### Citizens

**Obtained by:**
- Born in US
- Naturalize – 2017 707,000
- Born outside US to US citizen parent

**Benefits:**
- Work legally
- Travel freely without restriction
- Vote
- Receive public benefits
- Sponsor

**Immediate Relative**
- Parents
- Spouse
- Children < 21 / unmarried

**Preference Category**
- Siblings (14-24 yrs)
- Sons/daughters (7-22 years)

**Proven via:**
- Passport
- Consular report of birth abroad
- Birth certificate
- Naturalization certificate

### Aliens

#### Permanent

**Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR)**

**Obtained by:**
- Family based - 66% - immediate relative / preference category
- Employment based - 12%
- Humanitarian - 17%
- Lottery - 5%
- FY 2017 > 1.1 million

**Benefits:**
- Work legally
- Travel w/ restrictions
- Possibly eligible for public benefits
- Sponsor:
  - Preference
  - Spouses
  - Children
  - Unmarried sons/daughters
  - 2-22 years

**Proven via:**
- Card – status doesn’t expire
- Stamp in passport
- Approval notice

### Temporary

#### Non-immigrants

- Tourists
- Students
- Au Pairs
- Athletes
- Diplomats
- Workers

**A-V**
- FY 2017 > 181 million

#### Humanitarian

- Violence Against Women’s Act (VAWA)
- U Visa
- T Visa
- Special Immigrant Juvenile Status - SIJ
- Temporary Protected Status - TPS
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals - DACA

### Undocumented

- 11 million
- 42% overstay
- 58% illegal entry
- Cannot work – work permit always tied to benefit
- Cannot get public benefits
- Deportable
- Bars to re-entry
- Ineligible to adjust status often

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