

# 2024 AAPI Voter Demographics | ILLINOIS

**502,043**

ELIGIBLE AAPI VOTERS\*

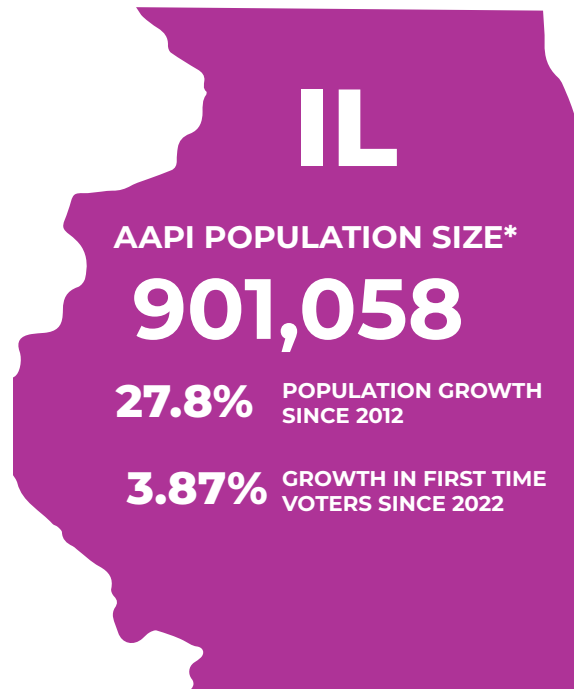
**17.8%**

AAPI VOTER ELIGIBILITY  
GROWTH (2012-2022)

**5.53%**

AAPI SHARE OF  
ELECTORATE IN ILLINOIS

\* Includes multi-racial population



**205,221**

FOREIGN BORN  
NONCITIZENS

**302,771**

FOREIGN BORN  
CITIZENS

**368,897**

NATIVE BORN  
CITIZENS

## COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST AAPI POPULATIONS

|                     | AAPI Share of<br>County Pop | Size of AAPI<br>Population | AAPI Eligible Voter<br>Share of County | Number of AAPI<br>Eligible Voters |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Cook County         | 7.7%                        | 404,562                    | 11.2%                                  | 232,511                           |
| DuPage County       | 12.6%                       | 117,059                    | 17.9%                                  | 66,337                            |
| Lake County         | 8.5%                        | 60,476                     | 12.4%                                  | 30,137                            |
| Will County         | 5.9%                        | 41,280                     | 8.4%                                   | 25,097                            |
| Champaign<br>County | 11%                         | 22,742                     | 15%                                    | 9,200                             |

## LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN ETHNIC GROUPS IN ILLINOIS

|                           |                       |   |                    |                       |                        |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Asian Indian<br>(274,428) | Filipino<br>(169,520) | Chinese, except<br>Taiwanese<br>(156,207) | Korean<br>(73,081) | Pakistani<br>(45,916) | Vietnamese<br>(37,590) |
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## LARGEST NHPI ETHNIC GROUPS IN ILLINOIS

|                            |                   |                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Native Hawaiian<br>(6,475) | Samoan<br>(2,221) | Chamorro<br>(1,556) |
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## AAPI CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION (CVAP)

**40.3%**

Voters aged 50+

**22.4%**

Voters aged 18-29

## VOTER ENGAGEMENT *(National Level Data)*

- Voter contact falls short for AAPIs. In the 2022 Asian American Voter Survey (AAVS), 56% of Asian Americans had no or uncertain contact from the Democrats. 66% reported the same from the Republicans.
- Of contacted Asian American registered voters, 44% reported outreach from Democrats, 35% from Republicans, 39% from community groups. Comparatively, in 2016, 48% reported Democratic outreach, 16% from the Republicans.
- 37% of registered Asian Americans did not identify with either party, signaling need and opportunity for voter education via outreach.

## IMPORTANCE OF LANGUAGE ACCESS

Per the 2022 AAVS, of Asian Americans speaking non-English languages at home, 11% reported language barriers to voting and 42% stated voting assistance in their language would be utilized. *(National level data).*

**63.6%** of Asian American adults in IL **speak a language other than English at home.**

**29.4%** of Asian American adults in IL are **Limited English Proficient** (speak English less than “Very well”)

**Chinese Tagalog Urdu Gujarati Hindi**  
(104,106) (83,892) (53,817) (49,512) (45,534)

**Hawaiian Samoan Chamorro**  
(308) (180) (165)

### TOP 5 ASIAN LANGUAGES SPOKEN IN IL

### TOP NHPI LANGUAGES WITH 100+ ESTIMATED SPEAKERS IN IL

## SOCIOECONOMIC CHALLENGES IN ILLINOIS



About 9.8% Asian Americans and 14.1% NHPIs in Illinois live in poverty.



About 6.4% Asian Americans and 12.6% NHPIs in Illinois lack health insurance.



About 11.1% Asian Americans and 16.9% NHPIs in Illinois lack broadband access.

## SECTION 203

Section 203 protects voting rights of language minorities by providing “registration or voting notices, forms, instructions, assistance, or other materials or information relating to the electoral process, including ballots” in the language appropriate to the covered minority group.

Coverage determinations for each state, county or county subdivision (depending on which is the operating level of government) is made every 5 years using data from the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

### **COVERAGE AREAS:**

**Political Subdivision:** Cook County

**Language Minority Group:** Asian Indian (including Sikh), Chinese (including Taiwanese)