

MAY IS AAPI HERITAGE MONTH

Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month occurs in May every year. It's a time to celebrate the strength, tenacity, resilience and contributions of Asian Americans in the U.S.

US Population

Total population: **336 million** 

Asian Population

- **24 million** Asians in the U.S.
- Largest Asian Populations in the U.S.: Chinese (**5.2 million**), Indian (**4.8 million**) and Filipino (**4.4 million**)

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders

- **1.4 million** Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander in the U.S.
- In 2021, Native Hawaiians were the largest detailed Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander (NHPI) group in the United States, numbering **680,353 residents**, followed by Samoan (**243,682**) and Chamorro (**142,516**) populations.

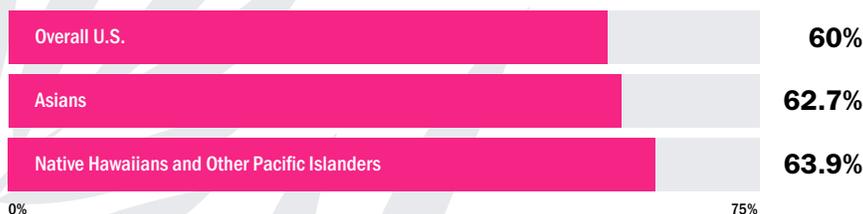


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

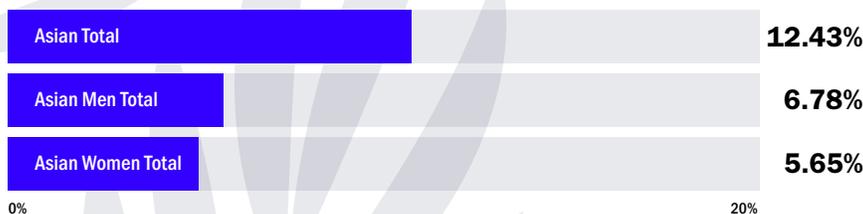
Asian Workforce Facts

Employment-population ratios

*The percentage of the population over the age of 16 that is employed.



Percentage of Asians in the overall workforce at Top 10 companies



Source: U.S. BLS

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AAPI Events

1979

The first Asian Pacific Heritage Week was Celebrated on May 4.

1990

President George H.W. Bush designated May 1990 as the inaugural Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, made permanent by Congress two years later.

2016

The U.S. government formally banned the use of the derogatory term "Oriental" from federal law, replacing it with the term Asian American.

2020

Stop AAPI Hate was founded to track the surge in anti-Asian hate crimes in America stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic.

2023

The Biden-Harris Administration released its first-ever National Strategy to Advance Equity, Justice and Opportunity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities.

Download our 2024 AAPI Heritage Month Meeting in a Box for more information!



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