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## Foreign Born Immigrants to New York State: Arrival Year, Country of Origin, & Citizenship Status

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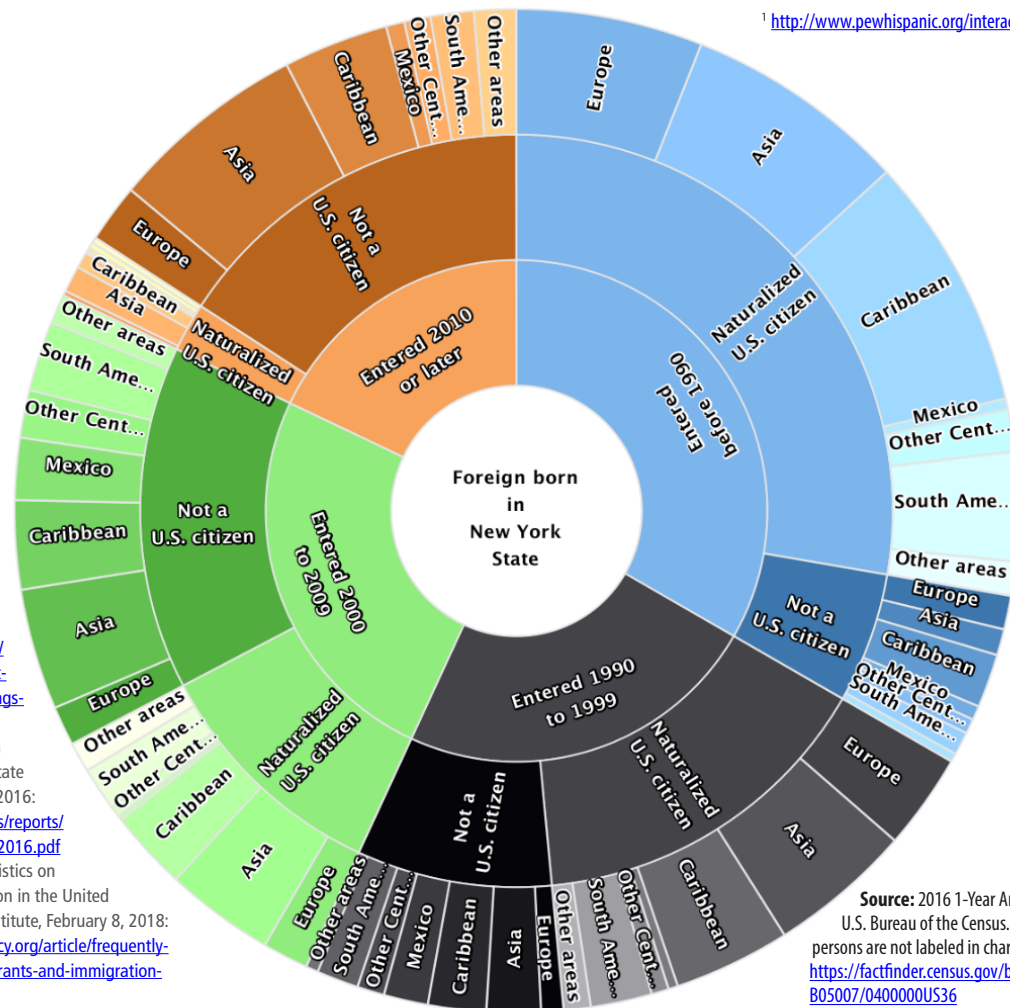
The United States has a long history of immigration – and in New York State (NYS) 23% of the population is foreign born. While the debate over immigration policy continues at the national level, access to reliable data is critical. The chart below provides American Community Survey data on NYS immigration trends, including time period of arrival, country of origin, and current citizenship status. For example, of the approximately 800,000 foreign-born people living

in NYS who entered the U.S. since 2010, more than half originated from Asia and the Caribbean. While earlier immigrants are generally more likely to have achieved citizenship status, this varies by country of origin. Official data on undocumented immigrants is not available, but in NYS it is estimated that 1 in 6 immigrants who have not yet become naturalized U.S. citizens may be undocumented.<sup>1</sup> The data shown here includes students and people with temporary work visas.

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.pewhispanic.org/interactives/authorized-immigrants/>

### Additional Resources:

- Immigration Trends and the Immigration Debate, Bipartisan Policy Center, August 14, 2017: <https://bipartisanpolicy.org/library/immigration-trends-and-the-immigration-debate/>
- Key Findings about U.S. Immigrants, Pew Research Center, May 3, 2017: <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2017/05/03/key-findings-about-u-s-immigrants/>
- A Portrait of Immigrants in New York – Office of the State Comptroller, November 2, 2016: [https://www.osc.state.ny.us/reports/immigration/immigration\\_2016.pdf](https://www.osc.state.ny.us/reports/immigration/immigration_2016.pdf)
- Frequently Requested Statistics on Immigrants and Immigration in the United States, Migration Policy Institute, February 8, 2018: <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/frequently-requested-statistics-immigrants-and-immigration-united-states>



Source: 2016 1-Year American Community Survey, U.S. Bureau of the Census. Groups with less than 15,000 persons are not labeled in chart. Full table can be accessed at: [https://factfinder.census.gov/bkmk/table/1.0/en/ACS/16\\_1YR/B05007/0400000US36](https://factfinder.census.gov/bkmk/table/1.0/en/ACS/16_1YR/B05007/0400000US36)



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