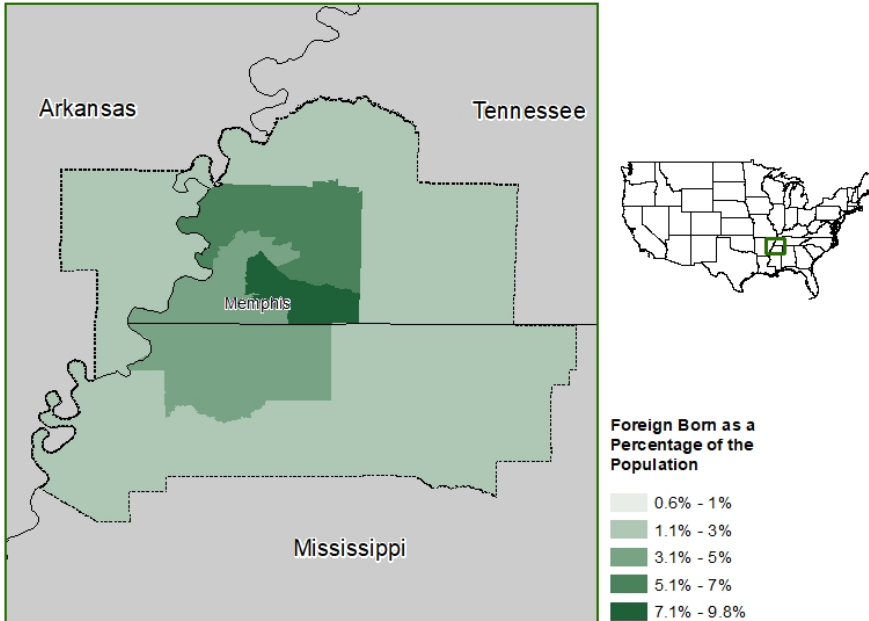


Immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area

Figure 1. Immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area



Note: Maps are based on source data from the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2012-2016 distributed through IPUMS NHGIS, University of Minnesota, www.nhgis.org



2016 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **42,228,200:** Approximate number of immigrants* living in the U.S. (13% of the population)
- **59,300:** Approximate number of immigrants living in Memphis, TN (5% of the Memphis Metropolitan Area's population)
- **19% :** Share of immigrant population in the Memphis, Tennessee Metropolitan Area out of all immigrants in Tennessee.
- **37th:** Rank of the state of Tennessee among the 50 states and Washington, D.C. in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the state's population

Immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area

Figure 1 shows the distribution of immigrants throughout the Memphis Metropolitan Area which spans to portions of Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas. The central region of the Memphis Metropolitan Area reported a higher concentration of immigrants (7.3 to 9.7 percent) compared to all other regions of the Memphis Metropolitan Area.

Age Distribution

Figure 2 shows the age distribution among immigrants living in the Memphis Metropolitan Area, and all other immigrants in Tennessee. There are more immigrants between the ages of 25 and 64 living in the Memphis Metropolitan Area compared to all other immigrants in the state of Tennessee. Tennessee had a higher share of immigrants aged 65 and older and between the ages of 16 and 24 than the Memphis Metropolitan Area.

Figure 2. Age Distribution Among Immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area and the State of Tennessee

	Memphis Metropolitan Area	State of Tennessee
4 years old and younger	1%	1%
5 to 15 years old	6%	6%
16 to 24 years old	9%	12%
25 to 34 years old	25%	24%
35 to 44 years old	26%	23%
45 to 54 years old	16%	15%
55 to 64 years old	10%	9%
65 years and older	6%	9%
Estimated Immigrant Population	64,842	254,503

All analysis in this fact sheet is based on source data from the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2012-2016 distributed through IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org.

*Please note that the terms "immigrant" and "foreign born" are used interchangeably throughout this fact sheet. Foreign born refers to individuals who are not a U.S. citizen at birth or who were born outside the U.S., Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories and whose parents are not U.S. citizens. The foreign born may include naturalized U.S. citizens, Legal Permanent Residents, temporary residents, refugees and asylees, and others. Additionally, native born includes those who are U.S. citizens at birth, those born in the United States, Puerto Rico, or other U.S. territories, and those born abroad to a parent who is a U.S. citizen.

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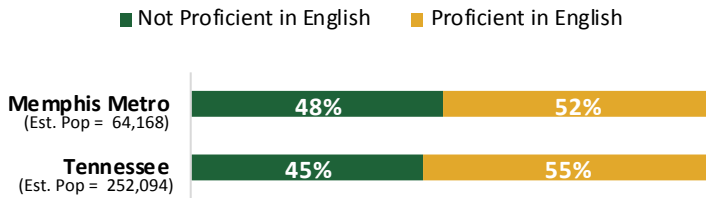
Educational Attainment

Figure 3 shows that the Memphis Metropolitan Area had a higher rate of immigrants with graduate, professional or doctoral degrees than all other immigrants living in Tennessee. Immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area are slightly less likely to have some college or an associate's degree or a bachelor's degree compared to all other immigrants in Tennessee.

Figure 3. Educational Attainment Among Immigrants
Immigrants Age 25+

	Memphis Metropolitan Area	State of Tennessee
Graduate, Professional, or Doctoral Degree	15%	13%
Bachelor's Degree	15%	17%
Some College or Associate's Degree	17%	18%
High School Diploma	23%	24%
No High School Diploma	30%	29%
Estimated Immigrant Population	54,145	206,128

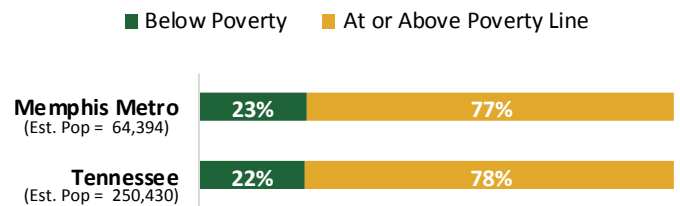
Figure 4. English Proficiency Among Immigrants
Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+



English Proficiency

Figure 4 shows that immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area reported lower rates of English Proficiency (speaks only English or speaks English very well) compared to all other immigrants living in the state of Tennessee. Roughly 52 percent of immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area are proficient in English.

Figure 5. Poverty Status Among Immigrants



Poverty

Figure 5 shows that 77 percent of immigrants in the Memphis Metropolitan Area live at or above the poverty line, which is slightly less compared to all other immigrants living in the state of Tennessee.

Household Income

Figure 6 shows that forty-seven percent of immigrant households in the Memphis Metropolitan Area earned less than \$40,000, whereas 45 percent of all other immigrant households in the state of Tennessee earned less than \$40,000. Immigrant households in the Memphis Metropolitan Area are slightly less likely to earn \$75,000 or more compared to all other immigrant households in the state of Tennessee.

Figure 6. Household Income Among Immigrants

	Memphis Metropolitan Area	State of Tennessee
Less than \$40,000	47%	45%
\$40,000 to \$74,999	24%	26%
\$75,000 and greater	29%	30%
Estimated Number of Immigrant Households	60,788	245,681

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