

# Immigrants Make FL-13 Stronger

*An estimated **106,000** immigrants live in FL-13, making up **14%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **17%** of households in FL-13.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of FL-13's economy. Some 16% of FL-13's labor force are immigrants, including 21% of the construction industry, 82% of agriculture, 23% of manufacturing, 17% of business services, and 17% of leisure and hospitality.

About **5,000** immigrants in FL-13 work in **STEM-related jobs**, of which 24% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 26% of STEM degree holders in FL-13 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost FL-13's communities. Some 61,000 immigrants, or about 58% of all immigrants in FL-13, are U.S. citizens. About 20,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated **6%** of individuals in FL-13, or some **42,000**, are either **undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant**. Some 7,000 U.S. citizen children in FL-13 live with an undocumented parent, while some 4,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 7,000 undocumented individuals in FL-13 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 6,000 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 \$40 million annually to FL-13's economy**. They also contribute \$5 million in state and local taxes each year.

**Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders**—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 4,000 and **contributed \$8 million to FL-13's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 7,000 immigrants in FL-13 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$109 million to FL-13'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 6,000 workers in FL-13's labor force, and paying an estimated \$15 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$3.9 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$1.2 billion**

Annual combined taxes paid

**14,000**

Self-employed

**38%**

With college or advanced degrees

**92%**

Speak English

**92%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live