Hawaii Demographics

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Hawaii (2021)*

- ❖ Total foreign born population 270,345
- ♦ 18.8% of the state's ~ 1.4 million people are foreign born
 - 61.5% naturalized citizens
 - 28% legal permanent residents (as of 2019)
 - 10.5% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 27.4% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2021
- *Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
 - 54.2% entered before 1999
 - 20.3% entered 2000 2009
 - 25.5% since 2010
- 29.1% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
 - 84.8% 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)



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

- ♦ Asia 77.2%
 - Philippines (45.2%)
 - China/Taiwan (10.9%)
 - Japan (7.9%)
 - Korea (6.4%)
 - Other Southeastern Asia (6%)
- Oceania 10.5%
- ❖ Latin America 4.6%
- ❖ Europe 4.1%

- ❖ Canada − 1.9%
- ❖ Africa 1%
- ❖ Middle East 0.6%
- Language spoken
 - 25.9% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
 - 47.4% of foreign born persons are LEP - speak English less than "very well"

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



Hawaii-Languages Spoken at Home (2021)*

- Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (125,233)
- Tagalog (including Filipino) (60,019)
- **\$** Japanese (38,466)
- Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (32,984)
- **❖** Spanish (31,421)
- ***** Korean (18,710)
- **❖** Vietnamese (10,121)
- Thai, Lao, or Other Tai-Kadai Languages (4,393)
- French (including Cajun) (3,944)
- **♦** German (3,357)
- **❖** Portuguese (1,609)
- **A** Russian (1,517)
- **!** Italian (902)
- **!** Hindi (612)
- **Arabic** (563)
- Polish (503)



Hawaii-LEP (2019)*

- Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
 - ❖ Naturalized citizens 43.3%
 - Noncitizens 54.1%
- Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
 - **❖** Vietnamese (68.1%)
 - Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (59%)
 - **❖** Korean (58.9%)
 - Thai, Lao, or Other Tai-Kadai Languages (57.5%)
 - Tagalog (including Filipino) (46.3%)
 - Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (43.7%)
 - **❖** Japanese (43.9%)
 - **A** Russian (30.8%)
 - ❖ Portuguese (28%)
 - **❖** Spanish (21.9%)

