

Missouri Demographics

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Missouri(2019)*

- ❖ Total foreign born population – 262,047
- ❖ 4.3% of the country's ~6.1 million people are foreign born
 - 45% naturalized citizens
 - 27% legal permanent residents
 - 28% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 73.3% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2019
- ❖ Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
 - 41.1% entered before 1999
 - 25.5% entered 2000 - 2009
 - 33.4% since 2010
- ❖ 8.9% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
 - 86.9% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

**Source: Migration Policy Institute Data Hub (August 2021) and Lawful Permanent Resident estimates MPI and DHS (2022)*

Missouri– Countries/Regions of Origin & Limited English Proficiency (LEP)(2019)*

- ❖ Asia – 34.3%
 - ❖ China/Taiwan (9.6%)
 - ❖ India (8.5%)
 - ❖ Philippines (4.7%)
 - ❖ Vietnam (4%)
- ❖ Latin America – 31.1%
 - ❖ Mexico (14.9%)
 - ❖ Other Central America (7.6%)
 - ❖ South America (4.5%)
 - ❖ Caribbean (4.2%)
- ❖ Europe – 17.3%
 - ❖ Eastern Europe (9.2%)
- ❖ Africa – 9.3%
 - ❖ Eastern Africa (4.1%)
- ❖ Middle East – 4.9%
- ❖ Canada – 1.7%
- ❖ Oceania – 1.4%
- ❖ Language spoken
 - ❖ 6.6% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
 - ❖ 34.5% of foreign born persons are LEP - speak English less than “very well”

**Source: [Migration Policy Institute Data Hub](#) (August 2021)*

Missouri-Languages Spoken at Home (2019)*

- ❖ Spanish (164,711)
- ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (25,725)
- ❖ German (19,101)
- ❖ Vietnamese (15,298)
- ❖ Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch or Other West Germanic Languages (13,140)
- ❖ Arabic (12,248)
- ❖ French (including Cajun) (10,474)
- ❖ Russian (9,223)
- ❖ Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (8,576)
- ❖ Telugu (8,137)
- ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (9,072)
- ❖ Korean (6,459)
- ❖ Hindi (5,647)
- ❖ Swahili or Other Languages of Central, Eastern, and Southern Africa (5,528)
- ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (5,097)
- ❖ Italian (4,308)
- ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (3,110)

Missouri-LEP (2019)*

- ❖ Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
 - ❖ Naturalized citizens – 24.5%
 - ❖ Noncitizens – 45.2%
- ❖ Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
 - ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (49.6%)
 - ❖ Korean (46.2%)
 - ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (45.5%)
 - ❖ Russian (42.4%)
 - ❖ Vietnamese (41.9%)
 - ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (36.7%)
 - ❖ Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (36.5%)
 - ❖ Arabic (34.2%)
 - ❖ Spanish (33.8%)
 - ❖ Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch or Other West Germanic Languages (33%)
 - ❖ Italian (29.2%)