Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

In the Office of Workforce Development and Adult Learning (DWDAL), MD Labor

What is Hispanic Heritage Month all about?

Hispanic/ Latin(x)

Who is Hispanic? Who is Latino? Where did "Latinx" come from? For more information about these identifiers, see Pew Research Center's article: *Who is Hispanic*?

The following information is based on responses the New Americans Initiative received from an internal survey to celebrate <u>Hispanic Heritage</u> <u>Month.</u>



A national celebration

For more information on how Hispanic Heritage Month honors our Hispanic and Latino population, visit https://www.hispanicheritagemo nth.gov/

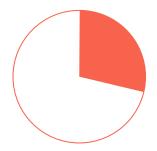
Bolivia

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Carnaval de Oruro is a massive yearly festival in Bolivia. Image credit: Curioso.Photography/Shutterstock Worldatlas.com



2 hours

Most Bolivians enjoy a two hour lunch break at midday with their family. However, many businesses are switching to *horario continuo* that includes a single hour for lunch. Worldtravelguide.net



Puerto Rico, United States

Teresa Mena

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"My background has allowed me to genuinely connect with all people. This has been especially helpful when you are helping other Hispanics realize their full potential."

Liz Rodriguez

Regional Business Solutions Consultant, Susquehanna Region & Baltimore County Office of Workforce Development and Adult Learning Maryland Department of Labor



"Puerto Ricans are known for their generosity and good hearts! I also love our music (JLo, Marc Anthony, Ricky Martin) and our delicious food!"



"Although we are born US Citizens, we have always maintained great pride of our diverse ancestry and heritage."-Liz Rodriguez, MD Labor

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"Appearance and one's upbringing does not equal success: Character drives success and the willingness to take opportunities."

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What does Hispanic Heritage Month mean to you?

"It's a time to learn more about the treasures we contribute to a better world, time to share traditions, food, the different cultures, empower other Hispanics with the good examples of others doing great things for the community and a time to remember all of those that are not among us anymore but left a legacy."