



Immigrants in the Midwest: Who are they?

At the national level, Mexico is the top origin country of the U.S. immigrant population. In 2015, 11.6 million immigrants living in the U.S. were from there, accounting for 27% of all U.S. immigrants. These numbers are slightly different for Michigan and Minnesota where more refugee resettlement has taken place. Overall, the Midwest has an older migration tradition, with slightly declining numbers in recent years.

	Michigan	Minnesota	Illinois			
How many Immigrants? % Foreign Born	6.6%	8.3%	14.2%			
Total State Population	9,270,486	5,032,409	11,033,839			
# Foreign Born	652,090	457,185	1,826,156			
Country/ Region of Origin	% of Totals		% of Totals		% of Totals	
Mexico	79,716	12.2%	67,344	14.7%	685,836	37.6%
Central America	13,048	2.0%	20,896	4.6%	58,651	3.2%
Rest of Latin America	29,655	4.5%	34,441	7.5%	89,788	4.9%
Europe	134,522	20.6%	47,829	10.5%	364,774	20%
Asia & Oceania	330,523	50.7%	179,815	39.3%	536,667	29.4%
Africa	27,796	4.3%	100,742	22%	72,528	4%
Canada	34,787	5.3%	13,963	3.1%	18,412	1%
When did they arrive?						
Arrived prior to 1990?	191,765		96,642		594,016	
1991-1999	152,397		98,496		495,176	
2000-2009	172,099		154,466		500,393	
Since 2009	135,000		107,581		236,571	

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