

# Demographics of Cubans in the United States

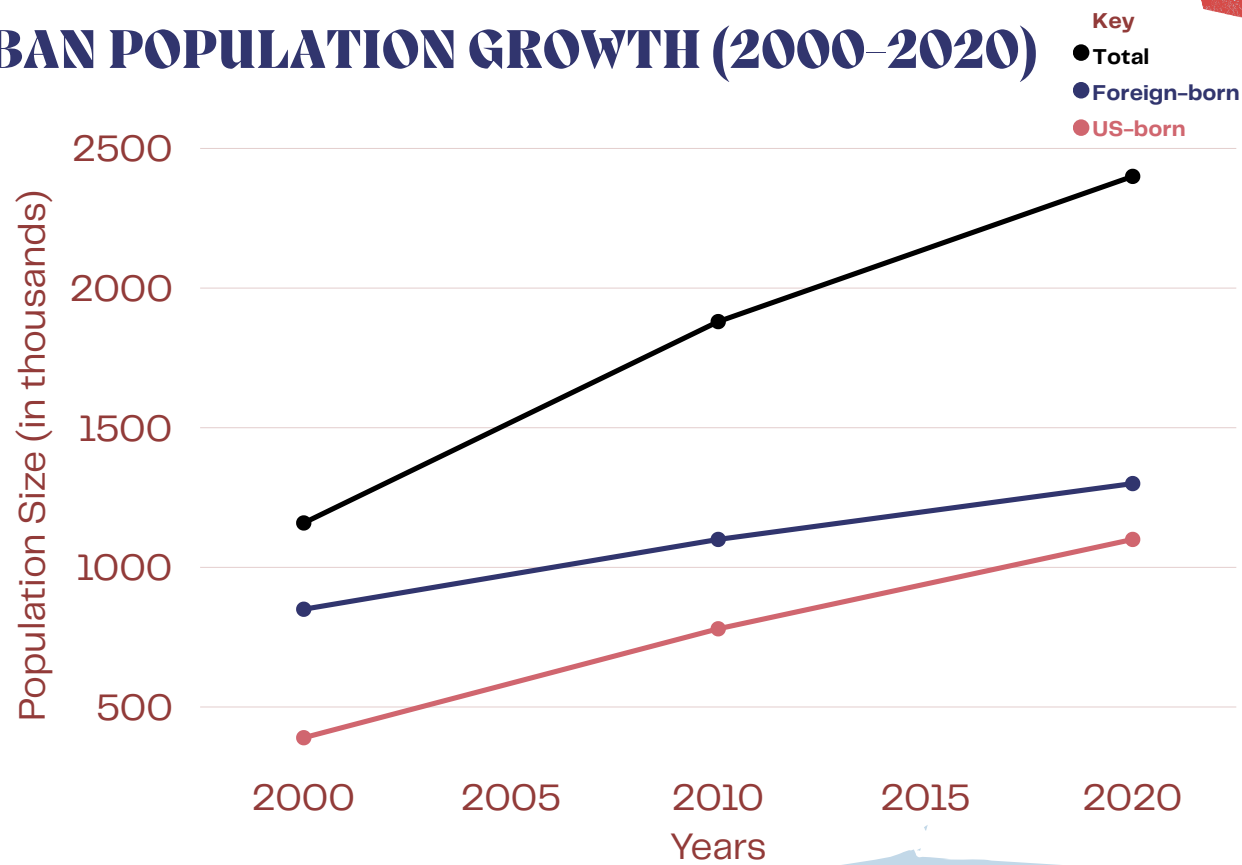
from a 2021 Pew Research Center analysis

## POPULATION SIZE

An estimated 2.4 million Hispanics of Cuban origin lived in the United States in 2021. Cubans are the fourth-largest population (tied with Dominicans) of Hispanic origin living in the U.S., accounting for 4% of the Hispanic population.



## CUBAN POPULATION GROWTH (2000–2020)



## GEOGRAPHIC CONCENTRATION

The Cuban population is concentrated in Florida (64%), Texas (5%), California (4%), New Jersey (4%) and New York (3%).

## COMPARING CUBANS TO ALL HISPANICS

All Hispanics

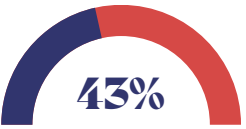
**13%** of all Hispanics live in poverty in the United States.



The median annual household income for all Hispanics is **\$59,000**.



For all Hispanics, **43%** are employed to work full-time, year-round (ages 16+).



All Cubans

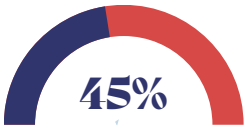
**14%** of all Cubans live in poverty in the United States.



The median annual household income for all Cubans is **\$58,700**.



For all Cubans, **45%** are employed to work full-time, year-round (ages 16+).



## DOES “HISPANIC” IDENTITY RELATE TO “CUBAN” IDENTITY?

By comparing Hispanics of Cuban origin to the Hispanic group as a whole, insight can be gleaned into the defining characteristics of Cubans in the United States that contradict the stereotype of Cuban exceptionalism. Although common wisdom about Hispanics tends to suggest separation in one way or another, the actual evidence instead tells a story of similar immersion and incorporation into the larger American society amongst various Latino origin groups.

Source: Moslimani, M., Shah, S., & Noe-Bustamante, L. (2023, August 16). Facts on hispanics of Cuban origin in the United States, 2021. Pew Research Center. <https://www.pewresearch.org/race-and-ethnicity/fact-sheet/u-s-hispanics-facts-on-cuban-origin-latinos/>.