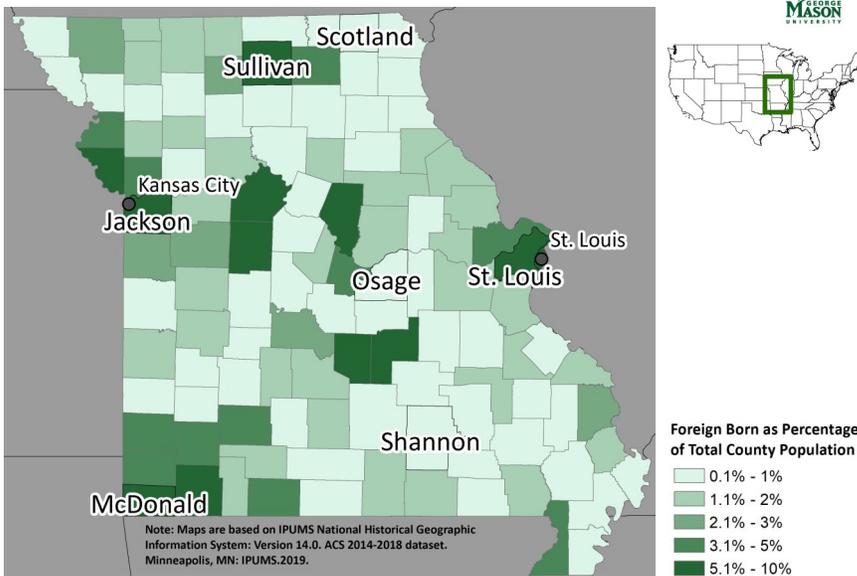


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Figure 1. Immigrants in the State of Missouri



2018 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **43,567,000:** Approximate number of immigrants¹ living in the U.S. (13% of the population).
- **249,400:** Approximate number of immigrants living in the state of Missouri (4% of the state's population).
- **40,000:** Approximate number of immigrants living in Jackson County, MO (6% of the county's population).
- **26%:** Estimated increase in the number of immigrants living in Jackson County, MO over the past 6 years.
- **41st:** Rank of the state of Missouri among the 50 states and the District of Columbia in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the state's total population.

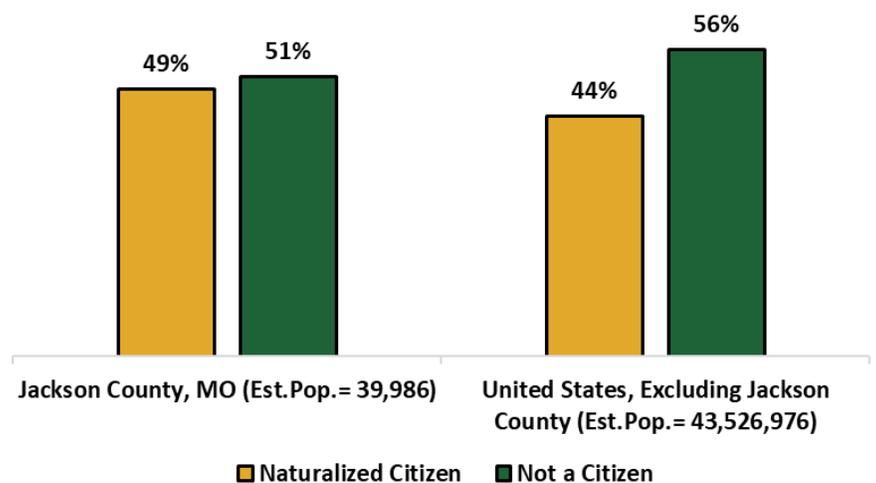
Distribution of Immigrants in Missouri

Figure 1 shows where immigrants live in the state of Missouri as a percent of the county's population. Sullivan (9 percent), McDonald (8 percent), and St. Louis (7 percent) Counties reported the highest percentages of immigrants in this state. Scotland, Osage, and Shannon Counties reported the lowest percentages of immigrants in the state, under 1 percent of each county's population.

Naturalization Rates

Figure 2 shows that the foreign born in Jackson County are more likely to be naturalized citizens (49 percent) than in the rest of the United States where 44 percent of immigrants are naturalized.

Figure 2. Naturalization Rates



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.

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Country of Birth

Mexico is the top country of origin for immigrants in both Jackson County and the rest of the United States (Figure 3). However, there is a larger share of immigrants from Mexico in Jackson County (32 percent) in comparison to the rest of the United States (26 percent). Immigrants born in Vietnam make up a share of 4 percent in Jackson County and this is a country that is not among the top five countries of origin in the rest of the United States. In Jackson County, 10 percent of immigrants are from El Salvador, India and the Philippines combined, compared to the 13 percent that these countries combined represent in the rest of the United States.

Figure 3. Country of Birth

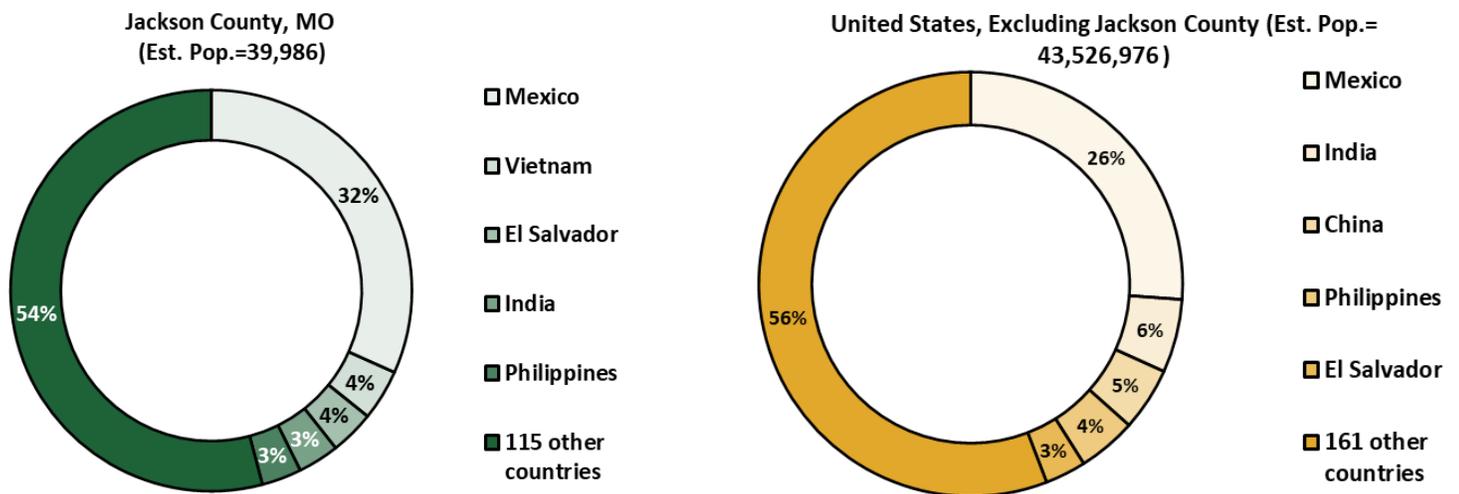
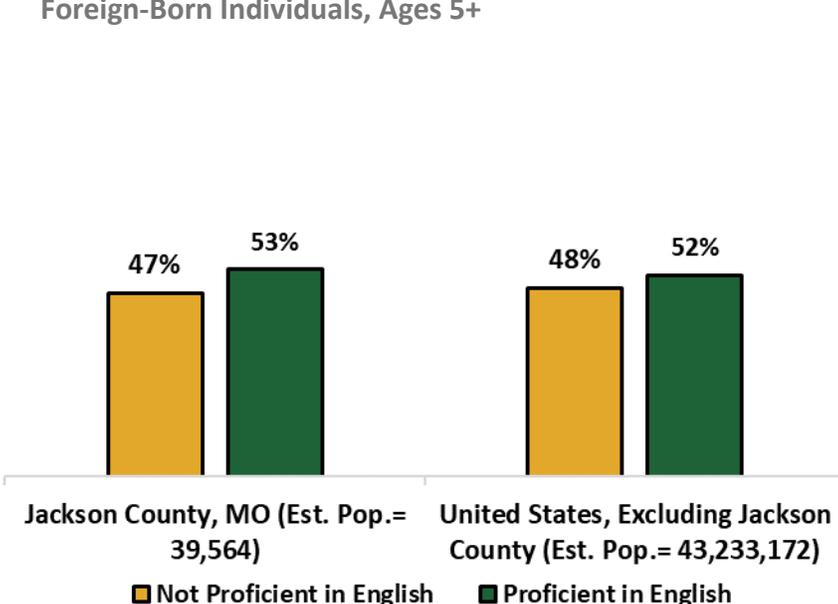


Figure 4. English Proficiency in Foreign-Born Individuals
Foreign-Born Individuals, Ages 5+

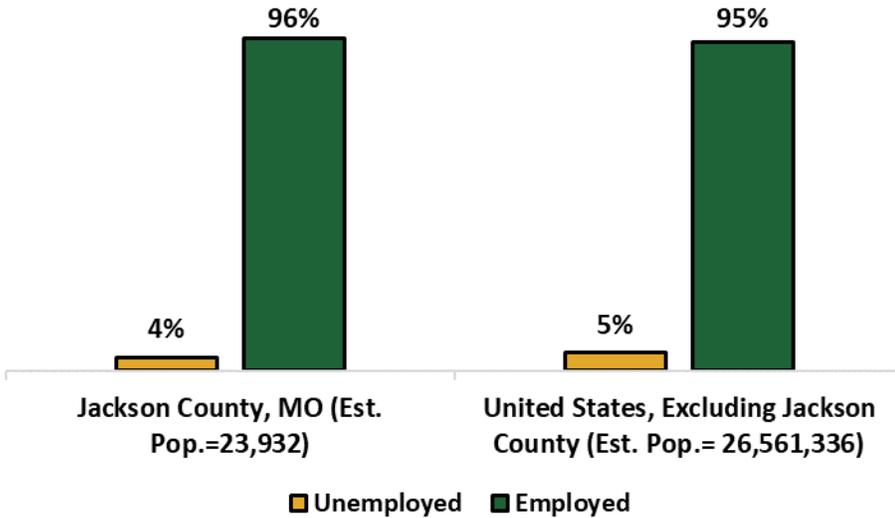


English Proficiency

Figure 4 shows that the foreign born in Jackson County are slightly more likely to be proficient in English (53 percent) than in the rest of the United States where 52 percent of immigrants are proficient in English (speaks only English or speaks English very well).

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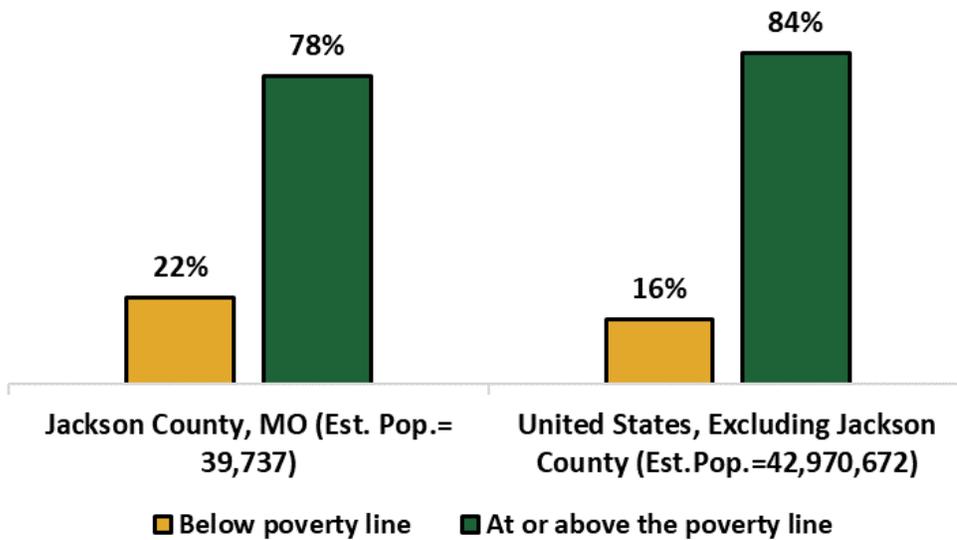
Figure 5. Employment Rates in Foreign-Born Individuals
Foreign-Born Individuals in the Labor Force, Ages 16-65



Employment

Figure 5 shows that immigrants in Jackson County are slightly less likely to be unemployed (4 percent) than in the rest of the United States (5 percent).

Figure 6. Poverty Status



Poverty

Figure 6 shows that the foreign born in Jackson County are more likely to be below the poverty line (22 percent) than in the rest of the United States where 16 percent of immigrants are below the poverty line.



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