

California Demographics

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California (2021)*

- ❖ Total foreign born population – 10,451,810
- ❖ 36.3% of the country's ~ 39.2 million people are foreign born
 - 54.7% naturalized citizens
 - 27% legal permanent residents (as of 2019)
 - 18.3% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 17.9% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2021
- ❖ Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
 - 58.2% entered before 1999
 - 21.4% entered 2000 - 2009
 - 20.3% since 2010
- ❖ 46.1% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
 - 91% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

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

California– Countries/Regions of Origin & Limited English Proficiency (LEP)(2021)*

- ❖ Latin America – 49.3%
 - ❖ Mexico (36.9%)
 - ❖ Other Central America (4.6%)
 - ❖ El Salvador (4.4%)
- ❖ Asia – 35.2%
 - ❖ China/Taiwan (9%)
 - ❖ Philippines (7.8%)
 - ❖ India (5.2%)
 - ❖ Vietnam (4.8%)
- ❖ Europe – 6.4%
- ❖ Middle East – 5.1%
- ❖ Africa – 2.1%
- ❖ Canada – 1.1%
- ❖ Oceania – 0.9%
- ❖ Language spoken
 - ❖ 43.9% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
 - ❖ 52.1% of foreign born persons are LEP - speak English less than “very well”

**Source: Migration Policy Institute Data Hub (September, 2023)*

California-Languages Spoken at Home (2021)*

- ❖ Spanish (10,434,308)
- ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (1,244,445)
- ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (757,488)
- ❖ Vietnamese (544,046)
- ❖ Korean (356,901)
- ❖ Arabic (231,612)
- ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (221,650)
- ❖ Armenian (211,614)
- ❖ Hindi (208,148)
- ❖ Russian (178,176)
- ❖ Punjabi (156,763)
- ❖ Japanese (135,992)
- ❖ French (including Cajun (126,371)
- ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (123,183)
- ❖ German (93,421)
- ❖ Portuguese (93,305)
- ❖ Telugu (75,003)

California-LEP (2021)*

- ❖ Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
 - ❖ Naturalized citizens – 44.7%
 - ❖ Noncitizens – 61.1%
- ❖ Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
 - ❖ Vietnamese (60.2%)
 - ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (53.8%)
 - ❖ Korean (53.1%)
 - ❖ Japanese (44%)
 - ❖ Punjabi (43.4%)
 - ❖ Armenian (41.2%)
 - ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (40.4%)
 - ❖ Russian (39.5%)
 - ❖ Spanish (39%)
 - ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (38.5%)