

# Immigrants Make AL-1 Stronger

*An estimated **36,000** immigrants live in AL-1, making up **5%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **6%** of households in AL-1.*

**Immigrants contribute to every sector of AL-1's economy.** Some 6% of AL-1's labor force are immigrants, including 10% of the construction industry, 13% of agriculture, 7% of manufacturing, 8% of business services, and 5% of leisure and hospitality.

**About 2,000 immigrants in AL-1 work in STEM-related jobs,** of which 50% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 17% of STEM degree holders in AL-1 are immigrants.

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost AL-1's communities.** Some 14,000 immigrants, or about 38% of all immigrants in AL-1, are U.S. citizens. About 4,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 3,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**Some 26,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 4,000 U.S. citizen children in AL-1 live with an undocumented parent, while some 3,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 5,000 undocumented individuals in AL-1 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 2,000 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 2,000 and **contribute \$59 million annually to AL-1's economy.**

**Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders**—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 4,000 and **contributed \$46 million to AL-1's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 6,000 immigrants in AL-1 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$127 million to AL-1'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 4,000 workers in AL-1's labor force, and paying an estimated \$22 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$1.3 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$419 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**3,000**

Self-employed

**36%**

With college or advanced degrees

**95%**

Speak English

**81%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live