

Citizenship rate trends for Mexican LPRs in California, 2004-2010

- Citizenship rates for Mexican LPRs increased significantly across California counties
- Rates still vary widely between counties
- Total numbers of LPRs still eligible for citizenship continue to increase

State and county	Ntrz 1985- 2004	Eligible post-85 LPRs as of 2004	Ntrz as of 2010	Eligible post-85 LPRs as of 2010	Rate 2004	Rate 2010
California	517,594	1,340,123	832,689	1,495,462	27.9%	35.77%
Alameda	8,598	17,829	14,113	21,771	32.5%	39.33%
Contra Costa	4,124	10,504	7,123	13,388	28.2%	34.73%
Fresno	11,170	55,271	19,681	63,289	16.8%	23.72%
Imperial	5,655	36,086	11,361	38,251	13.5%	22.90%
Kern	6,840	32,328	12,137	37,688	17.5%	24.36%
Kings	1,682	7,328	2,822	8,624	18.7%	24.65%
Los Angeles	263,270	520,106	397,687	541,438	33.6%	42.35%
Madera	1,628	9,344	2,976	10,819	14.8%	21.57%
Merced	3,717	16,125	6,258	19,599	18.7%	24.20%
Monterey	7,502	33,007	13,438	38,977	18.5%	25.64%
Orange	49,162	112,534	78,832	124,255	30.4%	38.82%
Riverside	12,059	48,142	23,971	65,318	20.0%	26.85%
Sacramento	3,471	9,219	6,334	12,233	27.4%	34.11%
San Bernardino	18,545	47,746	31,668	59,551	28.0%	34.72%
San Diego	33,570	115,534	62,813	137,015	22.5%	31.43%
San Francisco	3,742	6,126	5,390	6,355	37.9%	45.89%
San Joaquin	4,553	22,060	8,685	25,709	17.1%	25.25%
San Mateo	5,982	11,701	9,106	12,774	33.8%	41.62%
Santa Barbara	7,377	24,439	12,408	27,165	23.2%	31.35%
Santa Clara	17,944	33,914	27,168	40,264	34.6%	40.29%
Santa Cruz	4,879	20,712	8,357	22,892	19.1%	26.74%
Sonoma	3,898	10,381	6,801	12,583	27.3%	35.09%
Stanislaus	4,187	18,746	7,454	22,115	18.3%	25.21%
Tulare	6,245	31,365	10,917	36,248	16.6%	23.15%
Ventura	10,981	36,655	19,910	41,180	23.1%	32.59%

Notes:

- This list is limited to counties with more than 8,000 eligible Mexican LPRs as of the end of 2004.
- Eligibility is defined based on five years after LPR status. Counties indicate intended residence at time of LPR status.

Data sources:

- The 2010 data is from Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII), University of Southern California. 2011. LPR Status and Naturalization Data (raw data originally provided by the Office of Immigration Statistics, Citizenship and Immigration Services).
- The 2005 county level naturalization data also comes from OIS and was first published in Gaspar Rivera-Salgado and Veronica Wilson, "Today We March, Tomorrow We Vote: Latino Migrant Civic Engagement in L.A.," [Series on Latino Immigrant Civic Engagement](#), Report No. 5, UCLA Center for Labor Research and Education/Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 2009, p.47.