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LOUISIANA (LA)

Population: 4,659,978 (USA Rank: 25)

Per Capita Income: \$27,274 (USA Rank: 47)

U.S.Governments: <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>

(Federal, State & local - most recent elected officials)

Louisiana: <https://www.louisiana.gov>

Governor's office: <https://gov.louisiana.gov>

Secretary of State: <https://www.sos.la.gov>

Tourism: www.louisianatravel.com

Major Cities: New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Shreveport, Metairie, Lafayette

Multicultural Council of America

non-profit umbrella organization, promoting world cultures, education & healthcare

<https://www.multiculturalcouncil.org>

Email: info@multiculturalcouncil.org

WE are a non-profit membership organization, helping you connect with people and organizations within **Louisiana** and beyond, for better communication, exchanging ideas, learning & helping communities locally, nationally and globally thru Multicultural Council Chapters.

We encourage you to please become a *member*, join one of our committees, **be a volunteer or mentor**, *donate your time & money and share your ideas to help the communities*. Membership is open to individuals, organizations, corporations and governments.

Please *advertise* your organization, services or products in this website to reach out to local, regional and global multicultural communities.

Tourism Promotion has become our special project during these uncertain times. Tourism is the world's largest industry. Prior to the pandemic, according to the National Travel and Tourism Week (NTTW) the travel industry was a powerful economic engine, supporting jobs and driving local economies in every pocket of America. The industry had experienced 107 straight months of growth, generated \$2.6 trillion in economic output, supported 17 million American jobs and delivered a \$51 billion trade surplus to the U.S.

During 2019, 53.2 million visitors spent \$18.9 billion in Louisiana. 242,200 Louisianans are employed in the travel and hospitality industry. The negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the travel and tourism industry in Louisiana were devastating, but it is recovering gradually.

While Tourism bounced back strongly in 2022, driven by pent-up demand and the lifting of travel restrictions, the international travel remains 54.6% below pre-pandemic. The recovery is fragile with new uncertainties from the economic slowdown & geopolitical instability.

The Multicultural Communities within Louisiana and throughout the world have always been instrumental in increasing Tourism Revenues for Louisiana, for employment and our economic growth. Let's work together to help each other.

Population by Race: Source: Census Bureau – American Community Survey (<https://census.gov/acs>) & *Pew Research*

		Louisiana				U. S.A.	Change 2010-21	% increase
1	White	61.7%				192,750,000	-4,060,000	(<0%)
2	Black or African American	32.4%				39,270,000	1,580,000	7%
3	Hispanic or Latino	5.1%				62,530,000	12,050,000	52%
4	Asian	1.6%				18,890,000	4,420,000	19%
5	American Indian and Alaska Native	0.6%				-	-	-
6	Two or more Races	2.3%				14,300,000	8,330,000	36%
7	Pacific Islanders	0.0%				-	-	-
8	Louisianans Speaking A Foreign Language at Home	7.6%				-	-	-

How Much Do You Need To Earn, to Live Well in Louisiana?

Family Budget Calculator, developed by the Economic Policy Institute (www.epi.org/resources/budget) allows you to calculate the average amount of money you need for Housing, Food, Childcare, Transportation, Healthcare, Taxes, etc. in the area where you live or wish to live.

Louisiana Information, Contacts & Resources

- **History & Culture:** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Louisiana
- **History & Culture:** <https://www.louisiana.gov/about-louisiana/important-dates-in-history>
- **Demographics:** <https://www.louisiana.gov/demographics-and-geography>
- **Discrimination** (*Violation of Your Civil Rights based on race, color, national origin, disability, sex, religion, familial status, etc.*): 833-591-0291 or Toll-Free:1-855-856-1247 <https://civilrights.justice.gov>
- **Eldercare:** Connecting older Americans with local resources – www.eldercare.acl.gov 800-677-1116 eldercarelocator@USAging.org
- **Environment** (Air Quality in your zip-code for Home/Work) www.airnow.gov & www.enviroflash.info
- **Health:** <https://www.ldh.la.gov>
- **Health: National Association of Free & Charitable Clinics:** 703-647-7427 - <https://nafcclinics.org> info@nafcclinics.org
- **Drug Information** (*Interactions, side-effects, etc.*): Call your local pharmacist or FDA at 1-855-543-3784 and 1-301-796-3400 or write to druginfo@fda.hhs.gov
- **Immigration & Citizenship:** www.uscis.gov/citizenship Email: Office.of.Citizenship@uscis.dhs.gov
- **IRS-Taxpayer Advocate Service:** 877-777-4778 www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov
- **Fraud, Scams & Bad Business Practices:** 1-877-382-4357 <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov>
- **The Innocence Project helping wrongfully convicted Americans:** <http://www.innocenceproject.org> - Email: info@innocenceproject.org
- **Need Urgent Legal Help?** Legal Services Corporation: 202-295-1500 (www.lsc.gov- info@lsc.gov) or American Bar Association: Toll Free: 800-285-2221 www.americanbar.org

Louisiana Crisis Hotlines: www.centerforhopeservices.com/louisiana-emergency-crisis-hotlines-and-helpline

911 (9-1-1 is a confidential and multilingual **EMERGENCY #**)

Louisiana Statewide Mental Health Crisis Hotlines: If you or someone you love is in immediate danger of harming themselves, contact the Mental Health Crisis Hotline for your parish. These hotlines will connect you to a crisis response team who can safely intervene in a mental health crisis. **These hotlines may be a safer alternative to calling 911.**

South Central Louisiana: 1-877-500-9997 -

Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes

New Orleans Metropolitan Area: 504-826-2675 - Orleans, St. Bernard, and Plaquemines parishes

Jefferson Parish - East and West Bank: 504-832-5123

Capital Area: 1-844-452-2133

Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana.

Acadiana Area: (337) 205-6010 Or call 232-HELP

Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin and Vermilion parishes

Northwest Louisiana: 866-416-5370

Bienville, Bossier Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine and Webster parishes.

Northeast Louisiana: 1-800-256-2522

Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union and West Carroll.

Central Louisiana: 318-542-4288 or 318-443-7900 -

Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Vernon and Winn parishes.

Florida Parishes: 1-855-268-1091 - Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington parishes

After-hours line at 211 or access crisis chat at www.vialink.org.

Text Chat is also available by texting "TXT211" to 504-777-EASE (3273).

Southwest Louisiana: 800-272-8367 or 337-523-4289 -

Beauregard, Allen, Jefferson Davis, Calcasieu and Cameron Parishes

Domestic Violence: 1-888-411-1333 - <https://lcadv.org> (Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence is the federally designated statewide coalition of shelters, non-residential programs and individuals working to end domestic violence in Louisiana).

National Crisis Resources: 24-hour nationwide – Services may be available in many languages

Addiction Hotline: 800-784-2433

Child Abuse: 1-800-4-A-Child or 1-800-422-4453 (National Child Abuse Hotline) www.childhelp.org

Domestic Violence: 1-800-799-7233 (National Domestic Violence Hotline)

StrongHearts Native Helpline: Call/Chat: 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) www.strongheartshelpline.org

Shelters: <https://www.domesticshelters.org>

Online Chat (7am-2am CST) <https://www.thehotline.org> - All calls are toll-free & confidential

Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888 (Text # 233733)

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children: 1-800-THE-LOST or 1-800-843-5678

National Indigenous Women's Resource Center – 855-649-7299 – www.niwrc.org - info@niwrc.org

National Problem Gambling Helpline: 1-800-522-4700-**Text:** 1-800-522-4700-**Chat:** www.ncpgambling.org/chat
Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)**Soon to be 9-8-8**
Poison Control Center For Emergencies: 1-800-222-1222
Covenant House Nineline: 1-800-RUNAWAY (1-800-786-2929) <https://teenlineonline.org>
Girls & Boys Town National Hotline: Phone, Chat, Text, and Email - 1-800-448-3000
National Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-800-442-HOPE (1-800-442-4673)
Samariteens: 1-800-252-TEENS (1-800-252-8336) - 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-800-HIT-HOME (1-800-448-4663)
Youth America Hotline (YAH!): 1-877-YOUTHLINE (1-877-968-8454)

The Trevor Lifeline: 1-866-488-7386

* *The Trevor Lifeline is a service of The Trevor Project, a non-profit endeavor devoted to promoting tolerance and understanding for **LGBTQ** youth.*

All information contained in this website, including contacts, tel #s or emails, etc. are up-to-date to the best of our knowledge. The Multicultural Council, its officials, staff or volunteers cannot be held responsible for any errors, wrong info or for any liability of any type whatsoever arising thereof. It is strictly your responsibility to check the correct info.

GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Please *donate* & support our Tuition-Free, Post-Secondary Education for the qualified refugees living in Louisiana or anywhere else in the world, through UNHCR and the American Academy of International Education (<https://www.americanacademyedu.org>)

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- Multicultural Council of America is a partner agency of UNHCR
- American Academy of International Education is affiliated with MCC



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<https://multiculturalcouncil.org/media-kit-ad-rates/>