



Immigrants In Ohio

Immigrant Population in Ohio

- ★ Ohio is home to over 528,000 immigrants and Columbus is home to the most immigrants.¹
- ★ 107,000 undocumented immigrants live in Ohio.²
- ★ 222,000 young people in Ohio have at least one immigrant parent. 186,000 of these young people are United States citizens with 31,000 of them are either undocumented or non-citizens.³
- ★ Ohio is home to 9,000 enrolled or eligible Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.⁴
- ★ The top countries of origin for new immigrants in Ohio are India, the Philippines, Mexico, China, and Somalia.⁵
- ★ Eight cities in Ohio enacted resolutions or policies declaring that they are sanctuary cities, which aim to limit the extent of investigations and deportation of immigrants and other undocumented individuals.⁶

¹ Migration Policy Institute, "State Immigration Data Profiles: Ohio," Accessed April 16, 2020. <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/data/state-profiles/state/demographics/OH>

² Ibid

³ Ibid

⁴ Institute on Taxation & Economic Policy, "State & Local Tax Contributions of Young Undocumented Immigrants," Updated April 2018, Access April 16, 2020. <https://itep.org/wp-content/uploads/2018DACA.pdf>.

⁵ Place of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population in the United States, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates: Ohio," Accessed April 16, 2020.

<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=0400000US39&tid=ACSDT5Y2017.B05006&q=B05006>

⁶ Ohio's 8 Sanctuary Locations And What It Means For Immigration Matters. Cleveland19.com. Accessed April 16, 2020.

<https://www.cleveland19.com/story/33726794/ohios-8-sanctuary-locations-and-what-it-means-for-immigration-matters/>



Immigrants Play Critical Roles in Ohio's Communities and Economy

- ★ Ohio's immigrants drive cultural, economic, and social dynamism. 42.1 percent of them have a four-year degree or higher and work primarily in management, business, science, and the arts—a diverse professional services sector that includes industries such as education, hospitals and other health facilities, computer systems services, and legal services.⁷
- ★ Immigrant workers currently make up 6.7 percent of all entrepreneurs in the state, despite accounting for 4.2 percent of Ohio's population, generating \$531.9 million in business income in 2014.⁸

Threats of Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in Ohio

- ★ The threat of ICE pushes undocumented immigrants into a life of fear and isolation. Unfortunately, Ohio has been home to several Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids.⁹

Immigrant Services and Advocacy Organizations Ohio

- ★ Community Refugee and Immigrant Services (CRIS): An independent non-profit organization that serves the refugee and immigrant populations in Central Ohio.¹⁰
- ★ Ohio Hispanic Coalition: Mission to improve the well-being and quality of life for all Hispanics/Latinos through advocacy, education, training, and access to quality services.¹¹

⁷ Our Pathway to a Brigher Futre: Ohio's New Americans. Ohio Justice Foundation. 2018. Date Accessed April 16, 2020.

<https://www.ohiojusticefoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Ohio-Immigrants-Report-FINAL-1.pdf>

⁸ The Contributions of New Americans in Ohio. The New American Economy. August 3, 2019. Date Accessed April 16, 2020. <http://research.newamericaneconomy.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/nae-oh-report.pdf>

⁹ Ohio Has Become Ground Zero For ICE's Workplace Raids. Clevelandscene.com. Accessed April 16, 2020.

<https://www.clevelandscene.com/scene-and-heard/archives/2018/06/22/ohio-has-become-ground-zero-for-ices-workplace-raids>

¹⁰ About Us. Community Refugee and Immigrant Services (CRIS). Accessed April 16, 2020.

<https://www.crisohio.org/about-us/>

¹¹ About Us. Ohio Hispanic Coalition. Accessed April 16, 2020.

<http://ohiohispaniccoalition.org/about-us/our-history/>



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- ★ Solidarity with Edith Espinal: Project to ensure Edith Espinal, who has the longest-standing public sanctuary case in Ohio, can stay here and be with her family. Her case will set precedent on how similar cases are treated in the future.¹²
- ★ My Project USA: Largest Muslim Social Services Organization in Ohio that serves to protect and empower youth and families.¹³
- ★ Ohio Progressive Asian Women's Leadership (OPAWL): Grassroots community that organizes for social justice and elevates the voices, visibility, and progressive leadership of Asian, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) women and nonbinary people in Ohio.¹⁴

¹² About Edith. Solidarity with Edith. Accessed April 16, 2020. <https://www.solidaritywithedith.org/about>

¹³ Protect. Education. Empower Our Youth. My Project USA. Accessed on April 17, 2020. <https://www.myprojectusa.org/>

¹⁴ About Us. Ohio Progressive Asian Women's Leadership (OPAWL). Accessed April 16, 2020 <https://www.opawl.org/>