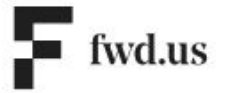


# Immigrants Make Colorado Springs Metro Stronger



*An estimated **68,000** immigrants live in Colorado Springs, making up **9%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **14%** of households in Colorado Springs.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of Colorado Springs' economy. Some 10% of Colorado Springs' labor force are immigrants, including 19% of the construction industry, 11% of agriculture, 15% of manufacturing, 8% of business services, and 14% of leisure and hospitality.

About 3,000 immigrants in Colorado Springs work in STEM-related jobs, of which 7% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 12% of STEM degree holders in Colorado Springs are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Colorado Springs' communities. Some 29,000 immigrants, or about 43% of all immigrants in Colorado Springs, are U.S. citizens. About 16,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 3,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

Some 32,000 are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 6,000 U.S. citizen children in Colorado Springs live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 6,000 undocumented individuals in Colorado Springs have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 4,000 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 2,000 and contribute **\$61 million annually to Colorado Springs' economy**. They also contribute \$7 million in state and local taxes each year. 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—numbered 1,000 and contributed **\$37 million to Colorado Springs' economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 8,000 immigrants in Colorado Springs are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$192 million to Colorado Springs' 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 Colorado Springs' labor force, and paying an estimated \$22 million annually in state and local taxes**.

**\$2.5 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$762 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**7,000**

Self-employed

**32%**

With college or advanced degrees

**93%**

Speak English

**91%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live