

# Immigrants Make AL-3 Stronger

*An estimated **34,000** immigrants live in AL-3, making up **5%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **7%** of households in AL-3.*

**Immigrants contribute to every sector of AL-3's economy.** Some 6% of AL-3's labor force are immigrants, including 9% of the construction industry, 10% of manufacturing, 6% of business services, and 6% of leisure and hospitality.

**About 2,000 immigrants in AL-3 work in STEM-related jobs,** of which 44% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 19% of STEM degree holders in AL-3 are immigrants.

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost AL-3's communities.** Some 9,000 immigrants, or about 27% of all immigrants in AL-3, are U.S. citizens. About 6,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**Some 27,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 6,000 U.S. citizen children in AL-3 live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 7,000 undocumented individuals in AL-3 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 5,000 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 \$42 million annually to AL-3's economy.** Some 1,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

**Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders**—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 1,000 and **contributed \$19 million to AL-3's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 2,000 immigrants in AL-3 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$104 million to AL-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 3,000 workers in AL-3's labor force, and paying an estimated \$18 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$1.0 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$277 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**2,000**

Self-employed

**44%**

With college or advanced degrees

**94%**

Speak English

**83%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live