

Community impact of immigrants in the U.S.

Started **25%** of hi-tech businesses¹



YOUNGER POPULATION²

Aged 18–39

35%



14%



65 or older

1.2%



12%



HEALTH CARE

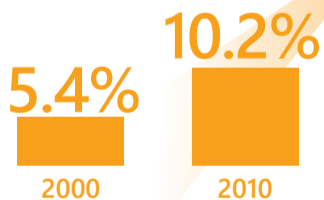
If all states expanded eligibility under the Affordable Care Act, 33 million non-elderly adults would qualify; of those, **3.7 million are undocumented immigrants who can't sign up because of their status.**⁴

Immigrants have to wait five years after becoming legal citizens before they are eligible for Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program. Twenty-six states allow children that are here legally or new citizens into the programs and twenty-one cover pregnant women here legally.

Neither Kansas nor Missouri does either.⁵

INCREASING DIVERSITY³

Olathe has the largest number of Hispanic residents by percent of population in the Kansas City Metro area.



LOWER UNEMPLOYMENT⁶

Unemployment rates for Missouri, 2009:

4.61%



5.62%



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