

# Oregon Demographics

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# Oregon (2021)\*

- ❖ Total foreign-born population – 412,396
- ❖ 9.7% of the country's ~ 4.2 million people are foreign born
  - 51.8% naturalized citizens
  - 29% legal permanent residents (as of 2019)
  - 19.2% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 42.4% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2021
- ❖ Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
  - 52.2% entered before 1999
  - 22.3% entered 2000 - 2009
  - 25.5% since 2010
- ❖ 22.2% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
  - 91.6% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

*\*Source: Migration Policy Institute Data Hub (November, 2023) and Lawful Permanent Resident estimates MPI and DHS (2022)*

# Oregon – Countries/Regions of Origin & Limited English Proficiency (LEP)(2021)\*

- ❖ Latin America – 40.9%
  - ❖ Mexico (34.1%)
- ❖ Asia – 29.9%
  - ❖ China/Taiwan (6.7%)
  - ❖ South Central Asia (6.1%)
  - ❖ Vietnam (6%)
  - ❖ Other Southeastern Asia (5.9%)
- ❖ Europe – 15%
  - ❖ Eastern Europe (6.7%)
- ❖ Africa – 4.3%
- ❖ Middle East – 3.9%
- ❖ Canada – 3.6%
- ❖ Oceania – 2.3%
- ❖ Language spoken
  - ❖ 15.2% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
  - ❖ 42.9% of foreign-born persons are LEP - speak English less than “very well”

\*Source: [Migration Policy Institute Data Hub](#) (November, 2023)

# Oregon-Languages Spoken at Home (2021)\*

- ❖ Spanish (351,085)
- ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (31,888)
- ❖ Vietnamese (30,022)
- ❖ Russian (27,417)
- ❖ German (14,381)
- ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (11,281)
- ❖ Japanese (10,897)
- ❖ Korean (10,586)
- ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (10,030)
- ❖ French (including Cajun) (10,471)
- ❖ Arabic (9,855)
- ❖ Hindi (6,098)
- ❖ Thai, Lao, or Other Tai-Kadai Languages (5,689)
- ❖ Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (5,608)
- ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (5,397)
- ❖ Italian (5,033)
- ❖ Nepali, Marathi, or Other Indic Languages (4,557)

\* Source: <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/data/state-profiles/state/language/OR> (November, 2023)

# Oregon - LEP (2021)\*

- ❖ Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
  - ❖ Naturalized citizens – 32.2%
  - ❖ Noncitizens – 54.5%
- ❖ Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
  - ❖ Vietnamese (55.7%)
  - ❖ Thai, Lao, or Other Tai-Kadai Languages (49%)
  - ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (44.7%)
  - ❖ Korean (42.4%)
  - ❖ Spanish (36.2%)
  - ❖ Russian (35.5%)
  - ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (35.4%)
  - ❖ Japanese (29.6%)
  - ❖ Arabic (29%)
  - ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (24.4%)
  - ❖ French (including Cajun) (22.9%)

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