

Immigrants Make AZ-1 Stronger

*An estimated **106,000** immigrants live in AZ-1, making up **13%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **19%** of households in AZ-1.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of AZ-1's economy. Some 15% of AZ-1's labor force are immigrants, including 22% of the construction industry, 5% of agriculture, 17% of manufacturing, 18% of business services, and 16% of leisure and hospitality.

About 11,000 immigrants in AZ-1 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 40% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 23% of STEM degree holders in AZ-1 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost AZ-1's communities. Some 46,000 immigrants, or about 44% of all immigrants in AZ-1, are U.S. citizens. About 20,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 12,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 8% of individuals in AZ-1, or some 62,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 14,000 U.S. citizen children in AZ-1 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 16,000 undocumented individuals in AZ-1 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 10,000 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 7,000 and **contribute \$225 million annually to AZ-1's economy.** They also contribute \$28 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 2,000 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 \$42 million to AZ-1's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 5,000 immigrants in AZ-1 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$150 million to AZ-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 6,000 workers in AZ-1's labor force, and paying an estimated \$31 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$5.3 billion

Annual spending power

\$1.9 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

11,000

Self-employed

47%

With college or advanced degrees

94%

Speak English

93%

Earn above the minimum needed to live