

# How many immigrants live in the United States and where are they from?

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There were an estimated 41 million immigrants living in the United States in 2014. This is up from 40.3 million in 2013, 39.8 million in 2012, 39.2 million in 2011, and 38.7 million in 2010.

The total US population in 2014 was 318.9 million people. Immigrants therefore made up 12.87% of the US population in 2014.

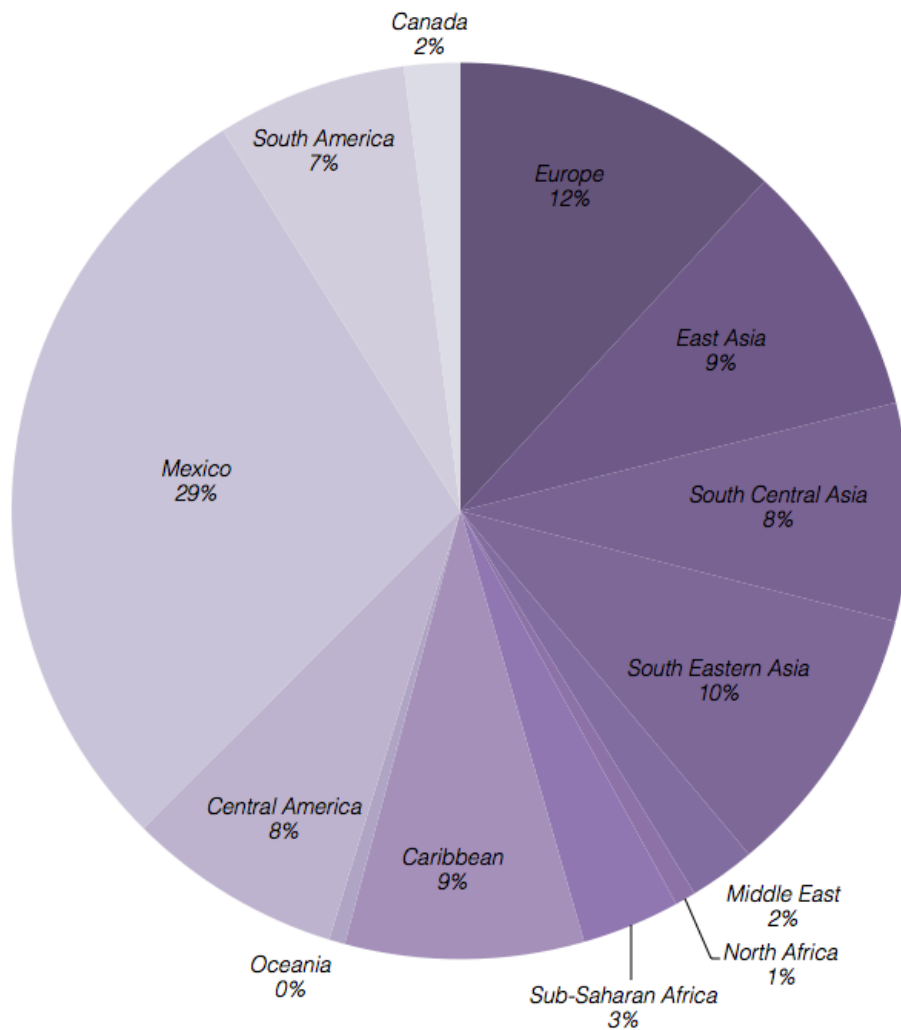
## **60% of immigrants living in the US come from 10 countries:**

1. Mexico – 11,636,547 people
2. China (including Taiwan and Hong Kong) – 2,338,405 people
3. India – 1,988,733 people
4. Philippines – 1,865,271 people
5. Vietnam – 1,273,982 people
6. El Salvador – 1,255,177 people
7. Cuba – 1,128,324 people
8. Korea – 1,082,307 people
9. Dominican Republic – 942,123 people
10. Guatemala – 871,315 people

Immigrants come to the United States from every region of the world, but some regions are better represented than others.

**53% of immigrants living in the United States come from Latin American or Caribbean countries.** Latin America includes Mexico (11.6 million immigrants); Central American countries like El Salvador (1.25 million immigrants), Guatemala (871,315 immigrants), Honduras (532,717 immigrants), and Nicaragua (249,712 immigrants); and South American countries like Colombia (680,215 immigrants), Peru (436,222 immigrants), Ecuador (431,116 immigrants), Brazil (334,511 immigrants), and Venezuela (200,242 immigrants). The Caribbean includes countries like Cuba (1.1 million immigrants), the Dominican Republic (942,123 million immigrants), Jamaica (697,215 immigrants), Haiti (597,650 immigrants), Guyana (264,719 immigrants), and Trinidad and Tobago (232,105 immigrants).

## Origins of the immigrant population in the United States in 2014



**27% of immigrants living in the United States come from Asia.** Asia includes East Asian countries like Mainland China (1.75 million immigrants), Korea (1.08 million immigrants), Taiwan (366,295 immigrants), Japan (332,355 immigrants), and Hong Kong (217,357 immigrants); South Eastern Asian countries like the Philippines (1.9 million immigrants), Vietnam (1.3 million immigrants), Thailand (237,860 immigrants), and Laos (192,270 immigrants); and South Central Asian countries like India (2 million immigrants), Iran (362,185 immigrants), Pakistan (326,526 immigrants), and Bangladesh (186,882 immigrants).

**12% of immigrants living in the United States come from Europe.** Europe includes Western European countries like Germany (595,502 immigrants) and France (163,260 immigrants); Northern European countries like England

(338,237 immigrants) and Ireland (128,301 immigrants); Southern European countries like Italy (360,042 immigrants), Portugal (183,485 immigrants), and Greece (135,269 immigrants); and Eastern European countries like Poland (445,821 immigrants), Russia (388,657 immigrants), Ukraine (337,909 immigrants), and Romania (159,028 immigrants).

**3% of immigrants living in the United States come from the Middle East and North Africa.** This region includes countries like Iraq (182,644 immigrants), Egypt (160,875 immigrants), Israel (129,392 immigrants), Lebanon (119,402 immigrants), and Turkey (105,955 immigrants).

**3% of immigrants living in the United States come from Sub-Saharan Africa.** This region includes countries like Nigeria (238,599 immigrants), Ethiopia (188,061 immigrants), Ghana (136,967 immigrants), and Kenya (105,453 immigrants).

**2% of immigrants living in the United States (812,073 people) come from Canada.** Also a very small share of immigrants (less than 1%) living in the United States come from the Oceania region, which includes countries like Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey

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