Michigan Demographics

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Michigan (2024)*

- Total foreign born population – 778,787
- 7.7% of the state's ~ 10.1 million people are foreign born
  - 56.6% naturalized citizens
  - 24% legal permanent residents (as of 2023)*
  - 19.4% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 48.7% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2024
- Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
  - 36.7% entered before 2000
  - 20.1% entered 2000 - 2009
  - 43.2% since 2010
- 15.1% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
  - 84.9% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

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

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

- Asia – 33.2%
  - India (11.6%)
  - Southeastern Asia (6.9%)
  - China/Taiwan (4.9%)
- Middle East – 18.7%
- Latin America – 22.6%
  - Mexico (11.4%)
  - Central America (14.3%)
- Europe – 15.3%
  - Eastern Europe (8.7%)
- Africa – 5.8%
- Canada – 4.0%
- Oceania – 0.3%
- Language spoken
  - 11.1% of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
  - 39.4% of foreign born persons are LEP - speak English less than "very well"

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

Michigan - Languages Spoken at Home (2024)*

- Spanish (327,243)
- Arabic (190,833)
- Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (46,123)
- Bengali (35,410)
- German (30,719)
- Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages) (27,612)
- Hindi (21,528)
- Telugu (20,591)
- Korean (20,358)
- French (including Cajun) (20,236)
- Vietnamese (19,051)
- Tagalog (including Filipino) (18,329)
- Polish (15,295)
- Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch, or Other West Germanic Languages (15,115)
- Urdu (12,742)
- Japanese (10,949)
- Italian (3,449)

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

Michigan - LEP (2024)*

- Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
  - Naturalized citizens – 34.7%
  - Noncitizens – 45.6%
- Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
  - Vietnamese (54.0%)
  - Bengali (51.9%)
  - Japanese (43.8%)
  - Arabic (43.5%)
  - Korean (43.2%)
  - Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (40.3%)
  - Spanish (38.2%)
  - Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (35.9%)
  - Polish (28.0%)
  - Tagalog (including Filipino) (26.5%)
  - French (including Cajun) (18.9%)

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