

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Colorado's Manufacturing Industry

*An estimated **34,000** immigrants work in Colorado's manufacturing industry, making up **14%** of Colorado's manufacturing workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Colorado's manufacturing industry. Some 15,000 immigrants, or about 44% of all immigrants in Colorado's manufacturing industry, are U.S. citizens. About 7,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 2,000 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 1,000 workers in Colorado's manufacturing industry. 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—number 2,000 workers in Colorado's manufacturing industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 3,000 immigrants working in Colorado's manufacturing 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 4,000 manufacturing industry workers in Colorado.**

\$2.3 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant manufacturing industry workers

\$0.8 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant manufacturing industry workers

1,000

Self-employed immigrant manufacturing industry workers