

North Dakota Demographics

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North Dakota (2021)*

- ❖ Total foreign-born population – 33,824
- ❖ 4.4% of the state's ~ 775 thousand people are foreign born citizens
 - 48.3% naturalized
 - 31% legal permanent residents (as of 2019)
 - 20.7% temporary visa holders or undocumented immigrants
- 179.2% rise in immigrant population from 2000 to 2021
- ❖ Length of time immigrants have lived in the U.S.
 - 21.9% entered before 1999
 - 24% entered 2000 - 2009
 - 54.1% since 2010
- ❖ 9.5% of children under age 18 have one or more immigrant parents
 - 86.4% of these children are native-born U.S. citizens

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

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

- ❖ Africa – 28.8%
 - ❖ Eastern Asia (15.3%)
 - ❖ Western Africa (9.8%)
- ❖ Asia – 26.8%
 - ❖ Southeastern Asia (9%)
 - ❖ South Central Asia (7.1%)
 - ❖ Eastern Asia (6%)
 - ❖ India (4.8%)
- ❖ Latin America – 21%
 - ❖ Mexico (13.5%)
- ❖ Europe – 12.1%
 - ❖ Eastern Europe (5.9%)
- ❖ Canada – 8.3%
- ❖ Middle East – 2.3%
- ❖ Oceania – 0.7%
- ❖ Language spoken
 - ❖ % of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home
 - ❖ 32.3% of foreign-born persons are LEP - speak English less than “very well”

*Source: [Migration Policy Institute Data Hub](#) (October, 2023)

North Dakota - Languages Spoken at Home (2021)*

- ❖ Spanish (13,876)
- ❖ German (4,925)
- ❖ Native Languages of North America (2,181)
- ❖ Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (2,086)
- ❖ French (including Cajun) (2,039)
- ❖ Swahili or Other Languages of Central, Eastern, and Southern Africa (2,010)
- ❖ Nepali, Marathi, or Other Indic Languages (1,896)
- ❖ Arabic (1,864)
- ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (1,812)
- ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (1,352)
- ❖ Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or Other Languages of Western Africa (1,222)
- ❖ Korean (1,060)
- ❖ Vietnamese (741)
- ❖ Japanese (620)
- ❖ Gujarati (594)
- ❖ Russian (433)

* Source <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/data/state-profiles/state/language/ND> (October, 2023)

North Dakota - LEP (2021)*

- ❖ Limited English Proficiency (Speak English less than very well)
 - ❖ Naturalized citizens – 21.1%
 - ❖ Noncitizens – 32.4%
- ❖ Limited English Proficiency by language spoken at home
 - ❖ Nepali, Marathi, or Other Indic Languages (63.8%)
 - ❖ Korean (52.6%)
 - ❖ Arabic (49.7%)
 - ❖ Vietnamese (48.7%)
 - ❖ Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages (39.4%)
 - ❖ Chinese (including Mandarin, Cantonese) (34.2%)
 - ❖ Native Languages of North America (32.5%)
 - ❖ French (including Cajun) (29.2%)
 - ❖ Spanish (28.5%)
 - ❖ Tagalog (including Filipino) (28.4%)
 - ❖ Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or Other Languages of Western Africa (26.4%)

* Source <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/data/state-profiles/state/language/NC> (October, 2023)