Ohio Demographics

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Ohio (2024)*

- Total foreign-born population – 654,793
- 5.5% of the state's ~ 11.8 million people are foreign born
  - 52.3% naturalized citizens
  - 25% legal permanent residents (as of 2023)*
  - 23% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 72.7% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2024
- Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
  - 28.6% entered before 2000
  - 20.9% entered 2000 - 2009
  - 50.6% since 2010
- 11.2% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
  - 88.8% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

*Source: Migration Policy Institute (MPI), Migration Data Hub, "State Immigration Data Profiles: Demographics," (April, 2026).

Ohio– Countries/Regions of Origin & Limited English Proficiency (LEP)(2024)*

- Asia – 34.7%
  - India (10.8%)
  - Other South Central Asia (7.1%)
  - Southeastern Asia (7.0%)
  - China/Taiwan (6.3%)
- Latin America – 25.4%
  - Mexico (7.4%)
  - Other Central America (4.5%)
- Africa – 15.7%
  - Eastern Africa (5.1%)
- Europe – 16.1%
  - Eastern Europe (8.8%)
- Middle East – 5.2%
- Canada – 2.3%
- Oceania – 0.6%

- Language spoken
  - 8.7% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
  - 39.7% of foreign-born persons are LEP - speak English less than "very well"

Source: MPI Data Hub, "State Immigration Data Profiles: Demographics," (April, 2026)

Ohio - Languages Spoken at Home (2024)*

- Spanish (327,084)
- Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch, or Other West Germanic Languages (71,791)
- Arabic (51,748)
- German (45,938)
- Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (43,517)
- Nepali, Marathi, or Other Indic Languages (38,051)
- French (including Cajun) (34,927)
- Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (28,384)
- Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or Other Languages of Western Africa (27,146)
- Hindi (21,589)
- Telugu (18,784)
- Russian (17,572)
- Gujarati (15,066)
- Tagalog (including Filipino) (13,834)
- Vietnamese (13,054)
- Japanese (12,175)
- Italian (11,466)

* Source: MPI Data Hub, "State Immigration Data Profiles: Language and Education," (April, 2026)

Ohio - LEP (2024)*

- Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
  - Naturalized citizens – 28.9%
  - Noncitizens – 51.9%
- Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
  - Nepali, Marathi, or Other Indic Languages (51.1%)
  - Japanese (49.8%)
  - Russian (43.7%)
  - Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (42.8%)
  - Spanish (40.5%)
  - French (including Cajun) (35.1%)
  - Arabic (35.7%)
  - Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (31.5%)
  - Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch, or Other West Germanic Languages (30.5%)
  - Tagalog (including Filipino) (27.8%)
  - Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or Other Languages of Western Africa (17.7%)

* Source: MPI Data Hub, "State Immigration Data Profiles: Language and Education," (April, 2026)