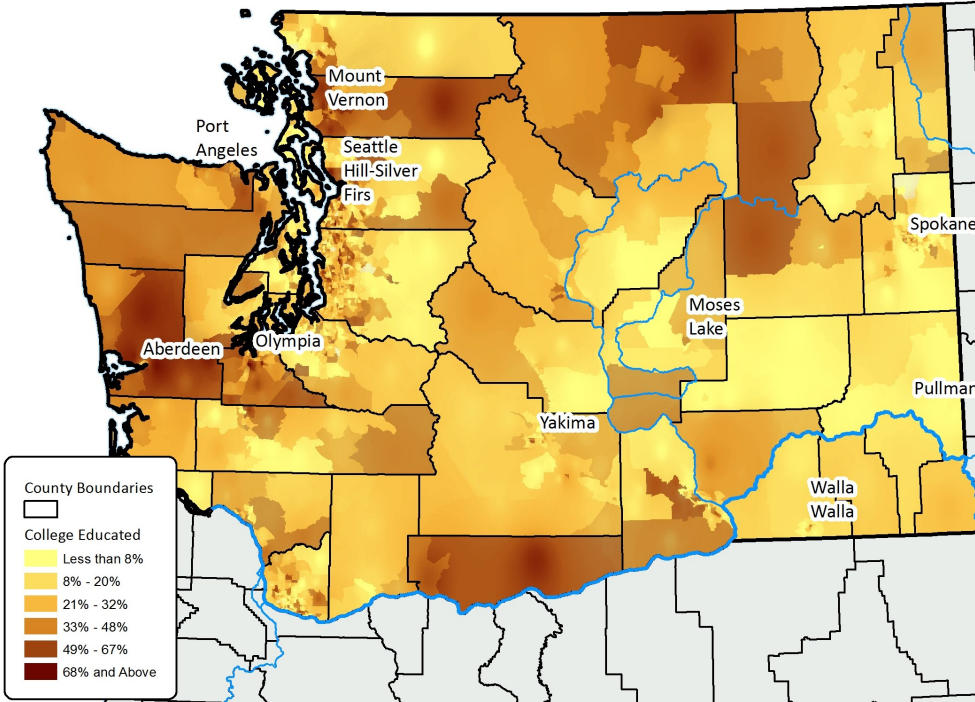


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College Educated Immigrants by Location



The areas where highly educated immigrants are most concentrated are located between Seattle and Olympia. The largest group of immigrants who work in Washington contribute to the Education, Health, and Social Services Industries. The most common occupations in that industry for immigrants are healthcare practitioners.

Of the more than 570,000 immigrant workers in this state, 31% are highly educated. The majority of which are in wage and salaried positions.

Educational Attainment by Job Type

	Self-Employed	Wage/Salary	Government	Unpaid family worker
Less than H.S.D.	19.4%	26.7%	8.0%	20.6%
H.S. Diploma	23.6%	20.8%	13.8%	22.7%
Some College and Associates Degree	26.5%	22.8%	31.8%	27.8%
Bachelor's Degree	18.1%	17.3%	25.0%	23.8%
Advanced or Professional Degree	12.4%	11.7%	21.5%	5.1%

Proportion of Immigrants in Industries for Washington

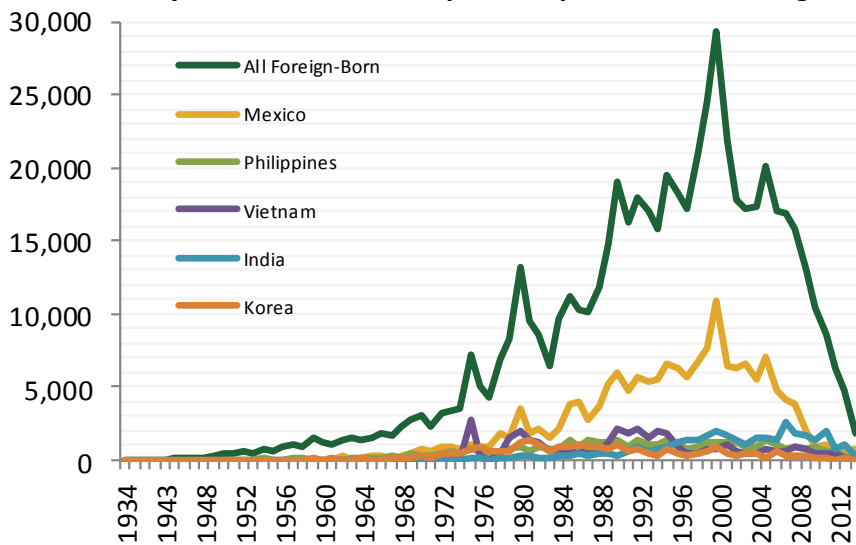
Industry	%
Education, Health, and Social Services	16.8%
Professional, Scientific, Management, Administrative, and Waste Management Services	14.4%
Manufacturing	11.9%
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Accommodations, and Food Services	11.4%
Retail Trade	9.0%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting	8.0%
Construction	5.9%
Other Services	4.7%
Transportation and Warehousing	4.4%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	3.6%
Wholesale Trade	3.0%
Public Administration	2.5%
Information and Communications	2.2%
Armed Forces	0.5%
Utilities	0.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. American Community Survey, 2010-2014. ipums.org extracts. Tigerline shapefiles.

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The majority of immigrants in Washington state arrived in the U.S. between 1998 and 2008. Recently there has been an apparent decline in the number of immigrants who have arrived after 2008. The most common birthplaces include Mexico, Philippines, Vietnam, India, Korea, Canada, China, Ukraine, USSR/Russia, and Ethiopia. This diversity of cultures and people can also be seen in the relatively even distribution of immigrant workers and their occupations for Washington. There is no huge gap between the most sought after occupations and those that are less common. Note the unusually low distribution of education in the whole population, and compare to the relatively high distribution of food service occupations, this can be explained by the specialization of educators in the education industry and the presence of food service occupations in many industries.

**Year of Entry into the US with Top 5 Birthplaces for Washington**



**Proportion of Immigrants in Occupations**

Occupations	%
Food Preparation and Serving	7.7%
Office and Administrative Support	7.6%
Production	7.6%
Management, Business, Science, and Arts	7.4%
Sales and Related	7.2%
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	7.2%
Transportation and Material Moving	7.2%
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	7.0%
Computer and Mathematical	6.9%
Personal Care and Service	5.6%
Construction and Extraction	5.3%
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	4.2%
Education, Training, and Library	3.1%
Architecture and Engineering	2.6%
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	2.3%
Healthcare Support	2.1%
Business Operations Specialists	1.8%
Financial Specialists	1.6%
Military Specific	1.5%
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	1.4%
Life, Physical, and Social Science	1.0%
Community and Social Services	0.9%
Protective Service	0.7%
Legal	0.3%

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