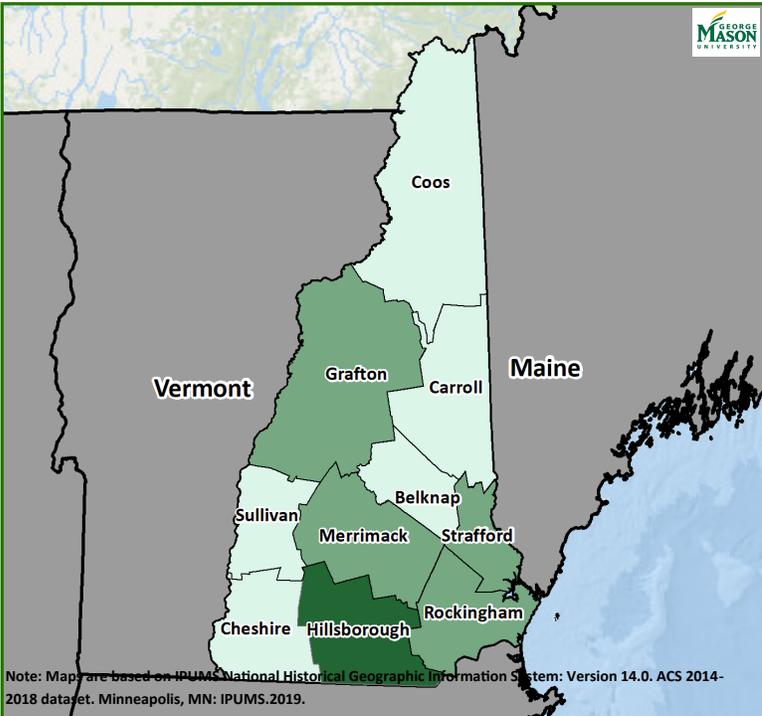


## Immigrants in New Hampshire

**Figure 1. Immigrants in the State of New Hampshire**



Foreign Born as a Percentage of Total County Population



### 2018 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **43,567,000:** Approximate number of immigrants<sup>1</sup> living in the United States (13% of the population)
- **80,300:** Approximate number of immigrants living in New Hampshire (6% of the state's population)
- **29%:** Estimated increase in the number of foreign born individuals living in New Hampshire over the past 10 years
- **30th:** Rank of the state of New Hampshire among the 50 states and Washington, DC in terms of immigrants as percentage of the state's population

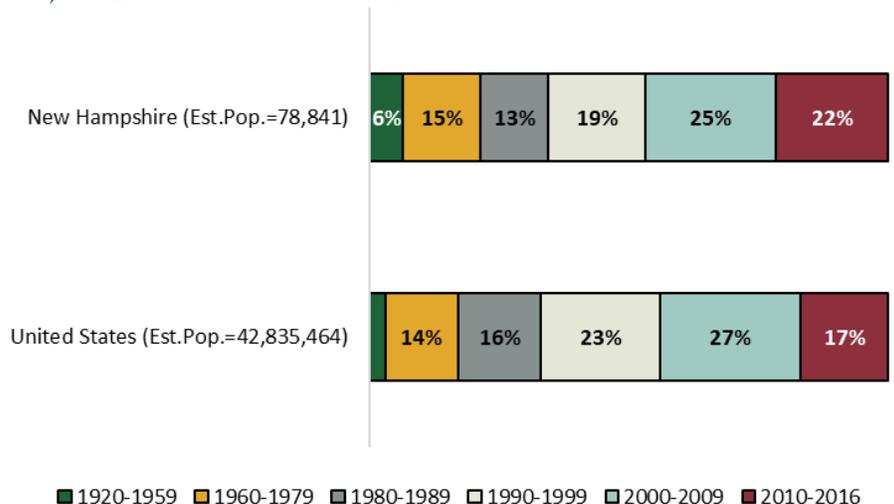
### Distribution of Immigrants in New Hampshire

Figure 1 shows where immigrants live across New Hampshire. Hillsborough (9 percent), Grafton (6 percent), and Strafford (5 percent) Counties reported the highest shares of immigrants. Sullivan, Carroll and Belknap Counties reported the lowest percentages of immigrants in the state.

### Year of Immigration

Figure 2 indicates that immigrants living in New Hampshire are more likely to report arriving in the United States slightly later compared to all other immigrants in the United States. Forty seven percent of foreign-born individuals living in New Hampshire migrated in the U.S. between 2000 and 2016 compared to 44 percent of immigrants in the rest of the United States. The median year of immigration for foreign born living in New Hampshire is 1999 which is two years later than the median year of immigration for all other foreign born 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](http://www.ipums.org), unless otherwise noted.

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>IIR 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.

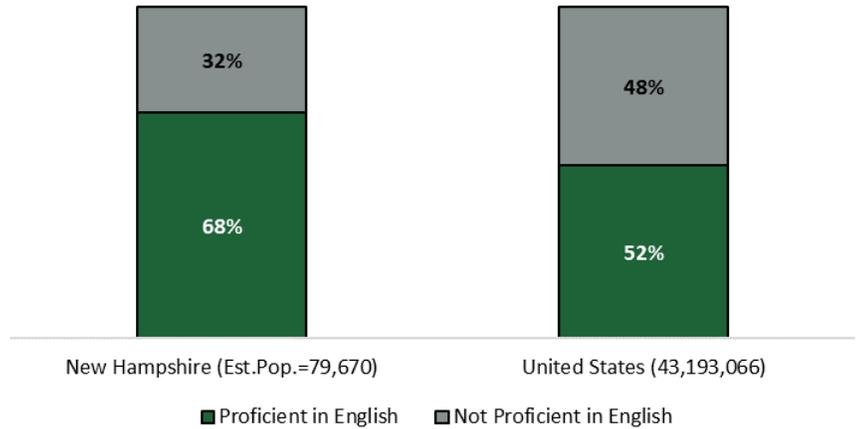
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### English Proficiency

Figure 3 highlights the proportion of foreign-born individuals who are proficient in English (speaks only English or speaks English very well) who live in New Hampshire and the remainder of the United States. Overall, immigrants living in New Hampshire report higher rates of English proficiency (68 percent) compared to all other immigrants in the United States (52 percent).

**Figure 3. English Proficiency Among Immigrants**

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+

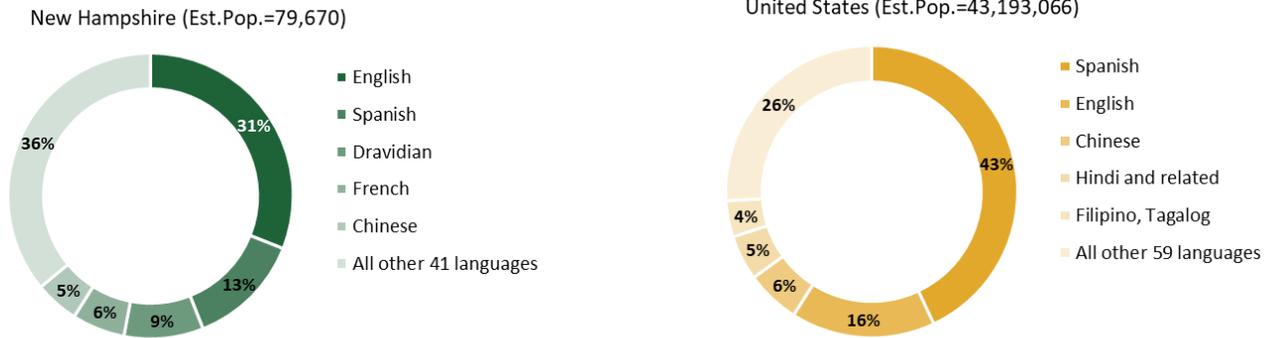


### Languages Spoken at Home

Across New Hampshire and the remainder of the United States, the most common languages spoken at home among immigrants are English and Spanish (Figure 4). Immigrants in New Hampshire are less likely to speak Spanish and English at home (44 percent) compared to immigrants in the remainder of the United States (59 percent) and more likely to speak other primary languages at home. Immigrants in New Hampshire were more likely to speak the Dravidian family of languages with origins in South Asia, French, and Chinese compared to all other immigrants in the rest of the United States who are more likely to speak Chinese, Hindi and related, and Tagalog.

**Figure 4. Top Five Languages Spoken at Home Among Immigrants**

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+

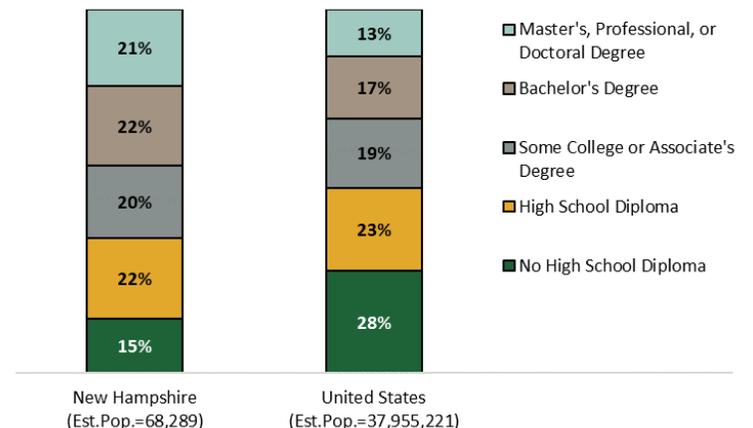


### Education

Figure 5 shows that immigrants in New Hampshire are slightly more likely to have some college or Associate's degree (20 percent) compared to all other immigrants in the United States (19 percent). Furthermore, foreign born in New Hampshire are much more likely to have at least a Bachelor's degree or higher (Master's, Professional, or Doctoral degree) (43 percent) compared to all other foreign-born individuals in the United States (30 percent).

**Figure 5. Educational Attainment Among Immigrants**

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 25+

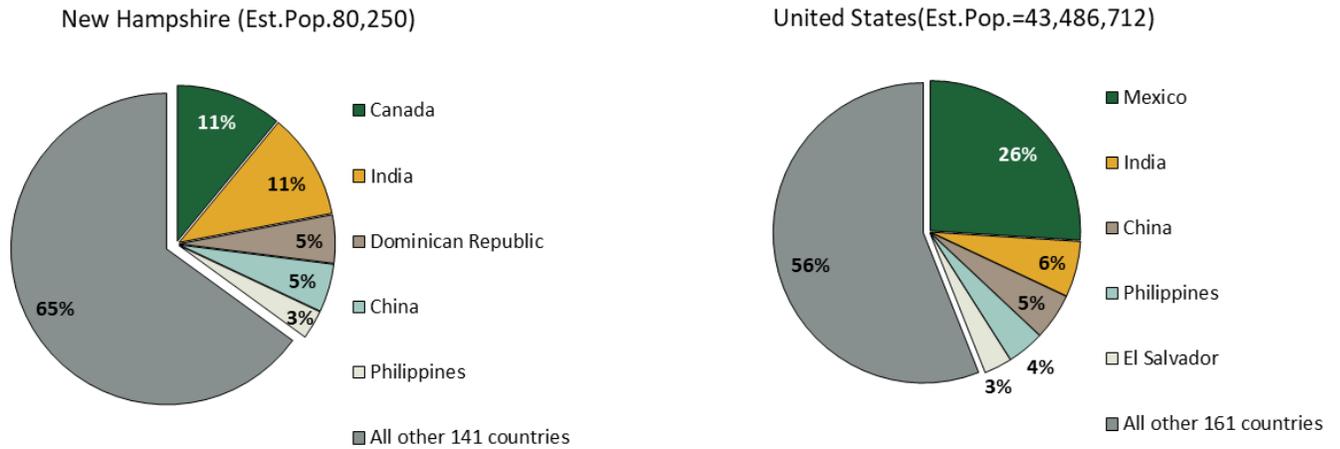


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### Country of Birth

Foreign-born individuals in New Hampshire come from a variety of countries (Figure 6). There are significantly larger shares of immigrants from Canada, India, and the Dominican Republic in New Hampshire compared to immigrants living in the remainder of the United States. Finally, immigrants in New Hampshire are less likely to come from Mexico compared to all other foreign born in the rest of the United

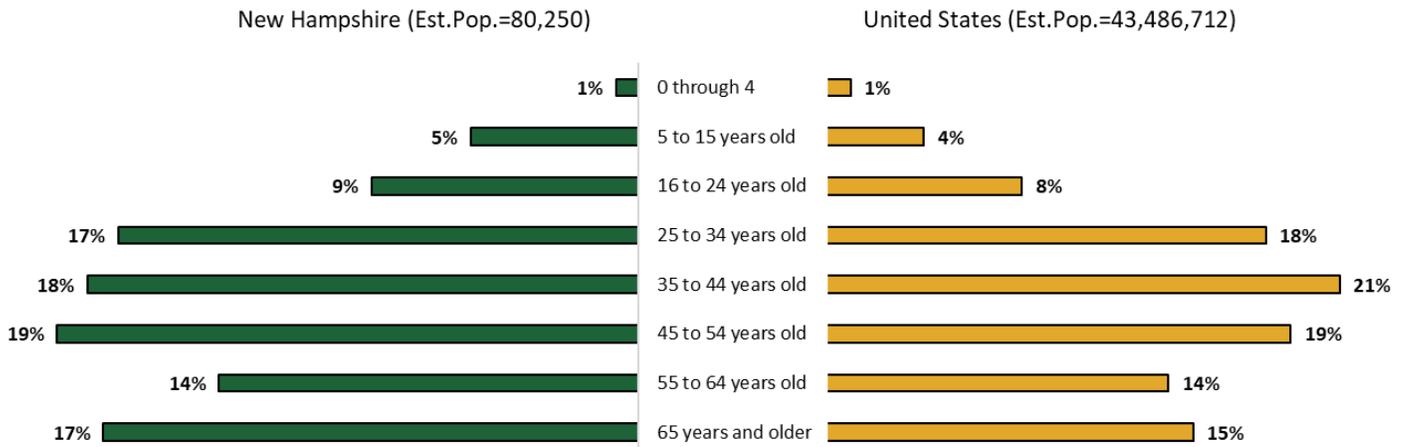
**Figure 6. Country of Birth**



### Age Distribution

Figure 7 shows that immigrants in New Hampshire are slightly more likely to be 45 or older (50 percent) compared to all other foreign born in the United States (48 percent). Overall, the median age of foreign born in New Hampshire is 45, which is one year older than of all other foreign born in the rest of the United States (44).

**Figure 7. Age Distribution Among Immigrants**



## Immigrants in New Hampshire

### Occupation and Industry<sup>2</sup>

Figure 8 highlights the top five occupational and industry groups among immigrants in New Hampshire and all other immigrants living in the United States. Immigrants in New Hampshire tend to work in similar occupations (can be working in any industry) as all other immigrants in the United States, with a larger share of immigrants in New Hampshire working in computer, engineering, and science or production or education, legal, community service, arts, and media occupations compared to all other immigrants in the United States. With regard to industries, immigrants in New Hampshire tend to work in similar industries (workers in industries can be of any occupation) as all other immigrants in the United States, with larger share of immigrants in New Hampshire working in professional, scientific, and technical services or educational services industries compared to all other immigrants in the United States.

### Figure 8. Occupational and Industry Groups Among Immigrants in New Hampshire

In the Labor Force and Employed, Age 16-65

#### Occupation

Top Five Occupational Groups	New Hampshire	Top Five Occupational Groups	United States
Service	18%	Service	24%
Computer, engineering, and science	15%	Management, business, and financial	12%
Management, business, and financial	12%	Construction and extraction	9%
Production	11%	Transportation and material moving	8%
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media	9%	Sales	8%
8 Other Occupational Groups	35%	8 Other Occupational Groups	39%
<b>Estimated Immigrant Population</b>	<b>45,805</b>	<b>Estimated Immigrant Population</b>	<b>25,196,310</b>

#### Industry

Top Five Industries	New Hampshire	Top Five Industries	United States
Manufacturing	19%	Health care and social assistance	13%
Health care and social assistance	15%	Manufacturing	11%
Professional, scientific, and technical services	12%	Accommodation and food services	10%
Educational services	9%	Construction	10%
Retail trade	9%	Retail trade	9%
15 Other Industries	36%	15 Other Industries	47%
<b>Estimated Immigrant Population</b>	<b>45,805</b>	<b>Estimated Immigrant Population</b>	<b>25,196,310</b>

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