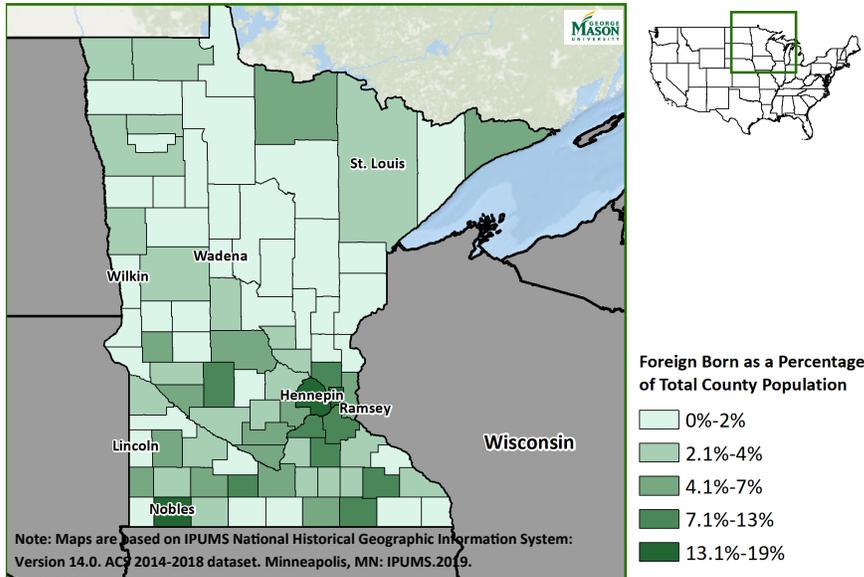


Immigrants in Minnesota and St. Louis County

Figure 1. Immigrants in the State of Minnesota



2018 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **43,567,000:** Approximate number of immigrants¹ living in the U.S. (13% of the population)
- **459,700 :** Approximate number of immigrants living in Minnesota (8% of the total population)
- **6,400:** Approximate number of immigrants living in St. Louis County²(3% of the county's population)
- **40%:** Estimated decrease in the number of immigrants living in St. Louis County over the past 7 years³
- **29%:** Estimated increase in the number of immigrants living in Minnesota as a whole over the past 10 years
- **23rd:** Rank of the state of Minnesota among the 50 states and Washington, DC in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the state's total population

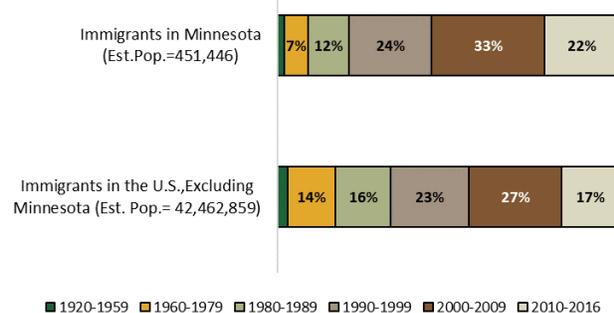
Distribution of Immigrants in Minnesota

Figure 1 shows where immigrants live in the state of Minnesota as a percent of the county's population. Nobles (19 percent), Ramsey (16 percent), and Hennepin (14 percent) Counties reported the highest percentages of immigrants in this state. Wadena, Lincoln, and Wilkin Counties reported the lowest percentages of immigrants in the state.

Year of Immigration

Immigrants living in Minnesota are more likely to report arriving in the United States more recently compared to all other immigrants in the United States (Figure 2). Foreign-born individuals living in Minnesota are more likely to have migrated to the U.S after the year 2000 compared to the rest of the United States. The median year of immigration for foreign born living in Minnesota is 2001 which is four years later than the median year of immigration for all other immigrants in the United States (1997).

Figure 2. Year of Immigration



All analysis in this fact sheet is based on source data from the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2014-2018 distributed through IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org, unless otherwise noted.

¹Please 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.

²The analysis for St. Louis County, MN is based on the most updated source data from the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey for St. Louis County, MN which is 2011, distributed through IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org.

³This percentage was calculated based on the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2014-2018 tabular data estimates for the number of foreign born population in St. Louis County, MN and the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2011 estimates distributed through IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org. You can access the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2014-2018 tabular data for St. Louis County, MN here: <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/stlouiscountyminnesota/PST040219>

⁴IIR fact sheets are created following standard definitions established by the U.S. Census Bureau. Please consult <https://www.census.gov/topics/> for clarification as to important distinctions such as those between industry and occupation or between race and ethnicity.

⁵A household includes all the people who occupy a housing unit. A native-born U.S. citizen household is defined as a household which is headed by a native-born U.S. citizen, regardless of the immigration status of the spouse. Conversely, an immigrant headed household is defined as a household which is headed by a foreign-born individual, regardless of the immigration status of the spouse. With regard to income, the total family income is used. This includes the total annual income of all family members in the household.

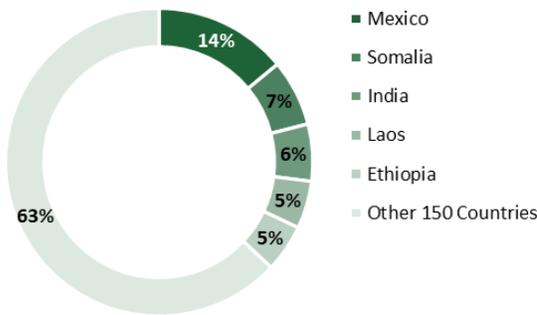
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Country of Birth

Foreign-born individuals living in Minnesota come from a variety of countries, some of them distinct compared to immigrants living in the rest of United States (Figure 3). Immigrants from Mexico, Somalia, India, Laos, and Ethiopia round out the top five countries of birth in Minnesota. Compared to all other immigrants in the United States, there are larger shares of immigrants from Somalia, Laos, and Ethiopia living in Minnesota. Only Mexico and India are in the top five countries of origin in the United States.

Figure 3. Country of Birth

Immigrants in Minnesota (Est.Pop.=459,692)



Immigrants in the U.S., Excluding MN (Est.Pop.=43,107,270)

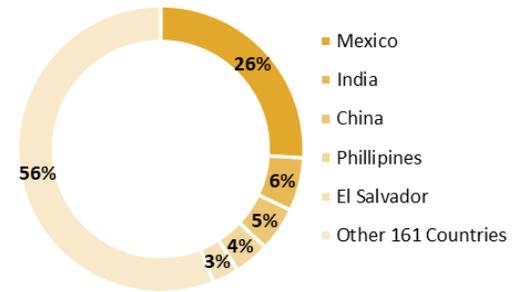


Figure 4. Race and Ethnicity⁴

	Minnesota	United States (Excluding MN)
White	28%	47%
Asian	35%	27%
Black	24%	9%
Other Race	11%	15%
Two or more races	2%	2%
Not Hispanic	77%	55%
Hispanic	23%	45%
Estimated Immigrant Population	459,692	43,107,270

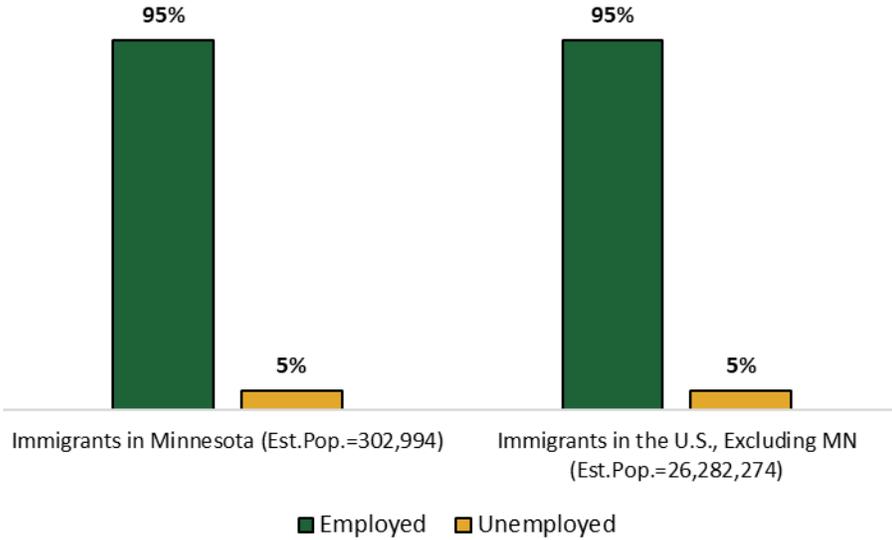
Race and Ethnicity

Figure 4 shows that immigrants in Minnesota are more likely to identify as Asian (35 percent) in comparison to all other immigrants in the United States, who are more likely to identify as White (47 percent). With regards to ethnicity, immigrants in Minnesota are significantly less likely to identify as Hispanic (of any race) compared to immigrants in the rest of the United States, which is consistent with their distinct countries of origin (see Figure 3).

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Figure 5. Employment Status

Foreign-Born Individuals, In the Labor Force, Age 16-65



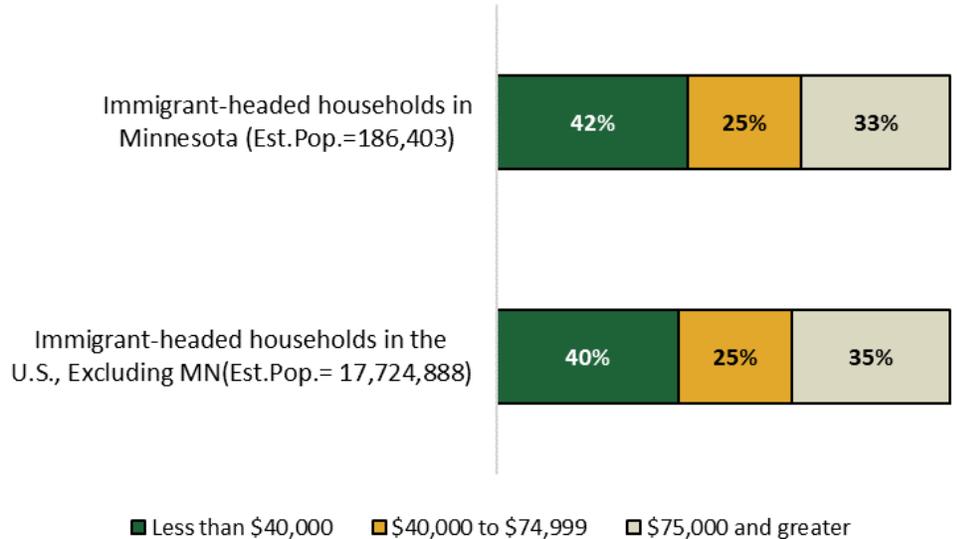
Employment Status

Figure 5 shows that foreign born in Minnesota and all other foreign born in the United States are equally likely to be employed (95 percent).

Figure 6. Household Income⁵

Household Income

Figure 6 shows that immigrant-headed households in Minnesota are slightly more likely to earn less than \$40,000 compared to immigrant-headed households in the rest of the United States. The median income of immigrant-headed households in Minnesota is \$47,633, which is 7 percent less than immigrant-headed households (\$51,338) in the rest of the United States.



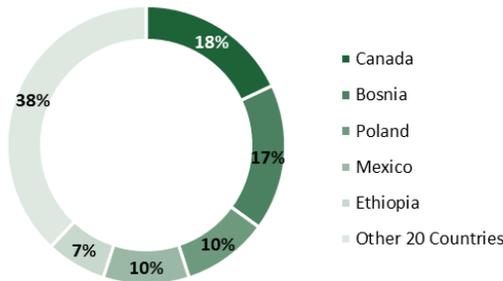
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Country of Birth

Figure 7 shows that Canada, Bosnia, Poland, Mexico and Ethiopia are the top five countries of origin among foreign born in St. Louis County.

Figure 7. Country of Birth

Immigrants in St. Louis County, MN (Est. Pop.=6,423)



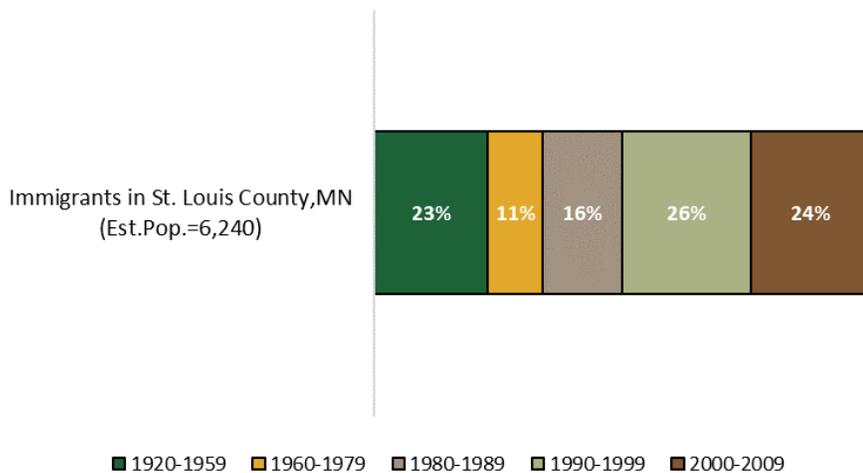
Race and Ethnicity

Figure 8 shows that the vast majority of immigrants in St. Louis County identify as White (78 percent) or Asian (11 percent). With regards to ethnicity, the vast majority of immigrants in St. Louis county identify as non-Hispanic (of any race).

Figure 8. Race and Ethnicity ³

	St. Louis County, MN
White	79%
Asian	11%
Black	8%
Other Race	2%
Two or more races	0%
Not Hispanic	90%
Hispanic	10%
Estimated Immigrant Population	6,423

Figure 9. Year of Immigration

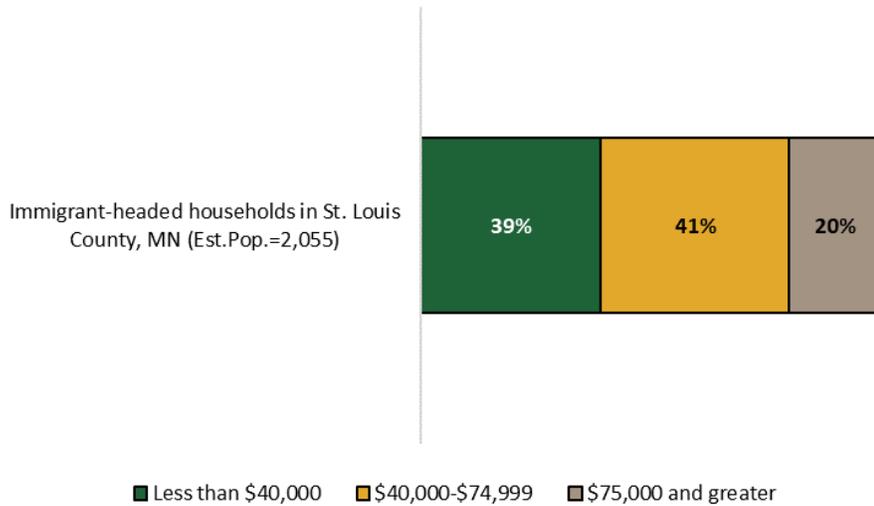


Year of Immigration

Immigrants in St. Louis County arrived in the U.S. much earlier than in Minnesota as a whole (see Figure 2). Figure 9 shows that fifty percent of immigrants living in St. Louis County arrived in the United States before 1990 compared to 21 percent of foreign born living in Minnesota as a whole. The median year of immigration for foreign born living in St. Louis County is 1982 which is 19 years earlier compared to the median year of immigration for immigrants in Minnesota as a whole.

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Figure 10. Household Income⁴



Household Income

Figure 10 highlights that 61 percent of immigrant-headed households in St. Louis county earn \$40,000 or more. Immigrants in St. Louis County are more likely to earn between \$40,000 to \$74,999 (41 percent) compared to immigrants living in Minnesota as a whole (25 percent) and immigrants living in the rest of the United States (25 percent) (See Figure 6). Specifically, the median family income of immigrant-headed households is \$51,675.

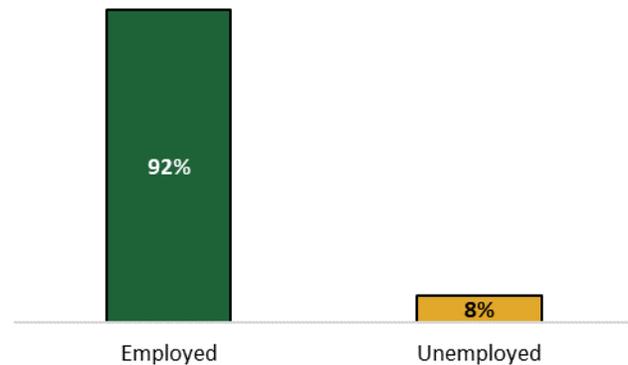
Figure 11. Employment Status

Foreign-Born Individuals, In the Labor force, Age 16-65

Employment Status

Immigrants in St. Louis County are slightly less likely to be employed (92 percent) compared to immigrants in Minnesota as a whole (95 percent) and immigrants living in the rest of the United States (95 percent) (See Figure 5 and 11).

Immigrants in St. Louis County, MN (Est.Pop.=3,844)



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