

IMMIGRANTS ARE A VITAL PART OF DC'S FUTURE

Behind the statistics lie individual narratives of resilience, adaptation, and aspiration that shape the diversity of and strengthen Washington, DC.

Immigrant workers and business owners grow DC's economy

100,000 immigrants reside in Washington, DC. Immigrants work in low-wage, middle-wage, and higher-wage jobs in sectors across DC's economy.



27% of business owners in DC are immigrants,

spurring innovation, hiring workers, and adding locally owned storefront shops that help make DC neighborhoods vibrant



30% of construction laborers



42% of child care workers



20% of physicians

18% of DC workers are immigrants, including:

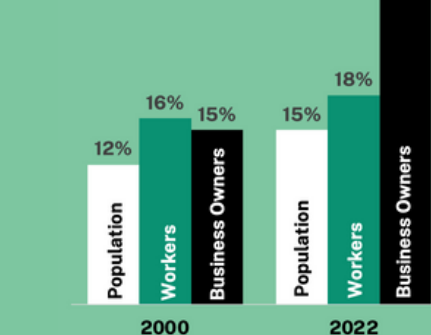
Immigrant workers and business owners generate billions of dollars in economic output in DC. Immigrant workers account for 16% of the economic output of the resident DC labor force.

Immigration increases opportunity for Washington, DC

When immigrants move to DC, the economy grows. That doesn't mean fewer jobs, it means more jobs: there are more consumers, more workers, and more business owners. Study after study shows there is no fixed number of jobs in a local economy. Immigration creates opportunities that benefit US-born workers too.

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IMMIGRANT SHARE OF:



Immigrants help power a vibrant DC economy

People power the economy, and in DC, immigrants help support a vibrant mix of jobs and sectors. They help build housing, schools, and offices, provide quality early care for young children, and see to our health as physicians and nurses.

Some people try to scapegoat immigrants to keep us divided. We don't have to fall for it.

Immigrants in DC are family members, neighbors, and an essential part of DC's workforce. The federal deportation agenda will only serve to harm DC residents, communities, and the local economy. Regardless of race or country of birth, DC is stronger when we embrace our diverse backgrounds and experiences and unite around inclusive policies that grow jobs and wages for everyone.