sources of data about immigrants who are unauthorized—Center for Migration Studies, Pew Research Center, and Migration Policy Institute—all estimate that of the 24 million immigrants who are not, or not yet, citizens, about half are unauthorized. It is important to note that among people who are unauthorized are a very significant number who the government has given some protection from deportation.

At the national level, the estimates of immigrants who are unauthorized range from 12.2 to 14.0 million. The table below shows the range of estimates state by state.

Note that we cannot simply divide the number of undocumented to get a precise undocumented share, since the methodologies for estimating the number of immigrants who are undocumented includes an adjustment for their undercount in the Census Bureau surveys.

IMMIGRANTS BY STATE AND POPULATION SHARE

						Number of Immigrants Who Are Unauthorized: 3 Estimates		
Rank by Immigrant Percent of Population	State	All Immigrants ACS 2024	U.S.-Born ACS 2024	Immigrant Share of Population ACS 2024	Non-Citizen Immigrants ACS 2024	1. Center for Migration Studies 2023	2. Pew Research Center 2023	3. Migration Policy Institute Mid 2023
1	California	10,902,022	28,529,241	28%	5,003,494	2,347,300	2,250,000	2,910,000
2	New Jersey	2,376,424	7,124,427	25%	1,048,985	565,800	600,000	476,000
3	New York	4,621,382	15,245,866	23%	1,877,763	779,000	825,000	836,000
4	Florida	5,392,412	17,979,803	23%	2,433,707	1,025,200	1,600,000	1,223,000
5	Nevada	649,711	2,617,756	20%	307,190	175,700	220,000	199,000
6	Massachusetts	1,337,811	5,798,360	19%	641,080	274,200	400,000	388,000
7	Hawaii	268,845	1,177,301	19%	104,472	23,400	40,000	42,000
8	Texas	5,762,477	25,528,354	18%	3,350,974	2,052,500	2,050,000	1,966,000
9	Maryland	1,070,852	5,192,368	17%	483,797	310,100	350,000	373,000
10	Washington	1,280,809	6,677,371	16%	641,177	326,900	375,000	344,000
11	Connecticut	584,170	3,090,899	16%	266,941	132,800	170,000	198,000
12	Rhode Island	174,869	937,439	16%	81,272	41,300	50,000	59,000
13	District of Columbia	108,542	593,708	15%	60,718	17,300	35,000	31,000
14	Illinois	1,957,482	10,752,676	15%	945,493	471,900	550,000	588,000
15	Virginia	1,193,581	7,617,614	14%	528,907	295,900	325,000	361,000
16	Arizona	1,017,951	6,564,433	13%	530,352	269,600	300,000	307,000
17	Georgia	1,333,177	9,847,701	12%	698,506	413,000	450,000	479,000
18	Delaware	121,583	930,334	12%	57,750	31,200	40,000	33,000
19	Colorado	628,683	5,328,811	11%	332,000	177,700	200,000	230,000
20	Oregon	429,125	3,843,246	10%	209,778	106,700	120,000	155,000
21	New Mexico	212,830	1,917,426	10%	126,298	60,400	60,000	63,000
22	North Carolina	1,093,166	9,952,858	10%	632,363	366,700	425,000	450,000
23	Utah	341,716	3,161,897	10%	206,361	107,900	140,000	138,000
24	Minnesota	523,549	5,269,602	9%	219,225	104,900	130,000	100,000
25	Nebraska	180,857	1,824,609	9%	109,360	55,900	55,000	59,000
26	Pennsylvania	1,090,675	11,988,076	8%	476,555	225,400	300,000	250,000
27	Kansas	232,485	2,738,121	8%	134,054	74,000	90,000	87,000
28	Michigan	778,787	9,361,672	8%	337,770	127,500	200,000	80,000
29	Alaska	56,836	683,297	8%	21,521	6,800	15,000	14,000
30	Indiana	487,371	6,436,904	7%	296,191	131,500	160,000	137,000
31	Oklahoma	271,938	3,823,455	7%	159,092	91,100	100,000	110,000
32	Tennessee	472,751	6,754,999	7%	285,663	176,200	190,000	186,000
33	South Carolina	351,009	5,127,822	6%	193,617	114,500	140,000	139,000
34	Idaho	126,009	1,875,610	6%	71,563	29,200	40,000	40,000
35	Iowa	203,549	3,037,939	6%	117,866	55,200	70,000	51,000
36	New Hampshire	83,815	1,325,217	6%	31,447	17,400	20,000	19,000
37	Arkansas	180,109	2,908,245	6%	117,009	65,900	85,000	72,000
38	Ohio	654,793	11,228,511	6%	312,086	136,300	190,000	90,000
39	Wisconsin	327,033	5,633,942	5%	175,510	101,000	110,000	69,000
40	North Dakota	41,910	754,658	5%	26,806	4,600	10,000	7,000
41	Louisiana	239,225	4,358,515	5%	145,642	92,100	110,000	101,000
42	Kentucky	238,231	4,350,141	5%	149,770	53,100	85,000	61,000
43	Missouri	308,514	5,936,952	5%	150,741	73,000	95,000	65,000
44	Maine	65,815	1,339,197	5%	32,655	6,600	10,000	10,000
45	Vermont	29,028	619,465	4%	8,875	n/a	<5,000	5,000
46	Alabama	230,850	4,926,849	4%	140,328	72,700	85,000	77,000
47	South Dakota	38,359	886,310	4%	23,519	13,100	10,000	11,000
48	Wyoming	20,456	567,162	3%	11,301	7,400	10,000	8,000
49	Mississippi	79,645	2,863,400	3%	49,329	27,000	40,000	27,000
50	Montana	24,386	1,112,847	2%	11,668	3,400	<5,000	6,000
51	West Virginia	37,253	1,732,726	2%	18,342	5,700	10,000	7,000
	United States	50,234,858	289,876,132	15%	24,396,883	12,244,500	14,000,000	13,738,000

Sources: All immigrants, U.S.-born, total population, and non-citizen immigrants come from Immigration Research Initiative analysis of the 2024 American Community Survey. The three estimates of immigrants who are unauthorized come from the [Center for Migration Studies](#), [Pew Research Center](#), and [Migration Policy Institute](#). CMS and Pew analyses are developed from the 2022 American Community Survey data. The MPI estimate is based on the pooled 2019-23 American Community Survey (ACS) and the 2023, 2022, and 2008 Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), weighted to 2023 unauthorized immigrant population estimates provided by Jennifer Van Hook of The Pennsylvania State University.

Recent Trends

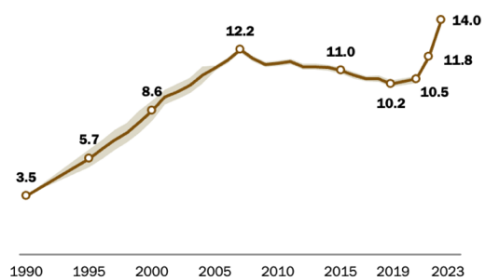
The Pew Research Center explains that “the label ‘**unauthorized immigrants**’ captures a complex array of statuses, including immigrants who entered the U.S. legally. While the label is not perfect, it groups together immigrants living in the country with impermanent, precarious statuses.”

This [Pew report](#) looks at recent trends, and shows a sharp increase in the number of people who are unauthorized that coincided with humanitarian crises around the world and pent-up demand at the end of the Covid pandemic.

A SHARP RECENT INCREASE, WITH OVER 40% HAVING SOME PROTECTION FROM DEPORTATION

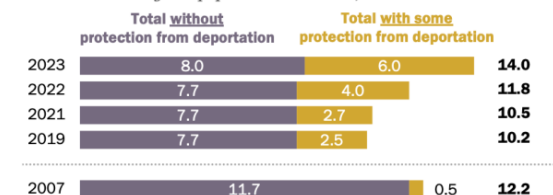
The number of unauthorized immigrants in the U.S. grew sharply from 2021 to 2023 ...

U.S. immigrant population without full legal status, in millions



... due to an increase of unauthorized immigrants with some protection from deportation

Unauthorized immigrant population in the U.S., in millions



Note: In the top panel, shading shows the range of the estimated 90% confidence interval. The data points labeled are 1990, 1995, 2000, 2007 (previous peak), 2015, 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Source: Pew Research Center estimates based on augmented U.S. Census Bureau data (IPUMS).

“U.S. Unauthorized Immigrant Population Reached a Record 14 Million in 2023”

Source: [Pew Research Center analysis](#) by Jeffrey S. Passel and Jens Manuel Krogstad

The big change in immigration was a large increase in the number asylum seekers, people granted humanitarian parole, and others who government policy gave some degree of protection from deportation. Of the 14 million immigrants Pew estimates were unauthorized as of 2023, six million—43 percent—had some protection from deportation.

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