



**U.S.-Caribbean Alliance for Health Disparities Research
Overview of Population Health and Demographic Impact**

Caribbean Is Top Birth Region; African Immigration Soared Since 2000

Population growth among foreign-born blacks by top regions since 2000, in thousands

	2000	2013	% change since 2000
Black immigrants	2,435	3,793	56
<i>Among black immigrants</i>			
Caribbean	1,432	1,909	33
Africa	574	1,360	137
South America	141	184	30
Central America	117	137	17

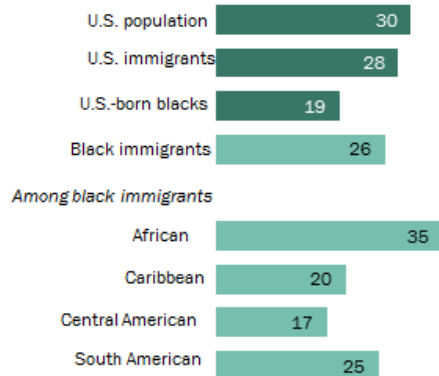
Note: Foreign-born blacks include single-race and mixed-race blacks, regardless of Hispanic origin. Africa includes North African and sub-Saharan African countries as defined by IPUMS.

Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of the 2013 American Community Survey (1% IPUMS) and the 2000 census (5% IPUMS)

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One-third of Black Immigrants from Africa Have a College Degree, a Higher Share than Among the U.S. Population

% of adults ages 25 and older with a bachelor's degree or advanced degree



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According to the Pew Research Center, Black immigrants comprise an increasing segment of the U.S. black population. This fact sheet will provide an overview on Caribbean populations of African descent with sizable immigrant growth in the U.S.

The Sullivan Alliance compiled data on the following countries including the leading causes of death, U.S. Census Bureau estimates on the foreign-born population residing in the U.S. per country, and which states are immigration hubs.

Barbados

- Total population: 283,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cancers (29%), cardiovascular diseases (28%), other noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) (16%), diabetes (9%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 34,189
- U.S. immigration hub: NY

Jamaica

- Total population: 2,769,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cardiovascular diseases (37%), cancers (17%), diabetes (11%), other NCDs (11%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 622,738
- U.S. immigration hubs: NY, FL, GA



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Puerto Rico

- Total population: 3,680,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cancer, cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, and cerebrovascular diseases
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 81,901
- U.S. immigration hubs: FL, NY, NJ, PA, CT, MA, IL, CA, TX, GA, OH, NC, VA

Cuba

- Total population: 11,271,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cardiovascular diseases (39%), cancers (26%), other NCDs (14%), chronic respiratory diseases (4%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 1,167,563
- U.S. immigration hubs: FL, CA, NJ, NY

Haiti

- Total population: 10,174,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cardiovascular diseases (24%), other NCDs (12%), cancers (7%), diabetes (5%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 567,301
- U.S. immigration hubs: FL, NY, MA

Dominican Republic

- Total population: 10,277,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cardiovascular diseases (35%), cancers (17%), other NCDs (12%), diabetes (4%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 962,369
- U.S. immigration hubs: NY, NJ, FL, MA, PA

Trinidad and Tobago

- Total population: 1,337,000
- Mortality from chronic diseases: Cardiovascular diseases (32%), cancers (16%), other NCDs (15%), diabetes (14%)
- Foreign-born population residing in U.S.: 125,949
- U.S. immigration hubs: NY

Sources

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