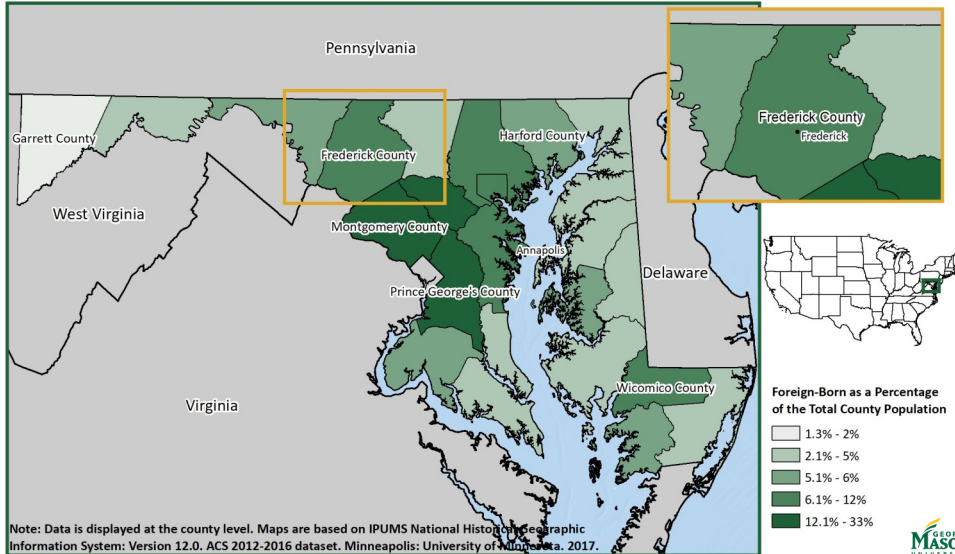


Immigrants in Frederick County, Maryland

Figure 1. Immigrants in Maryland



2016 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **42,228,200:** Approximate number of immigrants* living in the U.S. (13% of the population)
- **874,700:** Approximate number of immigrants living in Maryland (15% of the state's population)
- **22,800:** Approximate number of immigrants living in Frederick County, MD (9% of the county's population)
- **9th:** Rank of the state of Maryland among the 50 states and Washington, D.C. in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the state's population

Distribution of Immigrants in the State of Maryland

Figure 1 shows where immigrants live in the state of Maryland. Central Maryland, including Montgomery County (33 percent), Prince George's County (21 percent), and Howard County (20 percent), reported the highest percentages of immigrants. Immigrants make up the smallest shares of the population in Garrett County, Allegany County, and Calvert County.

Country of Birth

Foreign-born individuals living in Frederick County, MD come from a variety of countries (Figure 2). Compared to the state of Maryland, there are larger shares of immigrants from Guatemala and Burma (Myanmar) living in Frederick County, MD.

Figure 2. Top Five Countries of Birth Among Immigrants

Frederick County, MD		Maryland	
El Salvador	9%	El Salvador	12%
India	6%	India	7%
Guatemala	5%	China	5%
Mexico	5%	Mexico	4%
Burma (Myanmar)	4%	Korea	4%
101 Other Countries	71%	148 Other Countries	68%
Estimated Immigrant Population	22,765	Estimated Immigrant Population	851,926

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, unless otherwise specified.

*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.

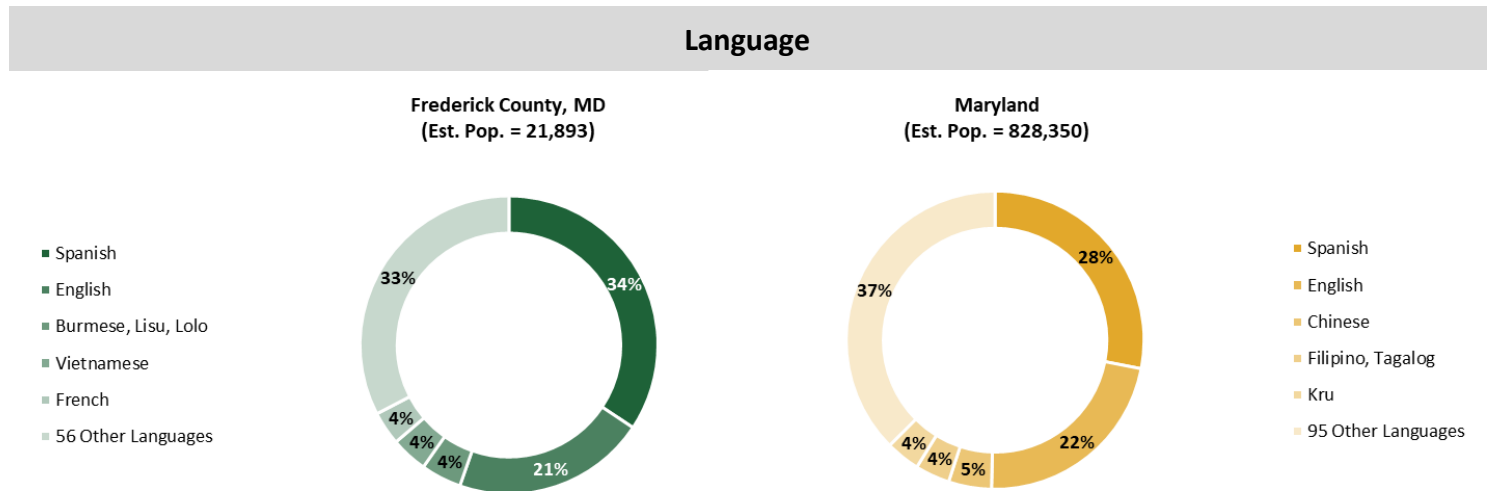
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Languages Spoken at Home[†]

Across Frederick County, MD and the state of Maryland, the most common languages spoken at home are Spanish and English (Figure 3). Compared to all other foreign-born individuals living in the state of Maryland, there are greater percentages of immigrants living in Frederick County, MD who speak Burmese, Lisu, Lolo; Vietnamese; or French at home.

Figure 3. Top Five Languages Spoken at Home Among Immigrants

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+



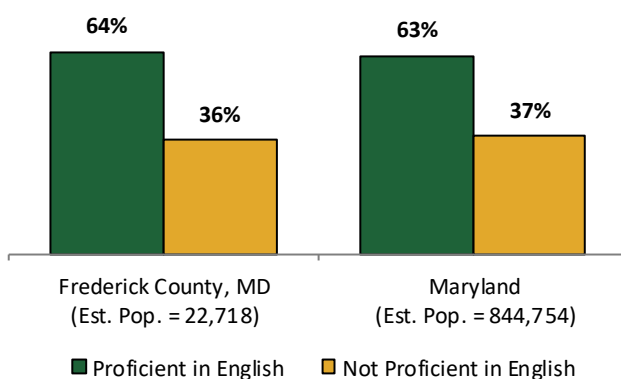
[†] Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2011–2015 5-year sample data from Integrated Public Use Microdata Sample (IPUMS-USA)

English Proficiency

Figure 4 highlights the proportion of foreign-born individuals who are proficient in English (speaks only English or speaks English very well) who live in Frederick County, MD and in Maryland. Overall, immigrants living in Frederick County, MD are slightly more likely to be proficient in English compared to all other immigrants living across the state of Maryland

Figure 4. English Proficiency Rates Among Immigrants

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+



Educational Attainment

Compared to all other immigrants in Maryland, immigrants living in Frederick County, MD are slightly more likely to have obtained an associate's degree or higher (Figure 5). Additional analysis shows slightly less than one in two immigrants living in Frederick County, MD either do not have their high school diploma, have their high school diploma and have not completed any college, or have some college education, but are not in school.

Figure 5. Educational Attainment Among Immigrants

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 25+

	Frederick County, MD	Maryland
No High School Diploma	16%	20%
High School Diploma	20%	19%
Some college- not in school	12%	11%
Some college-in school	3%	2%
Associate's Degree	8%	6%
Bachelor's Degree	23%	21%
Graduate, Professional, or Doctoral Degree	18%	21%
Estimated Immigrant Population (Age 25+)	19,385	731,410

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Employment

Figure 6 highlights the similar rates of employment among foreign-born individuals living in Frederick County, MD and across the state of Maryland. Immigrants living in Frederick County, MD are just as likely to be employed compared to all other immigrants across the state of Maryland.

 **Figure 6. Employment Status Among Immigrants**

Foreign-Born Individuals in the Labor Force, Age 16—65

	Frederick County, MD	Maryland
Employed	94%	94%
Unemployed	6%	6%
Estimated Immigrant Population (Age 16+)	16,212	574,983

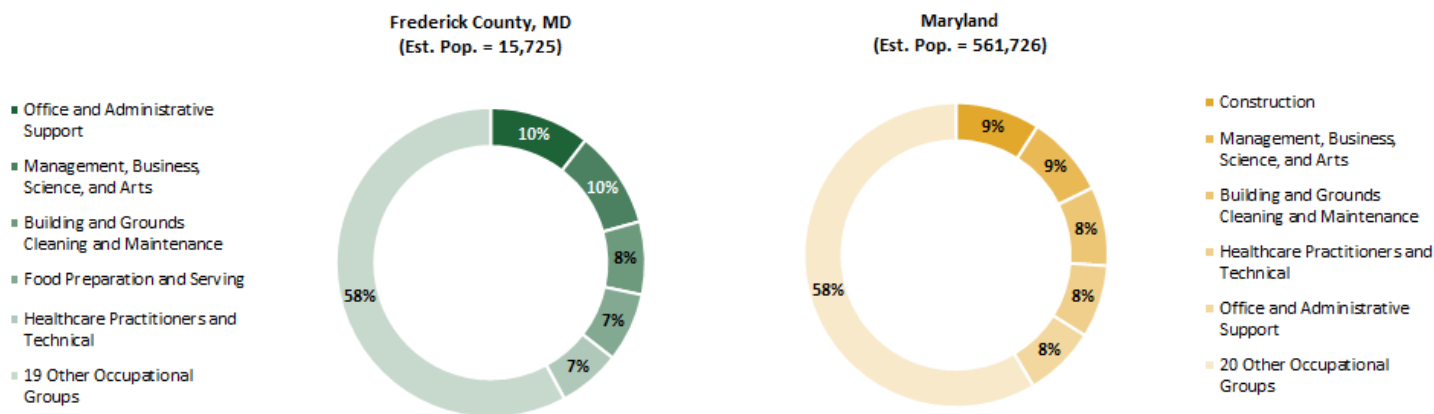
Occupation

Figure 7 shows that foreign-born individuals living in Frederick County, MD and in the state of Maryland are employed in a variety of occupational groups. Immigrants living in Frederick County, MD reported slightly higher percentages of individuals employed in professional jobs compared to all other immigrants living across the state of Maryland. For example, foreign-born individuals in Frederick County, MD were slightly more likely to be employed in office and administrative support and management, business, science, and arts, compared to all other immigrants in Maryland.

 **Figure 7. Top Five Occupational Groups Among Immigrants**

Foreign-Born Individuals in the Labor Force and Employed, Age 16+

Occupation



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