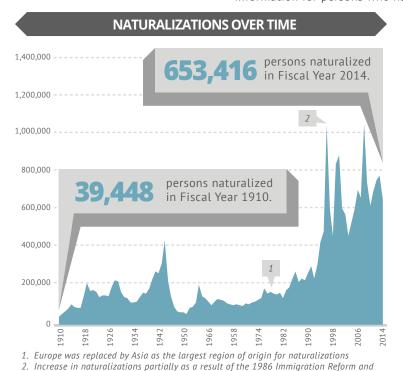
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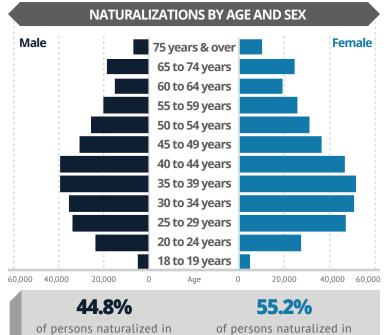
BY THE NUMBERS

2014 Naturalizations

The naturalization process confers U.S. citizenship upon foreign citizens or nationals who have fulfilled the requirements established by Congress in the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). After naturalization, foreign-born citizens enjoy nearly all of the same benefits, rights, and responsibilities that the Constitution gives to native-born U.S. citizens, including the right to vote. This graphic provides information for persons who naturalized in Fiscal Year 2014.



Control Act (IRCA) (See 2011 Naturalizations Flow Report for additional information)



TIME TO NATURALIZATION

Persons naturalizing in Fiscal Year 2014 spent a median of

in lawful permanent resident (LPR) status before becoming citizens, unchanged from the previous two years.

Median years in LPR status for persons naturalized in Fiscal Year 2014 by region of birth was:

Fiscal Year 2014 were male.



North America 10 Years Oceania 9 Years **Europe** 8 Years **South America** 7 Years **Africa** 6 Years Asia

TOP FIVE COUNTRIES OF BIRTH



Mexico 14 5%



India 5.8%



Philippines



China 46%



Cuba

TOP FIVE STATES OF RESIDENCE



21 5%

California



Florida 12.2%



New York

11.9%



Fiscal Year 2014 were female.

Texas 8.1%



New Jersey 5.0%

