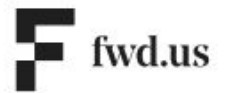


Immigrants Make Georgia Stronger



*An estimated **1,381,000** immigrants live in Georgia, making up **12%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **16%** of households in Georgia.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of Georgia's economy. Some 16% of Georgia's labor force are immigrants, including 30% of the construction industry, 40% of agriculture, 17% of manufacturing, 18% of business services, and 13% of leisure and hospitality.

About 100,000 immigrants in Georgia work in STEM-related jobs, of which 24% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 26% of STEM degree holders in Georgia are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Georgia's communities. Some 555,000 immigrants, or about 40% of all immigrants in Georgia, are U.S. citizens. About 276,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 91,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 7% of individuals in Georgia, or some 826,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 148,000 U.S. citizen children in Georgia live with an undocumented parent, while some 30,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 255,000 undocumented individuals in Georgia have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 174,000 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 82,000 and **contribute \$1.8 billion annually to Georgia's economy**. They also contribute \$224 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 17,700 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 41,000 and **contribute \$513 million to Georgia's economy each year**. Meanwhile, an estimated 97,000 immigrants in Georgia are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$1.8 billion to Georgia'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 82,000 workers in Georgia's labor force, and paying an estimated \$370 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$48.2 billion

Annual spending power

\$15.1 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

157,000

Self-employed

16%

With college or advanced degrees

89%

Speak English

87%

Earn above the minimum needed to live

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