New Americans in San Diego

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About New American Economy

500 Republican, Independent, and Democratic mayors and CEOs in all 50 states agree:

**Immigration is critical to America’s economic success.**

RESEARCH ON THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF IMMIGRATION

ORGANIZING BUSINESS LEADERS ACROSS STATES & SECTORS

LOCAL INTEGRATION & INCLUSION PLANS
## 2017 Awards

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New Americans in San Diego

In 2019, foreign-born residents in San Diego contributed 24.1% of the county's GDP—an estimated $25.9 billion in economic activity. This means that foreign-born households held 22% of all spending power in San Diego county, slightly more than their share of the overall population.
The Median Age of the U.S. Population is Climbing*

Source: U.S. Census and Pew Research Center

* Projection
Immigrants are More Likely to be Working Age in San Diego

Immigrant Population in San Diego County

3.3M

Population of the County of San Diego, of which 783,713 were foreign-born.

FOREIGN-BORN SHARES OF TOTAL POPULATION:

San Diego County

23.5%

California

26.8%

National Average

13.7%

Spending Power & Tax Contributions in San Diego

- Immigrant total household income: $27.9B
- State & Local Taxes Paid: $2.3B
- Federal Taxes Paid: $5.2B
- Immigrant spending power: $20.4B

Immigrants in the Labor Force in San Diego

- 24.1% of the total population
- 28.4% of the employed labor force
- 30.5% of STEM workers

Immigrants living in San Diego in 2016 helped create or preserve...

36,770 Local manufacturing jobs that would have vanished or moved elsewhere.

Immigrants in Key Industries in San Diego

The Top 5 occupations with highest concentrations of foreign-born workers:

- **44.1%** Administrative Support
- **38.0%** General Services
- **36.8%** Manufacturing
- **34.0%** Construction
- **30.4%** Transportation & Warehousing

In California in 2018, there were nearly 13 open jobs published online for every unemployed healthcare worker.

Source: NAE Analysis of 1-year sample from the 2018 American Community Survey
In California in 2016, there were more than 15 STEM job postings published online for every unemployed STEM worker.
Immigrants Are More Likely to Be Entrepreneurs

1 in 5 entrepreneurs are immigrants—3.2 million total.

They employ 8 million Americans and generate $1.3 trillion in sales.
Entrepreneurship in San Diego

Foreign-born residents are **22.7% more likely** than U.S.-born residents to be business owners in San Diego.

- **13.7%** Immigrant Entrepreneurship Rate
- **11.2%** U.S.-born Entrepreneurship Rate

**32.7%** Immigrant Share of All Entrepreneurs

**$1.4B** Business Income Generated by Immigrant Entrepreneurs

**62,299** Immigrant Entrepreneurs

More than 44% of Fortune 500 companies were founded by immigrants or their children in 2020.

- 24% by Children of Immigrants
- 20% by Immigrants

Immigration & COVID-19 Resource Portal

Immigrants are...

38.1% of Home Health Aides
27.9% of Physicians
23.2% of Nursing Assistants
28.7% of Food Processing Workers
18.2% of Food Delivery Workers

INCLUDING WEEKLY UPDATES ON:

- State & Local Responses
- Immigrants and Critical Industries
- DACA
- Unequal Broadband Access

Undocumented immigrants are crucial to some of the hardest hit industries in the U.S. In 2018, they made up...

1 in 10 workers in Restaurants & Food Service and in Hotels & Accommodations.
Federal Actions on Immigration

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 10052**
- Temporarily suspends the issuance of H-1B, H-2B, J-1, and L-1 visas through December 31, 2020

**DACA DECISION**
- The Supreme Court ruled in June that the current Administration did not legally terminate the DACA program
- Current administrative regulations will not receive new applications, and only consider one-year renewals

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REGULATIONS—AND REVERSAL**
- On July 6, the Administration announced that international students taking a full course load online would not be allowed to reside in the U.S.
- On July 14, the Administration reversed that decision
Every H-1B visa holder creates **1.83** American jobs

- During the last recovery from a recession, it is estimated that **700,000** American jobs were created by the high-skilled foreign workers awarded H-1B visas between 2010 and 2013.
- California alone created an estimated **117,209** jobs from the high-skilled foreign workers awarded H-1B visas between 2010 and 2013.

The DACA-Eligible in California

More than 316,200 Californians are currently eligible for DACA. 89.4% of them are employed, earning a total annual income of $4.9B

- $380M — State & Local Taxes Paid
- $748M — Federal Taxes Paid

$3.8B Total Spending Power

Source: New American Economy, September 2017
International Students in San Diego

6,965 international students are enrolled in San Diego colleges and universities in fall of 2015. They supported...

8,816 Local jobs...

And contributed $637.6M to the local economy.

Map the Impact: Data on all 435 congressional districts and the top 100 metro areas, and coming soon — all 3,000+ U.S. counties

www.MapTheImpact.org
Thank You!

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