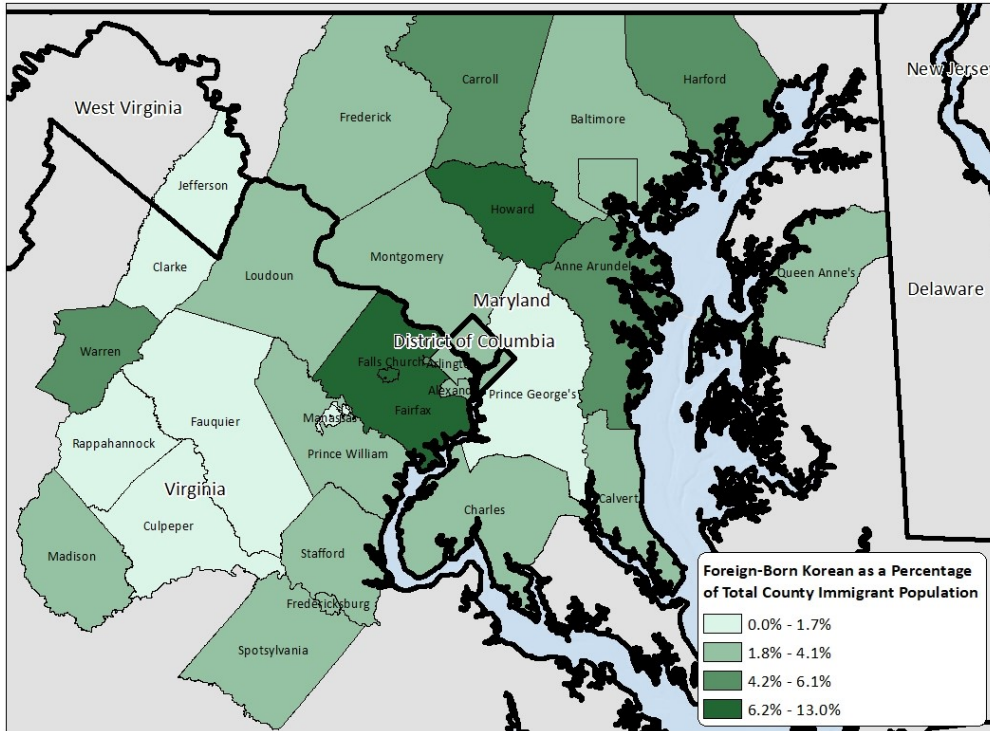


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Figure 1. Korean Immigrants in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metropolitan Area



Note: This data was prepared by the George Mason University Institute for Immigration Research (IIR), 2022. This data is displayed at the county level. Maps are based on IPUMS National Historical Geographic Information System: Version 16.0. ACS 2016-2020 dataset. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota. 2022.

2020 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **44,411,750:** Approximate number of immigrants living in the U.S. (14% of the population)
- **1,710,450:** Approximate number of immigrants in the combined Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area (19% of the metropolitan area population)
- **79,300:** Approximate number of Korean immigrants in the combined Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area (5% of the metropolitan areas immigrant population)
- Among Korean immigrants in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area:
 - **55%** are female and **45%** are male
 - **25 Years:** Median years in the United States
 - **50:** Median age
 - **70%** Eligible to vote (naturalized U.S. citizens age 18+)

Figure 2. Citizenship Status

Foreign-Born Individuals in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area

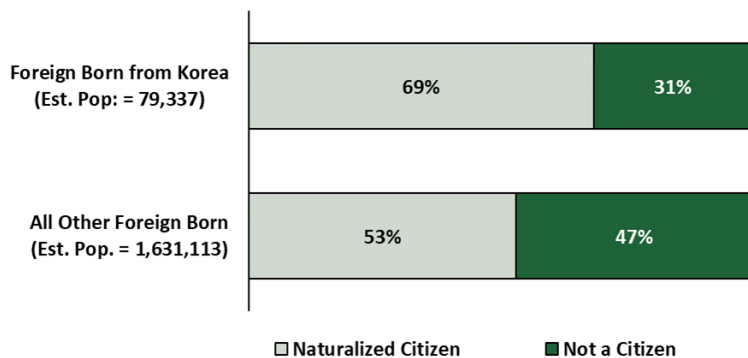
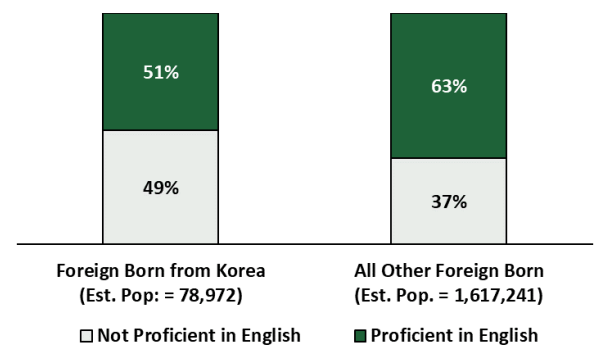


Figure 3. English Proficiency

Foreign-Born Individuals, Age 5+ in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area



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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.

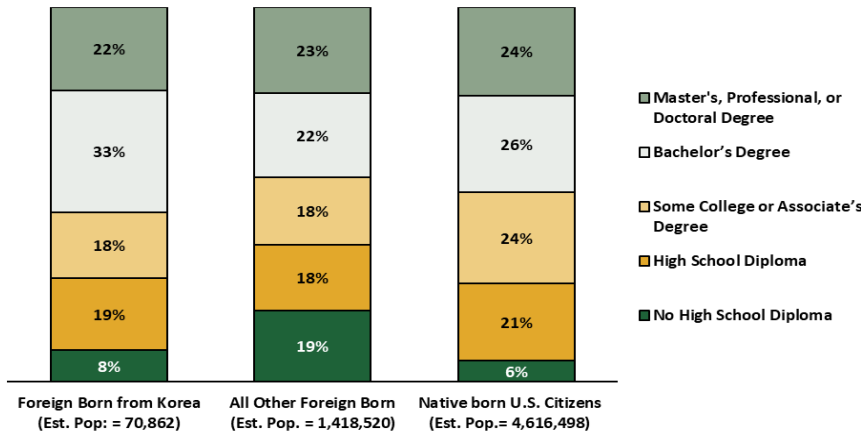
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Education, Income, Health Insurance, and Housing



Figure 4. Educational Attainment

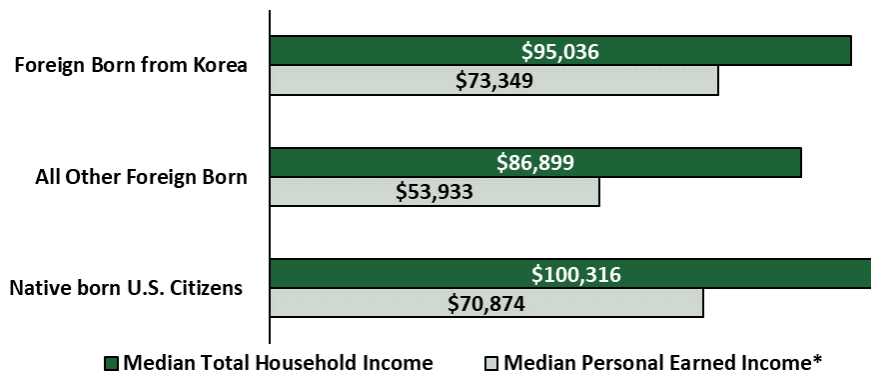
Individuals Age 25+ in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area



8.6% of foreign-born Koreans living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area live below the poverty line compared to **9.4%** of all other foreign born and **8.1%** of native born U.S. citizens.

Figure 5. Median Total Household Income and Personal Earned Income

Employed, in the Labor Force, Age 16-65 in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area

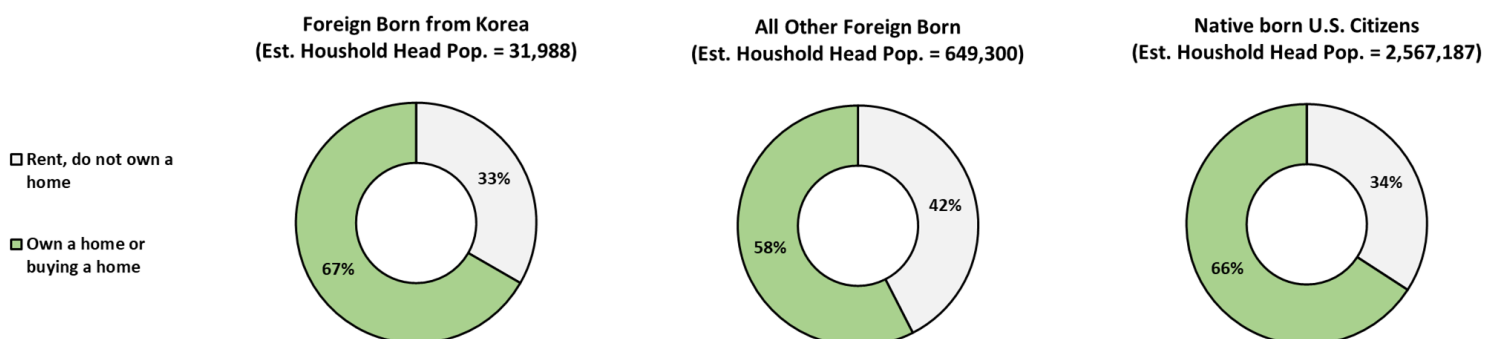


90.7% of foreign-born Koreans living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area have health insurance coverage compared to **81.3%** of all other foreign born and **96.0%** of native born U.S. citizens.

*includes individuals who are employed full-time

Figure 6. Home Ownership

Household Heads in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area



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Employment and Occupation



Figure 7. Top Five Occupational Groups

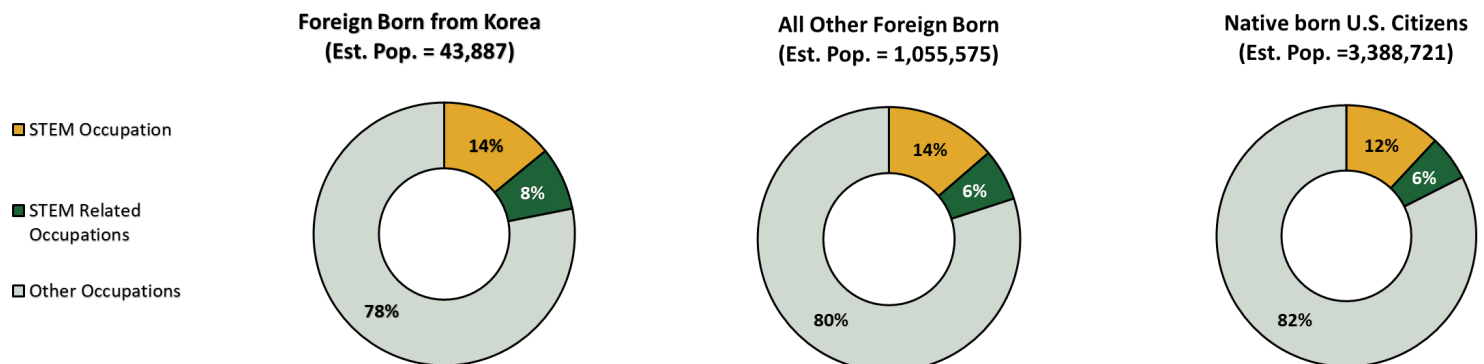
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Occupational Group	Foreign Born from Korea	Occupational Group	All Other Foreign Born	Occupational Group	Native Born U.S. Citizens
Management, Business, and Financial	21%	Service	22%	Management, Business, and Financial	23%
Education, Legal, Community Service, Arts, and Media	15%	Management, Business, and Financial	16%	Education, Legal, Community Service, Arts, and Media	15%
Computer, Engineering, and Science	14%	Computer, Engineering, and Science	13%	Service	13%
Service	13%	Construction and Extraction	9%	Computer, Engineering, and Science	11%
Sales and Related	11%	Education, Legal, Community Service, Arts, and Media	8%	Office and Administrative Support	11%
8 Other Occupational Groups	26%	8 Other Occupational Groups	32%	8 Other Occupational Groups	27%
Estimated Population	43,887	Estimated Population	1,055,575	Estimated Population	3,388,721

4.3% of foreign-born Koreans in the labor force and living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area are unemployed compared to **4.4%** of all other foreign born and **5.0%** of native born U.S. citizens.

Figure 8. Employment in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Occupations

Employed, in the Labor Force, Age 16-65 in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area

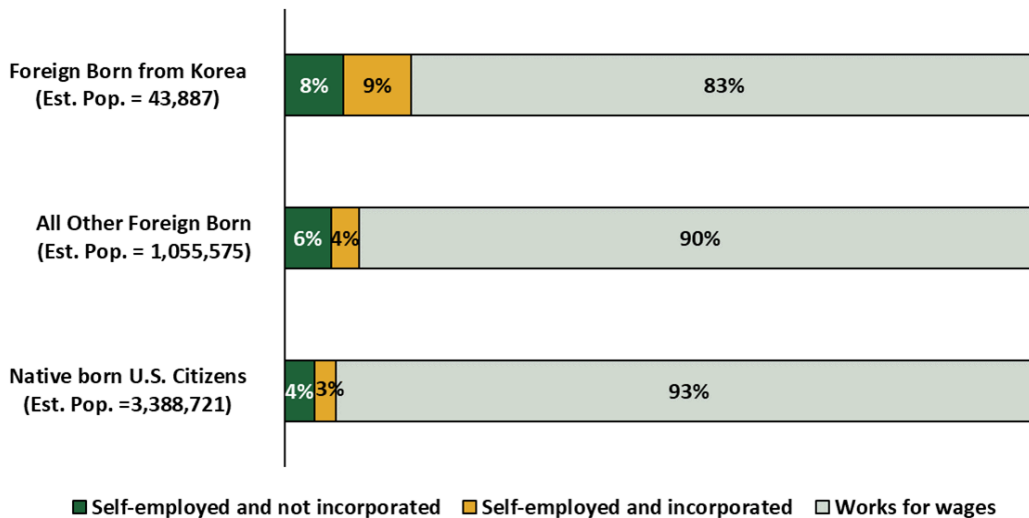


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Self-Employment

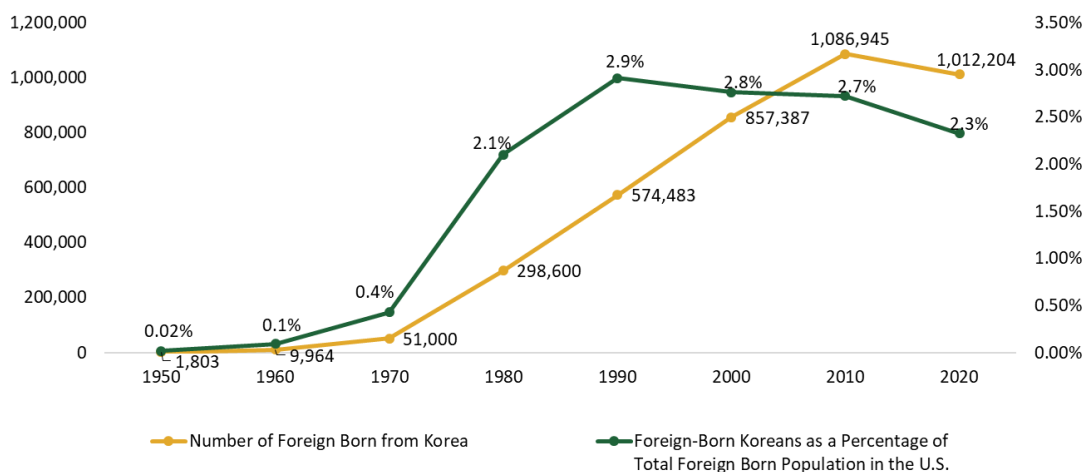
Figure 9. Self-Employment

Employed, in the Labor Force, Age 16-65 in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington Metro Area



- **\$53,933:** Median personal income of Korean immigrants who are self-employed full-time and living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area
- **\$42,000:** Median personal income of all other foreign born who are self-employed full-time and living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area
- **\$68,637:** Median personal income of native-born U.S. citizens who are self-employed full-time and living in the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington metropolitan area

Figure 10. Korean Immigrant Population in the United States, 1950-2020



Source: U.S. Census Bureau. United States, 1850-2020. ipums.org extracts (the nativity variable was used for 1960 and 1970 and the citizen variable was used for 1950, 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010, and 2020)

For factsheets that examine populations at the household level, please note that a 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. For fact sheets that examine total household income, please note that the total annual income of all members in the household is included in the analysis. For fact sheets that examine personal income, personal income refers to total personal income earned on an annual basis.

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