# Greater Boston's Immigrants from

# **CAPE VERDE**

#### AT-A-GLANCE

There are more Cape Verdeans living abroad than in Cape Verde itself. The majority live in the United States. Immigrants from Cape Verde form the 10th largest immigrant group in Greater Boston\* after, in order, China, Dominican Republic, India, Haiti, Brazil, El Salvador, Vietnam, Canada and Guatemala. Data from 2017.



22,873

Total population in Greater Boston



10th largest immigrant group in **Greater Boston** 

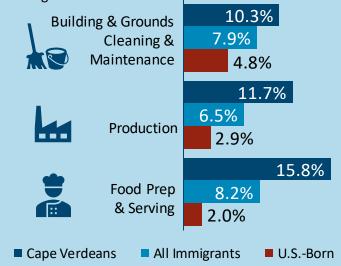


69.8%

Those in prime working age (25-64)

#### **TOP 3 OCCUPATIONS**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston play an outsized role in Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance, Production, and Food Preparation and Serving.



### **VOTER ELIGIBILITY**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston are highly likely to be eligible to vote. They rank second only to immigrants from Vietnam in voter eligibility. (Eligible voters are adult U.S. citizens.)



**Cape Verdeans** 55.0%

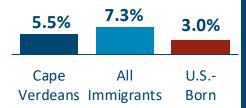


All Immigrants 49.3%

### HEALTH **INSURANCE**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston are more likely to be insured than immigrants overall.

Percent uninsured by population



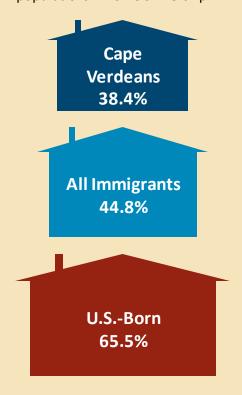
## **ENGLISH PROFICIENCY**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston lag behind immigrants overall in English proficiency. This figure is lower compared to immigrants from Cape Verde across the U.S. at 53.4 percent.

All **Immigrants** 56.4% Cape **Verdeans** 39.6%

### **HOME OWNERSHIP**

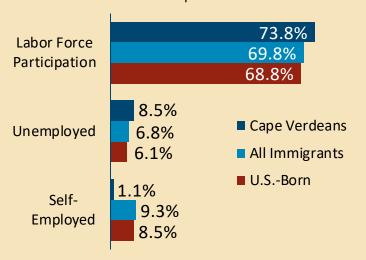
More than one-third of immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston own their own home. They rank fifth among the 10 largest immigrant populations in home ownership.



<sup>\*</sup> All populations referenced in graphs (Cape Verdeans, all immigrants, U.S.-born) are residents of the Boston-Cambridge-Newton Metropolitan Statistical Area including New Hampshire

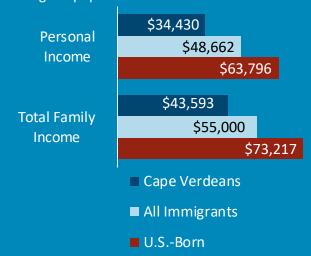
### **EMPLOYMENT**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston have higher rates of labor force participation than immigrants overall. This figure is also higher compared to immigrants from Cape Verde across the U.S. at 71.3 percent.



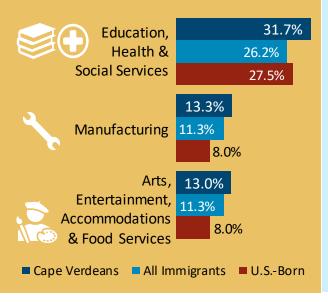
#### **MEDIAN INCOME**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston lag behind other groups in median income. They rank seventh among the 10 largest immigrant populations.



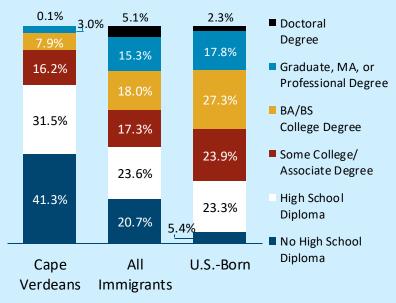
#### **TOP 3 INDUSTRIES**

Immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston play an outsized role in Education, Health, and Social Services.



#### **EDUCATION**

More than half of immigrants from Cape Verde in Greater Boston have a high school diploma or higher.



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