

# Immigrants Make KY-3 Stronger

*An estimated **28,000** immigrants live in KY-3.*

*Immigrants live in **5%** of households in KY-3.*

**Immigrants contribute to every sector of KY-3's economy:** 8% of the construction industry, 5% of agriculture, 5% of business services, and 8% of leisure and hospitality.

**About 1,000 immigrants in KY-3 work in STEM-related jobs**, of which 17% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 8% of STEM degree holders in KY-3 are immigrants.

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost KY-3's communities.** Some 9,000 immigrants, or about 32% of all immigrants in KY-3, are U.S. citizens. About 7,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 1,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**An estimated 18,000 individuals in KY-3 are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 2,000 U.S. citizen children in KY-3 live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 4,000 undocumented individuals in KY-3 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 3,000 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 1,000 and **contribute \$18 million annually to KY-3's economy.** They also contribute \$2 million in state and local taxes each year.

An estimated 4,000 immigrants in KY-3 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$100 million to KY-3'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 1,000 workers in KY-3's labor force, and paying an estimated \$16 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$877 million**

Annual spending power

**\$256 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**3,000**

Self-employed

**8%**

With college or advanced degrees

**90%**

Speak English

**85%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live