

Ohio Asian Americans



Ohio's Asian American community is comprised of more than 324,000 people, accounting for 2.8 percent of the state's total population. According to the 2017 American Community Survey by the U.S. Census Bureau, Ohio's Asian population more than doubled since 2000 and is six times the 1980 count. For the United States, the Asian population is over 21.6 million, or 6.6 percent of the nation's total population. Since 2000, the number of Asian Americans in the U.S. has increased by nearly 10 million people, or 82 percent.

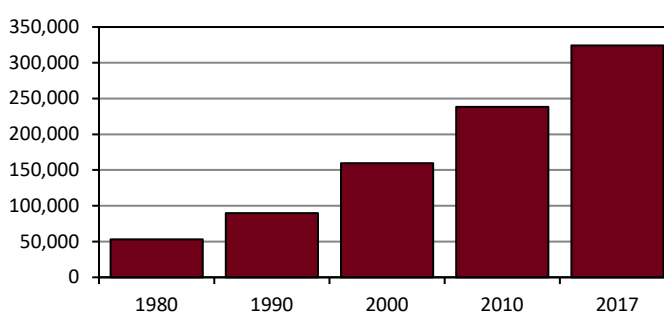
OVERVIEW

- 324,372 people – 2.8 percent of Ohio's total population
- The Asian population has more than doubled since 2000
- 186,260 were born outside the U.S.
- 36 percent are of Asian Indian ancestry
- Median age of 33.0 years compared to 39.3 years for all Ohioans
- 40,000 enrolled in elementary and secondary schools
- Median household income: \$71,820
- 21,000+ businesses with \$10.8 billion in receipts

Note: Asian refers to a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent. A person reporting their race as Asian alone or in combination with one or more other race is used for total population counts only. A person reporting their race as Asian alone is used for the other population characteristics. The recording of specific, multiple races was not done prior to 2000.

Ohio's Asian Population: 324,000

The Asian American community accounts for 2.8 percent of Ohio's total population with significant growth occurring over the last three decades. Since 2000 the number of Asian Ohioans has more than doubled. In 1980 there were approximately 50,000 Asians in Ohio, comprising 0.5 percent of the state's total population.

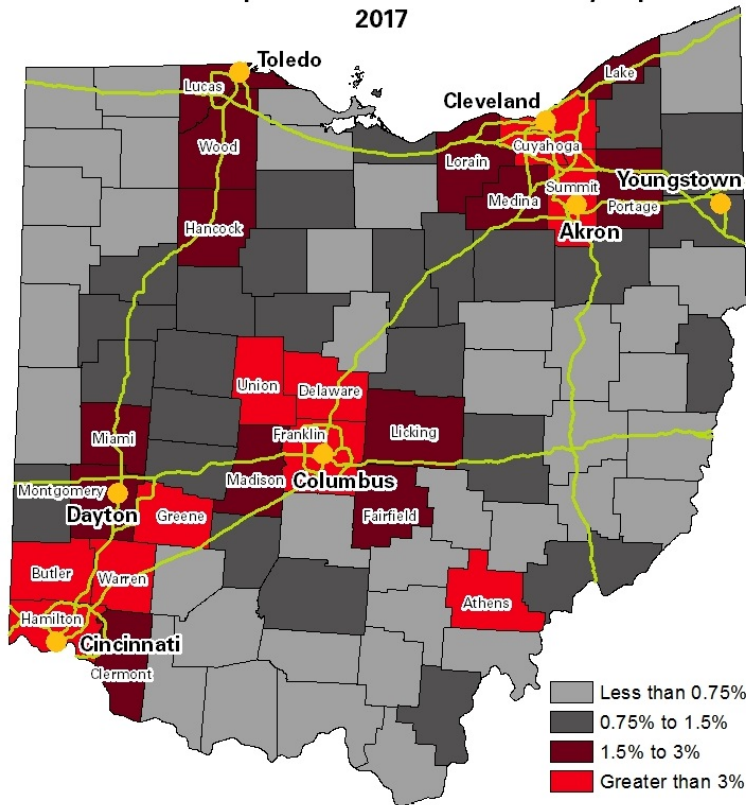


Asian Population

Asian American Population by County: 2017			
Total Asian American Population		Percent of County Population	
Franklin	79,761	Delaware	7.4%
Cuyahoga	47,511	Warren	6.4%
Hamilton	26,957	Franklin	6.2%
Summit	22,473	Union	4.6%
Montgomery	15,781	Athens	4.3%
Butler	15,092	Summit	4.2%
Delaware	14,857	Greene	4.1%
Warren	14,680	Butler	4.0%
Lucas	9,965	Cuyahoga	3.8%
Greene	6,981	Hamilton	3.3%
Lorain	5,350	Montgomery	3.0%
Stark	4,894	Portage	2.6%

Most Asian American Ohioans live in the state's metropolitan areas. Generally, Asian Americans in Ohio are more likely to live in the suburbs than the central city, but Columbus is an exception with more Asian Americans living in the city because of the influence of The Ohio State University. Nearly 60,000, or 18 percent, of Ohio's Asian population live in Columbus city. There are another 46,000 Asian American Ohioans living in the remaining portion of the metropolitan area. The combination of the Cleveland/Akron metropolitan areas has over 89,000 Asian Americans.

**Asian American Population as Percent of County Population:
2017**

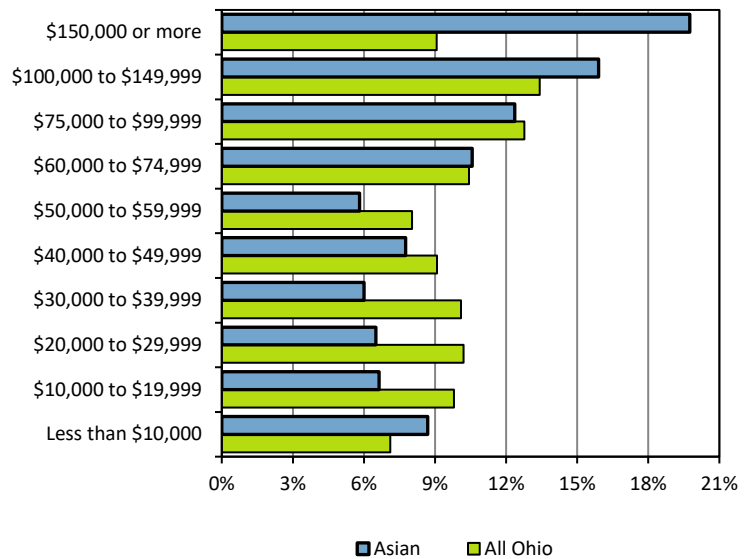


Median Household Income: \$71,820

The income of Asian Americans in the state tends to be higher than that of an average Ohioan. The median household income for Asian Americans living in Ohio is nearly \$72,000. For all Ohio households, the figure is more than \$54,000. The median income of foreign-born persons from Asia was \$4,000 lower than all of Ohio's Asian population due to the high proportion enrolled in college.

Fourteen percent of Asian American Ohioans live below the poverty line. Of Ohio's 59,000 Asian American family households, ten percent are in poverty. Of these, two-thirds have related children at home. Approximately 7 percent of Asian Americans in households received Food Stamps within the last 12 months.

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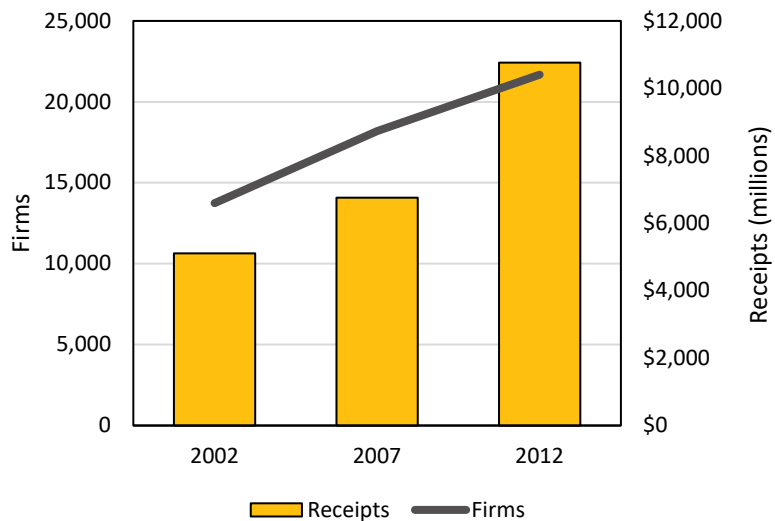


Household Income Distribution

**Receipts:
\$10.8 billion**

There are more than 21,000 Asian American-owned businesses in Ohio, according to the most recent Survey of Business Owners conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. Of that number, businesses with a payroll total over 7,000 and, combined, employ more than 64,000 workers with an annual payroll of nearly \$1.8 billion. Receipts for those businesses approached \$9.9 billion with receipts for all Asian American-owned businesses nearly \$10.8 billion.

With respect to business sectors, professional/scientific/technical services and health care/social assistance account for 15 percent and 14 percent respectively, of Asian American-owned firms. These sectors account for 13 and 10 percent of all businesses in Ohio respectively. Eleven percent of all accommodation/food service firms in the state are owned by Asian Americans.



The distribution of receipts for Asian American-owned firms by sector varies somewhat from that of the state as a whole. Twenty-one percent of sales came from wholesale trade while 19 percent came from retail trade and 14 percent in accommodations/food services. For all Ohio businesses, manufacturing is the largest sector and brings in more than one-fourth of the receipts; wholesale trade accounts for 21 percent. Retail represents 13 percent of receipts while accommodation represents less than 2 percent of receipts.

**Unemployment
Rate: 4.0%**

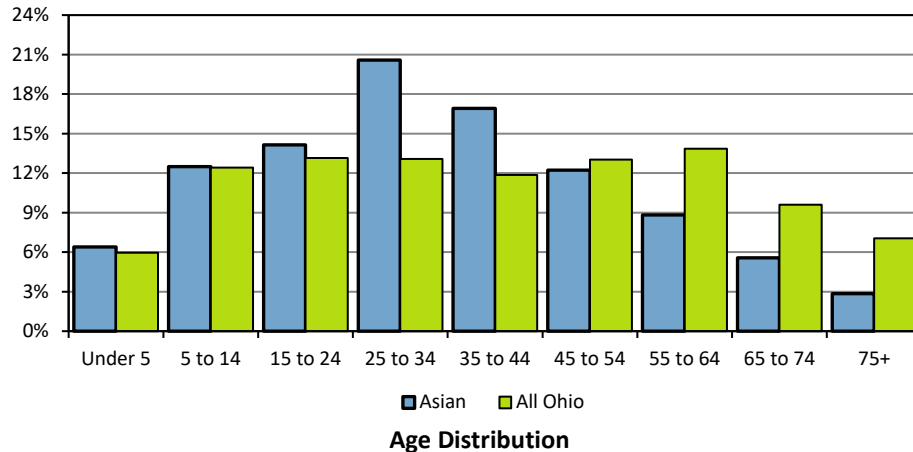
The number of Asian American Ohioans in the civilian labor force is 135,000 and accounts for 2.4 percent of the civilian labor force. Asian Americans in Ohio have an unemployment rate of 4.0 percent. All Ohioans have an unemployment rate of 5.2 percent.

Employed Asian Americans are highly represented in professional occupations, compared to all Ohioans. Of the roughly 130,000 employed Asian Americans, nearly 48 percent are in occupations of computer/engineering/science (22%), management (15%), and healthcare (11%). There also a significant number in education occupations.

**Median Age:
33.0 years**

The median age of Asian Americans in Ohio is 33.0 years. For comparison, the median age of Ohioans overall is 39.3 years. A very high proportion of Asian Americans between the ages of 25 and 44 and slightly lower proportions in the older age groups kept the median age lower than that of Ohio's total population.

In Ohio, over 51,000 marriages include at least one Asian American spouse. Of these families, more than 58 percent have children living at home. For all married couples in Ohio, approximately 38 percent have children at home. Nine percent of Asian American families with children consist of single mothers.

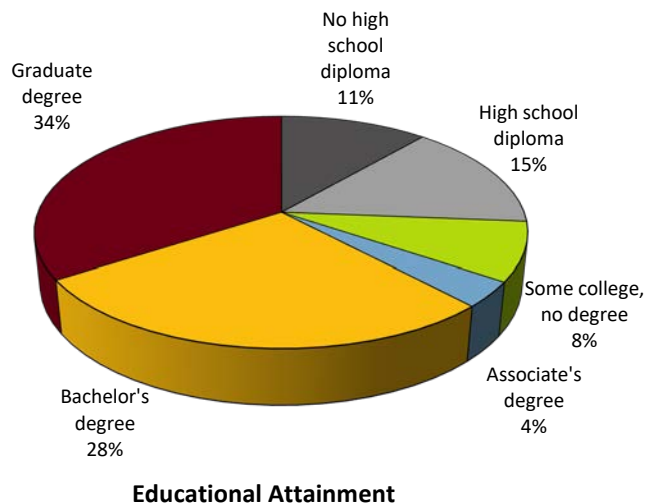


School Enrollment: 40,000

There are more than 40,000 Asian American students enrolled in Ohio's elementary and secondary schools, making up 2.1 percent of Ohio's total student body.

Nearly 33,000 Asian American Ohioans are enrolled in college or graduate school. This accounts for over 16 percent of Asian Americans older than 17.

The educational attainment of the Asian American community exceeds the total state population. One-third of Asian Americans, older than 24 years, have a graduate degree with another quarter having a bachelor's degree. For the state, 11 percent of Ohioans have a graduate degree, while 17 percent have a bachelor's degree.

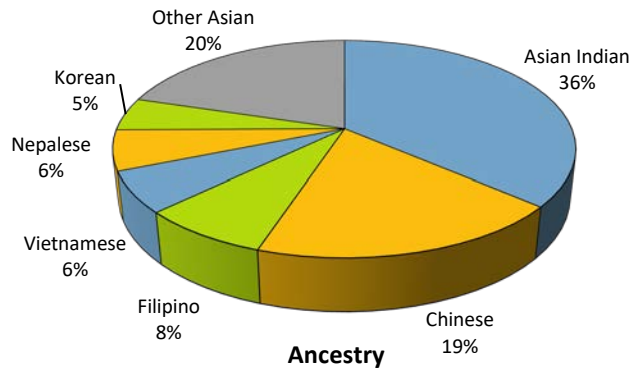


Foreign Born: 186,000

Nearly 101,000 of the Asian Americans in Ohio are of Indian descent. The Indian community is growing quickly and has increased more than 40 percent since 2010. Roughly half of the foreign-born Indians emigrated from India since 2010.

Chinese American, the second largest group behind Indian, accounts for almost one-sixth of Asians in Ohio. The Chinese community is growing quickly, increasing around 22,000 people, since 2000. Around two-thirds of this growth is due to international migration.

The Ohio Vietnamese community, while smaller, is experiencing significant growth. Since 2010 it has grown by one-third to around 19,000 people. The size of the Nepalese community has seen some significant growth recently. Also, the Filipino population is growing but at a slightly slower pace.



Roughly three-of-four Asian American Ohioans speak a language other than English at home. How proficient they are at English depends, to some extent, on their or their family's country of origin. About nine out of ten foreign-born Asians in Ohio with ties to South Central Asia, mainly India, speaks a language other than English at home. Of these, around two-thirds report speaking English "very well". About half of Asian Americans that speak Chinese, Korean, or Japanese at home report speaking English "very well." Less than one-quarter from these three groups reports speaking English at home.



The statistical source of this profile is the 2010 Census of Population and Housing and the Census Bureau's 2017 American Community Survey 1-year Estimates. Business data came from the Census Bureau's 2012 Survey of Business Owners. Although the census is the most comprehensive set of socio-economic data available, the estimates are subject to sampling and non-sampling error that may result in some over- or under-estimation of actual population characteristics.