

Immigrants Make Cincinnati Stronger

*An estimated **143,000** immigrants live in Cincinnati metro area, making up **6%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **9%** of households in Cincinnati.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of Cincinnati's economy. Some 7% of Cincinnati's labor force are immigrants, including 10% of the construction industry, 6% of agriculture, 11% of manufacturing, 9% of business services, and 6% of leisure and hospitality.

About 12,000 immigrants in Cincinnati work in STEM-related jobs, of which 29% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 16% of STEM degree holders in Cincinnati are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Cincinnati's communities. Some 49,000 immigrants, or about 34% of all immigrants in Cincinnati, are U.S. citizens. About 37,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 14,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 78,000 individuals in Cincinnati are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 14,000 U.S. citizen children in Cincinnati live with an undocumented parent, while some 4,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 12,000 undocumented individuals in Cincinnati have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 6,000 of those living in the U.S. for more than 20 years.

Dreamers—undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as children before 2021 and are either in school or have graduated from high school—number 7,000 and contribute **\$145 million annually to Cincinnati's economy**. They also contribute \$18 million in state and local taxes each year.

An estimated 12,000 immigrants in Cincinnati are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$259 million to Cincinnati's economy annually.

Immigrant groups currently protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—**have access to work authorizations, making up an estimated 7,000 workers in Cincinnati's labor force, and paying an estimated \$51 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$5.6 billion

Annual spending power

\$1.8 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

12,000

Self-employed

48%

With college or advanced degrees

94%

Speak English

84%

Earn above the minimum needed to live