

El Salvador

Nationalities:

Salvadoran



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DC Area Population:

Approximately 200,000 inside the beltway with many more in the surrounding area

Salvadorans represent the largest segment of Latin people groups in the DC area.

Language:

Spanish and English

Religion:

Roman Catholic (often a folk Catholicism)

Protestant

Growing presence of Pentecostalism

Person of Peace:

None identified yet

Information on the group in DC:

As of 2009, the Washington Metropolitan Area (Washington, D.C., Maryland and Northern Virginia) is currently the only metropolitan area in the entire country where Salvadorans are the majority among Hispanics, mostly concentrated in the suburbs in Northern Virginia and Maryland.

Vast presence throughout the Metro DC area. There are large presences of Salvadorans in the Franconia/Springfield and Silver Spring areas. There is also an area near Alexandria that is known to have a large Salvadoran population.