

Immigrants Make CT-4 Stronger

*An estimated **203,000** immigrants live in CT-4, making up **27%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **35%** of households in CT-4.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of CT-4's economy. Some 33% of CT-4's labor force are immigrants, including 54% of the construction industry, 24% of agriculture, 39% of manufacturing, 30% of business services, and 35% of leisure and hospitality.

About **9,000** immigrants in CT-4 work in **STEM-related jobs**, of which 29% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 40% of STEM degree holders in CT-4 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost CT-4's communities. Some 87,000 immigrants, or about 43% of all immigrants in CT-4, are U.S. citizens. About 38,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 15,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated **16%** of individuals in CT-4, or some **124,000**, are either **undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant**. Some 23,000 U.S. citizen children in CT-4 live with an undocumented parent, while some 4,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 29,000 undocumented individuals in CT-4 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 14,000 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 \$223 million annually to CT-4's economy**. They also contribute \$33 million in state and local taxes each year.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 5,000 and **contributed \$123 million to CT-4's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 20,000 immigrants in CT-4 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$388 million to CT-4'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 15,000 workers in CT-4's labor force, and paying an estimated \$67 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$9.7 billion

Annual spending power

\$4.1 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

23,000

Self-employed

38%

With college or advanced degrees

91%

Speak English

88%

Earn above the minimum needed to live