NATIONAL DATA SNAPSHOT:
RURAL IMMIGRANTS & WORK

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Universe: Immigrants

Citizenship Status of Rural and Urban Immigrants

Rural

- Non-citizen: 56.8%
- Citizen: 43.2%

Urban

- Non-citizen: 50.7%
- Citizen: 49.3%

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Universe: Immigrants
Source: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2010-2014. Retrieved from IPUMS-USA,
Age by Nativity and Metropolitan Status

Note: Immigrants include all those born in another country. Native born includes all those born in the United States.

Universe: All people

Source: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2010-2014. Retrieved from IPUMS-USA,
Poverty by Nativity, Age, and Metropolitan Status

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Universe: All people

Source: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2010-2014. Retrieved from IPUMS-USA,
English Language Ability by Metropolitan Status

- **Does not speak English**
- **Does not speak English well**
- **Speaks English well**

**Note:** Immigrants include all those born in another country. **Universe:** Immigrants age 5 and over. **Source:** American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2010-2014. Retrieved from IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org
Educational Attainment by Nativity and Metropolitan Status

Labor Force Participation by Nativity and Metropolitan Status

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Universe: Working age population (age 18 to 64)

Poverty and Work Status by Nativity and Metropolitan Status

- Working poor
- Full-time working poor

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Universe: Employed people age 18 to 64

### Crop and animal production

Crop and animal production account for only 10.1 percent of rural immigrant jobs.

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<th>Top Five Industries</th>
<th>Rural Immigrant</th>
<th>Rural Native Born</th>
<th>Urban Immigrant</th>
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<td>Restaurants and other food services</td>
<td>8.7%</td>
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<td>Construction</td>
<td>8.4%</td>
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<td>Crop production</td>
<td>5.9%</td>
<td>4.5%</td>
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<td>Animal production and aquaculture</td>
<td>4.2%</td>
<td>2.6%</td>
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<td>Elementary and secondary schools</td>
<td>3.2%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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**Notes:** Immigrants include all those born in another country; Industries in blue are on all lists.

**Universe:** Employed workers

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