

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT RELATIONS



SANTA CLARA COUNTY IMMIGRANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Did you know...

IMMIGRANT FAMILIES

- Almost 2/3 of non-citizens (64%) live in households with citizens.
- 72% of non-citizen Latinos live in households with citizens.
- 59% of Asian non-citizens live in mixed status households.
- Immigrant households receive 41% of the total household income in the county, holding significant spending power.



ANCESTRY

- In 2014, 348,197 county residents reported multiple ancestry.
- 58.5% of immigrants come from Asia, 29% from Latin America, 9.1% from Europe, 1.5% from Northern America, 1.4% from Africa and 0.5% from Oceania.

LANGUAGES

- More than 83 languages are spoken in Santa Clara County. **51.2%** of the population speaks a language other than English.



LABOR FORCE

- Immigrants participate in the labor force at higher rates than the U. S. born residents: **64%** of immigrants and 61% of the U. S. born over the age of 16 are employed.
- About 85% of all Latino and Asian immigrant men of working age (25-64) are employed, compared with 79% of U.S. born Latino and Asian men.
- Immigrants comprise 77% of grounds maintenance, 79% of farm workers, and 83% of cooks.
- Silicon Valley depends on immigrants: they are experts in science & technology and the majority of workers in production, farming, grounds cleaning and food preparation Industries.

Sources: The U. S. Census Bureau, California Immigrant Policy Center & Keen Research Center

