

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to California's Agriculture Industry

*An estimated **488,000** immigrants work in California's agriculture industry, making up **71%** of California's agriculture workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost California's agriculture industry. Some 64,000 immigrants, or about 13% of all immigrants in California's agriculture industry, are U.S. citizens. About 175,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 22,000 are temporary immigrants on a nonimmigrant visa.

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 20,000 workers in California's agriculture industry. Some 4,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 2,000 workers in California's agriculture industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 16,000 immigrants working in California's agriculture industry are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim.

Immigrant groups protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—**have access to work permits, making up an estimated 30,000 agriculture industry workers in California.**

\$11.6 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant agriculture industry workers

\$2.8 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant agriculture industry workers

24,000

Self-employed immigrant agriculture industry workers