

IMMIGRATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP FACT SHEET



Key foreign-born small business owner statistics ¹

Number of foreign-born small business owners:

- 777,591 employer firm owners
- 7,942,000 of non-employer firm owners

Percentage of foreign-born small business owners:

- 19% of employer firm owners
- 25% of non-employer firm owners

Small Business Majority Research ²

Our 2025 Voice of Main Street reports show that entrepreneurs are concerned about the effects of immigration policies on the economy and support meaningful immigration reform.

37%

concerned about their business and/or supplier businesses being negatively impacted by mass deportation policies



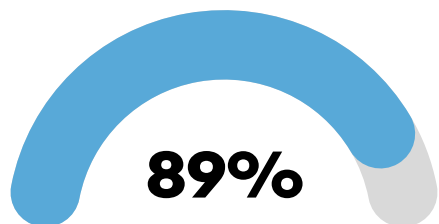
7 in 10

concerned about the U.S. economy being negatively impacted by mass deportation policies

86%

support providing a pathway for certain undocumented immigrants to earn legal status by passing background checks, pay back taxes and meeting other requirements

Majority of small business owners support legislative efforts to reform immigration.



Nearly 9 in 10 support modernizing the legal immigration system to reduce backlogs and make it easier for qualified workers to come into the U.S. legally.

Sources

1. Census Bureau Annual Business Survey on Employer and Nonemployer Business Owner Characteristics, 2020, 2021 and 2022
2. Voice of Main Street reports, Small Business Majority, February and November 2025