

Immigrants Make Arizona Stronger

*An estimated **1,108,000** immigrants live in Arizona, making up **15%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **21%** of households in Arizona.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of Arizona's economy.

Some 18% of Arizona's labor force are immigrants, including 27% of the construction industry, 43% of agriculture, 23% of manufacturing, 23% of business services, and 15% of leisure and hospitality.

About 62,000 immigrants in Arizona work in STEM-related jobs, of which 25% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 24% of STEM degree holders in Arizona are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Arizona's communities. Some 460,000 immigrants, or about 42% of all immigrants in Arizona, are U.S. citizens. About 263,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 63,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 9% of individuals in Arizona, or some 700,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 132,000 U.S. citizen children in Arizona live with an undocumented parent, while some 35,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 171,000 undocumented individuals in Arizona have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 118,000 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 67,000 and **contribute \$1.9 billion annually to Arizona's economy.** They also contribute \$232 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 20,100 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 8,000 and **contributed \$207 million to Arizona's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 58,000 immigrants in Arizona are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$1.4 billion to Arizona'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 63,000 workers in Arizona's labor force, and paying an estimated \$292 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$38.6 billion

Annual spending power

\$11.8 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

99,000

Self-employed

29%

With college or advanced degrees

89%

Speak English

88%

Earn above the minimum needed to live