

DATA

Migration Policy Institute (MPI) Data

Profile of the Unauthorized Population in Los Angeles County, CA -

<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/data/unauthorized-immigrant-population/county/6037>

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Eligible Population for Los Angeles County, CA -

<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/programs/data-hub/deferred-action-childhood-arrivals-daca-profiles>

NEWS ARTICLES

Southern California DACA recipients hope for the best, brace for the worst as Trump readies announcement. A day before President Donald Trump was expected to announce his decision on an Obama-era program protecting young immigrants from deportation, dozens of young people who fear how they could be affected by the decision joined a Labor Day march in downtown Los Angeles Monday.

Many vowed to defend the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, that has allowed them to remain in the country.

Though Trump has made no formal decision yet, news reports over the weekend indicated he will announced the end of DACA with a six-month delay.

<http://www.dailynews.com/government-and-politics/20170904/southern-california-daca-recipients-hope-for-the-best-brace-for-the-worst-as-trump-readies-announcement>

'A nerve-wracking time for many of us' with DACA in jeopardy, undocumented say. Latino and Muslim speakers shared the mic during a Labor Day rally at Fresno's Courthouse Park, calling attention to what they say are the two communities most targeted by the Trump administration.

They also encouraged gatherers to take action and save the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which has given more than 750,000 undocumented young people permission to work, attend college and deferred action on their deportation. About 18,000 people qualify for DACA in Fresno, Tulare and Madera counties, according to a report from 2015.

The rally Monday came just a day before President Donald Trump will make an announcement on whether he will end the DACA program, according to the White House.

<http://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article171228917.html>

Hundreds rally for DACA and labor rights in DTLA. Hundreds of people rallied Monday in downtown Los Angeles in support of an immigration program that protects young adults brought to the United States illegally as children. On Tuesday, President Donald Trump is expected to announce a policy change on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, which allows 800,000 young, unauthorized immigrants to study, work and live legally in the country. Trump faces an ultimatum from some attorney generals from conservative states: end the program or defend it in court. During the presidential campaign, Trump

pledged to rescind DACA, but once he took office he acknowledged he was having a hard time following through. “The DACA situation is a very difficult thing for me, as I love these kids,” he told ABC News in February. Young immigrants could lose work permits and deportation protection if DACA is terminated. DACA recipient Vlad Stoicescu-Ghica came to the U.S. from Romania with his single mother when he was 9. He’s since graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles and is currently a graduate student at Berkeley. He hopes he’ll have the chance to complete his degree. If DACA ends, “I’ll keep doing what I’ve always done... just work and keep hoping for a better future,” he said.

<https://www.scpr.org/news/2017/09/04/75318/hundreds-rally-for-daca-labor-rights-in-la/>

STATEMENTS

Brian King, chancellor of the Los Rios Community College District. “By working together, we can and will continue to ensure that our colleges are safe places for ALL students to pursue their dreams. Just like our efforts on emergency response preparedness, we may not know how and when a crisis will present itself for our students, but we have a responsibility to be ready for all potential scenarios.”

Ref Rodriguez, LAUSD Board President. “Dreamers, whether they are students or teachers, have worked hard to contribute to this beautiful country and city, and they should be celebrated, not turned away. We will do everything in our power to protect every one of those students and every one of those employees.”

Jorge Aguilar, Sacramento City Unified School District Superintendent, “to be very clear that we will welcome and we will protect every one of those students and every one of those employees. This is what makes a great city.” <http://www.sacbee.com/news/local/article170064207.html>

Tom Torlakson, Superintendent of Public Instruction California. “Our country made an honest deal with these students — study hard, earn your degree and you will get a fair chance to compete for college. We should keep deals, not break them. Their hard work, energy, dedication and diverse backgrounds help them contribute to our economy. I want to let all those students know that the American dream remains safe and secure in California”

<http://www.latimes.com/local/education/la-essential-education-updates-southern-education-chiefs-in-california-and-1504625822-htmlstory.html>

Robert S. Nelson Video to DACA Students. “[DACA students you are part of our family, we don’t know what is going to happen, and here are services on campus]”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNn5LskT_yg

Janet Napolitano, University of California President. “The University and the state of California stand together in our belief that students should be admitted to UC and other institutions of higher education based on their records of achievement and without regard to their immigration status. President Trump’s decision undermines the ability of affected students to support themselves while at UC or other universities. In light of today’s decision, I am immediately directing my advisory committee on undocumented students to determine how best to support and protect University of California students who rely on DACA over the next six months and beyond. In the meantime, UC will continue to offer services to our undocumented students, including:

- Continuing to allow California residents who are Dreamers to pay in-state tuition;
- Maintaining the DREAM loan program for financial aid;
- Offering legal services to our undocumented students;
- Supporting campus-based student service centers; and

Directing campus police not to contact, detain, question or arrest individuals based on suspected undocumented status, or to enter agreements to undertake joint efforts to make arrests for federal immigration law violations.”

<https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/press-room/uc-president-napolitano-statement-decision-end-daca-program>

G. Gabrielle Starr, President Pomona College. “...Threats to end this vital program place nearly 800,000 beneficiaries of DACA at risk. We are asking you, as college and university presidents, to call on our country’s leaders to protect these young people and institute a legislative solution to support a permanent path forward...”

<https://www.pomona.edu/administration/president/statements/posts/renewed-call-action-support-daca>

Higher Education Leaders who signed on in support of DACA. November 21, 2016.

<https://www.pomona.edu/news/2016/11/21-college-university-presidents-call-us-uphold-and-continue-daca>

Leaders of the Los Angeles Unified School District doubled down on their support for immigrant students after the Trump administration announced that it would phase out DACA.

Michelle King, LAUSD Superintendent.

“I am concerned by this decision and its long-term impacts on the students, families and employees of L.A. Unified. These young immigrants have made valuable contributions to the community and the nation they consider their home, and they have earned the right to a permanent place in its history.”

“The district will continue to embrace the values and principles of inclusion, and to provide a supportive teaching and learning environment that encourages achievement and success. Dreamers, whether they are students or teachers, have worked hard to contribute to this beautiful country and city. They should be celebrated, not turned away,” said board President Ref Rodriguez. “We are committed to strong advocacy efforts at the federal and state levels, so that Congress will find the courage to reverse this decision.”

<http://www.latimes.com/local/education/la-essential-education-updates-southern-l-a-unified-superintendent-michelle-1504627044-htlstory.html>