



## Supporting Immigrants in Rhode Island

Demographics and Economic Contributions

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Immigrants in Rhode Island include...

...anyone born outside of the United States to parents who are not U.S. citizens:

- naturalized U.S. citizens
- lawful permanent residents (green card holders)
- temporary immigrants (e.g., foreign students)
- undocumented immigrants
- humanitarian immigrants (e.g., refugees)

## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Demography

	Rhode Island	Top Countries of Origin	% of Foreign Born
Count of Foreign Born	141,713	Dominican Republic	17.8%
<b>% Foreign Born of Overall Population</b>	<b>13.4%</b>	Portugal	9.8%
% Naturalized Citizens of Foreign Born	53.8%	Guatemala	9.3%
Count of Undocumented Immigrants	25,477	Cape Verde	7.2%
		China	4.9%

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Report speaking English "well" or "very well"		Foreign Born Population		Female		Male		Ages 0-15			Ages 16-64			Ages 65+			Less than HS Diploma				HS & Some College				Bachelor's Degree				Graduate Degree			
RI	US	Count	%	%	%	%	%																									
74.6%	71.8%	141,713	13.4%	50.7%	49.3%	5.8%			79.2%			15.0%			27.8%				46.9%				13.5%				11.8%					

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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Mixed-Status Households

- 37,475 people in RI, including 14,507 born in the US, lived with at least one undocumented family member.
- Over 18,000 citizens in Rhode Island live with at least one family member who is undocumented.
- 6% of children were US citizens living with at least one undocumented family member (12,541 children in total).

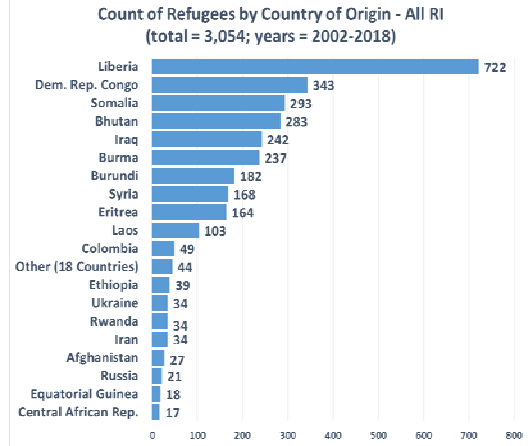
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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: DACA

- **Nearly 1,000 Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients currently live in Rhode Island.**
- As of 2016, 42 percent of DACA-eligible immigrants in Rhode Island, or 1,460 people, had applied for DACA.
- As of 2018, there were a total of approximately 3,000 individuals immediately eligible for DACA, hundreds of other residents who have satisfied all but the educational requirements for DACA, and hundreds more who would become eligible as they grow older.

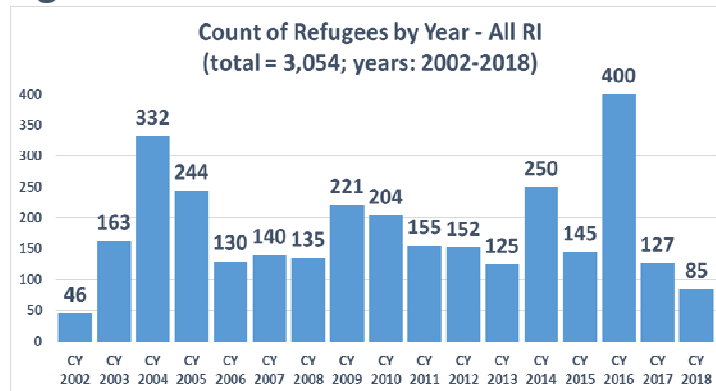
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• Migration Policy Institute, <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/programs/data-hub/deferred-action-childhood-arrivals-daca-profiles>.

## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Refugees



• Department of State, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Office of Admissions - Refugee Processing Center, Refugee Arrivals by Calendar Year as of 30-April-2019, [http://reports.wrapsnet.org/Interactive-Reporting/EnumType/Report?ItemPath=/rpt\\_WebArrivalsReports/MX%20-%20Arrivals%20by%20Destination%20and%20Nationality](http://reports.wrapsnet.org/Interactive-Reporting/EnumType/Report?ItemPath=/rpt_WebArrivalsReports/MX%20-%20Arrivals%20by%20Destination%20and%20Nationality).

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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Economic Contributions

Taxes Paid		
	All Foreign Born	Undocumented Only
Total Taxes Paid	\$1.1 Billion	\$54.8 Million
Federal Taxes Paid	\$705.1 Million	\$32.2 Million
State & Local Taxes Paid	\$288.2 Million	\$22.6 Million

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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Economic Contributions

Total Household Income		Net Economic Benefit of Foreign Born RIsers
All Foreign Born	\$4.2 Billion	
Undocumented Only	\$464.9 Million	
Total Spending Power (= Income Earned – Taxes Paid)		
All Foreign Born	\$3.1 Billion	\$302.7 Million
Undocumented Only	\$410.1 Million	

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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Economic Contributions

Industry	% of Industry Foreign Born
Computer systems design & related services	29.1%
Restaurants & other food services	18.9%
Colleges, universities, & professional schools	18.4%
Construction	15.4%
Hospitals	12.7%

Healthcare Occupations % Foreign Born	
Nurses	7.7%
Health Aides	31.6%

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## Rhode Island's Immigrant Population: Economic Contributions

Home Ownership and Rent	
Number of Homeowners	27,713
Housing Wealth	\$7.1 Billion
Rent Paid by Immigrant-Led Households	\$340.5 Million

International Students	
Percentage of Students	6.3%
Economic Contributions	\$256.4 Million
Jobs Supported	2,654

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