

New Mexico Demographics

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New Mexico (2019)*

- ❖ Total foreign born population – 201,842
- ❖ 9.6% of the country's ~ 2.1 million people are foreign born
 - 36% naturalized citizens
 - 32% legal permanent residents
 - 32% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 34.9% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2019
- ❖ Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
 - 53.3% entered before 1999
 - 26.6% entered 2000 - 2009
 - 20.1% since 2010
- ❖ 19.9% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
 - 92.2% 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)*

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

- ❖ Latin America – 75.1%
 - ❖ Mexico (67%)
- ❖ Asia – 13.4%
 - ❖ Southeastern Asia (7.1%)
- ❖ Europe – 5.9%
- ❖ Africa – 2.4%
- ❖ Middle East – 2%
- ❖ Canada – 0.8%
- ❖ Oceania – 0.5%
- ❖ Language spoken
 - ❖ 34% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
 - ❖ 51.2% of foreign born persons are LEP - speak English less than “very well”

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

New Mexico-Languages Spoken at Home (2019)*

- ❖ Spanish (524,990)
- ❖ Native Languages of North America (96,137)
- ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (5,868)
- ❖ Vietnamese (5,492)
- ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (5,050)
- ❖ French (including Cajun) (4,030)
- ❖ German (3,872)
- ❖ Japanese (2,158)
- ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (1,721)
- ❖ Italian (1,591)
- ❖ Swahili or Other Languages of Central, Eastern, and Southern Africa (1,563)
- ❖ Telugu (1,509)
- ❖ Arabic (1,399)
- ❖ Korean (1,298)
- ❖ Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch or Other West Germanic Languages (1,094)
- ❖ Urdu (981)
- ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (872)

New Mexico-LEP (2019)*

- ❖ Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
 - ❖ Naturalized citizens – 41.8%
 - ❖ Noncitizens – 59.7%
- ❖ Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
 - ❖ Vietnamese (52.4%)
 - ❖ Korean (49.3%)
 - ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (41.7%)
 - ❖ Persian (including Farsi, Dari) (33.0%)
 - ❖ Arabic (30.3%)
 - ❖ Urdu (30.0%)
 - ❖ Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or Other Austronesian Languages (29.6%)
 - ❖ Thai, Lao, or Other Tai-Kadai Languages (26.6%)
 - ❖ Spanish (25.5%)
 - ❖ Japanese (24.8%)
 - ❖ Telugu (23.7%)