Immigrant Women in the Economy
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Age of Native and Foreign Born by Gender, 2008

Top 10 Largest Occupations for Foreign Born Hispanic Women Aged 16 and Older, 2008
(Representing 90% of All Foreign Born Hispanic Women Workers)

- Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance: 17.5%
- Office and Administrative Support: 14.3%
- Production: 12.3%
- Food Preparation and Serving: 11.1%
- Personal Care and Service: 10.3%
- Transportation and Material Moving: 7.6%
- Education, Training, and Library: 5.1%
- Healthcare Support: 4.3%
- Management: 3.9%
- Sales (including cashiers): 3.9%
- Product Preparation and Service: 3.9%

Note: Excludes farming, fishing, and forestry
Educational Attainment for Foreign Born Hispanics by Gender, 2008

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<th>No Schooling</th>
<th>587,244</th>
<th>442,204</th>
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<td>8th Grade or Less</td>
<td>2,496,373</td>
<td>1,513,154</td>
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<td>High School</td>
<td>4,291,883</td>
<td>3,522,753</td>
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<td>1 to 4 Years of College</td>
<td>1,513,154</td>
<td>1,587,244</td>
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<td>5+ Years of College or More</td>
<td>253,837</td>
<td>219,760</td>
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Educational Attainment of Foreign and Native Born by Gender (Age 25 and Older), 2008

Median Annual Earnings by Nativity and Gender, 2008
(Full-Time, Year-Round Workers, Aged 16 and Older)

Half of immigrant Latinos and nearly 70% of immigrant Latinas have incomes below $25,000.

Foreign Born Hispanics by Gender and Income, 2008
(Aged 16 and Older)

Source: Institute for Women's Policy Research Analysis of the 2008 American Community Survey
The Effects of the Recession on Employment

Unemployment Rates by Nativity and Gender, October 2007 and October 2009 (Aged 16 and Older)

Labor Force Participation and Unemployment Among the Native-Born and Immigrants, October 2009 (Age 16 and Older)

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<td><strong>Women</strong></td>
<td>104,330,000</td>
<td>17,690,000</td>
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<td>LFP Rate</td>
<td>59.4%</td>
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<td><strong>Men</strong></td>
<td>96,670,000</td>
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<td>69.8%</td>
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Occupations of Employed Women (Age 16 and Older)
By Nativity, 2007 and 2009

http://www.migrationinformation.org/USFocus/display.cfm?ID=763
Occupations of Civilian Employed Men (Age 16 and Older) by Nativity, 2007 and 2009

Public Benefit Receipt for Foreign Born Hispanics by Gender, 2008

Source: Institute for Women’s Policy Research Analysis of the 2008 American Community Survey