

## Immigrant population

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

### Denver Metro Area



**352,100 immigrants** reside in **Denver**, or **12 percent** of the total population.

### Colorado



**545,500 immigrants** reside in **Colorado**, or **10 percent** of the total population.

## Population at risk of deportation

**188K** 188,300 non-citizens residing in **Denver** are potentially at risk of deportation.

**290K** 290,400 non-citizens residing in **Colorado** are potentially at risk of deportation.

## Children and families

### Denver Metro Area

**164K**  
children

There are **164,500** children in Denver with at least one **immigrant parent**.

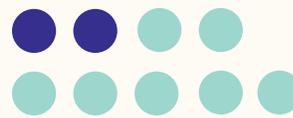
### Colorado

**265K**  
children

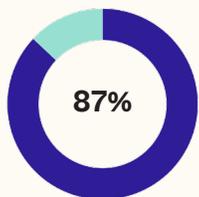
There are **264,900** children in Colorado with at least one **immigrant parent**.



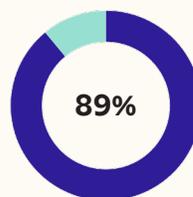
**Two in seven children** in Denver have at least one **immigrant parent**.



**Two in nine children** in Colorado have at least one **immigrant parent**.



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## Local community ties



**262,300** immigrants have lived in the Denver metro area **since 2009 or earlier**.



At least **80,700** homes in the Denver metro area are **owned by immigrants**.



**27,900** immigrants in the Denver metro area are **entrepreneurs**.



**44,300** immigrants in the Denver metro area are **students** enrolled in pre-K through college or graduate school.

# Economic and labor force contributions

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

## Denver Metro Area

**\$14.4B** Immigrant-led households **earned \$14.4 billion.**

**\$1.1B** Immigrants contributed **\$1.1 billion** in combined **state and local taxes.**

**\$2.8B** Immigrants contributed **\$2.8 billion** in **federal taxes.**

**\$10.5B** This means immigrant-led households have an estimated **\$10.5 billion** in **spending power.**

## Colorado

**\$21.3B** Immigrant-led households **earned \$21.3 billion.**

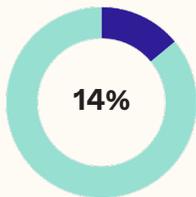
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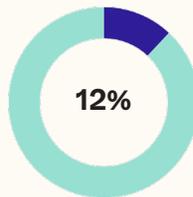
## Labor force participation

### Denver Metro Area

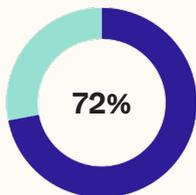


**238,100** immigrant workers comprise **14 percent** of the labor force.

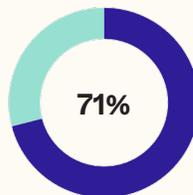
### Colorado



**364,500** immigrant workers comprise **12 percent** of the state's labor force.



**72 percent** of immigrants **participate in the labor force**, comparable to the share among the native-born population (72 percent).



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

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