TEN THINGS YOU PROBABLY DIDN’T KNOW ABOUT IMMIGRANTS

1 in 4 people living in the United States today is an immigrant or has a parent who is an immigrant.

Immigrants have lower crime, arrest, and incarceration rates than the U.S. native-born population.

The approximately 41 million immigrants in the United States represent 13.1% of the U.S. population, a rate slightly lower than it was 100 years ago.

In 2008, Asian arrivals began to outpace immigration from Latin America.

Immigrants are generally healthier – less likely to die from heart disease and cancer and lower rates of obesity, depression, and alcohol abuse – than the U.S. native-born population.

28% of immigrants over age 25 have a Bachelor’s degree or higher, compared to 30% of native born U.S. citizens.

9% of students in the K-12 school system are in English language learner programs designed to help improve their English proficiency.

An estimated 26% of immigrants are undocumented, a rate that has been declining since its peak in 2007.

Today’s immigrants are learning English at the same rate or faster than earlier waves of immigrants.

More immigrants live in suburbs than in cities.

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