FOREIGN BORN POPULATION IN NEBRASKA

ACROSS A RANGE OF METRICS, NEBRASKANS WORK!

#1

Labor force participation rate for persons ages 55 to 65 – 80.2%

Labor force participation rate of those in poverty – 55.7%

Labor force participation rate of those with some college or associate degree – 85.2%

#2

Overall labor force participation rate – 69.3%

Labor force participation rate of those 75 years and over – 8.9%

Labor force participation rate of those with less than a high school degree – 68.9%

Labor force participation rate of those with bachelor's degree or more – 90.0%

#3

Lowest unemployment rate – 3.3%

Labor force participation rate of women – 80.0%

Labor force participation rate of those with children under 17 – 79.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

AND THE FOREIGN BORN POPULATION IS NO EXCEPTION

Foreign born persons have a higher labor force participation rate than the native Nebraska population
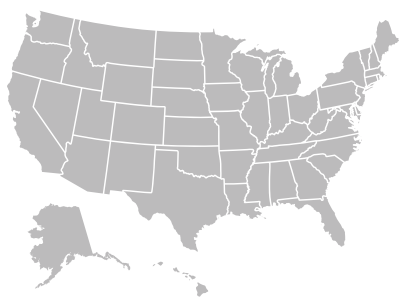
NATIVE BORN	FOREIGN BORN
68.9% IN LABOR FORCE	72.5% IN LABOR FORCE
66.3% EMPLOYED	69.5% EMPLOYED

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year

OCCUPATIONS OF FOREIGN BORN PERSONS IN NEBRASKA

Foreign born persons work in many high-demand occupations

Occupation	Native	Foreign Born
Management, business and finance	40.6%	25.7%
Service	15.6%	17.8%
Sales and office	21.7%	11.5%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	9.4%	14.0%
Production, transportation and material moving	12.7%	30.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

HARD WORK DOES NOT NECESSARILY LEAD TO THE GOOD LIFE FOR FOREIGN BORN PERSONS IN NEBRASKA
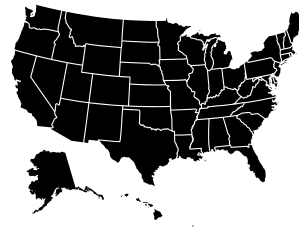
		NATIVE BORN	FOREIGN BORN
IN POVERTY		9.8%	16.3%
LESS THAN A HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE		5.4%	37.4%
MEDIAN EARNINGS FOR FULL-TIME YEAR ROUND	MALE	$56,371	$43,939
	FEMALE	$44,031	$34,748

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

NEBRASKA'S GROWTH RATE IS DRIVEN BY NATURAL CHANGE AND MILD INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

International migration is a consistent but small source of growth for Nebraska to date

Total foreign-born population in Nebraska = 142,215

— Net International Migration

657	5,958	4,018

(Line chart showing Net International Migration from 2010 to 2022: 657 in 2010, rising to 5,958 around 2016, and 4,018 in 2022)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates, Vintage 2022

Total number and percent of foreign born by county in Nebraska

0.0% 34.5%

(County map of Nebraska showing total number and percent of foreign born by county)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

Most of the foreign born population in Nebraska migrated from Latin America

Northern America 1.4%

Latin and South America 52.6%

Africa 10.3%

Europe 6.6%

Asia 28.8%
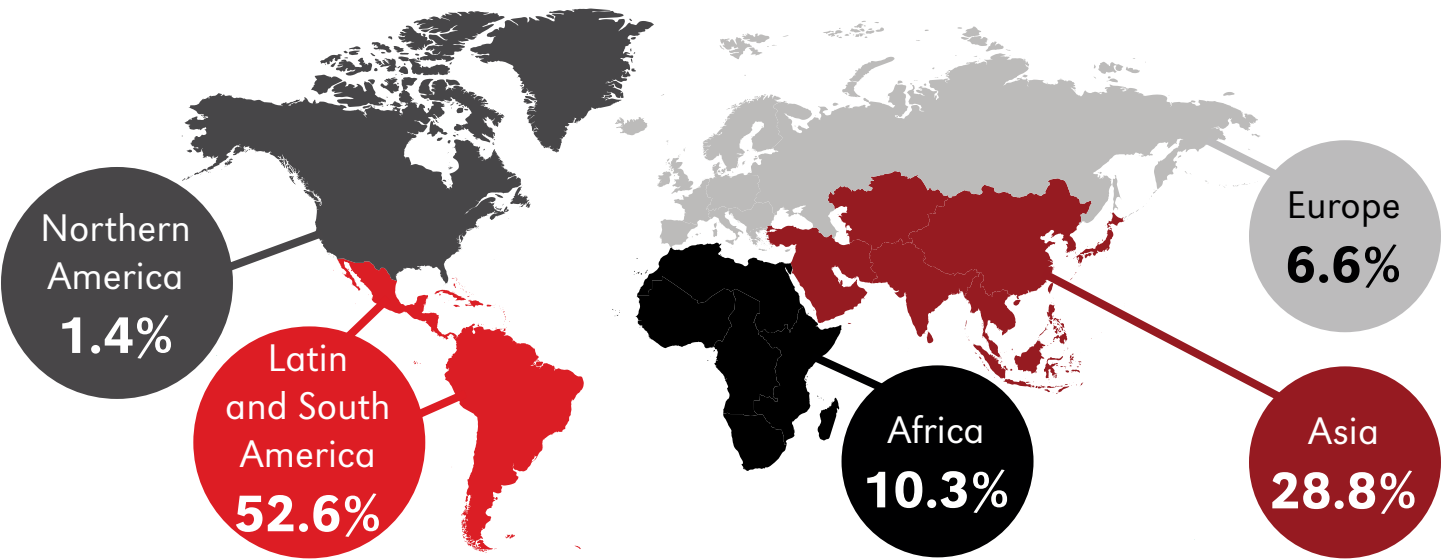
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

Total and percent of foreign born from Latin America by county in Nebraska

0.0% — 100.0%

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2021, 5-year Estimates

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