

AT-A-GLANCE

Immigrants from China are the third-largest immigrant group in the U.S. after Mexico and India. In Greater Boston*, immigrants from China form the largest immigrant group ahead of, in order, Dominican Republic, India, Haiti, Brazil, El Salvador, Vietnam, Canada, Guatemala and Cape Verde. Data from 2017.



74,317

Total population in Greater Boston



1st

Largest immigrant group in Greater Boston

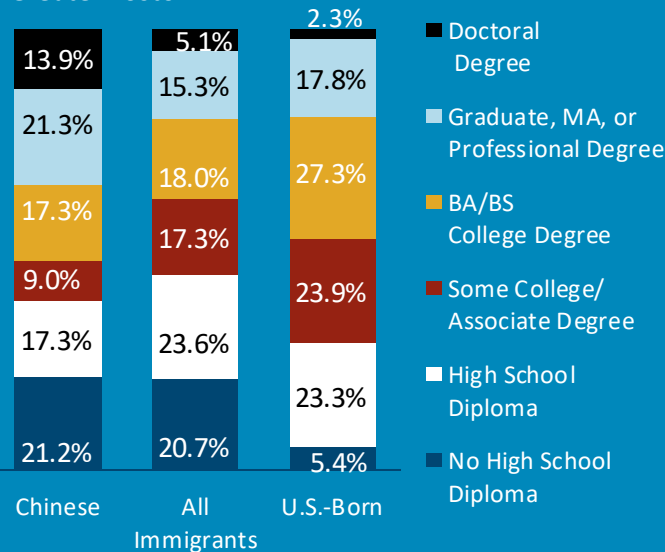


65.2%

Those in prime working age (25-64)

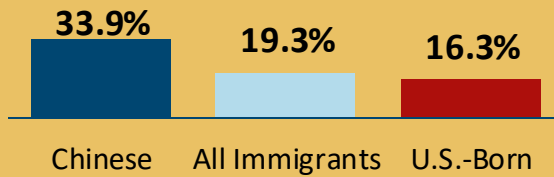
EDUCATION

Immigrants from China hold the most doctoral degrees among the 10 largest foreign-born groups in Greater Boston.



STEM

One-third of immigrants from China in Greater Boston work in STEM (Science Technology, Engineering and Math) or STEM-related fields. They are the second most likely immigrant group to work in STEM after immigrants from India at 53.2 percent.



VOTER ELIGIBILITY

Almost half of all of Greater Boston's immigrants from China are eligible to vote. (Eligible voters are adult U.S. citizens.)



Chinese
44.4%

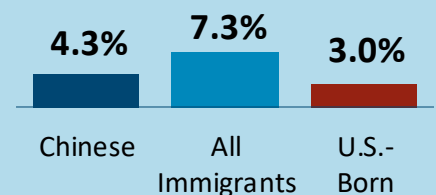


All Immigrants
49.3%

HEALTH INSURANCE

Immigrants from China in Greater Boston are less likely to be uninsured than immigrants overall.

Percent Uninsured by Population



ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

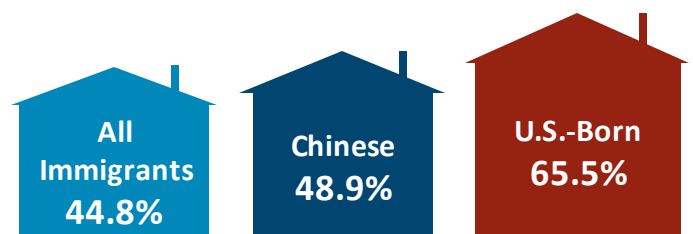
About 41 percent of immigrants from China in Greater Boston speak English very well or better. This figure is higher compared to Chinese immigrants across the U.S. at 36.1 percent.

Chinese
40.9%

All Immigrants
56.4%

HOME OWNERSHIP

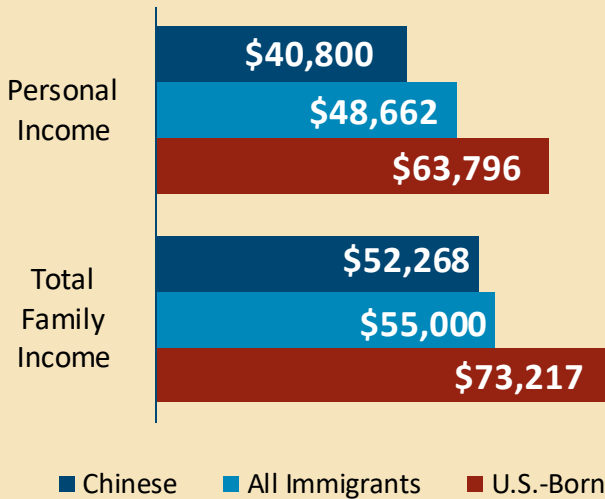
More immigrants from China than immigrants overall in Greater Boston own their homes. They are the third most likely to own their homes after Canada, 66.8 percent, and Vietnam, 59.2 percent.



* All populations referenced in graphs (Chinese, all immigrants, U.S.-born) are residents of the Boston-Cambridge-Newton Metropolitan Statistical Area including New Hampshire

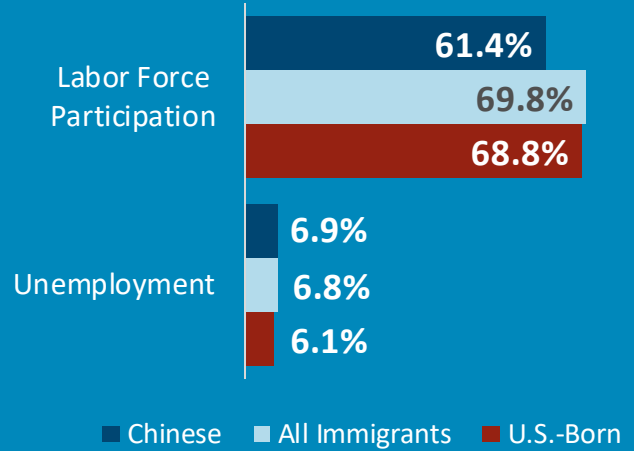
MEDIAN INCOME

Chinese immigrants in Greater Boston have similar median personal incomes to the U.S.-born population. This figure is also higher compared to Chinese immigrants across the U.S.



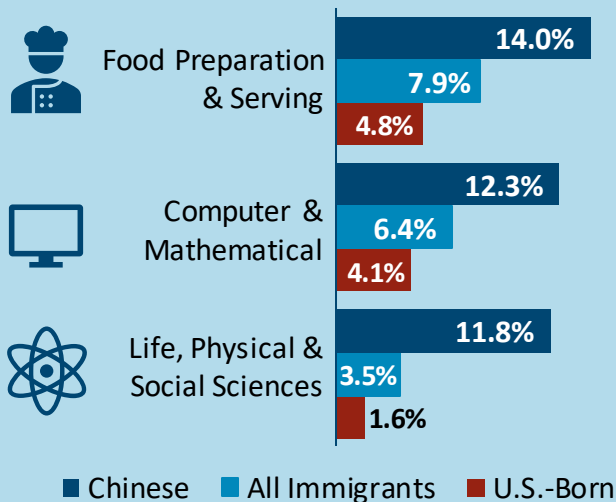
EMPLOYMENT

Immigrants from China in Greater Boston have lower labor force participation than all immigrant groups and the U.S.-born population. This figure is higher compared to immigrants from China across the U.S. at 57.5 percent.



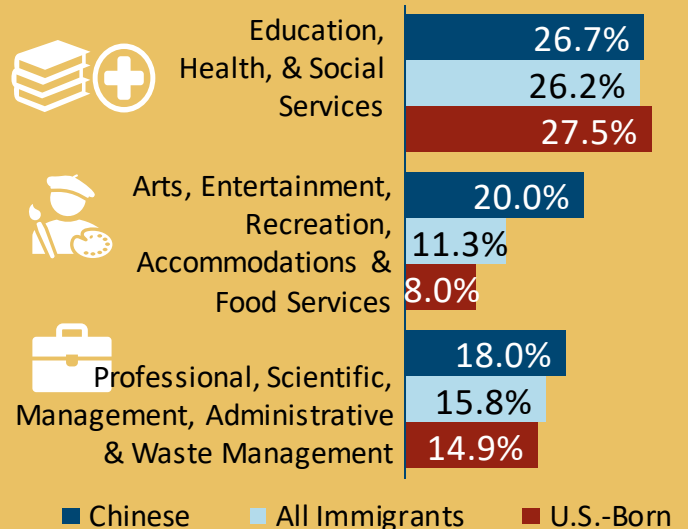
TOP 3 OCCUPATIONS

Immigrants from China are more concentrated in Life, Physical and Social Science occupations than any of the 10 largest immigrant groups in Greater Boston.



TOP 3 INDUSTRIES

Greater Boston's immigrants from China play large roles in Education, Health and Social Services industries.



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