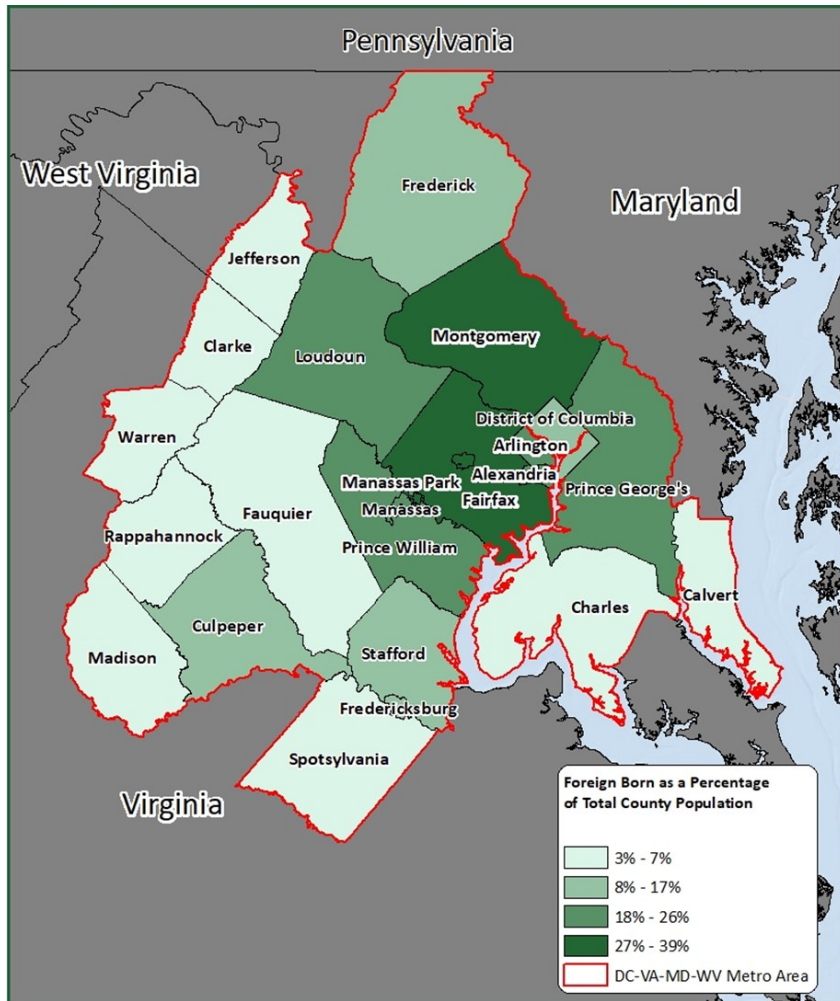


Immigrants in Alexandria City County, Virginia

Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV 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)
- **41,660:** Approximate number of immigrants in Alexandria City County, Virginia (26% of the county's population)
- **1,425,100:** Approximate number of immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Area (23% of the metropolitan area population)
- **17th:** Rank of the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Area among the 260 identified metro areas in terms of immigrants as a percentage of the metro's population
- **15%:** Estimated increase in the number of immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Area in the past 10 years (i.e. 2010-2020)

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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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Age Among Immigrants

	Immigrants in Alexandria City County	All Other Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, Excluding Alexandria City County
0 thru 4 years old	1.0%	0.9%
5 to 15 years old	4.1%	4.3%
16 to 24 years old	7.4%	7.6%
25 to 34 years old	21.6%	16.6%
35 to 44 years old	26.9%	23.4%
45 to 54 years old	17.0%	19.7%
55 to 64 years old	11.9%	14.1%
65 years and older	10.1%	13.4%
Estimated Immigrant Population	41,662	1,383,444
Median Age	40	43

Employment Status Among Immigrants

	Immigrants in Alexandria City County	All Other Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, Excluding Alexandria City County
Employed	95.1%	95.6%
Unemployed	4.9%	4.4%
Estimated Immigrant Population (Ages 16-65)	29,688	934,512

Year of Immigration (1930-2018)

	Immigrants in Alexandria City County	All Other Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metro Area, DC-VA-MD-WV, Excluding Alexandria City County
1930-1959	1.3%	1.1%
1960-1979	5.4%	9.6%
1980-1989	13.0%	14.4%
1990-1999	20.1%	21.7%
2000-2009	30.2%	29.9%
2010-2018	30.0%	23.3%
Estimated Immigrant Population	41,115	1,360,622
Median Year of Immigration	2003	2000

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Educational Attainment

Age 25+

	Immigrants in Alexandria City County	All Other Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, Excluding Alexandria City County
No High School Diploma	18.9%	19.3%
High School Diploma	17.9%	18.0%
Some College or Associate's Degree	21.9%	17.6%
Bachelor's Degree	22.8%	22.5%
Master's, Professional, or Doctoral Degree	18.5%	22.6%
Estimated Immigrant Population	36,442	1,206,178

Country of Birth

Immigrants in Alexandria City County		All Other Immigrants in the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, Excluding Alexandria City County	
Ethiopia	18.6%	El Salvador	13.7%
El Salvador	12.2%	India	7.7%
Honduras	6.9%	Korea	4.4%
Afghanistan	3.6%	China	4.1%
Philippines	3.3%	Guatemala	3.9%
120 Other Countries	55.4%	160 Other Countries	66.2%
Estimated Immigrant Population	41,662	Estimated Immigrant Population	1,383,444

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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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