Immigrants in North Texas
The Demographic and Economic Contributions of Immigrants in the Metro Area

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS

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<td>Immigrant homeowners in 2017</td>
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<td>Total property value of immigrant households</td>
<td>$71.9B</td>
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<td>Total annual rent paid by immigrant households</td>
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<td>Immigrant entrepreneurs in 2017</td>
<td>102,884</td>
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<td>Business income generated by immigrant entrepreneurs</td>
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Given their income, immigrants contributed significantly to state and local taxes, including property, sales, and excise taxes levied by state and local governments.

Amount earned by immigrant households in 2017:

- $7.3B went to federal taxes.
- $3.2B went to state & local taxes.

Leaving them with $33.2B in spending power.

DEMOGRAPHICS

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<td>Immigrant population in 2017</td>
<td>1,386,114</td>
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<td>Number of immigrants eligible to vote</td>
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<td>Immigrant share of the population</td>
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Although immigrants made up 18.7% of the region’s overall population, they represented 24.4% of its working-age population and 29.4% of its STEM workers in 2017.

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85.6% of the immigrant population were of working age, in contrast to 61.1% of the U.S.-born population.

Share of the region’s population aged 25 or older that held a bachelor’s degree or higher in 2017:

- 36.6% of U.S.-born
- 29.2% of Immigrants

Share of the region’s population aged 25 or older that held an advanced degree in 2017:

- 12.0% of U.S.-born
- 12.5% of Immigrants

**Immigrants played a critical role in several key industries in the region. This includes:**

1. **48.7%** of workers in the CONSTRUCTION industry were foreign-born in 2017.
2. **32.8%** — ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT
3. **30.9%** — GENERAL SERVICES
4. **29.4%** — TOURISM, HOSPITALITY, AND RECREATION
5. **29.4%** — MANUFACTURING
DEMOGRAPHICS (CONTINUED)

Specifically, the top occupations with the highest share of immigrant workers were:

- Painters, construction, and maintenance: 73.2%
- Maids and housekeeping cleaners: 70.5%
- Construction laborers: 68.7%
- Carpenters: 67.1%
- Grounds maintenance workers: 61.6%

The top 10 countries of origin for immigrants in the region in 2017 were:

1. Mexico ................. 44.6%
2. India .................... 9.0%
3. El Salvador ............... 4.5%
4. Vietnam .................. 4.4%
5. China ........................... 2.3%
6. Honduras .................. 2.1%
7. Nigeria ...................... 2.0%
8. Philippines ................ 1.7%
9. Korea .......................... 1.7%
10. Pakistan .................... 1.3%

Other countries: 26.4%

UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS

575,350
Undocumented immigrant population in 2017

40,965
Number of undocumented immigrant entrepreneurs in 2017

The labor force participation rate of undocumented immigrants was 72.3% and their employment rate was 96.7%.
UNDocumented IMMigrants (cOntinued)

Amount earned by undocumented households in 2017:

- $775.5M went to federal taxes.
- $480M went to state & local taxes.
- Leaving them with $10.2B in spending power.

DACA-ELigible POPulation

92,407
DACA-eligible immigrant population in 2017

96.2% Employment rate of DACA-eligible immigrants in the region

Amount earned by DACA-eligible households in 2017:

- $105.3M went to federal taxes.
- $94.2M went to state & local taxes.
- Leaving them with $820.5M in spending power.

1 Unless otherwise specified, data comes from 1-year samples of the American Community Survey from 2017 and figures refer to the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metropolitan Statistical Area.
2 U.S. Congressional Budget Office. 2016. “The Distribution of Household Income and Federal Taxes, 2013.” The tax contributions estimates come from data analysis that was done in November 2018 and differ slightly from those on Map the Impact due to an updated methodology.
4 We define working age as 16-64 years of age.