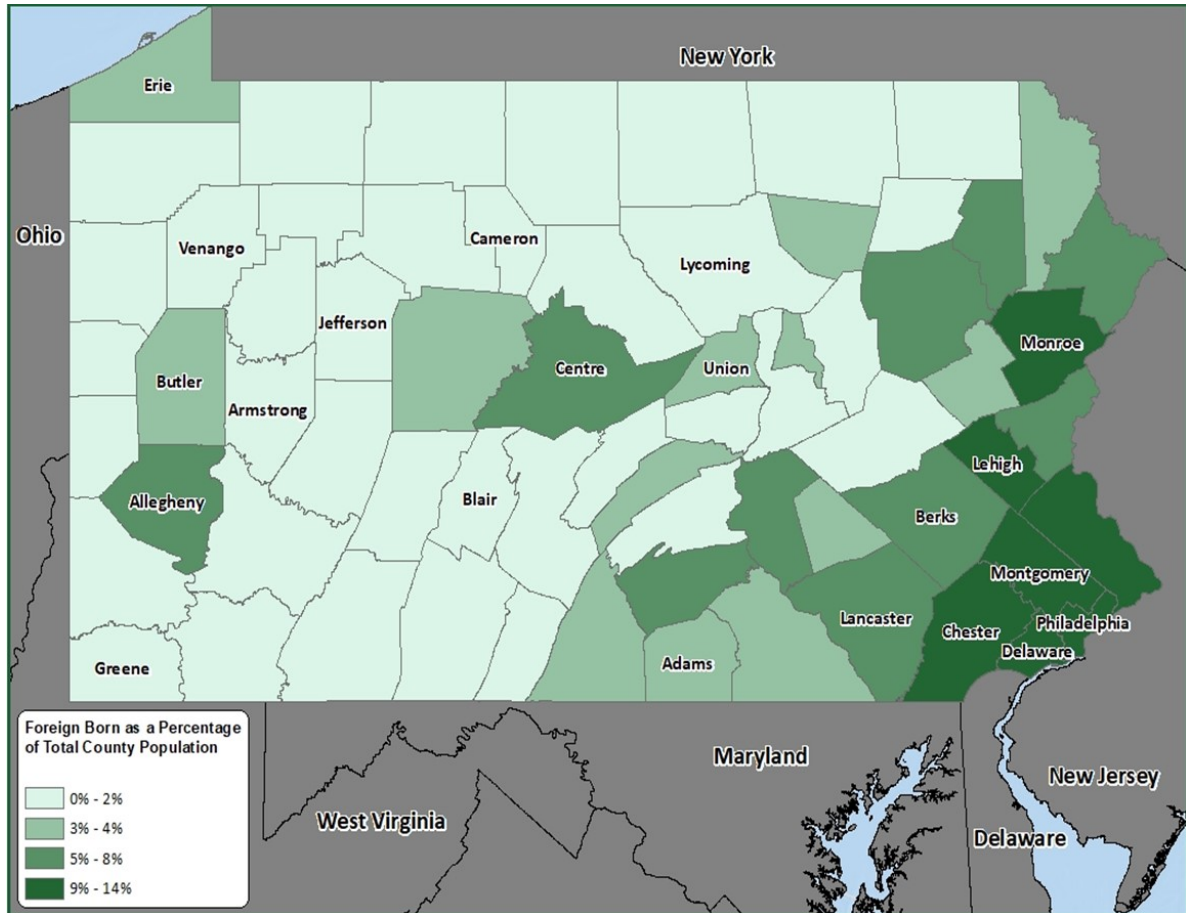


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2020 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- **44,411,750:** Approximate number of immigrants living in the U.S. (14% of the population)
- **898,620:** Approximate number of immigrants in Pennsylvania (7% of the state's population)
- **28th:** Rank of Pennsylvania among the 50 states and the District of Columbia in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the state's total population
- **48,730:** Approximate number of immigrants in Chester County, Pennsylvania (9% of the county's population)
- **3%:** Estimated increase in the number of immigrants in Chester County, Pennsylvania in the past 10 years (i.e., 2010-2020)
- **7,930:** Number of refugees in Pennsylvania resettled between fiscal years 2016-2020 (4% of the refugee population settled in the United States in this time period)

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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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English Proficiency Among Immigrants

Age 5+

	Immigrants in Chester County, PA	All Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania, Excluding Chester County
Proficient in English	71.8%	58.5%
Not Proficient in English	28.2%	41.5%
Estimated Immigrant Population (Age 5+)	48,093	842,813

Employment Status Among Immigrants

In the Labor Force, Ages 16-65

	Immigrants in Chester County, PA	All Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania, Excluding Chester County
Employed	97.4%	94.6%
Unemployed	2.6%	5.4%
Estimated Immigrant Population (Ages 16-65)	32,417	510,535

Educational Attainment

Age 25+

	Immigrants in Chester County, PA	All Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania, Excluding Chester County
No High School Diploma	16.8%	19.2%
High School Diploma	11.2%	23.9%
Some College or Associate's Degree	11.4%	17.8%
Bachelor's Degree	25.0%	19.7%
Master's, Professional, or Doctoral Degree	35.6%	19.4%
Estimated Immigrant Population	41,779	719,021

Health Insurance

	Immigrants in Chester County, PA	All Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania, Excluding Chester County
No health insurance coverage	14.5%	14.2%
With health insurance coverage	85.5%	85.8%
Estimated Immigrant Population	48,725	849,893

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Country of Birth

Immigrants in Chester County, PA		All Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania, Excluding Chester County	
India	26.3%	India	9.4%
Mexico	20.0%	Dominican Republic	8.5%
China	6.0%	China	7.4%
Germany	3.4%	Mexico	5.1%
Canada	2.7%	Vietnam	3.7%
107 Other Countries	41.6%	160 Other Countries	65.9%
Estimated Immigrant Population	48,725	Estimated Immigrant Population	849,893

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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.

For fact sheets that examine poverty status, please note that it excludes individuals who live in group quarters and those who are under the age of 18 with no family.

For fact sheets that include refugee data, data was retrieved from: RPC [Refugee Processing Center Refugee Arrivals by State and Nationality]. <https://www.wrapsnet.org/archives/>.

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