

# Immigrants Make Maine Stronger



*An estimated **58,000** immigrants live in Maine.  
Immigrants live in **7%** of households in Maine.*

**Immigrants contribute to every sector of Maine's economy.** Some 5% of Maine's labor force are immigrants, including 6% of manufacturing.

**\$2.1 billion**

Annual spending power

**About 3,000 immigrants in Maine work in STEM-related jobs.** In all, 6% of STEM degree holders in Maine are immigrants.

**\$700 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Maine's communities.** Some 24,000 immigrants, or about 41% of all immigrants in Maine, are U.S. citizens. About 24,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**4,000**

Self-employed

**An estimated 12,000 of individuals are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 1,000 U.S. citizen children in Maine live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 3,000 undocumented individuals in Maine have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 1,000 of those living in the U.S. for more than 20 years.

**19%**

With college or advanced degrees

**99%**

Speak English

**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 2,000 and **contribute \$56 million annually to Maine's economy.** They also contribute \$7 million in state and local taxes each year.

**87%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live