

# Immigration Fact Sheet

“Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each state; Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own and to return to his country.”

[Universal Declaration of Human Rights Article 13](#)

## 2015 Global Migration Facts by the [International Organization for Migration \(IOM\)](#):

- There were 244 million international migrants worldwide
- The US was the most popular destination for international migrants globally, just ahead of Germany and Russia
- Over 5,400 migrants worldwide are estimated to have died or gone missing in 2015

## US Immigration Statistics 2015:

- US Population: 324 million ([US Census Bureau](#))
- Foreign-born Population: 46.6 million ([IOM](#))
- Documented Immigrants: 13 million ([NCSL](#))
- Undocumented Immigrants: 11 million ([NCSL](#))
  - US civilian workforce included 8 million undocumented immigrants in 2014, accounting for 5% of those who were working or were unemployed and looking for work ([Pew Research Center](#))
  - Six states accounted for 59% of undocumented immigrants in 2014: California, Texas, Florida, New York, New Jersey and Illinois ([Pew Research Center](#))
  - As of 2014, about 66% of undocumented adults have been in the US for at least 10 years ([Pew Research Center](#))
- Top Countries of Origin: Mexico, China, India, Philippines, Cuba ([DHS](#))
- 51.2% of international migrants coming into the US were female ([IOM](#))
- 341 migrants died at the US-Mexico border in 2015 ([IOM](#))



## Immigration into the US and Terrorism: ([CATO Institute](#))

- Including those murdered in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 (9/11), the chance of an American perishing in a terrorist attack on U.S. soil that was committed by a foreigner from 1975-2015 is 1 in 3.6 million per year.
  - The annual chance of being murdered by somebody other than a foreign-born terrorist was 252.9 times greater than the chance of dying in a terrorist attack committed by a foreign-born terrorist.
- The chance of an American being murdered in a terrorist attack caused by a refugee is 1 in 3.64 billion per year while the chance of being murdered in an attack committed by an undocumented immigrant is an astronomical 1 in 10.9 billion per year.
- There were 154 foreign-born terrorists in the United States who killed 3,024 people in attacks from 1975 through the end of 2015, 98.6% of whom were killed on September 11, 2001. Ten of them were undocumented immigrants, 54 were lawful permanent residents, 19 were students, 1 entered on a K-1 fiancé(e) visa, 20 were refugees, 4 were asylum seekers, 34 were tourists on

various visas, and 3 were from Visa Waiver Program countries. The visas for 9 terrorists could not be determined.

### **President Trump's Executive Orders Regarding Immigration:**

**[“Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States,”](#)** signed January 27, 2017

– Imposes a 90-day suspension on entry to the US from citizens of Iraq, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen; suspends the US refugee program for at least 120 days and indefinitely for Syrian nationals; cuts the total number of refugees of any nationality who can be resettled under the program to 50,000 in fiscal year 2017. *As of February 9, 2017, a US Federal Court of Appeals has upheld a federal court block of the travel ban. The Department of Justice may now decide to appeal to the US Supreme Court.*



**[“Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements,”](#)** signed January 25, 2017

– Orders the immediate construction of a border wall with Mexico; allows hiring of additional Border Patrol Agents.

**[“Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States,”](#)** signed January 25, 2017

– Demands aggressive efforts to find and deport unauthorized immigrants, including withdrawing of federal funding to sanctuary cities. *As of February 9, 2017, there are confirmed reports of ICE raids happening in Los Angeles County.*