

Global Immigration



Source: UN World Migration Report 2020

https://www.un.org/sites/un2.un.org/files/wmr_2020.pdf

How Many: ~272 million people live in a country other than their country of birth in 2020 (3.5% of Earth's population). This is triple the migrant number from 1970. The world population

Year	World Population	Number Living Outside of Country of Birth	Percent of World Population
1970	3.7 Billion	91 Million	2.5%
2000	6.1 Billion	192 Million	2.9 %
2020	7.6 Billion	272 Million	3.5%

Why Move: Migrants move to safer, higher-income countries, as a rule, sometimes reversing population decline in destination countries, moving for work, or driven away by conflict, violence and/or climate change. 25.9 million of these are refugees. 164 million are migrant workers. 42.1 million are internally displaced.

Who Moves:

- 75% of migrants are of working age (between 20-64 years old). The negative impact of the outmigration of adults of working age on the population of countries of origin can be substantial.
- 1 out of 7 migrants is under age 20. This equates to 38 million or 14% of all migrants globally.
- 48% are women globally (52% in North America)

Destination Continents

- Europe hosts 82 million migrants
- North America hosts 59 million migrants
- North Africa and Western Asia hosts 49 million

Destination Countries: One half of all migrants live in 10 countries.

- 51 million have come to the US or 19% of the world's total migrants.
- 13 million each to Saudi Arabia and Germany
- 12 million to Russia
- 10 million to the UK
- 9 million to the United Arab Emirates
- ~8 million each to France, Canada, and Australia

- 6 million to Italy

Continents of Origin

- 106 million have migrated from Asia
- 61 million have migrated from Europe
- 38 million from Latin America and the Caribbean
- 38 million from Africa

Countries of Origin

- 18 million have left India
- 12 million have left Mexico
- 11 million have left China
- 10 million have left Russia
- 8 million have left Syria



Immigration in the US

From the [Pew Research Fact Tank 2020](#) and the [American Immigration Council](#).

Of ~51 million immigrants in the US:

- 77% of immigrants are in the US legally, 23% are unauthorized.
- 27% are permanent residents. In 2019, ~800,000 applied for naturalization.
- Mexican lawful immigrants (green-card holders) have the lowest naturalization rate overall, for various reasons.
- Countries of origin for US immigrants: 25% from Mexico, 6% each from China and India, 4% from Philippines, 3% from El Salvador.
- 74% of immigrants speak English "well" or "very well."
- Approximately 643,560 active DACA recipients live in the US & Territories as of March 2020, which is ~49% of those eligible.
- 17% of the US labor force in 2018, or one in six - 28.4 million, were immigrant workers.

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Immigrants in the labor force by industry (2018 data)

Industry
Health Care & Social Assistance 4,124,557 workers
Manufacturing 3,437,569 workers
Accommodation & Food Services 20% of all industry workers or 3,022,991
Retail trade 2,979,800 workers
Construction 23% of all industry workers or 2,858,953 workers
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting 26% of all industry workers
Administrative Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services 22% of all industry workers
Other Service workers 21% of all industry workers

- Immigrant-led households in the US contributed \$308.6 billion in federal taxes and \$150 billion in combined state and local taxes in 2018.
- Undocumented immigrants in the US paid an estimated \$20.1 billion in federal taxes and \$11.8 billion in combined state and local taxes in 2018.
- As consumers, immigrants add over a trillion dollars to the US economy.

Immigration Facts 2020



Human migration is as old as humanity itself. People have always moved from their birth location with the intention of settling – temporarily or permanently. This movement can be within one’s original area or country, or around the planet. Drivers of migration include invasion, war, colonization, violence, famine, and economics. Most faith traditions urge compassion for the migrant.

“I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.” Matthew 25

